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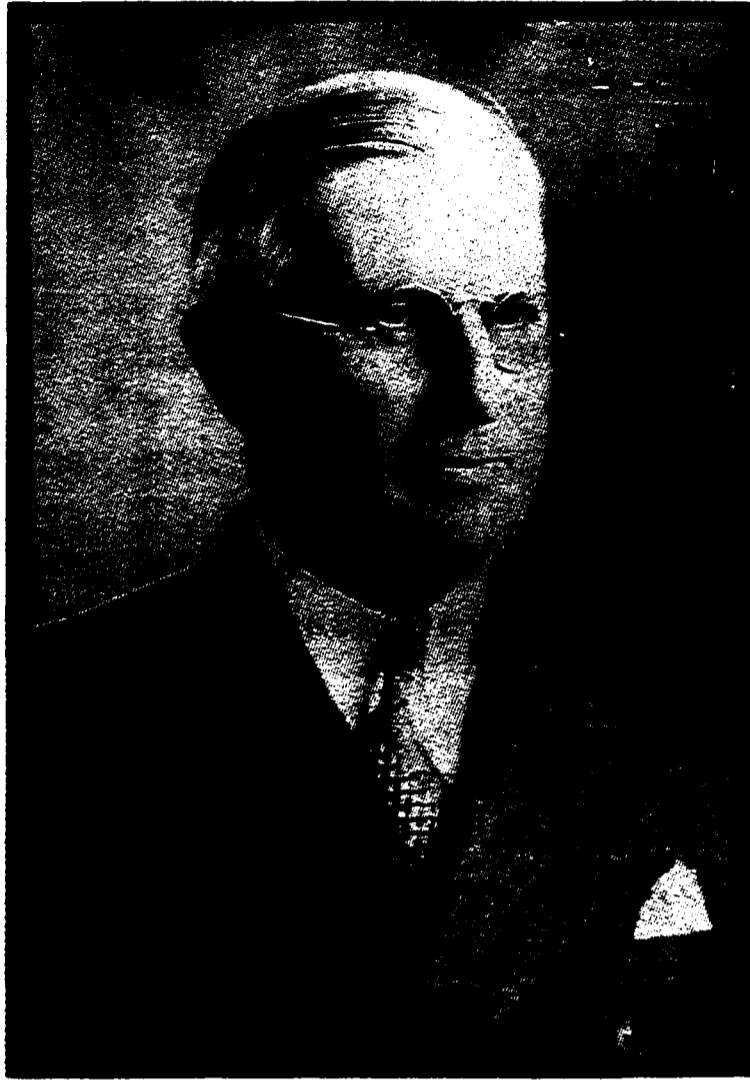
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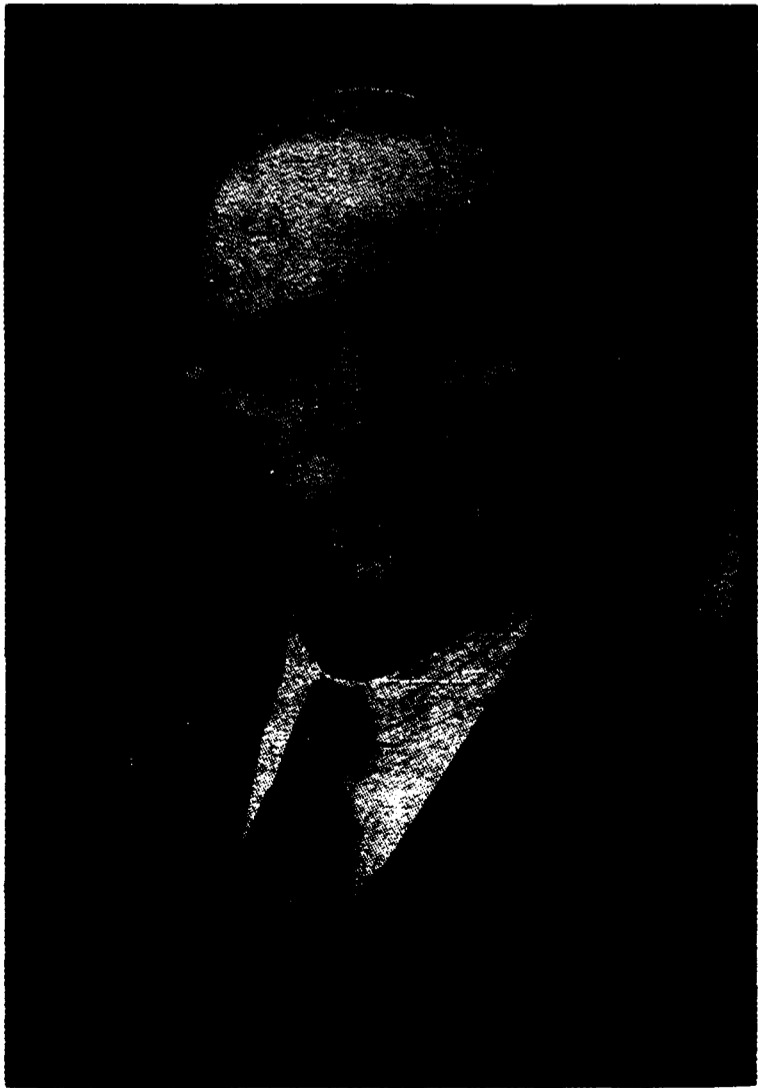
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FOREWORD

The Board of Chosen Freeholders of Sussex County and the New Jersey State Planning Board, as co-sponsor, are presenting this Inventory of the County Archives to the citizens of Sussex County and the State.

This publication should be of interest and value not only to the citizens of Sussex County, but also to students of governmental procedure, for in order to understand county government in general it is necessary to understand county government in an individual county. It may be said, however, that the county government systems of the several states vary profoundly, and that no two counties in the same state ever employ the same system with identical results.

The Historical Records Survey is engaged in revealing the vast documentary resources of this county, upon the basis of which more adequate history may be written. The task is stupendous, of course, but its basic value, indeed its outright necessity, has been recognized for more than a generation by our leading historians. Since the early years of the American Historical Association, established more than a half century ago, this challenge to inventory the historical resources of public archives has fired the imagination of historians and has led them to exert prodigious efforts to realize a comprehensive Nation-wide survey of records.

The question naturally arises as to the trustworthiness of these inventories. Tremendous difficulties are inevitably encountered in operating such a program, but the work has been so organized and supervised that the product of every worker is checked and rechecked and every editorial step is subjected to careful scrutiny. Thus the final product is so critically tested that the Survey produces inventories, the quality and reliability of which surprises even the most exacting scholars.

The Survey has already been able to stimulate better record-keeping in public offices. The mere existence of an inventory of the county records compels certain progress in archival administration, because increased demand for access to records must be satisfied. This fact is readily observable in counties where inventories have been made available. Furthermore, limitations of space have made it difficult for all the records to be preserved permanently, and this fact has resulted in the past in

their haphazard and illogical destruction. In the future, a study of the inventories will make it possible to formulate well-considered and uniform policies for the preservation of records on the basis of their possible future value in governmental administration and in research. The present all-too-frequent shameful disregard or neglect of the public interest in basic records is being gradually overcome.

To insure the most perfect product possible, the Survey has secured the technical services of the most competent specialists in the various fields of its enterprise. These technicians are assisted by editorial personnel of proved ability and capacity. In each phase of work, an Assistant Project Technician functions as editor. All technical and editorial phases are coordinated by the Project Technician, who is the Consultant of the project. To insure maximum productive efficiency in editorial work without overemphasis of any single phase at the expense of others, all editors are jointly responsible to the Project Technician and to the State Supervisor, as well as to the Assistant State Supervisors in charge of editorial work. Each editor is relieved of all administrative detail in connection with the operation of his editorial unit, an editorial assistant being charged with administrative responsibilities.

As the main function of the Survey has achieved a competence in operation, more diversified activities have been undertaken, until the Survey now is engaged in the most comprehensive program of research in history ever attempted. This program has been successful, as is manifested by the finished products of its processes.

It has been my privilege to be the Field Supervisor in charge of the Survey workers who inventoried the records and gathered the necessary data for this inventory of the County Archives of Sussex County. This volume should stimulate interest in the historical background of the county, the description of which is based largely on primary source material. The precise, detailed description of the organization, structure, and functions of the county's governmental agencies will afford a better understanding of such matters to the layman. It will also serve as an archival guide to the requirements of day-to-day administration by the officials of the county, as well as to the needs of lawyers, businessmen and other citizens who require facts from the public records for the proper conduct of their affairs. This publication is so designed that it can be used for research in unprinted sources in the same way that one uses a library card catalog for printed sources.

George C. Decker
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PREFACE

The New Jersey Historical Records Survey Project was organized in February 1936 as a unit of the Works Progress Administration. It operates as a State-wide project under the local sponsorship of the New Jersey State Planning Board. The technical supervision of the Survey is exercised nationally by Mr. Sargent B. Child, Director. State administrative supervision is provided by Mrs. Eva H. Reda-Reina, State Director of the Community Service Programs. The Survey, in New Jersey, is under the additional supervision of Mr. R. C. Branion, Regional Director of WPA.

The Survey has as its objective the preparation of inventories of the municipal, county, State, and Federal archives in New Jersey and the publication of these inventories as guides to material of historical interest. In addition to these inventories, work is proceeding in the cataloging and calendaring of manuscript collections, the inventorying of church archives, and the transcription of some of the earliest public records. Additional features of this comprehensive approach to authentic historical source materials are found in the Survey's research in American imprints and portraits in New Jersey.

The Inventory of the County Archives of New Jersey will, when completed, consist of 21 volumes, one for each county in the State. The individual units are to be numbered according to their respective position in an alphabetical list of the counties. Thus, the inventory herewith presented for Sussex County is No. 19. The inventories of the State and municipal archives will be published in separate series.

The Survey is engaged in compiling the monumental Atlas of Congressional Roll-Calls: An Analysis of Yea-Nay Votes, mapping, with analyses, roll-calls, and index of all the yea-nay votes in the Congress of the United States from 1775-1932. It is continuing the collection of the Messages and Papers of the Presidents, i. e. the messages, communications, proclamations, executive and administrative orders of the Presidents since January 21, 1937, bringing up to date the original compilation initiated by the Survey in New York. It maintains a cumulative list and index of all Presidential Executive Orders of the Unnumbered Series now containing entries for over 1,400 such orders. It is preparing a handbook of the federal district and circuit courts, consisting of maps showing the

evolution of their jurisdiction, tables of all times and places of meeting, and complete rosters of their judges. The legislative ordinances of the Continental Congresses and the Congresses of the Confederation are being compiled for the first time, in a format based on that used in the United States Statutes at Large. Revised and up-to-date rosters of all members of the Congress of the United States from 1789 to date are also in preparation, and compilations of Presidential Executive Orders and Proclamations for twelve special topics, including Passport Regulations, Consular Regulations, Wildlife Conservation, Alien Entry Regulations, and National Forests, are being assembled in order that this valuable and useful material may be made available to the public in its most usable form. All these work phases are being handled by the Congressional Vote Analysis Unit.

The Survey is also engaged in preparing a comprehensive statement of the general laws regarding county government, to be entitled County Government in New Jersey. It is expected that this forthcoming publication will serve as a handbook on the organization, structure, and evolution of county government in New Jersey, and will make it unnecessary to repeat certain items of general information in the various inventories. The office essays in this volume are, therefore, limited to information on the creation of the office and its present status, the manner in which it is filled, the term of office, and a brief statement setting forth the major duties or functions of the office.

Work on the survey of the records in Sussex County began in December 1940 and was completed in March 1941. The field work was supervised by George Decker, assisted by the local staff. The recheck was made by Allyn G. Jackson, Entry Department Supervisor, aided by Ellsworth D. Hatfield, Harry Heller, Howard Stillwell, and William Hull. The entries were prepared and edited by Mary C. McMullen, Ellsworth D. Hatfield, Bart J. Steib, and Frank C. Fenner under the supervision of Allyn G. Jackson.

The historical sketch was written by John J. Oliver under the direction of James Mocerri, Essay Supervisor. The essay on the housing, care and accessibility of the records was written under the direction of Jean L. Saville, Essay Supervisor. The county office essays were prepared under the supervision of William Yacavone, who also wrote the governmental organization and court essays. Local data assembled by field units for use in the editorial office was collated by workers under direction of Caulder B. Perryclear.

Maps and charts for this inventory were drawn by Robert Carlson, draftsman. All legal citations were checked under the direction of Thomas P. Chichi, Legal Research Supervisor. The entire inventory was compiled under the supervision of Elmer Swan, State Editor.

All editorial activities of the Survey were conducted under the technical direction of Louis A. Lupton, Assistant State Supervisor. The inventory in final manuscript form was edited in the central office in Washington by Guy P. Timboe, assistant editor, and further reviewed by Mabel S. Brodie, editor in charge of public records inventories.

The various volumes of the inventory of State, county, municipal, and church archives of New Jersey are distributed without charge to Government offices, libraries, and historical societies in New Jersey, and to major universities, libraries, and depositories throughout the Nation. It is planned to make complete extracts of the historical sketches, governmental organization essays, and maps and charts of all completed county and municipal inventories for distribution to high schools of New Jersey; and also to make them available to other educational institutions, both within and beyond boundaries of the State of New Jersey.

This inventory could not have been completed but for the cooperation of Sargent B. Child, Director, and of the officials of the County of Sussex. The editorial staff of the New Jersey Historical Records Survey also expresses its gratitude to Robert W. Allan, State Administrator, for his personal service and attention which were of inestimable aid in the production of this inventory and for the continuance of the survey under local sponsorship.

A list of other Survey publications appears at the end of this volume. Requests for information concerning any unit of the Survey should be addressed to the undersigned at 1060 Broad Street, Newark, New Jersey.

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Acting State Supervisor

December 1, 1941

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HISTORICAL SKETCH

Introduction

Sussex County, situated in the extreme northwestern section of New Jersey, presents a sharp contrast to the great industrial and metropolitan region around Essex and Hudson Counties not only in social and economic life but in physical geography. Of a total area of 531.32 square miles, comprising 338,393 acres of land surface, 136,538 acres are still in forest. (1) Some 12,428 acres of wild forest land along the Kittatinny Ridge have been purchased by the State and converted into the Stokes State Forest. (2)

The western section of the county is in the Appalachian Zone, known here as Kittatinny Valley and Mountain. (3) Slates, limestones, and sandstones of Paleozoic origin underlie the surface soil in this zone which extends southwesterly from Orange County in New York. (4) A great variety of mineral deposits have been discovered in this region; 123 different minerals are found in the Hamburg-Franklin section alone. The deposits at Ogdensburg and Franklin, consisting chiefly of zinc, iron, and manganese oxides, have a world-wide importance. (5)

The eastern third of the county is almost entirely in the Highlands, which extend in the same southwesterly direction as the Kittatinny Mountains. Composed mainly of granite and gneiss, the Highlands form part of the oldest geological strata in North America. Deposits of magnetite, though of negligible commercial importance, are also found in this area. (6)

Sussex County might well be called the "Switzerland of America", for its mountains and more than 60 lakes provide a playground for thousand of visitors every year. Hundreds of cottages dot its 6,000 acres of lake area, while its State parks are a veritable mecca for campers and other devotees of outdoor life. Lake Hopatcong, the largest of these

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- (1) New Jersey State Geological Survey, Annual Report, 1899, p. 16.
 - (2) New Jersey State Department of Conservation and Development, Division of Forests and Parks, Stokes State Forest, p. 1.
 - (3) New Jersey State Geological Survey, Final Report, I, 114, 115; Floyd W. Parson, et al., eds., Life, Industries, and Resources of a Great State, p. 50, hereinafter cited as Parson, Resources of a Great State.
 - (4) New Jersey State Geological Survey, Final Report, I, 114, 115.
 - (5) Parson, Resources of a Great State, p. 51.
 - (6) Ibid.

lakes, extends into Morris County. Other of the better known lakes include Swartswood, Culvers, Mohawk, and Wawayanda, the latter being the site of a Y. M. C. A. camp for boys. Small streams, which annually attract hundreds of fishermen, also are found within the county's boundaries. Thus, Sussex plays an important part in New Jersey's role as one of the Nation's great year-round resort communities. (7)

Settlement

There is considerable variance of opinion as to where the first permanent white settlement in Sussex was located. (8) A group of enterprising Hollanders, primarily interested in exploiting the mineral resources of the region, built the "Old Mine Road" through Sussex County from their settlement in what is now Kingston, New York, to the Pahaquarry mine holes in Warren County. It is not definitely known, however, whether any remained to settle in Sussex after the English conquest of New Netherland in 1664. (9)

Captain Schuyler, who had found no white settlement in the Sussex region when he visited it in 1693, (10) received a patent for 1,000 acres in this area in 1697. (11) In the same year the colonial government of New York, which also claimed possession of some Sussex territory, granted a patent for 1,200 acres to Jacob Codebec, Thomas Swartout, Anthony Swartout, Bernadus Swartout, John Tys, Peter Ginar and David Jamison, who had already occupied this land, purchased previously from the Indians. (12) In the early years of the eighteenth century numbers of Hollanders and Huguenots, possessing such family names as Cortright, Van Auken, Westbrook, Decker, Kuykendal, Westfall, Cole, and Davis, made their way from Ulster and Orange Counties in New York to the upper Delaware Valley on the Sussex side and settled in the vicinity of Port Jervis. (13) In 1730, surveyors employed by the Province of New Jersey wrote of a prosperous settlement in the upper Delaware Valley. (14)

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- (7) Sussex County, Road Map, 1940
- (8) James P. Snell, comp., History of Sussex and Warren Counties, New Jersey, p. 25, hereinafter cited as Snell, Sussex and Warren.
- (9) Benjamin B. Edsall and Joseph F. Tuttle, The First Sussex Centennary, pp. 13-15, hereinafter cited as Edsall, Sussex Centennary; Edward A. Webb, The Historical Directory of Sussex County, New Jersey, p.3.
- (10) New Jersey Archives, edited by William Adee Whitehead, et al., First Series, II, 103, 104, hereinafter cited as New Jersey Archives.
- (11) Amanda Stickney Decker, Old Mine Road, p. 7, hereinafter cited as Decker, Old Mine Road.
- (12) Horace E. Twitchell, History of the Minisink Country, pp. 15, 16; Edsall, Sussex Centennary, p. 18.
- (13) Edsall, Sussex Centennary, p. 19.
- (14) Ibid., pp. 2-4.

What became known as the "Minisink Settlement," opposite the lower end of the "Great Minisink Island" in what is now Montague Township, was first settled by Johannes Westbrook and Simon Westfall. (15) Situated on the route of "Old Mine Road," it was, as early as 1650, a stopping place for men and teams carting copper ore from Pahaquarry to the Hudson. (16)

About 1741 John Peter Bernhardt, who had emigrated from Germany to Germantown, Pennsylvania, settled on the "Tehaenetcong" or Paulinskill near the present site of Stillwater. (17) Five years later, his son-in-law, Caspar Schaeffer, purchased an adjoining tract of 150 acres from John Reading and Samuel Green. (18) The Wintermutes, Snovers, Swartswelders, Staleys, Merckels, Schmucks, Snooks, Mains, Couses, and other Germans soon followed them in the settlement of the valley of the Paulinskill. (19)

After the close of the French and Indian War, Sussex County was populated by large numbers of Puritans who had originally settled in Long Island and in Orange County. They numbered among others the Greens, Hunts, Blackwells, Blanes, Browns, Brokaws, Howells, Hopkins, Beegles, Townsends, Ketchams, Collards, Mills, Havens, Moores, Hills, Dentons, Cases, Knapps, Youngs, Smiths, Coes, Johnsons, Wallings and others. (20)

Organization

When Sir George Carteret and the four Quakers, Penn, Lucas, Byllynge, and Laurie, drew up the Quintipartite Deed on July 1, 1676 dividing New Jersey into the Provinces of East and West Jersey, the area which is now Sussex County was equally divided between the two in consequence of the partition-line that was drawn from the northwest corner of the Province to Little Egg Harbor. (21) In 1694 the Assembly of West Jersey assigned the western section to the jurisdiction of Burlington County. (22) In 1709 all the present area of Sussex came under the jurisdiction of Burlington when the General Assembly redefined the boundaries

(15) Snell, Sussex and Warren, p. 29.

(16) Decker, Old Mine Road, p. 7.

(17) Caspar Schaeffer, Memoirs and Reminiscences, together with sketches of the early history of Sussex County, pp. 25, 26, hereinafter cited as Schaeffer, Memoirs.

(18) Ibid., p. 30.

(19) Edsall, Sussex Centenary, p. 21.

(20) Ibid., p. 20.

(21) Aaron Leaming and Jacob Spicer, The Grants, Concessions, and Original Constitutions of the Province of New Jersey, 1664-1702, p. 67.

(22) Ibid., pp. 532, 533.

of all existing counties. (23) The Sussex region formed a part of Hunterdon County from 1714, when Hunterdon was set up as a completely independent county, (24) to 1739, when the northern section of Hunterdon, which included Sussex, was set off as Morris County. (25) In 1753 all the land in Morris County north of the Musconetcong River was erected into the county of Sussex. (26) The severance of Warren County in 1824 from Sussex marked the only important change in the territorial jurisdiction of the county. (27)

The "Precinct of Minisink," extending from Carpenter's Point across the State line to the precinct of Goshen in New York, was the first local governing unit in the Sussex area. (28) Politically, however, the inhabitants of the "Precinct of Minisink" came under the jurisdiction of the colony of New York. They voted in Orange County until their votes were transferred to Ulster County in 1701. These votes were restored to Orange County 8 years later. (29)

Even before Sussex County was formed from a part of Morris County the need for some form of municipal government was met by the organization of townships. New Town and Wallpack, which comprised all of the present Sussex area, were the first of these unincorporated local bodies. (30) Among the other early townships to be formed were Montague, erected in 1759 from Wallpack by royal patent; Sandyston, from Wallpack in 1762; and Hardyston, from Newton. (31) Vernon Township, taken from Hardyston in 1792, was the first of the present municipalities to be incorporated in Sussex County. (32) The townships of Frankford, Montague,

(23) Samuel Nevill, comp., The Acts of the General Assembly of the Province of New Jersey, 1703-1761, I, p. 25, hereinafter cited as Nevill, Acts.

(24) William Paterson, comp., Laws of the State of New Jersey, 1703-1799, p. 15, hereinafter cited as Paterson, Laws.

(25) Ibid., p. 4.

(26) Ibid., p. 13.

(27) P.L. 1824, p. 60.

(28) Snell, Sussex and Warren, p. 29.

(29) Snell, Sussex and Warren, Ibid., pp. 25, 26.

(30) Edsall, Sussex Centenary, pp. 16, 17.

(31) Ibid., p. 50.

(32) Paterson, Laws, p. 118.

Newton, Sandyston, Wallpack, and Wantage acquired a legal status as a corporate body in 1798 by the incorporation of the inhabitants of all New Jersey townships. Hardyston Township was also incorporated in the same year. (33)

Boundaries

Prior to 1772, when the Assembly of New Jersey accepted the present northern division line between New York and New Jersey, the northern boundary of Sussex County had been a point of controversy for almost seven decades; some 210,000 acres of land were involved in the dispute. (34) Although the General Assemblies of the two provinces in 1719 confirmed the fixing of a partition line from a point at a latitude 41 degrees and 40 minutes north on the Delaware River to Cochection or Station Point on the Hudson River, (35) a number of individuals holding New York land grants maintained that their patents included land that was legally supposed to be in New Jersey. (36)

In 1748 the Assembly of New Jersey laid before the Assembly of New York a modified boundary proposal embracing some concessions to New York. (37) The inhabitants of Orange County, using whatever influence they had with the Crown, had the proposal defeated. (38) In 1762, the board of freeholders of Sussex County, countered by laying claim to all

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- (33) Ibid., p. 282. Other municipalities of the county in the order of their incorporation are Stillwater Township (P.L. 1824, p. 126), Green Township (P.L. 1824, p. 426), Sparta Township (P.L. 1845, p. 42), Lafayette Township (P.L. 1845, p. 137), Andover and Hampton Townships and Newton Town (P.L. 1864, p. 196), the borough of Sussex incorporated as Deckertown in 1891, the boroughs of Branchville (P.L. 1898, p. 60), Hopatcong, formerly known as Brooklyn, (P.L. 1898, p. 208), and Andover (P.L. 1904, p. 95), Fredon Township (P.L. 1904, p. 17), and the borough of Stanhope (P.L. 1904, p. 93), Franklin (P.L. 1913, p. 128), Ogdensburg (P.L. 1914, p. 16), and Hamburg (P.L. 1920, p. 36).
- (34) Paterson, Laws, pp. 22, 26; Snell, Sussex and Warren, p. 155.
- (35) Snell, Sussex and Warren, p. 156. For further information see Henry Barton Dawson, ed., Papers concerning the boundary between the States of New York and New Jersey; also William A. Whitehead, Northern boundary line, the circumstances leading to the establishment in 1769 of the northern boundary line between New Jersey and New York, pp. 1-30.
- (36) New Jersey Archives, First Series, I, 20.
- (37) Snell, Sussex and Warren, p. 158.
- (38) Ibid., p. 158. New York presented a report to His Majesty's Government in which the Minisink and Wawayanda patents were treated as "floating patents."

the territory embraced by the "Precinct of Minisink." The dispute was finally ended when a Royal Commission, to whom the two colonies had submitted the entire matter for arbitration, fixed the present boundary in 1769. (39)

The original boundaries of Sussex in 1769 extended along the Musconetcong River from its mouth in the Delaware River to Lake Hopatcong, from the latter northeast to the State line, thence to the Delaware River, following its course to the Musconetcong River. (40) In 1824, the southern section of the county was incorporated as Warren County and the new southern line of Sussex was made to run in a straight line from the mouth of the Flat Brook on the Delaware River through the northeast corner of the Hardwick Church property to the Musconetcong River. (41)

Courthouses

After Sussex County was set up in 1753, (42) the first court of justice was held on November 20, 1753 at Jonathan Pettit's log tavern in what is now the village of Johnsonburg in Warren County. (43) In 1754, the board of justices and freeholders of Sussex County met at the home of Samuel Green in Warwick Township in what is now Warren County (44) and made arrangements for a 3-day meeting to select a site for the courthouse and jail. (45) Although a small "Log Jail" was built on a site near Jonathan Pettit's tavern, where court sessions continued to be held four times a year from November 1753 to February 1756, (46) it was too poorly constructed for the "safe-keeping" of prisoners. (47) Later the courts were held at Thomas Woolverton's tavern, near what is now Huntsville in Sussex County. (48) The General Assembly, acknowledging the petitions of the Sussex people, authorized the building of a courthouse and jail in 1761 and ordered that the structure be erected on the plantation of Henry Hairlocker, within a half-mile of his residence, then the only dwelling in what is now Newton. (49)

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- (39) Edsall, Sussex Centennary, p. 51; Snell, Sussex and Warren, p. 159.
- (40) Paterson, Laws, p. 15.
- (41) P.L. 1824, p. 60.
- (42) Paterson, Laws, p. 15.
- (43) Edsall, Sussex Centennary, p. 27.
- (44) Sussex County Freeholders' Minutes, Mar. 21, 1754, see entry 1.
- (45) Ibid., Apr. 16, 1754.
- (46) Edsall, Sussex Centennary, pp. 28-30; Snell, Sussex and Warren, pp. 150, 152, 688.
- (47) Abraham Van Doren Honeyman, Northwestern New Jersey, I, 457, 458.
- (48) Edsall, Sussex Centennary, pp. 30, 31; Honeyman, Northwestern New Jersey, I, 457, 458.
- (49) Snell, Sussex and Warren, pp. 153, 688.

The Board of Freeholders levied a tax of \$500 in 1762 for the construction of the building and followed the initial levy with additional taxes for the next few years until the total cost of \$5,600 was met. Although the jail quarters were completed in 1763, it was not until May 1765 that the building was opened for the holding of the county courts. Remodelled and enlarged by an addition in 1844, it was completely destroyed by fire 3 years later. (50)

In February 1847, the board of freeholders appropriated \$8,500 and the citizens contributed \$6,500 for the erection of a new building. A proposal was made at this time to have the county seat transferred to Branchville or Augusta but the board of freeholders turned it down by a vote of 14 to 12. Completed shortly after the funds were raised, the courthouse remained practically unchanged until 1911 when fire destroyed nearly the entire second floor. (51)

Indian Difficulties

In 1755 and 1756 the General Assembly of New Jersey was obliged to pass acts to guard the northwestern frontier of Sussex County from the repeated incursions of the Indians. (52) In June 1758, Governor Bernard consulted with Governor Berry of Pennsylvania for the purpose of taking measures to end the bloodshed. On August 7, 1758 a conference was held with Teedyescung, Sachem of the Delawares, to discuss means of bringing about an amicable settlement. At the final conference, held at Easton, Pennsylvania, in October 1758, the grievances and complaints of both sides were aired and liberally redressed. (53)

Revolutionary War

Although the English-born owners of the Andover Forge and Furnace were loyal to the Crown and abandoned their works at the outset of the Revolutionary War, (54) the majority of the furnace and forge operators threw their support to the cause of independence. They were greatly influenced in their course by Parliament's opposition to any vigorous development of colonial manufactures. Parliament had particularly discriminated against the iron masters by prohibiting them from

(50) Edsall, Sussex Centennary, pp. 41, 42

(51) Honeyman, Northwestern New Jersey, II, 459.

(52) Nevill, Acts, II, 10.

(53) Samuel Smith, History of the Colony of Nova-Caesaria, or New Jersey, pp. 447, 448, hereinafter cited as Smith, History of New Jersey.

(54) New Jersey Historical Society, Proceedings, VII, 76, 2d Series, I. 36, 37.

processing iron beyond the bar, or bloom, stage and from erecting mills for the slitting and rolling of iron. (55)

The opposition to English Colonial policy had become even more pronounced as that policy continued to obstruct the industrial and commercial development of the colonies. In 1770, the inhabitants and freeholders of Sussex County met at the courthouse to adopt retaliatory measures against New York merchants guilty of violating the Non-Importation Agreement of the American colonists. They passed a resolution expressing their "Abhorrence and Detestation" of these merchants and voicing their determination to divert down the Delaware the trade they had been giving to New York. (56) Provoked by the arbitrary methods of Parliament in taxing the American Colonies, the inhabitants and freeholders of Sussex County, meeting at the courthouse in Newton on July 1, 1774, protested against the imposition of taxes without their consent. It was resolved to name a committee to confer with representatives from other counties in a general "Congress of Deputies," (57) which convened at New Brunswick on July 23, 1774. (58) What has been called Sussex County's "Declaration of Independence" took place on May 10, 1775 when the board of freeholders ordered the sheriff to pay off the judges appointed by the Crown; this was, in effect, a notice of dismissal. (59) On October 20, 1775 the Provincial Congress, without consulting the Governor, organized, among others, the first regiment of Sussex County militia. (60) Later the Provincial Congress, issuing orders for the regulation of the militia, set up 2 regiments and 1 battalion in Sussex County and requested that the county furnish 5 companies of Minute Men of 64 men each. (61)

In Sussex, revolutionary sentiment was crystallized in the organization of a county committee of safety as well as several township committees of safety. (62) In February 1776, The Provincial Congress asked Sussex County to raise 593 pounds of the 10,000 pounds required to

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- (55) Charles Shimer Boyer, Early Forges and Furnaces in New York, p. 7, hereinafter cited as Boyer, Early Forges and Furnaces.
- (56) New Jersey Archives, First Series, XXVII, 252, 253; Peter Force, ed., American Archives, Fourth Series, I, 594, hereinafter cited as Force, American Archives.
- (57) Minutes of the Provincial Congress and the Council of Safety, pp. 17; 18; 19.
- (58) Snell, Sussex and Warren, p. 50.
- (59) Sussex County Freeholders' Minutes, May 10, 1775; see entry 1; Edsall, Sussex Centenary, p. 56.
- (60) Minutes of the Provincial Congress and Council of Safety, p. 66.
- (61) Ibid., pp. 187, 188, 190, 191.
- (62) Edsall, Sussex Centenary, p. 56.

purchase war materials for Jersey troops. (63) The Provincial Committee of Safety, accepting the invitation of John Cleves Symmes, then in command of the battalion stationed in Newton, convened there from July 5, 1777 to August 21, 1777, after which it adjourned to Princeton. (64)

When, in July 1776, the Continental Congress requested the Provincial Congress to provide 2,000 men as the New Jersey quota for the battle unit known as the Flying Corps, Sussex furnished 2 companies of 64 men. (65) Washington, however, writing to the Governor on November 21, 1776, said "From Sussex Colonel Symmes had arrived, but his following was inconsiderable." (66) The Sussex militia was characterized by General Dickinson as "extremely unfriendly to the cause in general." (67)

The failure of Washington to hold the northern part of the State in the campaign of 1776 caused many Sussex people to lose all hope of ultimate victory. Deserting to the victorious British forces occurred all too frequently. (68) On October 15, 1777 Governor Livingston, who a week before called upon Burlington, Sussex, Monmouth and Middlesex Counties to furnish 2,000 militia, informed Washington that he had received no answer from Sussex to his appeal. (69) Despite the difficulty of recruiting soldiers in Sussex County, more than 1,000 Sussex men served in the Continental Army. (70)

Although the Tories were rather numerous in Sussex County, they could not render effective assistance to the British because of their remoteness from the royal outposts. (71) The large landowners, of whom the most prominent was Joseph Barton, were probably the most active in support of the Crown. (72) One of the most active officers in the New

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- (63) Minutes of the Provincial Congress and the Council of Safety, p. 421; Snell, Sussex and Warren, p. 52.
- (64) Snell, Sussex and Warren, pp. 52, 54.
- (65) Ibid., p. 67.
- (66) Peter Force, ed., American Archives, 5th Series, pp. 869, 870, 1120.
- (67) Leonard Lundin, The Cockpit of the Revolution, p. 242, hereinafter cited as Lundin, Cockpit of the Revolution.
- (68) Alexander Fraser, Second Report of the Bureau of Archives for the Province of Ontario, I, 649, 650, hereinafter cited as Fraser, Second Report.
- (69) Lundin, Cockpit of the Revolution, pp. 334, 335.
- (70) Snell, Sussex and Warren, p. 68.
- (71) Lundin, Cockpit of the Revolution, p. 249.
- (72) Fraser, Second Report, I, 600-604. Barton, an agent of the East Jersey Proprietors, owned 22 parcels of land ranging in size from half an acre to 1,100 acres, besides his homestead of 322 acres.

Jersey Volunteers, the military organization of the loyalist sympathizers, was Lieutenant James Moody of Sussex County. (73) Despite their apparent strength in Sussex, numerous Tories lost their estates through confiscation as a penalty for their opposition to the American cause. (74)

Civil War

Shortly after the outbreak of the Civil War, the Sussex Bank of Newton and the Bank of Wantage offered loans of \$20,000 and \$10,000 respectively to purchase equipment for volunteers. (75) Although Captain G. Fitts was successful in raising a company of troops for 3 months' service almost immediately after President Lincoln's first call for volunteers, these men were never mustered into service. A large number of the men, however, enlisted later for 3 years in Company D of the Third Regiment. (76) The Second Regiment with Company B from Sussex saw action with the First New Jersey Brigade at Bull Run, at Gaines' Mill, at Manassas Junction, and at Crampton's Gap, also participating in the action at Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, and Gettysburg. Sussex men in Company D of the Third Regiment saw action at Bull Run, at Cloud's Mills and at Gaines' Farm, Virginia. Another Sussex unit, Company I of the Seventh Regiment, fought at Williamsburg, Fair Oaks, White Oak Swamp, Chancellorsville, and Gettysburg. (77)

The Fifteenth Regiment, with Companies A, B, C, D, F, G, H, I, and K, wholly or partially composed of men from Sussex County, received its baptism of fire at Fredericksburg and later saw action in other important battles, suffering during the course of the war a loss of 1,455 men out of a total enlistment of 1,871. (78) The Twenty-seventh Regiment, with Companies A, D, H, and K recruited exclusively from Sussex, was mustered into service in September 1862. (79)

A majority of troops in Company A and practically all of Company B of the Harrison Light Cavalry were raised at the Cochran House in Newton in 1861 for 3 years' service. Generally known as the "Sussex

(73) Lieutenant James Moody's Narrative of his Exertions and Sufferings in the Cause of Government since 1776, pp. 10, 13, 14, 55; Snell, Sussex and Warren, p. 58; New Jersey Archives, 2d Series, III, 46n.

(74) New Jersey Gazette, Mar. 14, 29, 1780.

(75) Snell, Sussex and Warren, p. 80.

(76) Ibid.

(77) Ibid., p. 82.

(78) Ibid., pp. 88-92.

(79) Ibid., pp. 92, 93.

Squadron," it was stationed at the National capitol, and saw action at Fredericksburg. (80) The First Regiment of New Jersey Cavalry, consisting chiefly of Sussex County men in Companies A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, K, L, and M, fought a number of engagements at Fredericksburg, Brandy Station, and Stony Creek. (81)

World War

National Guardsmen of Sussex County, mustered into the Federal service shortly before the entry of the United States into the World War, were assigned to the 29th Division, the "Blue and Gray," when it was organized in 1917. They fought their initial engagement in the Meuse and Argonne offensive and were marching on Metz when the armistice was signed. (82)

During the course of the war, 539 Sussex men were drafted into the army. (83) Most of them were assigned to the 78th Division, which was organized at Camp Dix on August 23, 1917. (84) Other men from Sussex County served in the 1st, 2d, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 27th, 77th, 79th, 80th, 82d, 87th, and 88th Divisions. (85) During the war, "home service" sections of the American Red Cross were organized in Hamburg, Layton, Bevans, Swartswood, and Newton. (86) The Lieutenant Charles A. Meyer Post No. 86 of the American Legion, was organized in Newton on August 17, 1923. (87)

Religion

The people of "Minisink Settlement," meeting with Dominic Mancius of Kingston in 1737, planned the establishment of four Reformed churches in the Delaware Valley. These were all chartered under the same title, the "Church of Wallpack." Two of the churches, one at Dingman's Ferry in Pennsylvania and the other at Layton in Sussex County, comprised the Upper Wallpack Reformed Congregation. The other two, one at Bushkill,

(80) Ibid., p. 93 ff.

(81) Snell, Sussex and Warren, p. 107. For further information on Sussex troops see William S. Stryker, comp., Record of the Officers and Men in the Civil War.

(82) John A. Cutchins and George S. Stewart, History of the Twenty-ninth Division, pp. 101, 137, 316.

(83) "Final Report of the Provost Marshall General to the Secretary of War on the Operations of the Selective Service System to July 15, 1919," cited in Honeyman, Northwestern New Jersey, I, 181.

(84) Ibid., 172.

(85) Ibid., 172-175.

(86) Ibid., 190.

(87) Ibid., II, 514.

Pennsylvania, and the other at Flatbrookville, were known as the Lower Wallpack Congregation. (88) John Casparis Fryenmouth, a young student of theology, was selected by the people to be their minister and sent to Holland to complete his education. He returned in 1742 to assume his duties in the congregation. (89)

The First Baptist Church of Sussex was organized in Newton in 1751 by a group of settlers originally from Newfield, Connecticut. This church was the nucleus of the Sussex Baptist Association, which was known after 1871 as the North Association of the New Jersey Baptist Convention. (90) Toward the end of the eighteenth and during the course of the nineteenth centuries many Baptist bodies were organized throughout the county. Other churches besides the First Baptist Church of Sussex which are currently active are the Hamburg Baptist Church, organized in 1798; the Lafayette Baptist Church of Lafayette, organized in 1830; the First Baptist Church of Newton, organized in 1835; and the Glenwood Baptist Church, organized in 1862 as the North Vernon Baptist Church. (91)

The Presbyterian Churches established in Sussex County during the eighteenth century reflected the Scotch and English backgrounds of many of the first settlers. The first of these churches was the Papakating Presbyterian Church organized at the "Beemer Meeting House" in Beemerville about 1740. (92) The First Presbyterian Church of Wantage, originally organized as the Dutch Reform "Clove" Church in 1787, was incorporated under its present name in 1817, at which time its house of worship was erected. Other early Presbyterian churches include the First Church of Newton, organized in 1786; (93) the First Presbyterian Church of Stillwater, organized in 1771 by Lutheran and Calvinist German settlers on the Paulins Kill; (94) the First Presbyterian Church of

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- (88) Snell, Sussex and Warren, pp. 26, 29, 515; Charles E. Corwin, The Reformed Church in America, p. 715; William Nelson, Church Records in New Jersey, p. 29, hereinafter cited as Nelson, Church Records.
- (89) Edsall, Sussex Centenary, p. 18.
- (90) New Jersey Historical Records Survey, Inventory of Church Archives of New Jersey: Baptist Bodies, p. 73.
- (91) New Jersey Historical Records Survey, Directory of Churches in New Jersey: Sussex County, p. 9, hereinafter cited as N. J. Historical Records Survey, Directory of Churches: Sussex; Nelson, Church Records, p. 76.
- (92) Nelson, Church Records, pp. 8, 9; New Jersey Historical Records Survey, Inventory of Church Archives of New Jersey: Presbyterians, p. 125, hereinafter cited as N. J. Historical Records Survey, Presbyterians.
- (93) N. J. Historical Records Survey, Presbyterians, pp. 99, 100.
- (94) Ibid., p. 107; Nelson, Church Records, pp. 8, 9.

Sparta, organized and incorporated in 1786 as the First Church of Hardyston; (95) and the First Church of Hamburg, formed in conjunction with the Baptists in 1813 and constituted as a Presbyterian church in 1819. (96) In addition there are today Presbyterian churches in Andover, Beemerville, Branchville, Franklin, Lafayette, Stanhope, Sussex and Yellow Frame. (97)

Christ Church, which was established in Newton in 1769 and incorporated on August 15, 1774, was the first Protestant Episcopal Church in Sussex County. (98) There are today four other churches of this denomination, namely St. Mary's Mission in Sparta, Christ Mission in Stanhope, St. Thomas' Church in Vernon, and the Church of the Good Shepherd in Hamburg. (99)

The Irish and Scotch-Irish, attracted to Sussex as early as 1750 by the nascent iron industry, were the first Catholics to settle in Sussex County. (1) Father Ferdinand Farmer, a missionary priest, came to Sussex County in 1753 and again in subsequent years to give spiritual advice to his scattered flock. St. Joseph's Church in Newton, organized in 1835 by Father McMahon, was the first Catholic church to be built in Sussex County. (2) Today there are eight other Catholic churches in the county, all belonging to the Diocese of Paterson. (3)

In 1926 there were 9,445 church members distributed among the various denominations as follows: 839 Northern Baptists, 2,411 Methodist Episcopalians, 2,414 Presbyterians, 1,047 Protestant Episcopalians, 2,220 Roman Catholics, and 1,514 of all other faiths. (4) In 1940, 68 church bodies representing 12 denominations tended the religious needs of the Sussex citizenry. (5)

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- (95) N. J. Historical Records Survey, Presbyterians, p. 99.
 (96) Ibid., p. 102.
 (97) N. J. Historical Records Survey, Directory of Churches: Sussex, pp. 12-14.
 (98) Nelson, Church Records, pp. 8, 9.
 (99) N. J. Historical Records Survey, Directory of Churches: Sussex, p. 14.
 (1) Joseph M. Flynn, The Catholic Church in New Jersey, p. 52.
 (2) Ibid., pp. 314-316.
 (3) N. J. Historical Records Survey, Directory of Churches: Sussex, p. 15.
 (4) United State Bureau of the Census, Religious Bodies: 1926, I, 644, 645.
 (5) N. J. Historical Records Survey, Directory of Churches: Sussex.

