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FELT AND ALLIED FAMILIES



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"Every one who plays the ancestral game is sure to draw a prize. You can't tell what it will be, but you can't help being interested, for what you draw is you yourself. Its blood courses through your veins. It is that thing which looks out through your eyes. Try to speak in your own voice. You can't do it. Some progenitor of yours sounds in every inflection. Do you pride yourself on a certain air with which you carry your cane? That isn't yours; it belongs to a ragged Colonial sentry who paced back and forth through the long hours of darkness and chill, bearing on his numbed shoulders a battered muzzle-loader. Yonder ancestor with the kindly eye prompted you to contribute to the peregrinating plate last Sunday, but that other one (he of the speculative orb) limited the amount. Still another, he with the sanctimonious visage and nasal twang, instanced for your self-approval the story of the widow's mite. You begin to regard yourself as the doubtful resultant of a thousand ancestral forces contributing to make up that thing which is you."

-CHANCELLOR L. JENKS.

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FELT FAMILY IN ENGLAND

The following article on the Felt family in England has been prepared by the well-known and experienced genealogist, Col. Charles E. Banks, from personal investigation made by him in England.

HE name of Felt is so rare in England that it was not until after prolonged search that a clue to it was obtained and this clue came through an unusual form of spelling—Felce. This form occurs as early as 1530 and the name is almost entirely confined to Bedfordshire. It occurs in the following variations: Felshe, Felsse, Fels, Felts, Fylls, Feltes, Felss and Felce alias Phelps. Early records show that persons called Phelps are identical with those called Felts in the same parish. The source of the name and its meaning is obscure. Scattered references to families of this name in Bedfordshire are found in the parishes of Oakley, Stagden, Ampthill, Bedford, Woburn and Luton but the largest group was found in the parish of Leighton Boudesart, now corrupted into Leighton Buzzard. The parish register of Leighton and the Court Rolls of the Manor of Leighton Buzzard show the existence of this family in that locality as early as 1540 and doubtless they had been there for generations before that date. They lived in the hamlets of Heath and Reach—part of the Manor of Leighton -and from this family George Felt, the emigrant, was descended. The earliest of the name there was Thomas Felce (1543) when he appears as one of the jurors in a Court Baron. In the century following the first entry in the register there are records of 36 baptisms, ten marriages and eighteen burials. The name George appears in this family in 1580 always written Felse or Felce. William, the father of the emigrant, who lived in Reach, had the following children baptized:

i. Humphrey. 24 Feb. 1604/5 ii. Thomas. 25 June 1607

iii. George. 28 Feb. 1609

iv. Elizabeth. 25 Oct. 1612 v. Mary. 19 Feb. 1614

FELT AND ALLIED FAMILIES

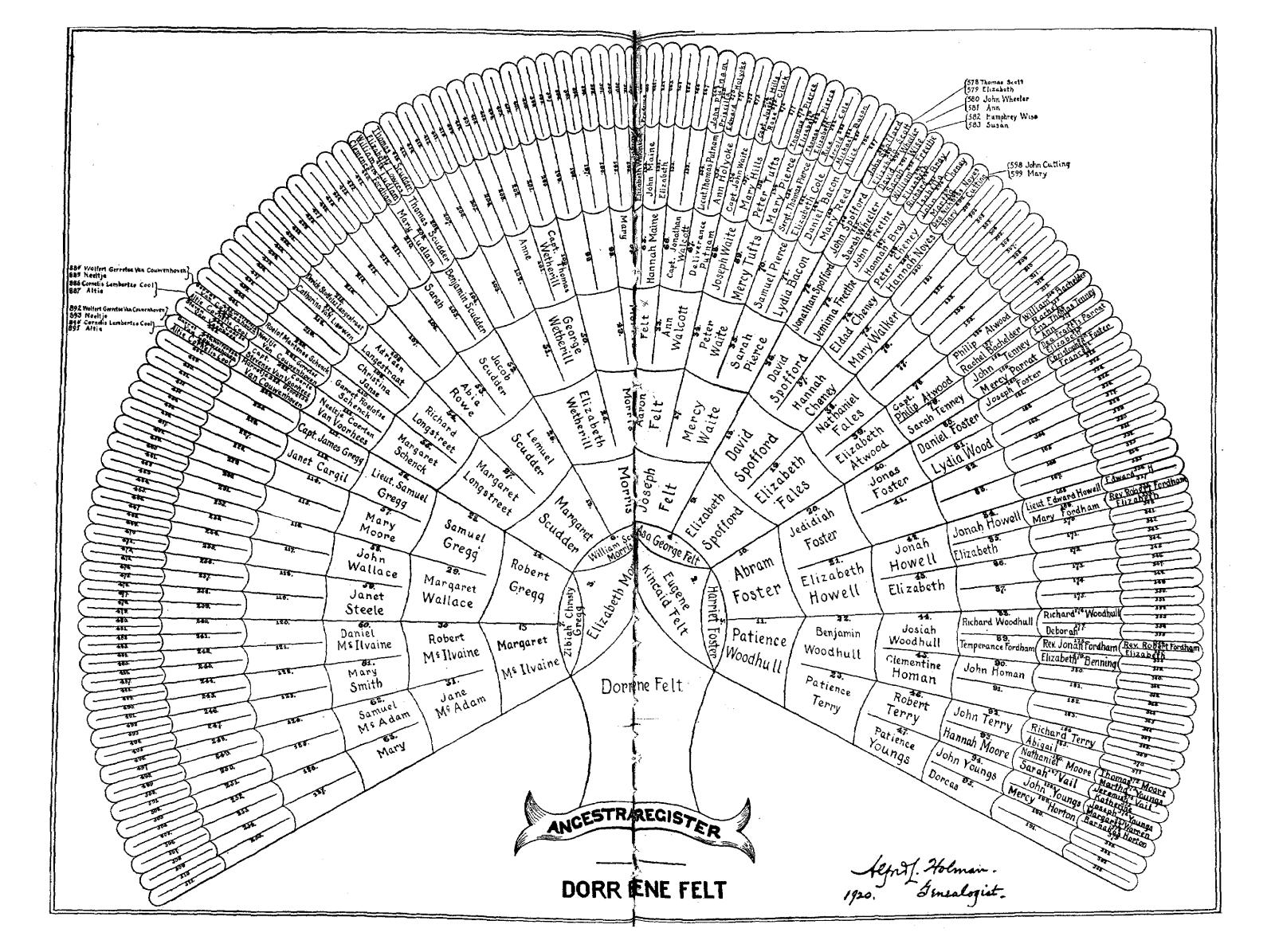
There is no record of the baptism or marriage of William and he may have belonged to another branch of the family. This baptism does not agree with two depositions that the emigrant made, neither of which are alike, but it is notorious that depositions are generally incorrect in the matter of ages. Of more significance is the fact that he came from a parish only three miles from Woburn, co. Bedford—a name which was given to a part of Charlestown where George Felt settled. John Sears, also born at Leighton, emigrated to Charlestown in that part now called Woburn. In 1634 at a Manor Court held 29 May, 1634, the jurors presented the name of George Felce among others as not appearing "with bows and arrows," as required by the customs of the Manor. It is probable that by this time he had departed from Leighton Buzzard and had emigrated to New England as there is no further record of any fine inflicted. Local records show that the family still continued to reside there and in other Bedfordshire parishes long after this date.

Stray persons of the name of Felce and Felts are found in various London parishes as early as 1550, but they are believed to be connected with the Bedfordshire families who had gone to London to engage in business. In fact, Bedfordshire is the only county where the name is found and this makes the identification of the emigrant the more certain.

CHAS. E. BANKS.

January, 1928

ANCESTRY OF DORR EUGENE FELT





Felt.

Arms. gules a bucks head couped at the neck, argent attired, or Crest. on a mural coronet or, a stag passant, proper.

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THE PRESERVATION OF NEW ENGLAND ANTIQUITIES.
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BERRY'S ENCYCLOPEDIA HERALDICA.

FELT

Numbers in bold-faced type at the commencement of each generation correspond with numbers on the chart of Dorr Eugene Felt.

EORGE¹ FELT (or Felch, as the name is sometimes spelt,) is found in Charlestown, Mass., in 1633, but had been there earlier. In 1681 he calls himself about 80 years of age and testifies that land was given him in that place "about 48 years since." Public business at first was conducted in a General Convention of the people, but this method being unsatisfactory a new form of town government was inaugurated in conformity with an order under date of February 10, 1634–5, which was signed by thirty-three of the inhabitants, among them being George Felt.² A reproduction of this order will be seen in this work.

He bought 300 acres of land at Broad Cove on Casco Bay and by 1643 was one of the pioneer settlers of North Yarmouth. After a few years residence there he returned to Charlestown, settling in that part that was incorporated May 2, 1649, as Malden. He was again a resident at Casco Bay, having bought 2,000 acres of land there, of which he was afterwards deprived, and in relation to which he made the following petition under date of June 22, 1688:3

To His Excellency S^r Edmund Andros Kn^t. Etc. The Humble Petition of George Felt Sen^r. of Maulden

Sheweth: That it is my grief that I am compelled to trouble yor Excellency at this time But having about eighteen years since purchased of one Ino Phillips of Boston Gent late Deceased a farme or Plaintation at a place called the Great Cove (in Caskoe Bay) containing about two thousand acres of upland and marsh as by a firn Deed

¹ Felt Genealogy, 1893, p. 9.

² Frothingham's Hist. of Charlestown, p. 51; Felt Gen., p. 10.

³ Corey's Hist. of Malden, p. 386.

under s^d Phillips hand and seale &c. for which I then paid him Sixty pounds money, and improved s^d Farme or Plaintation severall year's before I bought it so that the whole time of my occupying of it was about one and twenty years. But some time after the late Indian warr it was withheld from me by some of the inhabitants of s^d Town of Caskoe Bay and being by s^d warr much improverished I could not recover it out of their hands. I also am now forced to suffer for want of convenient care taken of me in my present distresse being about Eighty Seaven year's old and very crasy and weak.

Therefore yor Petitior recomendeth his case to yor Excellencies prudent consideration humbly beceaching and earnestly begging that if it seem meet and convenient yor Excellency would be pleased to favor yor petitior that he may have a confirmation of his sd land und such moderate quit rent &c. as well as an ord to yo Townsmen of Maulden abovesd for something at present to releave yor petition. in this his extreem poverty &c. The which shall farther oblige yor petition as in duty bound daily to pray for you Excellency &c.

George Felt married Elizabeth Wilkinson, who died in 1694, she being a daughter of Widow Prudence Wilkinson who was an inhabitant of Charlestown in 1630 and who died in Malden in 1655, her will being proved July 26, 1655. He died in Malden in 1693, aged 92 years.⁴

CHILDREN OF GEORGE AND ELIZABETH (WILKINSON) FELT.5

- i. Elizabeth, bap. Jan. 26, 1639-40; mar. William Larrabee.
- ii. Mary, bap. Jan. 26, 1639-40; mar. James Nichols. -
- iii. George, bap. Jan. 26, 1639-40; mar. Phillipa Andrews, dau. of Samuel and Jane Andrews.
- iv. Moses, bap. Dec. 20, 1641; probably d. young.
- v. Aaron, was living in 1665.
- vi. Moses, b. about 1651; mar. Hannah Maine. -

⁴ Wyman's Charlestown, pp. 342, 1031; Pope's Pioneers of Mass.

⁵ Felt Genealogy, pp. 19-36.

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Moses Felt, born about 1651, was early a resident at Casco Bay and lived there until driven out by the Indians in the first Indian War. He lived for some years in Falmouth, but returned to North Yarmouth, was afterwards of Rumney Marsh, later called Chelsea, and now a part of Boston, but as early as 1714 he bought land in Lynn, though in 1720 and 1729 he is called of Boston. In 1733, when he was 82 years of age he apparently was living in Lynn, the home of his son Joshua. He married Hannah Maine, daughter of John and Elizabeth Maine of North Yarmouth. This marriage comes from a grandson, Amos Atwell, whose grandfather, Richard Atwell, married Lydia Felt, daughter of Moses Felt.

Copy of a statement, made by Amos Atwell, who was born Oct. 20, 1730, and died Aug. 10, 1807:

"My Grandmother when I was a small boy informed me that John Atwell the father of her husband (whose name was Richard) came from England with Mr. Maine about 1630. That Maine had five or six daughters. One of these married a Mr. Preble, a second one married Joshua (sic) Felt who was the father and she the mother of my said Grandmother. A third daughter married the said John Atwell by whom she had three sons John Joseph and Richard which last was my Grandfather. He married Elizabeth Felt daughter of said Joshua (sic) Felt by which it appears that my Grandfather and Grandmother were sisters children their mothers being both the daughters of Mr. Maine.

Mr. Maine and his associates first settled at Casco Bay the towns of Falmouth, North Yarmoth &c but the natives, at the institution of the Canadian French, made war on them Killed some and took some prisoners and totally destroyed all their moveable property and every vestige of records minutes or memoranda of their transactions were burnt by the Savages. The remainder of the inhabitants retreated to York where there was a Fort near the mouth

Felt Genealogy, p. 30 et seq.

of Piscatagua River or Harbour. They were afterwards obliged to make another remove and came to Lynn where the Felt family remained. After Peace with the Indians, John Atwell went back to North Yarmouth and was an original proprietor of that town, had a settlement on a point of land on the west side of Royal River and a Creek which bears his name. (See Old Times in Me., p. 174.) The Point or neck of land where his house stood is called Wessenessego. He also purchased an estate in York as appears by a deed still in the hands of his posterity. From the little knowledge I have obtained of my ancestors which has been first from my said Grandmother, second from my Grandfathers Sister Townsend (Sarah who married Joseph Townsend of Malden) who lived and died in Hopkinton and thirdly from John Atwell the son of John Atwell who was brother to my Grandfather and who with his family settled in that part of Killingly now called Thompson and has a son living of his name who is the fourth in a direct line from our first mentioned Ancestor, it appears that we have not multiplied considerably though I am told that there are several of Josephs posterity living in Lynn."

CHILDREN OF Moses and Hannah (Maine) Felt.7

- i. Joseph, d. 1722, killed by the Indians; mar. (int. pub. Oct. 12, 1700) Sarah Mills, b. Feb. 27, 1675-6, d. Jan. 3, 1768, dau. of James and Martha (Alley) Mills. (Lynn Vit. Recs.)
- ii. Joshua, was living in March, 1744, but had d. before 1747; mar.
 (1) Jan. 15, 1712, Ann Walcott; (2) June 16, 1736, Mrs. Dorcas
 (Gould) Buxton, widow of Anthony Buxton of Salem.
- iii. Lydia, mar. (int. pub. Sep. 11, 1703) Richard Atwell. (Lynn Vit. Recs.)
- iv. Sarah, mar. (int. pub. Dec. 23, 1713) Joshua Prible. (Boston Vit. Recs.)
- v. Mary, mar. (int. pub. July 29, 1712) William Walcott. (Salem Records.)
- JOSHUA³ FELT may have been born at Casco Bay and removed with his father to Rumney Marsh (later Chelsea), Mass., but the first definite record found of him is his

⁷Felt Genealogy, pp. 36, 42-46, with addition and correction.

intention of marriage, which is recorded as follows: "Joshua Felt of Rumney Marsh & Ann Walcot of Salem, Dec. 9, 1712;" ^{7a} and they are said to have married Jan. 15, 1712 (1712–13). The date of death of this wife is not seen, but he married for a second wife, June 16, 1736, Mrs. Dorcas (Gould) Buxton, widow of Anthony Buxton of Salem. He bought land in Lynn and evidently removed there, but record of his death is not seen, though he was living in March, 1744, but at the time his widow made her will, Jan. 13, 1746–7, he was deceased. ^{7b}

CHILDREN OF JOSHUA AND ANN (WALCOTT) FELT.

- i. Moses, b. Dec. 22, 1714,7° d. June 13, 1780; mar. June 5, 1748, Mary Pette.7d
- ii. AARON, b. Jan. 21, 1715-16; mar. (1) Mercy Waite; (2) Hannah Atwell.
- iii. Jonathan, b. June 3, 1719, d. May 16, 1786; mar. (1) Feb. 5, 1747, Lovewell Wells, b. June, 1719, d. Aug. 8, 1764; (2) May 15, 1765, Mrs. Mary McLane, who died Apr. 12, 1785.70
- iv. Anne, b. about 1722, d. Andover, Oct. 12, 1816, aged 94 years; mar. Andover, Dec. 5, 1745, Robert Russell, bap. Jan. 21, 1722, buried Jan. 4, 1794.7f

There may have been other children.

16 AARON⁴ FELT,^{7g} born at Rumney Marsh, Jan. 21, 1715–16,^{7h} subsequently became a resident of Lynn, buying land there Apr. 12, 1737. His intention of marriage is recorded, Oct. 28, 1739, as "Aaron Felt and Mercy Waitt, both of Lynn,"⁷¹ and his marriage as Aaron Fellt and Mary Wayt, Dec. 25, 1739.⁷¹ Mercy Waite was born at Medford, Aug. 16, 1717, died after 1760, daughter of Peter

⁷a Boston Record Commissioners Reports, 28-92.

⁷ь Felt Genealogy, р. 44.

⁷⁶ Boston Rec. Comm. Rpts., 24-102.

^{7d} Felt Genealogy, p. 60.

⁷e Felt Genealogy, p. 61, corrected.

⁷f Andover Vital Records.

^{7g} Aaron Felt is incorrectly given in the Felt Genealogy as of the third generation.

⁷h Boston Record Commissioners Reports, 24-110.

⁷ⁱ Essex Institute Historical Collections, 16–129.

⁷j Lynn Vital Records.

and Sarah (Pierce) Waite.⁸ Aaron Felt married a second wife, Jan. 22, 1765, and he died in 1769, administration on his estate being granted Sep. 5, 1769.⁹ It will be noticed how closely family names were followed in the naming of the children.

CHILDREN OF AARON AND MERCY (WAITE) FELT.¹⁰
All born in Lynn, and given in Lynn Vital Records.

i. Mercy, b. Oct. 20, 1740.

ii. Aaron, b. Sep. 1, 1742, d. Temple, N. H., July, 1801; mar. (1)
Reading, May 21, 1766, Tabitha Upton, b. Mar. 20, 1745, d.
1789, dau. of William and Lydia (Burnap) Upton, (Upton Memorial, p. 49); (2) January, 1791, Azubah Weston.

iii. Peter, b. Nov. 3, 1745, d. Temple, N. H., Jan. 2, 1817; mar. (1)
Nov. 8, 1769, Lucy Andrews, b. Nov. 24, 1748, d. Mar. 26, 1805,
dau. of Jeremiah and Lucy (Rust) Andrews; (2) Mar. 31, 1809,
Mrs. Polly Gilmour. Peter Felt was in the Revolution.

iv. Joshua, b. June 21, 1751, d. about 1822. He had a wife Hannah.

He was in the Revolution.

v. Jonathan, b. Apr. 8, 1753, d. Feb. 17, 1807; mar. Martha ——, who was b. Oct. 15, 1755, d. Aug. 19, 1829. He is said to have served in the Revolution.

vi. Samuel, b. Mar. 17, 1755, d. June 26, 1826; mar. May 23, 1787, Naomi Woods, b. Chelmsford, Mass., May 18, 1759, d. Apr. 6, 1851, dau. of William and Naomi (Langley) Woods. (Chelmsford, Mass., and Keene, N. H., Vit. Recs.)

vii. Joseph, b. Jan. 12, 1757; mar. Elizabeth Spofford.

viii. Sarah, b. Jan. 22, 1760; d. February, 1826; mar. June 19, 1782, John Breed.

