



Mormon Danish Emigration Records

How to Guide Level: Beginner

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GOAL

You will be able to identify Mormon ancestors who emigrated from Denmark 1852-1920.

INTRODUCTION

The Scandinavian Mission was founded 11 May 1850. Starting in 1852 17,000 Danes emigrated to Utah, causing the first major wave of emigration from Denmark.

HOW TO

Scandinavian Mission Records 1852-1920

Emigration records from the Scandinavian Mission from 1852-1920 are available on microfilm at the Family History Library and available online at FamilySearch. They contain images of the original records. Records from 1864-1869 are indexed within the volume and records up to 1900 may be indexed in the Early Church Information File

1. Begin by going to the FamilySearch.org catalog
2. Search for "Denmark" in the place name search
3. Click on "Emigration"
4. Select "Emigration records, Scandinavian Mission (Denmark, Norway, Sweden) 1852-1920"
5. If you desire to first use the Early Church Information File, click the hyperlink followed, by the red text. However, if a general time frame is known, it may be faster to skip this step
6. Once the time frame is known click on the camera corresponding to the correct year frame. You must be logged in, in order to do this.
7. A few of the volumes include indexes, but most don't. They are, however, arranged chronologically

Aurelia Clemons Database 1852-1881

For the years 1852-1881 a faster way is to use the “Emigration from Scandinavian Mission” extracts available on Aurelia Clemons’s website. The extracts are divided into two sections, one covering the years 1852-1866 and one covering 1867-1881.

1. Begin by going to www.aurelia-clemons.org
2. On the front page will be a hyper-link to see the extracts from 1852-1866 and one from 1867-1881. Click on whichever is needed
3. Names are written as spelled in the documents so variant spellings may need to be checked. However, because the file is text you can use CTR-F to speed up your search
4. Once the correct record is identified, check the top of the entry to obtain the conference and page number and the bottom to obtain the microfilm number
5. Use the obtained reference information to find your ancestor in the Scandinavian Mission Records

PRACTICE

For this activity we will try to find the emigration record of Sander Andersen and his family. They lived in Give parish in 1860, but disappear completely by 1870. The 1860 census shows his wife, Johanne Cathrine, was Mormon.

1. Because this emigration occurred before 1881, we can begin by going to Aurelia-Clemons.dk
2. Since Sander is believed to have emigrated 1860-1870, we will need to check both databases. Let’s start by clicking on the 1852-1866 one.
3. Using Ctr-F, run a search for “Sander.” This should show that a man named “Sander Sandersen” emigrated but no other men by this name did. He is not our ancestor.
4. Now lets hit the back arrow and check the 1867-1881 database. Click on that one and run a Ctr-F search for “Sander.”
5. This should show that a Sander Andersen emigrated with his wife Johanne C., and children Mette M., Edil Marie, and Anders Andersen emigrated with the Fredericia Conference in 1867.
6. If the original image is desired look for the family on page 11 of microfilm 025696

ACTIVITY

Now, test your skills you have learned in this “How to guide.” The activity is a way to check your knowledge and let you know you’ve mastered the guide! [Click here to try out the activity.](#)

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