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Research Highlights

GOAL

- Find marriage and birth (or baptism) records for the client's great-grandparents: Jozef & Marcela Nawojczyk, and Antoni and Lucya Lubniewski.

PROGRESS

- Discovered that the first child of Józef and Marcela Nawojczyk, named Józef, was born in 1882 and not in 1880.
- Found the marriage record of Antoni Łubniewski and Łucja Szirzont [also spelled Szarżont] in 1881 in Dołhinów. Names of parents of both newlyweds were revealed.
- Found the marriage record of Józef Nawojczyk and Marcela Carik in 1881 in Olkowicze. Names of parents of both newlyweds were revealed.
- The ancestral Wojciech Łubniewski was most likely born in Żyżniewo and not in Zhirnow.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. For the Nawojczyk, Szarżont and Łubniewski families, search Dołhinów births for the direct ancestors or their siblings.
2. For the Carik family, search Olkowicze births for the direct ancestors or their siblings.
3. Thoroughly search marriage and death records in order to discover more facts about the previous generations.

Research Report

The main goal of this research session was to find marriage and birth (or baptismal) records for the client's great-grandparents: Józef and Marcela Nawojczyk, and Antoni and Łucja Łubniewski.

The client presented two baptismal records which were a good start for this research. The birth/baptismal record of the grandfather, Wojciech Łubniewski, stated that he was born on 13 April 1888 in Zhirnov. The grandmother, Antonina Nawojczyk, was born on 4 February 1884 in Sochëvki [Soczewki in Polish]. Both records were recorded in the Dołhinów Roman Catholic church available on microfilms at the Family History Library. The client had found baptismal records for a total of six children of Antoni and Łucja and also seven children of Józef and Marcela. According to the client the first child of Antoni Łubniewski and Łucja was Józef born in 1882. The first known child to Józef Nawojczyk and Marcela, also named Józef, was born in 1880.

It was important to prove some of the above information to move forward. There were some discrepancies in the client's research. For example, the ancestral Łucja appeared as Kozak and Sorżant. Therefore, it was important to verify her real name.

The first step confirmed that the first child of Antoni Łubniewski and Łucja nee [in this case spelled Szirżont] was named Józef and was born in the village of Żyżniewo on 9 March 1882.

Birth / baptismal record of Józef Łubniewski - 1882

Entry 54, Dołhinów

Józef Łubniewski born: 9 March 1882 in Żyżniewo, baptized: 13 March 1882 in Dołhinów. Father: Antoni Łubniewski, farmer. Mother: Łucja nee Szirżont.

Godparents: Adam [Ka...] and Anna wife of Józef Leszkiewicz.¹

¹ Roman Catholic Church, Dolginovo (Vilejka), Microreproduction of original manuscripts at the National Historical Archives of Belarus, Grodno (formerly known as State Historical Archives of Belarus,

However, a problem appeared when trying to find the first child of Józef Nawojczyk and Marcela. He was not found in 1880 but was actually located in 1882:

Birth / baptismal record of Józef Nawojczyk - 1882

Entry 182, Dołhinów

Józef Nawojczyk born: 8 September 1882 in Soczewki, baptized: 25 September 1882 in Dołhinów. Father: Józef Nawojczyk, farmer. Mother: Marcela nee Carik.

Godparents: Antoni Carik and Serafina [Kabak?]².

To be sure that the above children of both ancestral couples were the first born we thoroughly searched Dołhinów births from 1872 to 1882.³ This proved that these were the first children born to the above ancestral couples which information helps to estimate marriage dates for both couples.

However, the situation became complicated because within the time period researched there were many people of the surnames Nawojczyk and Łubniewski. Moreover, there were several men named Antoni Łubniewski and Józef Nawojczyk who lived in different villages and had children around the same time. We discovered six different Antoni Łubniewskis [not counting the ancestral one] who were registering their children in the Dołhinów Roman Catholic parish:

Antoni Łubniewski and Franciszka nee Zajcew

[Their first known child was Kazimierz born in 1872]

Antoni Łubniewski and Anna nee Ratanowska

[Their first known child was Franciszek born in 1872]

Grodno), Volume 915-2/26 Births 1882 (p. 54-96), Film 2292347 Item 5, Entry 54. Birth/baptismal record of Józef Łubniewski. DOCUMENT 1a-b.

² Roman Catholic Church, Dolginovo (Vilejka), Microreproduction of original manuscripts at the National Historical Archives of Belarus, Grodno (formerly known as State Historical Archives of Belarus, Grodno), Volume 915-2/26 Births 1882 (p. 54-96), 2292347 Item 5, Entry 182. Birth/baptismal record of Józef Nawojczyk. DOCUMENT 2a-b.

