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THE DRUDING FAMILY

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# From Old Records

- 1498 Tole Drudinck, 3 persons
- 1535 Tole Drudinck,  $\frac{1}{2}$  Gg. 2 Gg., 2 Schrickenberger  
Werneke Drudinck,  $\frac{1}{2}$  Gg. 1 Gg., 3 Schrickenberger
- 1538 (Oldenburg Invasion) Tole Drudinck from Jurgen van Holle purchased one ox for 3 Daler
- 1545 Tole Drudinck has 6 milk cows, 4 horses, 2 oxen, 7 goats, 8 cattle, 13 pigs, 20 sheep, 2 beehives, appraised at 108 Gg (of it taxes)  $\frac{1}{2}$  Gg 11 Deit  
Werneke Drudinck has 2 milk cows, 4 horses, 3 oxen, 6 goats, 6 cattle, 11 sheep, 14 pigs, 6 beehives - 130 Gg -  $\frac{1}{2}$  Gg 3 Schilling  $1\frac{1}{2}$  Deit  
(The first place is larger and has more livestock, but they owe allegiance to the landlord and therefore have to pay high taxes; the second place is smaller but is higher appraised because they do not owe allegiance.)
- 1549 Tole Drudinck, Grethe wife, Dirich son, Swaneke, Gesse daughters, 5 persons
- 1567 Tholen Dirichs cowhand Hinrich received for service from Elsten 9 Schilling 7 Deit Borgmannsbracke
- 1568 Tole the Elsten, man, wife, Fenneke family, 15 Schilling
- 1564-1580 Borchardt Drudinck, 1 Schilling pay for farmhand
- 1576 1580 Borchardt Drudinck,  $\frac{1}{2}$  Gg service pay
- 1578 Tole Drudinck,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  Gg taxes
- 1576-1580 Thole Drudinck gave 1 bushel rye and 4 bushel oats for a special tax
- 1594 Tholen Dirich paid 1 Daler district taxes
- 1580-1609 Borchardt Drudinck, 1 Schilling pay for farmhand
- 1609 The same -  $1\frac{1}{2}$  Gg service pay
- 1608 Tolen Dirich, 4 horses, 3 foals, 5 milk cows, 2 oxen, 3 cattle, 6 pigs, 13 sheep - taxes:  $2\frac{1}{2}$  Daler 3 Schilling 3 Deit
- 1580-1609 Toeie Drudinck (Drudinck, Drudingh) gives Desumangefalle (special tax)
- 1651 (Kommunikantanregister in Osnabruck): Tolen with wife and 3 children
- 1580-1591 Borchardt Drudinck,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Gg household tax
- 1597-1609 Berend Drudinck,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Gg household tax
- 1661 Thole, man, wife, Magst, Johan, Aneke 7 years old, 23+ 12+ 6 Schilling Taxes
- 1663 (According to a document from 1618) Tole Druding gives special tax
- 1664 Heir Tholen Johan, man, wife, servant, 1 Daler 14 Schilling - 18 Schilling 8 Deit - 5 Schilling 4 Deit, Anneke 10 years old, Johan  $1\frac{1}{2}$  years old
- 1665 One plow heirdom Tholen Johan to Elsten  
man 1, 9, 4  
wife 0, 18, 8  
farmhand 0, 9, 4 - - - 2, 9, 4 (Daler - Schilling - Deit)
- 1669 Tholen Johan sole heir, 2 horses over two years, 3 milk cows, 2 cows over two years, 2 calves, 3 pigs over  $\frac{1}{2}$  year, 20 sheep
- 1680 Tholen Johann sole heir 3 Daler

## Notes:

Gg - Goldgulden (old German currency)

Schilling - Daler - Deit (old German currency)

Allegiance - during the time of feudalism many farmers were subjects. This means they were under the power or control of or owed allegiance to a sovereign.

Desumangefalle - special tax, can not be further translated.

Tole or Thole is middle low german for oar or oarsman, or from the northernmost limit of the habitable world.

Cloppenburg is comprised of the villages of Lwogendorf, Krapendorf, and Elsten. In 1803, Cloppenburg, Vechta, and Wildehausen and environs, were ceded by the province of Hannover to the Grand Duchy of Oldenburg.

"Glorious, Christian and comforting is that one does not forget at any time the dear forefathers who lived before us"

"To honor the ancestors, To teach the descendants."

## DRUDING FAMILY - CLOPPENBURG UNTIL 1947

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All genealogical research ends with a farm or farmstead. Farm huts or sheds are older than our villages, cities, and aristocratic citizens. The proper names of the farms are not as old as one earlier thought. Many names are regional, place, or site names, for example: Farmhouse, Part of the Mountain; others owe their names to the position of the farms, for example: Northman (north farm), Southkamp (south enclosure or preserve), Westerhoff (western farm), Osterhus, (eastern house). Others originated out of earlier owners of Christian names, for example: From Albertus - Alberg, Alberding; from Bartholomaeus - Barthel; Thole - Tholking; from Diedrich - Dierkes, Druhe, Druding, etc.

Professor Dr. Pagenstert, in his book "The Farmstead of the Domain of Vechte", wrote, 'very many derivations of names under which also on Page 15 the derivation of Druding from Diedrich.'

Professor Dr. Hans Neumann, specialist in name research from the University of Gottingen, writes 'the name Druding from Diedrich is very strange. The name Druding has been good germanic and was used for nine hundred years as a female personal name in the form of Drudinga, there are old document derivations which represent Drudo which are today known as Drude. They belong to Drud, trut (traut) from germanic Druda. Galienter, Geliechte, but also a younger extraction out of the short form of Gertrude (Gertrud) can be questioned.'

From where do the Drudings in Cloppenburg stem? With great certainty this family is from the farmstead of Thole in Elsten. This village still has tax records. According to the tax records, the following families lived there:

1498 - Tole Drudink  
1535 - Werneke Drudink  
1580 - Bernhard Drudink  
1609 - Tole Drudink

Since 1651 only the name Tole is used. The tax records do not list a Druding in Cloppenburg until 1672. In this year, the following is listed:

Thole von Elsten and the wife of the household, also sons Arendt 4 and Carl 1 year old, paid 1 Goldgulden.

According to the records at the city hall of Cloppenburg, Thole von Elsten owned in 1668: 1 horse, 3 cows, 2 oxen.