Education

What was probably Sussex County's first schoolhouse was one erected just prior to the Revolution in Wantage on a site originally owned by Capt. Abraham Shiner but at that time owned by his great-grandson, Jacob Hornbeck. Constructed of logs and no larger than 16 feet square, it was a primitive 1-story structure, with an open fireplace supporting a chimney made of sticks and clay. (6) Master Cooper, a stern disciplinarian, was the first teacher here. (7) A Moravian missionary, Joseph Shaw, taught school in the middle 1700's near his farmhouse on the banks of the Delaware River close by the old Wallpack Church. (8) Many schools, generally of log construction, flourished during the early part of the nineteenth century in Andover, Green, Hampton, Stillwater, and Wallpack Townships, as well as in the communities of Vernon, McAfee Valley, and Glenwood. (9) Although Sparta is said to have had schools at an early date nothing definite is known regarding them prior to 1816, when the "Old Frame School" was erected. (10)

The initiative of private individuals, particularly clergymen, did much to further the cause of education. In 1814 the Reverend Elias Van Beenschooten, pastor to the Dutch Reformed Churches of Sussex County, bequeathed \$17,000 for the education of "pious" young men studying for the ministry. (11) About 1825 the rector of Christ Church established a classical school in Newton. In 1833 William Rankin established an exclusive school at Deckertown, which came to be known as the Normal School of Sussex. The Mount Retirement Seminary, established in 1833 as the "Wantage Select School", continued to function successfully under the direction of Edward A. Stiles until 1865. (12)

A committee of the State Legislature, delegated in 1828 to study the condition of the schools in New Jersey, reported that there were more than 20 school districts in Sussex County having no schools and that more than 1,000 children here were completely deprived of instruction. (13) As the result of this committee's general report, the State Legislature took the initial steps in a State-sponsored universal education program by setting up a fund for common schools to be

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- (6) Snell, Sussex and Warren, p. 168; David Murray, History of Education in New Jersey, pp. 94, 95, hereinafter cited as Murray, Education in New Jersey.
- (7) Honeyman, Northwestern New Jersey, II, 543.
- (8) Snell, Sussex and Warren, p. 325.
- (9) Honeyman, Northwestern New Jersey, II, 541-548.
- (10) Ibid., p. 544.
- (11) Snell, Sussex and Warren, p. 169.
- (12) Ibid., pp. 169, 170; Murray, Education in New Jersey, p. 160.
- (13) Murray, Education in New Jersey, pp. 154, 155.

distributed among the counties. In 1837 Sussex was given \$38,689 as its share of the "surplus revenue fund" that was distributed by Congressional authorization throughout the Nation for educational work in local communities. (14)

In 1853 there were 237 public schools in Sussex County, which then included all of Warren. (15) Despite the fact that, in 1860, there were 121 school districts with 125 schools and 176 teachers in Sussex County, the public educational program was still viewed with apathy by the local citizenry. Out of a total of 8,473 children between the ages of 5 and 18, an average of only 1,706 attended school daily. (16) From this it would appear that a considerable number of children were employed in agricultural pursuits, probably on their parents' farms. In 1870, however, the total annual appropriation for school purposes was \$46,911.09, or more than double that of a decade before. This was paralleled by a marked increase of 1,000 in the average daily attendance. (17) In 1867, Nathaniel Pettit of Newton was appointed the first county superintendent of schools. (18) In 1870 the first modern school in the county was built on Halstead Street, Newton, at a cost of \$26,000. (19)

For the school year ending on June 30, 1901, the total annual appropriation was increased to \$74,377.18. (20) With a total enrollment of 5,413 daily attendance averaged 3,083. (21) By 1930, the cost of operating the county school had increased to \$747,308.68. (22) At the present time, there are situated throughout the county 4 high schools, 1 junior high school, 44 elementary schools, and 4 kindergarten schools, with a total enrollment of 6,715. The teaching staff consists of 256 members. The sum of \$945,115.61 was expended for the period 1940-41. (23)

Industry and Agriculture

Favored with a limestone soil excellently suited for the raising of many different crops, Sussex County has acquired some importance

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- (14) Snell, Sussex and Warren, p. 171.
 (15) Edsall, Sussex Centenary, p. 70.
 (16) New Jersey State Board of Education and Superintendent of Public Schools, Annual Report, 1860, p. 71, hereinafter cited as New Jersey Board of Education, Annual Report.
 (17) Ibid., 1870, pp. 38, 39.
 (18) Snell, Sussex and Warren, p. 175.
 (19) Honeyman, Northwestern New Jersey, II, 536.
 (20) New Jersey Board of Education, Annual Report, 1900, pp. 112, 113.
 (21) Ibid.
 (22) Ibid., 1930, p. 365.
 (23) Sussex County, Superintendent of Schools: Annual Report, 1940-1941

agriculturally early in the eighteenth century, when it was described as producing "some wheat, pork and cattle," as well as lumber. (24) The first mills in Sussex were operated by farmers in conjunction with their farms. In 1741 or 1742, Caspar Schaeffer and his father-in-law, John Peter Bernhardt, settling in the vicinity of Stillwater, built what was probably the first grist mill in Sussex County, utilizing the waters of the Paulinskill for power. (25) In 1764, it was replaced by a more modern building with a headrace about a quarter of a mile long. Several years later the Marksboro Mill was built on the Paulinskill 2 miles north of Fall Mills. (26) About 1770 Peter Wintermute built the first fulling mill in the county a half-mile below Stillwater. (27)

In 1760 William Allen and Joseph Turner, who had acquired a tract of 11,000 acres formerly owned by William Penn, built the first blast furnace and forge in Sussex County and named it Andover in honor of Turner's birthplace in Hampshire, England. (28) At the outset of the Revolution the owners, who had pronounced Loyalist sympathies, closed the furnace. It was subsequently put in operation by the State Department of War under direction of Colonel Maybury. (29) After the cessation of hostilities it was closed again until 1847, when it was acquired by Hewitt and Cooper. (30)

Other furnaces and forges in Sussex were Allen and Turner's Furnace, built in 1763 on the Musconetcong Creek at Waterloo; (31) Franklin Furnace, built in 1770 on a stream issuing from Norman's Pond in what is now Franklin; (32) Hamburg Forge and Furnace, erected in 1792 on the Wallkill River and named after the German city of Hamburg, which then exported large quantities of ore to America; (33) Squire's

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- (24) Smith, History of New Jersey, pp. 499, 500; Lundin, Cockpit of the Revolution, pp. 25, 26.
- (25) Schaeffer, Memoirs, p. 30.
- (26) Edsall, Sussex Centennary, pp. 21, 37.
- (27) Ibid., pp. 41, 42.
- (28) Charles Shimer Boyer, Early Forges and Furnaces, p. 26.
- (29) Correspondence of the Executive of New Jersey, from 1776 to 1786, pp. 113-115.
- (30) Boyer, Early Forges and Furnaces, p. 30.
- (31) Ibid.
- (32) Ibid., pp. 71, 72; A.A. Haines, A History of the Township and of the North Presbyterian Church of Hardyston, Sussex County, New Jersey, p. 81, hereinafter cited as Haines, North Presbyterian Church.
- (33) Boyer, Early Forges and Furnaces, p. 84; Haines, North Presbyterian Church, p. 86.

Point Forge, erected by Martin Ryerson, George Haviland, and Thomas Reading, about 1760, near the source of Musconetcong Creek about 7 miles from Oxford Furnace; (34) and the Canistear Bloomery, built in 1796 on the eastern slope of the Wawayanda Mountain in Vernon Township. (35) At Sparta there were five forges, the earliest of which was erected in 1787, about a mile from Ogdensburg, by Robert Ogden. (36) Many of the forges and furnaces were never very successful, rarely continuing in operation for more than a year or two at the most. (37) Many of the forges and furnaces were foredoomed to failure because the mines which supplied them with ore were of a marginal character and therefore too costly to operate. (38)

Although isolated from the more favored avenues of commerce, Sussex County continued to grow at a leisurely pace. In 1830 it was reported to have 87 grist mills, 55 saw mills, 7 fulling mills, 3 furnaces, 28 forges, 18 carding machines, 35 cider distilleries, and 227 tan vats. (39)

In 1816, Dr. Samuel Fowler, who had just acquired the Franklin Furnace, started a series of experiments with a view to finding new methods for utilizing Franklinite ore. He succeeded in producing a zinc substitute for white lead. (40) The production of zinc ore and zinc concentrates is the most important industry in Sussex. The output constitutes a considerable portion of the world's supply of these products. The New Jersey Zinc Company, present owners of what was once old Franklin Furnace, employs some 900 workers at Franklin and 300 workers in its other plant at Ogdensburg. (41) Other industries involve the production of brocades and tie fabrics, in which 4,351 workers are employed; the dyeing, printing and finishing of silk and synthetic fabrics, in which 206 workers are engaged; and the manufacture of limestone products and silk goods. (42) In 1937, there were 29 manufactories

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- (34) Boyer, Early Forges and Furnaces, pp. 217, 219.
 (35) John Leander Bishop, History of American Manufactures, I, 546; Boyer, Early Forges and Furnaces, pp. 258, 259.
 (36) Boyer, Early Forges and Furnaces, pp. 200, 201.
 (37) New Jersey State Geological Survey, Annual Report, 1898, pp. 164, 177.
 (38) William S. Bayley, Iron Mines and Mining in New Jersey, pp. 1, 8.
 (39) Thomas F. Gordon, Gazetteer of the State of New Jersey, p. 37.
 (40) Boyer, Early Forges and Furnaces, p. 72.
 (41) New Jersey State Department of Labor, Bureau of Statistics and Records, Industrial Directory of New Jersey, 1938, pp. 457, 458, hereinafter cited as New Jersey, Industrial Directory, 1938.
 (42) Ibid., pp. 457, 458.

in Sussex County, employing 830 workers and paying \$637,962 in total wages. The value of all products was \$2,858,479, of which \$1,493,374 was added by the manufacturing process. (43)

Sussex has offered few advantages for the development of industry beyond the exploitation of its mineral resources, but agricultural activities have assumed considerable importance in the economic life of the county. Sussex County is ranked as one of the leading dairy centers on the Atlantic seaboard, (44) and its dairy products are valued at more than \$2,000,000 annually. In some parts of Sussex 90 percent of the farm income is derived from the sale of fluid milk. Distribution of the local products in the New York, Philadelphia, Newark, and Paterson markets is expedited through the influential Dairymen's League, a cooperative organization to which most of the farmers belong. (45)

In 1930, Sussex County had 1,155 farms, which were valued at \$11,728,650. These farms, which average 142.9 acres in size, represent the highest county average in the State. (46) The area of all the land used for agricultural purposes in 1930 was 165,039 acres, 48.7 percent of the land in the county. (47) Of this total, 65,169 acres were delegated to crop land and 67,467 acres were in pasture land. (48)

At the present time there are in Sussex County 1,273 farms with an approximate land area of 174,823 acres, or 51.7 percent of the total land area. These farms, averaging 137.3 acres each, are valued at \$11,911,599. (49)

Newspapers

The publication of the first Sussex County newspaper was undertaken by Elliott and William Hunton in 1796. Issued weekly as the Farmers' Journal and Newton Advertiser, their journal was abandoned 3 years later. The Sussex Register, oldest of the present-day newspapers, was first issued in 1813. Under the guidance of Judge John H. Hall, it was strictly non-partisan in its political views for 22 years. Under the new editor, Benjamin B. Edsall, who supported William H. Harrison for president in 1836, the Register became the organ of anti-Democratic

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- (43) United States Bureau of the Census, Biennial Census of Manufactures, 1937, Part I, p. 1498.
- (44) New Jersey State Department of Agriculture, An Illustrated Summary of New Jersey Agriculture, Bulletin No. 48, p. 208, hereinafter cited as New Jersey, Agriculture.
- (45) Parson, Resources of a Great State, p. 122.
- (46) United States Bureau of the Census, Fifteenth Census of the United States: 1930, Agriculture, II, Part 1, pp. 309, 313.
- (47) Ibid., II, Part 1, p. 309.
- (48) Ibid.
- (49) United States Bureau of the Census, Sixteenth Census of the United States: 1940, Agriculture.

sentiment. Colonel Grant Fitch founded the New Jersey Herald in 1829. (50)

Among early newspapers no longer in existence are the Sussex County Home Journal, a weekly started in 1850 by Joseph L. Purlow and published for only a few years; (51) the Sussex Democrat, established in 1858 by George R. McCarter and consolidated in 1861 with the New Jersey Herald, then owned by Henry G. Kelsey, at that time Secretary of State of New Jersey; (52) the Sussex True Democrat, a weekly started in 1863 and published for one year; (53) and the Sussex Record, a weekly published in Branchville for a little more than a year after its start in 1867. (54)

Newspapers now issued in Sussex include the Sussex County Ledger and Branchville Herald, a weekly published in Newton, (55) the Sussex Independent, a weekly published in Sussex since 1870, and the Wantage Recorder, a weekly established in Sussex since 1894. (56)

Transportation

During the early colonial period the economic growth of Sussex County suffered greatly from the difficulty traders had in reaching the area by overland routes. Fur traders, surveyors, and early settlers generally followed the course of the Minisink Trail. (57) The trail, which extended from the Indian settlements on the upper Delaware through what are now the towns of Hainesville, Branchville, and Newton in a southeasterly direction to Lake Hopatcong, (58) subsequently formed the

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- (50) Winifred Gregory, ed., American Newspapers, 1821-1936, A Union List of Files Available in the United States and Canada, p. 429, hereinafter cited as Gregory, American Newspapers.
- (51) Snell, Sussex and Warren, p. 226.
- (52) Ibid.; Gregory, American Newspapers, p. 429.
- (53) Snell, Sussex and Warren, p. 226.
- (54) Gregory, American Newspapers, p. 424; Snell, Sussex and Warren, p. 226.
- (55) John P. Dullard, comp., Manual of the Legislature of New Jersey, 1940, p. 465.
- (56) Ibid.; Gregory, American Newspapers, p. 432.
- (57) Charles A. Philhower, "Minisink Indian Trail," New Jersey Historical Society, Proceedings, New Series, VIII, 199 ff.; A. D. Mellick, Jr., Story of an Old Farm, p. 183.
- (58) R. C. Holcomb, "Early Dutch Maps of the Upper Delaware Valley," New Jersey Historical Society, Proceedings, New Series, XI, 18.

groundwork of what became the "Old Mine Road." (59) The road was built by a group of adventurous Hollanders interested in exploiting the mineral resources of the Sussex-Warren area, prior to the English conquest of New Netherland in 1664. (60) Little was done toward the development of an adequate system of roads in Sussex County until the close of the eighteenth century. At that time there were but three roads in northern New Jersey, each of which followed the course of a river valley. One of these extended from Phillipsburg through Oxford and Sussex and led northward to roads converging on New York and Albany. (61)

Because it was almost impossible to navigate up the Delaware River as far as Sussex County, rafts were the chief means used to transport the agricultural products of the county to Philadelphia and Trenton. (62) About a decade prior to the Revolution, Durham boats were put into service because of their adaptability to river navigation. (63)

The exploitation of the economic resources of the upper Delaware Valley led to the investment of a large amount of New York capital in New Jersey turnpikes during the nineteenth century. The Morris Turnpike, the first projected in the State, was chartered in 1801. When it was completed several years later, it provided a direct route from Elizabethtown through Morristown to Newton. (64) Other turnpikes which connected Sussex with the metropolitan area were the Union Turnpike, which extended from Morristown to Sparta; (65) the Paterson and Hamburg, which was chartered in 1806 to run from Aquackanonk Landing (Passaic) through Paterson to Deckertown (Sussex); (66) and the Deckertown and Newton, chartered in 1814. (67)

Although the New Jersey, Hudson, and Delaware Railroad was chartered as early as 1832 to construct a railroad from some point on the Delaware River to the Hudson River, (68) actual construction did not begin until 1870, when it was consolidated with the New Jersey Railroad

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- (59) Decker, Old Mine Road, pp. 5-8.
 (60) Edsall, Sussex Centennary, pp. 14, 15.
 (61) Wheaton J. Lane, From Indian Trail to Iron Horse, Travel and Transportation in New Jersey, 1620-1860, p. 53, hereinafter cited as Lane, From Indian Trail to Iron Horse.
 (62) L. C. Wood, Rafting on the Delaware River, p. 7.
 (63) W. W. A. Davis, History of Bucks County, II, 391.
 (64) Lane, From Indian Trail to Iron Horse, p. 146; P.L. 1801, p. 80; P.L. 1803, p. 232; P.L. 1832, p. 90.
 (65) P.L. 1804, p. 287; P.L. 1805, p. 492; P.L. 1806, p. 765.
 (66) P.L. 1806, pp. 602, 758.
 (67) P.L. 1814, p. 157.
 (68) P.L. 1832, p. 133.

Company and the Sussex Valley Railroad. (69) The consolidated company became known as the New Jersey Midland Railroad. (70) It entered Sussex County at its northern border and wound through the county with stations at Deckertown, Hamburg, Franklin, Ogdensburg, and Snufftown. It was subsequently merged with the New York, Susquehanna, and Western, an affiliate of the Erie Railroad. (71)

The first railroad to start operating in Sussex County was the Sussex Railroad, chartered in 1848. (72) Promoted by Abram S. Hewitt and Edward Cooper to connect their iron mines at Andover with the Morris and Essex Railroad at Waterloo, it was authorized by the State legislature to construct an extension from the Andover mines to Newton and to erect a bridge across the Delaware. (73) The main line was connected by feeders with Franklin Furnace in 1863, (74) with Branchville in 1868, and with Franklin in 1871. (75) The Ogden Mine Railroad, chartered in 1864, (76) was built to carry iron ore from Ogden Mine in what is now Sparta Township to Lake Hopatcong, where the ore was transferred to canal barges. The Central Railroad of New Jersey assumed control of the line in 1881. (77) Other lines operating through Sussex are the Lehigh and Hudson River Railroad, organized in 1869 as the Pequest and Walkkill, and the Lehigh and New England Railroad. (78)

Population

Sussex County had a population of not more than 500 or 600 in 1738 and as late as 1765 was considered as being definitely frontier land. (79) Following the settlement of Indian difficulties and the conclusion of the French and Indian War and the increased development of the agricultural possibilities of the county, the population grew rapidly in the next few decades. (80) The population of Sussex County, which numbered about 13,000 in 1776, had increased to 14,187 when the Revolution was

(69) P.L. 1870, p. 811.

(70) Ibid.

(71) Snell, Sussex and Warren, p. 166.

(72) P.L. 1848, p. 203.

(73) P.L. 1853, p. 53; Snell, Sussex and Warren, p. 167.

(74) P.L. 1863, p. 7.

(75) Snell, Sussex and Warren, p. 167.

(76) P.L. 1864, p. 72.

(77) Lane, From Indian Trail to Iron Horse, pp. 245, 246;
Snell, Sussex and Warren, p. 168.

(78) Snell, Sussex and Warren, p. 489; Honeyman, Northwestern New Jersey, p. 484.

(79) Smith, History of New Jersey, p. 506.

(80) Edsall, Sussex Centenary, pp. 17, 46.

brought to formal conclusion in 1784. (81) In 1820, 4 years before the Warren area was detached from Sussex, the county had the largest population in the State. (82) With the passage of a few years, however, it could not maintain this status and was soon out-distanced by the great industrial counties of the State.

The following table reveals how slightly the population of the county has fluctuated in the past century and a half: (83)

1800 - 22,534	1850 - 22,939	1900 - 24,134
1810 - 25,549	1860 - 23,846	1910 - 25,781
1820 - 32,752	1870 - 23,168	1920 - 24,905
1830 - 20,349	1880 - 23,539	1930 - 27,830
1840 - 21,770	1890 - 22,259	1940 - 29,632

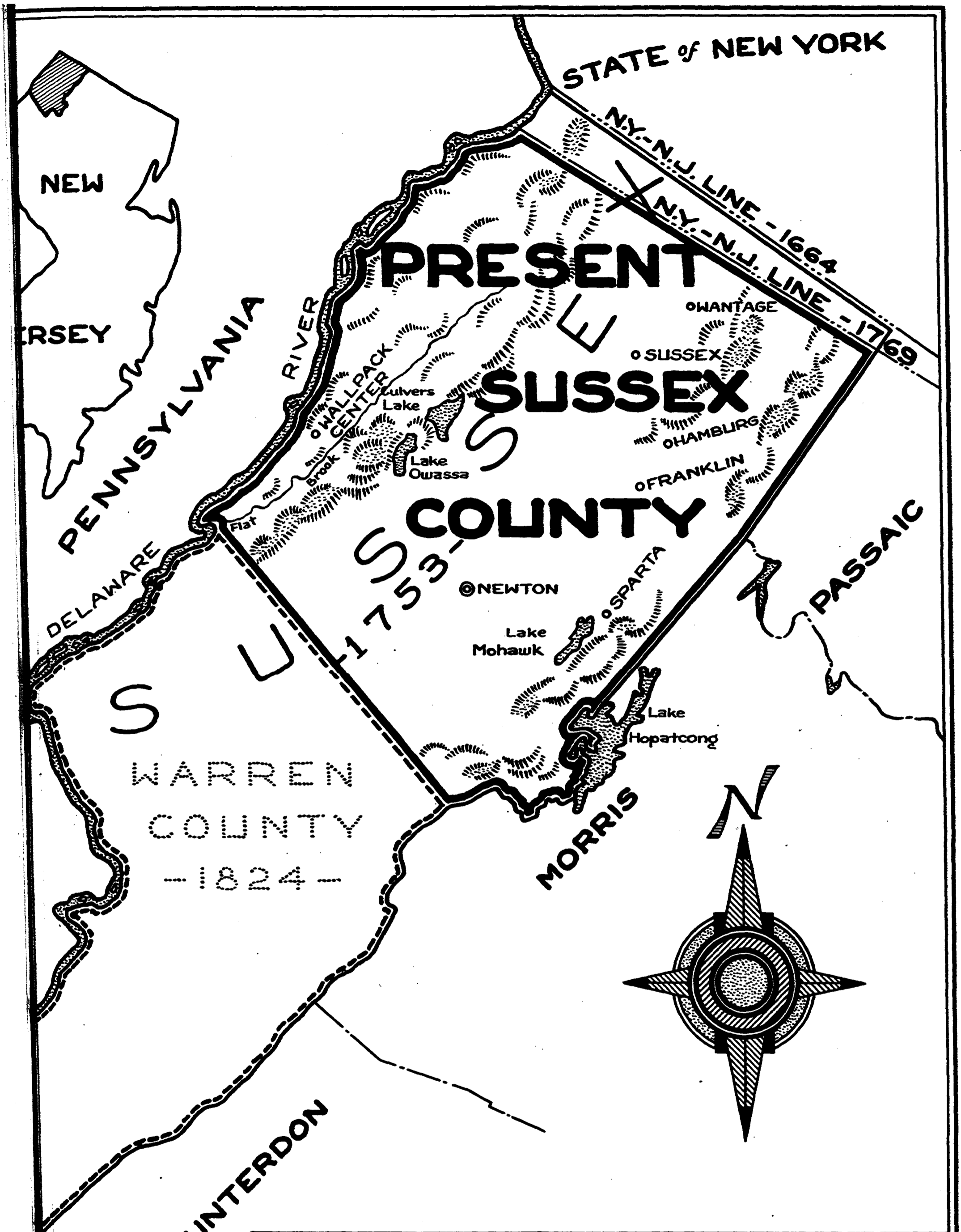
Census reports for 1940 credit Sussex County with a population of 29,632, a gain of 6.5 percent over 1930, which is well above State average. (84)

(81) Edsall, Sussex Centenary, p. 54.

(82) New Jersey Department of State, Census Bureau, Compendium of Censuses, 1726-1905, p. 41.

(83) Ibid.; U.S. Bureau of the Census, Fifteenth Census of the United States: 1930, Population, III, 221.

(84) U.S. Bureau of the Census, Sixteenth Census of the United States: 1940, Population.

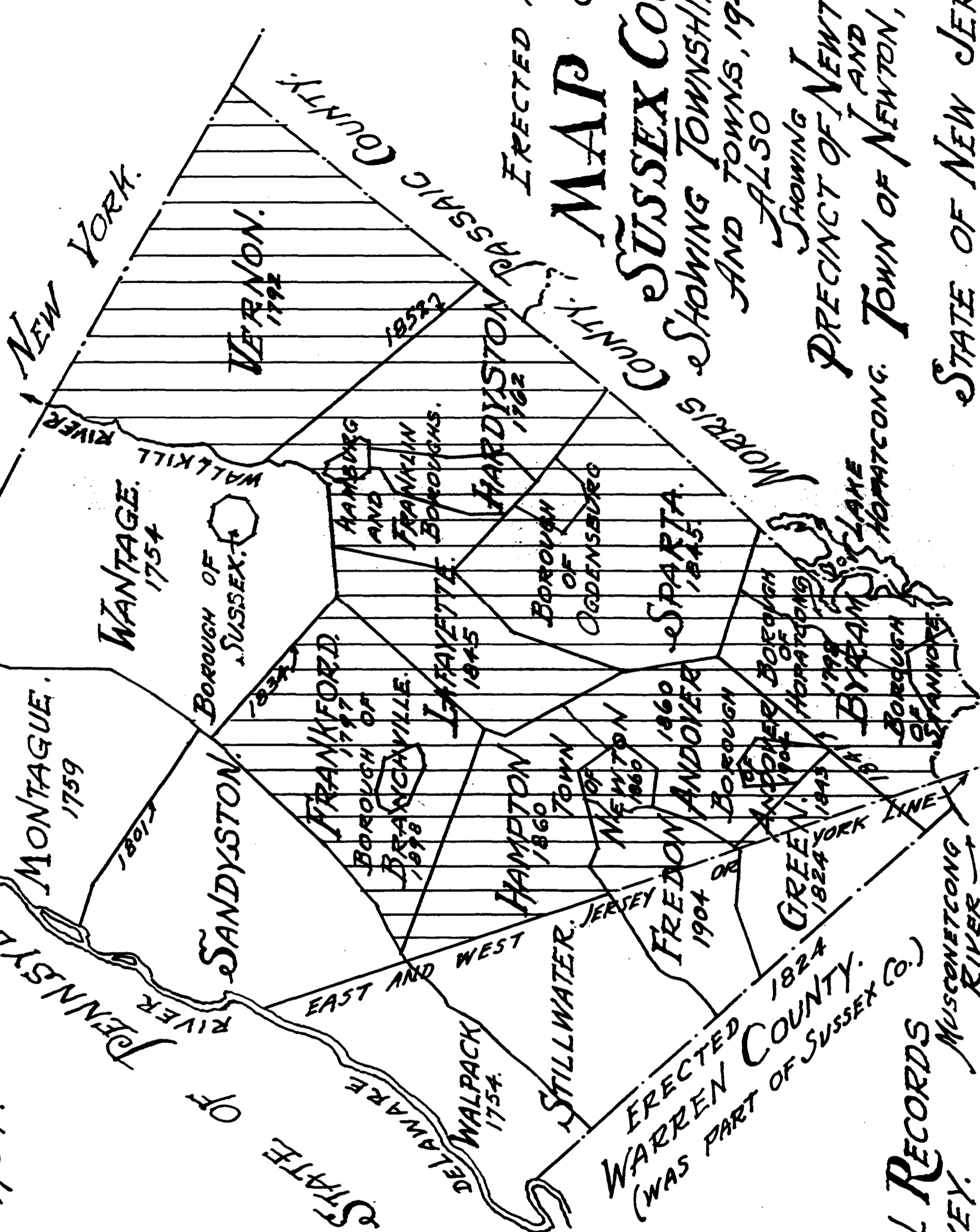


SUSSEX COUNTY BOUNDARIES

- SUSSEX COUNTY - 1753 - NEVILL, II, p. 20.
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PRECINCT OF NEW TOWN 1754.

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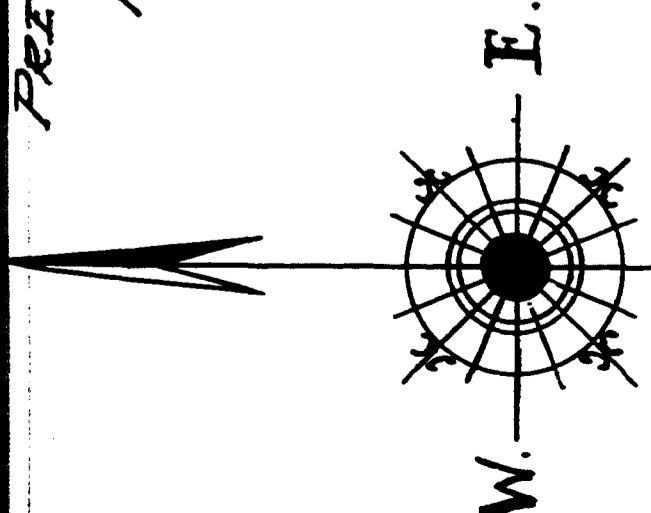
MAP of SUSSEX COUNTY.

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2. GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION

Introduction

The State of New Jersey is divided into 21 political sections known as counties, each of which is a body politic, corporate in law, with important powers of self-government. The counties have in turn been grouped into six classes, according to population and geographical position, in order to expedite the enactment of legislation specifically applicable to the individual needs of each county. Sussex County is designated as a county of the fourth class. (1)

The present governmental structure of Sussex County, which was created as an independent political subdivision in 1753, before the Revolutionary War, (2) represents a combination of powers conferred upon it by the State, and those which have been legally assumed by the county itself through its quasi-legislative authority. The scope of government in the county has increased through the years to permit the addition of offices and courts necessitated by an ever-increasing county business. The functions of the various county offices include administration, recording, administration of justice, law enforcement, finance, elections, education, welfare, public health, and public works. A discussion of these phases of county management follows.

Administration

The administration and the supervisory control of all county property, finances, and public affairs are vested in the board of chosen freeholders, except where these powers are conferred by statute upon some other governmental agency. (3) Legal advice to the board is furnished by the county counsel. (4)

Recording

The recording of all documents relating to real and personal property is the function of the county clerk. (5) All wills, letters of administration, and related documents are filed by the surrogate in his office. (6)

(1) R.S. 40:17-1.

(2) Nevill, Acts, II, 20.

(3) R.S. 40:20-1.

(4) Sussex County Freeholders' Minutes, May 13, 1885, see entry 1.

(5) R.S. 46:19-1.

(6) R.S. 3:2-22.

Administration of Justice

The present judicial system of New Jersey can be divided into four general groups, with separate jurisdiction: Equity, criminal, civil, and probate courts. Exclusive jurisdiction in equity matters, with only a single exception, (7) is given to the Court of Chancery, a State court serving the counties by districts or vicinages. (8) Sussex County is a part of vicinage No. 1. (9)

Authority in criminal matters is assigned to several courts. Crimes of an indictable character, including treason and murder, are heard in the court of oyer and terminer. (10) All offenses committed within the county, save treason and murder, are tried in the court of quarter sessions, (11) and all cases triable in the court of quarter sessions may be adjudicated without a jury by the court of special sessions. (12) Original and appellate jurisdiction in both criminal and civil matters is within the purview of the Supreme Court. (13)

Matters involving civil jurisdiction, without regard for the amount involved, are heard in the court of common pleas; (14) and concurrent authority with the Supreme Court in all cases not involving criminal action is given to the circuit court. (15) Actions for debt and contract are also within the jurisdiction of the circuit court. (16) Civil actions in amounts not exceeding \$200, as well as landlord and tenant disputes, are heard in the small cause court, which is presided over by a justice of the peace. (17)

Probate actions and assignments for the relief of creditors are heard in the orphans' court, while jurisdiction over juvenile

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- (7) The foreclosure of mortgages is also an equity function of the circuit court; R.S. 2:65-35.
- (8) For some of the statutory provisions pertaining to the jurisdiction of the Court of Chancery; R.S. 2:50-7; R.S. 2:60-194; R.S. 2:65-16, 17; R.S. 2:71-27; R.S. 2:72-1; R.S. 2:76-2,3.
- (9) Rules of the Court of Chancery of the State of New Jersey, Rule 128.
- (10) R.S. 2:11-5.
- (11) R.S. 2:12-1.
- (12) R.S. 2:13-1; R.S. 2:191-1.
- (13) For some statutory provisions pertaining to the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court, see R.S. 2:84-4; R.S. 2:81-4; R.S. 2:84-1; R.S. 2:83-1.
- (14) R.S. 2:6-6.
- (15) Const. 1844, art. 6, sec. 5, par. 2.
- (16) William May Clevenger and Edward Quinton Keasbey, The Courts of New Jersey, pp. 26, 27, hereinafter cited as Clevenger and Keasbey, New Jersey Courts.
- (17) See Small Cause Courts, p. 117.

delinquency and domestic relations is the exclusive function of the juvenile and domestic relations court. (18)

The custody and care of court records are delegated to the clerks of the various courts. The county clerk serves as the clerk of six courts, (19) while the surrogate acts as the clerk of the orphans' court. (20)

The records of the Supreme Court and those of the Court of Chancery are in the keeping of their respective clerks in the court offices at Trenton. (21)

The serving of all process, summonses, and writs of execution issued by the State and county courts is performed by the sheriff. (22)

The summoning of juries was at one time exclusively the duty of the sheriff, (23) but in 1888 the legislature created the office of commissioners of juries and appointed two citizens as commissioners. (24) The following year this act was repealed. (25) The present commissioners of juries hold office by virtue of a statute of 1913, (26) which provides that the sheriff and one duly appointed citizen serve in this capacity. (27)

The holding of inquests is the business of the coroner. (28) Investigations probing deaths which have occurred under suspicious circumstances are directed by the prosecutor of the pleas, (29) who also attends to the prosecution of criminals accused of violating State laws within the county boundaries. (30) Persons placed on probation by any of the various courts, and those ordered to make support payments in divorce decrees or separation actions, are supervised by the chief probation officer. (31)

(18) R.S. 9:8-12, 14.

(19) See County Clerk, p. 55.

(20) See Surrogate, p. 121.

(21) R.S. 2:27-111; Const. 1844, art. 7, sec. 2, par. 3; R.S. 2:2-16; R.S. 2:2-18.

(22) See Sheriff, p. 131.

(23) Leaming and Spicer, Grants and Concessions, pp. 303, 304; Nevill, Acts, pp. 28, 29; Paterson, Laws, pp. 260, 261.

(24) P.L. 1888, p. 304.

(25) P.L. 1889, p. 42.

(26) R.S. 2:87-1.

(27) R.S. 2:87-1.

(28) Rev. 1877, p. 170; R.S. 40:40-4, 6.

(29) Rev. 1877, pp. 817, 818; R.S. 40:21-24, 25.

(30) R.S. 2:182-1, 4.

(31) R.S. 2:199-10.

Enforcement of Law

The enforcement of the law in Sussex County is the responsibility of more than one office. The detection, arrest, indictment, and prosecution of criminals are functions performed by the prosecutor of the pleas, (32) the detention and the custody of criminals are duties incumbent upon the sheriff, who appoints a jailkeeper for the management and supervision of the county jail, its officers, and inmates. (33)

The maintenance and the inspection of county weights and measures are responsibilities of the superintendent of weights and measures, who must see to it that State standards of weights and measures are observed in county or local trade. (34)

Finance

The equalization, revision, review, and enforcement of taxes in the county are functions performed by the county board of taxation. (35)

The fiduciary responsibility and fiscal control of the finances of the county are delegated to the county treasurer, who is also charged with the receipt and disbursement of county funds. (36) The maintenance of a sinking fund is a duty which the treasurer shares with the director of the board of freeholders and the three resident taxpayers who compose the sinking fund commission. (37) Periodic auditing of county financial accounts is done by the State Department of Local Government at Trenton, since Sussex County has no county auditor.

Elections

The supervision and authority over all district election boards, and the selection of polling places for each election district, as well as the holding of all primary, general, and commission form of government elections within the county, are required activities of the county board of elections. (38)

(32) R.S. 2:182-5.

(33) R.S. 30:8-17.

(34) R.S. 51:1-65.

(35) R.S. 54:3-1.

(36) R.S. 40:21-19.

(37) R.S. 40:3-4.

(38) R.S. 19:8-2.

Education

The general control and supervision of free public schools in all the counties of New Jersey is exercised by the State Board of Education, which was established in 1846. (39) Its rules and regulations are enforced in Sussex County by the county superintendent of schools. (40) Vocational school training is under the exclusive management of the board of education of the vocational school. (41)

Welfare

The care and settlement of the poor in Sussex County is assigned to the county welfare board. (42) The management of the welfare home, and refuge for the indigent of the county, is the responsibility of the supervisor of the welfare home, (43) while the administration of poor-relief is the duty of the director of welfare. (44) The approval or refusal of grants for old-age relief assistance is the function of the county adjuster, (45) who is also responsible for the preparation of commitment papers for the insane, feeble-minded, epileptic, and those suffering from tuberculosis. (46) The burial of indigent soldiers, sailors, marines, and nurses is delegated to the superintendent of soldiers' burials. (47)

Public Health

Since Sussex County has no county board of health, the health program of the county is the responsibility of the municipal health boards, which function under the supervision of the State Board of Health. (48) Necessary medical treatment for the inmates of the welfare home is provided by the welfare home physician. (49)

(39) R.S. 18:3-1.

(40) R.S. 18:4-7.

(41) R.S. 18:15-51.

(42) Sussex County Freeholders' Minutes, Mar. 22, 1932, see entry 1.

(43) See Supervisor of County Welfare Home, p. 165.

(44) R.S. 44:1-11, 12.

(45) R.S. 44:4-32, 33, 35, 37, 41: R.S. 44:7-11.

(46) R.S. 30:4-34; see County Adjuster, p. 176.

(47) R.S. 38:17-1.

(48) For laws governing the State Board of Health, see R.S. 26:2-15 to 30. For laws governing the municipal boards, see R.S. 26:3-1, 19-22, 31, 33, 37, 38, 45-50.

(49) Sussex County Freeholders' Minutes, May 13, 1863, see entry 1.

Public Works

The responsibility for an adequate public works program in Sussex County is shared by several offices. The construction of roads, bridges, culverts, drains, and storm sewers is the duty of the county engineer, (50) the maintenance of same being the function of the county supervisor of roads. (51) The elimination of all mosquito-breeding areas in the county is the assignment of the mosquito extermination commission, (52) and the planting and care of shade tree on highways and in parks, that of the shade tree commission. (53)

(50) R.S. 27*14-15.

(51) See County Supervisor of Roads, p. 174.

(52) R.S. 26*9-20, 21.

(53) R.S. 40:37-5, 6.

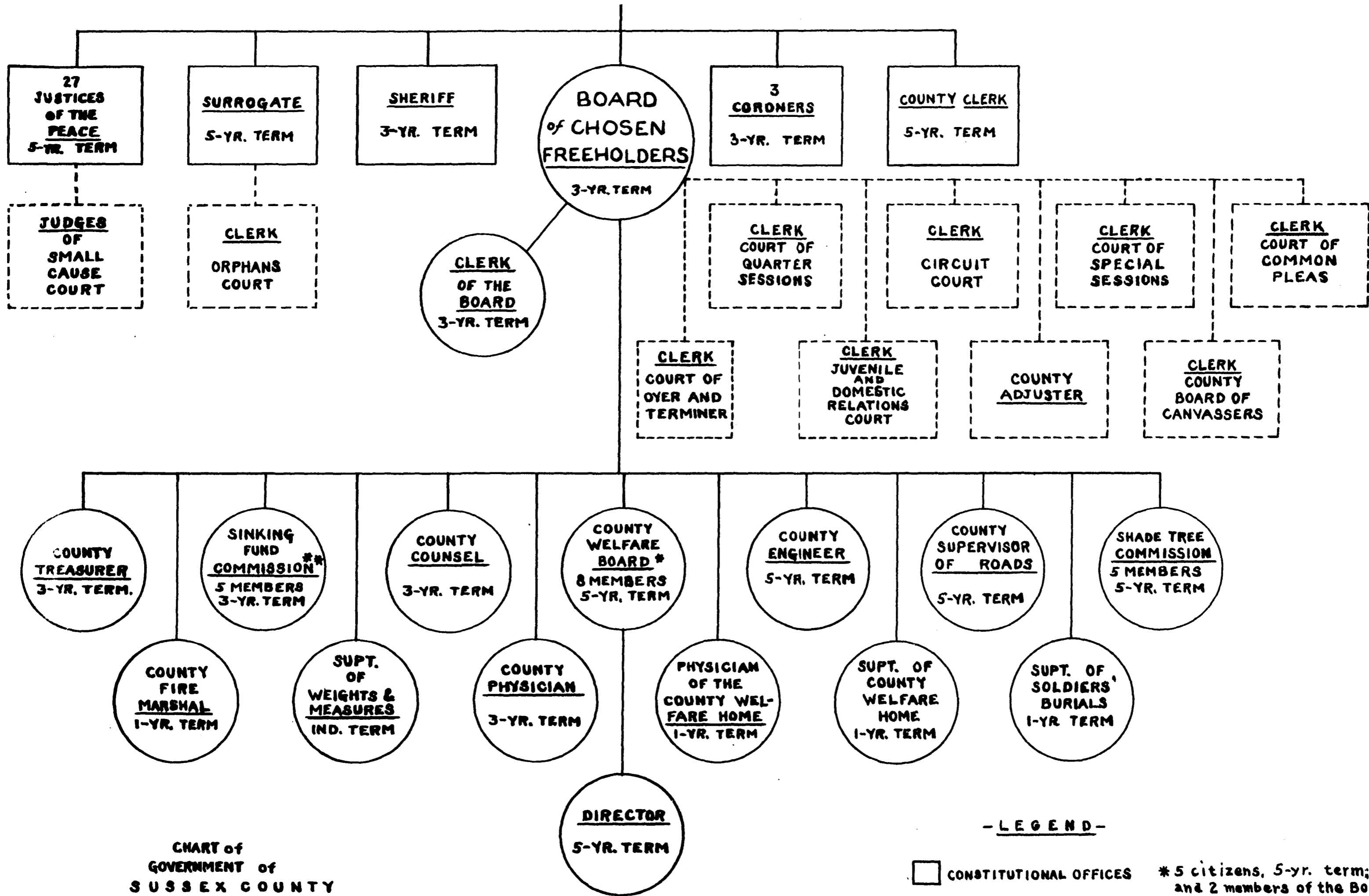


CHART of GOVERNMENT of SUSSEX COUNTY

- LEGEND -

- CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICES
- STATUTORY OFFICES
- Appointive Offices
- Ex Officio Offices
- * 5 citizens, 5-yr. term; county adjuster and 2 members of the Board of Freeholders.
- ** 3 resident taxpayers on real estate, 3-yr. term; county treasurer, and director of Board of Freeholders.

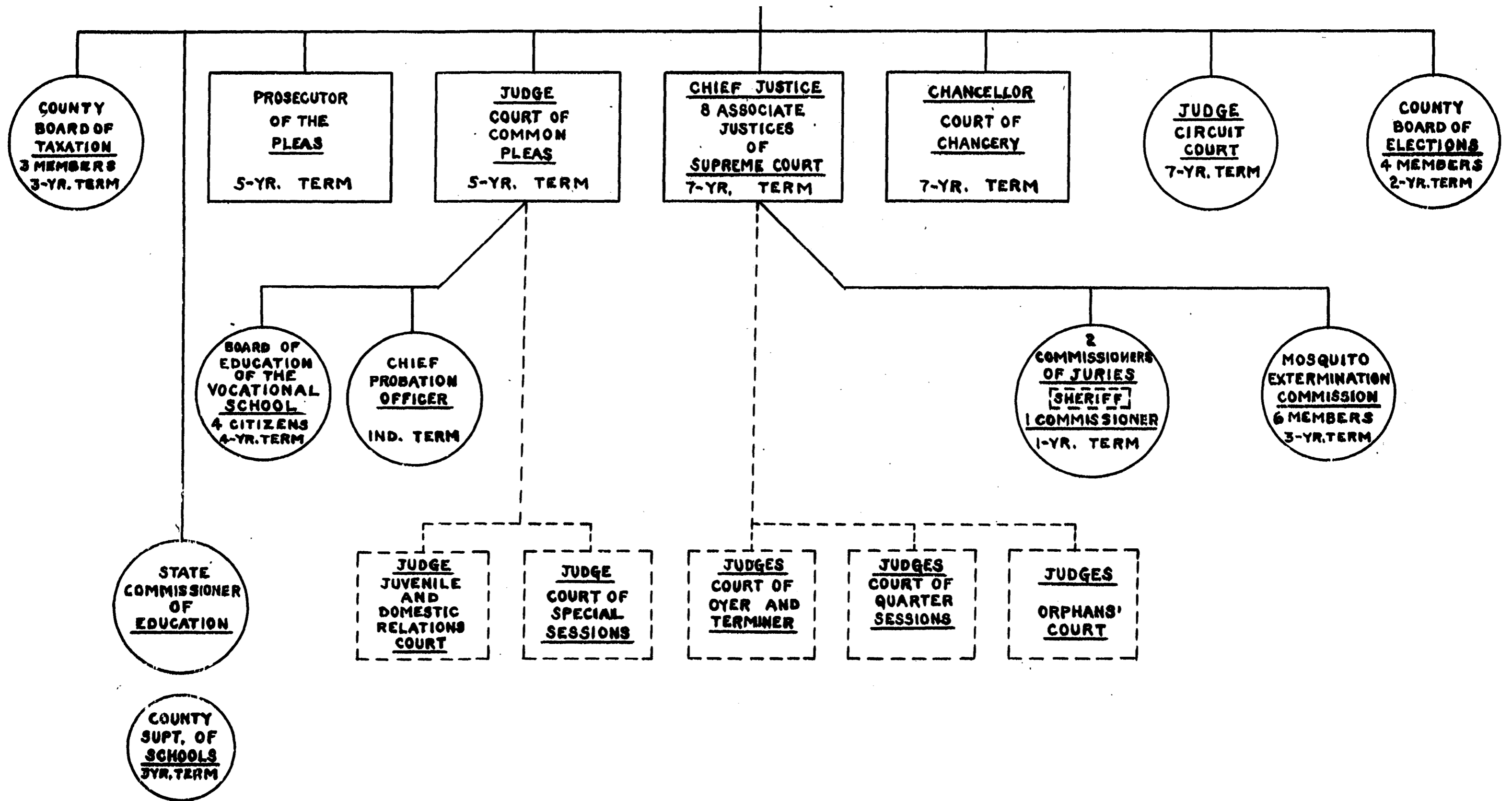


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3. HOUSING, CARE, AND ACCESSIBILITY OF THE RECORDS

Four buildings located in the center of the town of Newton constitute the governmental headquarters of Sussex County. The four structures are the Administration, or freeholders' building, the Hall of Records, the county courthouse, and the County Service Bureau, and in them are housed most of the county offices and records of the county government.

The oldest of the group is the courthouse, situated on the northwest corner of the intersection of Spring and High Streets. It was originally constructed in 1765, (1) and was remodeled in 1844. (2) Damage by fire necessitated extensive alterations in 1847 (3) and again in 1910. (4) The building is of stone construction, is two stories in height with a basement, and measures 75 feet in width by 56 feet in length. Colonial in design, it features six Doric columns across the facade. The roof is topped by a domed belfry.

The front part of the basement, on the south side, is occupied by the office of the Stream Survey Commission, a State agency, adjoining which is a record vault which houses many of the records of the county. On the first floor are located the offices of the sheriff and the prosecutor of the pleas; the grand jury room; and the Selective Service Draft Board. The second floor contains a large courtroom, which is flanked by the jury room and the judges' chambers.

The Administration Building is situated on the northern end of the "public green," directly across the street from the courthouse. Constructed in 1803, (5) it is a two-story stone building with a basement, and measures 48 feet wide by 37 feet deep. Its architecture is of colonial interpretation. A domed belfry surmounting the roof, and two Tuscan columns across the facade, characterize the structure.

In the basement of the Administration Building is a record vault that is used by many of the county offices. The entire first floor of the building is occupied by the combined quarters of the county engineer and the county supervisor of roads; the second floor contains the offices of the board of chosen freeholders and the county treasurer.

The Hall of Records is located on the southwest corner of Park and High Streets, and faces the "public green." It is a two-story brick

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- (1) Sussex County Freeholders' Minutes, June 5, 1765, see entry 1.
 - (2) Ibid., May 8, 1844.
 - (3) Ibid., Feb. 23, 1847.
 - (4) New Jersey Herald, Jan. 5, 1911, and Feb. 2, 1911.
 - (5) Sussex County Freeholders' Minutes, May 11, 1803, see entry 1.

fireproof building with a basement, and is southern colonial in design. Four Corinthian columns feature the front of the structure, while the roof is surmounted by an hexagonal columnated belfry, topped with a pagoda-shaped dome. The Hall of Records measures 73 feet in width by 50 feet in depth. Erected in 1930, (6) it is one of the most modern of the quartet composing the governmental group.

In the basement of the Hall of Records is the basement record vault of the county clerk; the entire first floor is occupied by the offices of the county clerk; and the second floor contains the quarters of the surrogate, the county superintendent of schools, and the county board of taxation.