JOSEPH⁵ FELT, born Lynn, Mass., Jan. 12, 1757, died August, 1842.¹¹ His marriage is given as follows: "December 15, 1785, Joseph Felt, Packersfield, Elizabeth Spafford, Townsend." They lived in Packersfield, now Nelson, N. H.

Joseph Felt was in the Revolution and a record of his service shows that he was a private in Captain Ezra Town's company, Colonel James Reed's regiment; age, eighteen years; stature, 5 ft. 4 in.; complexion, fair; eyes, gray; occupation, farmer; birthplace, Lynn; residence, New

⁸N. E. Register, 32-192; Waite Family of Malden, 1913, p. 20.

⁹ Felt Genealogy, p. 46.

¹⁰ Felt Genealogy, pp. 46, 61 et seq.

¹¹ Felt Genealogy, p. 64.

¹² Sawtelle's Hist. of Townsend, Mass., 1878, p. 398.

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ASA GEORGE FELT

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Ipswich; enlisted May 4, 1775; mustered July 11, 1775; reported sick and absent; also on Israel Hutchinson's list of prisoners at Fort Lee, taken at Fort Washington, November 16, 1776, Captain Ezra Newhall's company; enlisted January 1, 1776; exchanged in January, 1777. He was disabled from all labor in the winter time by reason of a wound in the thigh at Fort Washington, in 1776.

His pension record, copy of a synopsis of which is reproduced and shown in this work, shows service from May, 1775, to Jan. 1, 1777, and from June, 1777, to Jan. 1, 1779, and states that he was at the battle of Bunker Hill.¹⁴

CHILDREN OF JOSEPH AND ELIZABETH (SPOFFORD) Felt. 15 All born in Packersfield, N. H.

- i. David, b. Mar. 12, 1787, d. Clayton, Mich., July 24, 1872; mar. Penfield, N. Y., June 4, 1816, Hannah Trask, b. Smithfield, R. I., Dec. 13, 1793, d. Clayton, Nov. 19, 1879, dau. of Ebenezer and Huldah (Reed) Trask.
- ii. Joseph, b. June 17, 1789, d. Winchester, N. H., Oct. 30, 1871; mar.
 (1) Dec. 28, 1813, Lefy Woods, b. Packersfield, Apr. 5, 1792, d. Sullivan, N. H., May 10, 1849, dau. of Nathaniel and Relief (Wilder) Woods; (2) June 20, 1850, Fanny Woods, sister of his first wife.
- iii. Asa George, b. Aug. 7, 1791; mar. Harriet Foster.
- iv. Samuel, b. Sep. 7, 1793, d. Dec. 7, 1801.
- v. Jerry, b. Dec. 5, 1795, d. Newark, Wis., Mar. 22, 1866; mar. (1)
 Jan. 23, 1824, Tryphena Sprague, who d. in Nelson, N. H.,
 Feb. 22, 1828, dau. of John and Betsey (Hayward) Sprague;
 (2) Sullivan, N. H., Oct. 15, 1831, Mrs. Bethia M. (Boynton)
 Dakin, who d. in February, 1879, dau. of Alpheus and Bethia
 (Morris) Boynton. He was a deacon in the Baptist Church at
 Packersfield, Manchester and Newark.
- vi. John, b. Sep. 22, 1798, d. Jaffrey, N. H., May 23, 1887; mar. Stow, Mass., Mar. 29, 1825, Huldah Hobart Conant, b. Stow, Oct. 3, 1803, d. Jaffrey, May 27, 1867, dau. of John and Maria (Houghton) Conant.
- vii. Elizabeth, b. Sep. 13, 1803, d. Milford, N. H., Oct. 23, 1834; mar. Nelson, Mar. 29, 1827, Lovell Harris, b. Packersfield, Aug. 25, 1802, d. Milford, in 1888, son of Bethuel and Deborah (Twitchell) Harris.

¹³ Mass. Soldiers and Sailors in Rev., 5-601, 604; N. H. Rev. Rolls, 1-93, 502; 2-90, 201; Lynn in the Rev., 2-273.

¹⁴ Pension Office, Washington, D. C.

¹⁶ Felt Genealogy, pp. 65, 120-124.

- viii. Sally, b. Dec. 11, 1807, d. Ware, Mass., Jan. 28, 1882; mar. Nelson, Feb. 17, 1829, Charles Sheldon, b. 1807, d. in Harrisville, N. H., son of Ezra Sheldon.
- Asa George Felt was born in Packersfield, N. H., Aug. 7, 1791. "He removed from New Hampshire in 1812, and settled in Webster, N. Y., where he married in May, 1815, Harriet Foster, daughter of Abram and Patience (Woodhull) Foster. He removed with his family to Wisconsin in 1846, and settled in Newark, where he died in 1871 and his wife in 1875. Mr. Felt united with the Baptist Church in Webster when a young man, and was for many years its clerk. He also held various offices of trust. In Newark he was active in building up a strong Baptist Church; was superintendent of common schools and held other public offices. He was highly respected in the community and exerted a powerful influence for good."16

CHILDREN OF ASA GEORGE AND HARRIET (FOSTER) FELT. 17 All born in Webster, N. Y.

i. Eunice, b. Nov. 17, 1816, d. Oct. 22, 1872; mar. Newark, May, 1848, John N. Nelson, b. Wallingford, Eng., 1820, son of William and Isabella (Jourdan) Nelson. They had children:

1. Henry George Nelson, b. Avon, Wis., Feb. 4, 1850; mar. Plymouth, Wis., Aug. 7, 1877, Frances Ann Inman, b. Plymouth, Sep. 1, 1852, daughter of Harrison C. and Ann Satiry Inman, and they had the following children, all born in Newark, Wis.:

(1) Blanche Eunice Nelson, b. Nov. 29, 1878; mar. Newark, Aug. 30, 1899, Albert G. Henry. Children: Erma Nelson Henry, b. Feb. 1, 1901; Fae Alberta Henry, b. Dec. 12,

(2) John Caleb Nelson, b. Jan. 1, 1880; mar. Beloit, Wis., Nov. 28, 1906, Grace Holmes Lewis. Children: Alice Frances Nelson, b. Aug. 28, 1909; John Lewis Nelson, b.

Jan. 5, 1916.

(3) Edgar Allen Nelson, b. Nov. 9, 1883; mar. Nov. 22, 1911, Mary Elizabeth Gowing. Children: Henry Francis Nelson, b. Dec. 25, 1916; Margaret Elizabeth Nelson, b. Sep. 30,

2. Isabelle Elvira Nelson, b. Avon, Sep. 20, 1852, d. Sep. 3, 1868.

¹⁶ Felt Genealogy, p. 121.

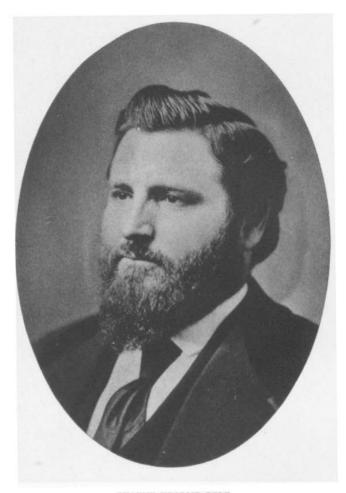
¹⁷ Felt Genealogy, pp. 121, 234, with additions.





ASA GEORGE FELT

HARRIET (FOSTER) FELT



EUGENE KINCAID FELT



MRS. ELIZABETH (MORRIS) FELT

- ii. Betsey, b. Sep. 10, 1818, d. River Falls, Wis., about 1879; unmarried.
- iii. Elvira, b. Oct. 6, 1820, d. May 18, 1861; mar. Webster, Oct. 20, 1842, Samuel Morrison, b. Nov. 22, 1820, d. September, 1887, son of Samuel and Jane (Kennedy) Morrison, of Penfield, N. Y.
- iv. Philester, b. Jan. 31, 1823; mar. Avon, Wis., Nov. 21, 1849, Emily Crippen, b. Apr. 3, 1831, daughter of William and Ermina (Tuller) Crippen.

v. Phoebe, b. Nov. 9, 1825, d. Nov. 12, 1842.

- vi. Hannibal, b. February, 1829; mar. Rockton, Ill., Nov. 28, 1850, Roxanna Healy, b. Apr. 14, 1828, dau. of Manley and Betsey (Newton) Healy.
- vii. Sally, b. Sep. 20, 1831; mar. Newark, Wis., Oct. 14, 1849, Albert Kinney, b. Apr. 22, 1823, son of Joseph and Roxanna (Wilson) Kinney: He was in the Civil War.

viii. Clementina, b. Jan. 14, 1833, d. June 2, 1835.

- ix. Mary Adelia, b. July 30, 1835, d. Oct. 30, 1866; mar. Oct. 4, 1859, Charles E. Young, b. May 6, 1833, son of Abijah and Rachel (Hill) Young. He was in the Civil War.
- x. EUGENE KINCAID, b. Apr. 11, 1838; mar. Elizabeth Morris.
- EUGENE KINCAID FELT, born in Webster, April 11, 1838; married in Jefferson, Wis., May 16, 1861, Elizabeth Morris, daughter of William S. and Zibiah C. (Gregg) Morris of Holmesville, Neb. She was born in Rochester, N.Y., April 12, 1839. Mr. Felt removed from his native place in 1846 with his father's family, to Newark, Wis., and remained there with the exception of brief periods until 1883, when he settled in Barnes, Washington County, Kan. While a resident of Newark he was engaged in farming. At the age of 21 he was elected superintendent of public instruction, was seven times elected chairman of the town Board of Supervisors, also at the same time was a member of the county Board of Supervisors. In 1872 he was elected a member of the Wisconsin Legislature, and again in 1873, and the last named year was chairman of the Committee on Railroads. After his removal to Kansas, Mr. Felt was engaged in the lumber business, and at the same time carried on farming operations. In politics he was a Republican, and was a delegate to the State Convention at Topeka, in 1888.18 About 1901, Mr. Felt and his wife removed to

¹⁸ Felt Genealogy, p. 236.

Seattle, Wash., where he died July 21, 1915, and where his widow died Mar. 1, 1920. The remains of Mrs. Felt were buried in Lot 302, section O, in Washelli Cemetery, Seattle, and the ashes of her husband deposited beside her.

Under date of April 14, 1915, Mr. Felt made the following statement:

"After my death it is my wish and direction that my remains be cremated and that the ashes be disposed of in such a manner as to make little or no expense, and not kept for any purpose whatever, knowing that such refuse could not in any way be of any use for any purpose.

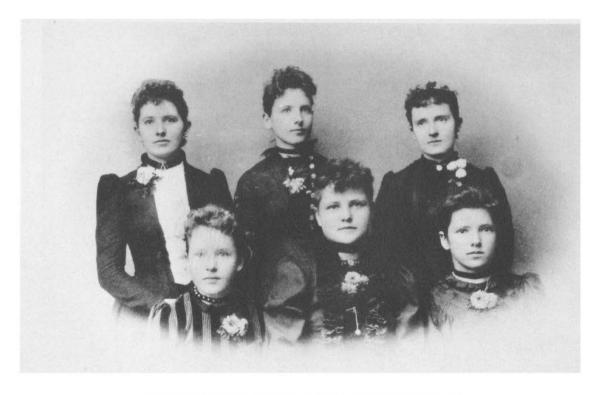
"If my life has been such as to be worthy of remembrance I trust I will not be soon forgotten by the many dear friends who have contributed so much to my happiness during my long life in the past. It has always been my purpose in life to 'Do by others as I would that they should do unto me,' and if I have varied from this rule, I hope and trust my friends will attribute the misstep to an error of judgment and not of purpose.

(Signed) E. K. Felt."

CHILDREN OF EUGENE KINCAID AND ELIZABETH (MORRIS) FELT.¹⁹

- i. Dorr Eugene, b. Mar. 18, 1862; mar. Agnes McNulty.
- ii. Lola Abbie, b. Jan. 17, 1864; mar. in Barnes, Kansas, May 19, 1885, Charles Matthias Bremerman, who was b. in St. Louis, June 27, 1861, son of Gerard and Clara Johanna (Briegleb) Bremerman. They had children:
 - Luella Bremerman, b. Greenleaf, Kan., Sep. 30, 1886; mar. Aug. 18, 1910, Karl R. Ask, and they had a son, Dorr E. Ask, b. Feb. 25, 1912, d. Jan. 11, 1919.
 - 2. Glen F. Bremerman, b. St. Louis, July 15, 1888. He enlisted in the World War, Apr. 10, 1918, at Fort Lawton, Washington, and was assigned to the Ordnance Corps, Coast Defense of Puget Sound, Apr. 24, 1918, Capt. Walter S. Pollitz; Warranted Corporal of Ordnance, Regular Army, July 12, 1918; transferred to Field Artillery Replacement Depot, Camp Jackson, So. Car., Aug. 28, 1918; assigned as Instructor in Chauffeurs' School Battery D, 12th Regt., F. A. R. D., Camp Jackson; Warranted Ordnance Sergeant, Nov. 25, 1918; transferred to Camp Lewis, Wash., for dis-

¹⁹ Felt Genealogy, p. 237, with additions.



DAUGHTERS OF EUGENE KINCAID AND ELIZABETH (MORRIS) FELT
LOLA ARTEMUSIA MARY
GERTRUDE FLORA VINNIE



FOUR GENERATIONS

MRS. LOLA (FELT) BREMERMAN

MRS. ELIZABETH (MORRIS) FELT MRS. ZIBIAH CHRISTY (GREGG) MORRIS

LUELLA BREMERMAN

charge, Dec. 15, 1918; discharged Jan. 3, 1919, from 42nd Co. of 11th Bn., 166th Depot Brigade, Camp Lewis, Washington.

iii. Minnie, b. Sep. 24, 1865, d. June 11, 1867.

iv. Mary Adelia, b. May 5, 1867, d. Sep. 7, 1894.

v. Artemusia, b. Mar. 14, 1869; mar. Barnes, Kas., Oct. 22, 1887, John Franklin Martin, born in Linn Township, Ill., July 15, 1863, son of James M. and Catherine H. (Neeley) Martin. They had the following children:

1. Clara Joyce Martin, b. Aug. 8, 1888, d. Apr. 10, 1897.

- 2. Quay Willis Martin, b. June 11, 1890. He enlisted in the World War, Dec. 30, 1917, and was in the U. S. Naval Aviation Force; sailed for France, Mar. 28, 1918; returned, Nov. 25, 1918; discharged Mar. 20, 1919.
- 3. Forest E. Martin, b. Apr. 2, 1892. He enlisted in the World War, Aug. 21, 1917; 116 and 637 Aero Squadron, 1st Air Depot, Air Service Corps; sailed for Fra: , Dec. 10, 1917; returned, May 10, 1919; discharged May 24, 1919; Capt. Chester A. Riggers.
- 4. Eulalia Bee Martin, b. Dec. 26, 1893.

5. Verta Fay Martin, b. Oct. 3, 1896.

6. Clyde Franklin Martin, b. Mar. 8, 1898, d. Apr. 26, 1917.

 Lester Morris Martin, b. Sep. 8, 1900. He enlisted in the World War, Oct. 12, 1918, Co. G of the S. A. T. C.; discharged, Dec. 19, 1918; Lieut. R. H. Powell, Acting Captain.

8. Kenneth James Martin, b. July 14, 1904.

vi. Fred Kincaid, b. Apr. 12, 1871.

vii. Earl, b. Jan. 14, 1873, d. Nov. 6, 1873.

- viii. Flora Clementine, b. Sep. 8, 1874; mar. Mar. 8, 1893, Thomas A. Graham, b. Jan. 30, 1870, son of Robert and Ruth (Corum) Graham. They had the following children:
 - Willard Eugene Graham, b. Feb. 16, 1894, d. Opal City, Jefferson Co., Oregon, Dec. 1, 1916; mar. Nov. 8, 1916, Ruby E. Wilson, b. Linn Co., Ore., Jan. 20, 1895, dau. of Thomas Jay and Harriet Anna (Richards) Wilson.

2. Robert F. Graham, b. Feb. 29, 1896, d. Apr. 17, 1917. He enlisted Mar. 25, 1917, in the Eighth Oregon Coast Artillery.

- 3. Merrill Vivian Graham, b. Mar. 12, 1898. He enlisted in the World War May 8, 1917, at Vancouver, Wash.; 27th Aero Squadron, 1st Pursuit Group, 26th Division, Strafing Corps; sailed for France, Feb. 26, 1918; returned, Mar. 19, 1919; discharged Apr. 3, 1919, Camp Lewis, Washington; Capt. Alfred A. Grant.
- ix. Gertrude Elizabeth, b. June 19, 1876; mar. Mar. 16, 1904, William F. Babcock, b. May 11, 1867, son of Charles Wesley and Maryetta (Stone) Babcock. They had children:
 - 1. Charles William Babcock, b. Dec. 6, 1904.
 - 2. Elizabeth Babcock, b. Mar. 11, 1908.

- 3. Jane Babcock, b. June 24, 1911.
- 4. Richard Babcock, b. Nov. 3, 1917.
- x. Vinnie Belle, b. Apr. 7, 1878; mar. Oct. 23, 1901, Leslie Parker McCanne, son of Hugh and Harriet (Parker) McCanne. Children:
 - 1. Florence Parker McCanne, b. Jan. 12, 1903.
 - 2. Gertrude Elizabeth McCanne, b. Oct. 1, 1905.

3. Josephine McCanne, b. May 9, 1918.

- xi. Louis Foster, b. Mar. 6, 1880, d. Dec. 19, 1918; mar. Jan. 26, 1902, Marion Esther Smythe, b. Feb. 22, 1876, daughter of Henry and Mary (Birnie) Smythe. They had children:
 - 1. Birnie Felt, b. Jan. 18, 1907, d. April, 1907.
 - 2. Helen Felt, b. Feb. 22, 1908.
 - 3. Eugene Foster Felt, b. Oct. 18, 1911.
- xii. Robert Gregg, b. Dec. 21, 1882, d. Apr. 28, 1883.
- Dorr Eugene Felt was born March 18, 1862, in Rock County, Newark Township, near Beloit, Wisconsin. His boyhood days were spent on the farm, and his educational advantages were restricted to instruction received at common school, supplemented by one year in high school at Beloit. At 14 years of age he left home to seek employment and make his own way in the world. His bent of mind, leaning towards mechanics, led him to seek work in a machine shop in Beloit, where he found his first employment in the spring of 1878. After an apprenticeship at the machinist's trade in his home town, he came to Chicago early in 1882 where through study and experience he became a highly skilled mechanic.

In 1887 the partnership of Felt & Tarrant was formed, which in 1889 was incorporated as Felt & Tarrant Mfg. Co. Mr. Felt has been continuously President of this company since its incorporation. The sole product of this company is the Comptometer Adding and Calculating Machine. This machine was invented, constructed and developed by Mr. Felt and his was the guiding hand which has directed and controlled the business of international scope which it now represents.