³ Roman Catholic Church, Dolginovo (Vilejka), Microreproduction of original manuscripts at the National Historical Archives of Belarus, Grodno (formerly known as State Historical Archives of Belarus, Grodno), Films 2292342-2292345, 2292347.

Antoni Łubniewski and Barbara nee Sielicka

[Their first known child was Marianna born in 1873]

Antoni Łubniewski and Felicjanna nee Łubniewska

[Their first known child was Jan born in 1873]

Antoni Łubniewski and Anna nee Łubniewska

[Their first known child was Magdalena born in 1874]

Antoni Łubniewski and Anna nee Sawicka

[Their first known child was Agnieszka born in 1873?]

One of the above Antonis could have been the ancestral Antoni Łubniewski with a previous wife. Besides the above families, there were other Łubniewski families living in the same area and in the same time period:

- Felicjan Łubniewski and Petronela
- Franciszek Łubniewski and Anna
- Ignacy Łubniewski and Marcela
- Jan Łubniewski and Elżbieta
- Jan Łubniewski and Anna [two different families]
- Jan Łubniewski and Marianna
- Józef Łubniewski and Katarzyna
- Kazimierz Łubniewski and Franciszka
- Maciej Łubniewski and Magdalena

Almost the same situation was encountered regarding the Nawojczyk family. We found one additional Józef Nawojczyk who, together with wife [Magdalena?] nee [Owczynnik?], had a child named Anna who was born in Soczewka in 1874.⁴ This could have been the ancestral Józef with a previous wife. Besides this additional Józef Nawojczyk, there were the following Nawojczyk families residing in the area:

- Antoni Nawojczyk and Barbara
- Benedykt Nawojczyk and Krystyna
- Franciszek Nawojczyk and Izabela
- Franciszek Nawojczyk and Justyna

⁴ Roman Catholic Church, Dolginovo (Vilejka), Microreproduction of original manuscripts at the National Historical Archives of Belarus, Grodno (formerly known as State Historical Archives of Belarus, Grodno), Volume 915-2/5 Births 1874 (p. 59-80), Film 2292343 Item 2, Entry 76. Birth/baptism of Anna Nawojczyk. DOCUMENT 3.

- Hawryło [Gabriel in Polish] Nawojczyk and Anna [This family lived in the ancestral village of Soczewki. Their first child discovered was named Jan and was born in 1872].⁵
- Joachim Nawojczyk and Teresa
- Maciej Nawojczyk and Marcianna
- Marcin Nawojczyk and Petronela

All of the above revealed that both the Łubniewski and the Nawojczyk families were extremely numerous. They all lived within the Dołhinów parish which was rather a small area.⁶ For that reason it was necessary to conduct the research diligently and very carefully in order to avoid mistakes. Dealing with so many families within such a small area and time period is difficult and can lead easily to identification errors.

The remaining research efforts focused on finding marriage records for both Antoni Łubniewski and Józef Nawojczyk. The client's research had proved that Antoni's ancestral wife was Łucja Sorzant/Szirzont [and other possible spellings]. The ancestral wife of Józef Nawojczyk was Marcela Carik / Czaryk [and other possible spellings]. Finding their marriage records was crucial because they would reveal their parents' names and provide additional clues to search for their birth records.

Since the oldest child of both couples was born in 1882, we thoroughly searched Dołhinów marriages from 1872 to 1882. The marriage record of Antoni Łubniewski and Łucja was found in 1881:

Marriage record of Antoni Łubniewski and Łucja Szarżont – 1881

Page 19, Entry 18, Dołhinów

On 8 February 1881 in the Dołhinów Roman Catholic Church took place a religious marriage blessed by Rev. [...]. There were two banns announced to this marriage

⁵ Roman Catholic Church, Dolginovo (Vilejka), Microreproduction of original manuscripts at the National Historical Archives of Belarus, Grodno (formerly known as State Historical Archives of Belarus, Grodno), Volume 915-2/7 Births 1875 (p. 60-90), Film 2292343 Item 4, Entry 29. Birth/baptism of Jan Nawojczyk.

⁶ *Słownik geograficzny Królestwa Polskiego i innych krajów słowiańskich* / The Geographical Dictionary of the Kingdom of Poland and other Slavic Lands, Vol. 2, page 106, Dołhinów. Private Collection of THP.

during the liturgy masses, the first one on 25 January and the second one on 8 February.

Groom: Antoni Łubniewski, farmer, age 25, bachelor from the village of Żyźniewo. Legitimate son of Józef Łubniewski and Antonina nee Kanecka [Канеўка], farmers.