The fourth county building, known as the County Service Bureau, is located at 18 Church Street. It is a one-story, brick structure with a basement, and was constructed in 1941.

In the basement are the administrative offices of the American Legion; the first floor houses the county welfare board, the Sussex County Extension Service, the Agricultural Conservation Association, the Sussex County Tuberculosis League and the Child Welfare Service.

The board of chosen freeholders occupies a large room in the eastern half of the second floor of the Administration Building. A low railing divides the room into two sections. One section is used for public hearings, the other serves as the office of the clerk of the board. Approximately 1 percent of the records of the board are filed in a safe located in the treasurer's office, across the corridor; about 24 percent are housed in metal and wooden cabinets in the freeholders' office; an additional 25 percent are kept in the record vault situated in the basement of the building; 24 percent are stored in the record vault located in the basement of the courthouse building; another 8 percent are located in a cabinet in the private office of the county engineer; and the remaining 18 percent are maintained in the county clerk's basement vault. They can be consulted by the public by arrangement with the clerk of the board.

The office of the county clerk consists of a suite of eight rooms in the Hall of Records. Seven rooms are located on the first floor and one is situated in the basement. A room on the western side of the first floor is used as a reception room for the public. This is flanked on one side by a workroom and on the other by the private offices of the county clerk and the deputy county clerk. Two workrooms are located in the rear of the floor. On the eastern side of the corridor is the county clerk's searchers' vault, immediately below which is a basement record vault. Approximately 48 percent of the records of the county clerk are

(6) Sussex County Freeholders' Minutes, June 27, 1930, see entry 1.

kept in the basement record vault; about 51 percent are maintained in the county clerk's searchers' vault; and the remaining 1 percent are stored under the counter in his office and on a wooden shelf in the basement vault of the courthouse. The records of the county clerk are available for examination by the public.

All courts use the courtroom on the second floor of the county courthouse. The records of the orphans' court are filed with the surrogate, those of the Supreme Court and the Court of Chancery with their respective clerks in Trenton; the records of all other courts are kept in the office of the county clerk.

A three-room suite on the second floor of the Hall of Records comprises the quarters of the surrogate. The suite consists of a room used as a searchers' vault, a workroom, and the private office of the surrogate. All the records of this office, except one folder that is kept in the desk of the surrogate, are filed in the surrogate's searchers' vault on the second floor of the Hall of Records. These records are accessible to the public.

The records of the commissioners of juries are in the custody of one of the commissioners. About 5 percent are located in the basement of his store, 7 Main Street, Newton; and the other 95 percent are kept at his residence, 47 Woodside Avenue, Newton. Information concerning them may be obtained from the commissioner.

All the records of the chief probation officer are filed in a wooden bookcase at his home, 170 Spring Street, Newton.

No records are maintained by the county counsel.

The sheriff occupies a three-room suite located in the southwest corner on the first floor of the courthouse. One room is used as his private office, the others as the offices of his secretary and staff. Approximately 32 percent of the records of the sheriff are in a safe in his private office, 28 percent are maintained in metal cabinets in his secretary's office, and the remaining 40 percent are stored in the basement record vault of the courthouse. These records are not open for public consultation.

The offices of the prosecutor of the pleas are situated between the quarters of the sheriff and the room reserved for jurymen. All the records of the prosecutor are filed in metal filing cabinets located in his office. They are not available for public examination.

The current records of justices of the peace are maintained by the individual justices in their private offices. The records of justices whose terms have expired are in the custody of the county clerk.

About 33 percent of the records of the superintendent of weights and measures are on file in a desk and a bookcase at his home,

located on Route S-31, Andover Township; the remaining 17 percent are stored on a wooden shelf in the basement record vault of the county courthouse.

The coroner keeps no records but files findings in inquests with the county clerk.

Two rooms adjacent to the office of the county superintendent of schools, in the Hall of Records, constitute the quarters of the county board of taxation. Approximately 23 percent of the records of this department are filed here in metal equipment, about 76 percent are kept in the county clerk's basement record vault, and the remaining 1 percent are stored in the basement record vault of the county courthouse. Application to examine these records may be made to the clerk of the board.

Two rooms on the second floor of the Administration Building compose the suite maintained by the county treasurer. One room is used as a private office by the county treasurer, the other serves as a record room. Approximately 11 percent of the treasurer's records are filed in metal cabinets and in a steel vault in his office; about 80 percent are stored in the basement record vault of the county courthouse; another 8 percent are maintained in the basement record vault located in the Administration Building; and the remaining 1 percent are kept by the freeholders in their office. These records are not open to public inspection.

All the records of the sinking fund commission are in the custody of the county treasurer.

The secretary of the county board of elections keeps the records of the board in his office on Main Street, Franklin. Information concerning them may be obtained from him.

The county superintendent of schools occupies a two-room suite on the second floor of the Hall of Records. One room is used as a work-room, the other serves as the private office of the superintendent. All the records of this office are maintained in metal cabinets in the superintendent's office. The records of the board of education of the vocational school are also in the custody of the county superintendent of schools.

The county welfare board is located in an office on the first floor of the County Service Bureau. The records of the board are filed here in metal equipment. They are considered confidential and as such are not accessible to the public.

All the records of the supervisor of the county welfare home are filed in his office at the welfare home, located in Hampton Township.

The home is a two-story stone structure, originally erected in 1832 (7) and enlarged in 1873. (8) The records of this office are maintained here in metal filing cabinets and a steel safe. They are not available to the general public.

The records of the county adjuster are maintained in the office of the county clerk, who in Sussex County performs the functions of this office.

The physician of the county welfare home keeps all of his public records in his home at Stillwater, New Jersey. The public does not have access to these records.

All the records of the superintendent of soldiers' burials are in the custody of the county clerk.

The county engineer maintains a suite of three rooms with the county supervisor of roads on the first floor of the Administration Building. One room is used as a drafting room; another, as a record room; and the smallest, as a private office. Approximately 1 percent of the records of the county engineer are kept in the basement vault of the county courthouse, an additional 94 percent are located in the drafting room of the engineer's office, and the remaining 5 percent are kept in steel cabinets in the engineer's private office. They are available for examination by the public.

No records are kept by the shade tree commission.

The county supervisor of roads shares the quarters of the county engineer on the first floor of the Administration Building. Approximately 35 percent of his records are maintained in metal filing equipment located in his office, 29 percent are housed in the basement record vault of the Administration Building, and 16 percent are stored on wooden shelving in the basement record vault of the courthouse building. The remaining 20 percent are kept in metal equipment at the department's road camp, located on Route S-31, Andover Township. Application to consult the department's records may be made to the county supervisor of roads.

All the records of the county fire marshal are kept by him in his home, located on Morris Lake Road, Sparta, New Jersey.

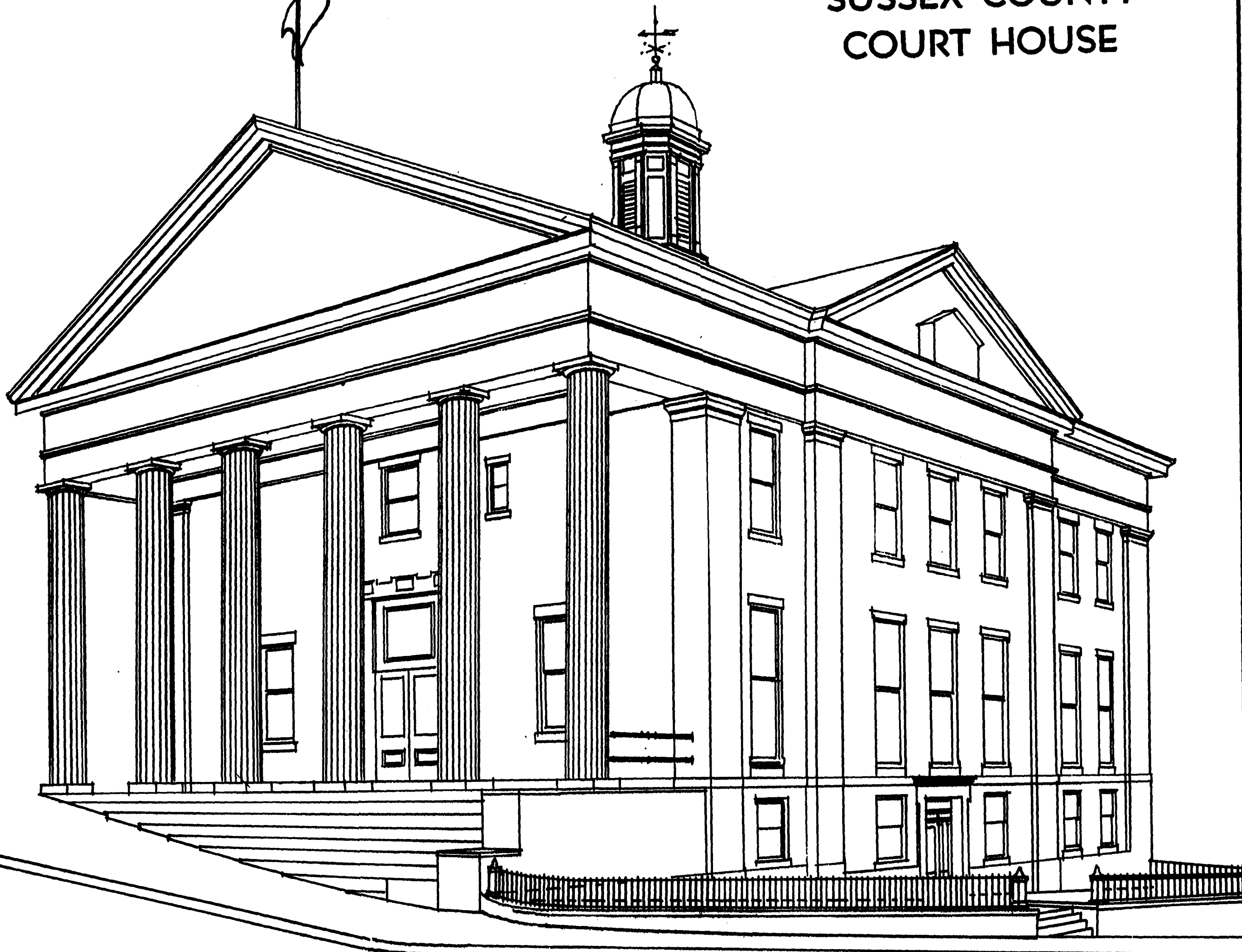
The records of the mosquito extermination commission are filed in the office of its secretary, room 400, Sussex and Merchants' National Bank Building, Spring Street, Newton. Information regarding them may be obtained from him.

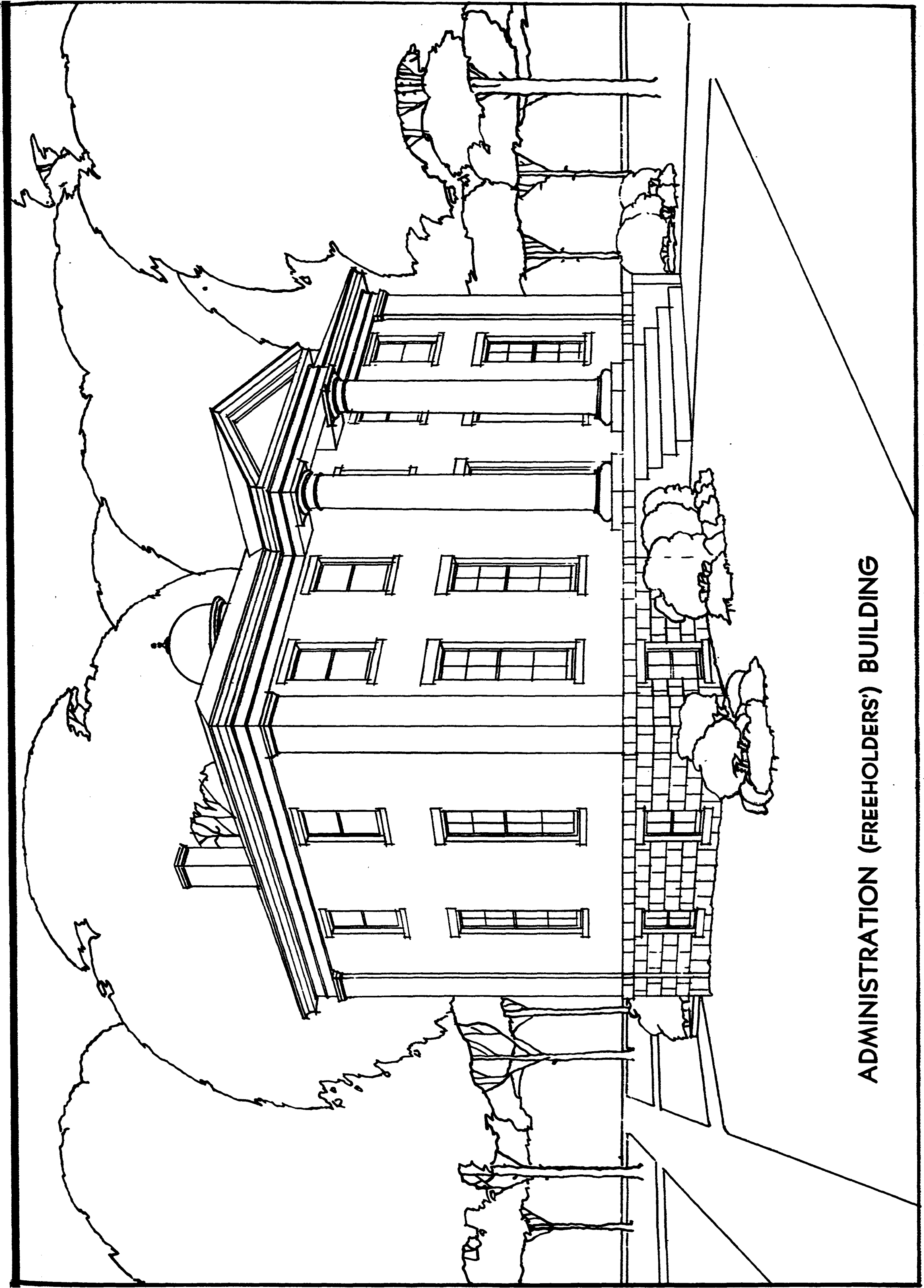
(7) Sussex County Freeholders' Minutes, Dec. 13, 1832, see entry 1.

(8) Ibid., Oct. 16, 1873.

The records of Sussex County are, in the main, in good condition and are adequately housed. Roller-type shelving and modern index systems prevail in the department of the county clerk and the surrogate, and metal filing equipment is used in most of the county offices. Of the four county buildings, however, the Hall of Records and the County Service Bureau Building are the only ones which can be considered fire-proof. It is therefore obvious that records filed in wooden cabinets, on wooden shelving, under a counter, or in office closets are not being accorded adequate protection, and it is recommended that steps be taken to remedy this condition. It is also noted that many of the records located in the basement vault of the courthouse are bundled and stored on wooden shelves. The installation of steel shelving or metal containers for the better accommodation of these records merits thoughtful consideration. It is recommended, in addition, that the old records of the justices of the peace be rebound. These records, located at the Hall of Records in the basement record vault of the county clerk, have been labeled, indexed, and arranged in an orderly fashion on steel shelving. While they are rarely referred to in current procedure, they possess definite historical value and should be preserved as far as possible. It is observed, also, that several county officers keep their records in their private offices or homes. From the viewpoint of proper protection from fire and other destructive agencies, the wisdom of this practice is seriously questioned.

SUSSEX COUNTY
COURT HOUSE





ADMINISTRATION (FREEHOLDERS) BUILDING



THE HALL OF RECORDS

ABBREVIATIONS, SYMBOLS, AND EXPLANATORY NOTES

adm.	administration	fr.	freeholders
alph.	alphabetical(ly)	ft.	foot, feet
amend.	amended	hdw.	handwritten
approx.	approximately	<u>ibid.</u> (<u>ibidem</u>).....	
arr.	arranged	in the same place
art.	article	in.	inch(es)
aver.	average	mi.	mile(s)
bdl.	bundle(s)	no.	number(s)
bdg.	building	numer.	numerical(ly)
bsmt.	basement	off.	office
cab.	cabinet	p., pp.	page, pages
cc.	county courthouse	par.	paragraph
ccl.	county clerk	P.L.	Pamphlet Laws
chron.	chronological(ly)	ptd.	printed
co.	county	rd.	road
comp.	compiler	rev.	revised
Const.	Constitution	rm.	room
doc.	document(s)	R.S.	Revised Statutes
doc. f.	document file(s)	Sp. Sess.	Special Session
dr.	drawer(s)	st.	street
ed(s)	editor(s)	suppl.	supplement(ed)
eng.	engineer	supt.	superintendent
<u>et al.</u> (<u>et alii</u>).....		treas.	treasurer
.....	and others	vlt.	vault
f. b.	file box(es)	vol(s).	volume(s)
f. d.	file drawer(s)	WPA.	
ff.	following	Work Projects Administration	

Symbols

-- indicates record is
current

x indicates "by" used in
dimensions

Explanatory Notes

Title of Records. Exact titles of records are written in solid capitals and enclosed in parentheses (see entry 10). If a record title is not descriptive of the contents of the record, an assigned explanatory title (or explanatory words), written with initial capitals and enclosed in parentheses, has been added (see entry 2).

Dates. All dates used are inclusive. Missing records are indicated by broken dates.

Quantity. When two or more types of containers are considered in a single entry, the quantity is shown in chronological order, insofar as possible.

Labeling. Figures or letters in parentheses, following the number of volumes, file boxes, or other types of container, indicate the labeling. If no labeling is indicated, it may be assumed that there is none.

Discontinuance. Where no statement is made that the record was discontinued at the last date shown in the entry, it could not be definitely established that such was the case. Where no comment is made on the absence of prior, subsequent, or intermediate records, no definite information could be obtained.

Prior or Missing Records. The search for records not required by law was based upon the assumption that, unless there was evidence to the contrary, all records of a particular office should commence with the date of origin of that office in the county. In the case of legally required records, the assumption was that all record series should commence with the date of the earliest statute concerned with the particular record.

Indexing. All indexes to records, unless otherwise stated, are self-contained.

Condition of Records. Records are in good condition unless otherwise indicated.

Dimensions. Dimensions are always given in inches unless otherwise indicated, and the symbol for inches ("") has therefore been omitted.

Location of Records. When all or the majority of the records of an office have a common location, the location is indicated in the last sentence of the office essay instead of in each individual entry.

The location noted is that at the date of the final field check of the inventory, approximately 4 months prior to publication; therefore, the

Historical Records Survey cannot guarantee that the record will be found in the location indicated in the entries.

Cross References. Title-line cross references are used to show the continuity of a record series which has been kept separately for a period of time and with other records for a different period of time. An example is that in entry 3: "January 8, 1935-August 18, 1936 in (Miscellaneous Financial Records), entry 420." They are also used to show all artificial entries, those set up to cover records which must be shown separately under their proper office even though they are kept in files or records appearing elsewhere in the inventory, as, for example, the title-line cross reference in entry 111: "In (Case Papers in Contested Elections), entry 236," or in those set up for a record which is never kept separately, but is found in two or more records of miscellaneous content, such as entry 18. In both instances, the description of the master entry shows the title and entry number of the record from which the cross reference is made as, for example, these words in entry 11 do: "Also contains: Bills paid, 1939, 1940, entry 18." Dates shown in the description of the master entry are only for the part or parts of the record contained therein, and are shown only when they vary from those of the master entry.

Separate third paragraph cross references from entry to entry, and See also references with subject headings or subheadings, are used to show prior, subsequent, or closely related records which are not parts of the same series.

I. BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

The governing body of Sussex County in 1753, the year the county was established, was composed of a "board" of freeholders and justices of the peace. (1) In 1798, this group was incorporated as a "board of chosen freeholders," excluding the justices from its membership. (2) The board is now composed of three members, one of whom is selected by the membership to serve as director. (3) The members are elected by the people, one freeholder each year, for 3-year terms. (4) The board appoints its own clerk, who serves a term of 3 years. Any such appointee who has held this office continuously for 20 years can claim tenure of office. (5)

All property, finances and affairs of the county are under the jurisdiction of the board of chosen freeholders, except where statutory provision places such authority in another agency. (6) Its powers include the raising of money by taxation, (7) the issuing and selling of bonds to secure money for the building of county hospitals (8) and roads, (9) and the authority to convey, at public sale to the highest bidder, any county-owned real estate not needed for public use. (10)

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- (1) Sussex County Freeholders' Minutes, Mar. 21, 1754, see entry 1; Snell, Sussex and Warren, pp. 17, 247.
 - (2) Paterson, Laws, p. 265.
 - (3) R.S. 40:20-71; R.S. 40:20-20, 21.
 - (4) R.S. 40:20-21, 23.
 - (5) R.S. 40:21-18; R.S. 40:21-18, 1.
 - (6) R.S. 40:20-1.
 - (7) R.S. 40:23-7.
 - (8) R.S. 30:9-61.
 - (9) R.S. 27:14-20.
 - (10) R.S. 40:32-8.

Minutes

1. SUSSEX COUNTY FREEHOLDER'S MINUTES, March 21, 1754-May 11, 1791, March 4, 1794-May 9, 1821, May 14, 1823-August 12, 1863, May 11, 1864-February 13, 1884, May 13, 1885-May 14, 1908, January 6, 1913-January 26, 1923, August 2, 1923--. 14 vol. (1, 2, 3A, 3B, 4, 5; 1 vol., unlabeled; 8-14).
March 21, 1754-May 11, 1791, March 4, 1794-May 9, 1821, May 14, 1823-August 12, 1863 have been transcribed into entry 2. Arr. chron. by date of meeting. No index. March 21, 1754-May 11, 1791, May 14, 1823-August 12, 1863, February 9, 1898-May 14, 1908; indexed alph. by first letter of type of subject, March 4, 1794-May 9, 1821, January 6, 1913-January 26, 1923, August 2, 1923--; indexed chron. by date of meeting, May 11, 1864-February 13, 1884, May 13, 1885-February 2, 1898. Hdw., March 21, 1754-May 11, 1791, March 4, 1794-May 9, 1821, May 14, 1823-August 12, 1863, May 11, 1864-February 13, 1884, May 13, 1885-May 14, 1908; typed, January 6, 1913--. Aver. 600 pp. 18 x 11 x 3. 12 vol., March 21, 1754-May 11, 1791, March 4, 1794-May 9, 1821, May 14, 1823-August 12, 1863, May 11, 1864-February 13, 1884, May 13, 1885-May 14, 1908, January 6, 1913-January 26, 1923, August 2, 1923-February 26, 1935, bsmt. vlt., ccl. off.; 2 vol., March 5, 1935--, off.
2. (Transcribed) SUSSEX COUNTY FREEHOLDER'S MINUTES, March 21, 1754-May 11, 1791, March 4, 1794-May 9, 1821, May 14, 1823-August 12, 1863. 1 vol. (dated).
This volume has been transcribed from entry 1. Arr. chron. by date of meeting. Indexed alph. by first letter of type of subject. Typed. 614 pp. 18 x 11 x 3. Off.
3. (Rough) COPIES (of) MINUTES, January 19, 1924-January 13, 1931, June 9, 1931-December 26, 1934. 4 bdl. (dated; 1 bdl., unlabeled). January 8, 1935-August 18, 1936 in (Miscellaneous Financial Records), entry 420.
Arr. chron. by date of meeting. No index. Hdw. 12 x 10 x 2. 3 bdl., January 19, 1924-January 13, 1931, bsmt. vlt., cc.; 1 bdl.; June 9, 1931-December 26, 1934, bsmt. vlt., adm. bldg.

Reports and Correspondence

4. REPORTS (From and Correspondence to and From Various Departments) INSTITUTION (s) & ETC., January 1 to December 31, 1937, January 1 to December 31, 1939. 1 f. b. Annual report from superintendent of weights and measures, July 24, 1928 in (Officials') Old Bonds and Oaths, entry 148.
Arr. alph. by first letter of name of department or institution. No index. Typed or typed on ptd. form or under ptd. head. 10 x 12 x 27. bsmt. vlt., adm. bldg.
For copies of reports from sheriff, January 1940--, see entry 365;
For copies of reports from mosquito extermination commission, November 21, 1929-October 21, 1930, see entry 533-j.

Board of Chosen Freeholders - Deeds and Releases; Bids;
Specifications, Contracts, and Bonds.

(5-11)

5. BOARD OF FREEHOLDERS (General) CORRESPONDENCE, December 31, 1926-December 14, 1933. 1 bdl. (dated).
No obvious arr. No index. Hdw. or typed. 10 x 7 x 4. Bsmt. vlt., cc.
6. (Applications) AGREEMENT (s) & CORRESPONDENCE (for Improvements of Municipal Roads by the County Under the) HERRICK-COLE ACT, January 25, 1934--. 1 f. b.
Arr. alph. by first letter of name of municipality and thereunder chron. by date of application, correspondence, or agreement. No index. 10 x 12 x 27. Typed or typed on ptd. form or under ptd. head. Bsmt. vlt., adm. bldg.
7. CORRESPONDENCE, ALMSHOUSE, BOND ISSUE, BUDGETS, COUNTY ENGINEER, COUNTY HOSPITALS, CRIPPLED CHILDREN, COUNTY ROAD, MACHY (sic) BLDG., COUNTY EXTENSUSION (sic) AGENT, DESCRIPTION RDS. (sic) TAKEN OBER (sic) AND OTHER CORRESPONDENCE, January 2, 1937--. 3 f. d. (dated).
Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of correspondent. No index. Hdw., typed, or hdw. or typed under ptd. head. 10 x 12 x 27. Off.

Deeds and Releases

8. DEEDS (and Releases for Rights of Way), September 17, 1909--. 4 doc. f. (1-3; 1 doc. f., unlabeled).
Arr. numer. by filing no. For index, see entry 9. Typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Cab., eng. private off.
9. (Index to) DEEDS (and Releases for Rights of Way), September 17, 1909--. 1 f. d.
Serves as index to entry 8. Arr. alph. by first letter of name of road and thereunder numer. by filing no. Typed. 5 x 6 x 18. Cab., eng. private off.

Bids, Specifications, Contracts, and Bonds

10. (AGREEMENT BETWEEN COUNTY AND STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT FOR STREET LIGHTING FOR 5 YEARS), June 10, 1940. 1 vol.
No obvious arr. No index. Typed. 11 pp. 13 x 8 x 1. Safe, treas. off.
11. AGREEMENT, AID, MAINTENANCE, COLE ACT, 1939, February 27 to December 31, 1940. 1 f. d. (dated).
Agreements between county and various municipalities for the maintenance of roads, February 27 to December 31, 1940. Also contains: Bills paid, 1939-40, entry 18. Arr. alph. by name of municipality and thereunder by type of subject. No index. Hdw., typed, hdw. and typed, or typed on mimeographed form. 10 x 12 x 27. Off.

12. MATERIAL CONTRACTS, April 21, 1925-May 11, 1932. 1 bdl. (400 and dated).
Arr. chron. by date of contract. No index. Hdw., typed, ptd., or hdw. or typed on ptd. form. 14 x 6 x 8. Bsmt. vlt., cc.
13. BIDS FOR PAINTING INTERIOR OF ALMSHOUSE, August 9 to 19, 1930. 1 bdl. (147).
No obvious arr. No index. Hdw. or typed. 15 x 9 x 2. Bsmt. vlt., cc.
14. SPECIFICATIONS (and Construction Plans) FOR (County) HALL OF RECORDS, June 25, 1929. 1 bdl. (dated).
No obvious arr. No index. Blueprint. 11 x 9 x 2. Bsmt. vlt., cc.
15. (Bids) SPECIFICATIONS (Contracts, Bonds, and Agreements for Heating, Ventilating, Plumbing, and Electrical Work for) HALL OF RECORDS, June 25, 1929. 1 bdl. (39).
No obvious arr. No index. Typed or hdw. and typed on ptd. form. 10 x 8 x 1. Bsmt. vlt., cc.

Bills and Requisitions

16. (Copies of) PURCHASE ORDER REQUISITIONS, December 20, 1938-June 26, 1940; January 2, 1941--. 13 vol. (unlabeled), 2 f. d. (labeled by contained letters of alph.).
Also contains: Unpaid bills, January 2, 1941--, entry 17; paid bills, January 2, 1941--, entry 18. Arr. numer. by requisition no., December 20, 1938-June 26, 1940; arr. alph. by first letter of surname of vendor and thereunder chron. by date of payment, January 2, 1941--. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form, December 20, 1938-June 26, 1940; hdw. or typed on ptd. form or under ptd. head, January 2, 1941--. Vol., aver. 50 pp. 6 x 4 x 1; f. d.; 10 x 12 x 27. Vol., December 20, 1938-June 26, 1940, bsmt. vlt., adm. bldg., f. d.; January 2, 1941--, off.
17. MISCELLANEOUS FILE (of) UNPAID BILLS, January 2, 1941--. 1 f. d. Scattered dates, January 2, 1941--, in (Copies of) Purchase Order Requisitions, entry 16.
Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of vendor. No index. Hdw. or typed on ptd. form. 10 x 12 x 27. Off.
18. (PAID BILLS), 1939--. 1939-40 in Agreement, Aid, Maintenance, Cole Act, entry 11; January 2, 1941-- in (Copies of) Purchase Order Requisitions, entry 16.

Maps

19. (Engineering) ROAD MAP OF SUSSEX COUNTY, N. J., 1935, rev. 1938. 1 map on director's table.
Draftsman: Harvey Snook, C. E. Printed by General Drafting Company, Inc., New York, N.Y. Scale, 1 in. equals 1 mi. 34 x 34. Off.

20. (Engineering) ROAD MAP OF SUSSEX COUNTY, 1935. 1 map on northeast wall.
Draftsman: Harvey Snook, C. E. Printed by Dolph & Stewart, New York, N. Y. Scale, 1 in. equals 1 mi. 34 x 34. Off.
21. (Engineering) BRIDGE & ROAD MAP OF SUSSEX CO., 1935. 1 map on northeast wall.
Draftsman: Harvey Snook, C. E. Printed by Dolph & Stewart, New York, N. Y. Scale, 1 in. equals 1 mi. 34 x 34. Off.
22. (Engineering) SUSSEX COUNTY ROAD AND LARGE PROPERTY OWNERSHIP (Map), August 1933. 1 map on southwest wall.
Also shows in insets:
a. Map of Town of Newton.
b. Map of Borough of Sussex.
c. Highway mileage chart.
Printed by Dolph & Stewart, New York, N. Y. Scale $1\frac{1}{2}$ in. equals 1 mi. 50 x 52. Off.

Miscellaneous

23. FINANCIAL AUDITS COUNTY OF SUSSEX, (January 31, 1924--)
ANNUAL DEBT STATEMENTS (January 29, 1923--)
SUPPLEMENTAL DEBT STATEMENTS (January 24, 1924-November 28, 1938) (and)
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (From Sinking Fund Commission, 1938, 1939), January 29, 1923--. 1 f. d. (dated).
Arr. by type of subject and thereunder chron. by date of statement or audit. No index. Typed, mimeographed, or hdw. and typed on ptd. form. 10 x 12 x 27. Off.
24. (Copies of Annual) AUDITS COUNTY OF SUSSEX, 1925-27, 1929-31. 1 bdl. (249 and dated).
Arr. chron. by date of audit. Indexed alph. by first letter of name of account and numer. by account no. Mimeographed. 9 x 6 x 4. Bsmt. vlt., cc.
25. APPLICATIONS FOR HOSPITALIZATION, April 4, 1925-December 26, 1933. 1 bdl.
No obvious arr. No index. Hdw. or typed on ptd. form. 9 x 6 x 2. Bsmt. vlt., cc.
26. (Copies of) COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF COUNTY OF SUSSEX (Orders for Commitment of Children to the Custody of New Jersey State Board of Children's Guardians Served by the County Clerk on the Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders), June 23, 1927-July 21, 1933.
No obvious arr. No index. Typed or typed on ptd. form. 9 x 6 x 1. Bsmt. vlt., cc.
For original commitments to the custody of State Board of Children's Guardians, February 16, 1934--, see entry 294.

27. COUNTY (Property) INVENTORY, 1922, 1923, 1925, 1926, 1928.
5 vol. (dated; 2 vol. also labeled 274, 70). Title varies slightly.

Arr. alph. by name of off., rm., or custodian. Indexed by name of department. Hdw. Aver. 80 pp. 6 x 4 x 1. Bsmt. vlt., cc.

II. COUNTY CLERK

The General Assembly directed the clerk of the court of common pleas to "record deeds and conveyances" in 1713. (1) The clerk of the courts of common pleas and quarter sessions was mentioned in court minutes in 1753 as the "clerk of the county". (2) The Constitution of 1844 for the first time officially designated the office of county clerk in New Jersey. He is elected by the voters of the county for a 5-year term. (3) He is the principal recording official in the county. All documents relating to the transfer of real estate, and mortgages, and instruments affecting title to personal property, are recorded in his office. (4)

The county clerk is clerk of the circuit court, (5) court of common pleas, (6) court of oyer and terminer, (7) court of quarter sessions, (8) court of special sessions, (9) and the juvenile and domestic relations court. (10) He is also the county adjuster, (11) and serves as secretary and treasurer of the Sussex county welfare board. (12) When the county board of elections sits as the county board of canvassers, he is the clerk. (13)

(1) Allinson, Acts, p. 33.

(2) Nevill, Acts, II, p. 20; Snell, Sussex and Warren, p. 162.

(3) Const. 1844, art. 7, sec. 2, par. t.

(4) R.S. 46:19-1.

(5) R.S. 2:5-17.

(6) R.S. 2:6-5.

(7) R.S. 2:11-11.

(8) R.S. 2:12-16.

(9) R.S. 2:13-2.

(10) R.S. 9:18-8.

(11) R.S. 30:4-34.

(12) R.S.

(13) R.S.

General Indexes

28. DIRECTORY TO (Document) FILES (and File Drawers in Searchers' Vault) CLERKS OFFICE SUSSEX COUNTY, November 7, 1753--. 1 vol.

Serves as index to entries 40, 44, 54, 56, 58, 60, 62, 64, 66, 68, 73, 77, 81, 83, 85, 89, 90, 93, 96, 101, 105, 106, 107-110, 113, 116, 119, 120, 122, 123, 129, 131, 135, 137, 139, 141, 143, 145, 147, 153, 156, 161, 174, 178-180, 197, 199-202, 207, 213-215, 224, 230, 231, 236-238, 249, 254, 257, 259-262, 271, 272, 275, 276, 279, 281, 284, 285, 287-298. Arr, alph. by first letter of type of subject. Hdw. on ptd. form. 250 pp. 18 x 12 x 2. Under counter, off.

29. DIRECTORY TO (Document) FILES (and File Drawers in Basement Vault) CLERKS OFFICE SUSSEX COUNTY, February 21, 1754--. 1 vol. Last entry December 24, 1935.

Serves as index to entries 42, 43, 50, 58, 70, 73, 94, 96, 97, 101, 106, 109, 112, 113, 115, 116, 133, 134, 147, 149-151, 157-160, 165, 167, 168, 170, 192, 208, 232-234, 239, 258, 263, 264, 266, 267, 269, 270, 274. Arr. alph. by first letter of type of subject. Hdw. on ptd. form. 250 pp. 18 x 12 x 2. Under counter, off.

30. INDEX TO JUDGMENTS AND LIENS (Recordings of Notices of Lis Pendens Sussex County Clerk's Office, September 4, 1848--; Register of Mechanic's Notices of Intention Sussex County, September 17, 1930--; Recordings of Mechanics' Lien Claims Sussex County Clerk's Office, August 7, 1913--; Register of Stop Notices Sussex County, April 8, 1931--; Recordings of Sheriffs' Bonds Filed for the Faithful Discharge of Their Duties Sussex County, November 19, 1932; Recordings of Sheriffs' Replevin and Other Bonds to Indemnify Sheriff Sussex County Clerk's Office, November 8, 1935--; Recognizance Register Small Cause Courts Sussex County, August 17, 1939--; Recognizance Register Civil Sussex County, July 13, 1911--; Quarter Sessions Court Recognizance Register Sussex County Clerk's Office, August 7, 1926--; Register of Circuit Court Writs of Attachments Sussex County, April 28, 1913--; Record of Circuit Court Judgments Sussex County Clerk's Office, January 27, 1913--; Record of Common Pleas Court Judgments Sussex County Clerk's Office, January 15, 1913--; Small Cause Court Docketed Judgments Sussex County Clerk's Office, January 27, 1913--), September 4, 1848--. 5 vol.
(labeled by contained letters of alph. and 1-5).

Serves as index to entries 55, 61, 63, 67, 154, 155, 175, 176, 220, 241, 245, 280, 282. Arr. under surname of second party by Lusk System. Hdw. under ptd. head. Aver. 500 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. Searchers' vlt.

Real Property

Registers

31. DAILY ENTRY (Register of Various Instruments Received for Filing and/or Recording) SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, scattered dates, December 2, 1907--, 8 vol. (1-8).

Arr. chron. by date of filing and/or recording. No index. Hdw. under ptd. head. Aver. 500 pp. 11 x 8 x 3. 7 col., December 2, 1907-August 19, 1938, bsmt, vlt.; 1 vol., August 23, 1938--, under counter, off.

32. (Daily Register of) MORTGAGE(s) AND DEEDS (Received for Recording), November 10, 1874-November 16, 1880, December 3, 1892-November 30, 1907. 3 vol.

Arr. chron. by date of recording. No index. Hdw. under ptd. head. Aver. 500 pp. 11 x 8 x 3. Bsmt. vlt.

Deeds

33. GRANTOR INDEX (to Recordings of Deeds Sussex County Clerk's Office and Re-recordings of Deeds Sussex County Clerk's Office), July 25, 1785--. 26 vol. (labeled by contained letters of alph.; 13 vol. also numbered and dated). Title varies slightly.

Serves as index to entries 36, 39. Arr. under surname of grantor by Lusk System. Hdw. under ptd. head. Aver. 250 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. Searchers' vlt.

34. GRANTOR INDEX (to Recordings of Deeds Sussex County Clerk's Office and Re-recordings of Deeds Sussex County Clerk's Office) SHERIFFS COMMISSIONERS, MASTERS, EXECUTORS, TRUSTEES & C. (etc.), July 25, 1785--. 2 vol. (1 vol., unlabeled; numbered and dated). Title varies slightly.

Serves as index to entries 36, 39. Arr. under surname of grantor by Lusk System. Hdw. under ptd. head. Aver. 500 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. Searchers' vlt.

35. GRANTEE INDEX (to Recordings of Deeds Sussex County Clerk's Office and Re-recordings of Deeds Sussex County Clerk's Office), July 25, 1785--. 26 vol. (labeled by contained letters of alph.; 13 vol. also numbered and dated. Title varies slightly. Serves as index to entries 36, 39. Arr. under surname of grantee by Lusk System. Hdw. under ptd. head. Aver. 250 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. Searchers' vlt.
36. (Recordings of) DEEDS SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, scattered dates, July 25, 1785--. 387 vol., (lettered and numbered in 12 series; 290-379). July 25, 1785-February 28, 1788, have been re-recorded into entry 39 because of poor writing. Arr. chron. by date received and recorded. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of grantor; also separate indexes, entries 33-35, 37, 38. Hdw., July 25, 1785-April 5, 1901; typed, April 26, 1901--. Aver. 500 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. Searchers' vlt.
37. GRANTOR INDEX (to Recordings of Deeds Sussex County Clerk's Office) CORPORATIONS, 1790--. 2 vol. (1 vol., unlabeled; numbered and dated). Title varies slightly. Serves as index to entry 36. Arr. under name of grantor by Lusk System. Hdw. under ptd. head. Aver. 425 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. Searchers' vlt.
38. GRANTEE INDEX (to Recordings of Deeds Sussex County Clerk's Office) CORPORATIONS; 1790--. 2 vol. (1 vol., unlabeled; numbered and dated). Title varies slightly. Serves as index to entry 36. Arr. under name of grantee by Lusk System. Hdw. under ptd. head. Aver. 425 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. Searchers' vlt.
39. (Re-recordings of) DEEDS SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, July 25, 1785-February 28, 1788. 2 vol. (A, B). These have been re-recorded from entry 36 because of poor writing. Arr. chron. by date received and recorded. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of grantor; also separate indexes, entries 33-35. Typed. Aver. 450 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. Searchers' vlt.
40. (ANCIENT DEEDS), scattered dates, October 28, 1765--. 9 doc. f. (741-749). Last deed filed March 30, 1940. Arr. chron. by date of execution. For index, see entry 28. Hdw. or hdw. on ptd. form, October 28, 1765-January 7, 1900; hdw. or typed on ptd. form or hdw. and typed, April 2, 1900-February 28, 1925; typed on ptd. form, January 26, 1926--. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

41. (Recordings of) ANCIENT DEEDS SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, scattered dates, July 9, 1884-June 19, 1902, June 6, 1905--. 2 vol. (A, B). Last recording November 9, 1938. Title varies slightly.

Arr. chron. by date of recording. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of grantor. Hdw., July 9, 1884-June 19, 1902; typed, June 6, 1905--. Aver. 500 pp. 18 x 11 x 3. Searchers' vlt.

42. (TEN YEAR DEED), February 13, 1924. One doc. in 1 doc. f. (740). Deed was executed July 28, 1837.

For index, see entry 29. Hdw. 10 x 4 x 17. Bsmt. vlt.

Mortgages and Tax Sale Certificates

43. (MORTGAGES), October 17, 1767-October 19, 1907. 2 doc. f. (354, 355).

File, consisting of:

- a. Discharges of real estate mortgages, unreturned, 1889-October 19, 1907. (355).
- b. Mortgages, unreturned real estate, October 17, 1767-March 12, 1902.
- c. Releases of mortgages, unreturned; February 19, 1891-May 12, 1906. (355).

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 29. Hdw. or typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Bsmt. vlt.

44. (UNRETURNED TAX SALE CERTIFICATES), December 28, 1921-March 1, 1937. 1 doc. f. (718).

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw. or typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

45. (Recordings of) MORTGAGES SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, March 14, 1766--. 155 vol. (122 vol., lettered in 5 series; 122-154). Title varies slightly.

Also contains:

Tax sale certificates, recordings of, December 27, 1907--.

Arr. chron. by date received and recorded. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of mortgagor; also separate indexes, entries 46-49. Hdw., March 14, 1766-June 4, 1901; typed, June 4, 1901--. Aver. 500 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. 25 vol., March 14, 1766-January 11, 1867, bsmt. vlt.; 130 vol., December 14, 1866--, searchers' vlt.

46. MORTGAGOR INDEX (to Recording of Mortgages Sussex County Clerk's Office), March 14, 1766--. 9 vol. (labeled by contained letters of alph. and 1-9).

Serves as index to entry 45. Arr. under surname of mortgagor by Lusk System. Hdw. under ptd. head. Aver. 334 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. Searchers' vlt.

47. MORTGAGOR INDEX (to Recordings of Mortgages Sussex County Clerk's Office) CORPORATIONS, April 1, 1793--. 1 vol.

Serves as index to entry 45. Arr. under name of mortgagor by Lusk System. Hdw. under ptd. head. 440 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. Searchers' vlt.

48. MORTGAGEE INDEX (to Recordings of Mortgages Sussex County Clerk's Office), March 14, 1766--. 9 vol. (labeled by contained letters of alph. and 1-9).

Serves as index to entry 45. Arr. under surname of mortgagee by Lusk System. Hdw. under ptd. head. Aver. 334 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. Searchers' vlt.

49. MORTGAGEE INDEX (to Recordings of Mortgages Sussex County Clerk's Office) CORPORATIONS, April 1, 1793--. 1 vol. (10).

Serves as index to entry 45. Arr. under name of mortgagee by Lusk System. Hdw. under ptd. head. 440 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. Searchers' vlt.

50. (UNRETURNED ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGES), scattered dates, April 3, 1886-August 20, 1907. 1 doc. f. (358).

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 29. Hdw. on ptd. form, April 3, 1886-April 9, 1894, July 18, 1894-April 1, 1899; typed, April 24, 1894, August 13, 1900; hdw. or typed on ptd. form, October 15, 1900-August 20, 1907. 10 x 4 x 17. Bsmt. vlt.

51. (Recordings of) ASSIGNMENT(s) OF MORTGAGES SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, April 11, 1853--. 16 vol. (A-I, K-P, R). Title varies slightly.

Arr. chron. by date received and recorded. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of mortgagor. Hdw., April 11, 1853-December 24, 1901; typed, December 24, 1901--. Aver. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. 5 vol., April 11, 1853-May 12, 1892, bsmt. vlt.; 11 vol., May 13, 1892--, searchers' vlt.

52. (Recordings of) RELEASE(s) (Of) PART MORTGAGED PREMISES SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, scattered dates, January 3, 1882--. 10 vol. (A-I, K). Title varies slightly.

Arr. chron. by date received and recorded. Indexed alph. by first

letter of surname of releasor. Hdw., January 3, 1882-December 30, 1901; typed, May 11, 1902--. Aver. 560 pp. 18 x 13 x 3.
Searchers' vlt.

53. (Recordings of) DISCHARGE(s) OF MORTGAGES-SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, August 13, 1869--. 3 vol. (A-c). Title varies slightly.

Arr. chron. by date of recording. Indexed alph. by first letters of surnames of mortgagor and mortgagee. Hdw., August 13, 1869-March 31, 1902; typed, April 1, 1902--. Aver. 500 pp. 11 x 18 x 3.
Searchers' vlt.

Lis Pendens

54. (NOTICES OF LIS PENDENS), scattered dates, May 28, 1858--. 5 doc. f. (296-299, 483).

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw., May 27, 1858-December 8, 1891; typed, December 9, 1891--. 10 x 4 x 17.
Searchers' vlt.

55. (Recordings of Notices of) LIS PENDENS SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, scattered dates, September 4, 1848--. 7 vol. (A-G; 2 vol., also dated). No recordings June 2 to October 22, 1900. Title varies slightly.

Arr. chron. by date received and recorded. Indexed alph. by first letters of surnames of plaintiff or complainant and defendant; also separate index, entry 30. Hdw., September 4, 1848-June 1, 1900; typed, October 23, 1900--. Aver. 300 pp. 15 x 10 x 2.
Searchers' vlt.

