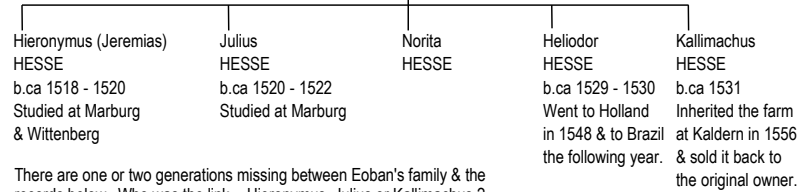


Hans KOCH or Hans the Cook m. Katherina of Halgehausen & Haina from Gmunden on the Wohna

Hans, probably born in Wittgenstein, was a farmer in Halgehausen. He was also employed as a cook at the Cistercian monastery at Haina. It was there that Eoban received his early education from Abbot Dietmar.

Helius Eobanus HESSE m. ca 1514
 b. 6 Jan 1488
 d. 4 Oct 1540
 Katharina Spater daughter of Erfurt citizen, Heinrich Spater d. 1543



There are one or two generations missing between Eoban's family & the records below. Who was the link - Hieronymus, Julius or Kallimachus ?

Jeremias Hesse was born in Weida, halfway between Erfurt & Karl Marx Stadt. The location does perhaps strengthen the family folklore claim that he was a descendant of Helius Eobanus Hesse.

Jeremias HESSE m. ca 1647- 1652 ?
 b. ca 1620 Weida, Saxony d. 13 Sep 1697 Altwarp
 Pastor in Ziegra, Neustadt Sülisdorf, & Krakau
 Regina Laufer

Johann FINK m. Hedwig Hagen
 Pastor in Barth d.2 Jul 1694
 Johann Fink was a "Militärprediger" (army chaplain) for 20 years. He was appointed to Barth 23 July 1693, but only lived another eleven months.
 It is just possible that he was the Johann Fink who studied at Rostock University from 1639, suggesting a birth date of about 1622?

Claus SAGER b.ca 1550 ?
 Claus & his son Peter were Merchants & Brewers in Anklam

Peter SAGER m. Katherina Engelbrecht
 b. 14 Jan 1605 ? d. 2 Oct 1646
 Katherina was the daughter of Bürgermeister Christoph Engelbrecht. She was married first to Prof. Jacob Rungel who died 1635.

Johann Elias Hesse was born in Ziegra in Saxony. It is not known where he was educated. He arrived in Altwarp in 1682 so probably married Maria Finksoon after his arrival. Over the next ten years the family must have been living in Neuwarp as there is a record of them moving to church lodgings in Altwarp after a big fire in Neuwarp in 1693. The two churches seem to have been linked at that period.

Johann Elias HESSE m: by May 1682
 b. 20 Jul 1653 Zeigra d. 17 Jul 1722 Altwarp
 Pastor in Altwarp & Neuwarp
 Maria Fink b.ca early 1650s? d.20 Aug 1716

Maria Fink was the widow of Melchior WEISSSCHEIBER, Pastor in Altwarp from 1675 till his death in 1679.
 Kurt Fraude's book suggests that John Elias married a second time, to Luzea Marie Schröder. The Neuwarp register clearly shows that Luzea married Pastor Johann Heinrich Reimar. She was a niece of Jacob & Johann Sager & thus a niece of the Hesse girls also, but of a similar age.

Jacob SAGER Merchant in Anklam
 Peter SAGER Merchant in Anklam
 Johann SAGER m. Marie Wedeman
 Pastor in Sophienhof near Loitz from 1672 d. 15 Sep 1711
 Johann was killed by the Russians

Catharina SAGER b.ca 1668
 Daniel SAGER b.ca 1677

Regina HESSE m. 16 Nov 1706
 b. 18 Aug 1683 bp 24 Aug 1683 d. 23 Jan 1769
 Caspar KOHLHOFF in Neuwarp
 She was buried under the council pew in the Neuwarp church

Maria Elisabeth HESSE m. ?
 bp 30 Sep 1685
 Pastor in Sophienhof d. 10 Feb 1730
 Maria Elisabeth Hesse was a sponsor at the baptism of Anna Elisabeth Sager in 1720 & the baptism of Johann Christoph Vetsch in 1740, described as the wife/ widow of Johann Sager the Pastor of Sophienhof. He was called to that parish in March 1708 & inducted 28 May 1709. In 1715 he was called to Pestlin, sister parish of Sophienhof, & may have served both parishes simultaneously. Johann died Feb 1730 in deep snow on the way home from Loitz, having been a priest for 22 years.

