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New York City Archives possesses microfilms of death records of those who died in New York City from 1795 to 1865. The information contained on these microfilms is quite valuable to the genealogist in that such vital information as the name of the deceased, his country of nativity, residence in New York City, date of death, age and cemetery where he or she was buried are listed. Though the cause of death is also given, this important information has been blacked out, for some unknown reason. That it should be based on the right of privacy is difficult to comprehend since the deaths occurred 150-175 years ago. In a few cases the black tape covering the cause of death column was exposed, showing the cause of death. As a sample of what may be found on these microfilms I have excerpted a number of deaths, taking as a sample those who died between 1820 and 1849. Unfortunately the names have been Anglicized to such an extent that they are not recognizable as being Swedish. This may be due to the fact that most of the deaths were those of Swedish sailors, who on signing aboard a foreign vessel, often chose to hide their nationality and real identity behind an Anglo-Saxon name. The information given for each person is given as found on the microfilms except that since all were natives of Sweden, this fact has not been included.

Name	Date of Death	Place of Death	Age	Cemetery
John Anderson	1 Jan.1821	Hospital	26	Potter's Field
Peter Abraham	20 Feb.1821	Bancker St.	55	St. Patrick's
Charles Kreeland	1 Nov.1822	Hospital	41	Potter's Field
John Neilson	10 Sept.1821	Hospital	25	Potter's Field
Jas. Nancousen	17 July 1824	Kip's Bay	8 months	Potter's Field
John Peterson	11 Sept.1820	Henry St.	40	Trinity*
John Shelley	28 Dec.1823	Hospital	26	Potter's Field
John Thompson	1 Sept.1821	Hospital	42	Potter's Field
John Taylor	30 Sept.1823	Hospital	29	Potter's Field
Charles G.Bolien	25 July 1822	Water St.	41	Trinity
Johannes Johnson	25 Oct.1825	Found on Water St.	23	Potter's Field

*Died from falling from the mast of a vessel.

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John Berkstrom	20 Aug.1824	Hospital	26	Potter's Field
Samuel Benon	12 Feb.1825	Almshouse	44	Potter's Field
John Fink	17 March 1825	Foot of Roosevelt St.	55	Potter's Field
John Fuller	18 May 1825	Front St.	40	St.Patrick's
Matthias Hageman	21 April 1825	Hospital	56	Potter's Field
Lewis Murray	3 Dec.1825	Hospital	48	Trinity
Francis Cord	14 March 1826	Hospital	24	Potter's Field
John Smith	20 Sept.1824	Hospital	33	Potter's Field
Adolph O. Sondine	25 Sept.1826	Hospital	45	Methodist, Allen St.*
Nicholas Anderson	12 Aug.1828	Hospital	30	Potter's Field
Nicholas Boniface	25 Dec.1827	Orange St.	40	Methodist Society
Jacob Green	15 Oct.1827	Cherry St	42	Presbyterian,Rutgers St.
Charles Hill	19 Feb.1828	Hospital	40	Potter's Field
Charles Harrington	1 April 1828	Foot of Carlisle St.	30	Potter's Field
John Lugren	3 March 1827	Hospital	24	Potter's Field
Peter Ledoll	27 June 1827	Almshouse	31	Potter's Field
Jonas Luffgren	8 Feb.1829	Hospital	58	Potter's Field
Jacob Carleton	27 July 1828	Front St.	42	Presbyterian,Rutgers St.
Andrew Pattison	7 Jan.1829	Hospital	47	Potter's Field
Charles Richmond	14 July 1827	Hospital	37	Potter's Field
John Satterburgh ¹	1 Feb.1829	Almshouse	55	Potter's Field
John Abraham	5 Oct.1829	Cherry St.	32	Rutgers St.
Andrew Peterson	13 May 1829	Hospital	35	Potter's Field
Peter Thompson	21 July 1829	Hospital	40	Methodist Episcopal
John Anderson	20 Dec.1829	Forsyth St.	48	Rutgers St
John Barry	1 Sept.1831	Almshouse	65	Potter's Field
John Gate	31 Dec.1829	Hospital	39	Potter's Field
Peter Hanson	21 Oct.1829	Hospital	32	Potter's Field
John G. Hendnock	9 Sept.1830	Foot of Rector St.	25	Potter's Field
Edward Hedlund	10 Sept.1831	Water St.	21	German Lutheran**
Robert Norton	30 Nov.1830	Hospital	35	Potter's Field
James Anderson	27 July 1832	Carlean Hook Heights	32	Potter's Field***
John Barry	21 Jan.1832	Almshouse	65	Potter's Field
Alexander Berryman	23 Jan.1832	Hospital	60	Trinity
Andrew Barney	17 Sept.1832	Hospital	27	Potter's Field
Peter Cook	13 Nov.1832	Hospital	21	Associate Presbyterian
Peter Green	11 April 1833	Hospital	24	Associate Presbyterian
Joseph Jenkins	10 Feb.1832	Water St.	24	Rutgers St.
John Johnson	30 July 1832	Hospital	43	Potter's Field
Oliver Lawson	7 Aug.1832	Water St.	31	German Lutheran