Reimbursement Agreements

56. (CERTIFICATES OF NOTICES OF AGREEMENTS TO REIMBURSE), November 20, 1936--. 1 doc. f. (476)

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw. on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

57. (Recordings of Certificates of Notices of) AGREEMENTS TO REIMBURSE SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, November 26, 1936--. 2 vol. (2, 3).

Also contains:

Recordings of certificates to reimburse, August 22, 1939--. Arr. chron. by date of filing and recording. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of applicant. Typed on ptd. form. Aver. 500 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. Searchers' vlt.

58. (AGREEMENTS TO REIMBURSE), June 16, 1932--. 15 doc. f. (770-784).

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

59. (Recordings of) AGREEMENTS TO REIMBURSE SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, August 9, 1932-April 2, 1936. 1 vol. (1).

Arr. chron. by date of recording. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of applicant. Typed on ptd. form. 390 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. Searchers' vlt.

Mechanics' Notices of Intention

60. MECHANIC'S NOTICES OF INTENTION, scattered dates, September 17, 1930--. 2 doc. f. (285; 1 doc. f., unlabeled), Untitled, September 17, 1930-July 31, 1935, 1 doc. f.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Typed. 10 x 4 x 17. 1 doc. f., September 17, 1930-July 31, 1935, searchers' vlt.; 1 doc. f., August 19, 1935--, under counter, off.

61. (Register of) MECHANIC'S NOTICE(s) OF INTENTION SUSSEX COUNTY, September 17, 1930--. 1 vol. (1).

Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of owner and thereunder chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 30. Hdw. under ptd. head. 250 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. Searchers' vlt.

Mechanics' Liens

62. (MECHANICS' LIEN CLAIMS), scattered dates; November 10, 1893--. 2 doc. f. (290, 291).

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw., November 10, 1893-October 21, 1901; typed, September 20, 1902--. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

63. (Recordings of Mechanics') LIEN CLAIMS SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, August 10, 1854--. 4 vol. (A-D). No recordings October 10, 1905-July 27, 1906. Title varies: Record Lien Claims, August 10, 1854-October 9, 1905, 2 vol; Lien Claims Sussex County, July 28, 1906-April 26, 1935, 1 vol.

Arr. chron. by date received and recorded. Indexed alph. by first letters of surnames of both parties; also separate index, entry 30. Hdw., August 10, 1854-October 9, 1905; typed, July 28, 1906--.

Aver. 560 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. 2 vol., August 10, 1854-October 9, 1905, bsmt. vlt.; 2 vol., July 28, 1906--, searchers' vlt.

64. (DISCHARGES OF MECHANICS' LIEN CLAIMS), June 9, 1931--.
1 doc. f. (462).

Also contains:

Release of mechanics' lien claim, October 19, 1933.
Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Typed.
10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

65. (Recordings of) DISCHARGES OF (Mechanics') LIENS (Claims)
SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK(')S OFFICE, June 9, 1931--.
1 vol. (1).

Also contains:

Releases of mechanics' lien claims, recordings of, March
22, 1933--.
Arr. chron. by date received and recorded. Indexed alph. by first
letter of surname of first party. Typed. 560 pp. (25 used) 18 x
13 x 3. Searchers' vlt.

Stop Notices

66. STOP NOTICES, April 8, 1931--. 3 doc. f. (288; 2 doc. f.,
unlabeled). Untitled, April 8, 1931-May 5, 1932,
1 doc. f.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Typed.
10 x 4 x 17. 1 doc. f., April 8, 1931-May 5, 1932, searchers' vlt.;
2 doc. f., May 6, 1932--, under counter, off.

67. (Register of) STOP NOTICES SUSSEX COUNTY, APRIL 8, 1931--.
1 vol. (1)

Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of owner and thereunder chron.
by date of filing. For index, see entry 30. Hdw. under ptd. head.
200 pp. 18 x 13 x 1. Searchers' vlt.

Building Contracts

68. (CONTRACTS, PLANS, AND SPECIFICATIONS), scattered dates,
January 26, 1855. 12 doc. f. (362-367, 668-673).

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For indexes, see entries 28, 29.
Hdw., typed, hdw. and typed, or hdw. or typed on ptd. form. 10 x
4 x 17. 6 doc. f., January 26, 1855-June 22, 1923, bsmt. vlt.; 6
doc. f., June 27, 1923--, searchers' vlt.

Personal Property

Chattel Mortgages

69. DAILY ENTRY (Register) OF CHATTEL MORTGAGES (and Miscellaneous Instruments Received for filing and/or Recording) SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, December 6, 1887-December 4, 1907. 1 vol.

Arr. chron. by date of filing and/or recording. No index. Hdw. under ptd. head. 250 pp. 16 x 10 x 2. Bsmt. vlt.

70. (UNRETURNED CHATTEL MORTGAGES), scattered dates, December 27, 1888-September 13, 1907. 1 doc. f. (357).

Also contains:

- a. Bills of sale, March 13, 1893, March 25, 1898, April 12, 1901.

- b. Conditional leases, January 14, 1897, June 15, November 3, 1898, October 21, 1899, June 15, September 4, 1906.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 29. Hdw. on ptd. form, December 27, 1888-January 11, 1893; typed, February 6, 1893; hdw. on ptd. form, March 20, 1893-September 24, 1897; hdw. or typed on ptd. form, October 21, 1897-September 13, 1907. 10 x 4 x 17. Bsmt. vlt.

71. (Recordings of) CHATTEL MORTGAGES SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, March 18, 1880--. 35 vol. (1-35). Title varies slightly.

Arr. chron. by date received and recorded. Indexed alph. by first letters of surnames of mortgagor and mortgagee; also separate index, entry 72. Hdw. or hdw. on ptd. form, March 18, 1880-August 24, 1901; hdw. or hdw. or typed on ptd. form, August 27, 1901-April 29, 1904; typed, July 23, 1902--; typed on ptd. form, July 11, 1904-March 8, 1911. Aver. 560 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. 24 vol., March 18, 1880-March 15, 1927, bsmt. vlt.; 11 vol., December 28, 1926--, searchers' vlt.

72. INDEX OF (Recordings of) CHATTEL MORTGAGES (Sussex County Clerk's Office), January 2, 1925--. 3 vol. (labeled by contained letters of alph. and dated).

Serves as index to entry 71. Arr. under surname of mortgagor by Lusk System. Typed under ptd. head. Aver. 300 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. Searchers' vlt.

Conditional Bills of Sale

73. (CONDITIONAL BILLS OF SALE), February 9, 1909, January 1, 1910, September 6, 1911, January 9, 1912, February 7, 23, April 3, 1917. July 14, 1919--. 14 doc. f. (391-399, 680-684).

Conditional bills of sale, July 14, 1919--.

Also contains:

- a. Assignment of lease, January 27, 1922.
- b. Bonds posted for the faithful discharge of their duties, poormasters', February 9, 1909, January 1, 1910, September 6, 1911, January 9, 1912, February 7, 23, April 3, 1917. For other officials' bonds, see entries 148, 153-159.
- c. Lease, real estate, January 19, 1923.
- d. Satisfactions of conditional bills of sale, statements of, March 19, 1923, January 27, 1936--.

Arr. chron. by date of filing, February 9, 1909, January 1, 1910, September 6, 1911, January 9, 1912, February 7, 23, April 3, 1917, July 14, 1919-December 24, 1935; arr. chron. by date of filing, with instruments numbered consecutively, December 26, 1935--. For indexes, see entries 28, 29. Hdw., typed, or hdw. or typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. 9 doc. f., February 9, 1909, January 1, 1910, September 6, 1911, January 9, 1912, February 7, 23, April 3, 1917, July 14, 1919-December 24, 1935, bsmt. vlt.; 5 doc. f., December 26, 1935--. searchers' vlt.

74. SELLERS REGISTER CONDITIONAL SALE CONTRACTS SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, July 14, 1919--. 3 vol. (dated).

Entry 75 has been transcribed into the first volume. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of seller and thereunder numer. by document no. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of seller. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 400 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. 1 vol., July 14, 1919-July 3, 1933, bsmt. vlt.; 2 vol., July 5, 1933--. searchers' vlt.

75. SELLERS REGISTER - CONDITIONAL SALE CONTRACTS - SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE INDEX, undated. 1 vol.

This volume has been transcribed into entry 74. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of seller, with instruments numbered in nonconsecutive sequence. 100 pp. 20 x 15 x 1. Bsmt. vlt.

76. BUYERS REGISTER CONDITIONAL SALES CONTRACTS SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, July 14, 1919--. 3 vol. (dated).

Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of buyer and thereunder

chron. by date of filing, with instruments numbered consecutively. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of buyer. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 400 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. 1 vol., July 14, 1919-July 3, 1933, bsmt. vlt.; 2 vol., July 5, 1933--, searchers' vlt.

77. (COPIES AND ORIGINALS OF CONDITIONAL BILLS OF SALE FOR GOODS ATTACHED TO REALTY), August 6, 1931--. 1 doc. f. (766).

Also contains:

Satisfactions of conditional bills of sale for goods attached to realty, statements of, September 21, 1934--. Arr. chron. by date of filing, with instruments numbered consecutively. For index, see entry 28. Hdw., typed, or hdw. and typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

78. SELLERS REGISTER CONDITIONAL SALE CONTRACTS (for) GOODS ATTACHED TO REALTY SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK(')S OFFICE, August 6, 1931--. 1 vol. (dated).

Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of seller and thereunder chron. by date of filing, with instruments numbered consecutively. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of seller. 400 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. Searchers' vlt.

79. BUYERS REGISTER CONDITION SALES CONTRACTS (for) GOODS ATTACHED TO REALTY SUSSEX COUNTY CLERKS OFFICE, August 6, 1931--. 1 vol. (dated).

Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of buyer and thereunder chron. by date of filing, with instruments numbered consecutively. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of buyer. Hdw. on ptd. form. 400 pp. 18 x 3 x 2. Searchers' vlt.

80. OWNERS REGISTER CONDITIONAL SALES CONTRACT(s) (for) GOODS ATTACHED TO REALTY SUSSEX COUNTY CLERKS OFFICE, August 6, 1931--. 1 vol. (dated).

Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of owner and thereunder chron. by date of filing, with instruments numbered consecutively. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of owner. Hdw. on ptd. form. 400 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. Searchers' vlt.

Crop Mortgages

81. CROP MORTGAGES, May 17, 1934--. 2 doc. f. (786; 1 doc. f., unlabeled). Untitled, May 17, 1934-November 22, 1937, 1 doc. f.

Also contains:

Discharge of crop mortgages, March 4, 1935--.
 Arr. chron. by date of filing. For indexes, see entries 28, 82.
 Typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. 1 doc. f., May 17, 1934-
 November 22, 1937, searchers' vlt.; 1 doc. f., November 23, 1937--,
 under counter, off.

82. INDEX TO CROP MORTGAGES SUSSEX COUNTY, May 17, 1934--.
 1 vol. (dated).

Serves as index to entry 81. Arr. alph. by first letter of sur-
 name of mortgagor and thereunder chron. by date of filing, with
 instruments numbered in non-consecutive sequence. Hdw. under ptd.
 head. 399 pp. 10 x 15 x 2. Searchers' vlt.

Hospitals' and Physicians' Liens

83. (NOTICES OF HOSPITALS' LIENS), November 5, 1930--.
 1 doc. f. (294).

Also contains:

Physicians' liens, notices of, August 15, 1934--.
 Arr. chron. by date of filing, with instruments numbered consecu-
 tively. For indexes, see entries 28, 84. Typed or typed on ptd.
 or mimeographed form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

84. HOSPITAL(s') (Notices of) LIEN(s) DOCKET SUSSEX COUNTY,
 November 5, 1930--. 1 vol.

Also contains:

Physicians' Liens, notices of, docket of, August 15,
 1934--. Also serves as index to (Notices of Hospitals' Liens),
 entry 83. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of injured party
 and thereunder chron. by date of filing, with instruments num-
 bered in non-consecutive sequence. No index. Hdw. under ptd.
 head. 450 pp. 16 x 11 x 3. Searchers' vlt.

85. (CERTIFICATES OF PAYMENT OR RELEASE OF HOSPITAL LIENS),
 November 28, 1931--. 1 doc. f. (471).

Also contains:

Payment or release of physicians' liens, certificates of,
 June 30, 1937--.
 Arr. chron. by date of filing, with instruments numbered consecu-
 tively. For index, see entry 28. Typed or typed on ptd. or mimeo-
 graphed form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

Maps

86. (CADASTRAL, ENGINEERING, AND LAND TENURE MAPS OF SUSSEX COUNTY AND VARIOUS MUNICIPALITIES THEREIN), March 10, 1818--. 372 maps in 256 dr. in 2 bins. Arr. numer. by map no. For index, see entry 87. Draftsmen: Various engineers. Various places of publication. Blueprint. Scales and sizes vary. Dr., 39 x 38 x 26; bin, 53 x 39 x 28. Searchers' vlt.
87. INDEX TO (Cadastral, Engineering, and Land Tenure) MAPS (of) SUSSEX COUNTY (and Various Municipalities Therein) CLERKS OFFICE, March 10, 1818--. 1 vol. Serves as index to entry 86. Arr. alph. by first letter of title of map and alph. by name of municipality and thereunder chron. by date of filing. Typed on ptd. form. 500 pp. 18 x 11 x 3. Searchers' vlt.
88. (CADASTRAL, ENGINEERING, AND LAND TENURE TRACINGS OF MAPS OF SUSSEX COUNTY AND VARIOUS MUNICIPALITIES THEREIN), June 26, 1876--. 184 tracings in 256 dr. in 2 bins. No obvious arr. No index. Draftsmen: Various engineers. Various places of publication. Black and white. Scales and sizes vary. Dr., 39 x 38 x 26; bin, 53 x 39 x 28. Searchers' vlt.
89. (MAP DOCUMENTS), January 24, 1924, December 20, 1928. 1 doc. f. (759).
File, consisting of:
a. Petition from Sparta Realty Co. for approval of map, December 20, 1928.
b. Resolution from governing body of Borough of Hopatcong approving map, January 24, 1924.
Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Typed. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

Roads

90. (CERTIFIED COPIES OF MUNICIPAL ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS ON VACATIONS OF ROADS), April 9, 1934--. 1 doc. f. (764). Last document filed February 23, 1940. Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Typed. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

91. (Recordings of Applications and Certified Copies of County and Municipal Ordinances and Resolutions Pertaining to the Openings, Alterations, and Vacations of (ROADS SUSSEX COUNTY, August 27, 1761--. 5 vol. (A-F). No recordings November 11, 1854-February 22, 1860. Last recording August 14, 1931.

Arr. chron. by date of recording, August 27, 1761-November 10, 1854; arr. alph. by name of municipality and thereunder chron. by date received and recorded, February 23, 1860--. Indexed by name of municipality, August 27, 1761-November 10, 1854; no index, February 23, 1860--. Hdw., August 27, 1761-November 10, 1854, February 23, 1860-August 22, 1899; typed, February 25, 1899--. Aver. 753 pp. 10 x 13 x 4. Bsmt. vlt.

92. (Recordings of Applications and Certified Copies of County and Municipal Ordinances and Resolutions Pertaining to the) VACATION(s) OF ROADS SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, August 5, 1930--. 1 vol. (A).

Arr. alph. by name of municipality and thereunder chron. by date received and recorded. No index. Typed. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. Bsmt. vlt.

93. (RETURNS OF ROADS FROM VARIOUS MUNICIPALITIES), October 9, 1761-February 24, 1932. 20 doc. f. (720-739).

Arr. by name of municipality and thereunder chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw., October 9, 1761-November 3, 1887; hdw. or typed, November 4, 1887-February 24, 1932. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

94. (SPECIFICATIONS FOR STONE ROADS IN COUNTY), March 14, 24, 1911; May 5, 1913; January 9, 1917. 1 doc. f. (451).

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 29. Hdw. and typed on ptd. form, March 14, 1911, May 5, 1913, January 9, 1917; hdw. on ptd. form, March 24, 1911. 10 x 4 x 17. Bsmt. vlt.

Elections

Primary

95. PRIMARY ELECTION REGISTRY BOOK(s), May 16, 1933--. 175 vol. (labeled by district no. and dated). May be destroyed after 5 years. Subtitled by names of municipalities.

Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of voter. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 45 pp. 14 x 8 x 1. Bsmt. vlt.

96. (PETITIONS FOR NOMINATIONS FOR VARIOUS STATE AND COUNTY OFFICES), August 21 to September 5, 1908, September 10, 1909-August 31, 1923, May 20 to October 7, 1925, July 11, 1935--. 6 doc. f. (422, 438, 439, 449, 629, 630). May be destroyed after 5 years.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For indexes, see entries 28, 29. Hdw. or hdw. and typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. 4 doc. f., August 21 to September 5, 1908, September 10, 1909-August 31, 1923, May 20 to October 7, 1925, bsmt. vlt.; 2 doc. f., July 11, 1935--, searchers' vlt.

97. (CERTIFICATES OF NOMINATIONS FOR NATIONAL, STATE, COUNTY, AND MUNICIPAL OFFICES), September 8, 1806-October 9, 1916. 1 doc. f. (401). May be destroyed after 5 years. Discontinued in this form; law amended.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 29. Hdw., typed. hdw. and typed, or hdw. or typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Bsmt. vlt.

98. DEMOCRATIC PARTY PRIMARY (Election) POLL BOOK(s), May 16, 1933--. 175 vol. (labeled by district no. and dated). May be destroyed after 5 years. Subtitled by names of municipalities.

Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of voter. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 60 pp. 15 x 10 x 1. Bsmt. vlt.

99. REPUBLICAN PARTY PRIMARY (Election) POLL BOOK(s), May 16, 1933--. 175 vol. (labeled by district no. and dated). May be destroyed after 5 years. Subtitled by names of municipalities.

Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of voter. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 60 pp. 15 x 10 x 1. Bsmt. vlt.

100. (PRIMARY ELECTION TALLY SHEETS), May 17, 1933--. 6 bdl. May be destroyed after 5 years.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 10 x 12 x 3. Bsmt. vlt.

101. (STATE AND COUNTY PRIMARY ELECTION RETURNS), September 29, 1909-June 22, 1925, September 18, 1935--. 5 doc. f. (441, 442, 466, 636, 637). May be destroyed after 5 years. Last return filed May 21, 1940. May 17, 1932 in (Miscellaneous Election Papers), entry 118.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For indexes, see entries, 28, 29. Hdw. on ptd. form, September 29, 1909-June 22, 1925; hdw. or typed

on ptd. form, September 18, 1935--. 10 x 4 x 17. 3 doc. f., September 29, 1909-June 22, 1925, bsmt. vlt.; 2 doc. f., September 18, 1935--, searchers' vlt.

General

102. GENERAL ELECTION REGISTRY LIST(s), November 7, 1933--. 175 vol. (labeled by district no. and dated). May be destroyed after 5 years. Subtitled by names of municipalities.

Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of voter. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 125 pp. 14 x 8 x 1. Bsmt. vlt.

103. GENERAL ELECTION POLL BOOK(s), November 7, 1933--. 175 vol. (labeled by district no. and dated). May be destroyed after 5 years. Subtitled by names of municipalities.

Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of voter. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 60 pp. 15 x 10 x 1. Bsmt. vlt.

104. (GENERAL ELECTION TALLY SHEETS), November 8, 1932--. 4 f. d. (DL-GL). May be destroyed after 5 years. Last sheet filed November 8, 1939.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw. on ptd. form. 10 x 12 x 27. Searchers' vlt.

105. (COUNTY CANVASSERS' NATIONAL AND COUNTY GENERAL ELECTION RETURNS), 1932--. 1 f. d. (LL). May be destroyed after 5 years. Last return filed 1940.

No obvious arr. For index, see entry 28. Hdw. or typed on ptd. form. 4 x 10 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

106. (NATIONAL, STATE, AND COUNTY GENERAL ELECTION RETURNS), February 21, 1789-November 4, 1925, November 5, 1935--. 1 f. d. (A), 10 doc. f. (341-347, 462, 650, 651). May be destroyed after 5 years. Last return filed November 5, 1940.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For indexes, see entries 28, 29. Hdw., or hdw. or typed on ptd. form. f. d., 4 x 14 x 17; doc. f., 10 x 4 x 17. f. d., February 21, 1789-November 5, 1875, 8 doc. f., January 25, 1791-November 4, 1925, bsmt. vlt.; 2 doc. f., November 5, 1935--, searchers' vlt.

Municipal

107. (PAPERS PERTAINING TO ELECTIONS AND DIVISIONS OF MUNICIPALITIES INTO ELECTION DISTRICTS), April 17, 1868-February 11, 1933. 1 doc. f. (657). May be destroyed after 5 years.

File, consisting of:

- a. Election districts, redivisions of municipalities into, April 1, 1914-February 11, 1933.
- b. First election results in borough of Deckertown, March 14, 1893.
- c. Petitions for new elections, April 1, 1892.
- d. Petitions for election to public offices, April 17, 1868-March 15, 1915.
- e. Selection of places to hold elections in first and second districts of Newton, original papers pertaining to, and appointments of election officers, October 26, 1885. For other appointments of officials, see entries 111, 118-b, 179-a, 200, 420-b.
- f. Special election results, for change of boundary of borough of Franklin, April 23, 1913.
- g. Voting districts, original papers pertaining to the division of townships of Sussex County into, October 18, 1885-May 4, 1925.
- h. Voting districts, original papers pertaining to readjustments of, July 23, 1898-March 12, 1920.
- i. Voting districts, original municipal resolutions of the divisions of, March 5, 1901-April 8, 1922.

No obvious arr. For index, see entry 28. Hdw., typed, or hdw. or typed under ptd. head. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

108. (ELECTIONS FOR CHANGE OF NAME OR INCORPORATION OF MUNICIPALITIES), March 11, 1898-April 30, 1914, December 7, 1921, July 31, 1933. 1 doc. f. (763). May be destroyed after 5 years.

File, consisting of:

- a. Acts to incorporate various boroughs, certified copies of, March 11, 1898-April 6, 1914.
- b. Change of names of various municipalities, certificates of, September 5, 1899, April 29, 1901.
- c. Correspondence to and from Director of Public Records Office, pertaining to destruction of records, December 7, 1921, July 31, 1933.
- d. Election returns for incorporations of several boroughs and townships, statements of, April 25, 1913-April 30, 1914.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw., typed, or typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

109. (MUNICIPAL CLERKS' CERTIFICATES OF OFFICERS TO BE ELECTED), August 20, 1906-November 9, 1925, July 8, 1935--. 3 doc. f. (417, 509, 644). May be destroyed after 5 years. Last certificate filed May 25, 1940.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For indexes, see entries 28, 29. Hdw., hdw. and typed, or hdw. and typed on ptd. form, April 20, 1906-November 9, 1925; typed on ptd. form or under ptd. head. July 8, 1935-May 25, 1940. 10 x 4 x 17. 2 doc. f., August 20, 1906-November 9, 1925, bsmt. vlt.; 1 doc. f., July 8, 1935-May 25, 1940, searchers' vlt.

110. (ACCEPTANCES OF NOMINATIONS FOR MUNICIPAL OFFICES), May 24, 1932--. 1 doc. f. (633). May be destroyed after 5 years. Last acceptance filed October 10, 1939. No obvious arr. For index, see entry 28. Typed or hdw. or typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

111. (ELECTION AND APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP CLERK OF HARDYSTON BY TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE), March 19, 1890. In (Case Papers in Contested Elections) entry 236.

For other appointments of officials, see entries 107-e, 118-b, 179-a, 200, 420-b.

112. (ELECTION RETURNS FOR OFFICE OF JUSTICE OF THE PEACE), scattered dates, April 15, 1845-November 9, 1928. 1 doc. f. (380). May be destroyed after 5 years.

Also contains:

Oath of surveyor of highways, April 21, 1845, entry 151.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 29. Hdw., April 15, 1845-April 13, 1865; hdw. or hdw. on ptd. form, April 9, 1867-April 12, 1880; hdw. on ptd. form, March 9, 1881-March 11, 1901, hdw. or hdw. on ptd. form, March 13, 1901-November 8, 1905; hdw. or typed on ptd. form, November 9, 1905-November 9, 1928. 10 x 4 x 17. Bsmt. vlt.

113. (RECEIPTS FROM MUNICIPAL CLERKS FOR VARIOUS ELECTION MATERIALS), August 17, 1908-October 25, 1920, August 23, 1924-October 21, 1925, August 28, 1935--. 3 doc. f. (435, 445, 626). May be destroyed after 5 years. Last receipt filed November 1, 1940.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For indexes, see entries 28, 29. Hdw., typed, hdw. or typed on ptd. form, or hdw. and typed on

County Clerk - Elections

File, consisting of:

- a. Acceptances of nominations for offices of: Freeholders of Borough of Hopatcong, September 13, 1910; members of New Jersey House of Assembly, September 17, 1910; member of Town Committee, September 23, 1910; Coroner, October 2, 1911-October 10, 1922; justices of the peace, October 2, 1911-January 25, 1923; members of board of chosen freeholders, October 3, 1911-August 1, 1923; Township Clerk, October 3, 1911; Surveyors of Highways, October 3, 1911-October 1, 1913; members of Township Committee, October 3, 1911-October 3, 1921; Town Clerk, October 3, 1911-September 29, 1924; municipal Collectors, October 4, 1911-October 3, 1921; Poundkeepers, October 4, 1911-September 30, 1913; Constables, October 4, 1911-October 3, 1921; Mayors of various municipalities, October 5, 1911-September 24, 1919; members of Common Council, October 5, 1911-October 3, 1921; Overseers of the Poor, October 5, 1911-October 3, 1913; President of the United States, April 26, 1912; Delegates-at-Large to National Convention, May 7, 1912-April 8, 1924; members of Electoral College, October 19, 1912; municipal Assessor, October 25, 1912-October 17, 1921; member of county committee, June 27, 1913.
- b. Appointments: Of Chief of Police by Township Committee, September 30, 1911 and of candidates for United States Senate by committee on vacancies, June 22, 1932-May 4, 1939. For other appointments of officials see entries 107-e, 111, 179-a, 200, 420-b.
- c. Bills from municipal clerks for delivery of ballot boxes, March 8 to October 2, 1915.
- d. Copies of registry lists submitted by poll clerks to county clerk, November 2, 1911-June 3, 1924.
- e. Designation of Acting Chief of Police of township, August 7, 1912-August 5, 1915.
- f. Invoices from Secretary of State to county clerk for election material, August 4, 1909-September 29, 1917, April 7, 1932-August 20, 1939.
- g. Lists of names of: Members of various district boards of registry and election, 1909; candidates for: State Governor, October 18, 1910-August 31, 1916, April 19, 1934-April 2, 1940; United States House of Representatives, August 26, 1914-October 19, 1920, April 21, 1932-April 2, 1940; United States Senate, September 5, 1912-July 21, 1922, April 21, 1932-April 2, 1940; democratic and republican district boards of registry and election, March 30, 1932-August 25, 1939; democratic and republican county

ptd. form. 2 doc. f., August 17, 1908-October 25, 1920, August 23, 1924-October 21, 1925, bsmt. vlt.; 1 doc. f., August 28, 1935--,
searchers' vlt.

Special

114. SPECIAL ELECTION (for Amendment of State Constitution) POLL BOOK, June 20, 1939. 35 vol. (labeled by district no. and dated). May be destroyed after 5 years. For this date only. Subtitled by names of municipalities. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of voter. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 60 pp. 15 x 10 x 1. Bsmt. vlt.

115. (STATEMENTS OF RESULTS OF ELECTION HELD SEPTEMBER 14, 1909 TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION OF STRIKING OUT PARAGRAPH 3 OF SECTION 1, PARAGRAPH 7 OF SECTION 4; AND CHANGING PARAGRAPH 10 OF SECTION 7, OF ARTICLE IV; CHANGING PARAGRAPH 10 OF ARTICLE V; AND CHANGING SECTION 1 OF ARTICLE VI), September 15 to 20, 1909. 1 doc. f. (440). May be destroyed after 5 years. Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 29. Hdw. on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Bsmt. vlt.

Miscellaneous

116. (STATEMENTS OF CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURES FOR ELECTIONS TO STATE AND COUNTY OFFICES), August 25, 1911-November 20, 1925, April 18, 1933--. 3 doc. f. (453, 454, 662). May be destroyed after 5 years. Scattered dates, 1935 in (Miscellaneous Election Papers), entry 118. Arr. chron. by date of filing, August 25, 1911-November 20, 1925; no obvious arr., April 18, 1933--. For indexes, see entries 28, 29. Hdw. and typed. 10 x 4 x 17. 2 doc. f., August 25, 1911-November 20, 1925, bsmt. vlt.; 1 doc. f., April 18, 1933--,
searchers' vlt.

117. (Voters') TRANSFER CERTIFICATE(s), November 7, 1933--. 5 bdl. May be destroyed after 5 years. No obvious arr. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 8 x 8 x 2. Bsmt. vlt.

118. (MISCELLANEOUS ELECTION PAPERS), August 4, 1909-September 29, 1924, March 30, 1932--. 2 doc. f. (444, 658). May be destroyed after 5 years. Last paper filed April 2, 1940.

committees, 1932-39; county board of elections, 1932-39; President and Vice President of the United States, April 1, 1932-April 2, 1940; Delegates-at-Large to National Convention, April 7, 1932-April 25, 1936; Delegates-at-Large to State Convention, May 2, 1933-May 2, 1935.

- h. Lists of polling places submitted by secretary of county board of elections to county clerk, March 30, 1932-April 10, 1939.
- i. Orders from county clerk to New Jersey Herald to print election ballots, September 9, 1909-October 3, 1910 and from municipal clerks to county clerk for official election ballots, October 9, 1909-August 11, 1910.
- j. Petitions from voters to increase the number of freeholders to be elected in the county, August 31, 1911, and for nominations to various municipal offices, August 7, 1935-September 20, 1938.
- k. Proof of service of order for recount of ballots, March 20, 1915.
- l. Proposition to have a tax map survey made, from Township Clerk to county clerk, voted on at general election, September 24, 1913.
- m. Returns from county board of elections of soldiers' and sailors' votes in general election, October 4 to December 5, 1918.

Also contains: State and county primary election returns, May 17, 1932, entry 101; statements of campaign expenditures for elections to State and county offices, 1935, entry 116. Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entries 28, 29. Hdw., typed, or hdw. or typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. 1 doc. f., August 4, 1909-September 29, 1924, bsmt. vlt.; 1 doc. f., March 30, 1932--, searchers' vlt.

Jurors

119. (CERTIFIED COPIES OF GRAND JURY LISTS), November 13, 1805-December 9, 1900, April 18, 1909-April 9, 1912, November 29, 1912--. 2 doc. f. (324, 325).

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw., November 13, 1805-December 9, 1900; hdw. on ptd. form, April 18, 1909-April 9, 1912; typed or typed on ptd. form, November 29, 1912--. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

120. (CERTIFIED COPIES OF PETIT JURY LISTS), scattered dates May 27, 1828--. 2 doc. f. (318, 319).

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw., May 27, 1828-August 9, 1875, hdw. on ptd. form, November 10, 1875-August 14, 1906; typed on ptd. form, November 13, 1906--. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

121. PETIT JUROR MILEAGE (and Pay Roll) LIST(s), SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, September term, 1903--. 1 vol. Arr. chron. by date of court term and thereunder alph. by name of municipality. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 500 pp. 18 x 11 x 3. Searchers' vlt.

122. (CERTIFIED COPIES OF STRUCK JURY LISTS), August 20, 1937--. 1 doc. f. (482). Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Typed. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

Licenses and Certificates

Professional

123. (PHYSICIANS' FILE), July 26, 1830-July 12, 1927, August 24, 1931--. 1 doc. f. (717). Last document filed October 11, 1940.

File, consisting of:

- a. Diplomas, certified copies of physicians', July 26, 1830-July 12, 1927.
 - b. Licenses, certified copies of physicians', August 24, 1931--.
- No obvious arr. For index, see entry 28. Diplomas, hdw., July 26, 1830-November 12, 1897; hdw. or typed on ptd. form, November 13, 1897-July 12, 1927; licenses, hdw. or typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

124. REGISTER OF PHYSICIANS AND MIDWIVES SUSSEX COUNTY N.J., May 21, 1887--. 1 vol. Last registration entered January 11, 1940.

Arr. chron. by date of registration. No index. Hdw. under ptd. head. 50 pp. 14 x 9 x 1. Searchers' vlt.

125. REGISTER OF NURSES SUSSEX COUNTY, September 16, 1910--. 1 vol. (1).

Entries from September 16, 1910-August 18, 1939 have been transcribed from entry 126. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of nurse and thereunder chron. by date of registration, with instruments numbered in non-consecutive sequence. No index. Hdw. under ptd. head. 104 pp. 13 x 9 x 1. Searchers' vlt.

126. REGISTERED NURSES - SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE,
September 16, 1910-August 18, 1939. 1 vol. No entries
June 4, 1912-October 31, 1913.

This volume has been transcribed into entry 125. Arr. chron. by date of issuance of license, September 16, 1910-June 3, 1912; arr. chron. by date of registration, with instruments numbered in non-consecutive sequence, November 1, 1913-August 18, 1939. No index. Hdw. 100 pp. 10 x 8 x 1. Bsmt. vlt.

127. REGISTER OF OPTOMETRISTS, CHAP. 222, LAWS of 1914,
December 17, 1914-March 30, 1925. 1 vol. Discontinued
as county record 1925; statute repealed.

Arr. chron. by date of registration, with licenses numbered in non-consecutive sequence. No index. Hdw. 54 pp. (10 used) 14 x 8 x 1. Searchers' vlt.

128. (Record of) REGISTERED VETERINARY PHYSICIAN(s) AND
SURGEONS (Certificates to Practice), December 12, 1912--.
1 vol.

Arr. chron. by date of registration. No index. Hdw. 100 pp. (11 used) 10 x 8 x 1. Searchers' vlt.

Exempt Firemen

129. (EXEMPT FIREMEN'S CERTIFICATES), March 12, 1917--.
1 doc. f. (702). Last certificate filed April 13, 1940.

Arr. chron. by date of filing, with certificates numbered in non-consecutive sequence. For index, see entry 28. Hdw. on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

130. (Recordings of) EXEMPT FIREMEN('s) CERTIFICATES SUSSEX
COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, September 30, 1897, March 12,
1917--. 2 vol. (1, 2). No recordings October 1, 1897-
March 11, 1917.

Arr. chron. by date received and recorded, with certificates numbered in non-consecutive sequence. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of fireman. Hdw., September 30, 1897; typed, March 12, 1917--. Aver. 530 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. Searchers' vlt.

Peddlers

131. (APPLICATIONS FOR VETERANS' PEDDLER LICENSES), July 21,
1931--. 1 doc. f. (761). Last application filed July
2, 1936.

No obvious arr. For index, see entry 28. Hdw. on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

Hunting and Fishing

132. (HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSE REPORTS), January 31, 1909-March 9, 1934. 43 doc. and 17 vol. in 2 f. d. (Kl, Li). Discontinued as county record 1934; now forwarded to State Fish and Game Commission.

File, consisting of:

- a. Monthly record and reports from various municipal clerks to county clerk of hunting and fishing licenses issued, June 14, 1909-February 18, 1933.
- b. Copies of annual reports from county clerk to State Fish and Game Commission of hunting and fishing licenses issued, January 31, 1909-March 9, 1934.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw., typed, or hdw. or typed on ptd. form. Vol. aver. 200 pp. 12 x 11 x 1; f. d., 4 x 14 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

133. (HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSE RECEIPTS AND MISCELLANEOUS PAPERS), July 29, 1922-August 20, 1930. 1 doc. f. (626).

Hunting and fishing license receipts, July 29, 1922-January 17, 1928.

Also contains:

- a. Capital stock tax return from a corporation, 1925.
- b. Correspondence to and from county clerk, September 18, 1924-January 5, 1926.
- c. Orders from Director of Public Record Office for destruction of certain records, August 5, 1924.
- d. Receipts for bail and fines, July 29, 1922--January 17, 1928.
- e. Receipts for registering mail and return receipts for same, December 17, 1925-August 20, 1930.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 29. Hdw. or typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Bsmt. vlt.

134. (APPLICATIONS FOR NON-RESIDENT AND ALIEN HUNTING LICENSES), July 7, 1902-November 6, 1914. 1 doc. f. (427). Discontinued as county record 1914; now kept by State Fish and Game Commission.

Arr. chron. by date of issuance of license. For index, see entry 29. Hdw. on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Bsmt. vlt.

Permits

Revolver

135. (APPLICATIONS FOR REVOLVER PERMITS), September 16, 1924--.
1 doc. f. (667)

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw. on ptd.
form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

136. (Record of) PERMITS TO CARRY WEAPONS RECORDED UNDER
PROVISIONS OF CHAP. 225, LAWS of 1912, May 15, 1912--.
4 vol. (A-D).

Arr. chron. by date of permit. No index. Hdw. Aver. 100 pp. 13 x 8 x 1.
2 vol., May 15, 1912-April 2, 1924--, searchers' vlt.

Liquor

137. (COPIES OF FEDERAL PERMITS TO PURCHASE LIQUOR), March 3,
1921-January 16, 1922. 1 doc. f. (428).

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Typed on ptd.
or mimeographed form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

138. (Record of) BASIC AND SPECIFIC PERMITS ISSUED UNDER NON-
BEVERAGE LIQUOR ACT, May 4, 1921-July 27, 1922. 1 vol.
Discontinued; statute repealed.

Arr. chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname
of licensee. Hdw. 140 pp. 10 x 8 x 1. Bsmt. vlt.

Corporations, Partnerships, and Trade Names and Marks

139. (UNRETURNED CERTIFICATES OF INCORPORATION), December 13,
1817-January 2, 1935. 1 doc. f. (719).

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw.,
December 13, 1817-June 26, 1894; hdw., typed, or hdw. and typed, June 27,
1894-January 2, 1935. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

140. (Recordings of Certificates of) INCORPORATIONS SUSSEX
COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, scattered dates, November 27,
1786--. 5 vol. (A-E). Title varies: Incorporations
Manumissions, November 27, 1786-May 25, 1819, 1 vol.;
Incorporations Sussex County, February 20, 1822-September 24,
1924, 2 vol.

Also contains:

Recordings of manumissions of Negro slaves, August 20, 1796-
May 25, 1819, entry 169.

Arr. chron. by date received and recorded. Incorporation, indexed alph.
by first letter of name of corporation; manumission, no index. Hdw.,
November 27, 1786-February 23, 1901; typed, June 6, 1901--. Aver.
557 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. 1 vol., November 27, 1786-May 25, 1819, bsmt. vlt.;
4 vol., February 20, 1822--, searchers' vlt.

141. (CORPORATION PAPERS), September 6, 1931--. 1 doc. f. (762).
File, consisting of:
- Certificates of election of trustees for corporations not for pecuniary profit, September 6, 1931-December 14, 1937.
 - Copies of annual reports of corporations, originals of which are sent to Secretary of State, July 30, 1935--.
- No obvious arr. For index, see entry 28. Typed or typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.
142. (Recordings of) LIMITED (and Other) PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENTS SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, July 9, 1920--. 1 vol. (A).
Contains but 6 recordings, the last dated June 11, 1940.
Arr. chron. by date received and recorded. No index. Hdw. 52 pp. (15 used) 13 x 8 x 1. Bsmt. vlt.
143. (CERTIFICATES OF TRADE NAMES), July 25, 1906--. 1 doc. f. (700).
Also contains:
Certificates of dissolution of trade names, July 24, 1920--.
Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Typed. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.
144. (Register of) CERTIFICATES OF TRADE NAME (s) SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, July 19, 1906--. 2 vol. (1, 2). - No entries February 22, 1908-January 31, 1910. Title varies: Certificates of Business Names Sussex County Clerk's Office, July 19, 1906-June 3, 1936, 1 vol.
Arr. chron. by date of filing. Indexed alph. by first letter of trade name. Hdw., July 19, 1906-February 21, 1908; typed, February 1, 1910--. Aver. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. Searchers' vlt.
145. (DESCRIPTIONS OF BOTTLERS' NAMES, MARKS, OR DEVISES), July 2, 1912, January 17, 1914, May 26, 1924. 3 doc. in 1 doc. f. (758). Discontinued; statute repealed.
Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 29. Typed. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

Officials' Oaths

(See also entries 179-c, 420-i, 533-h)

146. OFFICERS OATHS SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, scattered dates, May 1, 1865--. 5 vol. (2 vol., unlabeled; C-E). Title varies: Untitled, May 1, 1865-January 8, 1887, 1 vol.; Record of Officers Oaths Sussex County Clerk's Office, April 23, 1887-December 1, 1902, 1 vol.
Oaths of the following officers: Commissioners to take the acknowledgments and proofs of deeds, April 12, 1866-May 31, 1902; judges of the court of common pleas, March 26, 1867-June 5, 1894; member of sussex county lake and park commission, January 2, 1902; members of board for the equalization of taxes, July 8, 1902-June 24, 1905; deputy clerk of

the county of sussex and also deputy clerk of the court of common pleas, December 1, 1902; members of the sussex county mosquito extermination commission, April 16, 1912-November 14, 1932; court criers and sergeants at arms, September 15, 1914-April 7, 1919; clerk of the circuit court, February 24, 1917; probation officer, January 2, 1920; temporary commissioner of juries, November 8, 1930; commissioner of deeds and interim, August 29, 1933, sergeant at arms for sussex county, November 3, 1938; justices of the peace, May 1, 1865--; notaries public, June 14, 1865--; sheriffs, November 15, 1865--; coroners, January 30, 1866--; prosecutors of the pleas, March 4, 1867--; president judge of the court of common pleas, April 3, 1871--; commissioners of deeds, March 30, 1872--; clerks of the county of sussex, November 15, 1887--; commissioners of juries, May 4, 1888-February 16, 1914--; under sheriffs, August 4, 1905--; deputy clerk of the county of sussex, November 30, 1907--; clerks of the grand jury, April 21, 1908--; members of board of chosen freeholders, January 6, 1913--; county superintendent of weights and measures, March 15, 1916--; special deputy clerk of the county of sussex and special deputy clerk of the court of common pleas, May 24, 1921--; county treasurers, January 3, 1928--; members of sussex county board of elections, March 10, 1930--; members of county board of taxation, June 2, 1930--; and chief probation officers, March 31, 1931--. Arr. chron. by date of oath. No index, May 1, 1865-January 8, 1887; indexed alph. by first letter of surname of person making oath, April 23, 1887--. Hdw., May 1, 1865-December 1, 1902; hdw. and typed or hdw. on ptd. form, January 13, 1903--; hdw. on mimeographed form, April 1, 1924. Aver. 400 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. 3 vol., May 1, 1865-October 20, 1925, bsmt. vlt.; 2 vol., March 23, 1925--, searchers' vlt.

147. (OATHS OF MEMBERS OF DISTRICT BOARD OF REGISTRY AND ELECTIONS), May 1, 1933--. 1 doc. f. (623). August 26, 1908-June 15, 1925 in (Oaths of Members of County Board of Elections), entry 150.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw., or hdw. on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

148. (Officials') OLD BONDS AND OATHS, January 27, 1913-March 22, 1932. 1 bdl. (90).

Bundle, consisting of:

- a. Agreement between board of chosen freeholders and William S. Vought to act as clerk of board of chosen freeholders, auditor, purchasing agent, and county paymaster, January 3, 1921.
- b. Bonds of the following county officials and employees posted for the faithful performance of their duties; county road supervisor, January 10, 1918, January 29, 1929; member of board of chosen freeholders, January 10, 1918; county road foremen, August 6, 28, 29, November 1, 1920; steward of almshouse, January 21, 1921, March 3, 1924, January 12, 1925, January 12, 1926, January 7, 1930; county engineer, January 29, 1921, March 4, 1924; and member of sinking fund commission, April 18, 1922, April 1, 1926.

- c. Contractors' bonds posted for the faithful performance of contracts, November 1, 1920, June 22, August 31, 1922, August 7, 1926, July 14, August 28, 1928, June 9, 1930, May 3, 1932.
 - d. Letters of acceptance of appointment to shade tree commission, May 22, 1926.
 - e. Oaths of the following officials; attorney to board of chosen freeholders, January 27, 1913; acting county engineer, January 9, 1918; counsel and solicitor to board of chosen freeholders, January 2, 1924, January 3, 1927, January 2, 1930; county engineer, March 4, 1924; director of board of chosen freeholders, January 3, 1927, January 2, 1929, January 2, 1930; member of board of chosen freeholders, January 2, 1924, January 2, 1925, January 2, 1928, January 2, 1929, January 2, 1930; member of shade tree commission, May 25, 1926; county treasurer, January 3, 1928; member of sinking fund commission, January 2, 4, 1929; and secretary and treasurer of sinking fund commission, March 22, 1932.
 - f. Resignation of county supervisor, January 2, 1930.
- Also contains: Report to board of chosen freeholders from superintendent of weights and measures, annual, July 24, 1928, entry 4. No obvious arr. No index. Hdw. typed or ptd. 8 x 4 x 3. Shelf, bsmt. vlt., cc.
- For other officials' bonds, see entries 73-b, 153-159.

149. (OATHS OF MEMBERS OF BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS), May 7, 1910-May 8, 1929. 1 doc. f. (448).

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 29. Hdw. and typed, hdw. on ptd. form, or hdw. and typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Bsmt. vlt.

150. (OATHS OF MEMBERS OF COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS), August 22, 1908-June 15, 1925. 1 doc. f. (436).

Oaths of members of county board of elections, August 22, 1908-May 15, 1925. Also contains: Oaths of members of district boards of registry and elections, August 26, 1908-June 15, 1925, entry 147. Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 29. Hdw. or hdw. on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Bsmt. vlt.

151. (OATHS OF MUNICIPAL SURVEYORS OF HIGHWAYS), January 7, 1908-January 3, 1921. 1 doc. f. (446). April 21, 1845, in (Election Returns for Office of Justice of the Peace), entry 112.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 29. Hdw. or typed. 10 x 4 x 17. Bsmt. vlt.

152. OATHS OF INSPECT(ors) (of Registry and Election), May 27, 1867-February 29, 1868. 1 vol.

Arr. chron. by date of oath. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of inspector. Hdw. Binding worn and spine loose. 402 pp. (137 used) 14 x 7 x 2. Bsmt. vlt.

