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THE VAN DEUSENS OF VAN DEUSEN MANOR.

In 1730 Isaac Van Deusen, the ancestor of the Van Deusens of Great Barrington, married Fische, the third child of Coenreat Borghghardt, and, as the latter's life, abilities and successes did much to influence the lives of the former, and their descendants, it is quite right that a sketch of this worthy and honored man should precede that of the Van Deusens.

Coenreat Hendrickse Borghghardt, or, as the name has since been written, Coonrod Burghardt, was born about 1677, probably in the vicinity of Albany, and was the son of Hendrick Coenreatse Borghghardt and Marya Janse Franse Van Hoesen, daughter of Jan Franse Van Hoesen and Volkje Juiriaanse.

Coonrod Burghardt's maternal grandfather, Jan Franse Van Hoesen, came from a place called Huisen, near the Zuyder Zee, Netherlands. He was a commissioner for the Dutch West India company, and a resident of New Amsterdam before 1654, and afterward of Fort Orange and Beaverwyck. He was interested in shipping, and bought considerable real estate in the village and vicinity of Fort Orange, and also half the island opposite, which, after his death, about 1667, was sold to Jeremiah Van Rensselaer.

On June 5th, 1662, he bought from the Indians, for five hundred guilders, in beavers, several hundred acres along the Hudson river, in the vicinity of Claverack, including the site of the present city of Hudson. Coonrod Burghardt married, before 1698, Gesie Hendrickse Van Wie, daughter of Hendrick Gerritse Van Wie, and settled in Kinderhook, before 1700. He is mentioned as a prominent citizen of that place in 1702, and