*Died by cutting his throat.

**Died by falling from the top of the mast.

***Born in Göteborg.

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Albert Peterson	11 Feb. 1832	Hospital	25	Potter's Field
Charles Roden	27 July 1832	Park Hospital	60	Potter's Field
Peter Seoyne	6 Feb. 1832	Front St.	56	Middle Dutch
William Stone	20 March 1832	Water St.	38	Rutgers St.
Neil Spell	12 July 1832	Almshouse	42	Potter's Field
Peter Brown	7 Aug. 1834	Hospital	19	Potter's Field
John Coleman	27 Aug. 1834	286 Greenwich St.	45	Potter's Field
Henry Gahn ²	4 Aug. 1834	227 Hudson St.	64	St. Mark's
Charles G. Kose ³	26 April 1834	Almshouse	21	Potter's Field
Charles Nichols	1 June 1834	Cherry St.	30	Trinity
Bror K. Norgtron	16 Sept. 1834	Quane St. Hospital	19	Potter's Field*
Alfred Nab	10 Nov. 1834	Hospital	16	Potter's Field
John Peterson	25 March 1835	19 Coenties Slip	50	Potter's Field**
John Rickman	23 June 1834	205 Front St.	32	Potter's Field
Louis Peter Rabe	21 Nov. 1835	Bellevue Hospital	32	Potter's Field
James Stimson	24 March 1834	Oak St.	27	Rutgers St.
Andrew Wilson	27 Feb. 1834	Hospital	48	Bethel Baptist
Peter Barry	4 April 1837	Hospital	36	Potter's Field
Peter W. Rosebecke	15 July 1836	Ship <i>Oscar</i>	32	Potter's Field
Charles Wilson	26 Oct. 1836	Hospital	23	Potter's Field
John Wilson	28 Oct. 1836	Hospital	27	Potter's Field
Laurence Brown	4 Aug. 1837	Hospital	33	Potter's Field
John Brown	8 Dec. 1838	335 Water St.	29	Potter's Field
Peter Lunn	14 June 1837	Hospital	24	Potter's Field
Henry Doyle	19 April 1836	Hospital	35	Potter's Field
Peter Peterson	12 Nov. 1836	Hospital	25	Potter's Field
John West	26 July 1836	Hospital	28	St. Patrick's
Nicholas Copeland	25 Feb. 1838	3 Catherine Slip	34	Potter's Field
Gabriel Edman ⁴	6 Sept. 1837	51 Glouston St.	67	Rutgers St.
Alexander Ruth	2 Jan. 1839	178 Fulton St.	40	German Lutheran***
Charles Anderson	29 Oct. 1839	Hospital	21	Potter's Field
John Armstrong	20 Nov. 1839	100 Varick	42	Potter's Field
John Beckman	21 Jan. 1840	A.H. Belle	61	Potter's Field
Magnus Carlgren ⁵	30 April 1839	Hospital	38	German Lutheran
William Harris	19 Sept. 1839	City Prison	35	Potter's Field
William Lucrane	25 March 1839	A.W. Belle	73	Potter's Field
Fredrick Nelson	19 Oct. 1839	Hospital	35	Potter's Field
Samuel Truck	1 Oct. 1840	Hospital	64	Forsythe Methodist Episcopal
Charles Tranchell ⁶	9 Sept. 1841	393 Broome	38	German Lutheran
John Thompson	24 June 1837	Hospital	24	2nd Ave. Presbyterian
William Clarke	15 May 1839	88 James	32	Protestant

*Died of cholera.