Bonds

(See also entries 73-b, 148)

Sheriff

153. (BONDS POSTED BY SHERIFFS FOR THE FAITHFUL DISCHARGE OF THEIR DUTIES), October 17, 1797--. 1 doc. f. (372).

Also contains: Common pleas court bonds to indemnify sheriff in case of illegal seizure of chattels in replevin actions, November 19, 1932--., entry 265. Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw. or hdw. on ptd. form, October 17 to November 12, 1897; typed, hdw. and typed, or typed on ptd. form, November 13, 1897--. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

154. (Recordings of) SHERIFF(s') BONDS (Filed for the Faithful Discharge of Their Duties) SUSSEX COUNTY, October 20, 1807-November 10, 1896, November 14, 1899-October 5, 1921, November 19, 1932. 2 vol. (A; 1 vol., unlabeled). Discontinued; statute repealed. Title varies slightly.

Replevin bond to indemnify sheriff, November 19, 1932 has been transcribed from entry 198. Also contains: Recordings of replevin bonds to indemnify sheriff, November 19, 1932, entry 155. Arr. chron. by date received and recorded. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of sheriff, October 20, 1807-November 10, 1896, November 14, 1899-October 5, 1921; indexed alph. by first letter of surname of plaintiff, November 19, 1932; also separate index, entry 30. Hdw., October 20, 1807-November 10, 1896; typed, November 14, 1899-October 5, 1921, November 19, 1932. Aver. 560 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. 1 vol., October 20, 1807-November 10, 1896, bsmt. vlt.; 1 vol., November 14, 1899-October 5, 1921, November 19, 1932, searchers' vlt.

155. (Recordings of) SHERIFFS(') (Replevin and Other) BONDS (to Indemnify Sheriff), SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, November 8, 1935--. 1 vol. (2). November 19, 1932, in (Recordings of) Sheriff(s') Bonds (Filed for the Faithful Discharge of Their Duties) Sussex County, entry 154.

Arr. chron. by date received and recorded. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of plaintiff; also separate index, entry 30. Typed. 560 pp. (35 used) 18 x 13 x 3. Searchers' vlt.

Justice of the Peace

156. (JUSTICES' OF PEACE BONDS POSTED FOR THE FAITHFUL DISCHARGE OF THEIR DUTIES), scattered dates, May 2, 1845--. 1 doc. f. (373). Last bond filed May 1, 1940.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw., May 2, 1845-May 28, 1859; hdw. or typed on ptd. form, May 1, 1860--. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

Municipal Treasurer

157. (MUNICIPAL TREASURERS' BONDS POSTED FOR THE FAITHFUL DISCHARGE OF THEIR DUTIES), May 11, 1876-January 21, 1925. 1 doc. f. (387).

Also contains:

- a. Bond posted for the faithful discharge of his duties, county treasurer, January 21, 1925.
- b. Bond posted for the faithful discharge of his duties, custodian of school moneys of the Town of Newton, November 14, 1916.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 29. Hdw., typed, hdw. and typed, or hdw. on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Bsmt. vlt.

158. (MUNICIPAL COLLECTORS' BONDS POSTED FOR THE FAITHFUL DISCHARGE OF THEIR DUTIES), April 3, 1884-February 8, 1927. 1 doc. f. (390). Discontinued as county record 1927; now kept by municipal clerks.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 29. Hdw., typed, hdw. or typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Bsmt. vlt.

Constable

159. (CONSTABLES' BONDS FILED FOR THE FAITHFUL DISCHARGE OF THEIR DUTIES), scattered dates, March 26, 1900-January 23, 1919, January 9, 12, 1925. 1 doc. f. (389). Discontinued as county record 1925; now kept by municipal clerks.

Arr. chron. by year of filing. For index, see entry 29. Hdw., March 26, 1900-March 28, 1901; hdw. or hdw. on ptd. form, April 1, 1901-April 26, 1904; hdw., typed, or hdw. or typed on ptd. form, May 2, 1904-January 23, 1919, January 9, 12, 1925. 10 x 4 x 17. Bsmt. vlt.

Hotel Keeper

160. (BONDS FILED BY HOTEL KEEPERS TO GUARANTEE THEIR FAITHFUL COMPLIANCE WITH THE LAW), December 10, 1907-December 21, 1918. 1 doc. f. (433).

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 29. Hdw. on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Bsmt. vlt.

Taxes

Federal

161. (NOTICES OF FEDERAL TAX LIENS), September 4, 1934--. 1 doc. f. (475). Last notice filed October 21, 1940; last certificate filed March 23, 1940.

Also contains:

Discharge of Federal tax liens, certificates of, June 2, 1936--.

Arr. chron. by date of filing, with documents numbered consecutively. For index, see entry 28. Typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

162. (Recordings of Notices of) FEDERAL TAX LIENS SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, September 4, 1934--. 1 vol. (A). Last notice recorded October 21, 1940; last certificate recorded March 23, 1940.

Also contains:

Recordings of certificates of discharge of Federal tax liens, June 2, 1936--.

Liens, September 4, 1934-March 6, 1940, and discharges, June 2, 1936-March 23, 1940, have been transcribed from entry 163. Arr. chron. by date received and recorded. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of delinquent taxpayer. Typed. 560 pp. (32 used) 18 x 13 x 3. Searchers' vlt.

Collateral Inheritance

163. (Recordings of) COLLATERAL (Inheritance) TAX (Waivers and) RECEIPTS SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, May 15, 1915--. 5 vol. (A-E).

Also contains:

- a. Discharge of Federal tax liens, recordings of certificates of, of, June 2, 1936-March 23, 1940.
- b. Federal tax liens, recordings of notices of, September 4, 1934-March 6, 1940.

Waivers and receipts, May 15, 1915-July 1, 1916, have been transcribed from entry 164 and liens and discharges have been transcribed into entry 162. Arr. chron. by date received and recorded. Indexed alph. by first letters of surnames of decedent or delinquent taxpayer. Typed. Aver. 350 pp. 16 x 10 x 2. Searchers' vlt.

164. (Recordings of) COLLATERAL (Inheritance) TAX (Waivers and) RECEIPT(s) BOOK, May 15, 1915-July 1, 1916. 1 vol.

These recordings have been transcribed into entry 163. Arr. chron. by date received and recorded. No index. Hdw. 153 pp. (19 used) 14 x 6 x 1. Bsmt. vlt.

Municipal

165. (MUNICIPAL RETURNS OF UNPAID TAXES), scattered dates, January 30, 1880-March 10, 1919, January 20, 1922. 2 doc. f. (406, 407).

Also contains:

Tax sale certificate, Vernon township, January 20, 1922. Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 29. Hdw. on ptd. form, January 30, 1880-February 1, 1886, January 20, 1922; hdw. and typed, May 13, 1886; hdw., typed, hdw. and typed, or hdw. or typed on ptd. form, January 30, 1887-March 10, 1919. 10 x 4 x 17. Bsmt. vlt.

166. (Record of Unpaid Municipal) TAXES SUSSEX COUNTY, scattered dates, January 31, 1881-February 4, 1919. 23 vol. (dated). Discontinued; statute repealed. Subtitled by names of municipalities.

Arr. chron. by date received and recorded. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of delinquent taxpayer. Hdw., January 31, 1881-February 1, 1905; typed, February 5, 1906-February 4, 1919. Aver. 250 pp. 14 x 18 x 2. Bsmt. vlt.

167. (CERTIFICATES OF SATISFACTION FOR UNPAID TAXES FROM MUNICIPAL TAX COLLECTORS), April 7, 1894-April 1, 1926. 1 doc. f. (413). Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 29. Hdw., hdw. and typed, or hdw. on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Bsmt. vlt.

Vital Statistics

168. (MANUMISSIONS OF NEGRO SLAVES AND MISCELLANEOUS PAPERS), May 3, 1802-September 10, 1879, September 11, 1905, April 16, 1906, June 6, 1907. 1 doc. f. (420).
Manumissions of Negro slaves, May 4, 1802-November 19, 1838.
Also contains:

- Bills of sale, September 11, 1905, April 16, 1906, June 6, 1907.
- Births of Negro slaves, returns of, December 24, 1804-May 28, 1835.
- Ditches, laying of, returns of, November 14, 1808-September 10, 1879.
- Marriage, certificates of, May 3, 1802-June 5, 1815.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 29. Hdw., May 3, 1802-September 10, 1879; typed on ptd. form, September 11, 1905, April 16, 1906, June 6, 1907. 10 x 4 x 17. Bsmt. vlt.

For recordings of births of Negro slaves, December 24, 1804-December 24, 1836, see entry 304.

169. (Recordings of) MANUMISSIONS (of Slaves) SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, scattered dates, January 24, 1820-November 19, 1838. 1 vol. (B). August 20, 1796-May 25, 1819 in vol. A of (Recordings of Certificates of) Incorporations Sussex County Clerk's Office, entry 140.
Arr. chron. by date of recording. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of owner of slave. Hdw. 250 pp. (55 used) 18 x 9 x 2. Bsmt. vlt.

170. (MARRIAGE PAPERS), February 10, 1795-December 6, 1880, June 30, 1898-April 20, 1910. 3 doc. f. (18-20).
File, consisting of:

- Applications for marriage licenses, June 30, 1898-April 20, 1910.
- Certificates of marriage, August 18, 1799-December 6, 1880.
- Returns of marriages, February 10, 1795-September 22, 1875.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 29. Application, hdw.; certificate, hdw., August 18, 1799-December 15, 1874, hdw. or hdw. on ptd. form, February 13, 1875-December 6, 1880; return, hdw. 4 x 14 x 17. Bsmt. vlt.

171. (Record of) MARRIAGES (Returns) SUSSEX COUNTY, scattered dates, November 23, 1795-October 28, 1878, April 13, 1911-August 9, 1924. 2 vol. (A, B). Discontinued as county record 1924; now forwarded to Bureau of Vital Statistics, State Board of Health, Trenton.

No obvious arr., November 23, 1795-February 4, 1817; arr. chron. by date received and entered, February 20, 1817-October 28, 1878, April 13, 1911-August 9, 1924. No self-contained index, November 23, 1795-October 3, 1853; indexed alph. by first letters of surnames of bride and bridegroom, October 4, 1853-October 28, 1878, April 13, 1911-August 9, 1924; also separate index, entry 172. Hdw. Aver. 413 pp. 18 x 17 x 3. Searchers' vlt.

172. INDEX TO (Record of) MARRIAGE(s) RETURN(s) Sussex County), undated. 1 vol.

Serves as index to entry 171. Arr. under surnames of bride and bridegroom, by Russell System. Typed on ptd. form. 160 pp. 14 x 8 x 1. Searchers' vlt.

Miscellaneous Court Records

173. LIST OF CAUSES SUPREME COURT (September term, 1863-December term, 1875, September term, 1889-April term, 1907, December term, 1907--. Circuit, September term, 1863-December term, 1875, September term, 1889-April term, 1907, December term, 1907--.) & COMMON PLEAS (April term, 1918-- Courts) SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, September term, 1863-December term, 1875, September term, 1889--. 5 vol. and 1 duplicated vol., September term, 1889-April term, 1907. (208; 5 vol., unlabeled). Title varies: Appeals Court Trials Court, September term, 1863-December term, 1875, September term, 1889-April term, 1907, 2 vol.; Trials Bar Appeals Bar, (duplicated vol.), September term, 1889-September term, 1907, 1 vol.; List of Causes Supreme and Circuit Sussex County Clerk's Office, December term, 1907-December term, 1922, 1 vol.; List of Causes Supreme Circuit & Common Pleas Sussex County Clerks Office, April term, 1923-September term, 1936, 1 vol.

Arr. chron. by date of court term and thereunder numer. by list or appeal no. No index. Hdw. under ptd. head. Aver. 200 pp. 15 x 10 x 1. 5 vol., September term, 1863-December term, 1875, September term, 1889-September term, 1936, bsmt. vlt.; 1 vol., December term, 1936--, searchers' vlt.

174. (VARIOUS COURTS' RECOGNIZANCES), May 25, 1890--. 1 doc. f. (363).

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw. or typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

175. RECOGNIZANCE REGISTER SMALL CAUSE COURTS SUSSEX COUNTY, August 17, 1939--. 1 vol.
Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of defendant and thereunder chron. by date of acknowledgement. For index, see entry 30. Hdw. under ptd. head. 253 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. Searchers' vlt.
176. RECOGNIZANCE REGISTER CIVIL SUSSEX COUNTY, July 13, 1911--. 1 vol.
Arr. alph. by first letter or surname of defendant and thereunder chron. by date of acknowledgement. For index, see entry 30. Hdw. under ptd. head. 250 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. Searchers' vlt.
177. (Recordings of) AWARDS OF COMMISSIONERS (in Condemnation Proceedings) SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, November 15, 1881--. 4 vol. (A-D). No recordings March 28, 1897-September 25, 1904. Title varies slightly.
Arr. chron. by date received and recorded. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of applicant, November 15, 1881-March 27, 1897, September 26, 1904-May 26, 1907; indexed alph. by first letters of surnames of both parties, May 27, 1907--. Hdw., November 15, 1881-March 27, 1897; typed, September 26, 1904--. Aver. 500 pp. 18 x 12 x 3. Searchers' vlt.
178. (CERTIFIED COPIES OF LETTERS TESTAMENTARY AND OF ADMINISTRATION), June 30, 1932--. 1 doc. f. (491). Last copy filed October 31, 1940.
No obvious arr. For index, see entry 28. Typed and ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.
179. (MISCELLANEOUS SUPREME, OYER AND TERMINER, QUARTER SESSIONS, SPECIAL SESSIONS, CIRCUIT, COMMON PLEAS, AND ORPHANS' COURTS, AND SURROGATE PAPERS), April 12, 1883-April 25, 1939. 1 doc. f. (369).

Also contains:

- a. Appointments of the following officials: Commissioners of lake and park commission, November 20, 1901; member of the board for equalization of taxes, June 9, 1902, June 17, 1903, June 13, 1905; clerk of the grand jury, April 12, 1908, January 4, 1924; court crier and sergeant at arms of various courts, September 15, 1914, April 7, 1919, April 24, 1930, November 2, 1938; official Supreme Court reporter, January 15, 1924; member of committee on character and fitness for Supreme Court, February 9, 1928; county detective, February 16, 1929; member of mosquito extermination commission, October 18, 1929; member of civil service commission, July 5, 1930; temporary commissioner of juries, November 5, 1930, December 6, 1932; prohibition officer, March 31, 1931; deputy tax collector, August 30, 1935; commissioners of juries, April 1, November 26, 1935; April 6, 1936, April 1, 1937, April 1, 1938, April 6, 1939, April 1, 1940; notaries public, May 17, 1937, June 30, 1938, February 16, 24, 1939; and under sheriff, November 15, 1938. For other

appointments of officials, see entries 107-e, 111, 118-b, 200, 420-b.

- b. Correspondence from Director of Public Record Office acknowledging receipt of Sussex County tavern applications for years 1753-1860, July 24, 1935.
- c. Oaths of the following officials; Clerks of the grand jury, April 5, 1899, February 13, 1915, February 13, 1919, February 18, November 15, 1920, February 15, 1922, November 21, 1923, February 18, 1929; member of board of chosen freeholders, January 2, 1919; county collectors, December 16, 1918, January 20, 1919; county detective, March 11, 1929; member of mosquito extermination commission, October 18, 1929; temporary jury commissioner, April 11, 1932; commissioner of juries, April 11, 1932; member of county board of taxation, May 1, 1935. For other officials' oaths, see entries 146-152, 420-i, 533-h.
- d. Resignations of the following officials: Member of the board for the equalization of taxes, August 18, 1904 and probation officers, January 1, 1920, March 31, 1931.

No obvious arr. For index, see entry 28. Hdw., typed, or hdw. or typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

180. (GRAND JURY CAPTIONS), scattered dates, May 25, 1779-July 8, 1932. 1 doc. f. (327).

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw., May 25, 1779-April 4, 1888; hdw. on ptd. form, April 3, 1889-December 15, 1898; typed, December 16, 1898-July 8, 1932. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

181. (REPORTS OF COMMISSIONERS ON THE DIVISIONS OF LANDS), May 23, 1825-March 28, 1853. In (Common Pleas Court Petitions for Transfers of Innkeepers' Liquor Licenses), entry 270.

182. (Recordings of) DIVISIONS (of Land Proceedings) SUSSEX COUNTY, scattered dates, approx. November 11, 1789-May 29, 1922. 3 vol. (A-C).

Arr. chron. by date received and recorded. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of owner of property. Hdw., November 11, 1789-June 14, 1900; typed, February 26, 1904-May 29, 1922. Aver. 576 pp. 15 x 10 x 3. Searchers' vlt.

183. (Recordings of) EQUITY (Foreclosure) JUDGMENTS, SUSSEX COUNTY, April term, 1853-September 12, 1878, December 19, 1901-April 5, 1904. 1 vol. (A).

Arr. chron. by date of decree, April term, 1853-September 12, 1878; arr. chron. by date filed and recorded, December 19, 1901-April 5, 1904. Indexed alph. by first letters of surnames of plaintiff and defendant. Hdw., April term, 1853-September 12, 1878; typed, December 19, 1901-April 5, 1904. 320 pp. (285 used) 18 x 11 x 3. Searchers' vlt.

184. (Record of) JUDGMENT ROLLS (Filed and Writs Served and Tested), May term, 1762-November term, 1769. 1 vol. (dated). Arr. chron. by date of court term and thereunder by title of case. No index. Hdw. 300 pp. 12 x 6 x 2. Bsmt. vlt.

185. (Sheriffs') DOCKET (of Writs Served), scattered dates, July 23, 1907-July 10, 1914, January 3, 1924-May 24, 1937. 10 vol. Arr. chron. by date of receipt of writ. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of plaintiff, July 23, 1907-October 31, 1911, January 3, 1924-May 24, 1937; no index, November 10, 1911-July 10, 1914. Hdw. Aver. 450 pp. 14 x 8 x 3. Bsmt. vlt.

186. (JUSTICES' OF THE PEACE DOCKETS), February 18, 1773-October 17, 1922, July 24, 1928-December 29, 1929. 295 vol. (dated). Subtitled by names of justices of the peace. Arr. chron. by date of complaint or marriage. No index. Hdw. Aver. 275 pp. 14 x 9 x 3. Bsmt. vlt.

Newspapers

187. SUSSEX REGISTER, scattered dates, April 1, 1848-April 27, 1860, September 21, 1860-December 27, 1861, March 27, 1863-March 28, 1865, January 4, 1866-December 28, 1939. 69 vol. (1 vol., unlabeled; 7 vol., dated; 1 vol., unlabeled; 60 vol., dated). Untitled, April 1, 1848-April 6, 1850, 1 vol. Arr. chron. by date of publication. No index. Ptd. Aver. 200 pp. 22 x 15 x 2. 39 vol., April 1, 1848-April 27, 1860, September 21, 1860-December 27, 1861, March 27, 1863-March 28, 1865, January 4, 1866-December 30, 1909, bsmt. vlt.; 30 vol., January 6, 1910-December 28, 1939, searchers' vlt.

188. NEW JERSEY HERALD, scattered dates, August 26, 1848-November 11, 1852, November 18, 1854-October 25, 1862, January 7, 1863-December 21, 1865, February 22, 1866-December 28, 1939. 71 vol. (2 vol., unlabeled; 4 vol., dated; 1 vol., unlabeled; 10 vol., dated; 1 vol., unlabeled; 53 vol., dated). Title varies: Untitled, August 26, 1848-August 24, 1850, 1 vol.; Sussex Herald, November 29, 1856-October 25, 1862, 3 vol. Arr. chron. by date of publication. No index. Ptd. 200 pp. 22 x 15 x 2. 42 vol., August 26, 1848-November 11, 1852, November 18, 1854-October 25, 1862; January 7, 1863-December 21, 1865, February 22, 1866-December 29, 1910, bsmt. vlt.; 29 vol., January 5, 1911-December 28, 1939, searchers' vlt.

189. SUSSEX INDEPENDENT, scattered dates, January 3, 1879-December 29, 1882, January 2, 1925-December 28, 1939. 18 vol. (dated). Title varies slightly. Arr. chron. by date of publication. No index. Ptd. 200 pp. 22 x 15 x 2. 6 vol., January 3, 1879-December 29, 1882, January 2, 1925-December 30, 1927, bsmt. vlt.; 12 vol., January 6, 1928-December 28, 1939, searchers' vlt.

190. WANTAGE RECORDER, January 2, 1925-December 29, 1939. 15 vol. (dated).

Arr. chron. by date of publication. No index. Ptd. 200 pp. 22 x 15 x 2. Searchers' vlt.

191. SUSSEX DEMOCRAT, September 9, 1858-August 30, 1860, January 3 to December 26, 1861, September 18, 1863-September 9, 1864, October 16, 1867-November 18, 1868. 4 vol. (dated). Title varies slightly.

Arr. chron. by date of publication. No index. Ptd. 200 pp. 22 x 15 x 2. Bsmt. vlt.

Military Papers

192. (MILITARY PAPERS), August 8, 1771-February 29, 1868. 1 f. d. (C).

File, consisting of:

- a. Authorization from Adjutant General to return bond, original, December 6, 1833.
- b. Bonds posted by cavalry paymasters to insure the faithful performance of their duties, original, July 14, 1806-January 28, 1840.
- c. Bounty, original lists from Adjutant General to county clerk of those entitled to state, May 21, 1862-July 5, 1865.
- d. Commissions granted by Governor of State, originals, May 7, 1781, December 26, 1792, November 9, 1799.
- e. Correspondence to and from commander of Hunterdon Squadron pertaining to militia activities, February 2, 1798-November 19, 1863.
- f. Court-martials, original papers pertaining to, June 30 to September 1, 1800.
- g. Deaths in service, original notices from Adjutant General to county clerk of, March 6, 1862-April 10, 1866.
- h. Delinquents for training, original lists from captains and lieutenants of Militia of, September 28, 1795-May 28, 1821.
- i. Delinquents for training, original notices of hearings for, October 8, 1799-May 31, 1800.
- j. Desertions, original notices from Adjutant General to county clerk of, May 7, 1862-February 25, 1865.
- k. Discharges from Adjutant General to county clerk, original papers of, January 1, 1862-February 29, 1868.
- l. Discharges and desertions from Adjutant General to county clerk, original notices of, December 1, 1861-July 1865.
- m. Elections for promotions in Militia original notices and returns of officers', October 10, 1786-September 18, 1789.
- n. Enrollments and enlistments from Adjutant General to county clerk, original lists of, January 1, 1798-January 3, 1865.
- o. Fines, original lists of receipts from Court of Appeals for, August 8, 1771-December 8, 1799.
- p. Floats in 2 parades, original papers describing cavalry, July 4, 1776, July 4, 1798.

- q. Memorial and remonstrance to legislature of New Jersey submitted by officers of cavalry criticising the action taken in passing the law of March 9, 1797, original, March 9 to November 14, 1797.
 - r. Muster rolls, certified copies and originals of, June 20, 1798-January 13, 1864.
 - s. Oaths, of members of the Hunterdon Squadron, original, August 1, 1778, May 8, 1800.
 - t. Orders from Lieutenant Colonel to county collector to pay bills, original, February 18, March 7, 1799.
 - u. Orders, original cavalry, July 4, 1798-May 8, 1805.
 - v. Paymaster's original lists, certified as true by county collector, December 5, 1797-June 1802.
 - w. Promotions, original notices from Adjutant General to county clerk of, September 9, 1862-January 9, 1865.
 - x. Record, original notices from Adjutant General to county clerk to strike from or add names to the, November 2, 1862-September 7, 1866.
 - y. Subscription lists of men who have promised to join cavalry, original, June 27, 1795-June 6, 1804.
 - z. Vouchers, original Militia, 1798-1804.
- No obvious arr. For index, see entry 29. Hdw. and ptd. 4 x 14 x 17. Bsmt. vlt.

193. (Recordings of Honorable) DISCHARGES (From) ARMY NAVY MARINES (and Army Nurse Corps) SUSSEX COUNTY CLERKS OFFICE, July 18, 1919, January 12, 1926, July 8, 1931--. 1 vol. (1).
Army discharges July 18, 1919, January 12, 1926 have been transcribed from entry 193. Arr. chron. by date of recording. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of veteran. Typed. 560 pp. (285 used) 18 x 13 x 3. Searchers' vlt.

Financial

194. FEE BOOK (Daily Register of Fees Received for Filing and/or Recording Documents), June 1, 1927--. 5 vol.
Arr. chron. by date of entry. No index. Hdw. Aver. 500 pp. 14 x 9 x 3. Under counter, off.
195. (Sheriffs') LEDGER (of Receipts and Disbursements), November 11, 1920-November 21, 1938. 5 vol. Untitled, November 16, 1932-November 21, 1938, 2 vol.
Arr. chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of account. Hdw. Aver. 470 pp. 12 x 8 x 3. Bsmt. vlt.
196. (CHARGE AND CREDIT SLIPS), November 1, 1922-December 31, 1938. 5 f. d. (01-S1).
Arr. chron. by date of issuance. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 4 x 10 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

197. (COPIES OF MONTHLY REPORTS OF FEES RECEIVED, ORIGINALS OF WHICH ARE SENT TO COUNTY TREASURER), December 4, 1922--.
3 doc. f. (692-694). Last copy filed June 1940.

Arr. chron. by date of report. For index, see entry 28. Typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

For originals of monthly reports, January 5, 1939--, see entry 413.

Miscellaneous

198. (Recordings of) MISCELLANEOUS (Instruments) SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, August 4, 1894--. 2 vol. (1, 2).
Title varies slightly.

Replevin bonds to indemnify sheriff, November 19, 1932 and army discharges, July 18, 1919, January 12, 1926 have been transcribed into entries 154 and 193 respectively. Arr. chron. by date received and recorded. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of both parties. Edw., August 4, 1894-January 27, 1900; typed, January 17, 1902--. Over. 560 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. Searchers' vlt.

199. (CERTIFICATES OF AUTHORITY FROM COMMISSIONER OF BANKING AND INSURANCE, ISSUED TO FOREIGN INSURANCE COMPANIES TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN THIS STATE), February 21, 1920--.
1 doc. f. (698). Last certificate filed June 7, 1939.
Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

200. (APPOINTMENTS AND SALARIES), December 2, 1907-November 13, 1935. 1 doc. f. (685).

File, consisting of:

- a. Appointments of deputy county clerks, December 2, 1907-December 4, 1922.
- b. Appointments of under sheriffs, June 13, 1908-November 13, 1935.
- c. Salaries of deputy county clerks, March 9, 1918-November 1, 1921.
- d. Salaries of under sheriffs, November 25, 1918-January 26, 1921.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Typed. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

For other appointments of officials, see entries 107-e, 111, 113-b, 179-a, 420-b.

201. (CORONERS' CERTIFICATES OF DETERMINATIONS THAT INQUESTS ARE UNNECESSARY), scattered dates, February 1, 1830--.
2 doc. f. (396, 397). Last certificate filed November 13, 1940.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw., February 1, 1830-December 29, 1903; hdw. or typed, January 16, 1904-November 30, 1910; hdw. or typed on ptd. form, January 2, 1912--.
10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

202. (CERTIFICATES WITH IMPRESSIONS OF JUSTICES' OF THE PEACE SEALS), July 10, 1911--. 1 doc. f. (666). Last certificate filed May 24, 1939.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw. or typed. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt.

203. (Recordings of) PROTESTS (of Notes), scattered dates; November 27, 1839-February 6, 1841, June 5, 1841-December 20, 1851. 15 vol. (B40, D; 13 vol., unlabeled). Title varies: Untitled, June 5, 1841-June 4, 1842, March 16, 1843-October 31, 1851, 7 vol.; Notices of Protest, February 28, 1842-June 6, 1843, 2 vol.; Record of Protest, May 13, 1842-March 15, 1843, 1 vol.

Arr. chron. by date of protest. No index, November 27, 1839-April 4, 1840, June 5, 1841-December 20, 1851; indexed alph. by first letter of surname of maker of note, April 4, 1840-February 6, 1841. Hdw. on ptd. form, November 27, 1839-February 6, 1841, June 5, 1841-April 3, 1842, November 1 to December 20, 1851; hdw. or hdw. on ptd. form, April 4, 1843-October 31, 1851. Aver. 298 pp. 13 x 8 x 2. Bsmt. vlt.

Some records under the counter in the county clerk's office were not inventoried because access to them was denied.

III. COURT OF CHANCERY

The Court of Chancery was established in New Jersey in 1705, (1) as a result of Lord Cornbury's Ordinance. In 1844, the State Constitution designated the Court as a Constitutional Court, and it became one of the courts in which the judiciary of the State was vested. (2)

The present Court of Chancery is presided over by a Chancellor, whose term of office is 7 years. He is appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate. (3) The law provides for 10 Vice Chancellors, who are appointed by the Chancellor and are commissioned by the Governor for terms of 7 years. (4) For the convenience of persons engaged in litigation, the State has been divided into districts, called vicinages. Sussex County is in vicinage number 1. (5)

The Court has State-wide jurisdiction over all matters in which an equitable remedy is sought. (6) The following are some of the more frequent forms of litigation, over which the Chancery Court has jurisdiction: Divorce and nullity of marriage; alimony and support; (7) foreclosure of mortgage; (8) and appointment of receivers for insolvent corporations. (9) The records of the Court are maintained in the office of the Clerk in Chancery at Trenton. (10)

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- (1) 19 New Jersey Equity Reports, p. 578.
 - (2) Const. 1844, art. 6, sec. 1, par. 1.
 - (3) Ibid.; art. 6, sec. 4; par. 1, art. 7, sec. 2; par. 1.
 - (4) R.S. 2:2-3.
 - (5) Rules of the Court of Chancery of the State of New Jersey, Rule 128G.
 - (6) Clevenger and Keasbey, New Jersey Courts, pp. 39, 41.
 - (7) R.S. 2:50-7.
 - (8) R.S. 2:65-2.
 - (9) R.S. 14:14-34.
 - (10) R.S. 2:2-16, 18.

IV. SUPREME COURT

The Supreme Court began to function in Sussex County when the county was created out of Morris County in 1753. (1) The Supreme Court is a constitutional court and consists of a Chief Justice and eight Associate Justices, (2) who are appointed by the Governor, with the approval of the Senate, for terms of 7 years. (3) The Chief Justice, or any Associate Justice assigned by the Chief Justice to do so, may hold the court. (4)

The State of New Jersey is divided into nine judicial districts, each made up of one or more counties, (5) and a Justice is designated by the Supreme Court to preside over the courts in each judicial district. (6) Sussex County is part of the ninth judicial district. (7) The Supreme Court has both original and appellate jurisdiction in civil and criminal matters. (8) The records of this court are maintained in the office of the Clerk of the Supreme Court in Trenton.

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- (1) Nevill, Acts, II, 20, 21.
 - (2) R.S. 2:4-1.
 - (3) Const. 1844, art. 7, sec. 2, par. 1, art. 6, sec. 5, par. 1.
 - (4) R.S. 2:4-2.
 - (5) R.S. 2:4-2, 1.
 - (6) R.S. 2:5-3.
 - (7) Isabelle I. Barbier, comp., New Jersey Lawyers' Diary and Bar Directory, on page facing front cover.
 - (8) For some of the Statutory provisions pertaining to the jurisdiction of the court, see R.S. 2:84-4; R.S. 2:81-4; R.S. 2:84-1; R.S. 2:83-1; R.S. 2:27-376; R.S. 2:192-2, 9, 14.

V. COURT OF OYER AND TERMINER

A "court of oyer and terminer and general jail delivery" was legally organized in 1794 to try criminal cases and deliver the jails of their prisoners. (1) An act of 1898 shortened the title of this court to "court of oyer and terminer." The court is now composed of the Justice of the Supreme Court assigned to the circuit including the county, and the judge of the common pleas court. The Justice of the Supreme Court presides whenever present; otherwise, the court is held by the judge of the court of common pleas when requested to do so, in writing, by a Justice. (2) This court has cognizance of all crimes and offenses of an indictable or presentable nature committed in the county, and has authority to deliver prisoners from jail for prompt trial or otherwise. (3) The county clerk is clerk of the court. (4) For other oyer and terminer court records, see entry 179.

204. OYER AND TERMINER & THE SESSIONS (Court Minutes), May 22, 1810-August term, 1817, February term, 1818-August term, 1826. 2 vol. (dated). Title varies: Minutes of Oyer and Terminer Sussex County Clerk's Office, May 22, 1810-August term, 1817, 1 vol. December 13, 1892-- in Quarter (Sessions) and Special Sessions (of the Quarter Sessions Court) Minutes, entry 211.

Also contains: Quarter sessions court minutes, May 22, 1810-August term, 1817, February term, 1818-August term, 1826, entry 211. Arr. chron. by date of court term. No index, May 22, 1810-August term, 1817; indexed by date of court term, February term, 1818-August term, 1826. Typed, May 22, 1810-August term, 1817; hdw., February term, 1818-August term, 1826. Pages loose and spine torn. Aver. 351 pp. 15 x 9 x 2. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

205. (OYER AND TERMINER COURT ROUGH MINUTES), November 22, 1803--. In (Quarter Sessions Court Rough Minutes), entry 212.

(1) Paterson, Laws, p. 137.
 (2) R.S. 2:11-1 to 5.
 (3) R.S. 2:11-6.
 (4) R.S. 2:11-11.

206. (OYER AND TERMINER COURT CASE PAPERS), July 20, 1793--.
In (Quarter Sessions Court Case Papers), entry 213.
207. (CORONERS' INQUISITIONS), scattered dates, January 30,
1767-September 11, 1897, April 23, 1902--. 2 doc. f.
(422, 423). Last inquisition filed July 26, 1927.
Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw.,
January 30, 1767-September 11, 1897; hdw., typed, or hdw. and typed,
April 23, 1902--. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.
208. (OYER AND TERMINER TAXED BILLS OF COSTS), scattered dates,
August 26, 1814-December 9, 1915. 5 doc. f. (368-372).
Discontinued in this form; now kept in entry 213.
Oyer and terminer taxed bills of costs, November 29, 1814-December
9, 1915. Also contains: Quarter sessions taxed bills of costs,
February 12, 1816, September 18, 1862, December 9, 1915, entry 218;
common pleas court taxed bills of costs in criminal cases, August
26, 1814-December 4, 1815, entry 273. Arr. chron. by date of court
term; hdw. on ptd. form, September 11, 1879-December 9, 1915. 10 x
4 x 17. Bsmt. vlt., ccl. off.
209. (RECORD OF OYER AND TERMINER COURT JUDGMENTS), December
term, 1880--. In (Record of) Quarter Sessions (Court)
Judgments Sussex County, entry 221.
210. (RECORDINGS OF OYER AND TERMINER COURT WRITS OF EXECU-
TION), May 1, 1849-April 12, 1860. In (Recordings of)
Circuit Court (Writs of) Executions Sussex County Clerk's
Office, entry 250.

VI. COURT OF QUARTER SESSIONS

The court of quarter sessions became an integral part of the Sussex County judicial system, upon the creation of the county in 1753. (1) The court consists of the judge of the court of common pleas together with the Justice of the Supreme Court presiding over the courts of the county, who serves ex officio. The Supreme Court Justice presides when present. (2) With the exception of the crimes of treason or murder, indictments for which may be rendered in this court, but which are tried in the court of oyer and terminer or Supreme Court, the court of quarter sessions has cognizance and jurisdiction over all indictable crimes and offenses committed within the county. (3) The county clerk is the clerk of the court. (4) For other court of quarter sessions' records, see entries 174, 179, 346, 348.

211. QUARTER (Sessions) AND SPECIAL SESSIONS (of the Quarter Sessions Court) MINUTES, scattered dates, December 13, 1892--. 4 vol. (1 vol., unlabeled; dated). Title varies: Court of Sessions Minutes Sussex County Clerk's Office, December 13, 1892-May 15, 1912, 1 vol.; Quarter & Special Sessions Minutes Sussex County Clerk's Office, May 27, 1912-March 31, 1926, 1 vol.; Quarter and Special Sessions Minutes Sussex County Clerk's Office, April 20, 1926-April 17, 1936, 1 vol. November 20, 1753-February term, 1810 in Common Pleas (Court) Minutes, entry 251; May 22, 1810-August term, 1817, February term, 1818-August term, 1826 in Oyer and Terminer & the Sessions (Minutes), entry 204. Special sessions of Quarter Sessions Court Minutes only kept December 13, 1892-January 27, 1898.

Also contains: Oyer and terminer court minutes, December 13, 1892--, entry 204; special sessions court minutes, approx. June 14, 1898--, entry 222. Arr. chron. by date of court term. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of defendant. Typed. Aver. 560 pp.

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- (1) Leaming and Spicer, Grants and Concessions, pp. 96, 230; Nevill, Acts, II, 20.
 (2) R.S. 2:12-1.
 (3) R.S. 2:12-2.
 (4) R.S. 2:12-6.

18 x 13 x 3. 2 vol., December 13, 1892-March 31, 1926. Bsmt. vlt., ccl. off.; 2 vol., April 20, 1926--, searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

212. (QUARTER SESSIONS COURT ROUGH MINUTES), May 4, 1776--. 176 bdl. (dated).

Also contains: Oyer and terminer court rough minutes, November 22, 1803--, entry 205; supreme, May term to September term, 1777 and circuit, November 4, 1798-- courts rough minutes, entry 228; common pleas court rough minutes, November 25, 1777--, entry 252. Arr. chron. by date of court term. No index. Hdw. 8 x 13 x 3. Bsmt. vlt., ccl. off.

213. (QUARTER SESSIONS COURT CASE PAPERS), scattered dates, February 21, 1754--, 14 doc. f. (333-346).

Also contains: Oyer and terminer court case papers, July 20, 1793--, entry 206; special sessions court case papers, May 2, 1899--, entry 223; common pleas court case papers, November 6, 1912-September 19, 1927, entry 254; court for the trial of juvenile offenders case papers, June 14, 1912-August 18, 1925, entry 255. Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw., February 21, 1754-January 19, 1790; hdw. or hdw. on ptd. form, May 25, 1791-December 5, 1888; typed or hdw. or typed on ptd. form, July 2, 1889--. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

214. (QUARTER SESSIONS COURT CASE PAPERS IN BASTARDY PROCEEDINGS), scattered dates, April term; 1872--. 1 doc. f. (375). Last proceeding filed March 1, 1939.

Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of defendant. For index, see 28, hdw., April term, 1872-February 1, 1886; hdw. or typed, November 30, 1886--. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

215. (QUARTER SESSIONS COURT CASE PAPERS FOR SUPPORT AND MAINTENANCE OF WIVES AND CHILDREN), November 4, 1922-May 5, 1927. 1 doc. f. (408). Discontinued in this form; now kept in entry 213.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Typed. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

216. (QUARTER SESSIONS COURT CASE PAPERS ON VIOLATIONS OF PROHIBITION ENFORCEMENT ACT), July 6, 1931-May 21, 1932. In (Supreme Court Commissioners' Case Papers on Violations of Prohibition Enforcement Act), entry 237.

217. (QUARTER SESSIONS COURT ORDERS FOR DISCHARGES OF RECOGNIZANCES), December 4, 1927--. In (Special Sessions Court Orders for Discharge of Recognizances), entry 224.
218. (QUARTER SESSIONS COURT TAXED BILLS OF COSTS), February 12, 1816, September 18, 1862, December 9, 1915. In (Oyer and Terminer Court Taxed Bills of Costs), entry 208.
219. (QUARTER SESSIONS COURT BENCH WARRANTS), scattered dates, November 30, 1781-November 26, 1801, May 25, 1802-September 16, 1927. 1 doc. f. (360). Discontinued in this form; now kept in entry 213.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw., November 30, 1781-November 26, 1801; hdw. or typed on ptd. form, May 25, 1802-September 16, 1927. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

220. (Quarter Sessions Court) RECOGNIZANCE REGISTER SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, April 21, 1903--. 4 vol. (1-4). Title varies slightly.

Also contains: Special sessions court recognizance register, May 1, 1903--, entry 226. Arr. chron. by date of acknowledgment. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of defendant; also separate index, entry 30. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 402 pp. 16 x 8 x 2. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

221. (Record of) QUARTER SESSIONS (Court) JUDGMENTS SUSSEX COUNTY, scattered dates, September term, 1880--. 1 vol. (A). Last entry April term, 1934.

Also contains: Record of oyer and terminer court judgments, December term, 1880--, entry 209. Arr. chron. by date of court term. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of defendant. Hdw., September term, 1880-December term, 1894; typed, December term 1903--. 396 pp. (133 used) 18 x 12 x 2. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

VII. COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS

The court of special sessions, a criminal court, was established in Sussex County in 1898. (1) The judge of the court of common pleas presides over this court, (2) which tries, without a jury, any person who is charged upon oath before any magistrate in this county or is charged by indictment with any offense triable before the court of quarter sessions. The person to be tried must address a written request to the prosecutor of the pleas of the county if he wishes to waive indictment and trial by jury. (3) Additional appellate jurisdiction for the conviction of violators of motor vehicle laws was conferred on this court in 1933. (4) the clerk of the court is the county clerk. (5) For other special sessions court records, see entries 174, 179.

222. (SPECIAL SESSIONS COURT MINUTES), approx. June 14, 1898--.
In Quarter (Sessions) and Special Sessions (of the Quarter Sessions Court) Minutes, entry 211.

223. (SPECIAL SESSIONS COURT CASE PAPERS), May 2, 1899--.
In (Quarter Sessions Court Case Papers), entry 213.

224. (SPECIAL SESSIONS COURT ORDERS FOR DISCHARGE OF RECOGNIZANCES), May 27, 1926--. 1 doc. f. (366).

Also contains: Quarter sessions court orders for discharge of recognizances, December 4, 1927--, entry 217; common pleas court order for discharge of recognizance September 8, 1926, entry 268. No obvious arr. For index, see entry 28. Hdw. or typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

(1) R.S. 2:13-1.

(2) R.S. 2:13-1.

(3) The word "magistrate," according to R.S. 1:1-2, includes any judge, justice, justice of the peace, recorder, officer, or other person having the powers of a committing magistrate. R.S. 2:13-1; R.S. 2:191-1.

(4) R.S. 39:5-11.

(5) R.S. 2:13-2.

225. (SPECIAL SESSIONS CASE PAPERS ON VIOLATIONS OF PROHIBITION ENFORCEMENT ACT), July 6, 1931-May 21, 1932. In (Supreme Court Commissioners' Case Papers on Violations of Prohibition Enforcement Act), entry 237.
226. (SPECIAL SESSIONS COURT RECOGNIZANCE REGISTER), May 1, 1903--. In (Quarter Sessions Court) Recognizance Register Sussex County Clerk's Office, entry 220.

VIII. CIRCUIT COURT

The circuit court of Sussex County, as a court of original jurisdiction and of record, was established by a legislative act of February 14, 1838, (1) although a so-called circuit court had been established in 1799 as an auxiliary to the Supreme Court. (2) This court is presided over by the Justice of the Supreme Court assigned to Sussex County, or in his absence, by a circuit court judge appointed by the Governor with the consent of the Senate to serve for a term of 7 years. (3) The circuit court has county-wide civil jurisdiction concurrent with that of the Supreme Court. (4) In mortgage foreclosures, where all of the mortgaged premises are within the county, the court has the same jurisdiction and powers as the Court of Chancery. (5) The clerk of the court of common pleas is the clerk of the circuit. (6) For other circuit court records see entries 173, 179, 345, 346.

Minutes

227. CIRCUIT COURT MINUTES SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, scattered dates, May 22, 1838--. 15 vol. (1 vol., unlabeled; dated). Title varies slightly.

Arr. chron. by date of court term. Indexed alph. by first letters of surnames of plaintiff and defendant. Hdw., May 22, 1838-August 5, 1897; typed, September 14, 1897--. Aver. 450 pp. 18 x 11 x 3. 13 vol., May 22, 1838-April 14, 1923, bsmt. vlt., ccl. off., 2 vol., April 17, 1923--., searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

228. (SUPREME, MAY TERM TO SEPTEMBER TERM, 1777 and CIRCUIT, NOVEMBER 4, 1798-- COURTS ROUGH MINUTES), May term, 1777--. In (Quarter Sessions Court Rough Court Minutes), entry 212.

(1) P. L. 1838, p. 61.
 (2) Paterson, Laws, p. 393
 (3) R.S. 2:5-1 to 5.
 (4) Const. 1844, art. 6, sec. 5, par. 2.
 (5) R.S. 2:65-35.
 (6) R.S. 2:15-17.

Dockets

229. (CIRCUIT COURT DOCKET), April 13, 1861--. In (Common Pleas Court) Clerk's Docket Sussex County Clerk's Office, entry 253.

Case Papers

230. (CIRCUIT COURT CASE PAPERS), scattered dates, May 2, 1832--. 66 doc. f. (172-237).

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw. or hdw. on ptd. form, May 2, 1832-August 5, 1884; hdw. or typed on ptd. form, September 23, 1884-June 22, 1923; typed, February 8, 1924--. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

231. (CIRCUIT COURT CASE PAPERS IN CONDEMNATION PROCEEDINGS), scattered dates, September 6, 1833--. 6 doc. f. (376-381). Last paper filed June 9, 1936.

Also contains:

- a. Chancery court case papers in condemnation proceedings, September 2, 1889-November 2, 1934.
- b. Supreme court case papers in condemnation proceedings, July 25, 1853-January 3, 1938.

Common pleas court case papers, in condemnation proceedings, December 16, 1841, entry 256. Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw., September 6, 1833-February 16, 1889; hdw. and typed or hdw. or typed on ptd. form, April 17, 1889--. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

232. (UNRETURNED TRANSCRIPTS OF SUPREME COURT CASE PAPERS), scattered dates, May 21, 1814-September 10, 1914. 1 doc. f. (378).

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 29. Hdw., May 21, 1814-October 23, 1871; hdw. or hdw. on ptd. form, November 27, 1874-December 7, 1880; hdw., June 14, 1883-March 15, 1889; hdw., typed, or hdw. and typed, January 8, 1890-September 10, 1914. 10 x 4 x 17. Bsmt. vlt., ccl. off.

233. (CIRCUIT COURT WRITS OF CERTIORARI), May 22, 1838-October 25, 1883. 2 doc. f. (376,377). Discontinued in this form; now kept in entry 230.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 29. Hdw. 10 x 4 x 17. Bsmt. vlt., ccl. off.

