

V O L C K E R T S E N / D I R C K S

DIRCK VOLCKERTSEN¹ (Christina Vigne)

MAGDALENA DIRCKS² (HARMAN HENDRIK/ROSENKRANS)

DIRCK VOLCKERTSEN¹ "the Northman"; "the Norwegian"; d 1675/6, Bushwick, Long Island, NY; m c 1630 CHRISTINA (b c 1610, France; d between 21 Feb 1663 and 24 Apr 1677) d/o Guleyn/Guillaume and Arianetje/Adrienne (CUVELIER/CUVILJE) VIGNE. He came from Norway sometime before 1632, probably in the group of Nrothmen for which Isaac De Raisiere had applied to the West Indies Company in 1626. He acquired four or five hundred acres at what later became Green Point or the greater part of the 17th Ward of Brooklyn. He was a builder and shipwright. He had lived for a time in Hoorn, Holland, before coming to New Amsterdam. He and Christina, her sister Maria and her second husband Abraham Verplanck, and their growing families lived with Ariaentje and her second husband Jan Damen until Damen threw them all out, injuring Christina in the process. The Volckertsens settled at Green Point on the East River and were forced back to Manhattan by the Indian War of 1643-45. The two families reunited again and built houses on adjoining lots in Smit's Vly (Pearl St., from Wall St., North).

- Issue: 1 Margaret b c 1632
 2 MAGDALENA b c 1636; used surname DIRCKS; was living Jan 1726; some sources say she d 1726; was called "The Flying Angel"; m/1 c 1652 Cornelis Caper or Cornelis Hendricksen Van Dort (killed 15 Sep 1655 BY Indians in New Amsterdam; had one daughter Marritje Cornelisz; m/2 3 Mar 1657, First Reformed Dutch Church, New York City, HARMAN HENDRIK who later assumed the surname ROSENKRANS
 3 Rachel bp 8 Sep 1641
 4 Volckert b 15 Nov 1643
 5 Jacob b c 1646
 6 Ariaentje bp 21 Aug 1650
 7 Jannekin b 7 DEc 1653
 9 Philip
 10 Nicholas
 11 Sarah?
 12 Grietje?

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