**Died falling off the yard arm.

***Died from a fall.

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Salomon Elson	24 Dec.1842	Hospital	45	Rutgers St.
Aseek Hittengrest	4 April 1842	Pier 3,North River	22	Methodist Society
August Krook	14 June 1842	326 Madison	45	Oliver St. Baptist
Carl Edward Lowengelm ⁷	12 Aug.1843	9 Albany	1 yr.,4 mos	Potter's Field
Henry Lockwood	16 Aug.1843	Hospital	31	Remanded to Long Island
Catherine Mathews	11 June 1842	121 Sheriff St.	21	St.Patrick's
Charles P.Orsborn	25 Oct.1843	9 West St.	36	German Lutheran
William Sunden	18 May 1843	Hospital	38	Potter's Field
Augustus Anderson	19 April 1845	Hospital	28	Randall's Island
John Albert Brodell ⁸	28 Dec.1844	100 Third Ave.	36	Brick
Alexander Elgrim	20 Nov.1843	96 Allen St.	50	Remanded to Orange Co.
Victor Furan	11 March 1845	Hospital	35	Randall's Island
Peter A.Johnson	21 July 1845	42 Broad St.	42	St.Patrick's
David Bæhr	25 May 1844	54 Sixth Ave.	77	United German Lutheran, Carmine St.*
Isaac H.Martin	27 Sept.1843	Hospital	50	Potter's Field
John P.Day	5 Jan.1843	98 Pitt St.	32	Methodist Episcopal
Jacob Maginson	5 Feb.1844	Blackwell's Island	23	Methodist Episcopal**
C.B.Carlstedt	29 April 1846	Foot of Rector St.	26	West Presbyterian, Carmine St.
Peter Johnson	14 Jan.1846	81 Market Slip	44	Removed from the city
Peter Johnson	29 Sept.1846	Hospital	30	Potter's Field
John Lin	15 May 1846	Hospital	56	Potter's Field
Nicholas Nelson	16 April 1847	5 Birmingham St.	62 yrs.,7 mos.	North Dutch
E.Rosengren (male)	15 Feb.1846	----	29	West Presbyterian, Carmine St.
Isaac Swanson	14 Aug.1847	458 Greenwich St.	3 yrs.,6 mos.	Potter's Field
John Roslin	22 April 1847	25 No.Moore St.	28	German Lutheran
Emanuel Peterson	20 May 1846	319 Water St.	36	Removed from the city
Martha Magnusdata	2 March 1847	Lunatic Asylum	17	Potter's Field
John Lawson	20 April 1847	55 Cherry St.	36	North German Lutheran
Charles Fredericks	7 Aug.1846	Hospital	26	Potter's Field
E.G.Doughan	15 Feb.1846	----	46	Carmine St.
John Wicke	6 Dec.1845	492 Greenwich St.	40	St.Patrick's
Thomy Zachrisson ⁹	28 Jan.1846	65 Broadway	35	New York City
Lewis Zervis	6 Oct.1846	33 Monroe St.	25	Potter's Field
John Augustus	6 Nov.1848	Hospital	33	Potter's Field
Charles Brown	21 Aug.1848	Hospital	33	Potter's Field
Helena Christian	21 Oct.1847	19 West St.	26	German Lutheran
Eolver H.Dohly	15 April 1849	482 Cherry St	33	German Lutheran
Christina Fors	11 Dec.1849	Lunatic Asylum	30	Potter's Field
<u>Peter Johnson</u>	<u>27 Oct.1847</u>	<u>Pier 9, North River</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>Potter's Field</u>

⁹Native of Swedish Pomerania.