234. (CIRCUIT COURT FORECLOSURE CASE PAPERS), August 19, 1851-February 20, 1915. 2 doc. f. (373,374). Discontinued in this form; now kept in entry 230.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 29. Hdw., typed, hdw. and typed, or hdw. on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Bsmt. vlt., ccl. off.

235. (CIRCUIT COURT CASE PAPERS IN PROCEEDINGS TO CANCEL MORTGAGES), October 17, 1919-August 4, 1927. In (Common Pleas Court Case Papers in Proceedings to Cancel Mortgages), entry 257.

236. (CASE PAPERS IN CONTESTED ELECTIONS), March 15, 19, August 26, September 16, 1890; April 5, 6, 1892; November 18, 19, 28, December 20, 1910; November 13, 1925. 1 doc. f. (356).

File, consisting of:

- a. Circuit court case papers in contested elections, August 26, September 16, 1890; April 5, 6, 1892.
- b. Supreme court case papers in contested elections, March 15, 1890; November 18, 19, 28, December 20, 1910; November 13, 1925.

Also contains: Election and appointment of township clerk of Hardyston by township committee, March 19, 1890, entry 111. No obvious arr. For index, see entry 28. Hdw., typed, or hdw. or typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

237. (SUPREME COURT COMMISSIONERS' CASE PAPERS ON VIOLATIONS OF PROHIBITION ENFORCEMENT ACT), July 6, 1931-October 4, 1932. 1 doc. f. (468). Discontinued; statute repealed.

Also contains: Quarter sessions court case papers on violation of prohibition enforcement act, July 6, 1931-May 21, 1932, entry 216; special sessions case papers on violations of prohibition enforcement act, July 6, 1931-May 21, 1932, entry 225; common pleas court case papers on violation of prohibition enforcement act, August 4, 1931, entry 258. Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

238. (CIRCUIT COURT NOTICES OF TRIAL), August 17, 1884--. 3. doc. f. (312-314).

Also contains:

Supreme court notices of trial, December 2, 1884--.

Arr. chron. by date of court term and thereunder chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw. or typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

239. (CIRCUIT COURT WRITS RETURNED), April 30, 1838-September 18, 1888. 2 doc. f. (295, 296). Discontinued in this form; now kept in entry 230.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 29, Hdw. and hdw. on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Bsmt. vlt., ccl. off.

240. (CIRCUIT COURT PETITIONS AND ORDERS FOR DISCOVERY), May 21, 1869, March 26, 1917. In (Common Pleas Court Petitions and Orders for Discovery), entry 264.

Attachments

241. (Register of) CIRCUIT COURT (Writs of) ATTACHMENTS SUSSEX COUNTY, May 6, 1870--. 1 vol. (B).

Also contains: Register of common pleas court writs of attachment, March 24, 1908--, entry 277. Arr. chron. by date writ was signed and sealed. Indexed alph. by first letters of surnames of plaintiff and defendant; also separate index, entry 30. Hdw. 200 pp. 9 x 2 x 1. Searchers' vlt., col. off.

242. (Circuit Court) APPEARANCE (sic) BOOK (in attachment Cases) RECORD, December 14, 1909--July 30, 1925. 1 vol.

Also contains: Common pleas court appearance book in attachment cases, October 20, 1919-July 30, 1925, entry 278. Arr. chron. by date of appearance. No index. Hdw. or hdw. and typed. 50 pp. (28 used) 14 x 8 x 1. Bsmt. vlt., ccl. off.

Judgments

243. (CIRCUIT COURT JUDGMENTS ON BONDS AND WARRANTS), February 6, 1849--. In (Common Pleas Court Judgments on Bonds and Warrants), entry 279.

244. (RECORD OF CIRCUIT COURT REVERSAL OF JUSTICE OF THE PEACE DECISION), December term, 1891. In Common Pleas (Court) Minutes, entry 251.

245. (Record of) CIRCUIT COURT JUDGMENTS SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, scattered dates, August 22, 1838--. 13 vol. (A-I, K-N). Title varies slightly.

Arr. chron. by date of judgment. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of defendant; also separate indexes, entries 30, 246. Hdw., August 22, 1838-January 25, 1908; typed, January 21, 1908--. Aver. 560 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. 11 vol., August 22, 1838-October 16, 1907, bsmt. vlt., ccl. off; 2 vol., January 23, 1908--, searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

246. INDEX OF (Record of) CIRCUIT COURT JUDGMENTS SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, August 22, 1838-April 30, 1861.
1 vol.

Serves as index to entry 245. Arr. alph. by letter of volume served and thereunder alph. by first letter of surname of defendant. Hdw. 550 pp. (138 used) 18 x 13 x 3. Bsmt. vlt., ccl. off.

247. (CIRCUIT COURT DOCKETED JUDGMENTS), January 5, 1846-November 6, 1890. 1 vol.

Also contains: Common pleas court docketed judgments from small cause court, June 19, 1857, January 22, 1861, November 18, 1874, June 14, August 5, 1887, entry 282. Arr. chron. by date of docketing. Indexed alph. by first letters of surnames of plaintiff and defendant. Hdw. Spine worn and pages loose. 250 pp. (56 used) 13 x 7 x 2. Bsmt. vlt., ccl. off.

248. (Recordings of Circuit Court) ASSIGNMENTS OF JUDGMENTS SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, scattered dates, July 20, 1874--. 2 vol. (A, B). Title varies: Assignments of Judgments Sussex County, July 20, 1874-February 19, 1936, 1 vol.

Also contains: Recordings of common pleas court assignments of judgments, August 11, 1874--, entry 283. Arr. chron. by date received and recorded. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of assignor. Hdw., July 20, 1874-November 14, 1901; typed, September 10, 1902--. Aver. 580 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

Executions

249. (CIRCUIT COURT WRITS OF EXECUTION), January 26, 1841--.
3 doc. f. (253-255).

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw. pr hdw. on ptd. form, January 26, 1841-February 13, 1901; hdw. or typed on ptd. form, February 14, 1901--. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

250. (Recordings of) CIRCUIT COURT (Writs of) EXECUTIONS SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, scattered dates, August 21, 1838--. 9 vol. (A-I). Title varies: Executions Sussex County Clerk's Office, August 21, 1838-February 3, 1900, 7 vol.; Circuit Court Executions Sussex County, March 27, 1900-November 8, 1935. 1 vol.

Also contains: Recordings of oyer and terminer court writs of execution, May 1, 1849-April 12, 1860, entry 210; recordings of

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common pleas court writs of execution, May 5, 1846-September term, 1879, entry 286. Arr. chron. by date of execution, August 21, 1838-April 5, 1853; arr. chron. by date of recording, May 23, 1853--. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of either plaintiff or defendant, August 21, 1853-January 22, 1858; indexed alph. by first letters of surnames of plaintiff and defendant, January 22, 1858--. Hdw., August 21, 1838-April 5, 1901; typed, August 16, 1901--. Aver. 560 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. 7 vol., August 21, 1838-February 3, 1900, bsmt. vlt., col. off; 2 vol., March 27, 1900--, searchers' vlt., col. off.

IX. COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

The court of common pleas was established in Sussex County at the county's inception, in 1753. (1) This court consists of a judge appointed by the Governor, with the consent of the Senate, for a term of 5 years. (2) The Supreme Court Justice holding the circuit in the county is an ex officio member of the court. (3) The court of common pleas has general jurisdiction over all civil suits and actions, regardless of the amount involved. (4) The court has also been vested with appellate jurisdiction. Appeals may be taken thereto from the decisions of police magistrates, justices of the peace, inferior criminal courts, (5) small cause courts, (6) and the State Department of Labor. (7) The county clerk is the clerk of the court. (8) For other records of the common pleas court, see entries 173, 179, 347.

Minutes

251. COMMON PLEAS (Court) MINUTES, November 20, 1753--. 29 vol. (dated). Title varies: Minutes Sussex County Clerk's Office, November 20, 1753-January 23, 1815, 13 vol; Common Pleas Minutes Sussex County Clerk's Office, September 15, 1931-April 13, 1939, 1 vol.

Also contains: Quarter sessions court minutes, November 20, 1753-February term, 1810; entry 211; record of circuit court reversal of justice of the peace decision, December term, 1891, entry 244.

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- (1) Clevenger and Keasbey, New Jersey Courts, p. 84; Nevill, Acts, II, 20.
 (2) R.S. 2:6-2.
 (3) R.S. 2:6-1
 (4) R.S. 2:6-6. For other powers and rights of this court, see R.S. 2:68-1; R.S. 19:31-15; R.S. 19:31-19; R.S. 34:15-20; R.S. 34:15-66.
 (5) R.S. 2:81-13.
 (6) R.S. 2:33-108.
 (7) R.S. 34:15-66.
 (8) R.S. 2:6-5.

Arr. chron. by date of court term. Indexed alph. by first letters of surnames of plaintiff and defendant. Hdw., November 20, 1753-January 19, 1897; typed, January 2, 1897--. Aver. 500 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. 27 vol., November 20, 1753-September 14, 1931, bsmt. vlt., ccl. off.; 2 vol., September 15, 1931--, searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

252. (COMMON PLEAS COURT ROUGH MINUTES), November 25, 1777--. In (Quarter Sessions Court Rough Minutes), entry 212.

Dockets

253. (Common Pleas Court) CLERK'S DOCKET SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, April 8, 1861--. 9 vol. Title varies slightly. Also contains: Circuit court docket, April 13, 1861--, entry 229. Arr. chron. by date of summons. Indexed alph. by first letters of surnames or plaintiff and defendant. Hdw. Aver. 650 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. 6 vol., April 8, 1861-August 6, 1928, bsmt. vlt., ccl. off.; 3 vol., August 6, 1928--, searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

Case Papers

254. (COMMON PLEAS COURT CASE PAPERS), November 7, 1753-June 27, 1853, December 27, 1906--. 99 doc. f. (64-162). November 6, 1912-September 19, 1927 in (Quarter Sessions Court Case Papers), entry 213. Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw., November 7, 1753-June 27, 1853; typed or typed on ptd. form, December 27, 1906--. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.
255. (COURT FOR THE TRIAL OF JUVENILE OFFENDERS CASE PAPERS), June 14, 1912-August 18, 1925. In (Quarter Sessions Court Case Papers), entry 213.
256. (COMMON PLEAS COURT CASE PAPERS IN CONDEMNATION PROCEEDINGS), December 16, 1841. In (Circuit Court Case Papers in Condemnation Proceedings), entry 231.
257. (COMMON PLEAS COURT CASE PAPERS IN PROCEEDINGS TO CANCEL MORTGAGES), October 31, 1910-March 28, 1930. 2 doc. f. (300, 301). Discontinued in this form; now kept in entry 254. Also contains: Circuit court case papers in proceedings to cancel mortgages; October 17, 1919-August 4, 1927, entry 235. Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Typed. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

258. (COMMON PLEAS COURT CASE PAPERS ON VIOLATIONS OF PROHIBITION ENFORCEMENT ACT), May 21, 1913-July 19, 1930. 1 doc. f. (501). Discontinued; statute repealed. August 4, 1931 in (Supreme Court Commissioners' Case Papers on Violations of Prohibition Enforcement Act), entry 237.

Also contains:

Parole from justice of the peace of juvenile delinquent to the custody of his father, April 11, 1922.

No obvious arr. For index, see entry 29. Hdw. or hdw. and typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Bsmt. vlt., ccl. off.

259. (COMMON PLEAS COURT CASE PAPERS IN TRUANCY PROCEEDINGS), November 24, 1913-December 11, 1935. 1 doc. F. (431). Discontinued in this form; now kept in entry 254.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw., typed, or hdw. and typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

260. (COMMON PLEAS COURT APPEALS IN COMPENSATION CASES), July 29, 1912-March 1, 1937. 1 doc. f. (418). Discontinued in this form; now kept in entry 254.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Typed. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

261. (SMALL CAUSE COURT CASE PAPERS ON APPEALS TO COMMON PLEAS COURT), scattered dates, August 15, 1773--. 59 doc. f. (1-59). Last appeal filed November 27, 1939.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw., August 15, 1773-August 20, 1838; hdw. or hdw. on ptd. form, September 25, 1838-September 8, 1908; typed or typed on ptd. form, September 28, 1908-November 27, 1939. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

262. (COMMON PLEAS COURT APPEALS FROM JUSTICES' OF THE PEACE CONVICTIONS OF DISORDERLY PERSONS), February 20, 1895--. 4 doc. f. (410-413).

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw. or hdw. and typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

263. (COMMON PLEAS CASE PAPERS FOR DISCHARGE OF INSOLVENT DEBTORS), November 23, 1772-November 8, 1912. 17 doc. f. (1-17). Discontinued in this form; now kept in entry 254.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 29. Hdw. or hdw. on ptd. form, November 23, 1772-April 3, 1899; typed or typed on ptd. form, April 4, 1899-November 8, 1912. 10 x 4 x 17. Bsmt. vlt., ccl. off.

264. (COMMON PLEAS COURT PETITIONS AND ORDERS FOR DISCOVERY), May 21, 1869, May 7, 1872-March 17, 1886, February 15, 1887-June 29, 1921. 1 doc. f. (404). Discontinued in this form; now kept in entry 254.

Also contains: Circuit court petitions and orders for discovery, May 21, 1869, March 26, 1917, entry 240. Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 29. Hdw., May 21, 1869, May 7, 1872-March 17, 1886; hdw., typed, hdw. and typed, hdw. or typed on ptd. form, or hdw. and typed on ptd. form, February 15, 1887-June 29, 1921. 10 x 4 x 17. Bsmt. vlt., ccl. off.

265. (COMMON PLEAS COURT BONDS TO INDEMNIFY SHERIFF IN CASE OF ILLEGAL SEIZURE OF CHATTELS IN REPLEVIN ACTIONS), November 19, 1932--. In (Bonds Posted by Sheriffs for the Faithful Discharge of Their Duties), entry 153.

266. (COMMON PLEAS COURT REPORTS OF COMMISSIONERS ON DIVISION OF LAND PROCEEDINGS), scattered dates, October 4, 1792-August 29, 1919. 2 doc. f. (315,316). Discontinued in this form; now kept in entry 254.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 29. Hdw., October 4, 1792-November 13, 1888; hdw. or typed, December 18, 1888-August 29, 1919. 10 x 4 x 17. Bsmt. vlt., ccl. off.

267. (COMMON PLEAS COURT WRITS RETURNED), February 21, 1754-August 23, 1849. 12 doc. f. (206-217). Discontinued in this form; now kept in entry 254.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 29. Hdw., or hdw. on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Bsmt. vlt., ccl. off.

268. (COMMON PLEAS COURT ORDER FOR DISCHARGE OF RECOGNIZANCE), September 8, 1926. In (Special Sessions Court Orders for Discharges of Recognizances), entry 224.

269. (COMMON PLEAS COURT PETITIONS FOR INKEEPERS' LIQUOR LICENSES AND MISCELLANEOUS PAPERS), scattered dates, April 2, 1861, April 1, 1867-March 9, 1920. 7 doc. f. (333-339). Discontinued; statute repealed.

Petitions, April 1, 1867-December 15, 1919.

Also contains:

- a. Application and order for transfer of innkeepers' liquor license February 20 and April 2, 1907 respectively.
- b. Bonds posted by innkeepers to keep orderly inns and taverns, April 2, 1861.
- c. Remonstrance against granting license to keep a saloon, April 10, 1903.
- d. Surrendered innkeepers' liquor licenses, December 2, 1919-March 9, 1920.

Arr. chron. by date of court term. For index, see entry 29.

Hdw. or hdw. on ptd. form, April 2, 1861, April 1, 1867-February 7, 1900; hdw., typed, or hdw. or typed on ptd. form, March 20, 1900-March 9, 1920. 10 x 4 x 17. Bsmt. vlt., ccl. off.

270. (COMMON PLEAS COURT PETITIONS FOR TRANSFERS OF INNKEEPERS' LIQUOR LICENSES), May 23, 1825-March 28, 1853, June 3, 1890-January 2, 1894, January 26, February 14, 1899, May 31, 1901-February 20, 1919. 1 doc. f. (409). Discontinued; statute repealed.

Also contains: Reports of commissioners on the divisions of lands, May 23, 1825-March 28, 1853; entry 181. Arr. chron. by year of filing. For index, see entry 29. Hdw., May 23, 1825-March 28, 1853; hdw. or typed, June 3, 1890-January 2, 1894, January 26, February 14, 1899, May 31, 1901-June 16, 1908; typed, June 19, 1908-February 20, 1919. 10 x 4 x 17. Bsmt. vlt., ccl. off.

271. (COMMON PLEAS COURT DEMANDS FOR JURY TRIALS), June 12, 1895-June 25, 1937. 1 doc. f. (330). Discontinued in this form; now kept in entry 254.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw. and typed. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

272. (COMMON PLEAS COURT NOTICES OF TRIAL), September 11, 1899--. 2 doc. f. (206,307).

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Typed, or hdw. or typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

273. (COMMON PLEAS TAXED BILLS OF COSTS IN CRIMINAL CASES), August 26, 1814-December 4, 1815. In (Oyer and Terminer Court Taxed Bills of Costs), entry 208.

274. (COMMON PLEAS COURT TAXED BILLS OF COSTS), April 10, 1888-November 19, 1923. 1 doc. f. (412). Discontinued in this form; now kept in entry 254.

Also contains:

- a. Judgment, rule for, February 23, 1918.
- b. Writ of execution, petition for order to issue, March 17, 1905.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 29. Typed, hdw. and typed, or hdw. or typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Bsmt. vlt., ccl. off.

275. (COMMON PLEAS COURT CASE PAPERS ON RELIEF GIVEN TO WIDOWS AND DEPENDENT CHILDREN), January 21, 1919-September 9, 1935. 2 doc. f. (401, 402). Discontinued as a record of this office; now kept by county welfare board.

No obvious arr. For index, see entry 28. Hdw. or typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

276. (COMMON PLEAS COURT CASE PAPERS FOR RELIEF OF INDIGENT BLIND PERSONS), July 6, 1928-August 4, 1931. 1 doc. f. (461). Discontinued as record of this office; now kept by county welfare board.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw. or typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

277. (REGISTER OF COMMON PLEAS COURT WRITS OF ATTACHMENTS), March 24, 1908--. In (Register of) Circuit Court (Writs of) Attachments Sussex County, entry 241.

278. (COMMON PLEAS COURT APPEARANCE BOOK IN ATTACHMENT CASES), October 20, 1919-July 30, 1925. In (Circuit Court) Appearance Book (in Attachment Cases) Record, entry 242.

Judgments

279. (COMMON PLEAS COURT JUDGMENTS OF BONDS AND WARRANTS), scattered dates, July 14, 1770--. 9 doc. f. (270-278). Last judgment filed December 3, 1940.

Also contains: Circuit court judgments on bonds and warrants, February 6, 1849--, entry 243. Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw. or hdw. on ptd. form, July 14, 1770-March 18, 1824; hdw., typed, or hdw. or typed on ptd. form, May 3, 1824--. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

280. (Record of) COMMON PLEAS (Court) JUDGMENTS SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, October 3, 1799-February 7, 1883, November 17, 1893--. 26 vol. (A-I, K-Y, A, B).

Title varies: Judgments, October 3, 1799-February 7, 1883, 24 vol.; Common Pleas Judgments Sussex County, November 17, 1893-December 20, 1935, 1 vol.

Arr. chron. by date of judgment. Indexed alph. by first letters of surnames of plaintiff and defendant; also separate index, entry 30. Hdw., October 3, 1799-February 7, 1883, November 17, 1893-October 30, 1908; typed, December 24, 1908--. Aver. 500 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. 24 vol., October 3, 1799-February 7, 1883, bsmt. vlt.; ccl. off.; 2 vol., November 17, 1893--, searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

281. (STATEMENTS OF SMALL CAUSE COURT JUDGMENTS FOR DOCKETING IN COMMON PLEAS COURT), scattered dates; January 31, 1845--. 11 doc. f. (258-268). Last statement filed November 19, 1940.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw., January 31, 1845-June 28, 1898; typed, or hdw. and typed on ptd. form, November 9, 1898--. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

282. SMALL CAUSE (Court) DOCKET(ed) (Judgments) SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, scattered dates, December 27, 1848--. 5 vol. (A, C-F). Title varies: Court of Small Cause Docket Sussex Co. Clerk's Office, December 27, 1848-September 6, 1869, 1 vol.; Common Pleas Judgments Court of Small Cause Docket Sussex County Clerk's Office, March 20, 1877-September 13, 1890, 1 vol.; Small Cause Docket Sussex County, March 29, 1890-December 31, 1935, 2 vol. June 19, 1857, January 22, 1861, November 18, 1874, June 14, August 5, 1887 also in (Circuit Court Docketed Judgments), entry 247.

Arr. chron. by date of docketing. Indexed alph. by first letters of surnames of plaintiff and defendant; also separate index, entry 30. Hdw., December 27, 1848-January 24, 1902; typed, February 20, 1902--. Aver. 454 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. 3 vol., December 27, 1848-October 13, 1910, bsmt. vlt.; ccl. off.; 2 vol., November 2, 1910--, searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

283. (RECORDINGS OF COMMON PLEAS COURT ASSIGNMENTS OF JUDGMENTS), August 11, 1874--. In (Recordings of Circuit Court) Assignments of Judgments Sussex County Clerk's Office, entry 248.

284. (COMMON PLEAS COURT WARRANTS FOR DISCHARGE OF JUDGMENTS), scattered dates, January 5, 1822--. 1 doc. f. (282).

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw. on ptd. form, January 5, 1822-March 7, 1910; typed or typed on ptd. form, August 17, 1910--. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

Executions

285. (COMMON PLEAS COURT WRITS OF EXECUTION), scattered dates, May 24, 1792--. 10 doc. f. (240-249).

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw. or hdw. on ptd. form, May 24, 1792-January 25, 1897; hdw., typed, or hdw. or typed on ptd. form, January 27, 1897-August 21, 1919; typed or typed on ptd. form, October 15, 1919--. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

286. (Common Pleas Court Recordings of) PROCESS (Writs of Execution), scattered dates, November 7, 1784-May 25, 1802, May 30, 1812--. 12 vol. (A-C, E-I, K-N). Scattered dates, May 5, 1846-September term, 1879 in (Recordings of) Circuit Court (Writs of) Executions Sussex County Clerk's Office, entry 250.

Arr. chron. by date of writ, November 7, 1784-May 25, 1802, May 30, 1812-April 5, 1853; arr. chron. by date received and recorded, May 7, 1853--. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of defendant, November 7, 1784-May 25, 1802, May 30, 1812-May 29, 1832; indexed alph. by first letters of surnames of plaintiff and defendant, May 22, 1832--. Hdw., November 7, 1784-May 25, 1802, May 30, 1812-December 2, 1901; typed, February 20, 1902--. Aver. 560 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. 1 vol., November 7, 1784-May 25, 1802, May 30, 1812-August 15, 1923, bsmt. vlt., ccl. off.; 1 vol., September 13, 1923--, searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

Commitments

287. (COMMON PLEAS COMMITMENTS TO STATE HOSPITALS AT TRENTON, May 30, 1848-- AND GREYSTONE PARK, JUNE 14, 1877), May 30, 1848--. 9 doc. f. (434-442). Last commitment to hospital at Trenton filed November 28, 1939 and at Greystone Park filed December 16, 1940.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw. or typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

288. (COMMON PLEAS COMMITMENTS TO STATE VILLAGE FOR EPILEPTICS AT SKILLMAN), November 8, 1902--. 1 doc. f. (455).

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Typed or hdw. or typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

289. (COMMON PLEAS COURT COMMITMENTS TO STATE TUBERCULOSIS SANATORIUM AT GLEN GARDNER), November 28, 1919--. 1 doc. f. (452). Last commitment filed November 5, 1938.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Typed or typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

290. (COMMON PLEAS COURT COMMITMENTS TO STATE SCHOOL FOR FEEBLEMINDED FEMALES AT VINELAND), November 10, 1919--. 1 doc. f. (460). Last commitment filed July 5, 1940.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Typed, or hdw. or typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

291. (COMMON PLEAS COURT COMMITMENTS TO STATE COLONY FOR FEEBLEMINDED MALES AT WOODBINE), November 14, 1923--. 1 doc. f. (458). Last commitment filed March 14, 1940.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw. or typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

292. (COMMON PLEAS COURT COMMITMENTS TO STATE COLONY FOR FEEBLEMINDED MALES AT NEW LISBON), July 14, 1924--. 1 doc. f. (459). Last commitment filed August 8, 1940.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Typed, hdw. or typed on ptd. form, or typed under ptd. head. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

293. (COMMON PLEAS COURT COMMITMENTS TO NORTH JERSEY TRAINING SCHOOL FOR MENTALLY SUBNORMAL FEMALES AT TOTOWA), July 16, 1928--. 1 doc. f. (457). Last commitment filed October 18, 1940.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw. or typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

294. (COMMON PLEAS COURT COMMITMENTS OF CHILDREN TO CUSTODY OF STATE BOARD OF CHILDREN'S GUARDIANS), February 16, 1934--. 1 doc. f. (474).

Also contains: Juvenile and domestic relations commitments to custody of State Board of Children's Guardians, January 13, 1940--, entry 337. Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw. or typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

For copies of orders of commitment of children to custody of State Board of Children's Guardians, June 23, 1927-July 21, 1933, see entry 26.

295. (COMMON PLEAS COURT CASE PAPERS FOR COMMITMENTS TO NEW JERSEY CHILDRENS' HOME SOCIETY AT TRENTON), May 14, 1910-October 20, 1927. 1 doc. F. (399).

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Typed. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

Naturalization

296. (FACTS FOR DECLARATIONS OF INTENTION TO BECOME CITIZENS), scattered dates, November 27, 1817-December 13, 1919. 1 doc. f. (704).

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw., November 27, 1817-December 11, 1848; hdw. on ptd. form, February 9, 1849-December 13, 1919. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

297. (NATURALIZATION PAPERS), November 24, 1808-October 5, 1906. 4 doc. f. (713-716). Discontinued as county record; now kept by Bureau of Immigration and Naturalization of the United States Department of Labor.

File, consisting of:

- a. Declarations of intention, November 24, 1808-September 30, 1906.
- b. Orders for admission to citizenship, December 5, 1808-October 5, 1906.
- c. Petitions for naturalization, November 24, 1808-September 20, 1906.

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw. on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

298. (NOTICES OF APPLICATIONS FOR ADMISSION TO CITIZENSHIP), December 31, 1906-September 30, 1929, August 9, 1932-August 13, 1935. 1 doc. f. (707).

Arr. chron. by date of filing. For index, see entry 28. Hdw. on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17. Searchers' vlt., ccl. off.

299. DECLARATIONS (of Intention to Become Citizens), January 2, 1907--. 8 vol. (1 vol., unlabeled; 3 vol., labeled 2-4 and contained declaration no. 101-976; 3 vol., labeled by contained declaration no. 977-1276; 1 vol., unlabeled). Title varies slightly; untitled, March 23, 1940--, 1 vol.

Arr. chron. by date of oath, with declarations numbered consecutively. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of declarant. Hdw. on ptd. form, January 2, 1907-June 20, 1929; hdw. or typed

on ptd. form, October 24, 1929 - March 20, 1940; typed on ptd. form, March 23, 1940--. 7 vol., January 2, 1907 - March 20, 1940, bsmt. vlt., ccl. off.; 1 vol., March 23, 1940--, under counter, ccl. off.

300. DECLARATIONS (of Intention January 2, 1903 - August 11, 1906) AND (Recordings of) NATURALIZATIONS (Orders, January 2, 1903 - October 5, 1906). 1 vol.

Declarations, arr. chron. by date of oath; orders, arr. chron. by date of meeting of court. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of declarant or naturalized citizen. Hdw. on ptd. form. 404 pp. (40 used) 18 x 13 x 3. Bsmt. vlt., ccl. off.

301. PETITIONS (for Naturalization), December 31, 1906--. 14 vol. (6 vol., labeled 1-6 and contained petition no. 1-500; 1 vol., unlabeled; 6 vol., labeled by contained petition no. 605-904; 1 vol., labeled by contained petition no 905 to). Title varies slightly; untitled, March 12 to September 30, 1929, 1 vol.

Arr. chron. by date of order with petitions numbered consecutively. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of petitioner. Hdw. on ptd. form, December 31, 1906 - August 9, 1932; hdw. and typed on ptd. form, March 12, 1929--. Aver. 100 pp. 10 x 9 x 1. 12 vol., December 31, 1906 - March 14, 1939, bsmt. vlt., ccl. off.; 2 vol., March 15, 1939--, under counter, ccl. off.

302. (Recordings of) NATURALIZATION (Orders) SUSSEX COUNTY, April 3, 1855 - December 9, 1902. 1 vol. (A).

Arr. chron. by date of meeting of court. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of naturalized citizen. Hdw. 684 pp. (287 used) 18 x 13 x 4. Bsmt. vlt., ccl. off.

303. (Recordings of) NATURALIZATION (Proceedings) SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, November 2, 1847 - December 5, 1854. 1 vol. Scattered dates, November 22, 1808 - April 4, 1854 in Births Naturalizations Officers Sussex County Clerk's Office, entry 304.

Arr. chron. by date of recording. No index. Hdw. 300 pp. (46 used) 13 x 7 x 2. Bsmt. vlt., ccl. off.

304. BIRTHS NATURALIZATIONS OFFICERS SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, November 25, 1779 - November 15, 1854. 1 vol.

Volume, consisting of:

a. Births of Negro slaves, recordings of, December 24, 1804 - December 24, 1838.

b. Roll of the following officers: Coroners, November 25,

1779-December 6, 1854; judges and justices, February 12, 1780-November 20, 1843; judges, October 25, 1780-March 19, 1829; lieutenants, November 2, 1780-October 3, 1789, ensigns, November 2, 1780-October 9, 1789, and captains, November 5, 1780-May 26, 1790, of 8th comp. 1st. reg.; justices, January 2, 1781-December 26, 1820; sheriffs, October 21, 1782-November 15, 1854; clerks, August 7, 1783-November 25, 1800; notaries public, November 30, 1799-November 21, 1844; sub. sheriffs, October 20, 1801-October 20, 1802; clerk of the pleas, October 25, 1805-November 2, 1810; justices of the peace, December 16, 1811-June 9, 1854; clerks of the court of common pleas, November 6, 1815-December 30, 1840; commissioners, February 21, 1816-April 27, 1850; judges of the court, March 27, 1817-May 25, 1854; judges of the court of common pleas, February 18, 1818-April 6, 1852; president of the court of common pleas of the quarter sessions and orphans' courts, March 3, 1818; clerk of the court of common pleas and general quarter sessions of the peace, November 4, 1820-May 26, 1854; judges of the court of common pleas and orphans' court, December 25, 1820-April 23, 1844; commissioners for taking acknowledgments and proofs of deeds, February 21, 1816-March 28, 1851; paymaster of the First Battalion Fifth Regiment of Sussex Brigade, February 19, 1823; judges of the inferior court of common pleas, January 28, 1824-April 3, 1850; prosecutors of the pleas, November 12, 1827-March 14, 1853; judge of the county courts, May 22, 1832; deputy sheriffs, April 28, 1841-November 15, 1853; high sheriffs, October 18, 1842-November 14, 1848; under sheriff, November 20, 1843; commissioners of deeds, May 28, 1845-March 7, 1853; Bank commissioner, March 24, 1853; and clerks of the inferior court of common pleas and general quarter sessions of the peace, October 30 to November 15, 1854.

Also contains: Common pleas court recordings of naturalization proceedings, November 22, 1808-April 4, 1854, entry 303. Births, arr. chron. by date received and recorded; roll, arr. chron. by date of oath; naturalization proceedings, arr. chron. by date of meeting of court. No index. Hdw. 500 pp. 18 x 6 x 3. Bsmt. vlt., ccl. off.

For returns of births of Negro slaves, December 24, 1804-May 28, 1835, see entry 168.

X. SMALL CAUSE COURT

The small cause court was established in Sussex County in 1903. (1) Each justice of the peace in the county is authorized to hold a small cause court, (2) and is empowered to hear all civil matters involving \$200 or less, except actions of replevin, slander, trespass for assault, battery, or imprisonment, or actions where title to land is involved. In addition, the court has jurisdiction in landlord and tenant disputes, and in actions of forcible entry and detainer. (3) The jurisdiction of the small cause court is county-wide. (4) For records of the small cause court, see entries 281, 282, 357.

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- (1) R.S. 2:9-15.
 - (2) R.S. 2:9-15.
 - (3) R.S. 2:9-16.
 - (4) R.S. 2:9-17.

XI. ORPHANS' COURT

The orphans' court was established in Sussex County in 1784 by virtue of existing legislation. (1) Between 1784 and 1855, the jurisdiction of this court was augmented to a small degree by various legislative enactments. (2) A statute of 1898 gave this court its present structure. (3) The court is now composed of the Justice of the Supreme Court holding the circuit in the county, who presides when present, and the judge of the court of common pleas. (4) The orphans' court has general jurisdiction over probate matters and the administration or settlement of estates. (5) The surrogate is the clerk of the court. (6) All the records of this court are kept in the surrogate's searchers' vault. For other records, see entries 179, 347.

305. PROCEEDINGS INDEX (Docket), approx. February 2, 1804--.
7 vol. (1-7).

Also serves as chron. index to documents filed and/or recorded in each case with direct reference to the filing and/or recording: Minute Book (Recordings of Various Instruments) Sussex County Surrogate's Court, entry 308; (Estate Papers), entry 310; (Recordings of) Wills (and Proofs of Same), entry 314; (Recordings of) Administrators Bonds Sussex County Surrogate's Office, entry 315; (Recordings of) Letters of Administration and Guardianship Sussex County Surrogate's Office, entry 316; (Recordings of) Accounts of Executors, Administrators, Guardians, Etc. Sussex County Surrogate's Office, entry 317; (Recordings of) Guardian(s') Bonds, entry 318;

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- (1) Clevenger and Keasbey, New Jersey Courts, p. 52; P.L. 1784, p. 135.
 - (2) Paterson, Laws, pp. 77, 372; Joseph Bloomfield, comp., Laws of the State of New Jersey, 1800-1811, pp. 3, 98, 118; Josiah Harrison, comp., A Compilation of the Public Laws of the State of New Jersey, p. 190; P.L. 1820, pp. 47, 180; P.L. 1849, pp. 165-167; P.L. 1854, p. 245; P.L. 1855, p. 17.
 - (3) R.S. 2:7-1.
 - (4) R.S. 2:7-1.
 - (5) R.S. 3:1-2, 3.
 - (6) R.S. 2:7-4.

(Recordings of) Petitions Renunciations (and Requests) Sussex County Surrogate's Office, entry 319; (Recordings of) Inventories Sussex County Surrogate's Office, entry 320; (Recordings of) Division (Partitions of Land Proceedings) Sussex County Surrogate's Office, entry 321; (Recordings of) Adoption (Proceedings) of Children Sussex County Surrogate's Office, entry 322; (Record of Estates Subject to) Collateral Inheritance Tax Sussex County Surrogate's Office, entry 323; (Recordings of) Order(s) of (to) Limit Creditors Sussex County Surrogate's Office, entry 324; (Recordings of) Decrees Barring Creditors Sussex County Surrogate's Office, entry 325; (Recordings of) Sale of Lands (Bonds) Sussex County Surrogate's Office, entry 328; (Recordings of) Sale of Land (Proceedings) to Pay Debts Sussex County Surrogates Office, entry 329; (Recordings of) Receipts (Release and Refunding Bonds) Sussex County Surrogate's Office, entry 330; (Recordings of) Misc.(ellaneous) Bonds Sussex County Surrogate's Office, entry 331; (Recordings of Chancery Court Proceedings in) Cases of Lunacy Sussex County Surrogate's Office, entry 333; Assigneers (sic) Book (Recordings of Proceedings for Assignments of Estates for the Equal Benefit of Creditors), entry 334. Arr. under surname of estate by Russell System. For index, see entry 306. Typed under ptd. head. Aver. 400 pp. 18 x 13 x 2.

306. ESTATE INDEX (to) PROCEEDINGS INDEX (Docket), approx. February 2, 1804--. 10 vol. (labeled by contained letters of alph.).

Serves as index to entry 305. Arr. under surname of estate by Russell System. Typed under ptd. head. Aver. 300 pp. 18 x 13 x 2.

307. ORPHANS COURT MINUTES SUSSEX COUNTY SURROGATE'S OFFICE, April 6, 1931--. 1 vol. (1). No minutes kept January 20, 1914-April 5, 1931. February term, 1804-January 19, 1914 in Minute Book (Recordings of Various Instruments) Sussex County Surrogate's Court, entry 308.

Arr. chron. by date of meeting of court. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of estate. Typed. 300 pp. (90 used) 18 x 13 x 2.

308. MINUTE BOOK (Recordings of Various Instruments) SUSSEX COUNTY SURROGATE'S COURT, February term, 1804--. 23 vol. (1 vol., A-I; A-V). Title varies slightly.

Also contains: Orphans' court minutes, February term, 1804-January 19, 1914, entry 307; recordings of sale of land proceedings to pay debts, August 16, 1929--, entry 329; recordings of proceedings for assignments of estates for the equal benefit of creditors, August 4, 1905--, entry 334. Arr. chron. by date of court term. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of estate; for chron. index, see entry 305. Hdw., February term, 1804-April term, 1901; typed, April term, 1901--. Aver. 560 pp. 18 x 13 x 3.

309. COURT MINUTES (UNRECORDED) February term, 1786; May and November terms, 1787; February term-November term, 1788; May term, 1790; August term, 1791; May term, 1792; August term, 1793; May term-November term, 1794; February term-November term, 1795; February, May, and November terms, 1796; November term, 1797; May term-November term, 1798; February term-November term, 1799; February, May, and November terms, 1800; February, August, and November terms, 1802; November term, 1803; April 1, 1806; April 29, 1809. 1 doc. f.

Also contains:

- a. Accounts transmitted quarterly from surrogate's office to Prerogative Office, March 13, June 30, December 31, 1799, March 31, 1800.
 - b. Citation from orphans' court, May 29, 1794.
 - c. Lease for farm, April 1, 1806.
 - d. Order to account from orphans' court, undated.
 - e. Survey of lands near Sussex Courthouse, April 29, 1809.
- No obvious arr. No index. Hdw. 10 x 4 x 17.

XII. SURROGATE

The first surrogate for Sussex County was appointed by the Governor in November 1753. (1) The surrogate, under constitutional provision, is now elected for a term of 5 years. (2) He is authorized to admit wills to probate and to grant letters testamentary, in cases where no objection is registered. (3) He may also preside at examinations taken for hearings of any cause in the orphans' court. (4) As clerk of the orphans' court, the surrogate has custody of the records of that court. (5) All records are kept in his searchers' vault except entry 332, which is in his office. For other surrogate records, see entry 179.

Case Papers and Wills
(See also entry 332)

310. (ESTATE PAPERS), approx. February 2, 1804--. 194 doc. f. (labeled by contained estate no. 1-13119).
Arr. numer. by estate no. For chron. index, see entry 305. Hdw., typed, hdw. or typed on ptd. form, or hdw. and typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17.
311. UNRECORDED ESTATES (Papers), April 4, 1762-November 23, 1896. 5 doc. f. (labeled by contained letters of alph. and numbered).
Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of estate. For index, see entry 312. Hdw., typed, or hdw. on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17.
312. INDEX TO UN-RECORDED ESTATES (Papers), April 4, 1762-November 23, 1896. 1 vol. (labeled by contained letters of alph.).
Serves as index to entry 311. Arr. under surname of estate by Russell System. Typed on ptd. form. 20 pp. 18 x 13 x 1.

(1) Snell, Sussex and Warren, p. 162.
(2) R.S. 2:7-12.
(3) R.S. 3:2-22.
(4) R.S. 2:31-62.
(5) R.S. 2:31-20.

313. (True and Exemplified Copies of) WILLS PROBATED, May 6, 1763-May 22, 1866. One hundred doc. and 1 vol. in 1 doc. f. (dated).

Also contains:

Record of unrecorded wills, 1763-1805, 1 vol.
Copies of wills, no obvious arr.; record of unrecorded wills, arr. alph. by first letter of surname of estate. No index. Hdw. Vol. 50 pp. 8 x 4 x 1; doc. f., 10 x 4 x 17.

314. (Recordings of) WILLS (and Proofs of Same), scattered dates, February 21, 1804--. 28 vol. (A-z; 27, 28).
Title varies slightly.

Arr. chron. by date of filing and recording. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of estate; for chron. index, see entry 305. Hdw., February 21, 1804-June 27, 1901; typed, July 9, 1901--. Aver. 500 pp. 18 x 13 x 3.

Executors, Administrators, and Guardians

315. (Recordings of) ADMINISTRATORS BOND SUSSEX COUNTY SURROGATE'S OFFICE, scattered dates, February 14, 1861--. 10 vol. ((A-J). Title varies slightly.

Also contains: Recordings of miscellaneous bonds, November 29, 1930--, entry 331. Arr. chron. by date of filing and recording. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of estate; for chron. index, see entry 305. Hdw. or hdw. on ptd. form, February 14, 1861-August 3, 1903; hdw. on ptd. form or typed, November 27, 1903-November 10, 1908, March 1 to May 18, 1920; hdw. on ptd. form, May 17, 1909-February 24, 1920; typed on ptd. form, June 2, 1920--. Aver. 500 pp. 18 x 13 x 3.

316. (Recordings of) LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION AND GUARDIANSHIP SUSSEX COUNTY SURROGATE'S OFFICE, February 6, 1804--. 5 vol. (A-E). Title varies: Letters of Guardianships, February 6, 1804-December 11, 1843, 1 vol.; Letters of Administration Guardianship Sussex County, January 9, 1844-November 5, 1898, 2 vol.

Arr. chron. by date of issuance of letter. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of estate; for chron. index, see entry 305. Hdw., February 6, 1804-September 19, 1921; typed, February 19, 1921--. Aver. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3.

317. (Recordings of) ACCOUNTS OF EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, GUARDIANS, ETC. SUSSEX COUNTY SURROGATE'S OFFICE, scattered dates, March 13, 1871--. 18 vol. (A-R). Title varies slightly.

Arr. chron. by date of filing and recording. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of estate; for chron. index, see entry 305. Hdw., March 13, 1871-June 21, 1901; typed, July 5, 1901--. Aver. 560 pp. 11 x 17 x 3.

318. (Recordings of) GUARDIAN(s') BONDS, scattered dates, May 5, 1868--. 4 vol. (B-E). April 2, 1861-April 16, 1868 in (Recordings of) Sale of Lands (Bonds) Sussex County Surrogate's Office, entry 322.

Arr. chron. by date of filing and recording. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of estate; for chron. index, see entry 305. Hdw. on ptd. form, May 5, 1868-June 1, 1903; typed, September 8, 1903--. Aver. 600 pp. 18 x 12 x 3.

319. (Recordings of) PETITIONS RENUNCIATIONS (and Requests) SUSSEX COUNTY SURROGATES OFFICE, March 6, 1871--. 12 vol. (A-L). Title varies slightly.

Arr. chron. by date of filing and recording. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of estate; for chron. index, see entry 305. Hdw., March 6, 1871-June 24, 1901; typed, June 29, 1901--. Aver. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3.

Inventories and Divisions

320. (Recordings of) INVENTORIES SUSSEX COUNTY SURROGATE'S OFFICE, February 2, 1804--. 22 vol. (A-I, K-P, R-X). Title varies slightly.

Arr. chron. by date of filing and recording. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of estate; for chron. index, see entry 305. Hdw., February 2, 1804-July 20, 1901; typed, July 23, 1901--. Aver. 500 pp. 18 x 13 x 3.

321. (Recordings of) DIVISION (Partitions of Land Proceedings) SUSSEX COUNTY SURROGATE'S OFFICE, Scattered dates, May 19, 1820--. 4 vol. (A-D). Last entry April 29, 1918. Title varies: Division Sussex County, May 19, 1820-January 7, 1842, 2 vol.

Arr. chron. by date of filing and recording. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of estate; for chron. index, see entry 305. Hdw., May 19, 1820-November 1, 1880; typed, March 1, 1909-April 29, 1918. Aver. 405 pp. 12 x 16 x 3.

Adoptions

322. (Recordings of) ADOPTION (Proceedings) OF CHILDREN SUSSEX COUNTY SURROGATE'S OFFICE, December 18, 1903--. 2 vol. (A, B).

Arr. chron. by date of filing and recording. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of adopted person; for chron. index, see entry 305. Typed. Aver. 352 pp. 12 x 18 x 2.

Inheritance Taxes

323. (Record of Estates Subject to) COLLATERAL INHERITANCE TAX SUSSEX COUNTY SURROGATE'S OFFICE, May 1, 1894-November 21, 1905. 1 vol. Discontinued; statute repealed.

Arr. chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of estate; for chron. index, see entry 305. Hdw. under ptd. head. 125 pp. 16 x 11 x 1.

Creditors

324. (Recordings of) ORDER(s) OF (to) LIMIT CREDITORS SUSSEX COUNTY SURROGATE'S OFFICE, December 6, 1878--. 2 vol. (A, B). Title varies slightly.

Arr. chron. by date of order. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of estate; for chron. index, see entry 305. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3.

325. (Recordings of) DECREES BARRING CREDITORS SUSSEX COUNTY SURROGATE'S OFFICE, January 18, 1881-November 15, 1888, September 18, 1889--. 2 vol. (A, C). Title varies: Order to Bar Creditors Sussex County Surrogate's Office, January 18, 1881-November 15, 1888, 1 vol.

Arr. chron. by date of order or decree. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of estate; for chron. index, see entry 305. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3.

326. (RECORD OF ORDERS TO LIMIT CREDITORS), September 28, 1855-August 2, 1880. 1 vol.

Arr. chron. by date of order. No index. Hdw. 400 pp. 12 x 5 x 2.

327. (RECORD OF FINAL DECREES ON RULE TO LIMIT CREDITORS), September term, 1855-December term, 1879, 1 vol.

Arr. chron. by date of court term. No index. Hdw. 360 pp. 12 x 5 x 2.

