

EXTRACT OF A LETTER WRITTEN TO IRVING ROBINSON BY JOSEPH
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As for proof about Mordecai ben Judah, this is all hearsay. This has been passed down the generations from mouth to mouth to my grandfather Mordecai (on my father's side). He told me that his father and grandfather before him had told him that their grandfathers before them had told them that they were descended from him. Mordecai knew that his family originally came from the Pritsk area (the same as Mordecai ben Judah). He was named after this man who was also known as "Nossan von Pritsk" and it was the "Nossan" for whom my father was named. As I mentioned, I am in the process of trying to trace the "lost" group and it was only recently that I was able to come up with Mordecai ben Judah's son-in-law. I have to wait until I get to places where there are Jewish museums before I can get any detail. It will be a long process but I feel I can accept the "Dor v'dor" handed down information.

(Joe Cahndler traced the genealogical tree containing approximately 850 names now in the possession of some members of our family.)

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