The ancestors of Coralie Weill have been divided into seven groups as indicated in the following diagram:



The first thing to notice is that the grouping of people is divided into two main groups, "Dauendorf" and "Marmoutier". The three people listed on the left were all born in Dauendorf, as were some of their ancestors and descendants. On the right only Alexandre Weill was born in Marmoutier, but both Madeleine Bloch and Amélie Lévy married men from there and their children were all born in Marmoutier. Ancestors of the people whose name designates a group are traced as far back as possible in the discussion of the group, unless some of these earlier ancestors have their own group.

The second thing to notice is that the diagram is not symmetrical from a generational point of view. At the beginning I started to group the ancestors by parents, grandparents etc., but I realized that this would obscure matters. The main reason for this is the fact that the parents of Coralie Weill were cousins, with the two grandmothers being the children of Marie Kling and Solomon Mandel. Since children of a couple are always listed with the wife, the two grandmothers of Coralie Weill, as well as her

father and paternal grandfather are discussed in the bottom grouping, "Coralie Weill". Amélie Lévy was the mother of Coralie Weill's paternal grandfather and both she and her husband Jacques Weil are discussed in the grouping "Amélie Lévy". Madeleine Bloch and Alexandre Weil, the parents of Jacques Weil, are discussed in their respective groups. On the left Gottschau Weiller, who married a daughter of Marie Kling and Solomon Mandel, has his own group as do these latter two people.

From a strictly genealogical viewpoint the major discovery was the fact that the two Mandel families and the Weillers who lived in the early nineteenth century in Dauendorf had a common ancestral pair in Jüdel Götsch and Solomon Mandel. They were both born in the early seventeen hundreds with Solomon Mandel passing away in 1810 at the ripe old age of ninety-six! This is all discussed in detail in the chapters dealing with their great-grandsons Solomon Mandel and Gottschau Weiller. The following chart indicates some of the relationships and this is followed by an abbreviated generational list with Jüdel Götsch and Solomon Mandel representing the first generation.



#### **Generation** -2

**Moyse-Samuel**, second half of the seventeenth century. Father of Naftaly <<Hirtzel>>.

### **Generation -1**

**Götsch**, end of the seventeenth century. Father of Jüdel Götsch.

Jüdel, end of the seventeenth century. Mother of Solomon Mandel.

**Naftaly** <<**Hirtzel**>>, end of the seventeenth century. Father of Solomon Mandel.

## **Generation 1**

**Jüdel Götsch**, beginning of the eighteenth century. Marriage with Solomon Mandel ca. 1740? Mother of Jacques Mandel and Schmulen Solomon.

Solomon Mandel, ca. 1714, Dauendorf? -- 1810.03.13 Dauendorf.

## **Generation 2**

Jacques Mandel, ca. 1741 Dauendorf? -- 1813.02.16, Dauendorf. Marriage with Marie-Anne Solomon: 1768.08.23, Wittersheim. Father of Daniel Mandel.

Schmulen Solomon, ca. 1744, Dauendorf? -- 1806.05.21, Dauendorf. Marriage with Fromet David: 1774.08.16, Mommenheim. Father of David Weiller.

## **Generation 3**

Daniel Mandel, ca. 1770, Dauendorf -- 1855.09.20, Dauendorf. Marriage with Caroline Apfel, ca. 1798. Father of Solomon Mandel.

**David Weiller**, ca. 1783, Dauendorf -- 1857.03.09, Dauendorf. Marriage with Sophie Lang: 1807.03.24, Traenheim. Father of Gottschau Weiller.

## **Generation 4**

Solomon Mandel, 1804.04.15 [25 Germinal XII], Dauendorf -- 1865.11.08, Dauendorf.

Marriage with Marie Kling: 1835.07.07, Dauendorf.

Father of Caroline Mandel and of Pauline Mandel.

**Gottschau Weiller**, 1830.12.27, Dauendorf -- 1905.04.19, Pfaffenhoffen. Husband of Caroline Mandel (Generation 5) and father of Pauline Weiller.

## **Generation 5**

**Caroline Mandel**, 1838.10.22, Dauendorf -- 1908.11.27, Pfaffenhoffen. Marriage with Gottschau Weiller (Generation 4): 1861.12.11, Dauendorf. Mother of Pauline Weiller.

**Pauline Mandel**, 1849.09.17, Dauendorf -- 1933.04.13, Marmoutier. Marriage with Nathan Weill: 1872.06.21. Mother of Lazare Weill.

## **Generation 6**

- **Pauline Weiller**, 1878.04.17, Pfaffenhoffen -- 1951.07.24, Paris. Marriage with Lazare Weill:1909.04.14. Mother of Coralie Weill.
- Lazare Weill, 1880.11.25, Marmoutier -- 1968.01.10, Paris. Father of Coralie Weill.

## **Generation 7**

**Coralie Weill**, 1910.03.21, Marmoutier -- 1995.08.07, New York. Marriage with Albert Herz: 1936.02.03, Marmoutier.

The book starts off with an explanation of the system used throughout the book to precisely identify ancestors. This is followed by a list of the symbols, initials and most common references used.

Next comes a list of all the known or possible ancestors of Coralie Weill. This list includes the names of three six times great-grandparents of Coralie Weill, people who were probably born around the middle of the sixteen-hundreds, perhaps during the devastating thirty-years war (1618 -- 1648).

After the list are the seven chapters corresponding to the seven people listed in the chart at the beginning of this introduction. Each chapter starts with several charts showing the people discussed in the chapter.

Of special interest is the chapter dealing with the ancestors of Solomon Mandel, which starts off with a discussion of all the resources and problems involved in doing research for that chapter. The end of the chapter on Madeleine Bloch deals with a purported link to several well-known families in Alsace, Germany, Austria and Switzer-

land. Because, in my opinion, the link is far from certain these latter people are *not* included in the list of ancestors.

As the title of the book indicates, our primary interest concerns the ancestors of Coralie Weill, i.e. in the ascending tree with Coralie Weill at the base. Because of this, the other children -- aside from the child who is also an ancestor -- are usually of secondary interest. If the names of other children are known, e.g. from the 1808 change of name lists or from the pre-1792 marriage contracts or from the ten-year compilations of the civil acts after 1792, etc., then these are noted, but no special effort was undertaken to find all the children. Similarly if we came across a marriage act for another child this was noted and occasionally we noted further children. Pierre Katz has done extensive research on the Weills of Marmoutier and I have used his results for the children who were not direct ancestors of Coralie Weill.