In 1676, his name is shown as Tole Druding von Elsten. The church records show the following children were born and baptized:

May 18, 1670 - Carolus Georgius of Cloppenburg  
Parents: Tole von Elsten and Anna Margareta Borggraves  
Sponsors: Carolus Grothaus, satrapa, and Georgius, centurio  
(The child Carl is, according to the tax record of 1672, one year old. This was recorded on March 18, 1672, by the judge of Cloppenburg, Jodnous Langren and the privy councilor, Hermann Hesselmann of Munster. The original is in the city archives of Munster.)

April 3, 1672 - born and baptized Margareta of Cloppenburg  
Parents: Thole von Elsten and Margareta, wife  
Godparents: Margareta Klostermann, wife of Consulis Roden, and Joes Meyer of Cloppenburg

From now on the church records do not show the name Thole von Elsten, instead they show the name Druding. Here are three recordings:

May 18, 1683 - married, Gerhard Druding ex Cloppenburg and Gesche Osterkamp  
Witnesses: Tobias Schwaffermann, Cath. von Gronheimb.  
No children have been recorded from this marriage; the wife was born about 1640.

Listed in the death records are:

April 4, 1699 - Gerhard Druding of Cloppenburg  
April 23, 1711, ex Cloppenburg, Gesche Osterkamp vel ridua Druding. The church records have been changed. The name Tole has been crossed out and Osterkamp written in above it.

The confirmation list of 1709 lists names of the following houses:

Druding	Drudinck
Joan Arnold p.f.	Wilhelm Krampe cond.
Lucke Maria m.f.	Sybilla Christine m.
Joan Bernard, fil.	Christine Elis. fil
Marg. mater joris	Joanna Meyer Coh.
	Joh. Herm. fil.
	Martin Theod. fil.
	Franziskus fil.
	Sybilla fil.
	Joan Herm. fil.

There existed only one Druding family, the second Druding house was leased to Krampe who took in a woman with five children. This second house of Druding was probably owned and occupied earlier by Gerhard Druding (died in 1699) and his wife, Gesche, nee Osterkamp. The Mrs. Druding was not confirmed in 1709. She may have been confirmed earlier in 1682, 1694, or 1700. She also may not have participated because of illness.

The original house of the Drudings in Cloppenburg is located on the corner of Osterstrasse-Amthaustrasse, now occupied by the merchant and innkeeper Jos. von Amburen.

Thole von Elsten in Cloppenburg and Thole Druding are one and the same family.

Following are the generations:

## Generation I.

1. Thole Druding von Elsten, born ca 1630, died February 16, 1728 - 98 years old, married Anna Margareta Borggravens. (The name Borggravens means: Anna Margareta was the daughter of the Borggrave, the administrator who had supervision over the buildings of the castle. One of his duties was to lock up the prisoners. But, he was not the Burggraf (Count of the castle) as one might think.

## Children:

1. Arndt, born ca 1668 (heir)
2. Carolus Georgius, born May 18, 1670  
Sponsors: Carolus Grothaus, satrapa and Georgius, centurio.
3. Margareta, born April 3, 1672, died April 6, 1724  
Godparents: Marg. Klostermann, wife of Consulius Roden, and Joes Meyer of Cloppenburg.  
Married: 1. February 12, 1697 to Heinrich von Cappel  
2. May 25, 1700 to Heinrich Hummert  
The witness at both wedding ceremonies was Gerhard Arnold Druding, probably the Arndt, born ca 1668, and also the same who married January 31, 1702 in the second generation.

In the Baptism Register we also find the mothers:

1702-1704 Cath. Gesina Druding, wife of Joan Meyer - Cloppenburg, born ca 1662, died October 15, 1722, 60 years old.  
1726 Maria Elisabeth Druding as Mrs. Schnieder in Vahren.

According to the death records we find the following:

1694 - June 4 - Dirich Druding of Cloppenburg  
1697 - June 20 - Lucke Druding of Cloppenburg

It is assumed that at least Gesina Druding, Mrs. Meyer, belongs to the family because on January 8, 1704, Lucke Marg. Druding enters the scene as godmother. (See Generation II.)

Extracts from tax records:

1548 Hermann von Halen, Borchgrave  
1609 Gerdt Stedink and wife, Borchgrave of the office house (Amthaus)  
1662 Wittib Steding - 3 children, 1 farmhand (male), 1 farmhand (female)  
1672 Hermann Wigberts, Burggrawe and wife.

The assumption can be made that Anna Margareta Borggravens was a daughter of Gerdt Steding. The house of the Stedings was purchased by Gerd Hoffman and Mrs. Marg. Plaspool in 1700. Until then, they had lived in Lankus. The house remained the property of the family until 1923 when Mrs. Heinrich Hoffman (Auguste Laufermann) died childless. Hoffmann was often called "Strange Stedings."

Note: Borchgrave and Burggrave are titles meaning supervisor or administrator.

## Generation II.

11. Joan Arnold Druding, b. ca. 1668, d. July 18, 1735 - 72 years old, son of Thole Druding von Elsten and Anna Margaretta Borggravens, m. on January 31, 1702, Margareta Lucretia von Gronheim, b. March 10, 1682 in Cloppenburg, d. in 1740. Daughter of Barendt von Gronheim and Lucke, his wife. Witnesses: Carolus Polzer, Mathies von Gronheim.

### Children:

1. Joan Bernard Heinrich, b. February 6, 1703 (heir)  
Godparents: Bernard von Gronheim, Lucke Ahleid Velthuss, Heinrich Hummert.  
Married: 1. In Lohne, June 6, 1731, to Clara Elisabeth Gieseke  
2. In Cloppenburg, February 17, 1737, to Clara Angela Bothe
2. Margareta Ahleid, b. April 21, 1705, d. October 1, 1781  
Godparents: Margareta Druding, widow  
Married on May 16, 1722, to Heinrich Schmidz of Crapendorf\*
3. Maria Elisabeth, b. January 3, 1710, d. 1759  
Godparents: Maria Elis. Moller, Gerhard Hellmann
4. Margareta Dorothea, b. April 10, 1715  
Godparents: Marg. Druding, Joes Hobing

Married on July 22, 1741, Hermann Bothe to Anna Catharina Druding.