Of particular interest in connection with the invention of the Comptometer is the fact that it was the first success-









DORR EUGENE FELT AT FIVE YEARS OF AGE AT TWENTY-EIGHT YEARS

AT TWENTY-TWO YEARS AT FORTY-THREE YEARS

ful multiple-column, wholly key-operated calculating machine invented and, therefore, ranks as a pioneer in this industry. The appearance of the Comptometer on the market antedates that of any other multiple-order key-board adding or calculating machine by more than three years. The first Comptometer built by Mr. Felt was made in 1885 and shortly thereafter he applied for his Comptometer patents the first of which was issued July 19, 1886. The first Comptometers manufactured under these patents were produced in 1887 and proved successful in actual service.

Recognition of Mr. Felt's work as a pioneer invention is found in a statement made in a booklet by a competing manufacturer of adding machines, as follows:

"Mr. Felt's efforts include probably more important contributions to the adding machine art than any other inventor of the early period."

This relates not only to the Comptometer, but to the Comptograph printing-listing-adding machine, also the invention of Mr. Felt. The Comptograph was developed into a practical commercial machine as early as 1889 and records show that machines of that date remained in service ten years or more.

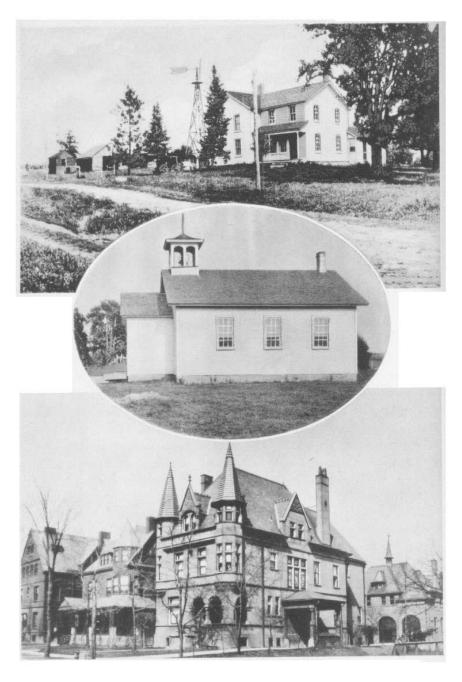
Mr. Felt has been granted 46 patents in the United States and 25 in foreign countries, which with few exceptions relate to calculating machines and improvements thereof; the conspicuous exceptions being a patent on an improved lathe chuck; one on a coupon cutter; two on gas meters, and one on a camera diaphragm controller.

Of all the successes that have come to him in the various activities of life, Mr. Felt regards with chiefest satisfaction his invention of the Comptometer and the development of the system of mechanical arithmetic, by which its usefulness is extended in a very efficient and practical way to every form of arithmetical calculation.

The introduction of a machine capable of performing

rapidly and accurately all forms of arithmetical calculation naturally modified methods of procedure with respect to such calculations. While every such operation can be performed on this machine according to the usual formulae followed in mental calculation with pencil and paper and with greater speed, it was found that many practical short cuts not available in mental calculation were open to the mechanical system. The need of a permanent, systematic record of these short cuts peculiar to the machine, together with rules for their application, led to the publication by the Felt & Tarrant Mfg. Co. in 1914 of a book called "Applied Mechanical Arithmetic" compiled under the direction of Mr. Felt. Something of the scope of this work and the importance of the subject are indicated by the fact that although it contains four hundred and eighty-seven"8 x 9" pages, it is necessarily incomplete. This work was enlarged to 608 pages in 1920 and re-issued. Copies of "Applied Mechanical Arithmetic" may be found in libraries of the leading colleges, universities and public libraries of the United States.

Mr. Felt's inventive achievements did not end with the production of the Comptometer as it was originally designed. His efforts have been unceasingly devoted to the improvement and refinement of his machine which, in its present highly developed form, embraces numerous new inventions covering novel features of great value to the art. Among the most notable of these are the duplex system of key operation whereby two or more keys in different columns may be operated at the same time without regard to uniformity in travel of the keys depressed; the noiseless movement of the cancelling mechanism for setting the answer register back to zero; the Controlled-key—a device to prevent the possibility of error on the part of the operator through a slighted or incomplete keystroke, by the instant automatic locking of all columns of the keyboard save the one in which the faulty operation occurs, when a key is only partially depressed. To correct the fault and unlock the keyboard, the operator must complete the unfinished stroke



BIRTHPLACE OF DORR EUGENE FELT
BOYHOOD SCHOOL
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and touch the release key to lift the emergency stop. Both from a mechanical and operative viewpoint, the Controlled-key invention is regarded as a notable contribution to the art.

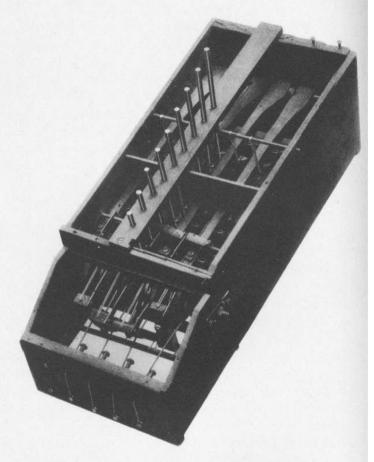
Indomitable perseverance, tenacity of purpose, extraordinary power of concentration, and a remarkable capacity for sustained physical and mental effort, are traits of character which have figured largely in the success of Mr. Felt's career. When absorbed in the solution of some mechanical problem connected with his inventions, he not infrequently works for twenty-four hours at a stretch seemingly oblivious to the lapse of time. Mr. Felt believes that a product unerringly reflects not only the skill and ability of the producer, but his character as well; and this belief is expressed in an intense devotion to minute accuracy in mechanical construction and perfection of detail, to secure which he spares no pains or effort.

As might be expected of a man of independent thought, Mr. Felt's opinions often run counter to popular opinion. A case in point is his interpretation of what constitutes real invention. He holds that the mere conception of an idea, even though it be new and novel and connected with some notion of possible means of its realization, is not invention, notwithstanding its common acceptation as such; that until converted into tangible, usable form by creative effort such conceptions contribute nothing to the material progress of civilization. Between the dreaming of dreams and their translation into accomplishment lies a wide gulf. Jules Verne had a wonderful vision of men sailing in boats under the seas, but he was not the inventor of the submarine. For ages men dreamed of flying birdlike through the air, but to no practical purpose, as far as successful achievement was concerned, until the Wright brothers, by years of patient study and purposeful, constructive energy, made the dream come true. Invention, as Mr. Felt defines it, is not merely the inception of an idea, but the actual development of it into a realized result.

But with all his talent for mechanical invention and genius for business organization and administration, he has not permitted his interests in these pursuits to circumscribe his attention or the range of his investigations.

In spite of the exacting demands upon his time incident to the direction of the manufacturing industry of which he is the official and active head, he has found time for comprehensive study of geology, biblical history, economic science and governmental problems. His habit of intensive thought and analysis applies to any subject that happens to engage his attention.

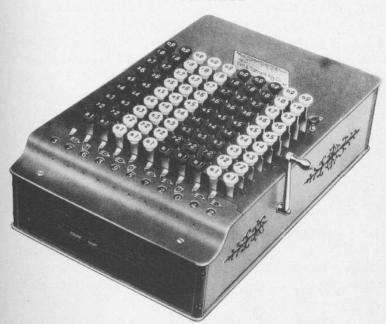
Illustrative of this trait and the range of his investigations are the accounts describing how some of his inquiries into scientific and other subjects have been inspired by observations made in his travels which have extended widely over the world. These excursions have not been confined to the usual "guide book" points of interest of the average tourist. His trend of thought and the scope and character of his investigations are exemplified in such instances as the quickening of his interest in geology, a subject to which he had already given considerable thought, by a visit to the crater Kilauea during a trip to the Hawaiian Islands, inasmuch as and how, for more than two years thereafter, he gave all of his spare time to the study of geology. An opportunity was afforded in the meantime for extending his research along this line by a trip to Alaska. And again, a trip up the Nile, through Palestine and Syria, and ending at Constantinople during the progress of the battle in that city at the time the Sultan was deposed, aroused his interest in biblical history. On his return from this trip most of his leisure time for a period of two years was devoted to a study of the subject. Surrounded by reference maps, both ancient and modern, he went through the whole story of the Holy Land with painstaking care, comparing step by step the evidence as he found it in the topography of the country, its ancient landmarks and the present-day habits, customs and traditions of the inhabitants of that land as he saw



FIRST MODEL OF THE COMPTOMETER



THE COMPTOGRAPH



LATEST IMPROVED MODEL OF THE COMPTOMETER

them, with the account contained in the Bible. His information was not drawn from a casual survey in a hurried passage through easily accessible centers, but was gained from observations made while jolting day after day on the back of a donkey over the hills of Palestine, visiting places and tribes remote from the usual line of travel. Indicative of his insight into and correlation of seemingly unimportant facts is Mr. Felt's interpretation of the miraculous feeding of Elijah, the Tishbite, by the ravens when he was fleeing from the wrath of Jezebel. Standing one day on the bank of the River Jordan, he noticed the ravens alighting on the shore near the edge of the water evidently in search of food. He learned upon inquiry that they were seeking soft shell mussels which they scooped out of the mud and carried in their beaks back to their nests in limestone caves in the cliffs along the canyon through which flows the brook Cherwith. And since he found it to be a fact that there are to-day inhabiting these caves mendicants who are literally "fed by the ravens," he saw no reason to doubt the literal, if not the miraculous, aspect of Elijah's experience as set down in the Scriptures.

In subsequent tours reaching from the Yukon in Alaska to the Panama Canal, he visited many out-of-the-way places, including the volcanic region and petrified forest of the Southwestern States and the volcano Poas in Costa Rica, not merely to see the country but rather to study the points of scientific interest found in these regions.

It should not be inferred from these incursions into scientific matters that Mr. Felt is not alive to the great issues of the day and affairs of current interest. He is a close student of governmental and economic problems and his opinions on legislative and business questions are sought and carefully considered by men of note in such spheres of influence.

In later years, since he has been relieved of some of the details of business and invention by an organized staff of competent assistants, he has given liberally of his time and energy in service on committees and other organizations for the promotion of higher standards of education, more equitable and logical systems of taxation, federal legislation for saner co-operation of capital and labor, and loftier ideals in civic government.

To the current literature relating to these subjects Mr. Felt has been a liberal contributor through pamphlets, newspaper and magazine articles, which reflect his characteristic ability to think sanely and soundly upon these issues of public interest. Among the published monographs from his pen which have attracted wide attention are: "Organized Charities and Social Welfare Work From the Viewpoint of an Employer"; "College Made Utopias and Labor Unrest"; "An Open Letter on the Question of So-Called Excess Profits Taxes"; "Labor's Position in the Economic Structure"; "Is Organized Labor Slipping?"; "Prosperity's Difficulties"; "Radicalism in Great Britain."

Although personally active in civic and political movements in behalf of better government, Mr. Felt has never sought nor held office in any political or civil position; but as a private citizen his influence has been felt through counsel and advice in the framing of national, state and municipal legislation. Notable occasions of public protest were his letters to President Wilson on the provisions of the Clayton Bill touching patents and interlocking directorates, and his vigorous protest against the proposal to let foreign merchant ships sail under the American Flag.

Despite the pressure of his divers engagements, Mr. Felt manages to take care of a large personal correspondence relating principally to scientific, economic and political subjects. Among his correspondents are numbered well-known educators, scientists and legislators. To these discussions Mr. Felt is able to contribute not only the results of reason in the abstract, but also those of knowledge gained through actual experience in practical business and in contact with men of affairs.

When the United States entered the Great War on the



MEDALS AWARDED DORR EUGENE FELT FOR THE COMPTOMETER CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, JOHN SCOTT MEDAL, 1889 LEWIS & CLARK CENTENNIAL EXPOSITION, PORTLAND, 1905 WORLD'S COLUMBIAN EXPOSITION, CHICAGO, 1893

side of the Allies against Germany and Austria, and the call went out for men of executive ability and experience to help speed up production of war munitions and supplies, Mr. Felt naturally responded promptly to the call. The War Industries Board, created to supervise and direct this work, was seeking leaders to head the various sections of its activities. An important arm of this board was that of the Resources and Conversion Section, organized in Regional Divisions covering the entire country. Able men were required to conduct this work and it was in this section of war work that Mr. Felt found his opportunity for service. In June of 1918 he was appointed Regional Advisor of Region No. 9 of the Resources and Conversion Section, which embraced a territory that included Iowa and the northern part of Illinois and Indiana, with headquarters at Chicago.

The exigencies of the situation demanded that the Government know as quickly as possible just what the industrial resources of the country were, in material, machinery and plant organization. To this end the Regional Directors were instructed to encourage the organization of an association of representative business men in each territory to co-operate with the Government in bringing about general industrial improvement to enable the Government to secure capacity for war orders; to aid in disseminating information and in giving notice of such determination as was made from time to time by the War Industries Board; to gather and compile such data and information as would keep the War Industries Board promptly, accurately and fully advised of all facts and conditions affecting the industrial situation in all of the several Regions.

To meet these requirements and secure prompt action, Mr. Felt as Regional Advisor divided Region No. 9 into 44 sub-regions, appointing sub-regional chairmen over each division. In addition to this, a suitable corps of assistants comprising investigators, secretaries and clerical workers were quickly brought together and installed in the Regional Headquarters Office in Chicago.

It will be readily appreciated that many of the decisions which the Regional Advisor was compelled to make called for great sacrifices on the part of individuals, firms and corporations. They entailed in some cases the curtailment and even the suspension of business enterprises; the conversion of a factory in whole or in part to the making of munitions of war, and other serious inconveniences, to the end that the Government might have the fullest support in carrying out its military plans. To accomplish this result with discriminating judgment and with as fair and equitable distribution of the burden as was possible under the circumstances was a task that called for the exercise of rare tact and diplomacy combined with firm and decisive action.

The measure of success, achieved by Mr. Felt in the discharge of his duties as Regional Advisor, is best expressed by the Chairman of the United States War Industries Board, in a personal letter in which he says: "Now that your service as one of the Regional Advisors has come to an end, I feel that in addition to the word of thanks contained in my telegram to you, I wish to send a note expressing more adequately my appreciation of the very valuable services that you have rendered. The thoroughness and dispatch with which you handled all matters submitted to you, are deserving of the highest commendation, and you were of the greatest help in keeping us advised in Washington as to conditions in your district so that we might proceed intelligently with the making of decisions."

Mr. Felt's status in Government service was that of a dollar-a-year man, an honorarium which was duly paid in the form of a Government check, signed by the President of the United States, which will never be cashed. As against this income, his personal outlay, amounting to several thousand dollars for financing the work of his office, still left him, in his estimate, a debtor to the cause. The conditions which gave rise to the creation of the War Industries Board disappeared with the signing of the Armistice, and within a few days thereafter the organization was disbanded.



PLANT OF FELT & TARRANT MANUFACTURING COMPANY, CHICAGO

Then began the work of reconstruction and again there was need for public-spirited men conversant with the problems of political and social economy. In the latter part of January, 1919, Secretary of Labor Wm. B. Wilson invited Mr. Felt to serve as a member of an Employers' Industrial Commission to be sent to England to study and report on labor conditions and labor policies in Great Britain. When this commission, of which Mr. Felt was spokesman, arrived in England early in February, 1919, serious labor disturbances were in progress there, notable among which was the strike of the Underground Railway Employees. Through the good offices of the British Minister of Labor, meetings were arranged for the Commission with groups of members of Parliament representing the Radical, Conservative and Moderate Sections. Opportunity was also afforded for conferences with prominent labor leaders as well as with many individual workers of all shades of opinion. The investigation made by the Commission was limited to labor and industrial conditions, on which a report was made by the Committee and forwarded to Washington.

At the termination of this work, Mr. Felt was requested by the chairman of the Commission to go to France and investigate and report on similar conditions there. This he did devoting some three months to the task, the result of his investigation being later published as an individual report by the U. S. Department of Labor at Washington.

Mr. Felt's connections with the following organizations indicate the trend and in some degree the extent of his activities:

President of the Illinois Manufacturers Association, 1919, of which he is still a Director.

President Illinois Society, Sons of the American Revolution, 1920.

Member Board of Directors Chicago Association of Commerce.

Director Chamber of Commerce, United States of America, 1920.

Member American Academy of Political and Social Science, Philadelphia; American Academy Political Science, New York; American Statistical Association, Boston; Western Society of Engineers; Legislative Voters League of State of Ill., Executive Committee; Chicago Public School League, Executive Committee; Illinois Taxpayers Alliance, Executive Committee; Chicago Historical Society; Art Institute, Chicago. Delegate to 2nd Pan-American Scientific Congress (1915–1916). Regional Advisor, Region No. 9 of Resources and Conversion Section of the War Industries Board (1918). Member of Employers' Commission appointed by Wm. B. Wilson, Secretary of Labor, and sent to England to study and report on labor conditions and governmental labor policies in Great Britain (1919).

Also member of Union League Club, Chicago; Chicago Athletic Association.; Chicago City Club; Old Colony Club, New York.

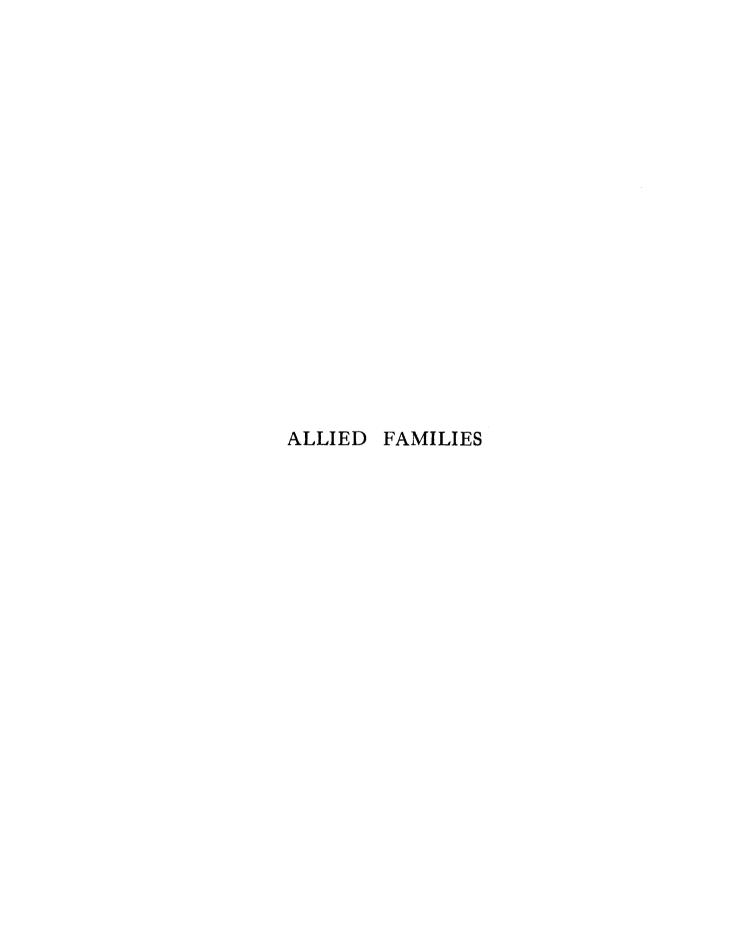
Dorr Eugene Felt, born Mar. 18, 1862, married in Chicago, Jan. 15, 1891, Agnes McNulty, daughter of George Washington and Ann Arabella (Rhea) McNulty.

