

## **Palache**

Joshua Piza's mother was Sarah, the daughter of Joseph Palache. It is possible that this family was descended from Samuel Palache, who was the Moroccan envoy sent by the King of Morocco to the Netherlands about 1591; he subsequently acted as consul there, and died at The Hague, 1616. He proposed to the magistrates of Middleburg in Zeeland to make that town, an asylum for the Maranos, who would raise it to a considerable seaport; but the clergy of the town were opposed to the plan, and so it was not put into effect. Palache did much for the settlement of the Maranos in Amsterdam in 1593, and gained great favor with the Stadholder. Prince Maurice of Orange attended his funeral.

Reference: Jewish Encyclopedia.

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