Witnesses: Joes Bernard Druding, Johann Adolf Drake. Baptism records of the bride could not be found, but she has to be a child of the couple mentioned above.

\* Referring to Schmidz, read in the History of the Catholic Parishes, Chapter ... Page 489 - number 13, and page 131 - 134: Concluding Johann Gabriel Schmidz was, from 1730 to 1744, priest in Vechta, and in 1736 was appointed to a superior position. A brother, Hermann Heinrich Schmidz was a physician in Cloppenburg. ... On April 4, 1854, Anna Maria Schmidz from Sogel in Loninggen was godmother.

## Generation III.

111. Joan Bernard Heinrich Druding, b. in Cloppenburg, February 6, 1703, d. March 5, 1748, son on Joan Arnold Druding and Marg. Lucretia von Gronheim.  
Married: 1. In Lohne, June 6, 1731, to Clara Elisabeth Gieseke, who was b. in Lohne, April 13, 1711, d. March 19, 1732, in Cloppenburg, 21 years, daughter of Bern. Sigm. Gieseke and Marg. Spiegelberg.

### Children: (first marriage)

1. Maria Margareta Agnes, b. March 12, 1732  
Godparents: Marg. von Gronheim, Heinrich Schmitz  
  
Married: 2. in Cloppenburg, February 17, 1737, to Clara Angela Bothe, b. in Cloppenburg, November 9, 1713, d. in Cloppenburg, April 25, 1781, daughter of Gerh. Adolph Bothe and Anna. Marg. Lohe. She married, after the death of Joan Bernard Heinrich Druding, Ehemann Henricus Tyken of Schmertheim on February 10, 1752, b. May 17, 1705, d. April 20, 1758 - 54 years. He was the son of Joan Tyken and Catharina Gesina Budde.

### Children: (second marriage of Joan Bernard Heinrich Druding and Clara Angela Bothe)

2. Joannes Arnoldus, b. January 30, 1738, d. September 26, 1811 (heir)  
Godparents: Hermann Bothe, Marg. Ahleid Druding, Duc. Schmitz  
Married on November 26, 1765 to Maria Anna Lowissa Klopfer



3. Anna Margareta Elisabeth Bernardine, b. November 12, 1739  
Godparents: Marg. Ahleid Druding, Frau Schmitz, Henri Hulmann  
Married on November 6, 1764, to Henricus Schulte of Barsel
4. Maria Anna Henrietta, b. April 23, 1742, d. October 13, 1810  
Godparents: Maria Angela Meyer, Henricus Schmitz  
Married in Cloppenburg on November 15, 1767, to Everhard Henric Hummert  
Provisor (Ecelsia)
5. Franziskus Adolph Gerhard, b. August 5, 1744  
Godparents: Herm. Gottfried Bothe, Marg. Ahleid Druding, Frau Schmitz

#### Generation IV.

- IV. Johann Arnold Druding, b. in Cloppenburg, January 30, 1738, d. September 29, 1811, son of John. Bern. Heinr. Druding and Clara Angela Bothe, m. in Cloppenburg on November 26, 1765, to Maria Anna Lowisa Kloppe, b. in Munster, i.W. ca 1746, d. in Cloppenburg, May 17, 1810, daughter of John. Theod. Kloppe and Maria Haensen.

#### Children:

1. Joannes Bernardus Henricus Maria, b. September 24, 1766, died December 29, 1834  
Godparents: Franz Adolph Gerhard Druding, Mar. Cath. Schmitz
2. Joes Theod. Henric, b. December 26, 1767  
Godparents: Everhard Henric Hummert, Mar. Gertrude Holthaus gt Vaget  
Married in Merzen on November 15, 1791, Maria Borgmann
3. Maria Anna Lowisa, b. May 4, 1769  
Godparents: Mar. Anna Druding, called Hummert, Joes Adolph Bothe  
Married on February 3, 1791, to Antonius Overmann of Rheine
4. Franz Arnold Joseph, b. March 1, 1771  
Godparents: Joes Henr. Joseph Schmitz, Mar. Anna Druding (called Hummert),  
Henr. Druding. Married June 4, 1797 to Anna Marg. Hoffmann.
5. Everhard Friedrich Theodor, b. January 2, 1773, d. May 8, 1781  
Godparents: Everh. Hummert, Anna Mar. Theodora Bothe
6. Joes Henric Joseph, b. November 26, 1774, d. June 7, 1777  
Godparents: Joes Adolph Bothe, Anna Dorothea Vernhorn, called Hummert
7. Clara Angela Henrietta, b. December 27, 1775, d. June 7, 1777  
Godparents: Clara Ang. Bothe, called Druding, Otto von Amburen
8. Michael Anton, b. November 23, 1777  
Godparents: Michael Vaget, Mar. Anna Druding, called Hummert  
Married January 24, 1805 to Franziska Hogertz
9. Anna Elisabeth Antonetta, b. September 6, 1779, d. May 19, 1781  
Godparents: Mar. Marg. Druding, called Schultz, Everh. Ant. Meyer
10. Christian Caspar, ob neccsaritatem, b. February 17, 1781, d. February 20, 1781  
Godparents: Christ. Bern. Nolback, Mar. Anna Druding, called Hummert
11. Joes Arnold Henric Theodor, b. December 31, 1781 (merchant in Merzen)  
Godparents: Everh. Henric Hummert, Theodore Bern. Vaget & Nolbeck  
Married on April 19, 1814, to Christina Ploch of Crapendorf
12. Joes Friedrich Joseph, b. November 8, 1783  
Godparents: Joes Friedrich, Jos. Kloppe, Signifer, Reg. Gertr. Jose. Bern.  
Schroder. Married July 11, 1815 to Maria Anna Frye of Langforden.
13. Joes Henric, b. September 24, 1785  
Godparents: Joes Henric Holthaus, Marg. Anna Druding, called Hummert  
Married in Loning on June 27, 1818 to Gertrud Antonette Klusenner
14. Anna Elisabeth Bernardine, b. August 18, 1788  
Godparents: Anna Elis. Meyer, called Honemann, Bern Christ. Nolbeck  
Married on January 18, 1814, to Philipp August Nolte from Crapendorf
15. Anna Catharina Gertrud, b. October 5, 1790, d. December 24, 1790  
Godparents: Anna Cath. Gertrud Schade, nee Bothe, Casp. von der Horst

Notes:

Joes Arnold Henric Theodor (No. 11) and his wife, maiden name Plochg, must have died young because the following is recorded in the death records at Cloppenburg:

1820 - January 29, died Elisabeth Druding, daughter of the late merchant, Arnold Druding and of the late Maria Christina Plochg.