Children, all born in Chicago.

- i. Virginia, b. Mar. 23, 1892; mar. Chicago, Apr. 30, 1918, Raymond Joseph Koch, b. Chicago, Apr. 19, 1892, son of Nicholas and Annie Virginia (Finkler) Koch. They have a son, Raymond Felt Koch, b. Sep. 27, 1919.
- ii. Elizabeth, b. Oct. 6, 1893.
- iii. Constance, b. July 20, 1896.
- iv. Dorothea, b. June 25, 1903.



CHILDREN OF DORR EUGENE AND AGNES (McNULTY) FELT
ELIZABETH RAYMOND FELT KOCH VIRGINIA
DOROTHEA SON OF VIRGINIA CONSTANCE



ATWOOD

PHILIP¹ ATWOOD, born in England about 1620, as he deposed in 1660 aged 40, probably came to this country as a boy about 1635. He was of Malden, Mass., in 1653. He married for first wife Rachel Bachelder, who was born about 1640 and who died in Malden, Feb. 5, 1673-4, daughter of William and Rachel Bachelder. He died in Bradford, Mass., Feb. 1, 1700-1.3

CAPT. PHILIP⁸ ATWOOD, born about 1658, died Bradford, Mass., Apr. 13, 1722,⁴ in his 64th year. He is called of Salem in his marriage record, he having married at that place July 23, 1684, Sarah Tenney, born Rowley, Mass., Oct. 17, 1665,⁵ died Bradford, Apr. 2, 1739,⁶ daughter of John and Mercy (Parrat) Tenney.

Capt. Philip and Sarah (Tenney) Atwood had several children, one of them being a daughter Elizabeth, born Bradford, May 19, 1700,7 who married Jan. 21, 1722, Nathaniel Fales.8

- ¹ Malden Vital Records.
- ² Pope's Pioneers of Mass.; Wyman's Charlestown, p. 36; Batchelder Gen. 1898, p. 40.
- ³ Bradford Vital Records.
- 4 Bradford Vital Records.
- ⁵ Blodgette's Early Settlers of Rowley, 1887, p. 212.
- ⁶ Bradford Vital Records.
- 7 Bradford Vital Records.
- 8 Bradford Vital Records.

BACHELDER

7ILLIAM¹ BACHELDER, born in England about 1597, was of Charlestown, Mass., in 1634, where he died Feb. 20, 1669-70, aged 72 years. He had a second wife Rachel, who died in Charlestown, May 28, 1676, aged 73 years.

William and Rachel Bachelder had at least 3 children, one child being a daughter Rachel, born about 1640, who married Philip Atwood.9

WILL OF WILLIAM BACHELDER. 10

I William Batchelour of Charlstowne in ye County of Middlesex In New England, being weake in body, but of sound memory; calling to minde the uncertainty of this life being subject to mortalyty, I doe make this my last will & Testament which is as followeth.

Impr I bequeath my sowle into ye hands of my Deare Redeemer ye Lord Jesus Christ: & my body to ye earth from whence it came, therein to be decently buryed after life departed. And as for that little portion of outward estate that God have given me; I doe dispose as followeth

Impr. yt all my just & reall debts be payde. Nextly I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Rachell Batchelour, my nowe dwelling howse & yard, garden, & out howseing & ye howse yt my sonn Richard Austin lives in: with all my moveable estate both cattell, tooles; or howsall-goods, and what ever else is to me belonging; my will is that my sonn Richard should continue in the howse dureing ye naturall Life of my beloved wife payeing rent to her according to the worth thereof.

Further my will is vt all my moveables be at my wives dispose for the comfort of her life & at her death to be given unto her children.

Item my will is my wife shall have liberty (her necessyty calling for it) to sell any part of ye Land; howsen, or moveables, more or less According as her need shall be.

Further my will is yt of what shall be sould, ther be an equal abate-

ment out of every childs portion.

Item After my wives decease If undisposed of by my wife I give and bequeath unto my sonn Joseph Batchelour my now dwelling howse wth ye outhowseing yard & orchard lying belowe it, & of each side of it to him & to his heires.

Item. After my wives decease I give & bequeathe unto my two Daughters Rachell Atwood, & Abigail Austin the howse (if undisposed

⁹ Savage's Gen. Dict.; Pope's Pioneers of Mass.; Wyman's Charlestown, p. 42; Batchelder Gen., 1898, p. 39.

¹⁰ Middlesex Probate, Cambridge, 3-319.

of by my wife) yt Richard Austin now lives in wth ye yard behind it, ye yard to come within two feet of my now dwelling howse wth ye use of ye highway to come into ye yard: & yt highway to ly in common to both howses viz: Josephs & Richards so farr as this yard goeth which is wthin two foot of my now dwelling howse. Further my will is yt my sonn Richard should have this howse and yard paying after the decease of my wife, to my sonn Atwood ye valew & worth of halfe of it: dureing ye time of his nonpayment to pay valuable rent for the one halfe of it. Upon Further consideration my will is yt ye sd Richard shall have liberty to fetch water from ye well of ye sd Joseph dureing ye Naturall life of ye sd Richard & his child after him, ye sd Richard to pay halfe ye charges about ye well dureing ye time of his makeing use of ye well. Further my will is yt my sonn Richard after my wives decease shall have ye little garden behind ye house of ye sayd Joseph; this garden being thirty foot in length and twelve foot in breadth from mr Fosters pales toward ye howse

Further upon Josephs Entring upon the sd howse after his mothers decease he is to pay five pounds to Joseph Cromwell & Benjamin Cromwell equally divideing it, to be payd wthin one twelve months time, or when they come of age to arrive at 21 yeeres of age.

Item my will is that my three Grandchildren nowe liveing wth me viz: Joseph Cromwell, Benjamin Cromwell, & Susanna Lawrence be

left at the dispose of my wife Rachell Batchlour.

Memorandum my will is yt ye small Garden above specyfyed containeing thirty foot in length & twelve in breadth or there abouts is to bee added to ye howse of the sayd Rachell & Abigail. yt this is my will which is contained in these two sides for ye confirmation of which I have this eleventh day of the twelvth month one thousand sixe hundred sixty & nine affixed my hand constituteing my beloved wife Rachel Batchlour my sole executrix of this my will

As wittness wereoff. Richard Kettle John Cutler Further my will is that ye wood Lott on Misticke side be given to my sonn Joseph & his heires after my wives decease.

WILLIAM BACHELOR

& Farthur my will is that aftar my wifs deceas I giv & beeqeath unto my son Joseph Bachelor one cows coman in the stinted coman in Charlstown hee to pay unto John Cromwell ten shillings after my wifs deceas

Itim I giv unto my daughter Abigell austen one cows coman in the stinted coman of Charlstown: aftar my wives deceas; my daughter abigell austin to pay unto Rebecka Cromwell ten shillings aftar: my wifs deceas & thes comans is given to them & to thear heirs forevar that this is my will in witnes hearof I hav set unto my hand this 12: of februwari 1669

Witnes John Cutler WILLIAM BATHELOR

BACON

ICHAEL BACON, born probably in County Suffolk, England, came to America in 1640, and was one of the early settlers of Dedham, Mass. He is stated to have lived in the North of Ireland for about seven years previous to his coming to this country. He had a wife Alice, who died in Dedham, Apr. 2, 1648, 10a and he died the same month, Apr. 18, 1648. 10b Michael and Alice Bacon had 5 children. 10c

Daniel² Bacon, born probably in England, came to Dedham in 1640, with his father, and was one of the original projectors of the settlement at Woburn. He was early of Bridgewater, Mass., but probably went to Cambridge, and he settled in that part now Newton, where he died Sep. 7, 1691.^{10d} He married, probably in Bridgewater, Mary Reed, who died in Newton, Oct. 4, 1691,^{10e} daughter of Thomas Reed of Colchester, Essex, England.^{10f} Daniel and Mary (Reed) Bacon had 9 children, one child being a daughter Lydia, born Mar. 6, 1656,^{10g} who married Samuel Pierce.^{10h}

¹⁰a Dedham Vital Records.

¹⁰b Dedham Vital Records.

¹⁰⁰ N. E. Register, 56-364.

¹⁰d Newton Vital Records.

¹⁰e Newton Vital Records.

^{10f} N. E. Register, 21-369; 56-365.

¹⁰g Cambridge Vital Records.

¹⁰h Pierce Genealogy, 1882, p. 28.

BRAY

PICHARD¹ BRAY bought of John Cozzens one-half of the island known as Cozzens Island in Casco, (now Maine), Feb. 21, 1650, 11 and lived on it, but was driven away by the Indians, as is stated in the deposition of his daughter Hannah, Apr. 3, 1728, in which she says that her "Father bought the one half of said Cozens on which he lived sometime but upon the Warrs with the Indians he removed up to York but two of my Brothers lived there upon said Island and were both killed by the Indians as they were looking after their Cattle." 12

Richard Bray had a wife Isabella, and he and his wife deeded Jan. 1, 1678, he being called in the deed "now in Boston in New England, but formerly of Casco Bay in the Province of Mayn Talour," . . . "the one halfe part of all that Ysland scituate in Cascoe Bay aforesd who hee formerly bought of John Cossons, then of Cascoe Bay aforesd, Commonly known by the name of Cussons his Ysland, with one halfe part of an Ysland Adioyneing to the sayd Cossons his Ysland, Called & known by the name of Long Ysland, with flue Acres of sault Marsh bee It more or less, on the Mayne lijng on the West end of the Great Marsh, to the end of a Cricke or Landing place, where the aboue sayd John Cossens Landed his Hay in Chusquissacke River, in Cascoe Bay aforesayd." 13

Richard and Isabella Bray had several children, one of them being a daughter Hannah, who married (1) John Freethe; (2) Robert Hazelton.

¹¹ York Deeds, 3-37.

¹² York Deeds, Book 12, pt. 2, fol. 273.

¹³ York Deeds, 3-35.

CHENEY

OHN' CHENEY is first heard of in this country in the records of the church in Roxbury, Mass., by Rev. John Eliot, as follows:

"John Cheney he came into the land in the yeare 1635. he brought 4 children, Mary, Martha, John, Daniel. Sarah his 5^t child was borne in the last month of the same yeare 1635, cald February. he removed from or church to Newbery the end of the next suer 1636."

The entry in Rev. John Eliot's record following this is: "Martha Cheny the wife of John Cheny."14

He settled in Newbury and was a freeman May 17, 1637, in connection with which it is stated in Coffin's History of Newbury, that John Cheney in company with 9 others walked from Newbury to Boston (40 miles) in order to qualify themselves to vote by taking the freeman's oath, they wishing to vote for Gov. Winthrop and prevent the re-election of Sir Henry Vane. 15

John Cheney died in Newbury July 28, 1666,¹⁶ his wife surviving him. John and Martha Cheney had 10 children.¹⁷

WILL OF JOHN CHENEY, SENIOR.18

I John Cheney Senior of Newbery in the Countye of Essex in New England: being weake in body: but having perfect knowledg and understanding doe ordaine and apoynt this present Act and writing be my last will and Testament as followeth

First I doe give unto my Son Daniel: my now dwelling house and Barne with al the Corne land pastur and meddowes with al the profits and priveleges thearto belonging: it being all in one Inclosure to it selfe: it lying and being in the old Towne of Newbery.

Also I doe give the said Daniel my Carte and plough and barrow with all the rest of my husbandry tooles: save what I dispose of otherwise.

¹⁴ Boston Record Commissioners Reports, 6-81.

¹⁵ Coffin's Newbury, p. 23.

¹⁶ Newbury Vital Records.

¹⁷ Cheney Genealogy, 1897, p. 199.

¹⁸ Cheney Genealogy, pp. 203-206.

Next: I doe give unto Martha, Cheney my loving wife libertie of dwelling in the house her life time and I doe enjoyne my Son Daniel aforesayd to maintaine her comfortably with meat and drink linen and wollen and other necessaries as her adg shall requier during the time of her naturall life. But if the sayd Martha my wife shall chuse rather to live elsewhere: I doe give unto the sayd Martha Ten pound by the year to be paied out of my living in good marchantable Wheat barley and Indian in equal propertions or the thirds of my land which she pleas also I doe give the sayd Martha my wife all her wearing apparel linnen and wollen: also I doe leave unto the said Marthas disposing all my household goods save what I doe by will dispose of.

I doe also give unto Martha my wife my Mare with her furniture. Al the which premises I doe give unto the sayd Martha my wife.

Next unto my Son John Cheny I doe give one 2 acker lott sometimes Anthony Shorts lying in the south field in Newbery old towne and a lott of salt marsh 3 ackers mor or less lying on the neck on the South side of Newbery River. also I do give the sayd John a tract of land 24 Ackers be it more or less lying in Saulsbury new towne bounds at the plane caled Cimbro, next to Haverel bounds butting on Salsbury river att one end: and the other end butting on haverel hie way.

Also I doe give unto my Son John: my wearing Apparel: namely one Coate one cloke one cloth suit: one serg suit: one lether suit two shirts two paiers of stokins and my hoes and my best Hatt. also my machlock musket: and the shortest Croscutt sawe. also I doe give him one 3 year old haifer caled brendle: onely I doe Resarve the Crop on the lott called Shorts lott to the use of my executors. And after the decease of Marchamy wife I doe give unto my son John: Thirty pounde to be payd out of my living in thre years next ensuing ten pound a year the one half in good marchantable barley and Indian the other halfe in Cattel under eight old: Also I do give unto the said John after my wifes decease the great brass kettel and one new pewter dish marked with I C: and one white bed Rugg. Also I doe give unto the sayd John: six boshels of Apples out of the Orchard yearly for Seven year after my decease.

Next I doe give unto my son Nathaniel Cheney my four oxen with their yoaks and chaine also I doe give unto him two Cowes with their Calves the one Caled old Line: the other Called Pie and one thre year old hayfer with the Calfe and a yearling Colte also I doe give unto the sayd Nathaniel one yearling hayfer caled Kurle also I doe give unto him his Armes Compleat. and one broad howe and one Axe and his Sithe and sickle.

Also I doe give unto him one half headed bedsted with the bed and one bolster and one pillow and one paier of shetes and a Cotton yellow Rug: and I doe give unto Nathaniel the great yarn pott and the lesser posnit: and after my wives deceas I doe give unto the sayd Nathaniel Twentye pounds to be payed one halfe in marchantable Corne halfe barley and the other halfe in wheat and Indian in equal propertions out of my living within two years after my wives decease: also I doe give unto Nathaniel the best Chest and my Bible. and one pewter platter

after my wives deceas and I doe give unto the sayd Nathaniel six boshels of Aples a year for 7 years.

Next I doe give unto my daughter Elizabeth thre Cowes one called spark with her calfe: the other is whitifaced. the third is called Col: also

I doe give her the two yearling hayfers.

Also I doe give unto Elizabeth abovesaid fiveten pounds out of my living to be payed withing two yeares after my decease the one halfe in marchantable Corne wheat barley and Indian in equal propertions the other halfe in Cattel under eight years old.

Next I doe give unto my Son Peter Cheney as an Adicion to what he hath had: Ten Pounds which he hath alredy in hand: and five pound mor within 3 year after my wifes decease out of my living. Also I do give unto the sayd Peter six boshels of Aples out of the Orchyard yearly: for seven years after my decease.

Next I doe give unto Joseph Plumer five poundes: to be payed out

of my living within two years after my wifes deceas.

Also I doe give unto John Kenrick a Bill of four poundes which he owethe me. and I doe give him A Cow which he hath alredy in hand.

Also I do give unto Richard Smith five poundes to be payed within

two years after my wives decease by my executor.

Also I doe give unto William Lawes three daughters namly Rebeca: Mary: and Priscilla: forty shillings a piece: to be payed unto them: and either of them as they Come to the age of eighteen years: by my executor.

And as Concarning my Grandchild Abiel Sadler. his father deceasing befor he was borne I was by: the honnord Hampton Coarte. Intrusted to take Care of him as Gardian And the Honnord Coart Ordered him to have Ten poundes out of his ffathers esstatt: at the adge of one and twentye for p formance whearof I stand engaged: And I doe also ad unto the same five poundes to be payed: the whol fivten pound unto the sayd Abiel at the adge of one and twentie by my Executor. Also I doe give unto the sayde Abiel Sadler My lastes and Toles belonging to my Trade. thear is also a great bosed bible and a pewter bason apertayning to him of his fathers which I enioyne my Executor to deliver to him when he cometh to adge.

Lastly I doe give unto my Grandchild Hanna Burkebe. thre poundes to be payed when she cometh to eighten years of age by my Executor.

And I doe Ordayne and appoint my Son Daniel Cheney to be my Soall and Alone Executor to this my last will and Testament in witnes whearof I have set to my hand and Seale: The 5th day of the 4th Month: 1666 . . .

Sighned and Sealed in the presence of us under written

John Cheney Senior (Seal)

Richard Dole William Ilslie

This will was prvd by the oath of Richard Dole and William Ilsly to be the last will and testament of John Cheney that they saw him signe seale and publish it to be his last will and testament in there presence. In court held at Ipswich 25 of September 1666 as attest

Robert Ford cleric.

- Peter Cheney, born Newbury, Mass., about 1639, died in same place in January, 1694–5.19 He married May 14, 1663,20 Hannah Noyes, born Newbury, Oct. 13, 1643,21 died same place Jan. 5, 1704–5,22 daughter of Dea. Nicholas and Mary (Cutting) Noyes. She married for a second husband John Atkinson. Peter and Hannah (Noyes) Cheney had 13 children.23
- ELDAD⁸ CHENEY, born Newbury, Oct. 24, 1681,²⁴ died about 1756, his will being proved Apr. 19, 1756. He married, first, Newbury, Dec. 31, 1707,²⁵ Mary Walker, who died in Bradford, Mar. 4, 1733,²⁶ and he married the next year a second wife.

Eldad and Mary (Walker) Cheney had 2 children, the younger being a daughter Hannah, born in Bradford, Mass., May 18, 1712,²⁷ who married in Rowley, Mass., Mar. 6, 1734-5, David Spofford.²⁸

WILL OF ELDAD CHENEY.29

To all Christian People to whom these Presents shall come, Know ye that I Eldad Cheney of Bradford in the County of Essex, within the Province of the Massachusetts-Bay in New-England Yeoman, Being of perfect Mind & Memory, but under bodily Weakness & Infirmity Therefore specially warned of, and calling to Mind my Mortality, Do Make & ordain This my last Will & Testament, That is to say,

Prinipally & first of all, I give & recommend my Soul into the Hands of God who gave it, humbly asking His Mercy Thro' Jesus Christ unto

¹⁹ Newbury Vital Records.

²⁰ Newbury Vital Records.

²¹ Noyes Genealogy, 1904, 1-47.

²² Newbury Vital Records.

²³ Cheney Genealogy, pp. 217-221.

²⁴ Newbury Vital Records.

²⁵ Newbury Vital Records.

²⁶ Bradford Vital Records.

²⁷ Bradford Vital Records.

²⁸ Cheney Genealogy, p. 233.

²⁹ Essex Probate, Salem, 333-475.

eternal Life. And my Body I commend to the Earth to be buried in decent Christian Burial at the Discretion of my Executor.