Sales of Land

328. (Recordings of) SALE OF LANDS (Bonds) SUSSEX COUNTY SURROGATE'S OFFICE, April 2, 1861-April 21, 1914. 2 vol. (A, B). Title varies: Guardian and Sale of Lands Sussex County Surrogate's Office, April 2, 1861-December 19, 1878. August 7, 1914-August 12, 1929 in (Recordings of) Sale of Land (Proceedings) to Pay Debts Sussex County Surrogates Office, entry 329.

Also contains: Recordings of guardians' bonds, April 2, 1861-April 16, 1868, entry 318. Arr. chron. by date of filing and recording. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of estate; for chron. index, see entry 305. Hdw. or hdw. on ptd. form, April 2, 1861-December 18, 1878; typed or hdw. on ptd. form, December 23, 1878-April 21, 1914. Aver. 300 pp. 12 x 16 x 2.

329. (Recordings of) SALE OF LAND (Proceedings) TO PAY DEBTS SUSSEX COUNTY SURROGATES OFFICE, October 10, 1910-August 12, 1929. 1 vol. (A). August 16, 1929-- in Minute Book (Recordings of Various Instruments) Sussex County Surrogate's Court, entry 308.

Also contains: Recordings of sale of land bonds, August 7, 1914-August 12, 1929, entry 328. Arr. chron. by date of filing and recording. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of estate; for chron. index, see entry 305. Typed. 543 pp. (360 used) 18 x 13 x 3.

Bonds

330. (Recordings of) RECEIPTS (Releases and Refunding Bonds) SUSSEX COUNTY SURROGATE'S OFFICE, November 24, 1813--. 23 vol. (A-W). Title varies: Receipts, November 24, 1813-September 2, 1846, 1 vol.; Receipts Sussex Co. Surrogate's Office, June 8, 1882-June 1, 1886. 1 vol.

Arr. chron. by date of filing and recording. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of estate; for chron. index, see entry 305. Hdw., November 24, 1813-September 10, 1901; typed, September 6, 1901--. Aver. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3.

331. (Recordings of) MISC.(ellaneous) BONDS SUSSEX COUNTY SURROGATE'S OFFICE, May 18, 1910-June 28, 1930. 1 vol. (A). November 29, 1930-- in Administrators Bonds Sussex County Surrogate's Office, entry 315.

Arr. chron. by date of filing and recording. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of estate; for chron. index, see entry 305. Typed. 548 pp. (275 used) 18 x 13 x 3.

Miscellaneous

332. (DUPLICATES OF QUARTERLY RETURNS OF WILLS AND INVENTORIES ORIGINALS OF WHICH ARE SUBMITTED TO SECRETARY OF STATE), November 20, 1928--. 1 folder in desk dr. Arr. chron. by date of report. No index. Typed on ptd. form. Folder, 18 x 14; desk dr., 5 x 11 x 24.
333. (Recordings of Chancery Court Proceedings in) CASES OF LUNACY SUSSEX COUNTY SURROGATE'S OFFICE, scattered dates, October 21, 1834--. 3 vol. (A-C). Arr. chron. by date of filing and recording. No self-contained index, October 21, 1834-May 17, 1870; indexed alph. by first letter of surname of estate, February 4, 1871--; for chron. index, see entry 305. Hdw., October 21, 1834-April 21, 1906, December 13 to 31, 1928; typed, April 23, 1909-December 13, 1924, August 4, 1939--. Aver. 400 pp. 12 x 18 x 2.
334. ASSIGNEERS (sic) BOOK (Recording of Proceedings for Assignments of Estates for the Equal Benefit of Creditors), June 30, 1868-February 16, 1905. 1 vol. August 4, 1905-- in Minute Book (Recordings of Various Instruments) Sussex County Surrogate's Court, entry 308. Arr. chron. by date of filing and recording. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of estate; for chron. index, see entry 305. Hdw. 721 pp. 8 x 12 x 4.
335. CERTIFICATE(s) OF AUTHORITY (From Commissioner of Banking and Insurance) TO FOREIGN CORPORATIONS (to Transact Business in This State), January 29, 1910--. 1 doc. f. Arr. chron. by date of filing. No index. Typed on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17.

XIII. JUVENILE AND DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT

The legislature of 1903 created a special juvenile court presided over by the judge of the court of common pleas (1) to function within each county. By a legislative enactment of 1929, this court was superseded by the present juvenile and domestic relations court. In Sussex County, the judge of the common pleas court also presides over the juvenile and domestic relations court. (2) The court has exclusive jurisdiction over all cases of juvenile delinquency, and concurrent jurisdiction over domestic relation disputes and cases involving the welfare of children. (3) For other records of the juvenile and domestic relations court, see entry 375.

336. JUVENILE AND DOMESTIC RELATIONS (Court) MINUTES SUSSEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, July 7, 1939--. 1 vol. (dated).

Prior records destroyed. Domestic relations minutes only. Arr. chron. by date of meeting of court. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of defendant. Typed. 559 pp. (19 used) 18 x 13 x 3. Searchers' vlt., ecl. off.

337. (JUVENILE AND DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT COMMITMENTS TO CUSTODY OF STATE BOARD OF CHILDREN'S GUARDIANS), January 13, 1940--.

In (Common Pleas Court Commitments of Children to Custody of State Board of Children's Guardians), entry 294.

(1) P.L. 1903, p.
 (2) R.S. 9:18-4; R.S. 9:18-6.
 (3) R.S. 9:18-12, 14.

XIV. COMMISSIONERS OF JURIES

Ever since the creation of Sussex County in 1755, the selection of juries has been a function of the sheriff. (1) By virtue of legislation (2) the Chancellor, in 1914, duly appointed a citizen of the county to act with the sheriff, as a commissioner of juries. (3) Since 1934, the commissioner has been appointed by a Supreme Court Justice presiding in the county to act jointly with the sheriff for a 1-year term. (4) Forty days prior to the opening of the circuit court, the commissioners prepare and deliver to the Supreme Court Justice, lists of persons eligible for grand and petit jury duty. (5)

338. (GRAND AND PETIT JURY LISTS, APRIL TERM, 1930-DECEMBER TERM, 1931, SEPTEMBER TERM, 1932-APRIL TERM, 1938, DECEMBER TERM, 1940--, AND STRUCK JURY LISTS, DECEMBER TERM, 1936-APRIL TERM, 1938, DECEMBER TERM, 1940--), April term, 1930-December term, 1931, September term, 1932-April term, 1938, December term, 1940--. 318 sheets in 2 desk dr.

Arr. chron. by date of court term. No index. Typed. 8 x 13, 302 sheets, April term, 1930-December term, 1931, September term, 1932-April term, 1938, desk dr., homo, 47 Woodside Ave., Newton; 16 sheets, December term, 1940--, desk dr., store, 7 Main St., Newton.

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- (1) Leaming and Spicer, Grants and Concessions, pp. 303,304; Nevill, Acts, pp. 28,29.
 (2) R.S. 2:87-1.
 (3) Officers' Oaths Sussex County Clerk's Office, see entry 146.
 (4) R.S. 2:87-1.
 (5) R.S. 2:88-1.

IV. CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER

As provided for in a legislative enactment of 1929 (1) a chief probation officer was appointed in Sussex County in 1931. (2) The judge of the court of common pleas appoints the chief probation officer who serves under civil service regulations. (3) The principal duties of the chief probation officer are to make investigations and reports as required by the courts; to supervise any persons ordered to make payments for support in a decree of divorce or legal separation; to furnish each probationer with probation conditions; to collect and disburse money, and to maintain complete accounts of his financial transactions for auditing purposes. (4) All records pertaining to this office are in the private residence of the chief probation officer.

339. (RECORD OF ACTIVE CASES), July 1, 1933--. 1 vol.
Arr. chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of probationer. Hdw. 400 pp. 8 x 13 x 2.

340. (RECORD OF INACTIVE CASES), July 1, 1933--. 1 vol.
Arr. chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of probationer. Hdw. 400 pp. 8 x 13 x 2.

341. (RECORD OF FINES COLLECTED). July 1, 1933--. 1 vol.
Arr. chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of probationer. Hdw. 400 pp. 8 x 13 x 2.

(1) P.L. 1929, p. 271.

(2) Sussex County Freeholders' Minutes, Mar. 31, 1931, see entry 1.

(3) R.S. 2:199-5.

(4) R.S. 2:199-6, 10.

XVI. COUNTY COUNSEL

A county counsel was appointed in Sussex County by the board of chosen freeholders in 1885, (1) in accordance with permissive legislation enacted the same year, empowering the freeholders to create necessary offices. (2) Prior to this time, the board hired private counsel to serve the county whenever one was needed. (3) The board of chosen freeholders has fixed his term of office at 3 years. (4) He acts as the legal advisor for the board, institutes suits for it, and defends the county against any legal action. (5)

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- (1) Sussex County Freeholders' Minutes, May 13, 1885, see entry 1.
 - (2) R.S. 40: 21-3.
 - (3) Sussex County Freeholders' Minutes, May 9, 1850, see entry 1.
 - (4) Ibid., Jan. 2, 1930.
 - (5) Ibid., May 13, 1885.

XVII. SHERIFF

The first sheriff to function in Sussex County was appointed in 1753 by the Governor and Common Council. (1) The Constitution of 1776 provided that he be elected annually. (2) He is now elected by the people for a 3-year term, but by law may not succeed himself. (3)

The sheriff serves summonses, writs, and process of the county courts, (4) Supreme Court, (5) and Court of Chancery. (6) By court order he holds sales on foreclosures (7) and is delegated to make arrests, searches, and seizures. He also executes warrants of arrest issued by the Governor in extradition proceedings. (8) Court attendants of the county courts are appointed by the sheriff, (9) who also serves as one of the two commissioners of juries. (10) The county jail and its prisoners are under his supervision. (11) For other records of the sheriff, see entries 185, 195.

Correspondence and General File

342. ATTORNEYS' CORRESPONDENCE, September 2, 1928-September 27, 1939, January 1, 1940--. 1 bdl. (606), 1 f. b. (1,600 and dated), 2 f. d. (unlabeled). Title varies slightly.

Also contains: Daily lists of prisoners in county jail, November 23 to December 31, 1938, entry 358; copies of lists of grand, petit, and struck jurors, December term, 1935-December term, 1939, entry 370.

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- (1) Common Pleas (Court) Minutes, Nov. 12, 1753, see entry 251.
 - (2) Const. 1776, art. 13.
 - (3) R.S. 40:41-1.
 - (4) R.S. 2:5-16; R.S. 2:6-21; R.S. 2:31-36; R.S. 2:13-4;
R.S. 9:18-20; R.S. 2:65-27.
 - (5) R.S. 2:27-49, 54.
 - (6) R.S. 2:29-13.
 - (7) R.S. 2:65-27.
 - (8) R.S. 2:185-15, 16.
 - (9) R.S. 2:16-38.
 - (10) R.S. 2:87-1.
 - (11) R.S. 30:8-17.

No obvious arr., September 2, 1928-September 27, 1939; arr. alph. by first letter of surname of correspondent, January 1, 1940--. No index. Hdw. or typed. Bdl., 8 x 4 x 1; f. b., 10 x 12 x 27. Bdl., September 2, 1928-May 6, 1935, f. b., February 25, 1933-September 27, 1939, bsmt. vlt., cc.; f.d., January 1, 1940--, private off.

343. (GENERAL FILE), September 6, 1934--. 1 f. d.
General file, consisting of:
- a. Arrest, warrants for, January 31, 1939--.
 - b. Bills, January 7, 1939--.
 - c. Correspondence general, to and from sheriff, September 6, 1934--.
 - d. Firearms, permits to purchase and descriptions of purchases of, undated.
 - e. Proofs of publications, December 24, 1935--.
 - f. Receipts, various, August 7, 1937--.

Also contains: Daily lists of prisoners in county jail, January 1, 1941--, entry 358; copies of lists of grand, petit, and struck jurors, April term, 1940--, entry 370. Arr. by type of subject. No index. Hdw., typed, or ptd. 10 x 12 x 27. Private off.

Case Papers

344. PAPERS PENDING SALE, April term, 1939--. 1 doc. f. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of defendant. No index. Typed. 10 x 4 x 17. Safe, private off.

345. (Copies of Chancery and Circuit Courts) ORDERS CONFIRMING SALE(s) (and Miscellaneous Papers), February 14, 1912-June 24, 1940. 1 f. b. (633), 1 bdl. (603). Title varies slightly.

Copies of Chancery and circuit courts orders confirming sales, January 3, 1918-June 24, 1940.

Also contains:

- a. Case papers, miscellaneous, February 14, 1912-February 14, 1937.
- b. Deposit slips, bank statements, and canceled checks, November 17, 1922-June 21, 1938.

Grand jury subpoenas, April 4, 1928-May 29, 1929, entry 348; warrants for commitment to and discharge from county jail, March 7, 1935-December 31, 1938, entry 357; copies of lists of grand jurors, December term, 1926, April term, 1927-September term, 1929, April term, 1930-September term, 1932, September term, 1933-September term, 1935, entry 370. No obvious arr., February 14, 1912-June 24, 1940;

arr. chron. by date of filing, April 19, 1929-January 25, 1935.
No. index. Hdw. or typed on ptd. form. February 14, 1912-June
24, 1940; typed, April 19, 1929-January 25, 1935. F.b., 10 x
12 x 27; bdl.: 7 x 3 x 3. Bsmt. vlt., cc.

346. SUSSEX CO. CIRCUIT COURT (and) QUARTER SESSIONS
(Court Complaints and Summonses), October 18, 1933-
August 21, 1935. 1 bdl. (605).

Also contains:

Bench warrants, May 4, 1934-January 8, 1935.

No obvious arr. No index. Hdw. and typed on ptd. form. 9 x 15
x 3. Bsmt. vlt., cc.

347. ORPHANS', COMMON PLEAS, AND CHANCERY COURTS CASE
PAPERS AND VARIOUS RELEASES (for Accident Claims),
January 17, 1928-October 10, 1935. 1 envelope (598).

No obvious arr. No index. Typed. 12 x 6 x 1. Bsmt. vlt., cc.

348. (Quarter Sessions Court and Grand Jury) SUBPOENAS,
January 4, 1926-September 29, 1936. 2 bdl. (560, 607).
Grand jury subpoenas, April 4, 1928-May 29, 1929 in
(Copies of Chancery and Circuit Courts) Orders Con-
firming Sale(s), entry 345.

No obvious arr. No index. Hdw., typed, or typed on ptd. form.
10 x 8 x 3. Bsmt. vlt., cc.

349. (COMPLAINTS AND WARRANTS FOR VIOLATION OF PROHIBITION
ENFORCEMENT ACT), May 16, 1921-April 4, 1934. 1 bdl.
(608).

No obvious arr. No index. Hdw. and typed on ptd. form. 3 x 8
x 3. Bsmt. vlt., cc.

Dockets

350. JOURNAL (Record of Sheriffs' Foreclosure Sales), July
1, 1930--. 4 vol. (595, 601; 2 vol., unlabeled).
Title varies: Record, July 1, 1930-April 5, 1934,
1 vol.; untitled, November 26, 1935--., 2 vol.

No obvious arr., July 1, 1930-December 22, 1936; arr. chron. by
date of return of writ, November 26, 1935--. No index, July 1,
1930-December 22, 1936; indexed alph. by first letter of surname
of complainant, November 26, 1935--. Hdw., typed, or hdw. and
typed, July 1, 1930-December 22, 1936; hdw., November 26, 1935-
February 14, 1940; typed, February 2, 1940--. Aver. 500 pp.
18 x 7 x 3. Cab., secretary's off.

351. (REGISTER OF RETURNED WRITS OF EXECUTION), February 10, 1939--. 1 vol.

Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of defendant. No index. Typed. 175 pp. 8 x 13 x 1. Cab., secretary's off.

352. DOCKET (of Writs Served), approx. May 22, 1937--. 3 vol. (1; 2 vol., unlabeled). Untitled, approx. February 10, 1940--, 1 vol.

Arr. chron. by date of service of writ. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of plaintiff. Hdw., approx. May 22, 1937-March 1, 1940; typed, approx. February 10, 1940--. Aver. 400 pp. 13 x 8 x 2. Cab., secretary's off.

Commitments

353. (Commitments to) WOMENS STATE PRISON AT TRENTON, N. J. WOMENS STATE REFORMATORY AT CLINTON, N. J. STATE HOME FOR GIRLS AT TRENTON, N. J., January 1, 1940--. 1 f. d.

Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of defendant. No index. Hdw. or typed on ptd. form. 10 x 12 x 27. Private off.

354. (Commitments to) STATE PRISON FOR MEN TRENTON, N. J. BOYS STATE HOME AT ANNANDALE, N. J. RAHWAY REFORMATORY, RAHWAY, N. J., January 1, 1940--. 1 f. d.

Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of defendant. No index. Hdw. or typed on ptd. form. 10 x 12 x 27. Private off.

355. (Commitments to) BOYS STATE HOME AT JAMESBURG, N. J. STATE HOSPITAL AT GREYSTONE PARK, N. J., January 1, 1940--. 1 f. d.

Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of defendant or patient. No index. Hdw. or typed on ptd. form. 10 x 12 x 27. Private off.

356. (Record of) INSTITUTIONAL COMMITMENTS, approx. 1935--. 1 vol. on top of desk.

Arr. alph. by name of institution and thereunder alph. by first letter of surname of inmate. No index. Typed. 500 pp. 8 x 14 x 3. Private off.

Jail

357. WARRANTS FOR DISCHARGE IN THE COUNTY JAIL WARRANTS OF COMMITMENTS (sic) TO THE COUNTY JAIL, March 22, 1926-November 4, 1935, January 1, 1940--. 7 bdl. (numbered), 1 f. d. (unlabeled). Title varies slightly. March 7, 1935-December 31, 1938 in (Copies of Chancery and Circuit Courts) Orders Confirming Sale(s), entry 345.

Also contains:

- a. Allegation for search warrant, September 22, 1930.
 - b. Search warrants, September 22, 1930.
 - c. Writs of execution, small cause court, November 14, 1927.
- No obvious arr., March 22, 1926-November 4, 1935; arr. alph. by first letter of surname of prisoner, January 1, 1940--. No index. Hdw., typed, or hdw. or typed on ptd. form. Bdl., 8 x 10 x 3; f. d., 10 x 12 x 27. Bdl., March 22, 1926-November 4, 1935, bsmt. vlt., cc.; f. d., January 1, 1940--, private off.

358. DAILY JAIL SHEETS (of Prisoners in County Jail), January 1 to December 31, 1940. 366 sheets in 1 envelope November 23 to December 31, 1938 in Attorneys Correspondence, entry 342; January 1, 1941--(in General File), entry 343.

Arr. chron. by date of list. No index. Typed. 10 x 14 x 1. Bsmt. vlt., cc.

359. JAIL DOCKET SUSSEX COUNTY, August 23, 1930--. 3 vol. (597 and dated; 1 vol., unlabeled). Untitled, August 23, 1930-April 1, 1936, January 1, 1941--, 2 vol.
- Arr. chron. by date of commitment. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form, August 23, 1930-December 31, 1940; typed on ptd. form, January 1, 1941--. Aver. 500 pp. 13 x 8 x 3. 1 vol., August 23, 1930-April 1, 1936, bsmt. vlt., cc.; 1 vol., November 19, 1935-December 31, 1940, desk dr., secretary's off.; 1 vol., January 1, 1941--, top of desk, secretary's off.

Financial

360. LEDGER (of Fees Received), December 4, 1934--. 2 vol. (2, 3).
- Arr. by title of case. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of plaintiff. Hdw. Aver. 448 pp. 13 x 8 x 3. Cab., secretary's off.
361. (RECORD OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS), November 22, 1938--. 1 vol.
- Arr. chron. by date of entry. No index. Hdw. 76 pp. 13 x 10 x 1. Cab., secretary's off.
362. LEDGER ATTORNEYS, November 17, 1938--. 1 vol.
- Arr. by name of account and thereunder by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of attorney. Hdw. 474 pp. 13 x 8 x 3. Cab., secretary's off.

363. LEDGER (of) FINES (Paid), November 22, 1938--. 1 vol. Arr. chron. by date of fine. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of person filed. Hdw. 284 pp. 13 x 8 x 2. Cab., secretary's off.

364. RECEIPTED NEWSPAPER BILLS, (November 3, 1932-October 24, 1935), BANK STATEMENTS (January 4, 1933-November 20, 1934) AND AFFIDAVITS OF PUBLICATION (March 17, 1933-October 4, 1935), November 3, 1932-October 24, 1935. 1 bdl. (602).

No obvious arr. No index. Hdw. or typed on ptd. form. 7 x 6 x 2. Bsmt. vlt., cc.

Miscellaneous

365. (COPIES OF MONTHLY REPORTS TO BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS), January 1940--. 1 doc. f.

Arr. chron. by month of report. No index. Typed. 10 x 4 x 17. Safe, private off.

For original reports from sheriff, January 1 to December 31, 1937, January 1 to December 31, 1939, see entry 4.

366. COMPLAINT ARREST DISPOSITION CARDS CRIMINAL IDENTIFICATION (of Persons Arrested), 1939--. 1 f. d.

Arr. Alph. by first letter of surname of criminal. No index. Typed on ptd. form. 10 x 12 x 27. Private off.

367. "I" (sic) (dentification) & "C" (sic) (lassification) CARDS IN ACTIVE CASES (1939--). IDENTIFICATION & CLASSIFICATION CARDS INMATES IN COUNTY JAIL (1940--), 1939--. 1 f. d.

Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of criminal. No index. Typed on ptd. form. 10 x 12 x 27. Private off.

368. (File of Persons Possessing) PISTOL PERMITS (and) PERSONAL FINGERPRINTS AND IDENTIFICATION, 1939--. 1 f. d.

Permits, arr. alph. by first letter of surname of applicant; fingerprints, arr. alph. by first letter of surname of person fingerprinted. No index. Hdw. or typed. 10 x 12 x 27. Private off.

369. (GERMAN-AMERICAN BUND INVESTIGATION), 1940--. 3 f. d. Arr. alph. by first letter of name of county or type of automobile license. No index. Hdw. or typed. 10 x 12 x 27. Private off.

370. (Copies of Lists of Grand and Petit) JURORS, December term, 1923-September term, 1939. 2 bdl. (599, 700). Title varies slightly. Copies of lists of grand jurors, December term, 1926, April term, 1927-September term, 1929, April term, 1930-September term, 1932, September term, 1933-September term, 1935, in (Copies of Chancery and Circuit Courts) Orders Confirming Sales, entry 345; December term, 1935-December term, 1939 in Attorneys' Correspondence, entry 342; April term, 1940--, in (General File), entry 343.

Arr. Chron. by date of court term. No index. Typed. 9 x 8 x 4. Bsmt. vlt., cc.

371. (INVENTORY OF STILLs SEIZED BY SHERIFF), December 28, 1939--. In (Miscellaneous File), entry 524.

XVIII. PROSECUTOR OF THE PLEAS

During the first 70 years following the inception of Sussex County in 1753, the Attorney General of the State prosecuted violators of the criminal laws. (1) In 1823 the Legislature, in a joint meeting of the Council and Assembly, provided by statute for the mandatory appointment of a prosecutor in each county. (2) Sussex County named its first prosecutor in 1827. (3) By constitutional provision of 1844 he is now appointed by the Governor, with the consent of the Senate, for a term of 5 years. (4) The prosecutor is responsible for the detection, arrest, indictment, and prosecution of all persons involved in violations of the State criminal laws. (5) All the records of the prosecutor are kept in his office.

372. (GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE), approx. 1927--. 1 f. d.
Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of correspondent. No index.
Hdw. and typed on ptd. form. 10 x 12 x 27.

373. PENDING COMPLAINTS AND PENDING INDICTMENTS, approx. 1927--. 1 f. d.
Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of defendant. No index.
Hdw. and typed on ptd. form. 10 x 12 x 27.

374. (CASE PAPERS), approx. 1927--. 14 f. d. (labeled by contained letters of alph.).
Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of defendant. No index.
Hdw. and typed on ptd. form. 10 x 12 x 27.

375. PENDING JUVENILE AND DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT CASES (papers) AND INACTIVE FILES OF ABOVE, approx. 1927--. 1 f. d.
Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of defendant. No index.
Hdw. and typed on ptd. form. 10 x 12 x 27.

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- (1) Leaming and Spicer, Grants and Concessions, p. 344.
(2) P. L. 1823, p. 52.
(3) See entry 304.
(4) Const. 1844, art. 7, sec. 2, par. 4.
(5) R.S. 2:182-5.

376. FINGERPRINTS AND IDENTIFICATION CARDS, approx. 1927--.
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Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of criminal. No index. Hdw.
on ptd. form. 10 x 12 x 27.

XIX. JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

When Sussex County was created in 1753, justices of the peace were appointed by the Governor. (1) From 1776 to 1844, the appointive power belonged to the Council and Assembly. (2) At present there are 27 justices of the peace resident in Sussex and they are elected from each municipal ward and township of the county for 5-year terms. (3) The justice of the peace presides over the small cause court, which has jurisdiction over civil cases involving not more than \$200. (4) For the records of the justice of the peace, see entries 186, 202, 258.

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- (1) Common Pleas (Court) Minutes, Nov. 20, 1753, see entry 251; Edward Quinton Keasbey, New Jersey Courts and Lawyers, 1661-1912, II, 570.
- (2) Const. 1776,
- (3) Ibid., 1844, art. 6, sec. 7, par. 1; art. 7, sec. 2, par. 7; R.S. 2:9-1.
- (4) R.S. 2:9-16.

XX. SUPERINTENDENT OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

The first superintendent of weights and measures for Sussex County was appointed in 1912, (1) pursuant to legislation enacted a year earlier. (2) He is appointed by the board of chosen freeholders, (3) for an indefinite term under civil service regulations. (4) It is his duty to inspect, annually, all weights and measures used in trade within the county, employing legal standards certified by the State Superintendent of Weights and Measures, (5) and to institute proceedings against violators to enforce penalties. (6)

377. (COPIES OF MONTHLY REPORTS TO STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES), June 1, 1917--. 1 desk dr. Arr. chron. by date of report. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 5 x 12 x 18. Library, supt. home.

378. (COPIES OF ANNUAL REPORTS TO STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES), June 1, 1917--. 1 desk dr. Arr. chron. by date of report. No index. Typed on ptd. form. 5 x 12 x 18. Library, supt. home.

379. (INSPECTORS' DAILY REPORTS TO COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ON WEIGHTS AND MEASURES DEVICES), June 1, 1917--. 1 desk dr. Arr. chron. by date of report. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 5 x 12 x 18. Library, supt. home.

380. (APPLICATIONS FOR SOLID FUEL LICENSES), June 1, 1917--. 1 desk dr. Arr. chron. by date of issuance. No index. Typed on ptd. form. 5 x 12 x 18. Reception rm., supt. home.

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- (1) Report of Freeholders' Minutes in New Jersey Herald, published Feb. 22, 1912. (Original Freeholders' Minutes are missing.)
 (2) R.S. 51:1-43.
 (3) R.S. 51:1-43.
 (4) R.S. 51:1-52.
 (5) R.S. 51:1-65.
 (6) R.S. 51:1-63.

381. (STUBS OF CERTIFICATES FOR SOLID FUEL LICENSES AND LICENSE PLATES), June 1, 1937--. 1 desk dr.
Arr. numer. by certificate no. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form.
5 x 12 x 18. Reception rm., supt. home.
382. RECORD OF PROOFS OF BEAMS, SCALES, WEIGHTS MEASURES (February 24, 1874-June 12, 1875) & SURVEYORS' CHAINS (March 12 to June 5, 1874) IN SUSSEX COUNTY, N. J., February 24, 1874-June 12, 1875. 1 vol.
Arr. chron. by date of inspection. No index. Hdw. under ptd. head.
75 pp. (2 used) 6 x 12 x 1. Shelf, bsmt. vlt., cc.

XXI. CORONER

The first coroner for Sussex County was appointed by the Governor and Council in 1753, pursuant to the Provincial Constitution of the General Assembly. (1) The New Jersey State Constitution of 1776 provided for the election in each county of one or more coroners for a 1-year term. (2) Subsequent legislation made provision for the election in each county of three coroners to serve 3-year terms, although they were not permitted to succeed themselves. (3) The coroner's duties are to ascertain the causes of all sudden, violent, casual or unusual deaths occurring within the county and, if necessary, to hold inquests. (4) In cases of unknown or unclaimed bodies, the coroner attends to the interment. (5) Upon the death or disability of the sheriff, the coroner is empowered to act as sheriff pending the election of a new sheriff, or during such disability. In these instances, by direction of the court, he serves writs and process of the various courts of the county. (6) For the coroner's records, see entries 201, 207.

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- (1) New Jersey Archives, I, 35.
 - (2) Const. 1776, art. 13.
 - (3) R.S. 40:40-1.
 - (4) R.S. 40:40-4.
 - (5) R.S. 40:40-6.
 - (6) R.S. 40:41-17

XXII. COUNTY BOARD OF TAXATION

In 1902, the judge of the court of common pleas in Sussex County appointed a "county board of equalization of taxes," by virtue of a legislative enactment of 1900. (2) A statute of 1906 specifically provided for the appointment of a county board of taxation to supersede the previous board, (3) and such a board was established in Sussex in the following year. (4) The three members of the board of taxation are county residents appointed by the Governor, with Senate approval, for terms of 3 years. Only two members may belong to the same political party. (5) The board has supervision over all municipal assessors within the county and is empowered to review, equalize, (6) and increase or decrease assessed valuations of any property within the county. (7) On the first of April of each year the board dispatches the corrected, revised, completed and certified tax duplicates to the local collectors. The original tax lists remain in the office of the board as a public record. (8)

383. MINUTES, November 26, 1907--. 1 f. d.

Arr. chron. by date of meeting. No index. Hdw. or typed.
10 x 12 x 27. Off.

384. (MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO EQUALIZE ASSESSMENTS FOR TAXES), July 8, 1902-September 25, 1905. 1 vol.

Arr. chron. by date of meeting. No index. Typed. 152 pp.
(59 used) 14 x 8 x 1. Bsmt. vlt., ccl. off.

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- (1) Officers' Oaths, see entry 146.
 (2) P.L. 1900, p. 134.
 (3) P.L. 1906, p. 210.
 (4) County Board of Taxation, Minutes, Nov. 26, 1907,
see entry 383.
 (6) R.S. 54:3-2, 3.
 (6) R.S. 54:3-11; R.S. 54:3-13, 15; R.S. 54:3-16; R.S. 54:3-17,
 18, 19.
 (7) R.S. 54:4-47.
 (8) R.S. 54:4-55.

385. CORRESPONDENCE, July 19, 1920--. 1 f. b.
Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of correspondent. No
index. Hdw. and typed. 10 x 12 x 27. Off.
386. (Duplicate) TAX LIST(s), 1906--. 769 vol. (dated).
Subtitled by names of municipalities.
Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of owner. No index. Hdw.
on ptd. form. Aver. 70 pp. 5 x 12 x 1. 600 vol., 1906-35, bsmt.
vlt., ccl. off.; 1 vol., 1918, shelf, bsmt. vlt., cc.; 168 vol.,
1936--., off.
387. ABSTRACT(s) (of Ratables and Exemptions), 1906--. 2 f. d.
Arr. chron. by date of abstract. No index. Ptd. 5 x 6 x 18. Off.
388. BANK STATEMENTS, May 20, 1913--. 1 f. d.
Arr. chron. by date of statement. No index. Hdw. and typed on ptd.
form. 5 x 6 x 18. Off.
389. (Record of) BANK TAXES, 1914--. 2 vol.
No obvious arr. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 150 pp.
10 x 15 x 1. Cab., off.
390. SCHOOL CERTIFICATES (From District Clerks of Taxes To
Be Raised for School Purposes), March 27, 1916--. 1
f. d.
Arr. chron. by date of certificate. No index. Hdw. and typed on
ptd. form. 10 x 12 x 27. Off.
391. FRANCHISE SCHEDULES, 1920-38. 1 f. d. Discontinued as
county record; now kept by State Board of Taxation.
Arr. alph. by name of municipality. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form.
5 x 6 x 18. Off.
392. (Certified Copies of) MUNICIPAL BUDGETS, January 15,
1930--. 2 f. d.
Arr. alph. by name of municipality. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form.
5 x 6 x 18. Off.
393. APPEALS (Petitions), December 18, 1916--. 6 doc. i.,
1 f. d.
Arr. alph. by name of municipality in which property has been
assessed and thereunder chron. by date of filing. No index. Hdw.
on ptd. form. Doc. f., 10 x 4 x 17; f. d., 10 x 12 x 27. Off.

394. JUDGMENTS, December 14, 1912--. 1 f. d.
Arr. chron. by date of judgment. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form,
December 14, 1912-June 22, 1920; hdw. or typed on ptd. form. June
23 to August 30, 1920; typed on ptd. form, August 31, 1920--.
10 x 12 x 27., Off.

395. (RECORD OF APPEALS), December 18, 1911--. 3 vol.
Arr. chron. by date of filing of petition. No index. Hdw.
Aver. 301 pp. 14 x 9 x 2. Off.

XXIII. COUNTY TREASURER

The first county treasurer, known as "collector" until 1920, (1) was appointed in Sussex County by the "board of justices and freeholders" in 1754. (2) The treasurer is now appointed by the board of chosen freeholders for a term of 3 years. (3) It is his duty to collect and receive all moneys due the county; to be custodian of all county funds, except where otherwise provided by statute; to disburse and pay out these funds on order of the board of chosen freeholders and to perform such other duties as may be assigned to him from time to time by the board. Every month he renders a detailed account of all property and moneys in his possession. (4) He is also an ex officio member of the sinking fund commission. (5)

Correspondence

396. LETTERS (Correspondence to and from Treasurer), January 4, 1922-July 1, 1932. 7 letter f. dated; 1 letter f. also labeled 478).

Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of correspondent. No index. Hdw., or hdw. or typed under ptd. head, 13 x 3 x 13. Bsmt. vlt., cc.

Receipts and Disbursements

397. GEN'L. (General Credit) JOURNAL (of Current, Capital, and Trust Accounts), July 6, 1937--. 1 vol.

Arr. chron. by date of entry. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 300 pp. 14 x 14 x 2. Safe, vlt., off.

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- (1) R.S. 40:21-19.
 - (2) Sussex County Freeholders' Minutes, May 8, 1754, see entry 1.
 - (3) R.S. 40:21-19.
 - (4) R.S. 40:21-19.
 - (5) R.S. 40:3-4.

398. (Record of General Cash) RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS, November 5, 1925--. 7 vol. (A-G).
Arr. chron. by date of entry. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form.
Aver. 318 pp. 18 x 15 x 2. Cab., vlt., off.
399. GENERAL JOURNAL (of Receipts and Disbursements for Current Accounts), January 2, 1931--. 2 vol.
Arr. chron. by date of entry. No index. Hdw. Aver. 408 pp.
16 x 16 x 3. Vlt., off.
400. (DAILY RECORD OF DISBURSEMENTS), January 1 to December 31, 1921. 1 vol.
Arr. by name of appropriation and thereunder chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of name of appropriation.
Hdw. 300 pp. 11 x 8 x 2. Bsmt. vlt., cc.
401. (Record of) CASH CAPITAL ACCOUNTS, (Andover-Newton Route 31, Newton-Ross Corner Route 31 and S31), July 15, 1937--. 1 vol.
Arr. chron. by date of entry. No index. Hdw. 200 pp. 14 x 11 x 1.
Safe, vlt., off.
402. (Municipal) TAX (Receipts) ACCOUNT, January 5, 1926--. 2 vol.
Arr. chron. by date of entry. No index. Hdw. Aver. 300 pp.
16 x 12 x 2. Cab., vlt., off.
403. (Record of) CAPITAL & TRUST (Accounts Receipts and Disbursements), January 1, 1923--. 1 vol.
No obvious arr. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 350 pp. 17 x 5 x 2.
Safe, vlt., off.
404. (RECORD OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR CURRENT, TRUST, AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS), April 1, 1923--. 4 vol.
Arr. alph. by first letter of name of account and thereunder chron. by date of entry. No index. Hdw. Aver. 350 pp. 18 x 16 x 2.
Vlt., off.
405. COLE ACT ACCOUNT (of Moneys Appropriated and Expended for County Roads), June 22, 1937--. 2 vol. (dated).
Arr. alph. by first letter of name of road. No index. Hdw. Aver. 50 pp. 15 x 13 x 1. Cab., vlt., off.
406. (Record of) APPROPRIATION(s) (and Expenditures)-ROAD OR DEPARTMENT, January 9 to March 7, 1928. 1 vol.
Arr. by name of road or department. No index. Hdw. 200 pp.
13 x 9 x 1. Cab., vlt., off.

407. JOURNAL (of Appropriations and Expenditures), January 1 to December 29, 1920. 1 vol. (563).
Arr. by name of appropriation and thereunder chron. by date of expenditure. Indexed alph. by first letter of name of appropriation. Hdw. 300 pp. (43 used) 11 x 8 x 2. Bsmt. vlt., cc.
408. UNEMPLOYMENT RELIEF CASH BOOK (of Disbursements), January 19 to December 28, 1932. 1 vol. (437).
Arr. chron. by date of payment. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 300 pp. (45 used) 12 x 7 x 2. Bsmt. vlt., cc.

Purchases

409. PAID BILLS FOR (Purchases by County), June 29, 1937-December 31, 1940. 2 f. d. (dated).
Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of vendor and thereunder chron. by date of payment. No index. Hdw. or typed on ptd. form. 10 x 12 x 27. Fr. off., adm. bldg.
410. (RECORD OF CARLOAD PURCHASES), May 12, 1928-July 19, 1929. 1 vol.
Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of vendor and thereunder chron. by date of shipment. No index. Hdw. 150 pp. 13 x 8 x 1. Cab., vlt., off.
411. (LEDGER OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE), January 3, 1920-December 28, 1921. 1 vol. (584).
Arr. by name of account and thereunder chron. by date of purchase. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of vendor. Hdw. 300 pp. 12 x 8 x 1. Bsmt. vlt., cc.
412. LEDGER (of Daily Purchases), January 14 to December 17, 1921. 1 vol. (488).
Arr. by first letter of surname of vendor and thereunder chron. by date of purchase. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of vendor. Hdw. 288 pp. (35 used) 12 x 6 x 3. Bsmt. vlt., cc.

Receipts of County Departments

413. (Monthly STATEMENT(s) (of County Clerks') RECEIPTS, January 5, 1939--. 2 bdl. February 1, 1919-December 31, 1938 in (Miscellaneous Financial Records), entry 420.
Arr. chron. by date of statement. No index. Typed. 9 x 3 x 5. Vlt., off.

For copies of monthly statements, December 4, 1922--, see entry 197.

414. (Monthly) STATEMENT(s) OF (Surrogates') RECEIPTS, January 1, 1939--. 1 bdl. February 1 to 28, 1929, June 1, 1929-December 31, 1938 in (Miscellaneous Financial Records), entry 420.

Arr. chron. by date of statement. No index. Typed. 8 x 3 x 9.
Vlt., off.

415. (Monthly) STATEMENT(s) (of Sheriffs') RECEIPTS, January 5, 1939--. 2 bdl. December 1, 1925-December 31, 1938 in (Miscellaneous Financial Records), entry 420.

Arr. chron. by date of statement. No index. Typed. 9 x 3 x 7.
Vlt., off.

Bonds and Notes

416. (CANCELED BOND COUPONS), January 1, 1939--. 1 bdl. October 1, 1921-December 30, 1938 in (Miscellaneous Financial Records), entry 420.

No obvious arr. No index. Ptd. 4 x 8 x 5. Vlt., off.

417. (BOND COUPONS, LISTS OF OWNERS OF BONDS, AND CANCELED CHECKS), December 31, 1938-December 30, 1939. 3 f. d.

Arr. by type of subject. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 10 x 12 x 27.
Cab., vlt., off.

418. BOND REGISTER, October 1, 1908--. 1 vol.

Arr. chron. by date of entry. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 300 pp.
21 x 14 x 2. Cab., vlt., off.

419. (Duplicate) TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES, December 24, 1935--.
1 vol.

Arr. chron. by date of issuance. No index. Typed. 100 pp. 16 x 8 x 1.
Cab., vlt., off.

Miscellaneous

420. (MISCELLANEOUS FINANCIAL RECORDS), January 1, 1918-December 31, 1940. 252 bdl., 275 envelopes, 8 cartons, 47 f. b.

Miscellaneous file, consisting of:

- a. Anticipation notes, paid and canceled tax, January 1, 1918-September 1, 1933.
- b. Appointments of the following officials: Clerk of board of chosen freeholders, January 2, 1939; county supervisor of roads, member of shade tree commission, and county treasurer, January 2, 1940. For other appointments of officials, see entries 107-e, 111, 118-b, 179-a, 200.

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- c. Bills, delivery slips, invoices, and monthly statements, October 1, 1921-January 9, 1940.
- d. Bituminous road materials, copies of purchase order notices sent to State Highway Department for, May 11, 1932-December 30, 1939.
- e. Bonds, paid and canceled, October 1, 1921-November 1, 1934.
- f. Checks, canceled, October 1, 1921-December 31, 1939.
- g. Election of director of board of chosen freeholders, January 2, 1939.
- h. Maintenance costs, township and borough aid road, 1931-32.
- i. Oaths of the following officials: Counsel and solicitor of board of chosen freeholders, January 2, 1939; county engineer, January 2, 1939; member of board of chosen freeholders, January 2, 1939, January 2, 1940; and oath and letter of acceptance member of sinking fund commission, January 2, 1939. For other officials' oaths, see entries 146-152, 179-c, 533-h.
- j. Pay roll sheets, county engineers' daily, September 3, 1934-December 31, 1940.
- k. Pay roll slips, county engineers' daily, September 3, 1934-December 31, 1940.
- l. Road materials, bids, specifications, contracts, liability insurance policies, and bonds for, April 21, 1926-November 3, 1931, March 22, 1933-December 31, 1939.
- m. Statements, bank deposit and withdrawal, October 1, 1921-December 31, 1939.
- n. Statements, township road aid force account, May 31, 1938-November 18, 1940.
- o. Vouchers for county expenditures, paid, January 20, 1921-December 29, 1939.

Also contains: Board of chosen freeholders' rough minutes, January 8, 1935- August 18, 1936, entry 3; county clerk's monthly reports of fees, February 1, 1919-December 31, 1938, entry 413; surrogate's monthly reports of fees February 1 to 28, 1929, June 1, 1929-December 31, 1938, entry 414; sheriff's monthly reports of fees, December 1, 1925-December 31, 1938, entry 415; canceled bond coupons, October 1, 1921-December 30, 1938, entry 416; daily departmental time and costs reports, January 21, 1921-December 12, 1940, entry 423; receipts for county welfare home dairy products sold, January 3 to December 31, 1934, entry 476; correspondence between State Highway Commission and county engineer, March 24, 1934-October 29, 1936, entry 481; lists of county road projects, township and borough aid applications and agreements, October 1, 1927-January 18, 1935, entry 487; copies of State Highway daily material inspections, April 20, 1932-September 12, 1939, entry 488; county road camp daily gasoline and oil receipts, March 21, 1935-December 29, 1939, entry 502; daily reports of road

oil purchased and used, March 14 to October 29, 1938, entry 504; daily reports of gasoline and oil used in county-owned equipment, January 1, 1935-December 30, 1938, entry 505; county road camp daily truck arrival and departure reports, January 7 to October 31, 1938, January 9 to December 27, 1939, February 1 to April 23, 1940, entry 510; county road camp daily transportation reports, June 15, 1934-March 18, 1935, entry 511; county road camp copies of requisitions for materials and supplies, January 1, 1927-December 31, 1939, entry 514; quarry weight slips for truck loads of stone delivered to road job, January 3 to December 30, 1939, entry 518; permits for street and road openings, August 17, 1926-March 19, 1934, entry 527; county road supervisor's certificates of progress, January 1, 1923-November 2, 1940, entry 528; specifications for construction of roads, undated, entry 529. No obvious arr. No index. Hdw., typed, ptd., hdw. or typed on ptd. form, or hdw. or typed on mimeographed form. Bdl., 14 x 4 x 4; envelope, 14 x 10 x 1; carton, 16 x 14 x 14; f. b., 10 x 12 x 27. Bdl., envelope, carton, January 1, 1918-December 31, 1933, bsmt. vlt., cc.; f. b., January 1, 1934-December 31, 1940, bsmt. vlt., adm. bldg.

421. ABSTRACTS OF RATABLES (and Exemptions), 1921--. 1 folder (dated).

Arr. alph. by first letter of name of municipality. No index. Typed on ptd. form. 14 x 9 x 1. Cab., vlt., off.

422. (Record of School) TRUST CASH ACCOUNTS, July 15, 1924--. 1 vol.

Arr. chron. by date of entry. No index. Hdw. 200 pp. 16 x 12 x 1. Cab., vlt., off.

423. SUSSEX COUNTY DAILY (Departmental) TIME & COST RECORD(s) (Submitted Biweekly), January 1, 1940--. 28 f. d. Subtitled by names of departments for which work was performed. January 21, 1921-December 12, 1940 in (Miscellaneous Financial Records), entry 420.

Arr. chron. by date of report. No index. Hdw. or typed on ptd. form. 14 x 9 x 1. Cab., vlt., off.

For county supervisor of roads daily time and cost reports, January 1, 1940--, see entry 521.

424. (AUDIT SHEETS), 1929-38. 12 vol.

Arr. by type of account. No index. Typed. Aver. 300 pp. 11 x 9 x 2. Cab., vlt., off.

425. (Copies of) REFUND CLAIM(s) (for Motor Fuel Oil Taxes),
July 1935-August 1936. 2 folders.

Arr. chron. by date of claim. No index. Hdw. or typed on ptd.
form. 11 x 9 x 2. Cab., vlt., off.

XXIV. SINKING FUND COMMISSION

A sinking fund commission was first established in Sussex County in 1917 (1) as provided by statute. (2) Three resident taxpaying citizens, chosen because of their experience in the conduct and management of financial affairs, are appointed to the commission for terms of 3 years by the director of the board of chosen freeholders, with the approval of the board. These three shall hold no other public office. The director of the board of chosen freeholders, and the county treasurer, are ex officio members of the commission. (3)

The commission invests sinking fund moneys in United States bonds, or in bonds or negotiable notes or certificates of any county, municipality, or school district of the State. The maturing dates of these investments shall be such that there shall be money on hand to pay the several issues of county bonds as they become due. (4)

426. (MINUTES), May 1, 1917--. 1 vol.
Arr. chron. by date of meeting. No index. Typed. 250 pp. 12 x 8 x 2.
Safe, treas. off.