Concerning No. IV, read "Excursions through the Oldenburger Munsterland: by Dr. G. Reinke, Volume 5, Page 71 and Page 195.

Generation V.

- F. Franz Arnold Joseph Druding, b. in Cloppenburg on March 1, 1771, d. in Cloppenburg March 19, 1853, son of John. Arnold Druding and Mar. Anna Lowisa Kloppe, m. on June 4, 1797 to Anna Marg. Hoffmann, b. in Cloppenburg August 5, 1771, d. in Cloppenburg June 24, 1846, daughter of Joh. Gerh. Hoffmann and Mar. Christine Hagedorn.

Children:

1. Maria Anna Christine Franziska, b. March 6, 1798, d. June 8, 1802  
Godparents: Mar. Anna Kloppe s. Druding, Joh. Gerh. Hoffmann
2. Maria Christine Johanna, b. July 16, 1799  
Godparents: Joes Arn. Druding, Regina Cath. Greve  
Married on January 29, 1826, to widower Jakob Bruning, innkeeper in Cloppenburg
3. Johann Franz Arnold, b. October 16, 1800  
Godparents: Joh. Bern. Druding, Cath. Hoffmann, called Bly  
Married on January 18, 1831, to Charlotte Meyer of Crapendorf
4. Maria Anna Henrietta, b. November 18, 1802, d. March 30, 1830  
Godparents: Mar. Anna Hoffmann, Gerh. Heinr. Hummert
5. Johann Caspar, b. November 11, 1804 (heir)  
Godparents: Gerh. Caspar Hoffmann, Elis. Druding  
Married on September 5, 1844 to Maria Marg. Elis. Wittrock
6. Anna Maria Friederika, b. May 18, 1807, d. in Dinklage on March 3, 1893  
Godparents: Anna Mar. Franziska Hoffmann, Friedr. Druding

Notes:

Franz Arnold Joseph Druding did not inherit the house of his parents. He was a carpenter and his wife received a building site beside Hoffmann, now a corner of Oster- and Hagenstreet. The house which had been erected there was destroyed by fire in 1904. (Literature: Niemann, "County Cloppenburg, page 178.)

- M. Michael Anton Druding, goldsmith in Crapendorf, b. in Cloppenburg on November 23, 1777, son of John. Arnold Druding, Maria Anna Lowisa Kloppe, m. in Cloppenburg on January 24, 1805, Franziska Hogertz, b. March 14, 1777, d. February 18, 1841, daughter of Friedrich Anton Hogertz and Clara Franziska Hueden.

Children:

1. Arnold Christian George., b. April 3, 1805  
Godparents: John. Arnold Druding, Mar. Christ. Hogertz
2. Friedrich Anton Bernard, b. May 16, 1807  
Godparents: Arn. Hogertz, Mar. Anna Druding born Kloppe  
Married on June 13, 1833 to Dorothea Budde of Molbergen
3. Clara Franziska Bernardine, b. February 4, 1810  
Godparents: Therisa Hueden, Joann Bernard Druding



4. Joannes Franziskus, b. March 22, 1812  
Godparents: Franz Druding, Franziska Meyer called Hogertz  
In 1843/46 went to North America
5. Friedrich Franz, b. March 1, 1815  
Godparents: Friedrich Druding, Clara Franziska Wessels called Kleene  
Married on January 22, 1839 to Anna Wilh. Cath. Weis of Crapendorf
6. Heinric August Wilhelm, b. April 27, 1818  
Godparents: Joann Henrich Kleene, Elis. Nolte born Druding  
In 1843/46 went to North America.

Copy of Document, Courthouse, Cloppenburg, concerning passports, etc.

Passport - Control - No. 6

Name: Anton Druding with his son, daughter-in-law and 5 grandchildren

Occupation: Goldsmith

Place of Birth:

Crapendorf

Residence:

Traveling Through Bremerhaven to Philadelphia

Issued on July 11, 1850

Valid for Travel

Legalized through his acquaintances and connections

DESCRIPTION

Religion:	Catholic	Mouth:	Ordinary
Age:	74 years old	Teeth:	Imperfect
Height:	5'11"	Chin:	Round and Full
Figure:	Mature	Beard:	Shaved
Hair:	Graying	Shape of Face:	Round and Full
Forehead:	Clear	Coloring of Face:	Healthy
Eyes:	Blue	Particular characteristics:	
Eyebrows:	Graying		Beginning baldness
Nose:	Ordinary		

(Handwriting of the Owner)  
Druding

- J. Joes Friedrich Joseph Druding, farmer in Cloppenburg, b. in Cloppenburg, November 8, 1783, d. August 19, 1830, formally Wirt, son of John Arnoldt Druding and Maria Anna Lowisa Kloppe. Married July 11, 1815 to Maria Anna Frye, b. in Langforden on December 14, 1792, d. in Cloppenburg April 23, 1835 - 42 years old. She was the daughter of Anton Jos. Frye and Mar. Anna Veget. Dispensed in 4 and 3 degree of blood relation.

Children:

1. Bernard Anton Joseph, b. April 15, 1816.  
Godparents: Herm. Ant. Jos. Hogertz loco Bern. Ant. Jos. Frye, Elizabeth Nolte, born Druding
2. Theodora Elis. Bernardine, b. October 16, 1818  
Godparents: Theodora Elis. Frye, born von Amburen, Joan. Bern. Druding

3. Peter Paul Joseph Franz, b. June 28, 1821  
Godparents: Herm. Ant. Hogertz, Marg. Franziska Druding, born Hoffman
4. Euphrosina Friederika, b. July 1, 1824, d. June 11, 1847  
Godparents: Euphrosina Iken Pro-qua, Mar. Anna Adelmann, Ant. Holthaus
5. Elisabeth Franziska, b. August 19, 1827  
Godparents: Anna Elis. Bothe, born Brinkmann, Franz Druding
6. Christian Friederich, b. April 19, 1831  
Godparents: Frieder. Ant. Bothe, Christina Bruning, born Druding

Note: Extract from documents at City Hall, Cloppenburg, concerning passports etc., On June 30, 1844, a passport was issued to farmer Fritz Druding in Cloppenburg for a journey to Hamburg to visit his brother. He was accompanied by his 13 year old son.