And as touching that worldly Estate which it hath pleased God to give to Me I give, demise & dispose of it as followeth, Viz,

Imprimis. My Will is, that all my Just Debts be honestly paid.

Item I give To my Beloved Wife Joanna, (whom I hereby appoint Executrix of this my last Will & Testament), all my Personal Estate, as Household Stuff Stock Monies, Debts Due to me and all of every Denomination that is commonly called Personal Estate, to enable her to pay my Debts & the Remainder thereof to be hers forever, only reserving a Part thereof for my son Ichabod which he shall have on the condition hereafter mentioned, if He will purchase it on that Condition. I also give to my said Wife the Improvement of my Dwelling House & of two Third Parts of my Barn, & of one Third Part of all my other real estate, so long as she shall remain my Widow. And whereas I have given a part of my real Estate to my said son Ichabod by Deed, but my said Wife has not given up her Right of Dowry in that Part which I have thus given to Him; I expect that my said wife will have not only the Improvement of one Third part of the Lands which I am now possessed of, but also of one third part of that Land & Meadow which I have thus given to my said son Ichabod; And if he deny her this, my Will is that it be made up to her out of the Portion which I have in this Will given to my said son Ichabod so that she my wife may improve either one third Part both of the Land of which I am now possessed & of that which I have given by Deed to my sd Son So long as she shall remain my Widow, or the Equivalent. All this I give to her instead of her Right of Dowry in my Estate.

Item I give to my only son Ichabod, a Double Portion or two fifth Parts of my real estate lying in Bradford or else where, only whereas I have already given him one half or near one half of my real Estate by Deed of Gift, & on that as well as other Accounts I may expect Special Service from him in my Sickness or old Age, & I don't expect any Debt to be bro't against my Estate by my said Son for any Such Service. it is my Will that, if my said son shall Demand any Payment out of my Estate for any Service he hath done, or may do for me while I yet Live, that my Executor shall have so much of the real Estate which I have here given Him as will pay his Said Demand. I further give to my said son Ichabod, all my Tools or Utensils of Husbandry, except two Axes, and all my wearing clothes, on the condition of his giving me a decent funeral and if he accept them not on that Condition then I give them to my Wife, as above hinted.

Item As to the remaining three fifth parts of my real Estate, Designing to give equally to my three Dauters, and having already given to my daughter Hannah Spofford that which is Equal to Seven pounds and ten Shillings in Houshold Stuff &c I first give to each of my younger Daughters Mary Cheney & Joanna Cheney Seven Pounds & ten Shillings lawful Money of this Province, to be paid them out of the said three fifth Parts of my real Estate. And the Remainder of the said Three fifth Parts of

My said Real Estate I give to be equally Divided between my said three

Daughters Hannah Spofford Mary Cheney & Joanna Cheney.

Furthermore, I do hereby utterly Disallow, Revoke & Disanull all other former Testaments Wills Legacies & Bequets, by me in any Wise before willed & bequeathed. And Ratify & Confirm This & none other to be my last Will & Testament.

In Witness whereof, I have hereunto Set my Hand & Seal This twenty ninth Day of Novembr In the Year of our Lord One Thousand

Seven Hundred & fifty four.

Signd Sealed published pronouncd, and declard to be the Last Will and Testament of the Said Eldad Cheney in Presence of us.

James Chandler Henry Poor the mark of Sarah X Hale

Will proved April 19, 1756.

Eldad Cheney (Seal)

COLE

ICE¹ COLE came from England in 1629 and settled at Charlestown, Mass., and was one of the few who did not remove from Charlestown to Boston. He and his wife, Arrold, were of those dismissed from the Boston Church, Oct. 14, 1632, to form the First Church of Charlestown. He died in Charlestown, May 15, 1646, and his widow, Arrold, died in December, 1661, her will being dated Dec. 20, and proved Dec. 26, 1661. Rice and Arrold Cole had 5 children, one child being a daughter Elizabeth, who married Sergt. Thomas Pierce. 29b

^{29a} N. E. Register, 23-190.

²⁹b Wyman's Charlestown, 1-228; Cole Families in America, 1887, p. 78.

COOL

ORNELIS LAMBERTZE' COOL bought land in Gowanus in 1639, to which he removed, having previously resided in New Amsterdam. He married Mrs. Altie Brackhonge, who after his death married William Bredenbent.³⁰

They had 5 children, one of them being a daughter Altie Cornelis, who married Gerret Wolfertse Van Couwenhoven.

³⁰ Bergen's Early Settlers of Kings Co., N. Y., 1881, p. 68; Bergen Family, 1876, pp. 251, 252.

CUTTING

R. JOHN¹ CUTTING, Sen., gent., mariner, was of Watertown, Mass., in 1636, but resided at Newbury in 1638. He removed to Charlestown, where he bought house and land in 1648. He was master of the ship "Advent" of Boston, Oct. 19, 1647, and made many voyages to and from England. He died at Newbury, Nov. 20, 1659,³¹ leaving a widow Mary (who later married John Miller, and who died Mar. 6, 1663)³² by whom he had 3 children, one of them being a daughter Mary, who married Dea. Nicholas Noyes.³³

WILL OF JOHN CUTTING.84

Bee it knowne unto all men by thiese prsents that I John Cutting of Newbury in the County of Essex in New england being through gods mercy in health of body and of perfect memory. Considering seriously mine owne frailty and mortality, endeavouring to leave mine estate to my relations as may continue loue & peace amongst them, I do hereby make my last Will and Testament, first I comend my Soule into the hands of my blessed Redeemer Jesus Christ and my body when I shall decease this life, if I dy in Newbury to be buryed in the burying place in Newbury in hope of a happy resurrection. And for my worldly goods I dispose of as followeth, first I give and bequeath unto mary my wife dureing her widdowhood, all my Lands goods and chattels. And so will and appoint her my sole executrix of this my last will and testament. But if my said wife shall change her Condition and marry againe, then I order and appoint that she my said wife shall pay yearely afterwards dureing her naturall life out of my lands fifteene pounds a yeare. That is to say. To my Daughter Mary, the wife of Nicholas Noyes fiue pounds a yeare, And to my Daughter Sara Browne of Charlestowne, the wife or James Browne, fiue pounds a yeare, and to my Grand child Mary—the wife of Samuell Moody, flue pounds a yeare, and also out of my stocke to every one of my Grand children and great grand children thirty shillings a peice. And at the death of the said Mary, my wife I give & bequeath unto my said Daughter Mary Noyes all that house and land now in the possession of Thomas Bloomfield that lyeth on the east side of the high way con-

³¹ Newbury Vital Records.

³² Newbury Vital Records.

³³ Pope's Pioneers of Mass.

³⁴ Essex Probate, Salem.

teineing about fifty or fiue and fifty acres bee it more or lesse both vpland pasture land & meadow and after my said Daughter Mary Noyes her decease to remaine and abide to the proper use of her Son Cutting Noves, his heires & assignes foreuer. 2dly I giue and bequeath vnto my Daughter Sara, the wife of James Browne abousaid & her heires, all the house I now dwell in, with the twelue acres of vpland that the house stands vpon, and three quarters of that twenty acres of Salt Marsh land lately purchased of Mr. Steuen Dummer bee it more or lesse. 3dly I give and bequeath vnto my Grandchild Mary moody, the wife of Samuel moody abouesaid, all the house and Land that is in the possession of John Dauis with the six akers of meadow in the Birchen meadows and the quarter part of the twenty acres of the salt marsh land bee it more or lesse as is abouespecifyed, further I give vnto her my said Grandchild Mary Moody, all that parcell of arable land lately purchased of the said mr. Dumer, lyeing vpon the southwest of the highway betweene the land of Henry shorte on the southeast and John Knights land on the northwest conteining about twenty or fiue twenty acres more or lesse. And the first yeare the said Samuell Moody, his heirs &c. shall possesse the abouesaid parsell of Land which shalbe after my wives decease, then the said samuell Moody or his heirs shall pay to my Daughter sara, the wife of James Browne aforesaid the summe of forty pounds. But if my grandchild Mary moody abousaid shall dye without Issue of her owne body, then all the land abouespecifyed that is hereby given vnto her, shall after her decease, Remaine equally to bee divided vnto my abouesaid two daughters Mary Noyes & sara Browne & their Children for euer. And the forty pound that is here mentioned to be paid by Samuell moody vnto my daughter Sara Browne abouesaid, if paid before, shall be paid backe againe unto the abouesaid Samuell Moody my Debts and funerall rites being discharged by my said executrix. In witness whereof I the about mentioned John Cutting have sett my hand and seale october the two & twentyeth. In the yeare of our Lord one thousand sixe hundred fifty nine.

John (Seal) Cutting

Witness: Anthony Somerby John Browne

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Nicholas O Wallington

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Sworne in Court held at Ypswich the 27th of march 1660 by Anthony Sumerby to be the last Will and testament of John Cutting.

Robert Lord Clerke

Certified upon oath by John Browne to be sealed and subscribed by John Cutting in Court held at Ypswich the 27 (1) 1660.

Robert Lord Clerke.

FORDHAM

138 EV. ROBERT FORDHAM was born in Sacomb, Hertfordshire, England, in 1603. He received degrees at Cambridge University in 1625 & 1629; came to America in 1640 and soon thereafter was at Stamford, Conn., from which place he went to Hempstead, L. I., as one of the patentees and where he was the first minister 1643–1647. In about 1648, he became the second minister of the church at Southampton and labored there until his death in September, 1674. He had wife Elizabeth, and 7 children, one of them being a daughter Mary, who married Lieut. Edward Howell. 35

The settlement of the estate of Rev. Robert Fordham is shown by the following agreement:

AGREEMENT FOR SETTLEMENT OF THE ESTATE OF REV. ROBERT FORDHAM.³⁶

Recorded ffor Mrs. Elizabeth ffordham &c this following Agreement. These presents Wittness—an Agreement made, this Six and twentieth day of November, Anno Domini, one thousand Six hundred Seventy foure, between Mr. Joseph ffordham & his Mother Mrs. Elizabeth ffordham of the one pt, Mr. Jonah ffordham by his agent Lieut Edward Howell, him the sd Lieut Howell, wth his wife Mary, And for and respecting John ffordham & Mrs. Hannah Clarke—Daughter of Mr Robt ffordham decd, which sd Agreement is a totall and ffinall conclusion, betweene the sd Parties concerning the Estate left by him ye sd Mr Robt ffordham, for themselves their heirs, Executors, Administratores & Assigns for Ever, And the sd Agreement is as ffolloweth,

Imps That the sd Mr Joseph ffordham with his Mother Mrs Eliz. ffordham shall bee lawfull Possessores as Executores of all the sd Estate belonging to him the Said Mr Robt ffordham Decd.

2d That the Said Mrs Elizabeth ffordham shall have and Enjoy to herselfe & at her Sole dispose^r, her own third pt of the Said Estate, in ye Moveable goods, if they amount thereunto as they are apprized, or if they fall Shortt then, the said third pt to be made up out of the rest of the Estate.

⁸⁵ Howell's Hist. of Southampton, L. I., p. 101; Refugees of 1776 L. I. to Conn., p. 343.

³⁶ New York Wills, 1-185.

- 3 That the said Mr Joseph ffordham shall have & enjoy to him and his heirs forever, two hundred and ffiffty pounds Allottment of land which is now in his Possession, and pt of his ffathers accomadacons in this Town of Southampton together with the remainder of Whatsoever, Shall be left of the Estate, after the Said one third pt, thereof to his mother aforesd be deducted, with what else by this agreement is to be pd.
- 4. ffourthly that John ffordham Shall have fforty five acres of Land wch was his ffathers, & is lying at Meacocke within the ffence there now Standing, with a home lott in the towne plott adjoining to the sd Mr Robt ffordham his home accomadation, Commonly called by the name of Jonas his Lott, being three acres more or Less Alsoe hee the said John ffordham shall have Seventy five pounds in Currant pay, as it arisess one thing with another without doores, out of the psonall Estate of him the sd Mr Robt ffordham, the Same to be to him the sd Mr Robt ffordham, and his heires & Assignes for ever.
- 5 ffifthly that the sd Joanas ffordham shall have one hundred pounds of the Living Stock which is of his deceased fathers Estate; preportionably the same to bee paid & delivered to him or his order at demand in Southampton by or before the first of may next ensueing also the books bequeathed to him by his father in his Lifetime also the fifty Acres of Land formerly laid out unto ye said Mr Robert ffordham lying against the mill path betweene ye towne & the hollow Commonly called Littleworth also fifty pounds Commonadge in whatsoever devisions of Land now not fenced in Shall be made in this towne of Southampton for ye future; also ye Little percell of Land by Estamation three rodes lying in the Captaines necke betweene John Woodrufe & Ellis Cooke, also foure Acres and a halfe of Land in the Little plaine and one home Lott, of three Acres which Mr Robert Fordham sometime bought of Mr Browne all, which perticulers shall be at and remaine unto him ye sd Mr Jonah

ffordham his heires and Assignes forever;

Sixthly ye Leftt Edward Howell and his wife Mary shall have out of the sd Estate of the sd Mr Robert Fordham forty Acres of Land Lying and being att Meococks aforesd unfenced or nott yett Layd out twenty acres of Land in the next division where ye sd Mrs. Elizabeth ffordham shall Appointe (vizt) in Land not fenced in with a flifty pounds commonedge at present and what previledge shall belong thireunto in all future divisions of Land unfenced allso the two alottments of meadow, in Shinatock necke, which belonged to Mr. Robert Fordham and also forty pounds Estate out of the Living Stocke as it riseth ye sd perticulers and every part thereof to bee and remaine, unto them the sd Leftt Edward Howell and mary his wife their heires Executors & Assignes forever

Seventhly ye Mrs Elizabeth Fordham shall and will Sattisfie her daughter ye sd Mrs Hannah for what is due unto her of ye sd Estate out

of ye sd one third part belonging unto her

8 Eighthly if it shall fall out that the sd John Fordham hereafter shall prove Chargeable to them with whom hee shall dwell that then ye Charges and necessaries & expence shall bee out of ye Estate belonging unto him as aforesd by the Appointment of his Brothers Mr Jonas ffordham & Leftt Edward Howell with John Jesup or any two of them

who are his gaurdians

ninthly & Lastly that upon Mr Joseph ffordham & his mother Mrs Elizabeth ffordham or either of them, making payment to any person or persons according to the Intent of this Agreement that then hee or they that so receive their proportion or proportions shall give ample receipt and to give such accquitance as may fully discharge Mrs Elizabeth ffordham & Mr Joseph Fordham from ever their whosoe receive or theires claiming any more paymt or Interest in the sd Estate of him ye sd Mr ffordham deceased,

in Witness Whereof ye sd pties hereing Agreeing as aforesd have hereunto sett their hands & Seales the day and yeare first above written;

> Elizabeth E ffordham (Seale) Joseph ffordham (Seale)

> Edward ffordham (Seale)

Signed & Sealed in the presence Mary Howell (Seale) of us

John Howell John Younge Henry Person

Entered & Recorded in the books of record february the 8th 1674 By mee John Howell Clarke

178 REV. JONAH. FORDHAM, born about 1633, graduated at Harvard in 1658, and having been ordained served in the ministry as pastor of the church at Hampstead, L. I., from 1660 to 1680. About 1680 he went to Southampton to live and in 1687 he was invited to minister to a church in Brookhaven. Declining this, in 1691, he received a second call from the same church which he accepted and remained there for several years. He married Elizabeth Benning, "a member of the church at Milford, Conn."37

Rev. Jonah & Elizabeth (Benning) Fordham had several children, one of them being a daughter Temperance, who married Richard Woodhull.³⁸

Rev. Jonah Fordham gave a P/A to his brother-in-law Edward Howell, who had married his sister, Mary Fordham, which is of record in Riverhead, L. I., and the following is an abstract of same:

³⁷ Woodhull Genealogy, 1904, p. 266.

³⁸ Howell's Hist. of Southampton, p. 102.

Nov. 20, 1674. Jonah Fordham of Hempsted, L. I., appoints "my trusty & Well-beloved brother in law Edward Howell of South hampton" his attorney "to act both for my brother John ffordham & myselfe" in settling any differences that "are or shall be between my mother M^{rs}. ffordham & brother Joseph ffordham & myselfe about our due portions of Estate falling to us upon ye decease of our ffather M^r Robert ffordham late deceased."³⁹

³⁹ Riverhead Deeds, A-74.

FOSTER

HRISTOPHER¹ FOSTER, styled a farmer on the shipping list, 32 years of age, embarked at London, June 17, 1635, in the "Abigail," with wife Frances, aged 25, and 3 children. He was made freeman at Boston, Apr. 17, 1637. In the same year he was a resident of Lynn, Mass., where in 1638 he had 60 acres of land allotted to him. He removed to Southampton, L. I., in 1651. Christopher and Frances Foster had 8 children.⁴⁰

Joseph² Foster, born about 1638, died Jan. 30, 1708. He had 8 children.⁴¹

Daniel⁸ Foster, born about 1676, died Nov. 5, 1744. He married May 23, 1710, Lydia Wood. Daniel and Lydia (Wood) Foster had 8 children.⁴² The will of Daniel Foster was dated Nov. 1, 1741, and that of his widow Lydia was dated Apr. 26, 1762.

WILL OF DANIEL FOSTER.48

IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN.

The first day of November in the year of our Lord God, 1741,

I, DANIEL Fforster of the Town of Southampter in the County of Suffolk and Colony of New York, yeoman, being weak in body but of perfect mind and memory, thanks be given to Almighty therefore, calling unto mind the mortallity of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to dye, do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament, that is to say,

PRINCIPALLY AND FIRST of all I give and recommend my souls into the hands of God that gave it and and for my body I recommend it to the earth to be buried in a Christian lick maner at the discretion of my executors nothing doubting but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as touching worldly estate as God hath pleased to bless me with in this life. I give, devise and dispose of the same in the following manner:

⁴⁰ Howell's Hist. of Southampton, p. 247; Foster Genealogy, 1899, p. 877.

⁴¹ Howell's Southampton, p. 251; Foster Gen., p. 879.

⁴² Howell's Southampton, p. 252; Foster Gen., p. 880.

⁴³ New York Wills, 15-342.

IMPRIS: I give unto my son Jonas Fforster and to his heirs forever my fifty acres of land lying at the head of the Crick in Southampton which I purchased of Stephen Hirick as may appear by a bill of sale under his hand and seal be the same more or less and also my close at Captine's Neck, six acres be the same more or less which land was formerly Thomas Toppnge and also I give to him all my right of upland and meadow that fell to me in pognquage on both sides the path in Quaqoponk and one fifty of upland and meadow in Ceckebenak lying in partnership with Hezekiah Howell and also all my right of meadow on the West Beach and I give him all my right of upland and meadow in little Quioge and my will is if it should pleas God to take me away before Jonas Fforsters house is built that my son should be helpful to him in laber to build him a house. All the rest of my lands, meadows, commonage that is not given in this my last will and testament,

I give equally to my three youngest sons Daniel Fforster and Christopher Fforster and Obadiah Fforster and to their heirs forever but not to be divided till Obadiah Fforster my youngest son shall be of age of twenty-one years and one month all which said lands and meadows and commonage and housing and barns to be equally divided between them three but if it sud please God that any of my three sons sud dye without issue lawfully begotten then their portie shall desend to ye other two or if two of them shall dye then it shall be to the survivor but if all dye then it shall be divided equal amonst all my children that survive.

