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## This report has been outdated by new research by William McCreight (2009 - 2010)

Dear Mr. Green,

As I read through the material, I tried to be objective with the clues you gave. However, at least one facter made objectivity difficult. That is, I spent two days as a guest of Dr. Rolf Kilian on my recent trip to Germany, and since I have such great admiration for his scholarship and common sense, I naturally lean toward any opinion he might have as "your best possible clue." Hence, "the people of <a href="Kreuznach"">Kreuznach</a>" sounds like the group among which we are most likely to find your Andreas Kilian. As we continue our "Pal-Index" project, we shall certainly learn more about the origins of this group. Second, in priority then, would be to find Andreas among the protestant Kilians of Kusel and third, among the Catholic Kilians of Rheingau. As for the small towns you have listed in the Kusel area, we will watch closely for them as our "Pal-Index" lists come "sputtering" out of the computer.

As Dr. Kilian says, Catholics were not too popular among Palatine immigrants. This not only makes the Rheingau group unlikely, but renders the Augsburg Kilians even less likely. As for the places named "Kilian," I can't get too excited about them as long as we know so many people by that <a href="mailto:surname">surname</a>, We'll consider them much later than we study the "people of <a href="mailto:Kreusnach">Kreusnach</a>." I deliberately saved my doing and analysing our Palatine Survey until after I had written this letter, because I didn't want to become enamored with my own opinion. Analysis now follows:

As you see from the enclosed copy of our <a href="mailto:check list">check list</a>, we did find a couple of Andreas Kilians; one from Wuerttemberg and one from Bavaria. However, since they were both too old to be your ancestor, we won't get too excited about them either, unless you see a familiar clue we may have overlooked.

We'll be pleased to follow up any clues you would like to call our attention to as we proceed with Pal-Index.

Sincerely,

Charles M. Hall, Director of European Research

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