- H. Johann Henrich Druding, goldsmith in Loningen, b. September 24, 1785, in Cloppenburg, d. November 22, 1840, 55 years old, son of John. Arn. Druding and Maria Anna Louisa Kloppe, m. on June 27, 1818, in Loningen to Gertrud Antoinetta Klunne, b. March 2, 1791, d. in Loningen August 7, 1844, 53 years old. Parents unknown.

#### Children:

1. Arnold Bernard Friedrich, b. May 19, 1818, d. December 25, 1857  
Godparents: Friedrich Berenzen, Cath. Munzebrock, born Melchers, single, died of tuberculosis at age 39
2. Bernard Heinrich Anton, b. April 27, 1830, d. August 3, 1842, single  
Godparents: Bern. Herm. Lowe, Marianne Klunne
3. Antonius Alexander Maximilian, b. October 22, 1822, d. September 3, 1841 - single  
Godparents: Anton Holts, M. Cath. Kotter, born Focken
4. Hermann Heinrich August, b. May 12, 1825  
Godparents: Heinrich Linnemann, Franziska Klunne, husband of Clara Elis Runde
5. Anton Wilhelm Hermann, b. August 2, 1828, d. February 1, 1834  
Godparents: Anton Druding, Marianne Winkoff
6. Hermann Heinrich Lambert, b. July 10, 1835  
Godparents: Lambert Doe, widow Anna Marg. Trienen
7. Gustav Franz Wilhelm, b. November 23, 1836  
Godparents: Wilh. Druding from Papenburg, Franz Werner from Loningen

That Druding in Loningen was a respected man is proved by the fact that he was elected mayor. This family seems to have broken off relations with the Drudings in Cloppenburg. Among the sponsors we find only one Druding from Cloppenburg (No. 5). The distance from Loningen to Cloppenburg is 25 kilometers. Compare dates of marriage and first baptism. Around 1947 there are still Klunnes in Loningen who are laborers.

#### Generation VI.

- F1 Johann Franz Arnold Druding, carpenter-cabinetmaker in Cloppenburg, b. October 16, 1800, d. November 7, 1879, son of Franz Arnold Jos. Druding and Anna Marg. Hoffmann. Married on January 18, 1831, to Charlotte Meyer of Crapendorf, b. in 1812, d. December 15, 1889 - 77 years old - daughter of Meyer, English Adjutant in English Military, Alice Young.

#### Children:

1. Maria Anna Charlotte Franziska, b. September 6, 1831, d. September 28, 1877  
Godparents: Mar. Anna Meyer, born Wienken, Franz Druding

2. Caspar Julius, b. June 6, 1833  
Godparents: Caspar Druding, Maria Meyer  
Married on February 21, 1865 to Elis. Beckermann
3. Arnold Theodor, b. January 9, 1835  
Godparents: Theodor. Meyer, Marg. Druding born Hoffman  
Married on October 21, 1862, to Antonia Aug. Dusmann
4. Friedrich August, b. April 1, 1837  
Godparents: Friedr. Taphorn, Christine Bruning born Druding  
Married on October 3, 1877 to Maria Anna Bern. Wittig, b. October 19, 1835,  
d. September 5, 1901, daughter of Merchant Ant. Wittig and Antonette Honemann.
5. Gerhard Henrich Anton, b. October 12, 1839, d. December 9, 1851  
Godparents: Gerh. Ant. Fredewess, John Christ. Hoffmann
6. Maria Bernadine, b. June 3, 1842  
Godparents: Bernadine Badde, called Taphorn, Casp. Hoffmann  
Married on January 16, 1868, to Eisenbahn-Assistant Clem. Aug. Kramen, Cloppenburg.
7. Gerhard Hermann Heinrich, b. October 23, 1844, d. February 9, 1852  
Godparents: Heinr. Meyer, Elis. Wittrock, called Druding
8. Eugeline Elisabeth Charlotte, b. October 31, 1846, d. November 22, 1872  
Godparents: Gerh. Heinr. Hoffmann, Angela Taphorn called Rother
9. Theodor Gerhard Heinrich, b. April 29, 1849  
Godparents: John Heinr. Sehlhorst, Dorothea Bruning  
Married in Friesoythe on August 3, 1872 to Mar. Franziska Mertens. In 1885  
went to U.S.A. without wife.
10. Johanna Elisabeth Auguste, b. January 12, 1851  
Godparents: Elis. Plochg, called Meyer, August Nolte
11. Hermann Gerhard Bernard, b. April 15, 1854  
Godparents: Joh. Gerh. Gardewin, Elis. Wreesmann called Hoffmann.

According to the church records, the first name of Meyer has not been registered. He originated from the Meyer farm in Buhren, near Cloppenburg. He went to England, entered the military and married Alice Young. Their daughter, Charlotte, was born in Malta.

Friedrich August (No. 4) was a writer and filer of documents (old German Aktuar) in Elsfleth at the time of his marriage. Because of difficulty with his employer, he disappeared suddenly. It is believed he went to the United States. His wife died in Cloppenburg. There were no children, otherwise they would have made an appearance when the Wittig family died out.

From the death records in Cloppenburg:

1820 - May 10, Alice Young, wife of Joann Friedrich Meyer, adjutant in the first battalion, English military service, Buhren, 38 years old.

The grave site of Mrs. Druding, maiden name Wittig, is located at the old cemetery in Cloppenburg in the eastern part of the southside. Inscription: Resting here Maria Wittig, b. October 19, 1853, d. September 5, 1901; and her uncle, Bernard Honemann, b. May 3, 1823, d. February 20, 1903.

- F2 Johann Caspar Druding, b. in Cloppenburg, November 11, 1804, d. April 19, 1880, son of Franz Arnold Joseph Druding and Anna Marg. Hoffmann, m. in Cloppenburg September 5, 1844 to Mar. Marg. Elis. Wittrock, b. in Cloppenburg, November 8, 1818, d. January 5, 1883, daughter of Lambert Wittrock and Elis. Cath. Krose.

