

The relation between the Pereira and the Henriques Faro families

I looked at the relation between the Pereira and Henriques Faro family anew to see if there are some new perspectives there. I found some interesting things. First: an Isaac Henriques Faro was buried in Amsterdam on 22 Elul 5446 or 11 September 1686. His wife: Ribca Pereira! The card index of Beth Haim gives a few aliases: Manuel Henriques Lopes, Manuel de Toralto and Albert Dircqsen de Roode. A few children of Isaac are mentioned as having died in 1647.

These children we find in Beth Haim, by Lydia Hagoort

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1. *Em 23 de Janeiro [1647] faleseo hú menino de Izaque Amriques Faro he foi sepultado na careira das criamsas no. 26 na sepultura no. 19 he prometerão as pesoas segintes*

Yzaque Amriques Faro 10

Abrahm Amriques Faro 6

Davi Amriques Faro 6

Izaque Is. Faro 6

Abrahm Pireira 11

Izaque Pireira 6

Jaquo Pireira 6

Izaque Pireira o moso 6

Mardocai del Monte 3

Manoel Doria Pa[ttacons]. 4

We see the complete families Faro and Pereira assembled in mourning around the grave of the child of Izaque Henriques Faro. As is customary, the men give a donation towards Bet Haim. I also cite the names of this del Monte and Doria, for we do not know if, and how, they may be related.

2. *Em 30 de Dezembro[1647] levo el Dio para Si hú menino, filho de Izaque Anriques Faro, foi enterado na careira das criansas piquenas no. 27 na sepultura no. 9 he prometerão as pesoas segintes*

Izaque Amriques Faro 10

Abrahm Amriques Faro 6

Simão Pinheiro 6

Abrahm Isarael Pireira 10

Samuel Framquo d'Almeida 6

Davi Amriques Faro 6

Izaque Isarael Faro 6

Davi Gabai 6

Davi de Mercado 4

A few years earlier, the following persons were recorded In the book by Lydia Hagoort) as paying a contribution towards maintenance of Beth Haim:

Em 12 de Setembro 5405 fintarão os senhores do Mamat as pesoas segintes para o Bedegaim (Beth Haim):

Mose Vas de Oliveira fl. 6. Pa.

Abrahm Rodrigues Pireira fl. 50. Pa.

Abrahm Amriques Faro fl. 20. Pa.

Izaque Enriques Faro fl. 20. Pa.

Izaque Isarael Faro fl. 25. Pa 20

Davi Emriques Faro fl. 12. Pa.

Davi Rodrigues Barbeiro fl. 2. Pa.

Jacob de Figeiroa fl. 3. Pa.

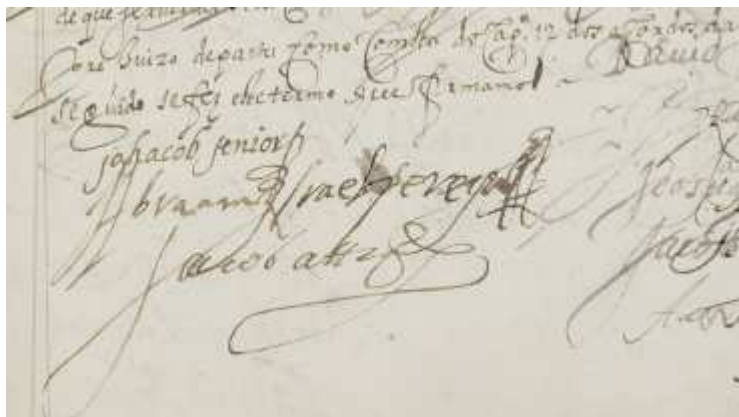
Abrahm de Fomtes fl. 4. Pa.
Abrahm Irael, boticauro fl. 2
Juzepe Bueno Mesqita fl. 15. Pa.
Salamon Senhor fl. 30. Pa.
Abrahm de Figeiroa. fl. 2.—

The interesting detail here is that Abraham Rodrigues Pereira of 1645 is changed to Abraham Israel Pereira in 1647. At least, I am convinced that it is the same man, and that in taking the name Israel he confessed as being of the tribe of Israel. The information here is corroborated in the list of persons who payed fintas for the first time (Escamot A, CAA 334, PJC 19, page 196). Here is an extract of the list of 2 September 1654:

14 Ilul 5405	Finta	Bet Haim
Abraham Roiz Pereira	150	50
Abraham Henriques Faro	40	20
Ysaq Henriques Faro	40	20
Isaq Israel Faro	70	25
David Henriques Faro	36	12

This is new information concerning the family Pereira: before settling in Rotterdam in 1648 (Oxford Dictionary of National Biography) they were in Amsterdam in 1647. Abraham immediately became a member of the Amsterdam Portuguese Israelite Community, his wealth reflected in the amount of fintas he payed. Maybe Abraham did not even go to Rotterdam at all.

