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FOREWORD

IT is a pleasure to be enabled to state that every assistance has been afforded the writer in seeking authentic information by permitting him to examine various church, family and private records. A few, however, have not replied to inquiries made, either from inability or misapprehension of the object, and as a necessary consequence no account of some of these families can be given with accuracy, if given at all.

To many members of the family, and others who have cheerfully assisted him, the author returns his sincere thanks. Especial mention is due to Mr. Edward L. Ryerson, of Chicago, not only for valuable statistical contributions, but for the first encouragement to the author in the early years of this work; to Mr. Ralph W. Skinner, an attorney at Newark, whose enthusiasm in family genealogy and convenient access to records at Trenton and Bergen County, many of which were copied and interpreted by him, rendered the author most valuable assistance; to Miss Jennie Ryerson of Goshen, Indiana, and California, who has been untiring in her efforts to collect statistics; to Mrs. Elizabeth (Ryerson) Neidig of Muscatine, Iowa; Dr. John G. Ryerson, of Boonton, New Jersey; Louis Johnes Ryerson, of Pompton Plains; Lorenzo Ryerson, of Wayne, New Jersey, and Mrs. Robert S. Hughes, of Paterson and Oakland, New Jersey. Dr. George Ansel Sterling Ryerson, M. P., of Toronto, Canada, was one of the most liberal and willing contributors, and his information was most interesting since it treated largely of the European origin of the family. Concerning the Adriance family, the author wishes to extend especial thanks to Mr. I. Reynolds Adriance of Poughkeepsie, New York; Mr. E. W. Adriance of Berkeley, California; Rev. George S. Adriance Moore, and Mr. Morris Patterson Ferris, both of New York.

THE NAME —ITS ETYMOLOGY

THE FAMILY —ITS EUROPEAN ORIGIN AND HISTORY

THE Ryerson family in America is distinctively of Holland (Dutch) origin. The name can be traced back in a direct line for three centuries and in disconnected lines for nearly six centuries.

We are thus enabled to identify the family as early as 1390, in which year one Wilhelmus Reyerszoon was Burgomaster of Amsterdam.

Dr. George S. Ryerson, of Toronto, states that when on a visit to Leyden, Holland, in 1890, he met a Dr. Riejer, then director of the Huguenot Library. He informed us that the name was originally a patronymic and

that the root of the name "Ryer" (Ryer in Dutch) translated meant a rider, or Cavaher, the "son" (zoon) added meaning "son of." Dr. Ryerson made some extensive researches in Holland, and we are indebted to him for what information we have concerning the early European history of the family. Owing to the destruction by fire of many ancient records of the West India Company he was unable to establish direct connections of the first of the name to settle in America with their kinsmen. In Holland, however, Dr. Ryerson obtained much valuable information and succeeded in discovering the family coat of arms as registered. There is a tradition in the family that the Ryersons were of French Huguenot origin and that they sought refuge in Holland on account of religious persecution. Yet the family seems to have been of Dutch ancestry before the days of the Huguenots. That they espoused the Protestant cause and were also sympathizers and supporters of the Walloons and Huguenots, is true. There is little doubt in the author's mind, however, that the very early origin of the Ryerson family was in Norway and that those sturdy Norsemen in their conquests on the coast of France left representatives in that country who subsequently migrated to Holland. ...

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