Children:

1. Maria Anna Christine, b. November 11, 1845, d. November 1, 1906  
Godparents: Bernard Lanfermann, Christine Druding, called Bruning  
(Teacher in Dinklage - usually called Minna)
  2. Maria Anna Franziska Auguste, b. August 31, 1848  
Godparents: Maria Anna Wittrock, called Lanfermann, Franz Druding  
Married October 23, 1883 to Antone Jos. Lanfermann
  3. Josephine Dorothea Antonia, b. May 15, 1850  
Godparents: Arnold Druding, Antonetta Wittrock  
In 1870 went to North America
  4. Frederika Johanna Charlotte Elis., b. February 9, 1852  
Godparents: Charlotte Meyer, called Druding, Friedr. Anton Brinkmann  
In 1871 went to North America
  5. Maria Gertrud Bernardine, b. March 24, 1854, d. in Philadelphia January 1, 1923  
Godparents: Mar. Gert. Arck called Badde, Bernard Bruning  
In 1873 went to Hamburg
  6. Gerhard Heinrich, b. February 28, 1857  
Godparents: Heinr. Hoffmann, Elis. Scharpekant, called Brinkmann
  7. Nikolaus Caspar, b. February 28, 1857  
Godparents: Nikolaus Badde, Mar. Anna Druding  
In 1871, Gerhard Heinrich and Nikolaus Caspar went to North America.
  8. Franz Friedrich August, b. July 14, 1859  
Godparents: Friedr. Taphorn, Agnes Bartel, called Bruning  
In 1874 went to North America
  9. Maria Anna Theodora, b. January 12, 1862  
Godparents: Mar. Anna Lanfermann, Franz. Aug. Nolte
- M1 Friedrich Anton Bernard Druding, goldsmith, b. May 16, 1807, son of Michael Anton Druding and Franziska Hogertz, m. on June 13, 1833 Dorothea Budde from Molbergen, daughter of Adolf Budde, sexton, and Josephine Krose.

Note: After Wittig, Adolf Budde was the third Budde to be a sexton.

Children:

1. Franz Anton Theodor, b. June 9, 1834  
Godparents: Mich. Ant. Druding, Anna Jos. Budde, maiden name Krose
  2. Heinrich Wilhelm, b. August 20, 1836  
Godparents: Joann Henrich Budde, Franziska Druding, maiden name Hogertz
  3. Johannes Carl, b. April 30, 1839, d. February 9, 1841  
Godparents: Joh. Franz Druding, Josephine Budde
  4. Friedrich Leonard, b. February 10, 1843  
Godparents: Friedrich Franz Druding, Mar. Elis. Budde
  5. Johann Heinrich Engelbert, b. May 29, 1846  
Godparents: Heinrich Lohmann, Cath. Weis, called Druding
  6. Christina Antonetta, b. May 3, 1849  
Godparents: Anton Deken, Christiana Druding called Bruning
- M2 Friedrich Franz Druding, coppersmith, Crapendorf, b. in Crapendorf March 1, 1815, d. August 27, 1891, son of Michael Anton Druding, goldsmith, and Franziska Hogertz, m. on January 22, 1839 to Anna Wilh. Catharina Weis of Crapendorf., b. ca 1812, d. April 20, 1881, daughter of Chirurgius Franz Joseph Weis and Mechtel Schade.

Children:

1. Sophia Antonetta Mechtildis, b. August 27, 1839, d. March 30, 1886  
Godparents: Mar. Mecht. Schade called Weis, Mich. Ant. Druding
2. Anton Johann, b. August 8, 1841, d. March 15, 1843  
Godparents: Friedr. Ant. Berh. Druding, Sophia Gertrd. Weis in place of Anna Mar. Louise Weis.
3. Theodor Ferdinand Joseph, b. November 6, 1844  
Godparents: Gerd. Aug. Weis, Dorothea Budde called Druding  
Married on April 9, 1872 to Theodora Elis. Sehlhorst
4. Johann Franz Friedrich, b. December 23, 1846  
Godparents: Joh. Franz Weis, instead of Arnold Druding, Bern. Adelh. Weis maiden name Umkraut
5. Friedrich Leonard, b. September 20, 1850  
Godparents: Friedr. Christ. Weis, Elis. Bern. Druding called Nolte
6. Franz August, b. October 5, 1852  
Godparents: Mar. Elis. John. Verwold, called Weis, Franz Aug. Nolte

Note: Extract from a document at city hall, Cloppenburg, concerning passports, on August 27, 1865, Leonard Druding in Cloppenburg, 14 years old, was issued a passport for a journey to Rotterdam.

- H1 Hermann Heinrich August Druding, b. in Loningén May 12, 1825, d. January 16, 1879 in Loningén, 53 years old, son of Joh. Heinr. Druding, Gertrud Antonetta Klunner, m. Clara Elis. Runde, b. ca 1830, d. January 28, 1855, 25 years. She died in Loningén.

Children:

1. Anna Gertrud Arnoldine, b. April 25, 1854  
Godparents: Arnold Druding, Loningén, Anna Marie Schmitz from Sogel

According to death records in Loningén, both died of tuberculosis.

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- F1-1 Caspar Julius Druding, cabinetmaker, left for Philadelphia in 1881 with entire family, b. June 6, 1833, son of Arnold Druding and Charlotte Meyer, m. on February 21, 1865, Elisabeth Beckermann, b. in Hausstette September 8, 1842. (Lived on Lange Street, now occupied by Tailor Bockmann.) Elisabeth was the daughter of teacher Heinr. Beckermann, Elis. Kathmann from Cappelín.