**Born in Göteborg.

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Andrew Johnson 9 April 1848 43 Cherry St. 65 West Presbyterian

NOTES

- ¹ Undoubtedly he is identical to Jonas Setterberg, seaman, native of Sweden, 34 years old, resident of New York City, 5 ft., 4 in. tall, who signed aboard the ship *Ocean* in New York 11 Aug. 1808 bound for Havana and who on 7 April 1809 signed on board the ship *Isabella* destined for Tangiers. - *New York Port Crew Lists*, National Archives, Washington, DC.
- ² Henrik Adolph Gahn was b. in Ore Parish (Kopp.) at the end of March or 1 April 1774 (his mother d. on 1 April after having given birth to her son), s. Henrik Gahn and Catharina Magdalena Didron. He emigr. to the U.S. and settled in New York as a merchant. On 3 Feb. 1800 he received instructions from the Swedish Government to become its consul in New York. - Gabriel Anrep, *Svenska slägtboken*, (Stockholm 1871-1875), I, p. 485; Joh. Ax. Almquist, *Kommerskollegium och rikens ständers manufakturkontor samt konsulsstaten* (Stockholm 1912-1915), p. 516.
- ³ Carl Gustaf Kosel, journeyman carpenter, received pp. in Göteborg 6 Sept. 1833 for travel to New York. - *Svenska flottans pensionskassas verifikationer*, 1834, Krigsarkivet, Stockholm.
- ⁴ Undoubtedly he is identical to Gabriel Edman, seaman, native of Sweden, 39 years old, resident of New York City, 5 ft., 7 1/2 in. tall, who signed on the ship *Golden Fleece* in New York 15 Dec. 1809, destined for Tønning. - *New York Port Crew Lists*, National Archives, Washington, DC.
- ⁵ Halvard Magnus Carlgren, b. in 1799, student at the University of Uppsala 1820; settled in New York, where he became a founding member of *Svenska Societeten* (Swedish Society) 21 Feb. 1836. - E.H.Lind & A.Larsson, *Värmlands nations historia jämte förteckning öfver dess medlemmar från 1595 till 1877* (Upsala 1877), p. 15; Vilhelm Berger, *De svenska sjukhjälpföreningarna i N.Y.* (New York 1934).
- ⁶ Carl Johan Tranchell was b. in Göteborg in 1802, s. Carl Henrik Tranchell, secretary to the Swedish East India Company, and Brita Maria Hasselroth. He settled in New York City and m. there. - (Lars Magnus Victor Ömberg), *Svenska ättartal*, 1894 (Stockholm 1894), p. 490.
- ⁷ Carl Edvard Löwenhielm was b. in Glumslöv Parish (Malm.) 23 May 1842, s. Johanna Ahlstedt, father unknown. At the baptism Erik Ludvig Löwenhielm, Johanna Ahlstedt's employer, was the chief witness and it may be presumed that he was the father of the child. - Glumslöv Parish Records.
- ⁸ John Albert Brodell, whose name originally was Johan Albert Brink, was b. in Klara Parish, Stockholm 8 Feb. 1806, s. Fredrik Brink, linen merchant (*lärfitskrämare*), and Ulrika Albertina Seipel. The parents were divorced and his mother remarried Eric Brodell, also a linen merchant. Johan Albert assumed his stepfather's name. He received pp. in Stockholm 17 Sept. 1836 for travel to America. He became a Swedish shipping agent in New York. On 17 April 1844 he visited Göteborg, armed with a pp. issued by the mayor of New York, Robert H. Morris. On 27 July of that year he received a pp. in Stockholm for the return journey to America. - Landsarkivet, Uppsala; *Överståthållareämbetets passjournal*, Stadsarkivet, Stockholm; *Göteborgs och Bohusläns länsstyrelses passjournal*, Landsarkivet, Göteborg; *Göteborgs poliskammars journal över inländska resande*, Stadsarkivet, Göteborg.
- ⁹ Torgny Zachrisson was probably b. in Hamburg, Germany, s. Zacharias Lorentz Zachrisson, Swedish consul general, and Marie Sophie Bahrman. When his father's estate was probated in Stockholm in 1834 Torgny res. in New York City. - Stadsarkivet, Stockholm; Almquist, *Kommerskollegium*, p. 643.