Bride: Łucja Szarżont, age 18, spinster from the village of Kamień. Legitimate daughter of Onufry Szarżont and Rozalia nee [Ciurnik?].

Both newlyweds of the same parish.

Witnesses: Andrzej Żyźniewski, Kazimierz Rozwadowski, Kazimierz Leszkowicz, Andrzej and Michał Sawicki, [Izydor?] Nawojczyk, farmers.⁷

The above record proved that the ancestral Antoni Łubniewski was born about 1856. He originated from the village of Żyźniewo and was a son of Józef Łubniewski and Antonina nee Kanecka. (In some other records the name Kanecki is spelled with a letter “o” – Konecki.) Antoni’s bride, Łucja Szarżont, originated from the village of Kamień and was born about 1863 to Onufry and Rozalia [Ciurnik?].

The above marriage record and the baptismal record of the couple’s oldest son, Józef Łubniewski, clearly indicate that the family lived in the village of Żyźniewo. It is our opinion that the baptismal record of the ancestral Wojciech Łubniewski also says he was from Żyźniewo and not Żirnow/ Żyrnow/Zhirnov. While there was a village called Żyźniewo in the local area of Dołhinów, it was not possible to find a place called Zhirnov.⁸

In the time period researched in the Dołhinów parish, the marriage record of the ancestral Józef Nawojczyk and Marcela was not found. For that reason we turned to searching other parishes which surrounded the town of Dołhinów. Finally the record was found in the Roman Catholic parish of Olkowicze in 1881:

⁷ Roman Catholic Church, Dolginovo (Vilejka), Microreproduction of original manuscripts at the National Historical Archives of Belarus, Grodno (formerly known as State Historical Archives of Belarus, Grodno), Volume 915-2/24 Marriages 1881 (p. 16-25), Film 2292347 Item 3, Page 19, Entry 18. Marriage record of Antoni Łubniewski and Łucja Szarżont. DOCUMENT 4a-c.

⁸ *Słownik geograficzny Królestwa Polskiego i innych krajów słowiańskich* / The Geographical Dictionary of the Kingdom of Poland and other Slavic Lands, Vol. 14, page 930, Żyźniewo. Private Collection of THP.

Marriage record of Józef Nawojczyk and Marcela Carik - 1881

Page 45v, Entry 29, Olkowicze

On 5 July 1881 in the Olkowicze Roman Catholic Church took place a religious marriage blessed by Rev. K. Koszcza the local administrator. There were three banns announced to this marriage during the liturgy masses, the first one on 7, the second one on 11 and the third one on 14 June of the current year.

Groom: Józef Nawojczyk, widower, age 32 from the village of Soczewki within the parish of Dołhinów. Legitimate son of Wiktor Nawojczyk and Helena nee Gapcar [also can be spelled Hapcar], farmers.

Bride: Marcela Carik, spinster, age 23 from the village of Juncewicze within the parish of Olkowicze. Daughter of Jan Carik and Anna nee Krupska, farmers.

Witnesses: Franciszek Nawojczyk, Stanisław Kurjanowicz, Antoni Carik and Ignacy Carik⁹.

The above record proved that the ancestral Józef Nawojczyk was born about 1849 to Wiktor Nawojczyk and Helena nee Gapcar [also can be spelled Hapcar]. He originated from the village of Soczewki and was a widower at the time of this marriage. The name of his previous wife is not known so far but it may have been Magdalena from the previously mentioned baptism record found of their daughter, Anna, born in Soczewka in 1874. This will require further research to confirm. Józef Nawojczyk's second wife, Marcela Carik, was born about 1858 to Jan Carik and Anna nee Krupska and originated from the village of Juncewicze.

Conclusion

This research session has been very successful. We successfully found marriage records for both ancestral couples. The allotted time did not allow searching for their birth/baptism records but further research looks very promising as it is now known where and about when each ancestor was born as well as their parents' names. We also recommend searching marriages to find who the first wife of Józef Nawojczyk was. Reviewing death records can bring important information, too, such as a possible birth date.

⁹ Roman Catholic Church, Dolginovo (Vilejka), Microreproduction of original manuscripts at the National Historical Archives of Belarus, Grodno (formerly known as State Historical Archives of Belarus, Grodno), Volume 915-2/24 Marriages 1881 (p. 16-25), Film 2292347 Item 3, Page 45v, Entry 29. Marriage record of Józef Nawojczyk and Marcela Carik. DOCUMENT 5a-b.

It has been a true pleasure to conduct this research and we hope to be able to continue the research further at your direction.

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