Abraham immediately takes an active part in the life of the Amsterdam Community. As Abraham Rodrigues Pereira he becomes a Parnas de Hebra in 5406, as Abraham Israel Pereira a Hatan Thora in 5407 and a member of the Mahamad in 5410. Here is his first signature as member of the Mahamad:



CAA 334, PJC 19, page 296, Rosasana 5410

He becomes a member of Dotar:

Termo de entrada do Abraham Pereira de
Irmão das ordens - yshael -
em 6 de tamus de 5404 Abraham Pereira que queria ser irmão de
ordem das ordens e tanto os de se eleger, bastado de bustos e de
se admitido. Evidos e de se lançara sabat mox misericordiah -
Para amim te pureris Abraham salom a vinte e duas de tamus
de 5404, e de se ligou a cammias as cammias firmados em nosco -
Abraham Pereira
Yshael
David Herga
Yshael Cohen
Yeshuab Yehonim
Jacob Alhaz
Aaron Cohen

CAA 334, PJC 1143, folio 55, 6 Tamus 5405

His place is taken by his grandson Abraham Israel pereyra, son of Jacob

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Termo Como Foy Admitido de Abraham Pereira em
lugar do seu avô Abraham Yshael Pereira
que elzotem Yirmão 204:
En este dia nos foy pedido por os Sabab
pereyra admittimos aos seu filho Abraham pereyra por
hirmão desta santa companhia em lugar do Abraham
pereyra seu pay que elzotem por lhe tocar com forme
as askamot visto por os elzotem the foi concedido
Yshael Pereira
Yshael Belmonte
Yshael Belmonte
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Yshael Belmonte

CAA 334, PJC 1144, page 253, 5438

You will remember that Abraham Israel Pereira was mentioned in the confessions of Samuel Aboab alias De Guzman, circa 1660-1662. (AHN, Inquisition, LIB 1127, folio 5recto and verso). Here is a hasty translation:

Tomas Rois Pereira, Portugues, jewish name Abraham Pereira. Name of his wife is unknown to Samuel Aboab. Children: Isaac Pereira, died, Jacob Pereira, married to the daughter of a widow, her name unknown to Aboab, Moises Pereira, minor, not married, David Pereira, not married, Rachel Pereira, widower of Isac de Matos, son of Diego de Matos, now married to Jacob Pinto, second son of Gil Lopez Pinto who came from Antwerp to Amsterdam in (16)47, two sons.

Thomas Rodriguez Pereira had two brothers:

Duarte Pereira, Portugues, married to a sister of the wife of Thomas Pereira. Duarte has a son, Jacob, minor, not married.