Children:

1. Leonard Heinrich Arnold, b. January 12, 1866  
Godparents: Heinr. Beckermann, teacher, Charlotte Meyer called Druding
2. Johann Caspar Arnold, b. February 29, 1868  
Godparents: Arnold Druding, Anna Cath. Maneke, called Beckermann  
In 1882 went to join his father in North America
3. Franz Arnold Max, b. October 3, 1870  
Godparents: Arnold Druding, Mar. Elis. Beckermann

4. Maria Anna Johanna Charlotte, b. February 23, 1873  
Godparents: Johanna Druding for Jenne Druding, called Fellage, John Beckermann
5. Clemens Joseph, b. July 15, 1876, d. July 26, 1876  
Godparents: Clem. Aug. Kramer, Josephine Beckermann

A letter from Alma Clara Bax, dated March 17, 1971, St. Elisabeth, Missouri, reveals the following: "My father's name was Frank Henry Bax, born at St. Elisabeth, Mo., on June 22, 1868, and died February 10, 1951. My mother was Marie Anna Charlotte Druding, born February 23, 1873, at Cloppenburg, Germany. My mother died November 8, 1929. They were married at St. Elisabeth, Mo. on April 12, 1893. Their children are as follows: Mathilda Catherine, born March 5, 1894; Alphonse Bernard, born January 18, 1896, died January 1947; Clemense Joseph, born March 1, 1898, died May 24, 1964; Henrietta Charlotte, born July 27, 1900; Alma Clara, born March 11, 1903; Rose Anna, born April 3, 1905; Janny Loretta, born August 3, 1907; Julius Frank, born April 22, 1910; Lawrence George, born February 21, 1912; Eugene Bernard, born June 20, 1914; Marie Francis, born May 11, 1917. Grandmother Druding came to St. Elisabeth in 1884 and my mother and her brother, Frank, from Germany to St. Elisabeth four years later, which would be 1888. Frank Druding, my mother's brother, died here on October 10, 1939. He went hunting and was killed accidentally.

The children of Leonard Heinrich Arnold Druding and his wife Elisabeth Schanzmeyer are as follows: Leonard J., deceased; Henry C. deceased; Frank; Julius; Charles; Catherine; Robert J.; Martha; Joseph L.

- F1-2 Arnold Theodore Druding, bookbinder, b. January 9, 1835, in Cloppenburg, d. July 9, 1904, son of Arnold Druding, Charlotte Meyer, m. on October 21, 1862 to Antonia Auguste Dusmann, b. in Neuenhaus on June 8, 1837, died in Cloppenburg March 19, 1895, daughter of merchant Paul Wilh. Dusmann, Bernardine Bartling

Children:

1. Pauline Charlotte Antonia, b. October 6, 1863, d. August 30, 1883  
Godparents: Charlotte Meyer, born Druding, Paul Wilh. Gerh. Dusmann
2. Johan Friedrich Bernard, b. June 21, 1865  
Godparents: Arnold Druding, Bernardine Dusmann, for Gert. Bern. Dusmann, called Tholen. Emigrated to the United States in 1883 and married there.
3. Elis. Bernardine Antonette, b. September 13, 1867, d. June 24, 1947 in Philadelphia. Married August 12, 1897 to dental technician Carl Gerh. Leopold Schardinger from Cloppenburg. Emigrated to the U.S.A. in 1906.
4. Gerhard Bernard, b. November 2, 1869  
Godparents: Gerh. Fellage, Bernardine Dusmann, called Tholen  
Married September 4, 1897 to Elis. Ant. Rosa Tabeling from Cloppenburg
5. Theodor Christian, b. May 21, 1872  
Godparents: Theod. Debring, Christine Bruning  
Bookbinder, single, died in Bergesdorf near Hamburg
6. Franziska Auguste, b. August 30, 1874, d. March 28, 1883  
Godparents: Franziska \_\_\_\_\_, August \_\_\_\_\_
7. Ludwig Johann, b. July 4, 1879, d. January 4, 1884  
Godparents: Ludwig Diekmann, Carol. Lubbehusen, maiden name Gottke



F1-3 Theodore Gerhard Heinrich Druding, civil service counselor in Damme, later Vechta, b. April 29, 1849, in Cloppenburg, d. April 18, 1933 in Cloppenburg, son of Johann Franz Arnold Druding and Charlotte Meyer, m. in Friesoythe August 3, 1872 to Maria Franziska Mertens, b. November 30, 1850, in Friesoythe, d. April 28, 1928, in Laggenbeck, province Tecklenburg, district Munster. She was the daughter of Johann Franz Mertens and Berhardina Mertens, maiden name Dieckstall.

Children:

1. Arnold Johann Bernhard Friedrich, b. November 22, 1873 in Damme in Oldenburg, d. October 8, 1945 in Waldtal near Breslau/Schlesien  
Godparents: Arnold Druding (Cloppenburg), Friedrich von der Esche (Damme) and widow Bernhardine Mertens (Friesoythe). S. J. ordination to priesthood in 1906 in Valkenburg (Holland), father superior in Breslau.
2. Arnold August Bernhard Theodor, b. October 30, 1875 in Damme  
Godparents: Arnold Borgmann (Dinklage), August Meyer (Damme) and Charlotte Druding (Cloppenburg) Teacher, later principal, pensioned in 1935 in Laggenbeck, lived then in Berlin, was deported by the gestapo and moved to Strausberg, easterly of Berlin, lived then in Leutesdorf, Rheinland. Died March 27, 1958 in the Theresianum, Mainz, of old age.
3. Charlotte Gertrud Maria Bernhardine, b. December 2, 1877 in Damme  
Godparents: Maria Kramer (Oldenburg), Gertrude Borgmann (Dinklage) and Gerhard Fellage (Cloppenburg). St. Joseph's Sister Louise de Gonzaga, teacher at the Catholic elementary school in Kopenhagen, now mother superior of the sisters Fredericia in Denmark.
4. Dina Charlotte Maria Franziska, b. December 23, 1879, in Vechta in Oldenburg  
Godparents: Clemens Fortmann (Vechta), Maria Anna Mertens, maiden name Hillebrand from Friesoythe, represented by Franziska Kramer (Vechta). St. Joseph's Sister Anna Genovefa, teacher at the girls junior college in Kopenhagen until the destruction of the school by bombs in 1945. Now at St. Joseph's hospital in Kopenhagen.
5. Clemens Caspar Christopher Theodor, b. December 22, 1881, in Vechta, d. April 11, 1958 in Berlin  
Godparents: Clemens Johann Middelbeck (Dinklage), Minna Druding (teacher in Dinklage) Teacher, received ordination to priesthood in 1917, employed at junior college in Lietzensee in Berlin until dissolution of the school by the Nazi's, then (from 1946) at the Catholic junior college in Berlin.
6. Marie Clementine Auguste Elisabeth, b. June 6, 1884 in Vechta, d. December 27, 1954 (eight days before her golden anniversary as a sister of the order).  
Godparents: Clemens August Kramer (Oldenburg) and widow Elisabeth Dieckstall, maiden name Pancratz (Dinklage). Sister ULF. Maria Victora, music teacher since 1903 in U.S.A., now at U.L.F. Academy in Toledo, Ohio.