3dly: I give to my dafter Lydia Fforsters my negro named Leah.
4thy: I give to my dafer Mehitabel Campfield one cow to be payd
by my executrs.

5ly: I give to my daughter Abigail fifty pounds to be paid out of my estate by my executors.

6ly: I give to my dafter Phebe Fforster fifty pounds to be paid by my exets. I also give to my beloved wife Lidah Ffoster one third part of all my lands and meadows and commonage with the best roume in the house during her widowhod so long as she is my wid., and also one third part of all my moveable estate and also I give her thirty pounds of money. Also I give to my welbeloved wife and my son Jonas Fforster and Daniel Ffoster whom I likewise constitute, make and ordain my only and soule executors of this my last Will and Testament and my will is that my three youngist sons shall have forty shillings a peas and all the rest of my estate after all my just debts is paid and the legacies paid to be equally divided amongst my children and I do hereby ratifye and confirm this and no other to be my last Will and Testament.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above written.

I. DANIEL FOSTER (L. S.)

Sined, sealed, published by the said DANIEL FFORSTER as his last Will and Testament in the presence of ye subscribers.

Joseph Foster James Pierson Christopher Ffoster.

WILL OF LYDIA FOSTER.⁴⁴ IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN

I LYDIA FOSTER of Southampton in the County of Suffolk and Province of New York being Sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and memory do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament this twenty Sixth day of April in the year of our Lord Christ Seventeen hundred and Sixty two and Firs of all I commend my Soule to God who gave it and my Body to the Grave to be decently buried at the Discretion of my Executors and as to my Worldly Estate it is my Will that all my Just debts be paid and my funeral Expenses discharged then I give to my Eldest Son Ionas Foster ten Pounds Current money of New York and also I give to my Son Daniel Foster ten Pounds Current money of New York and I give to my Son Christopher Foster ten Pounds Current money of New York and all the Rest of my Estate be it money or Bonds or notes or Books debts or household Goods or Cloathing or whatever is found to be mine or Horses or Cattle or Sheep or Swine and whatever Else is my Proper Estate all these I give to my four Daughters Lydia Plumb, Mahetable Wheeler, Abigail Topping and Phebe Reeve to be equally divided among them when the above three Legacies of ten Pounds each one paid to my said Sons and I do hereby Declare all my Former Wills or Will to be null and this to be my only Will and Testament for the Due Executing of which I appoint my two Sons Daniel Foster and Christopher Foster to be the Executors hereof Lydia

her X mark (L.S.) Foster

Signed Sealed and Declared in presence of Henry Hulse, Mary Tomson, Frances Jones.

- Jonas⁴ Foster, born Southampton, L. I., June 25, 1711, had at least 4 children.⁴⁵
- JEDIDIAH⁵ FOSTER married Elizabeth Howell, daughter of Jonah Howell. He removed to Palmyra, N. Y., near the beginning of the century (1801).⁴⁶

Records at Canandaigua, Ontario Co., N. Y., are as follows:

June 2, 1796, Jeddiah Foster of South Hampton, Suffolk Co., N. Y., bought of John Swift of district of Tolland, Ontario Co., for a consideration of \$1,000, 200 acres, Lot 42, Township 12, Range 2.⁴⁷

⁴⁴ New York Wills, 23-561.

⁴⁵ Howell's Southampton, p. 252; Foster Gen., p. 883.

⁴⁶ Howell's Southampton, p. 252; Foster Gen., p. 887.

⁴⁷ Canandaigua Deeds, 36-166.

Dec. 22, 1807. Jedidiah Foster of Palmyra, N. Y., deeds to Cyrus Foster of same, for a consideration of \$750, 150 acres of the foregoing.⁴⁸

Mar. 18, 1808. Jedidiah Foster of Palmyra deeds to Pliny Foster of Sodus, for a consideration of \$250, the remaining 50 acres of this property he bought June 2, 1796.⁴⁹

Mar. 25, 1801. Abram Foster of Phelps, Ontario Co., deeds to Jeddiah Foster of Palmyra, for a consideration of \$900, 200 acres of land, being south end of Lot 6 in N. E. Division, Twp. 12., R. 2.⁵⁰

Jedidiah Foster of Palmyra, Wayne Co., N. Y., made his will, Mar. 21, 1828, and it was proved July 7, 1834, (one of the witnesses testifying that the testator "died at Palmyra in the County of Wayne two years ago last fall") in which only two sons, Joel Foster and Zenas Foster, are mentioned, though he had 6 children, their names being Joel, Pliny, Cyrus, Zenas, Abram and Eunice. (Wayne County was set off Apr. 11, 1823.)

WILL OF JEDIDIAH FOSTER.51

The last Will and Testament of Jedediah Foster of the town of Palmyra county of Wayne and State of New York: I Jedediah Foster considering the uncertainty of this mortal life and being of sound mind and memory (blessed be Almighty God for the same) do make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following (that is to say) after all my debts are paid First I give and bequeath all my estate both real and personal to my son Zenas Foster and to his heirs forever, and hereby appoint my two sons Joel Foster and Zenas foster joint executors of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former Wills by me made. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the twenty first day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty eight

Signed sealed published and declared by the above named Jedediah Foster to be his last Will and Testament in the presents of us who have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses in the presents of the testator

Ambrose Grove David Hathaway Josiah Hathaway his Jedediah X Foster (Seal) mark

⁴⁸ Canandaigua Deeds, 36–165. ⁴⁹ Canandaigua Deeds, 14–287.

⁵⁰ Canandaigua Deeds, 8-561. ⁵¹ Lyons, N. Y., Wills, B-97.

At a Surrogates—held at the town of Arcadia in the county of Wayne on the seventh day of July one thousand eight hundred and thirty four before Lyman Sherwood Surrogate of said county for the purpose of proving and recording the last Will and Testament of Jedediah Foster late of the town of Palmyra in the County of Wayne deceased in pursuance of Chapter 6th title 1st, article 1st part 2nd. of the revised Statutes of the State of New York on the application of Zenas Foster executor in said will named Zenas Foster, applicant appeared in proper person.

The heirs of the said Jedediah Foster deceased did not appear but made default. Due proof was then made of the service of the notice of

said application on all the heirs of the said deceased.

Ambrose Grove was then called as a witness to prove said will and being duly sworn did depose and testify in open court as follows that is to say; that he was acquainted with the said Jedediah Foster in his lifetime; that the said Jedediah Foster is now dead; that he died at Palmyra in the county of Wayne two years ago last fall; that he was a resident of the county of Wayne at the time of his death; that he saw the said Jedediah Foster deceased describe the instrument now shown to him this deponent and which purports to be the last will and testament of the said Jedediah Foster deceased bearing date the twenty first day of March one thousand eight hundred and twenty eight; that he heard the said Jedediah Foster declare the same to be his last will and testament; that he this deponent did subscribe his name as a witness thereto at the request of the said Jedediah Foster and in his presence; that David Hathaway and Josiah Hathaway did each of them subscribe their names as witnesses to the said will in the presence of this deponent, and in the presence of the said Jedediah Foster and in the presence of each other, that all the witnesse to the said will were present in the hearing of the said Jedediah Foster at the time he declared the said will to be his last Will and Testament that the seal was affixed to the said Will before it was signed by the said Jedediah Foster; and that at the time of its execution the said Jedediah Foster was of sound mind and memory of full age and not under any restraint that the said David Hathaway and Josiah Hathaway at the time of the execution of the said will resided in the county of Wayne, that since that time they have removed to the Teritory of Michigan where they now reside as this deponent is informed and verily believes.

Ambrose Grove.

Esbon Blackmarr being called as a witness and sworn testified that he was well acquainted with Josiah Hathaway one of the subscribing witnesses to the last will and testament of Jedediah Foster, deceased, that the said Josiah Hathaway lately resided in the town of Palmyra in the County of Wayne that about six weeks since he saw the said Josiah Hathaway at the store of the deponent in the town of Arcadia in said county of Wayne; that the said Josiah Hathaway at that time told the deponent that he was about to remove to the Teritory of Michigan; that the said Josiah Hathaway did about that time as the deponent is informed and believes remove to the said Teritory of Michigan with the intention of becoming a permanent resident of said Teritory; that the



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deponent is well acquainted with the handwriting of the said Josiah Hathaway, and that the signature of his name as a witness to the will of the said Jedediah Foster deceased is in the handwriting of the said Josiah Hathaway.

Esbon Blackmarr

Aratus Amsden being called as a witness and sworn testified that he was well acquainted with David Hathaway one of the subscribing witnesses to the last Will and Testament of Jedediah Foster deceased; That he resided about three years ago in the town of Arcadia in the county of Wayne; that about three years ago he removed to the Teritory of Michigan where he has since resided as this deponent is informed and believes, and that the said David Hathaway is now a resident of said Teritory; that he is well acquainted with the handwriting of the said David Hathaway, and that the signature of his name to the said will as a witness is in the handwriting of the said David Hathaway.

Aratus Amsden.

The foregoing proofs and examinations taken before me the Surrogate aforesaid at the time and place first mentioned and the depositions of the respective witnesses were by them respectively subscribed after having been carefully read over to them. And I the said Surrogate being satisfied upon the said proof taken that the said will was duly executed; that the said testator at the time of executing the same was in all respects competent to devise real estate and not under restraint, do therefore allow the said Will proofs and examinations to be recorded.

Witness Lyman Sherwood Surrogate aforesaid the day and year first

aforesaid.

Lyman Sherwood Surrogate.

ABRAM⁶ FOSTER, born Sunday, Dec. 6, 1769, died in Webster, N. Y., Oct. 9, 1859. He married May 12, 1793, Patience Woodhull, born Apr. 8, 1771, died Webster, N. Y., Feb. 28, 1844 (her gravestone states that she died on this date, "Aged 72 yrs. 10 mos. & 22 days,"), daughter of Benjamin & Patience (Terry) Woodhull.

At just what date Abram Foster moved to Ontario County, N. Y., cannot be stated, but he would appear to have been there some years before 1800, according to the records in Canandaigua.

July 7, 1792. John Swift of Ontario Co., N. Y., deeds to Abraham Foster & Elias Reeves, both of the County aforesaid & State (late of the County of Suffolk, State aforesaid) for a consideration of £1,100, 5,500 acres of land on Mud

Creek, Twp. 12, R. 2 in Ontario Co. (Name was signed Abram Foster.)⁵²

Various records in the name of Abram (sometimes spelt Abraham) Foster are found, among which may be mentioned the following:

Nov. 18, 1800. Same parties sell 500 acres to Joel Foster of Palmyra.⁵⁴

May 25, 1801. Abraham Foster of Phelps, Ontario Co., sells 200 acres.⁵⁵

Mar. 2, 1802. Elias Reaves of Palmyra & Abraham Foster of Phelps sell 1/5th part of Lot 11 included in the Long Island purchase lying in the Town of Palmyra.⁵⁶

June 1, 1805. Abraham Foster of Phelps sells land.⁵⁷ Signed Abram Foster.

May 3, 1808. Abram Foster & Robert Woodhull are both called of Phelps.⁵⁸

Abram Foster removed to Penfield, N. Y., and was living there in 1812, as is shown by the following deed:

May 2, 1812. Abram Foster of Penfield & Robert Woodhull of Phelps sell land to Reuben Bordwell of Phelps.⁵⁹ Robert Woodhull married Eunice Foster, the sister of Abram Foster, and the latter married Patience Woodhull, the sister of Robert.

Dec. 18, 1813. John Hornby of the County of Middlesex in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Esquire, by John Greig his attorney, deeds to Abraham Foster of Penfield in the County of Ontario and State of New York, for a consideration of \$1,991., Lots in William Shepards subdivision of the west part of Sec. 11, Twp. 14,

⁵² Canandaigua Deeds, 1-230.

⁵³ Canandaigua Deeds, 22-496.

⁵⁴ Canandaigua Deeds, 7-391.

⁵⁵ Canandaigua Deeds, 8-561.

⁵⁶ Canandaigua Deeds, 9-10.

⁵⁷ Canandaigua Deeds, 11-469.

⁵⁸ Canandaigua Deeds, 13-281.

⁵⁹ Canandaigua Deeds, 17-65.

R. 4, that is to say, 200 acres on the east part of lots numbers 1, 2, 3 & 4, running half way across said lots and so far north as to include said quantity.⁶⁰

Apr. 12, 1819. Abraham Foster deeds 108 acres of Lot 6 in Sec. 11.61

Further deeds are found in Rochester, Monroe Co., N. Y., which was cut off from Ontario County.

Mar. 1, 1815. Abram Foster & Patience Foster of Penfield, Ontario Co., deed 125 acres in Lot 1, Twp. 14, R. 4.62

June 12, 1820. Abram Foster of Penfield deeds 50 acres in Lot 8 and 50 acres in Lot 9, Sec. 11. 14. 4.63 Asa G. Felt was a witness. Apparently Patience Foster relinquishes right of dower under date of Mar. 5, 1833.64

Apr. 6, 1826. Abram Foster & Patience deed land in Lots 1, 2, 3 & 4, Sec. 11, Twp. 14, R. 4.65

Mar. 8, 1825. Abraham Foster deeds land in Lot 13, Sec. 11. 14. 4.66

Aug. 12, 1828. Abraham Foster & Patience his wife of Penfield, deed 17 acres, part of Lot 13, Sec. 11. 14. 4. Refers to a dam known as Inmans Mill on four mile creek.⁶⁷

CHILDREN OF ABRAM AND PATIENCE (WOODHULL) FOSTER.

Exact order of birth not known.

- i. Harriet, b. prob. abt. 1795; mar. Asa George Felt.
- ii. Clementina, b. about 1797, d. Jan. 27, 1876, aged 78 years; mar. Elon Stearns, who d. May 18, 1867, aged 70 yrs. & 11 mos.
- iii. Rufus, b. abt. 1799, d. Dec. 17, 1838, aged 39 years.
- iv. Warren, b. abt. 1800, d. Feb. 24, 1863; mar. Harriet Phillips.
- v. Phebe, married S. Baker.
- vi. Charles, b. Dec. 8, 1805, d. Oct. 22, 1862; mar. Ann Wooden.
- vii. Matilda, married twice.
- viii. Minerva, b. abt. 1811, d. Sep. 24, 1831, in the 20th year of her age
- 60 Canandaigua Deeds, 20-89.
- 61 Canandaigua Deeds, 37-315.
- 62 Rochester Deeds, 3-310.
- 63 Rochester Deeds, 7-37.
- 64 Rochester Deeds, 26-616.
- 65 Rochester Deeds, 7-112.
- 66 Rochester Deeds, 24-365.
- 67 Rochester Deeds, 24-476.

FREETHE

ILLIAM¹ FREETHE (or Freethy) according to the "Trelawney Papers" was of Richmond Island (now Maine), in 1637 and remained there two years. He was of York before 1652, where he was freeman Nov. 22, 1652.⁶⁸ He had wife Elizabeth.

William & Elizabeth Freethe deed land to daughter Joane Holmes, wife of Joseph Holmes, in 1671,69 and to their son John Freethe in 1681,70 and the last record found of them is in a deed which they gave Apr. 24, 1688, and acknowledged the following day.71 William and Elizabeth Freethe had several children.

John[®] Freethe, born about 1650, lived in York. He was appraiser in 1685 and had a town grant the same year. He married Hannah Bray, daughter of Richard & Isabella Bray, who after his death, which was before Nov. 1, 1692, married Robert Hazelton of Rowley, Mass. Deeds show that John & Hannah (Bray) Freethe had at least three children, Joanna, who married Joseph Bane; Mehitable, who married Aquila Haynes; and Jemima, who married Jonathan Spofford. (See Spofford line.) The mother, Hannah, is shown to have been living by a deposition she made Apr. 3, 1728, aged 68 years.

Deposition of Hannah Hazelton.72

The Deposition of Hannah Hazelton aged about sixty eight Years Testifieth & said that when she was about sixteen Years of Age she lived at a place at the Eastward in Casco Bay now called North Yarmouth on a Piece of Land called the Neck of Land weh divided the Branches of Cozens⁸ River & that the Marsh adjoyning to the sd Land was together with the sd Neck of Land in the possession of one John Cozens & that the said Cozens let out the same to my Father for some Years on a certain

⁶⁸ New Eng. Register, 3-193; Pope's Pioneers of Me. & N. H., p. 73.

⁶⁹ York Deeds, 3-81.

⁷⁰ York Deeds, 3-105.

⁷¹ York Deeds, 9-63.

⁷² York Deeds, vol. 11, pt. 2, fol. 273.

Condition made between them & the Island called Cozens's Island my Father bought the one half of said Cozens on which he also lived sometime but upon the Warrs with the Indians he removed up to York but two of my Brothers lived there upon said Island and were both killed by the Indians as they were looking after their Cattle The said Cozens kept the other Moiety of the Island & improved it and I never heard any Person claim any part of the s^d Land or Marsh of the Island abovementioned Except the s^d Cozens & My Father the s^d John Cozens above mentioned was the same Man that was wounded by the Indians & came to York to Mrs Seward to get his Hand cured wth whom he lived till his Death & at her Charge he was buried

York ss/April 3d 1728. The abovenamed Hannah Hazelton appeared & made Oath to the Truth of the foregoing Deposition weh was Taken in

ppetuam rei memoriam

78 York Deeds, 11-29.

Before us W^m Pepperrell Jun^r Unus Quor^m

John Penhallow Jus^a p^s

O. 1728 Rec^d under Seal & Recorded according to the Or

April 29, 1728 Rec^d under Seal & Recorded according to the Original Exam^d By Jos: Moody Reg^r

DEED FROM JONATHAN SPOFFORD TO MEHITABLE HAYNES.73

To all Christian People to whome these presents may come Jonathan Spafford of Rowley in ve County of Essex in ve Province of ve Massachuttes Bay in New England Yeoman, and Jemima his wife Sendeth Greeting Know yee The sd Jonathan and Jemima for & in consideration of Twenty pounds money to them in hand well and truly paid by Mehetable Hanes of York in ye County of York in ye Province aforesaid Widdow at ye receipt thereof they ye sd Jonathan and Jemima do acknowledge themselves therewith fully paid, Satisfied & contented, & do hereby acquit, discharge release & Exonerate ve sd Mehetable & her heirs & administrators for ever of all & every part of above sd Sum of Twenty pounds, for which they ye sd Jonathan & Jemima have given, granted, bargained, Sold, Alienead, Released, Acquitted, discharged & made over & doth by these presents, Give, Grant, Bargain, Sell, Aliene, release, acquit, discharge & made over & fully, freely, & absolutely Convey, Assigne, & confirm unto ye sd Mehetable Hayns, & unto her heirs & assignes for ever, The whole & full right, Title & Interest they you sa Jonathan & Jemima Spafford now have, or ever ought to have unto any part of ye Estate or Inheritance of John Freethee, late of said york Deceased, (The Father of ye sd Jemima) lying in sd York or elce where, which doth now of right belong to them ye sd Jonathan & Jemima, or that may or shall after ye Decease of their Honoured Mother Hannah Hazellton, ye late Widdow of ye sd Deceased both Lands, Orchards, Houseing, Meadow Ground, or any other Estate Reall or personall that may hereafter redown unto ye same, or any part thereof or any that doth of right belong to them ye sd Jonathan & Jemima out of ye Reall Estate of their

Grandfather William Freethee also late of said York Deceased unto her ye sd Mehetable Hanes her heirs & assignes for ever To have and to Hold & quietly & peaceably, to possess, occupy & enjoy, ye above sd Estate & peaceably, to possess, occupy, & enjoy, ye above sd Estate & previlidges as is Expressed & set forth as asure Estate in fee Simple it being ye one third part of ye Estate of Inheritance of ye sd John Freethee Deceased, And further the sd Jonathan & Jemima doe for themselves their heirs, Executors, & Administrators after ye Signing of this Instrument Ingage that they will warrantize and defend ye Same for all person or persons acting from by or under them In Wittness hereof ye sd Jonathan & Jemima Spafford have hereunto Sett their hands & Seals this fourth day of November in ye Year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred & Eighteen & in ye fifth year of ye Reign of our Soverigne Lord George King of Great Brittian &c

Signed Sealed & Delivered In presence of Joseph Sayward Joseph Brown Abraham Preble Jonathan Spafford (Seal) (Seal)

York ss/ York Noumb^r 4th 1718

The above named Jonathan Spafford personally appeared and acknowledged this above written Instrument to be his free act & deed

Before me Abraham Preble Just peace Recorded according to ye original June ye 9th 1722 p Abraham Preble Reg^r

DEED FROM JOSEPH BANE AND MEHITABLE HAYNES.74

To all people to whom these Presents shall come Greeting &c-Know ye that we Joseph Bane of York in the County of York in the County of York (sic) in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England Gentⁿ & Joanna my wife & Mehetabel Havnes of sd York Widow Woman the sd Joanna & Mehetabel being two of the Children & Coheirs of John Freethy late of sd York deceased for & in Consideration of the Sum of forty Pounds currant Money of New England to us in Hand before Ensealing & Delivery hereof well & truly paid by Samuel Came of sd York Esq^r in Proportion following that is the one Third Part of s^d Sum to Ioseph Bane & Ioanna his wife & two thirds thereof to the said Mehetabel Haynes the Receit whereof we do hereby acknowledge & our selves there with fully satisfied contented & paid & thereof and of every Part & Parcel thereof do exonerate acquit & discharge the sd Samuel Came his Heirs Execrs Adminrs for ever by these Presents; have given granted bargained sold aliened conveyed & confirmed & by these Presents do freely fully & absolutely give grant bargain sell aliene enfeoffe convey & confirm unto him the sd Samuel Came his Heirs & Assigns for ever in Proportion as aforesd a certain Tract or Parcel of Land situate lying & being in the Township of York above York Bridge containing fifty Acres by Estimation be the same more or less which was granted to the abovenamed John

⁷⁴ York Deeds, vol. 12, pt. 1, fol. 112.