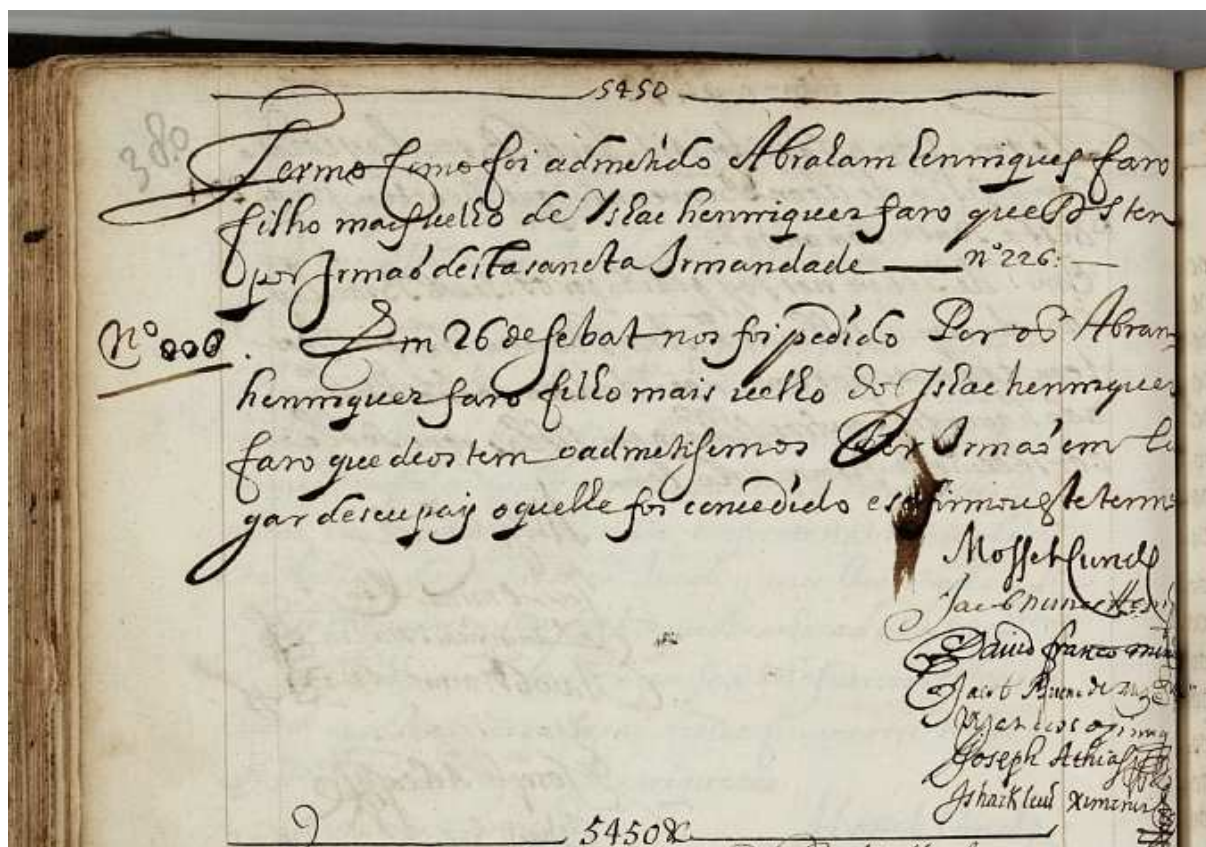
Alonso Rs Pereira, came from Madrid in 1645, married to a daughter of Duarte de Lima, Portugues, living in Hamburg.

In the confessions of Samuel Aboab I did not find yet the name Henriques Faro. But I did find: Fernando de Toralto, Fransisca Pereira, his wife, and Antonio, Tomas and Maria de Toralto his children. (AHN, Inquisition, LIB 1127, folio 39recto). It is a bit early to say that Fernando de Toralto and Fransesca Pereira are identical to Isaac Henriques Faro and Ribca Pereira, but it is something to keep in mind. Francesca or Ribca are not mentioned as children of Abraham by Samuel Aboab.

The Henriques Faro's became members of Dotar (CAA 33, PJC 1163, page 136, member 226)
Ishack Hisquiau Ffaro dezendente de Abraham Henrriquez Faro
p elle Ishac Henriqs Faro 5431
e agora Abraham Henriqs Faro 5450

In the screenshots below you can see how some of them are related. Abraham Henrriques Fari is the the first in line. His son Isaac Hisquiau succeeds him. He is in turn succeeded by his cousin (primo) Isaac Henriques Faro, who is succeeded by his son Abraham. The first Abraham must have had a brother – David? – father of Isaac Henriques Faro.





PJC 1144, page 380, 5450

In a nutshell: nothing conclusive yet – again. But we now have a few new lines to pursue: Franseca, or Ribca Pereira – maybe she was a sister of Abraham? – and the name Fernando de Toralto.

What we do know for sure is that Abraham Rodrigues Pereira changed his name in the very first years in Holland after 1645 to Abraham Israel Pereira, that he had two brothers, Duarte and Alonso, that his descendants are generally known as Israel Pereira.

Brother Alonso Pereira lived in Hamburg where he was known as Jacob Pereira. I enclose a few pages from Michael Studemund Halevy, Bibliographische Lexikon der Hamburger Juden.

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