F1-4 Hermann Gerhard Bernard Druding, cabinetmaker, b. April 15, 1854, son of Joh. Franz. Arnold Druding and Charlotte Meyer, m. in Vechta on September 26, 1878 to Christina Anna Seifert, b. in Daren near Bakum, June 23, 1850, d. in Cloppenburg May 13, 1888, 37 years old, daughter of Inspector Johann Seifert, Elis. Fischer.

Children:

1. Clemens August Carl, b. July 13, 1879  
Godparents: Clem. Bern. Fortmann, Charlotte Meyer, called Druding, instead of Cath. Druding, called Kramer

2. Josef Edward Gerhard, b. September 21, 1880  
Godparents: Jos. Meyer, Elis. Marg. Seifert, maiden name Fischer
3. Johann Arnold August Max, b. May 14, 1882  
Godparents: Arnold Druding, Auguste Druding
4. Maria Elisabeth Wilhelmine, b. May 31, d. October 20, 1886  
Godparents: Freifraulein Marg. von Freitag, instead of Elis. Nolte, Wilh. Taphorn
5. Clemens Ernst, b. January 22, 1888, d. May 2, 1891  
Godparents: Clemens Kramer, Elis. Emilie Fortmann

Note: Freifraulein is a title of the nobility, literally meaning a free and single lady.

Hermann Gerhard Bernard Druding was called in Cloppenburg Druding's master. Since he wanted to emigrate to the United States, he arranged a furniture auction. Among the furniture he had a number of new chests. A few of these chests were only boxes on which he nailed key plates to pretend that they were drawers.

- M2-1 Theodor Ferdinand Joseph Druding, coppersmith, b. in Cloppenburg November 6, 1844, d. July 16, 1908, son of Coppersmith Friedr. Franz Druding, Anna Wilh. Cath. Weis, m. on April 9, 1872 to Theodora Elis. Sehlhorst, b. in Cloppenburg April 6, 1837, d. June 5, 1903, daughter of Bern. Sehlhorst, Mar. Angela Frye

Children:

1. Emma Wilhelmina Bernardine, b. March 1, 1873, d. February 21, 1875
2. Friedrich August Bernard, b. March 12, 1876  
Godparents: Friedr. Franz Druding, Bernardine Sehlhorst  
Married: 1. April 29, 1902 to Mar. Elis. Fried. Wichmann  
2. April 25, 1912 to Ant. Mar. Caroline Quatmann

Generation VIII

- F1-2-1 Gerhard Bernard Druding, master baker and innkeeper, b. November 2, 1869, d. January 19, 1926, son of Bookbinder Arnold Theod. Druding, Ant. Aug. Dusmann m. in Cloppenburg September 4, 1897 to Elis. Ant. Rosa Tabeling, b. in Cloppenburg August 2, 1868, d. September 4, 1956, daughter of master tailor Heinr. Tabeling, Carol. Stadtsholte.

Children:

1. Arnold Carl, b. June 13, 1898, d. March 20, 1899  
Godparents: Arn. Theod. Druding, Carol. Tabeling, maiden name Stadtsholte

- M2-1-1 Friedrich August Bernard Druding, coppersmith, b. March 12, 1876, d. January 17, 1933, son of Theod. Ferdinand Jos. Druding and Theodora Elis. Sehlhorst  
Married: 1. On April 29, 1902, to Mar. Elis. Fried. Wichmann, b. July 12, 1882, d. June 17, 1911, daughter of Eign. Joh. Heinr. Wichmann, and Mar. Engel Wichmann  
Married: 2. On April 25, 1912 to Ant. Mar. Carolina Quatmann, b. April 29, 1870, d. September 16, 1942, daughter of Weisberger Bernard Quatmann, Josephine Wittrock.

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Children:

1. Ferdinand Engelbert Joseph, b. May 22, 1903  
Godparents: Ferd. Druding, Engeline Wichmann, born Wichmann  
Married on September 23, 1937 to Maria Thole
2. Heinrich Engelbert, b. February 25, 1905  
Godparents: Heinr. Wichmann, Mar. Aug. Sehlhorst, b. Hackmann  
Married on September 10, 1934 to Clara Apke in Loning
3. Angela Rosalia, b. November 23, 1906, d. October 23, 1911  
Godparents: Rosalia Klinker, born Hackmann, Friedr. Wichmann
4. Johanna Josefa Agnes, b. February 16, 1908  
Godparents: Johann Borgmann, born Krapp, Jos. Wichmann  
Married September 23, 1937 to Jos. Thole in Essen i.o.
5. Johanna Auguste Elisabeth, b. September 22, 1909  
Godparents: Johanna Wichmann born Bergmann, Aug. Druding for Henr. Wichmann  
Married on September 5, 1935, to Albert von Hammel of Sevelton
6. Maria Johanna, b. June 6, 1911, d. December 2, 1922  
Godparents: Angela Wichmann, born Meyer, Friedr. Wichmann

Generation IX

M2-1-1-1 Ferd. Engl. Jos Druding, master electrician and installer, b. May 22, 1903, son of Friedr. Aug. Bern. Druding, Mar. Elis. Fried. Wichmann, m. on September 23, 1937, to Maria Thole, b. in Cloppenburg March 2, 1907, daughter of Aug. Thole, Josephine Darrenkamp

Children:

1. Christia Maria, b. December 25, 1938  
Godparents: Caroline Druding born Quatmann, August Thole
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3. Boy, Nottaufer, born and died September 13, 1941
4. Werner Ferdinand August, b. March 26, 1944  
Godparents: Jos. Thole, Elis. von Hammel born Druding
5. Agnes Josefa, b. March 25, 1947, d. June 19, 1947  
Godparents: Agnes Thole born Druding, Clemens Thole
6. Albert Josef Druding, b. August 16, 1954.

Note: "Nottaufer" means emergency baptism. In the case of an infant who is not expected to live, a lay person has authority to baptize it.

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