Freethy our honored Father deceased by the Town of York August 20th 1685 & laid out June the 9th 1703, as by the sd Grant & the Return thereof on York Town Records may at Large appear Reference being thereunto had for the Boundaries thereof One Third Part of which Tract of Land descended to each of us the sd Children by Inheritance & the other third Part thereof was purchased by the sd Mehetabel Haynes of Jonathan Spoford and Jemima his wife-To have and to hold the sd granted & bargained Premisses with all the Priviledges Appurtenances & Comodities to the same belonging or in any wise appertaining to him the sd Samuel Came his Heirs & Assigns for ever. To his & their only proper Use Benefit & Behoofe for ever. And we the sd Joseph Bane & Joanna my wife & Mehetabel Haynes for our selves our Heirs Execrs Adminrs do covenant promise & grant to & with the sd Samuel Came his heirs & Assigns that at the Ensealing & until the Delivery hereof we are the true sole & lawful Owners of the afore bargained Premisses & are lawfully seized & possessed of the same in our own proper Right as a good pfect & absolute Estate of Inheritance in Fee simple & have in our selves good Right full power & lawful Authority to grant bargain sell convey & confirm sd bargained Premisses in Manner & Proportion as afores^d And that the s^d Samuel Came his Heirs and Assigns shall & may from Time to Time & at all Times for ever hereafter by Force & Virtue of these Presents lawfully peaceably & quietly have hold use occupy possess & enjoy the sd bargained & demised Premisses with the Appurtenances free & clear & freely & clearly exonerated acquitted & discharged of from all & all Manner of former or other Gifts Grants Bargains Sales Leases Mortgages Wills Entails Joyntures Dowries Judgments Executions Incumbrances & Extents-Further more we the sd Joseph Bane & Joanna my wife & Mehetabel Haynes for our selves & our respective Heirs Execrs & Admin^{rs} do covenant & engage the aforedemised Premisses in the Proportion aforesd to him the sd Samuel Came his Heirs & Assigns against the lawful Claims & Demands of any Person or Persons whatsoever for ever hereafter to warrant secure & defend—In Witness whereof we the sd Joseph & Joanna Bane & Mehetabel Haynes have hereunto set our Hands & Seals the twenty first Day of March in the Therteenth year of King George Reign Annoq^r Dom¹ 1726/7

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Joseph Bane (Seal)
her
Joanah B Bane (Seal)
mark
her
Mehitibel M Hains (Seal)
mark
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Signed Sealed & Jer: Moulton
Delivered in Presence of us

Signed Sealed & Jer: Moulton
Abraham Martin
Mary Bean

York ss | York April 5th 1727. Capt Joseph Bane acknowledged the within Instrument to be his Act & Deed

Coram John Penhallow Jus: Pacs

York sc | April the 6th 1727. Johanah Bane & Mehitable Hains both psonally appeared before me the Subscriber & acknowledged this Deed or Instrument to be their free Act & Deed

Before me John Gray Just^a Pacis April the 6th 1727. A true Copy of the Original Exam^d

by Jos: Moody Reg^r

GREGG

APT. JAMES¹ GREGG, one of the first sixteen who settled in Londonderry, N. H., was born in Ayrshire, Scotland, and emigrated with his parents to Ireland about 1690. In 1718, he embarked with many others for America, and was among those who passed the following winter at Cape Elizabeth, where they endured many privations and much suffering. These were a part of the Scotch-Irish immigration who came to this country under the leadership of the Rev. Robert MacGregor and settled in Londonderry, N. H., originally known by the name of Nutfield. Soon after the settlement, James Gregg received a captain's commission and commanded the first company of soldiers raised in the town. He married in Ireland, Janet Cargil. Capt. James and Janet (Cargil) Gregg had 5 children.

- LIEUT. SAMUEL GREGG, born about 1705, died in Londonderry, Oct. 1, 1778, aged 73 years. He married Mary Moore and they had 7 children. 18
- SAMUEL⁸ GREGG, born about 1740, died in Antrim, N. H., in 1809, aged 69 years. He married Margaret Wallace, born about 1743, died in Antrim in 1809, aged 66 years, daughter of John and Janet (Steele) Wallace.⁷⁹ Samuel and Margaret (Wallace) Gregg had 11 children.⁸⁰
- ROBERT⁴ GREGG, born Nov. 6, 1769, died Jan. 11, 1847.⁸¹ He married Dec. 25, 1798,⁸² Margaret McIlvaine, born

⁷⁵ Hist. of Londonderry, N. H., 1851, p. 274.

⁷⁶ Hist. of Antrim, 1880, p. 515.

⁷⁷ Willey's Book of Nutfield, 1895, p. 341.

⁷⁸ Hist. of Londonderry, p. 274.

⁷⁹ Hist. of Londonderry, p. 307.

⁸⁰ Hist. of Antrim, p. 515.

⁸¹ Hist. of Antrim, p. 516.

⁸² Hist. of Antrim, p. 516.

Windham, N. H., Aug. 26, 1779, died June 14, 1854,83 daughter of Robert and Jane (McAdam) McIlvaine.

Robert and Margaret (McIlvaine) Gregg had 7 children, their youngest child being Zibiah Christy Gregg, born Antrim, Feb. 9, 1816, who married July 26, 1836, William Scudder Morris.⁸⁴

⁸⁵ Hist. of Windham, N. H., p. 635.

⁸⁴ Hist. of Antrim, N. H., p. 516.

HILLS

APT. JOSEPH¹ HILLS was baptized in the parish of Great Burstead, Billericay, Essex, England, Mar. 3, 1602. In 1638, he was the "undertaker" of the voyage of the ship "Susan and Ellen," which arrived on this side July 17 of that year. He first located in Charlestown, between the Charles and Mystic rivers, but later removed to that part of the town north of the Mystic river, which became Malden. He was a Deputy to the General Court in 1646 and was Speaker in 1647; was the only Deputy for Malden until after 1664. He was on many committees, "but his greatest public service was that of the leading member of the committee that in 1648 reported to the General Court the first codification of the laws of the Colony."848 He married in the same place in which he was baptized, July 22, 1624, Rose Clark,846 who died in Malden, Mass., Mar. 24, 1650;840 after which he was twice married, removed to Newbury, and he died there Feb. 5, 1687-8.84d

Capt. Joseph and Rose (Clark) Hills had 10 children, one child being a daughter Mary, born in England, who married Capt. John Waite.^{84e}

⁸⁴a Hills Family in America, 1906, p. 255.

⁸⁴b Hills Family in America, p. 255.

⁸⁴⁰ Malden Vital Records.

⁸⁴d Newbury Vital Records.

⁸⁴e Hills Family in America, p. 257.

HOLYOKE

DWARD HOLYOKE of Tamworth, Warwickshire, England, was of Lynn, Mass., and admitted freeman, Mar. 14, 1638–9. He was a member of the Quarterly Court from 1639 to 1643, also in 1647; Deputy for Lynn 1639 to 1648, and also was honored by representing other towns at different times. He died at Rumney Marsh (which later became Chelsea), May 4, 1660. He married in England, June 18, 1612, Prudence Stockton, daughter of Rev. John Stockton of Kinholt, England. Edward and Prudence (Stockton) Holyoke had 8 children, one child being a daughter Ann, who married Lieut. Thomas Putnam. 84g

⁸⁴f N. E. Register, 9-346.

⁸⁴g Savage's Gen. Dict.; Essex Inst. Hist. Coll., 3-57.

HORTON

ARNABAS¹ HORTON, born in England about 1600, was one of the early settlers at Hampton, N. H., but in October, 1640, at New Haven, Conn., he joined the church under the Rev. John Youngs and went with first band to Southold, L. I., where he died July 13, 1680. He had a wife Mary, who survived him and was living in 1686, but she was probably his second wife.85

He was a deputy from Southold to the New Haven Court in 1654, 1656 & 1659; was admitted a freeman of Connecticut, at Hartford in 1662, and was a deputy to Conn. General Court in 1663 and 64. He was also a Magistrate in 1663.86 He made his will May 10, 1680.

Barnabas Horton had 8 children, one of them being a daughter Mercy, who married John Youngs.⁸⁷

WILL OF BARNABAS HORTON.88

The Will of Barnabas Horton Late of Southold Deceased: May the tenth one thousand six hundd Eighty

I Barnabas Horton of Southold in the East Rydeing of Yorkshire upon Long Island Calleing to Remembrance the Uncertainty of this temporall Life and findeing Sundry Destremprs Dayly Growing upon me Doe now make this my Last Will and testament and thereby Dispose of

my Earthly Estate in manner Following

And first of all I give unto my Eldest sonne Joseph Horton tenn sheepe Kinde (To what he formerly had) for his full porcon Alsoe I Give unto Benjamin Horton my Second Sonne Tenn sheepe Kinde to what he had formerly for his full porcon.

Alsoe I Give to my Eldest Daughter Hannah Trevale tenn sheepe Kinde as her full porcon alsoe I Give to my Daughter Sarah Concklings Sonne Vizt Joseph Conckling five sheep kinde for her full porcon.

Alsoe I Give to my third Daughter Mary Budd five sheepe as her full porcon Alsoe I Give and Bequeath to Caleb Horton my third sonne one Horse Kinde and the one halfe of all my Right in Occabanck after

⁸⁵ Moore's Index of Southold, 1868, p. 22.

⁸⁶ Moore's Index of Southold, p. 22.

⁸⁷ Youngs Family, 1907, p. 56.

⁸⁸ New York Wills, 2-416.

my Wives Decease to what he hath in possession att Canchang for his full

porcon.

Alsoe I Give to Joshua Horton my fourth sonne all the House Lands meadows Orchard and Common of pasture, which was mine and is now in his possession, and the one Halfe of all my meadow and upland within the Bounds of Occabanke and all my meadow att Oyster ponds, and One Horse Kinde for his porcon Also I Give and Bequeath to my youngest sonne Ionathan Horton all my Dwelling Houses Barne out Houses Home lotts Earable Lands meadows Allotments and whatsoever Else of Right Belong to my possession, which is neither Before nor after in this my Last Will and Testament Bequeathed or Disposed off, with this proviso and Exception that the New House Remaine Solly to my Wife and for her use During her Life, also that she have the use of the Barne and Out Houseing as need shall Require, also that she have the third Bushell of all that Graine which arriseth and Groweth Yearely upon my Lands paid herby my Sonne Jonathan and Alsoe that he winter and Summer her fouer Cowes Constantly Butt the Encrease shall be his, and further I Give to my sonne Ionathan two Bullocks also I Give and Bequeath unto my youngest Daughter Mercy Youngs three Cowes and one Heafer Butt if there be not soe many Left Undisposed off that then she have the worth of those that shall be found Wanting paid to her in some other Good pay that shall be Equivalent to them) also a ffeatherbed with Boulster and pillowes one Coverlett, two Blanketts and fouer pair of sheets And alsoe one Greate brasse Kettle one Iron pott and Fouer pewter Dishes.

ffinally I Give unto my Well Beloved Wife Mary Horton all the Restt of my Estate undisposed of and Doe make and Ordaine her sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament For the full Confirmacon Whereof I the abovesaid Barnabas Horton Doe Hereunto Sett my Hand

and Seale the Day and yeare First above Written

Barnabas Horton (Seale)

Signed and sealed in presence of us Jonas Houldsworth Richard R. B. Benjamin

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Memorandum that the words enterlined in the 14 Line was Done Before the signeing and sealeing Hereof, and are to be Understood as is Expressed in ye Marjent (Vizt)

It is to be Understood that my Sonne Jonathan possese and Improve the one Halfe of all my Right within the bounds of Occubank During the time of my Wives Naturall Life Butt att her Death it is to become my sonne Calebs for him to enjoye forever Hereafter.

HOWELL

DWARD HOWELL, bap. at Marsh Gibbon, Buckinghamshire, Eng., July 22, 1584, came to Boston, with his family, in 1639, where he was made freeman, Mar. 14, 1639–40. He soon removed to Lynn, Mass., where he had a grant of 500 acres of land. During the winter of 1639–40 a new settlement was projected on Long Island, of which he seems to have been the leader, as the compact or agreement of terms of forwarding the plantation is in his handwriting, as well as the laws adopted by the first settlers, and to the last years of his life he was always a magistrate and member of the colonial legislature at Hartford. He had a first wife Frances, who did not come to this country, having died in England, where she was buried July 2, 1630, and by whom he had 6 children, and he had a second wife, Eleanor, by whom he had two children. He died before May 25, 1656.89

LIEUT. EDWARD Howell, bap. England, September, 1626, made his will Apr. 29, 1699. He married (1) Mary Fordham, daughter of Rev. Robert Fordham; (2) after 1676, Mrs. Mary (Bryan) Maltby. Lieut. Edward and Mary (Fordham) Howell had 10 children. 90

May 5, 1699. Joseph Howell and Lydiah Howell deed to his brother Edward Howell of Southampton "the home lot of land which my Father Mr Edward Howell Deceased formerly enjoyed." 91

WILL OF EDWARD HOWELL.92

The last will & testamt of Edward Howell.

In ye name of God Amen at Southampton in ye County of Suffolk & Province of N. Yorke ye 4th day of August 1697 I Edward Howell of ye aboves^d town & county being in health of body and of a sound memory

⁸⁹ Savage's Gen. Dict.; Howell's Southampton, L. I., 1887, p. 300.

⁹⁰ Howell's Southampton, p. 306.

⁹¹ Riverhead Deeds, A-92.

⁹² Early Long Island Wills, 1897, p. 183.

thanks be to Almighty God and calling to remembrance the uncertain estate of this transitory life and that all flesh must yield unto death when it shall please God to call I do make constitute ordain & declare this my last Will & testamt. in manner & form following and first being penitent for my sins most humbly desiring forgiveness for ye same commit my Soul to God my Saviour and my body to be decently buried by my fathers sepurchres and now for settling my temporal estate and such goods lands & chattels as it hath pleased God to bestow on me I do order give & bestow ve same in manner & form following (vt is to say) first-Item I give & bequeath to Joseph Howell my eldest son my home lot I bought of Thomas Goldsmith with all the housing standing upon it and fencing by estimation four acres as also ten acres of land in my old town close on ye North side of it lying next Samuel Clarke as also half of my wood close lying near the seven ponds he is to have his half on ye North side laid out to him as also all my land lying in Captains Neck being by estimation Eight acres more or less as also all my meadow lying on ve East side of the Long Tongue in Shinnacuck Necke and all my meadow on ye Island lying next to Joseph Fosters meadow on ye West side and a lot of meadow of mine lying on ye West side of ye Long Tongue next to Samuel Jones on ye West side of his meadow as also one lot of meadows of mine at Ketchaponnuck neck of salt marsh as also two acres in my close in ye little plains lying all ye length on ye Southside as also four acres of land in my great close lying near Sagaponnock pond to be laid out to him on ye West end of my close from ye North side to run South to ye land I give to my son Samuel Howell only there is to be two pole left between their land for a highway to ye rest of my land also a fifty of S'hamp commonage all which particulars I freely give & grant to the abovesd Joseph Howell and to his heirs & assigns forever & to his admin-

Item—I give & bequeath to my second son Jonathan Howell all my close at Cobspound twenty acres be it more or less with all ye housing upon it and fences belonging to it as also ten acres of land in my close in ye Mill neck lying in ye Southeast corner next to Henry Ludham his land as it was laid out by Coll. Pierson and he shall make & maintain all the fences between my land & his land forever as also half a fifty of S'hampt commonage all these above mentioned particulars lands I freely give & grant to ye afores Jonathan Howell & to his heirs and assigns forever & administrators—

Item—I give & bequeath to my third son Samuel Howell my little close at Mecox and my dwelling house now standing upon it with all the fencing standing upon it as also ten acres of mine in the North division of land at Sagaponnuck lying next to ye land Peter Norris bought of Jonah Fordham as also a fifty of meadow of mine lying in Smiths meadow as also a fifty of land of mine lying on ye north side of Hogg neck next Jonah Fordhams land as also Eight acres of land in my great close near Sagaponuck pond and to be laid out to him on ye Southside of my close lying ye length of it only two pole is to be left for a highway to ye rest of my land on ye west end of it as also half a fifty of S'hampt commonage all

these above written lands I freely give & grant to my son Samuel Howell

& to his heirs & assigns forever-

Item-I give & bequeath to my fourth son Jonah Howell the home lot of land that I bought of Benjamin Foster Jr. lying in ye town next to Obadiah Rogers being by estimation seven acres more or less with ve dwelling house and all ye fences standing upon it as also a lot of mine in ve North division in ye great plain near Gersham Culvers house as also three rood of land of mine in John Howells close as also one acre of land of mine in halsyes neck as also two acres in ye Ox pasture at ye rear of John Reeves his close as also one lot of meadow of mine on ye beach with half a fifty of S'hampton commonage—The three acres of land one in halsves and two acres of land lying at ye rear of John Reeves his land which is above written I have changed for a lot of land lying next my land in ve North division which lands above mentioned I freely give & grant to my son Jonah Howell and to his heirs & assigns forever-

