

98 GENEALOGY OF PHILIPPE MATON WILTSEE

Cornelius Martensen Wiltsee

This Bible descended to Marten's oldest son, Cornelius, and was taken to Hopewell, Dutchess County, N. Y.

When Cornelius made his will in December, 1755, he willed all of his personal property to his four daughters. In the inventory of his goods, taken January 12, 1756, mention is made of a "Dutch Bible, in the Old Room." In the list of the sales made at the vendue, Johonness Wiltse is charged: "to a Dutch Bible & pound;3.

Johannes Wiltsee willed his wife, Ellenor, all of the personal property she desired to have; and, at his death, the "Dutch Bible" fell to her. After she died in 1817, her son Cornelius bought the farm, and the Bible remained at the old homestead with him. His daughter, Elsie, inherited the part of the farm where the stone house stood and married James Bogardus. Their son, William, inherited the part where Johannes Wiltsee had lived and rebuilt the stone house, leaving a part of it standing, and the Dutch Bible still remained there.