427. (Correspondence Pertaining to) CLAIMS (Against Sinking Fund Commission), January 15, 1933-February 20, 1934.
1 folder.
No obvious arr. No index. Hdw. and typed on ptd. form. 14 x 9 x 1.
Cab., vlt., treas. off.

428. (CASH BOOK AND JOURNAL), January 1, 1923--. 1 vol.
Arr. by type of subject and thereunder chron. by date of entry. No index. Hdw. 152 pp. (118 used) 14 x 11 x 1. Vlt., treas. off.

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- (1) Sussex County Freeholders' Minutes, Apr. 23, 1917, see entry 1.
(2) R.S. 40:3-4.
(3) R.S. 40:3-4.
(4) R.S. 40:3-4.

429. LEDGER (of Investments), January 1, 1922--. 1 vol.
Arr. chron. by date of entry. No index. Hdw. 200 pp. 14 x 8 x 1.
Cab., vlt., treas. off.
430. (Unmatured) ROAD IMPROVEMENT BONDS, March 22, 1916-
January 1, 1940. 1 doc. f.
No obvious arr. No index. Ptd. 10 x 4 x 17. Cab., vlt., treas.
off.
431. (Annual) AUDITS, April 16, 1923--. 1 folder.
No obvious arr. No index. Typed on ptd. form. 14 x 9 x 2. Cab.,
vlt., treas. off.
432. (Annual) SINKING FUND STATEMENT, January 5, 1923--. 1 folder.
No obvious arr. No index. Typed on ptd. form. 10 x 15 x 1. Cab.,
vlt., treas. off.
433. (RECORD OF CURRENT TRIAL BALANCES), December 31, 1939--.
3 vol.
No obvious arr. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 400 pp. 11 x 10 x 2.
Cab., vlt., treas. off.
434. CANCELLED (sic) CHECKS (and) BANKING STATEMENTS, January
2, 1932--. 1 envelope, 5 doc. f., 6 vol.
No obvious arr. No index. Typed on ptd. form. Envelope, 10 x 4 x 1;
doc. f., 10 x 4 x 17; vol. aver. 300 pp. 12 x 8 x 2. Cab., vlt.,
treas. off.

XXV. COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

The county board of elections was established in Sussex County in 1895. (1) It consists of four members. (2) The chairmen of the two leading political parties each nominate a resident voter of the county annually for membership on the board of elections, whereupon the Governor commissions them for 2-year terms. (3) The board exercises supervision and authority over all district boards at all elections in the county, (4) and selects the polling places for each election district of the county. (5) In addition, it maintains full law and order during a meeting and can order the police to arrest persons refusing obedience to its lawful commands. (6) The records of the board are in the secretary's office.

Minutes

435. RECORD MINUTES SUSSEX COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS, August 1, 1914--. 1 vol. (500D).
Arr. chron. by date of meeting. No index. Hdw. 500 pp. (127 used) 15 x 8 x 3.

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- (1) P.L. 1895, pp. 659, 660
 - (2) R.S. 19:6-17
 - (3) R.S. 19:6-17, 18.
 - (4) R.S. 19:15-1.
 - (5) R.S. 19:8-2.
 - (6) R.S. 19:6-30.

XXVI. COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

The office of the county superintendent of schools in Sussex County was established in 1867, (1) pursuant to mandatory legislation enacted the same year. (2) The superintendent is appointed by the State Commissioner of Education for a term of 3 years. (3) The primary duties of the superintendent are to exercise general supervision of public schools in the county in accordance with regulations prescribed by the State Board of Education. He makes periodic examinations of all the schools under his care and keeps the State Board of Education in constant touch with local conditions and requirements in education. (4) He renders an annual report relative to school matters to the State Commissioner of Education. (5) All the records of the superintendent of schools are located in his office.

436. (Copies of Annual Statistical) REPORTS (From County Superintendent to State Commissioner of Education), September 1, 1868--. 4 vol. (dated).

Arr. chron. by date of report. No index. Hdw. under ptd. head. Aver. 119 pp. 12 x 15 x 1.

437. BUS INSPECTION REPORTS OF VEHICLES, August 2, 1935--. 1 f. d.

Arr. alph. by name of municipality. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 10 x 12 x 27.

438. TRANSPORTATION CONTRACTS, September 1, 1929--. 1 doc. f.

Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of party furnishing transportation. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 10 x 4 x 17.

(1) Sussex County Freeholders' Minutes, May 9, 1867, see entry 1.

(2) P.L. 1867, p. 363.

(3) R.S. 18:4-1.

(4) R.S. 18:4-7.

(5) R.S. 18:4-8.

439. RECORDS (of Pupils) FOR EASTERN TERRITORY (of County),
September 1, 1927--. 2 f. d.
Arr. alph. by name of school district. No index. Hdw. 5 x 6 x 18.
440. RECORDS (of Pupils) FOR WESTERN TERRITORY (of County),
September 1, 1927--. 2 f. d.
Arr. alph. by name of school district. No index. Hdw. 5 x 6 x 18.
441. COUNTY BOARD OF CHILDREN(s') GUARDIANS (Attendance File
of Children who are in the Custody of State Board of
Children's Guardians), June 15, 1929--. 1 f. d.
Arr. alph. by name of school. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form.
5 x 6 x 18.
442. (Record of) MONTHLY ATTENDANCE REPORTS (From Principals),
August 31, 1933--. 1 vol.
Arr. alph. by name of school district. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form.
50 pp. 10 x 14 x 1.
443. PUPILS SENT AND RECEIVED (Reports of Pupils for Whom
Transportation is Provided or Tuition Paid), June 30,
1940--. 1 desk dr. Prior records destroyed.
Arr. alph. by name of municipality. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form.
5 x 13 x 24.
444. ACCOUNT (Record of Apportionment) OF STATE (School)
MONEYS, July 1, 1933--. 1 f. d.
Arr. chron. by date of entry. No index. Typed. 10 x 12 x 27.
445. APPORTIONMENT OF SCHOOL MONEYS, July 1, 1925--. 1 f. d.
Arr. alph. by name of school district. No index. Typed.
10 x 12 x 27.
446. (District Clerks') ANNUAL BUDGETS FOR DISTRICT SCHOOLS,
February 1929--. 1 f. d.
Arr. alph. by name of school district. No index. Typed on ptd.
form. 10 x 12 x 27.
447. (Lists of) TEACHER(s') SALARIES, August 31, 1938--.
1 f. d.
Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of teacher. No index. Typed.
10 x 12 x 27.

448. (Copies of Lists of Dues Paid to) New Jersey State
TEACHERS(') ASSOCIATION, 1928-29. 1 f. d.

Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of teacher. No index.
Typed on ptd. form. 10 x 12 x 27.

449. (Record of) TEACHER(s) CERTIFICATES, July 1, 1911--.
1 vol. in desk dr.

Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of teacher. No index. Hdw.
200 pp. 9 x 7 x 1.

450. CERTIFICATE(s) TO COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF TAX(es) TO
BE RAISED IN SCHOOL DISTRICT(s), March 1, 1928--.
1 doc. f.

Arr. alph. by name of municipality. No index. Typed on ptd. form.
10 x 4 x 17.

XXVII. THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE VOCATIONAL
SCHOOL IN THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX

The board of education of the vocational school was established in Sussex County in 1937, (1) statutory provision for the office having been made as early as 1913. (2) The board is composed of the county superintendent of schools and four citizens, residents of the county for 3 years, who are appointed by the judge of the court of common pleas for terms of 4 years. (3) The board is empowered to buy school equipment, and make rules for the management of the vocational classes. The board of education of the vocational school insures the buildings used for vocational school purposes. The employees necessary for the efficient operation of its program are also under its jurisdiction. The board appoints as treasurer a person who has no affiliation with the board of education, and fixes both his salary and term of office. It must submit an annual report to the State Commissioner of Education for his approval. (4) All records are maintained in the office of the superintendent of schools.

451. (MINUTES), August 3, 1937--. 1 vol. in desk dr.
Arr. chron. by date of meeting. No index. Typed. 150 pp.
10 x 7 x 1.

452. (COPIES OF ANNUAL REPORTS, ORIGINALS OF WHICH ARE SENT
TO STATE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION), August 3, 1927--.
2 f. d.

also contains:

Correspondence.

Arr. alph. by type of subject. No index. Hdw. or typed.
10 x 12 x 27.

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- (1) (Minutes), Aug. 3, 1937, see entry 451.
(2) R.S. 18:15-39.
(3) R.S. 18:15-46.
(4) R.S. 18:15-51.

XXVIII. COUNTY WELFARE BOARD

The Sussex County welfare board was established in 1932 (1) as provided by law. (2) It consists of five citizens, two of whom are women, together with two freeholders and the county adjuster, who serves ex officio. The members are appointed by the board of chosen freeholders for terms of 5 years. They serve without compensation, except for necessary and actual expenses. The welfare board appoints a director and deputy director, subject to the approval of the board of chosen freeholders. (3)

The principal functions of the welfare board concern the supervision of relief, the legal settlement of the poor, and the administration of old-age assistance. (4) The records of the board are kept in its office in the Hall of Records.

Correspondence and General File

453. CORRESPONDENCE (and General File), July 1, 1932--.

- 1 f. d. General file, consisting of:
- a. Bills paid, lists of, July 1, 1932--.
 - b. Budgets, copies of original, submitted by county welfare board to State Department of Institutions and Agencies, 1937-40.
 - c. Correspondence, general, September 5, 1937--.
 - d. Lists of recipients of old-age assistance, January 1, 1938--.
 - e. Minutes, July, 1, 1932--.
 - f. Reports of relief payments, copies of originals, submitted by county welfare board to board of chosen freeholders, February 6, 1937--.
 - g. Reports from director to county welfare board, annual, July 1, 1933-July 1, 1940.

(1) Sussex County Freeholders' Minutes, Mar. 22, 1932, see entry 1.
 (2) R.S. 44:1-10.
 (3) R.S. 40:1-11, 12.
 (4) R.S. 44:7-7.

- h. Reports of child welfare division, submitted by director to county welfare board, June 2, 1939-December 31, 1940.
- i. Reports of cases concerning other counties, submitted by director to county welfare board, November 14, 1933-March 25, 1937.
- j. Reports, statistical, submitted by State Department of Institutions and Agencies, December 31, 1938-June 30, 1940.

Arr. by type of subject. No index. Hdw. or typed. 10 x 12 x 27.

454. WELFARE BOARDS OF NEW JERSEY, May 2, 1932--. 1 f. d.
File, consisting of:

- a. Correspondence to and from various county welfare boards in this State May 2, 1932--.
- b. Relief payment accounts, August 1, 1932-December 14, 1935. Correspondence, arr. alph. by name of county; account, arr. chron. by date of payment. No index. Typed or typed under ptd. head. 10 x 12 x 27.

455. FOLLOW UPS, PAY ROLLS, & OTHER REPORTS, August 1, 1935--.
1 f. d.

File, consisting of:

- a. Correspondence pertaining to applicants for old-age assistance, August 1, 1935--.
 - b. Statements and schedules of old-age assistance administrative expenses, June 30, 1936--.
- Correspondence, arr. numer. by case no.; statement and schedule, arr. by date of payment. No index. Hdw., typed, hdw. and typed, or typed on ptd. form or under ptd. head. 10 x 12 x 27.

Old-Age Assistance

456. APPLICATION(s) FOR CONTINUANCE OF OLD-AGE ASSISTANCE, June 14, 1932--. 4 f. d. (labeled by contained application no. 1-800).

Arr. numer. by case no. For index, see entry 457. Typed on ptd. form. 10 x 12 x 27.

457. OLD-AGE ASSISTANCE INDEX (to Applications for Continuance of Old-Age Assistance), June 14, 1932--.
1 f. d.

Serves as index to entry 456. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of recipient. Typed on ptd. form. 5 x 6 x 18.

458. OLD-AGE ASSISTANCE DISCHARGES (Case Histories),
August 1, 1932--. 1 f. d.

Arr. numer. by case no. No index. Typed. 10 x 12 x 27.

459. DEATHS (Case Histories of Deceased Recipients of Old-
Age Assistance), July 1, 1932--. 3 f. d. (labeled by
contained case no. 1-900).

Arr. chron. by date of death. No index. Typed on ptd. form.
10 x 12 x 27.

460. (LEDGER OF DISBURSEMENTS FOR OLD-AGE ASSISTANCE),
July 1, 1934-January 1, 1958. 1 vol. in table dr. (150).

Arr. numer. by case no. No index. Hdw. Vol. 152 pp. (88 used)
13 x 16 x 1; table dr., 3 x 23 x 28.

Children's Guardians

461. BOARD OF CHILDREN'S GUARDIANS (Case Histories), August 31,
1936--. 1 f. d.

Arr. numer. by case no. For index, see entry 462. Typed on ptd.
form. 10 x 12 x 27.

462. CHILDREN'S GUARDIANS INDEX (to Case Histories),
August 31, 1936--. 1 f. d.

Serves as index to entry 461. Arr. alph. by first letter of sur-
name of family. Typed. 5 x 6 x 18.

CCC

463. C.C.C. FILES, October 23, 1936--. 1 f. d.

File, consisting of:

- a. Applications for enrollment in CCC, 1940--.
- b. Applications for enrollment in CCC, rejected.
- c. Discharges from CCC, administrative and dishonorable,
March 29, 1937--.
- d. Discharges from CCC, honorable, March 1, 1937--.
- e. Enrollments in CCC, active.

Arr. by type of subject and thereunder chron. by date of paper.
For index, see entry 464. Typed on ptd. form. 10 x 12 x 27.

464. (Index to) C.C.C. RECORDS (Files), October 23, 1936--.
1 f. d.

Serves as index to entry 463. Arr. alph. by first letter of sur-
name of applicant and thereunder chron. by date of entry. Typed
on ptd. form. 5 x 6 x 18.

Financial

465. (LEDGER OF ALL RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS), January 3, 1939--. 1 vol. in table dr.
Arr. chron. by date of entry. No index. Hdw. Vol. 150 pp. (15 used). 15 x 11 x 1; table dr., 3 x 23 x 28.
466. (LEDGER OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS), July 1, 1933-December 22, 1938. 1 vol. in table dr.
Arr. chron. by date of entry. No index. Hdw. Vol. 152 pp. (18 used). 15 x 11 x 1; table dr., 3 x 23 x 29.
467. (LEDGER OF OFFICE DISBURSEMENTS), April 15, 1932-December 31, 1938. 1 vol. in table dr. (150).
Arr. chron. by date of entry and thereunder numer. by invoice no. No index. Hdw. Vol. 152 pp. (36 used). 15 x 11 x 1; table dr., 3 x 23 x 28.

Maps

468. (Engineering) ROAD MAP (of Locations of Active Old-Age Assistance Cases) OF SUSSEX CO., N. J., 1938.
1 map on north wall.
Draftsman: Harvey Snook, C. E. Black and white. Scale, 1 in. equals 1 mi. 32 x 35.

XXIX. SUPERVISOR OF COUNTY WELFARE HOME

In 1940, the board of chosen freeholders in Sussex County appointed an individual to act as the supervisor of the county welfare home. (1) Prior to that time, the welfare home was known as the "almshouse" and was under the supervision of a specially selected steward. (2) The supervisor of the welfare home is now annually appointed to his post by the board of chosen freeholders. (3) He has direct management of the home, supervises its business administrations, and is responsible for the welfare of its inmates. He maintains case histories of all his charges and also keeps records of all the reports of the welfare home physician.

469. (ACTIVE CASE HISTORIES), July 25, 1929--. 82 sheets on desk.

Also contains:

Reports, medical examination, February 17, 1940--.

Arr. chron. by date of commitment. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 11 x 8 x 1. Off.

470. (INACTIVE CASE HISTORIES), April 16, 1915-May 13, 1940. 1 bdl.

Arr. chron. by date of commitment. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 9 x 4 x 3. Safe, off.

471. COMMITMENT BOOK SUSSEX CO. ALMS HOUSE, scattered dates, June 14, 1842--. 2 vol. Title varies: Record of Arrivals, Departures, Births, Deaths, and Returns, June 14, 1842-March 22, 1877, 1 vol.

Arr. chron. by date of arrival, departure, birth, death, or return June 14, 1842-March 22, 1877; arr. chron. by date of commitment. September 16, 1877--. No index, June 14, 1842-March 22, 1877; indexed alph. by first letter of surname of inmate, September 16, 1877--. Hdw.

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- (1) Sussex County Freeholders' Minutes, Feb. 15, 1940, see entry 1.
 (2) (Officials') Old Bonds and Oaths, see entry 148.
 (3) Sussex County Freeholders' Minutes, Feb. 15, 1940, see entry 1.

Aver. 201 pp. 13 x 11 x 2. 1 vol., June 14, 1842-March 22, 1877, closet, off.; 1 vol., September 16, 1877--, on desk, off.

472. (ACTIVE PHYSICIANS' CONTAGIOUS DISEASE REPORTS), February 16, 1933--. 31 sheets on desk.

Arr. chron. by date of report. No index. Hdw. or hdw. under ptd. head. 11 x 8 x 1. Off.

473. (INACTIVE PHYSICIANS' CONTAGIOUS DISEASE REPORTS), February 16, 1933-May 13, 1940. 1 envelope.

Arr. chron. by date of report. No index. Hdw. or hdw. under ptd. head. 10 x 4 x 1. Safe, off.

474. LEDGER (of Merchandise Bought or Sold), February 17, 1940--. 2 vol. Title varies: Single Entry Ledger, February 17 to December 31, 1940, 1 vol.

Arr. alph. by name of account and thereunder chron. by date of receipt or delivery. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of vendor or vendee. Hdw. Aver. 200 p., 12 x 7 x 1. 1 vol., February 17 to December 31, 1940, closet, off.; 1 vol., January 1, 1941--, on desk, off.

475. RECORD (of Monthly Receipts and Disbursements) SUSSEX CO. ALMS HOUSE, February 9, 1913-April 10, 1926. 1 vol. (300).

Arr. chron. by month of entry. No index. Hdw. 300 pp. (174 used). 13 x 8 x 2. Closet, off.

476. (RECEIPTS FOR WELFARE HOME DAIRY PRODUCTS SOLD), January 3, to December 31, 1934. In (Miscellaneous Financial Records), entry 420.

477. (RECORD OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS OF FARM), April 1, 1913-July 7, 1926. 1 vol. (D-300).

Arr. chron. by date of entry. No index. Hdw. 296 pp. (81 used). 12 x 6 x 2. Closet, off.

XXX. COUNTY ADJUSTER

An act of the Legislature in 1916 provided for the appointment of a "commissioner in lunacy," the appointment to be made by the judge of the court of common pleas, with the advice and consent of the board of chosen freeholders. (1) In compliance with this legislation, such appointment was made in 1917. (2)

In 1919, the Legislature changed the title of the office to county adjuster. (3)

The county adjuster prepares the necessary papers for the commitment of the insane, (4) and investigates the financial status of all indigent persons committed to institutions. (5) He is also an ex officio member of the county welfare board. (6) In Sussex, the county clerk is the county adjuster. (7) For records of commitments to State institutions, see entries 287-295.

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- (1) P.L. 1916, p. 184.
 - (2) Common Pleas (Court) Minutes, Mar. 27, 1917, see entry 251.
 - (3) R.S. 30:4-34.
 - (4) R.S. 30:4-34.
 - (5) R.S. 30:4-76.
 - (6) R.S. 44:7-7.
 - (7) R.S. 30:4-34.

XXXI. PHYSICIAN OF THE COUNTY WELFARE HOME

The Sussex County board of chosen freeholders, in 1863, appointed a physician to look after the health of the paupers in the poorhouse. He was then known as the almshouse physician, (1) a title which remained unchanged until recently, when the almshouse became known as a welfare home. This official is now designated as the physician of the county welfare home, and is appointed by the board of chosen freeholders for a 1-year term. (2) It is his duty to attend the welfare home at least once a week, and oftener if necessary, to examine the inmates, and administer such medical and surgical aid as is required. (3) His records are kept in his private residence.

478. (RECORD OF PATIENTS VISITED AT THEIR HOMES), October 1, 1939--. 1 f. d.

Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of patient. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 5 x 6 x 18.

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- (1) Sussex County Freeholders' Minutes, May 13, 1863, see entry 1.
 (2) Ibid., Jan. 5, 1940.
 (3) Ibid., May 13, 1863.

XXXII. SUPERINTENDENT OF SOLDIERS' BURIALS

The office of superintendent of soldiers' burials was established in Sussex County in 1937, (1) although statutory provision for the institution of such an office had been made 25 years earlier. (2) The superintendent of soldiers' burials is now appointed by the board of chosen freeholders for a 1-year term. (3) He is charged with the duty of providing proper interment for the bodies of all honorably discharged and indigent soldiers, sailors, marines, and nurses who have given wartime service for the United States. (4) He is also responsible for the erection of headstones and the proper care of the graves. (5) All the records pertaining to this office are kept under the counter in the county clerk's office.

479. (LISTS OF WORLD WAR, NOVEMBER 5, 1917-- AND PRIOR WAR, JUNE 18, 1779-- VETERANS' GRAVES), June 18, 1779--.

1 f. d. Compiled by ERA in 1935.

Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of veteran. No index. Typed on ptd. form. 5 x 6 x 18.

480. (LISTS OF CEMETERIES AND VETERANS' GRAVES), undated.

1 vol. Compiled by ERA in 1955.

Arr. alph. by first letter of name of cemetery or surname of veteran. No index. Typed. 100 pp. 12 x 8 x 1.

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- (1) Sussex County Freeholders' Minutes, May 25, 1937, see entry 1.
 - (2) R.S. 38:17-2.
 - (3) R.S. 38:17-2.
 - (4) R.S. 38:17-1.
 - (5) R.S. 38:17-1.

XXXIII. COUNTY ENGINEER

Sussex County had its first county engineer in 1909 (1) in compliance with an act of the Legislature of the same year. (2) To facilitate inter-county cooperation in road construction, an act concerning roads was passed by the Legislature in 1912, and the term of office of the county engineer, originally 3 years, was increased to 5 years. (3)

The board of chosen freeholders appoints a qualified civil engineer to the office of county engineer. Before taking office, he makes and subscribes to an oath that he will faithfully perform the duties of his office, and he gives bond to the board of chosen freeholders. In conjunction with the State Highway Engineer, the county engineer provides the board of chosen freeholders with certificates of completion of road contracts so that payment by the county may be made, and advises the board as to partial work done in conformity with contracts providing for installment payments. (4)

481. (CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION AND COUNTY ENGINEER), March 24, 1934-October 29, 1936. In (Miscellaneous Financial Records), entry 420.

482. (COPIES OF APPLICATIONS FOR ROAD OPENINGS), April 19, 1926, October 26, 1926--. 1 f. d. (6)

Copies of applications for road openings, October 26, 1926--.

Also contains:

- a. Aid to municipalities, statement of State, 1939.
 - b. Falcium chloride, specifications for, May 10, 1934.
 - c. Cement, specifications for, June 12, 1933.
 - d. Correspondence, copies of outgoing, October 25, 1939.
 - e. Curbing agreement with Sparta Township, May 24, 1935.
 - f. Employment, application for, April 19, 1926.
 - g. Injured employee, doctors certificate for, February 14, 1939.
 - h. Report, injured employee's compensation insurance, May 22, 1939.
- Arr. alph. by first letter of type of subject. No index. Hdw. or typed. 10 x 12 x 27. Co. eng. and rd. supervisor's off.

(1) Sussex County Freeholders Minutes, Jan. 1, 1909, see entry 1.
 (2) P.L. 1909, pp. 316, 317.
 (3) R.S. 27:14-24.
 (4) R.S. 27:14-15, 24.

483. (Plans, Specifications, Estimates, and Bids Submitted for Construction of Proposed) BRIDGES, September 1, 1921--. 1 f. d.

Arr. numer. by bridge no. No index. Typed or typed on ptd. or mimeographed form. 10 x 12 x 27. Co. eng. and rd. supervisor's off.

484. (Copies of Proposals, Estimates, Bids, Bonds, Contracts, Specifications, State Aid and Rights of Way Agreements, and Correspondence for Construction and Maintenance of) COUNTY ROADS, October 17, 1922--. 5 f. d.

Arr. alph. by first letter of name of road and thereunder by first letter of type of subject. No index. Hdw., ptd., typed or typed on ptd. or mimeographed form. 10 x 12 x 27. Co. eng. and rd. supervisor's off.

485. (Copies of Proposals, Estimates, Bids, Bonds, Reports, Correspondence, Applications, and Agreements for State Aid to Township, Force Account Statements, and Agreements for Construction and Maintenance of) TOWNSHIP ROADS, March 31, 1931--. 4 f. d. (3 f. d., unlabeled; 10).

Arr. alph. by first letter of name of township and thereunder alph. by first letter of name of road and thereunder by first letter of type of subject. No index. Hdw., ptd., typed, or typed on ptd. or mimeographed form. 10 x 12 x 27. Co. eng. and rd. supervisor's off.

486. CONTRACTS QUESTIONNAIRES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (and Correspondence), March 28, 1932-August 19, 1933. 1 bdl. (344).

No obvious arr. No index. Hdw. or typed under ptd. head or on ptd. form. 12 x 8 x 4. Bsmt. vlt., cc.

487. (LISTS OF COUNTY ROAD PROJECTS AND TOWNSHIP AND BOROUGH AID APPLICATIONS AND AGREEMENTS), October 1, 1927-January 18, 1935. In (Miscellaneous Financial Records), entry 420.

488. (COPIES OF STATE HIGHWAY DAILY MATERIAL INSPECTIONS), April 20, 1932-September 12, 1939. In (Miscellaneous Financial Records), entry 420.

489. (DAILY PAY ROLL RECORD), January 7, 1929--. 12 vol. (10 vol., unlabeled; dated).

Arr. chron. by date of entry. No index. Hdw. Aver. 365 pp. 8 x 7 x 2. Cab., eng. private off.

490. VISIBLE RECORD (Index to Field Books, Detail Drawings for Construction and Improvements of Sussex County Roads and Bridges, Tracings for Construction and Improvements of Sussex County Roads and Bridges, and Blueprints for Construction and Improvements of Sussex County roads and Bridges), January 2, 1913--. 104 cards in 2 vol. Serves as index to entries 491-494. Roads, arr. alph. by first letter of name of road; bridge, under B arr. numer. by bridge no. Hdw. and typed on ptd. form. 18 x 19 x 1. Drafting rm., eng. off.
491. FIELD BOOKS, January 2, 1913--. 322 vol. (1-322). No obvious arr. For index, see entry 490. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 79 pp. 6 x 4 x 1. Cab., drafting rm., eng. off.
492. (DETAIL DRAWINGS FOR CONSTRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENTS OF SUSSEX COUNTY ROADS AND BRIDGES), March 3, 1913--. 1152 drawings in 18 bins (1-18). Arr. numer. by bin no. For index, see entry 490. Scales and sizes vary. Bin, 7 x 7. Drafting rm., eng. off.
493. (TRACINGS FOR CONSTRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENTS OF SUSSEX COUNTY ROADS AND BRIDGES), March 3, 1913--. 1152 tracings on 40 hangers (1-40). Arr. numer. by hanger no. For index, see entry 490. Scales and sizes vary. Hanger, 36 x 1. Safe, drafting rm., eng. off.
494. (BLUEPRINTS FOR CONSTRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENTS OF SUSSEX COUNTY ROADS AND BRIDGES), March 3, 1913--. 1152 blueprints in 298 pigeon holes. Arr. numer. by pigeon-hole no. For index, see entry 490. Scales and sizes vary. Pigeon-hole, 6 x 6. Cab., drafting rm., eng. off.

SHADE TREE COMMISSION

The shade tree commission of Sussex County was established by the board of chosen freeholders in 1926, (1) as provided by legislative enactment. (2) The commission consists of five members appointed by the board of chosen freeholders for 5-year terms. (3) It supervises the planting and care of shade trees and shrubbery on public highways, parks, and parkways and is empowered by law to impose fines for law violations. (4)

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- (1) Sussex County Freeholders' Minutes, May 18, 1926, see entry 1.
 - (2) R.S. 40:37-1.
 - (3) R.S. 40:37-1, 2.
 - (4) R.S. 40:37-5, 6.

XXXV. COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ROADS

Legislation enacted in 1895 provided for the appointment of a supervisor of roads in each county. (1) The first appointment in Sussex County was made in 1904. (2) He is now appointed for a term of 5 years by the board of chosen freeholders. (3) His duties are to construct, repair, and maintain all county roads, bridges, drains, culverts, catch basins, and guardrail. The supervisor is also responsible for keeping highways passable in all seasons and weather. (4)

Correspondence

495. (INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE), January 29, 1935--. 1 f. d. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of correspondent. No index. Hdw., typed, or hdw. or typed under ptd. head. 10 x 12 x 27. Off., rd. camp.

496. LETTERS SENT OUT, March 5, 1937--. 1 f. d. Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of addressee. No index. Hdw., typed, or hdw. or typed under ptd. head. 10 x 12 x 27. Off., rd. camp.

497. LETTERS (to and from County Road Supervisor), March 26, 1925-May 28, 1927. 1 bdl. (279). No obvious arr. No index. Typed. 8 x 11 x 1. Shelf, bsmt. vlt., cc.

Snow Schedule

498. (SNOW REMOVAL SCHEDULES AND COUNTY ROAD MILEAGE COST CHARTS), 1938--. 1 f. d. Arr. chron. by date of chart. No index. Blueprint. 10 x 12 x 27. Co. eng. and rd. supervisor's off.

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- (1) P.L. 1895, pp. 430, 431.
 (2) Sussex County Freeholders' Minutes, May 12, 1904, see entry 1.
 (3) R.S. 27:14-24.
 (4) R.S. 27:14-21.

499. SNOW SCHEDULE-COUNTY OF SUSSEX 1940-41, December 1940.
1 schedule on frame on southeast wall.

Draftsman: Harvey Snook, C. E. Blueprint and framed. Schedule,
25 x 17; frame, 27 x 19. Co. eng. and rd. supervisor's off.

Road Camp

Gasoline and Oil

500. MATERIAL ORDERS (From County Road Supervisor to Road Camp
for Gasoline and Oil With Daily Report of Distribution
Attached) CAMP COPY, October 14, 1939--. 4 bdl.

Arr. chron. by date of report. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 5 x 4 x 4.
Shelf, bsmt. vlt., adm. bldg.

501. JOURNAL (of Gasoline and Oil Purchased for County-Owned
Road Equipment), April 23, 1931--. 1 vol. in desk dr.
(J-200).

Arr. by name of vendor and thereunder chron. by date of receipt. No
index. Hdw. 200 pp. 10 x 6 x 1. Off., rd. camp.

502. (COUNTY ROAD CAMP DAILY GASOLINE AND OIL RECEIPTS), March
21, 1935-December 29, 1939. In (Miscellaneous Financial
Records), entry 420.

503. (DAILY REPORTS OF GASOLINE AND OIL USED AT ROAD CAMP),
January 2, 1937--. 3 bdl., 24 sheets.

Arr. chron. by date of report. No index. Typed. Bdl., 6 x 9 x 2;
sheet, 6 x 9 x 1. Bdl., January 2, 1937-December 31, 1940, attic,
rd. camp; sheets, January 2, 1941--, on typewriter table, off., rd.
camp.

504. (DAILY REPORTS OF ROAD OIL PURCHASED AND USED), March 14
to October 29, 1938. In (Miscellaneous Financial Records),
entry 420.

505. (DAILY REPORTS OF GASOLINE AND OIL USED IN COUNTY-OWNED
EQUIPMENT), January 1, 1935-December 30, 1938. In
(Miscellaneous Financial Records), entry 420.

506. LEDGER (of Gasoline and Oil Used in County-Owned Road
Equipment and Machinery on County Roads), January 3 to
May 28, 1928. 1 vol. (479).

Arr. by name of account. Indexed alph. by first letter of name of
road. Hdw. or ptd. form. 476 pp. (69 used) 12 x 6 x 3. Shelf, bsmt.
vlt., cc.

Equipment

507. (PERPETUAL INVENTORY AND INSPECTION REPORTS OF COUNTY-OWNED ROAD EQUIPMENT), March 12, 1940--. 1 v. b. on top of F. cab.

Arr. by name of type of equipment and thereunder numer. by assigned no. of equipment. No index. Typed on ptd. form. 10 x 12 x 27. off., rd. camp.

508. (REPAIR REPORTS ON OBSOLETE EQUIPMENT), November 9, 1932--. 1 f. d.

Arr. numer. by assigned no. of car or equipment. No index. Hdw. 10 x 12 x 27. Off., rd. camp.

509. LEDGER (of Expenses for Repairs on County-Owned Road Equipment), January 10, 1936--. 1 vol. in desk dr.

Arr. by name and assigned no. of truck and thereunder chron. by date of repair. No index. Hdw. 200 pp. 10 x 6 x 1. Off., rd. camp.

510. (COUNTY ROAD CAMP DAILY TRUCK ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE REPORTS), January 7 to October 31, 1938, - January 9 to December 27, 1939, February 1 to April 23, 1940. In (Miscellaneous Financial Records), entry 420.

511. (COUNTY ROAD CAMP DAILY TRANSPORTATION REPORTS), June 15, 1934-March 18, 1935. In (Miscellaneous Financial Records), entry 420.

Material and Supplies

512. (COPIES OF PURCHASE ORDER REQUISITIONS ISSUED BY CLERK AT CAMP FOR MATERIALS FROM PRIVATE CONCERNS), January 2, 1934--. 6 bdl., 1 f. d.

Arr. alph. by first letter of surname of vendor. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Bdl., 8 x 6 x 4; f. d., 10 x 12 x 27. Bdl., January 2, 1934-December 21, 1940, attic, rd. camp; f. d., January 2, 1941--, off., rd. camp.

513. (Duplicates of) PURCHASE ORDER REQUISITIONS (Issued to Road Camp From County Road Supervisor for Materials and Supplies at Camp), January 2, 1935-December 29, 1939. 10 bdl. (labeling varies).

No obvious arr. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 8 x 6 x 5. Shelf, bsmt. vlt., cc.

514. (COUNTY ROAD CAMP COPIES OF REQUISITIONS FOR MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES), January 1, 1927-December 31, 1939. In (Miscellaneous Financial Records), entry 420.
515. DAY (Record of Materials Received), January 5, 1933--. 2 vol. in desk dr. (R-200, 500).
Arr. chron. by date of receipt. No index. Hdw. Aver. 250 pp. 13 x 9 x 2. Off., rd. camp.
516. DAY (Record of Materials Delivered and Used on Various Roads), January 4, 1935--. 1 vol. in desk dr. (600).
Arr. chron. by date of delivery. No index. Hdw. 600 pp. 13 x 8 x 3. Off., rd. camp.
517. (TRIPLICATES OF INVOICES FOR MATERIALS DELIVERED FROM ROAD CAMP TO VARIOUS JOBS), January 2, 1937--. 4 bdl., 408 sheets.
Arr. numer. by invoice no. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Bdl., 9 x 6 x 10; sheet, 9 x 6. Bdl., January 2, 1937-December 31, 1940, attic, rd. camp; sheet, January 1, 1941--., cab., stock rm., rd. camp.
518. (QUARRY WEIGHT SLIPS FOR TRUCK LOADS OF STONE DELIVERED TO ROAD JOBS), January 3 to December 30, 1939. In (Miscellaneous Financial Records), entry 420.

Time Reports

519. (Employees) TIME BOOK(s), December 26, 1921--. 13 vol.
Arr. chron. by date of entry. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 125 pp. 18 x 15 x 1. 11 vol., December 26, 1921-December 30, 1939, bsmt. vit., adm. bldg.; 2 vol., January 2, 1940--., co. eng. and rd. supervisor's off.
520. (ROAD EMPLOYEES' DAILY TIME SHEETS), January 2, 1937-December 31, 1938. 2 bdl.
Arr. chron. by date of report. No index. Typed on ptd. form. 8 x 11 x 3. Attic, rd. camp.
521. (DAILY TIME AND COST REPORTS TO BE SUBMITTED TO COUNTY TREASURER ON ALL CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE WORK PERFORMED FOR COUNTY), January 1, 1940--. 36 f. d.
Subtitled by names of roads or accounts.
Arr. chron. by date of entry. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 5 x 6 x 18. Co. eng. and rd. supervisor's off.
For time and cost reports, January 21, 1921--., see entry 423.

Financial

522. (DISTRIBUTION OF DAILY EXPENDITURES FOR CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL ROADS AND BRIDGES), January 2, 1934--. 7 vol. (dated).

Roads, arr. alph. by first letter of name of road; bridge, arr. numer. by bridge no. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. Aver. 390 pp. 16 x 11 x 2. Co. eng. and rd. supervisor's off.

- 523: (Copies of Semimonthly) ROAD (Appropriations and Cost) SCHEDULE(s) FOR SUSSEX COUNTY (Originals of Which are Submitted to Board of Chosen Freeholders), January 1, 1939--. 1 vol. on top of desk.

Arr. chron. by date of schedule. No index. Typed. 11 x 6 x 1. Co. eng. and rd. supervisor's off.

Miscellaneous

524. (MISCELLANEOUS FILE), March 1, 1935--. 1 f. d.

File consisting of:

- a. Explosives, signed orders for, February 5, 1940.
- b. Receipts for moneys turned over to county treasurer, August 30, 1935--.
- c. Stock automobile accessories, inventory of, March 1, 1935--.

Also contains: Inventory of stills seized by sheriff, December 28, 1939--, entry 371. Arr. by type of subject. No index. Hdw. 10 x 12 x 27. Off., rd. camp.

525. (Original) PURCHASE REQUISITION ORDER (Book Issued to Road Camp From County Road Supervisor for Materials and Supplies at Camp), December 20, 1938--. 22 vol

Arr. numer. by purchase order no. No index. Hdw. Aver. 50 pp. 10 x 5 x 1. Shelf, bsmt. vlt., adm. bldg.

526. MATERIAL ORDERS (From County Road Supervisor to Road Camp for Gasoline and Oil), October 14, 1939--. 3 bdl.

No obvious arr. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 5 x 4 x 4. Shelf, bsmt. vlt., adm. bldg.

527. (PERMITS FOR STREET AND ROAD OPENINGS), August 17, 1926-March 19, 1934. In (Miscellaneous Financial Records), entry 420.

528. (COUNTY ROAD SUPERVISORS' CERTIFICATES OF PROGRESS), January 1, 1923-November 2, 1940. In (Miscellaneous Financial Records), entry 420.

529. (SPECIFICATIONS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF ROADS), undated.
In (Miscellaneous Financial Records), entry 420.

530. (Engineering Map of) STANDARD PROP HILL (all Catch
Basins in County), undated. 1 map on wood panel on
southwest wall.

Draftsman: Harvey Brock, C. E. Blueprint and mounted. Scale, $\frac{1}{2}$
in. equals 1 ft. Map, $21\frac{1}{2}$ x 36; panel, 24 x 38. Off., rd. camp.

531. (Railroad) SHIPPING NOTICE(s) (of Arrival of Materials),
April 13 to May 20, 1923. 9 postal cards.

Arr. chron. by date of receipt. No index. Hdw. on pt'd. form. 3 x 5.
Shelf, bsmt. vlt., cc.

XXXVI. COUNTY FIRE MARSHAL

The first county fire marshal in Sussex County was appointed in 1932, (1) by the board of chosen freeholders, which exercises such powers conferred upon it by statute. (2) The fire marshal is chosen annually by the board of chosen freeholders. Under the instructions of the board of chosen freeholders he acts in an advisory capacity to all municipal fire companies within the county, conducts investigations to eliminate fire hazards, and makes remedial recommendations to the board of chosen freeholders. With the freeholders' approval he regulates the use, storage, sale and disposal of inflammable or combustible materials; and makes provision for the protection of life and property from fire and explosion. In addition, he provides for the removal or destruction of any building wall, chimney, or structure which is dangerous to life, or property, or which might tend to extend a conflagration. The records are kept at his home.

532. (REPORTS OF FIRES FROM VARIOUS MUNICIPALITIES DUPLICATES OF WHICH ARE RETAINED BY MUNICIPAL GOVERNING BODIES), January 1, 1935--. 1 vol.

Arr. alph. by first letter of name of municipality. No index.
Hdw. 282 pp. 8 x 10 x 2.

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- (1) Sussex County Freeholders' Minutes, May 10, 1932, see entry 1.
(2) R.S. 40:21-3.

XXXVII. THE MOSQUITO EXTERMINATION COMMISSION

A mosquito extermination commission for Sussex County was first established in 1912, (1) as provided by law. (2) Six members, three of whom must be persons who are or have been members or employees of boards of health, are appointed for 3-year terms by the Justice of the Supreme Court presiding over the county. The Director of the State Experiment Station and the State Director of Health serve on the commission as ex officio members. (3) The primary duty of the commission is to locate areas infested with mosquitoes and to endeavor to eliminate such breeding places. (4) The mosquito extermination commission did not function in Sussex County between October 29, 1913 and September 18, 1929. (5) The records of the commission are located in the secretary's law office.

533. (GENERAL FILE), April 16, 1912-October 28, 1913, September 19, 1929--. 1 vol. and approx. 200 doc. in 1 f. d.

General file, consisting of:

- a. Agreements for drainage work, April 10, 1930-June 20, 1932.
- b. Bills, November 2, 1932--.
- c. Budget, proposed, November 1, 1929.
- d. Check books, November 13, 1931--.
- e. Correspondence to and from mosquito extermination commission, general, September 21, 1929--.
- f. Map of areas cut and graded for mosquito control, 1930. Scale, 1 in. equals 300 ft. Blueprint. 12 x 20.
- g. Minutes, April 16, 1912-October 28, 1913, September 19, 1929--. 1 vol.
- h. Oaths, original, of members of mosquito extermination commission, October 19, 1937--. For other officials' oaths, see entries 146-152, 179-c, 420-i.
- i. Pay rolls, for drainage and oiling, November 31, 1930--.

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- (1) Oaths, see entry 146.
 - (2) R.S. 26:9-13.
 - (3) R.S. 26:9-13; R.S. 26:9-13, 14, 15.
 - (4) R.S. 26:9-20, 21.
 - (5) See entry 533.

- j. Reports, copies of annual, of activities of mosquito extermination commission, originals of which are sent to board of chosen freeholders and copies to State Agricultural Experiment Station, November 21, 1929-October 21, 1930. For copies of reports from mosquito extermination commission, January 1 to December 31, 1937, January 1 to December 31, 1939, see entry 4.
 - k. Report, inspectors', of control work, November 1, 1929.
 - l. Survey, of adult mosquitoes, September 1936.
 - m. Survey, of data obtained during breeding season, 1940.
- No obvious arr. No index. Hdw., typed, or hdw. or typed under ptd. head. Vol., 153 pp. 8 x 7 x 1; f. d., 10 x 12 x 27.

XXXVIII. COUNTY LOAN OFFICE COMMISSIONERS
(Defunct)

County loan office commissioners were instituted in Sussex County in 1778, (1) 4 years after the passage of special legislation providing for their appointment in the county. Two loan-office commissioners were chosen by the county board of justices and freeholders to serve for an indefinite term. (2) To qualify for the position, it was mandatory that each commissioner take an oath of office and post bond to insure faithful performance of his duties. (3)

The commissioners, as a corporate entity, were empowered to sue and be sued. It was their primary function to lend money for which they accepted mortgages, bonds, and other securities as collateral. (4) An annual accounting of all transactions was submitted to the justices and freeholders until 1798, and thereafter to the board of chosen freeholders, the succeeding governing body, (5) until 1885, when the loan office ceased to function. (6)

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- (1) Sussex County Freeholders' Minutes, 2d Wednesday of May, 1778, see entry 1.
 - (2) Samuel Allinson, comp., Acts of the General Assembly of the Province of New Jersey, pp. 424, 425.
 - (3) Peter Wilson, comp., Acts of the Council and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey, p. 200, hereinafter cited as Wilson, Acts.
 - (4) Nevill, Acts, 1, 103.
 - (5) Wilson, Acts, p. 200.
 - (6) Sussex County Freeholders' Minutes, Nov. 11, 1885.

APPENDIX

The following Sussex County records are located in the Public Record Office, Room 118, State Library, Trenton.

County Clerk

534. SUSSEX COUNTY CENSUS RECORDS, 1860, 1865, 1870, 1875, 1880. 1 bdl.

Census records for following municipalities: Newton, 1860, 1875, 1880; Sparta and Stillwater, 1860, 1865, 1875, 1880; Lafayette and Walpack, 1865, 1875; Frankford, 1865, 1885; Andover, 1865, 1875, 1880; Byram, 1865, 1870, 1875, 1880; Hardyston, Sandyston, and Vernon, 1875, 1880; and Green, Hampton, and Montague, 1880. Arr. alph. by name of municipality. No index. Hdw. on ptd. form. 15 x 20 x 9. Bin 28, vlt.

Court of Oyer and Terminer

535. SUSSEX COUNTY OYER AND TERMINER (Court Minutes), September 23 to 25, 1755, September 15 to 23, 1778, April 18 to May 8, 1780, February 19 to March 5, 1782, October 2, 1783-August 21, 1784, October 17, 1786, August 16, 17, 1791, October 23 to 25, 1792, October 15 to 18, 1793. 1 bdl. (43).

Also contains: Common pleas court minutes, February 17, 1784, entry 538. Arr. chron. by year of filing. No index. Hdw. 9 x 13 x 1. Cab.

536. (Coroners') INQUISITIONS ON THE DEAD, 1688-1798. 4 vol. (dated).

Coroners' inquisitions for Sussex County November 24, 1753-September 4, 1759 are on pages 405-409 of vol. 4. Arr. alph. by name of county and thereunder chron. by date of inquest. Indexed alph. by name of county and thereunder alph. by first letter of surname of decedent. Hdw. 409 pp. 16 x 12 x 3. Shelf 5.

Court of Quarter Sessions

537. APPLICATIONS FOR TAVERN LICENSES, 1753-1860. 12 boxes (6-17).

Arr. chron. by date of filing. No index. Hdw. 10 x 6 x 4. Shelf 2.

Court of Common Pleas

538. (COMMON PLEAS COURT MINUTES), February 17, 1784. In Sussex County Oyer and Terminer (Court Minutes), entry 535.

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