

Witch 214, Alix Marond 1

B 8691 no 3; witch 214, Alix veuve Demenge Marond, de Raon

Accused by Jennon femme Claudon St Remy, who maintained charge at confrontation.

18 November 1602; informations preparatoires

(1) Anne femme Jean Canot, 40

Reputation 7 years.

(2) Jean Ramberviller, 68

Reputation 10 years.

(3) Didier Prevost, 50

Reputation 7 years.

(4) Jennon femme Dieudonné Coupechasse, 40

Reputation 6 years; Jean Martenat had often told her he suspected she had killed his wife.

(5) Marguitte femme Colas des Mailles, 44

7 years earlier Jehenne femme Jean le Martenatte had ben fatally ill; often heard her say that she had given her the illness, having threatened her a few days before it began.

(6) François Louy, 50

Reputation 5 or 6 years.

(7) Alizon femme Demenge Remy, 40

Repeated story about suspicions of Jean le Martenatte and his wife; he had said that if he found her in house he would kill her with a cudgel.

(8) Alizon femme Colas Liebault, 30

Reputation 7 years.

(9) Alizon fille feu Claudon Chassel, 25

Had recently asked witness for news of witches, adding that Claudon St Remy's wife could not have confessed because she had not been shaved. Witness said people were saying it was wrong that la grosse Marie had not been arrested, to which she agreed, adding 'qu'elle craindoit bien de sa part d'avoir ung chabot de ce que ladite Jennon alloit ordinairement aupres d'elle'.

(19 November 1602)

(10) Alizon femme Didier Bandêça, 35

Reputation 6 years. Previous summer small son had been ill, and suspected her, since she was often asking husband for payment of debt of 3 sols. Had heard her say that reputation came from 'mechant homme' Jean de Martenatte.

(11) Catherine femme Maurice Mongeon, 36

Reputation 4 years.

(12) Colas Jean Peltre, 40

Reputation 4 years.

(13) Claudon Cordier, 50

Had heard his late wife say she feared her greatly, because of evil reputation.

(14) Honn homme Claude Marchaux, 50

Late Idoult Vigneron had told him he had been to consult devineresse at Tanviller, who told him she had caused death of a child of the witness. One day had passed her sweeping outside house of late cleric juré and said she was making a lot of dust, to which she replied that she was not a witch to do so - suspected her since then.

(15) Jean le Martenatte, 50

7 years earlier had quarrelled violently with his second wife Jehenne, telling her not to 'faire la glorieuse', and that she would not long live in the house with the witness. Fell ill next day and languished for 2 years until death; late wife of Jean Poulain of la Neufville had told him there was nothing so certain as that accused was cause of this, and that she was already a witch when she was in household of cleric juré as young woman.

(16) Jennon femme Colas Barrey, 30

Suspicious of Jean le Martenatte's late wife.

(17) Marguitte veuve Jacques Charpentier, 50

Reputation 3 years.

(18) Marguitte femme Chrestofle l'Huillier

Reputation 2 or 3 years.

(19) Anne femme Claude Marchant, 30

Late Idoult Vigneron had been in their house, saying how he had been to the devin, who had shown him all the witches of Raon, Alix among them, and that she had killed wife of Jean la Martenatte and one of husband's children by first marriage.

(20) Claudatte femme Jacquat Louy, 36

Story of noise from house of accused around midnight, and angry reply when she was asked about it next day.

12 December 1602; interrogation

Said she was about 50, native of Nossoncourt; father was Anthoine Jean Jacot, mother Annon. Had lived in Raon for 34 years. Knew that Jean la Martenat had given her bad name years earlier; only quarrels were with him and with Didier Prevost and his wife. Denied all other charges. Marginal note at one point reprimands interrogator for naming person concerned, saying questions should be put without names.

13 December 1602; confrontations

No reproaches to witnesses. Now accepted deposition of Alison (9th witness) about their conversation; knew about shaving from seeing witches already executed. Asked about word 'chabot', said that one said 'qu'on luy baille un chabot' when giving someone a bad name. In reply to last witness, made curious remark that there was always someone there when her husband beat her.

18 December 1602; Change de Nancy recommends that she be threatened with instruments, but only tortured if she starts to confess.

21 December ; interrogation

Made no admissions, despite a good many threats.

31 December; Change de Nancy orders that she be renvoyée

7 January 1603; released from prison