

SOHIER line to Marie Sohier, wife of David des Marest based on Guines marriage records and other data supplied by Rik Sohier to Marc Demarest 3-22-2004

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Transcription of marriage record of David des Marest and Marie Sohier from records of French Church at Middleburg (David D. Demarest, 1886)

4 JULLET. 1643.
Assistes de Jean de Marets et Francois Sohier, margue de Serville, et Maguerite Sohier.
David de Marets fils de Jean natif de beauchamp et Marie Sohier fille de francois native de Nieppe
ft. le 19 Juill
Mariee le 24 Jull.

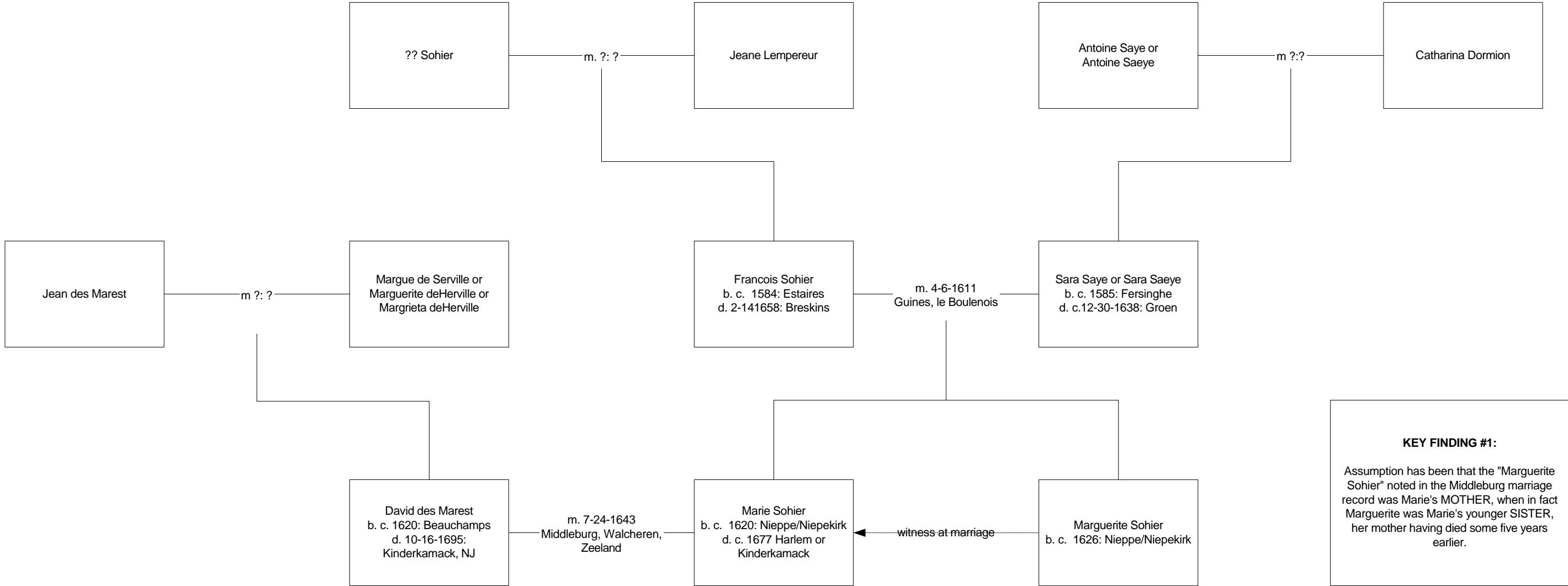
Excerpt from Mabel Boyce Spell narrative in Voorhis Demarest's *The Demarest Family* (1964)

Marie Sohier was the daughter of Francois and Margrieta, and is believed to have been the grand-daughter of David Sohier, a native of Mons in Hainault, who married Feb. 12, 1585 at Amsterdam, Anne Crommelin from Donay. The Sohier family also originated from the land of Cambray and bore "ingules a fine pointed star, argent." In the 16th and 17th centuries a branch of this family had memberships in the French Reformed Church in London, England. The marriage of David desMarets and Marie Sohier is thus recorded: "1643, 4 Juillet, Assiste de Jean Marets et Francois Sohier, Marguerite deHerville et Marguerite Sohier; David desMarets, fils de Jean, natif de Beauchamps et Marie Sohier, fille de Francois, natif de Nieppe, et le 19 Juillet. Marie le 29 juillet." These dates show first banns July 4, second banns July 19, marriage July 29, 1643.

Francois Sohier's marriage record (Guines folio ivCM Tribout April 6, 1611) transcribed by Rik Sohier

François Soier jh à marier dmt à Guines agé de 27 ans natif d'Etstaires fils de + Sohier et Jeanne Lempereur ses père et mère. Assisté de Jacques Sohier dmt à Berthen son frère, Gilbert Delanghe dmt à Guines son frère uterus, Jean Dubois dmt à Guines son cousin côté paternel.
Et
Sara Saye jeune fille à marier de 26 ans native de Fersinghe fille du défunt Antoine Saye et Catharina Dormion, ses père et mère vivant à Guines assisté de François de Villier, mari de de Marie Saye son beau-frère, cordonnier à Guines, Michel Raignard, marie de Elisabeth Saye son beau-frère, de Hans Quepot cordonnier à Guines, son oncle du côté maternel, Nicolas Dormion dmt à Guines, son oncle du côté maternel.

KEY FINDING #2:
Francois Sohier's father was almost certainly NOT David Sohier of Mons in the Hainault. No evidence for the link exists, and primary evidence (Francois' marriage certificate) says his mother's name was Jeanne Lempereur -- not David Sohier's wife's name.



KEY FINDING #1:
Assumption has been that the "Marguerite Sohier" noted in the Middleburg marriage record was Marie's MOTHER, when in fact Marguerite was Marie's younger SISTER, her mother having died some five years earlier.