

Detailed Reports on the Saltzburger Emigrants Who Settled in America by *Samuel Urlsperger*

Volume I 1733-1734

Relates the experiences of the first transport, or group, of Georgia Lutheran Salzburger from their recruitment at Augsburg in August 1733 to their settlement at Ebenezer near Savannah, Georgia; and it breaks off abruptly on July 16, 1734, just as death and disillusionment began to set in. Includes diaries and letters of Pastors Johann Martin Boltzius and Israel Christian Gronau and Commissioner von Reck. One of 18 vols in 16 books.

Volume II 1734-1735

Covers the experiences of the Georgia Salzburger from July 17, 1734, until the end of 1735, the period of their worst hardships, frustrations and disappointments. Includes letters by pastors John Martin Boltzius and Israel Christian Gronau sent by the Francke Foundation in Halle, Germany, to minister to the Protestant exiles from Salzburg who emigrated to Georgia in 1733.

Volume III 1736

Covers the experiences of the Georgia Salzburger in 1736 during the relocation of the settlement from Old Ebenezer to the Red Bluff by the Savannah River. Includes the daily register and excerpts from the diaries of pastors John Martin Boltzius and Israel Christian Gronau sent by the Francke Foundation in Halle, Germany, to minister to the Protestant exiles in Georgia. Details the rivalry between the spiritual leader Boltzius and the secular leaders Vat and von Reck.

Volume IV 1737

Covers the experiences of the Georgia Salzburger in 1737, a period of relative calm despite the shortage of provisions for the third transport. Includes the daily register of pastors John Martin Boltzius and Israel Christian Gronau sent by the Francke Foundation in Halle, Germany, to minister to the Protestant exiles in Georgia. Describes Boltzius' dealings with Savannah Mayor Thomas Causton and John Wesley.

Volume V 1738

Includes annotated English translation of reports sent in 1738 from the Lutheran clergymen in Ebenezer, Georgia, to the authorities of the Francke Foundation in Halle, Germany. In addition to ministering to the people, describes cattle raising, farming, disease, slavery, game and predatory animals and shrewd observations of Englishmen in Savannah, including Oglethorpe and Wesley.

Volume VI 1739

Includes annotated English translation of reports sent in 1739 from the Lutheran clergymen in Ebenezer, Georgia, to the authorities of the Francke Foundation in Halle, Germany. In addition to ministering to the people, describes the construction of Boltzius' house and of the colony's church building.

Volume VII 1740

Includes annotated English translation of reports sent in 1740 from the Lutheran clergymen in Ebenezer, Georgia, to the authorities of the Francke Foundation in Halle, Germany. In addition to accounts of ministering to the people, includes an index of hymns sung in 1740 and descriptions of the building of a grist mill and growing encounters with slavery.

Volume VIII 1741

Includes annotated English translation of reports sent in 1741 from the Lutheran clergymen in Ebenezer, Georgia, to the authorities of the Francke Foundation in Halle, Germany. In addition to accounts of ministering to the people, includes an index of hymns sung in 1741 and descriptions of the economic and social situation of the colony and the arrival of the fourth and last transport, or group.

Volume IX 1742

Includes annotated English translation of reports sent in 1742 from the Lutheran clergymen in Ebenezer, Georgia, to the authorities of the Francke Foundation in Halle, Germany. In addition to accounts of ministering to the people, includes an index of hymns sung in 1742 and descriptions of the economic and social situation of the colony including construction of a footbridge, a church on the plantations (Zion), viticulture (wine growing, a failure), sericulture (silk raising, a claim to fame) and the tumultuous events surrounding the Spanish invasion

Volume X 1743

Includes English translation of the 1743 diaries of the Lutheran clergymen in Ebenezer, Georgia. In addition to accounts of ministering to the people, includes an index of hymns sung in 1743 and descriptions of the economic and social situation of the colony including a list of German-speaking emigrants to Georgia and the introduction of plows and horses.

Volume XI 1747 and Volume XII 1748

Includes English translation of reports sent in 1747 and 1748 from the Lutheran clergymen in Ebenezer, Georgia, to the authorities of the Francke Foundation in Halle, Germany. In addition to accounts of ministering to the people, includes an index of hymns sung in 1747 and descriptions of the economic and social situation of the colony including high infant mortality and various kinds of farming and commerce that made the colony Georgia's most successful. For unknown reasons Urlsperger suppressed the reports for 1744, 1745 and 1746 [see Vol. 18 below].

Volume XIII 1749 and Volume XIV 1750

Includes English translation of reports sent in 1749 and 1750 from the Lutheran clergymen in Ebenezer, Georgia, to the authorities of the Francke Foundation in Halle, Germany. In addition to accounts of ministering to the people, includes an index of hymns sung in 1749 and descriptions of the economic and social situation of the colony including their steady spread southeastward, their desperate need for hired hands, and the commerce that made the colony Georgia's most successful.

Volume XV 1751-1752

Includes English translation of reports sent in 1751 and 1752 from the Lutheran clergymen in Ebenezer, Georgia, to the authorities of the Francke Foundation in Halle, Germany. In addition to accounts of ministering to the people, includes an index of hymns sung and descriptions of the economic and social situation of the colony including the addition of Swabians from Ulm on the Danube, the reluctant acceptance of slavery, and the commerce that made the colony Georgia's most successful.

Volume XVI 1753-1754

Includes English translation of reports sent in 1751 and 1752 from the Lutheran clergymen in Ebenezer, Georgia, to the authorities of the Francke Foundation in Halle, Germany. In addition to accounts of ministering to the people, includes an index of hymns sung and descriptions of the economic and social situation of the highly successful colony including the transition from family farms to slave-operated plantations producing silk and lumber for foreign export.

Volume XVII 1759-1760

Includes English translation of reports sent in 1759 and 1760 from the Lutheran clergymen in Ebenezer, Georgia, to the authorities of the Francke Foundation in Halle, Germany. In addition to accounts of ministering to the people, includes an index of hymns sung and descriptions of the economic and social situation of the highly successful colony.

Volume 18 1744-1745

Includes English translation of reports sent in 1744, 1745 and 1746 from the Lutheran clergymen in Ebenezer, Georgia, to the authorities of the Francke Foundation in Halle, Germany. In addition to accounts of ministering to the people, includes an index of hymns sung, an index of Lutheran dogma versified for children, and descriptions of the economic and social situation in the colony, which were desperate during these years due to high mortality, financial shortages and loss of many reports during transatlantic journey.