Anna Elisabeth HESSE m. 8 Feb 1711
 bp 15 Jun 1688 d.5 Mar 1731 bur. 13 Mar, Neuwarp
 From 1745, Johann Jacob Sager was pastor in Groß Kiesow in Vor Pommern

Jacob SAGER m. 8 Feb 1711
 d. 8 Mar 1731 bur 13 Mar
 Pastor in Altwarp & Neuwarp
 Engel Dorothea HESSE bp not found
 She was sponsor at several family baptisms before & after marriage.
 Regina Dorothea SAGER bp 15Jan 1717 ?
 Anna Elisabeth SAGER bp 17 Aug 1720 bur. 9 Jul 17.. ?
 Johann Jacob SAGER b. 1712 Neuwarp d. ca 1801 m. Sophie Hedwig v. Göhren d. 17 Jul 1779
 Elias Bernard SAGER bp 1714
 Regina Dorothea SAGER bp 15Jan 1717 ?
 Anna Elisabeth SAGER bp 17 Aug 1720 bur. 9 Jul 17.. ?

Agatha HESSE m. 19 Jun 1727
 bp 20 Aug 1693
 Pastor in Loitz inducted 3 Aug 1687 son of Pastor Schröder of Levin in Mecklenburg
 Christiane SAGER b. Sophienhof? m. 16 Jul 1690
 Christian SCHRÖDER Pastor in Loitz inducted 3 Aug 1687 son of Pastor Schröder of Levin in Mecklenburg
 Luzea Maria SCHRÖDER b. ca. 1691 m.12 Nov 1717 Neuwarp
 Johann Heinrich REIMARUS Pastor in Neuwarp

The early information about the Sager family is from a sheet of rough notes made by an unknown German researcher & from "Beiträge zur Geschichte des Dorfes Altwarp" by Kurt Fraude, published in 1939. Some of the details about Johann Elias Hesse come from the same publication. Three sets of reference books by Moderow, Müller & Heyden listing the Evangelical Pastors of Pomerania from the Reformation have also helped greatly.

When Caspar Kohlhoff married Regina Hesse in 1706, she brought to the family the tradition that she was descended from the Latin poet, Helius Eobanus Hesse. No proof of this claim has yet been found, but as Regina knew her grandfather Jeremias Hesse, & he in turn would have known about his own parents & grandparents, there is a strong chance the story is correct.

Eoban began his university studies at Erfurt in 1504 at the age of 16 It was at that time that he developed his love of the classics & began writing poetry which he continued to do throughout his life. He was a teacher in Erfurt, then in Nuremberg after the 1525 peasants' revolt caused the downfall of Erfurt, returning to Erfurt as a Professor at the University in 1533. He moved to Marburg University in 1536. Shortly before his death on the 4th October 1540, he obtained a small property at Kaldern near Marburg. Katherina died there three years later. Several volumes of his poetry had been published in 1533 & 1535. Sons Hieronymus & Julius studied at Marburg University but nothing further is known about them.

Magister Jeremias Hesse was born about 1620 in Weida, Saxony. He was a pastor in Ziegra, Saxony 1647-1656. & in Neustadt, Mecklenburg 1666-1675, apparently having previously been a pastor in "The Duchy of Bremenn" where due to a disagreement with his Superintendent & a fight, he was removed from his position. He became pastor in Neustadt 25 Feb 1666, was then suspended in 1668 due to alcohol & a quarrel with the magistrate. The suspension was later removed, but again because of alcohol he was sent to the little village of Sülisdorf as a punishment. Jeremias began duties as pastor of Sülisdorf 16 May 1675. Fourteen years later he was in trouble once more & he ended his career as ("ein bosser Mensch") a furious man. During the week of Easter 1689, after a report from a Schwerin official, he rode off to "Sweden". When he returned he was barred from the pulpit & although the ban was later lifted, he must have left Sülisdorf soon after. Perhaps he worked in Krakow for a while after this but apparently there is no record of him as a pastor there. The reference to Krakau could apply to a place near Erfurt & Weida in Saxony, or maybe the tiny village of Kreckow near Strasburg. Jeremias went to live with his son & died in Altwarp 13 Nov 1697.