Item-I give & bequeath to my fifth son Edward Howell my home lot in ye town with all my housing & shops & all the fencing belonging to it after my wife decease as also all my close in ye little plain after my son Joseph Howell hath had his two acres measured out to him on ye Southside of my close all the length of the close as also my upper lot joining to my home lot as also my lot of meadow lying in Shinacock neck on ye West side of the Long Tongue and half ye breadth of the Long Tongue that is now drowned and a lot of meadow of mine now drowned at ye Southend of Samuel Jones his meadow as also half a lot of meadow of mine at Ketchaponuck in my North lot as also one half lot of meadow of mine lying on ye east side of Shinacocke Neck as also one lot of meadow of mine lying at Occobague near ye Jumping Creek as also twenty acres of land of mine lying on ye East side of my great close near Sagabonnet pond and after my wifes decease he shall keep my daughter Mary Howell as long as she liveth and find her sufficient clothing meat drink washing & lodging and after my wives decease he shall have my daughters portion I have willed to her which is fifty pounds in pay out of my moveable estate notwithstanding all I have given of lands here & of meadows, I give to my son Edward Howell, my will is that my wife have one third part of all my land & meadows as her own proper right during her natural life and upon performance of the above written conditions I do freely give & grant to him sd Edward Howell all ye lands & meadows above written to him his heirs administrators and assigns forever-

Item—I do give & bequeath to my sixth son Benjamin Howell all my land lying at ve rear of Coll Piersons home lot at Sagaponack eight acres more or less as also one whole lot of land lying in the south division at Sagaponack next to Dan Burnet by estimation twenty acres more or less as also half a lot of mine lying in Hogg neck on ye south east side of ye neck to be equally divided upland & meadow as also half a fifty of S'hampton commonage as also one half lot of meadow of mine in Ketchaponuck neck in my north division lot of meadow all those lands and meadows above written I do freely give & grant to my son Benjamin

Howell and to his heirs administrators & assigns forever—

Item—I do give & bequeath to my seventh son Thomas Howell all my land in ye Mill Neck undisposed of by estimation thirty acres be it more or less as also all my land at Mecox lying at ye rear of Benoni Newtons home lot eleven acres be it more or less as also half my lot of land lying on ye southeast side of Hogg necke to be equally divided meadow & upland as also half a fifty of S'hampt. commonage as also one fifty of meadow of mine at Occobogue lying in lot which Jonah Fordham had a fifty in ye same lot all these above written lands & meadows I freely give & grant to my son Thomas Howell & to his heirs and administrators and assigns forever—

Item—I give & bequeath to my daughter Mary Howell fifty pounds in current pay out of my estate as it useth one thing with another to be paid her at my decease—

Item—I give & bequeath to my daughter Deborah Tapping five pounds in current pay to be paid her out of my estate at my decease—

Item—I give & bequeath to my daughter Phebe Halsey five pound in

current pay to be paid her out of my estate at my decease-

Item—I give & bequeath to my grandchild Irenie Rogers after my decease one feather bed & furniture to it to be paid her out of my estate—I do in this my last Will & testamt. ordain constitute & appoint my dear & well beloved wife Mary Howell to be my lawful Executrix to administer upon my whole estate after my decease and she is to have one third part of all my moveable estate as her own proper right and I do appoint my wife to pay all the legacies I have given by my will to any person and to my children and after all my legacies & due debts are all paid my will is that what is left of my moveable estate that my wife shall have a fourth part to herself for her trouble and the rest shall be equally divided amongst all my children.

Signed & sealed by me in ye year of our Lord in S'hampt. Anno Dom

1697 ye 27 of January.

(No Signature.) (Seal)

In ye presence of us Witnesses

John Maltbie John Taylor Rich^a Howell

By ye tenor of these presents Know ye that on ye 28th day of Octob. Anno Dom. 1699 at ye Manor of St. Georges in ye County of Suffolk before ye Honoble Coll. William Smith Judge of ye Prerogative Court in ye sd County was proved & approved ye last Will & testamt. of Edward Howell late of S'hampton in ye sd County deceased on ye 29 day of April Anno Dom. 1699 who by his sd Will did nominate & appoint Mary his wife his Executrix to whom was granted the administration of all & singular ye goods & chattels of ye sd deceased—

JONAH³ HOWELL, who died in 1727, had wife Elizabeth and 6 children, as stated in his will, which he made Mar. 28, 1726.⁹³

⁹³ Howell's Southampton, p. 308.

WILL OF JONAH HOWELL.94

IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN.

The twenty-eighth day of March and in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and twenty six I, JONAH HOWELL of the Town of Southampton in the County of Suffolk and Colony of New York, Cooper, being very sick and weak in body but of sound and perfect mind and memory, thanks be given unto God therefore, but calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following, that is to say:

PRINCIPALLY AND FIRST of all I give and recommend my soul into the hands of God that gave it and my body I committ to the earth to be decently buried and as touching my temporal estate I give and

bequeath the same in manner following:

IMPRIMIS: I give and bequeath to my beloved wife, Elizabeth Howell the use and improvement of my dwelling house and barn and my home lot of land and one third part of all the rest of my lands, meadows and commonages for her to use and improve so long as she continues my

widow and bears up my name.

NEXTLY: I give and bequeath unto my eldest son Jonah and to his heirs and assigns forever my two closes of land scituate, lying and being in the Neck called by the name of Captains Neck and one fifty pounds allotment of commonage. I also give unto my beloved wife aforesaid the use and improvement of my close of land lying between John Reeves and Job Wick in manner as is before specified.

ITEM: I give unto my son Samuel and to his heirs and assigns forever my two closes of land lying in Halsevs Neck and my close of land lying adjoining to Jonathan Howell and the one moiety or equall half of my meadow at Acquaboke and the one half of a fifty pounds allotment of commonage and forty shillings to be paid to him out of my moveable estate by my executors.

ITEM: I give unto my son Ezra my close of land lying adjoining to Alexander Fordham and my half lot of land lying with John Reeves at or near Noyoge and one fifty and half of meadow lying in Tanners Neck all which land and meadow afore specifyed I give unto my son Ezra and to his heirs and assigns forever. I also give to my son Ezra forty shillings to be paid to him out of my moveable estate by my executors.

NEXTLY: I give to my daughter Elizabeth one feather bed with furniture and thirty pounds to be paid to her out of my moveable estate by my executors.

ITEM: I give unto my daughter Mary one feather bed and thirty pounds to be paid to her out of my moveable estate by my executors.

LASTLY: I constitute, ordain and make my beloved wife Elizabeth Howell and my son Jonah Howell my only sole and joint executors of this my Last Will and Testament.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto sett my hand and seal the day and year above written. JONAH HOWELL (L.S.)

94 New York Wills, 10-412.

Signed, sealed, published, pronounced and declared by the said JONAH HOWELL as his Last Will and Testament in the presence of us, the subscribers,

Job Sayre.

John Post.

Thomas Reed.

JONAH⁴ HOWELL had a wife Elizabeth (prob. Foster) and 5 children. 95 Elizabeth is not mentioned among his children, but in Howell's Southampton, under Foster, the statement is made that Jedidiah Foster married Elizabeth, the daughter of Jonah Howell. 96

⁹⁵ Howell's Southampton, p. 308.

⁹⁶ Howell's Southampton, p. 252.

LONGSTREET

ERICK STOFFELSZ¹ LANGESTRAAT emigrated in 1657, and married (1) Catharina Van Lieuwen; (2) prior to Feb. 13, 1690, Johanna Havens, widow of Johannis Holsaert. He was a member of Flatlands Dutch Church in 1677; took the oath of allegiance there in 1667; was on assessment roll of town in 1693 and his name is in the Census of 1698. He signed his name "Dirck Stoffels." He and his wife Catharina had several children.

ADRIAEN² LANGESTRAAT, bap. Sep. 16, 1677, died 1728; married Christina Janse. He was on the assessment roll of Flatlands of 1693 and on the Census of 1698. He was Deacon of the Freehold, N. J., Reformed Dutch Church in 1721, to which place he removed.⁹⁸

In his will, which he signed "by mark," he is called Aaron Longstreet of Freehold, Monmouth Co., N. J.

WILL OF AARON (ADRIAEN) LONGSTREET.99

In the name of God Amen The third day of March in the first year of the Reign of our Soveraign Lord George the Second by the Grace of God of Great Brittain France and Ireland King Defender of the Faith &c. Annog Domini One Thousand Seven Hundred and Twenty seven I Aaron Longstreet of Freehold in the County of Monmouth in the Eastern Division of the Province of new Jersey Cordwainer being sick and weak of Body but of Perfect Mind and memory Praised be Almighty God for the Same, Duly considering the Frailty and uncertainty of my Life and knowing that it is appointed for all men to Die Do make and ordain this my last will and Testament That is to say Principally and first of all I give and Recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God my most merciful Creator, Trusting for Salvation in and Through the alone merits of my Ever blessed Redeemer and for my Body I recommend it to the earth to be Decently Interred at the Discretion of my Executor hereinafter named, nothing doubting but att the generall Resurrection I shall Receive the same again by the mighty power of God. And as touching

⁹⁷ Bergen's Early Settlers of Kings Co., 1881, p. 181.

⁹⁸ Bergen's Early Settlers of Kings Co., p. 181.

⁹⁹ Trenton Wills, B-93.

such worldly estate wherewith itt hath pleased God to bless me in this life I give bequeath Devise and Dispose off the same in the Form and manner following, And first I will that all those Debts and Duties as I do owe in right or Conscience to any manner of Person or Persons whatsoever shall be well and Truly Contented and Paid or ordained to be paid in Convenient Time after my decease by my Executors hereafter named

Imprimis my mind and will is that my well beloved wife Stanckche Remaine abide and dwell on that Farm or plantation whereon I now live and have use Take possess and Enjoy the Profits benefits and Libertyes of the said Farm Buildings and Appurtenances for and during the terme of her natural life, if she shall so long Continue my Widdow but no longer than she continues my widdow, thereby to Enable her to bring up maintain and educate my children

Item I give and bequeath unto my said well beloved wife Stanckche, after payment of my Just and Lawful Debts made, The moiety or one halfe part of my cattle and sheep that shall be left, and alsoe one full half part of my houshold goods The same to be fully and freely possessed and

enjoyed by my said wife Stankche and her Assigns.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Eldest son John Longstreet after the death or marriage of his Mother which shall first happen all that Farm or plantation whereon I now Live, with the Buildings and Appurtenances, the same to be fully and freely possessed and Enjoyed by my said Son John his heirs and Assigns forever under this Express Condition notwithstanding to wit That my said Son John after he shall have possessed and Enjoyed the said Farme Three year's shall and do at the End of the said three year's well and truly Pay or cause to be paid the sum of twenty two pounds Ten shillings mony of this province at Eight shillings p Ounce and att the End of the Fourth year the like sum of Twenty Two Pounds Ten Shillings and att the end of the Fifth year the like sume of Twenty Two pounds Ten Shillings and at the End of the Sixth Yeare the like sume of Twenty Two Pounds ten shillings like money being in all Ninety Pounds, unto and amongst Such of his brothers and Sisters as at the severall Times of payment shall be living and the Child or children of such of them as shall be Dead, in just and equal parts and portions according to the severall Payments above mentioned It being my mind and will that in case any of my Children should be dead leaving a child or Children behind them att the Time or Times the said mony is to be paid, the Child or Children of such of my children so dying as aforesaid shall have possess and Enjoy the severall parts or shares of the said Ninety Pounds according to the severall Payments, that the Parents ought to have had, if he or she had been then living.

Item I give and bequeath unto my said son John one horse or mare att his choice, out of all my Jades the same by him and his Assigns freely

to be possessed and Enjoyed.

Item I give and bequeath (after payment of my Just Debts made) unto and amongst my severall Children, to wit, my sons John, Derrick and Stophel and my Daughters Catharine, Nelly, Winifred Maria & Arianche and alsoe the child my wife now goes with (if born alive) all

the rest of my Jades, and one moiety or full halfe part of my Cattle and sheep that shall be left and allsoe the one full halfe part of my houshold goods to be Equally parted and Divided amongst them by my Ex. rs hereafter named in Quantity and Quality (as near as they can) share and share alike. And the same with the Encrease thereof to be Delivered to my said Children to wit, to my sons as they shall severally come to and arrive att the age of Twenty one Year's or the Respective Day's of their marriage which shall first happen the same with the Encrease thereof to be Delivered to my Daughters as they shall severally come to and arrive att the age of Eighteen Year's or the Respective Days of their marriage which shall first happen.

Item my mind and will is that in case any of my children should dye before they come of age or be married as aforesaid. The part or share of such child so Dying with the Encrease thereof shall be equally parted and Divided between my Surviving children share & share alike And I doe hereby Constitute make and ordaine my Trusty & loving Friends Peter Nephews, John Sutwandt, and Jacob Sutwandt all of the County of Monmouth Yeomen to be the Exrs. of this my last will and Testament. And Lastly I Doe hereby utterly Disallow, Revoke Disannul and make void all and every other Former Testaments Wills Legacies and Ex^{rs}. by me in any way's before this time named Willed and Bequeathed Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my last will and Testament. In witness whereof I the said Aaron Longstreet have hereunto sett my hand & seal the Day and Yeare first above written

> his Aaron X Longstreet mark

This will contained in one sheet of Paper and Thirty eight Lines without any Interlineations or amendments was published Pronounced and declared by the said Aaron Longstreet to be his last will and testament and as such signed sealed and Deliver'd in the presence of us the Subscribers

Derick Sulvan Geisbert Sulvan Wm S Madock

Pro: New Jersey ss.

Be itt remembered that on this present tenth day of May Anno Dom: One thousand seven hundred and twenty eight, personally came and appeared before me Lawrence Smyth Surrogate of the County of Monmouth duly Commissioned and appointed for the Proving of Last Wills and Testaments in the said County Derick Sulvan and Geisbert Sulvan Two of the witnesses Subscribed to the within will, who on their solemn oath which they took on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God do depose that they were present and saw the within named Aaron Longstreet Sign and Seal, and heard him Pronounce Publish and declare the within written Instrument to be his last will and Testament and that att the doing thereof the Testator was of sound mind and memory to the best of their knowledge and understanding, and that at the same Time William Madock the other subscribing witness was present

Jur coram me Lawr Smyth

Pro: New Jersey ss.

Be itt Remembered that on this present Tenth day of May Anno Dom: One thousand seven hundred and twenty eight personally came and appeared before me Lawrence Smyth Surrogate of the County of Monmouth duly commissioned and appointed for the proving of last wills & Testaments in said County and swearing of witnesses Executors &c Peter Nephews John Sulvand and Jacob Sulvand the Exrs. in the within last will and Testament named who on their Solemn oath which they took on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God do depose that the within written contains the last will and Testament of Aaron Longstreet the Testator therein named as far as they know or believe and that they will well and Truly Perform the same by Paying first the Debts of the deceased and then the Legacies contained in the said will so far forth as the goods chattells and creditts of the said Decd. will thereunto Extend and the law will charge, and that they will make a True & pfect Inventory of the Goods chattels and Creditts of the said Decd. and Exhibit the same into the Prerogative Court in the Secretary's office on or before the first day of December now next ensueing and alsoe Render a Just account when they shall be thereunto Required.

Sworn before me Lawr. Smyth

DIRCK (OR RICHARD)⁸ LONGSTREET, born about 1713, married about 1749, Mrs. Margaret (Schenck) Cowenhoven, born near Holmdel, N. J., bap. Apr. 17, 1715, died before 1778, widow of William Kouwenhoven (who made his will Feb. 17, 1746–7, it being proved Sep. 11, 1747, and by whom she had 6 children, 3 sons and 3 daughters), and daughter of Garret Roelofse and Neeltje Courten (Van Voorhees) Schenck.¹⁰⁰ He married (2) July 28, 1778, Mrs. Catherine (Buys) Stryker, widow of Peter Stryker, who is said to have been Catrina Buys, the second wife of Peter Stryker who died Dec. 28, 1774, and that they had only one child, a son Peter.¹⁰¹

"Richard Longstreet was a man of property and standing, living in the vicinity of Princeton; was prominent among the founders of the First Presbyterian Church of

¹⁰⁰ Anc. and Desc. of Rev. William Schenck, p. 40.

¹⁰¹ Strycker Family, 1887, p. 19.

that place; of which he was a ruling elder and trustee. Besides a daughter married to Lemuel Scudder, he had Mary, wife of Gen. John Beatty of Trenton; a son Richard was in the army of the Revolution; and a son Aaron, married a Miss Van Dyke, of Mapleton, whose daughter Eleanor, married Major Cornelius Cruzer, was in the same army, and killed at Morristown." 102

Interesting documents regarding the property of Richard Longstreet are of record.

BOND OF LEMUEL SCUDDER TO JOHN BEATTY. 108

Know All Men by these presents that I Lemuel Scudder of the County of Somerset and State of New Jersey Miller, am held and firmly bound unto John Beatty of the County of Middlesex and State aforesaid Practitioner of Physic, in the Just and full sum of One thousand five hundred pounds Good and Lawfull money of New Jersey; to be paid to the said John Beatty his heirs Executors Administrators or Assigns, for which payment well & truly to be made I bind myself my heirs Executors, Administrators & Assigns firmly by these presents: Sealed with my seal and dated this seventh day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and Eighty seven.

The Condition of this obligation is such, That Whereas Richard Longstreet of the County of Somerset and State of New Jersey Farmer and Catharine his wife, by their Indenture, bearing even date with these presents hath granted, bargained, sold, aliened, released Enfeoffed, Conveyed and Confirmed, unto the above bounden Lemuel Scudder, all that certain messuage, plantation and Tract of Land, whereon the said Richard now liveth situate lying and being as followeth Viz Beginning at a black oak stump south Easterly from the dwelling house of the said Richard, from thence running south 28°. 15 west 40 Chain, thence North 45.° W 72 Chain and 81 Links, thence North 15.° E 15 Chain and 40 Links thence North 47° W 25 Chains, thence North 15° West 6 Chains & 85 Links, thence south 58° E 23 Chains & 22 Links thence North 23° E 12 Chain & 75 Links, thence south 57° 30' East 20 Chains, thence south 55°. 30' W 13-Chains thence south 58° E 61 chain & seventy five Links to the place of Beginning, Containing Two hundred and fifty acres more or less, in Trust for the Equal use & behoof of the said Lemuel Scudder and Peter Stryker and John Beatty who hath Intermarried with the Daughters, Margaret, Christiana & Mary of the said Richard Longstreet, Now therefore if the above bounden Lemuel Scudder his heirs, Executors, Administrators or assigns shall well and Truly Execute and perform without fraud or delay when thereunto required by the said

¹⁰² Cooley's Early Settlers in Trenton and Ewing, 1883, p. 251.

¹⁰³ Trenton Deeds, AS-524.

John Beatty, his Certain Attorney, heirs Executors Administrators or assigns, Each and every of the following Conditions, that is to say he the said Lemuel Covenanth: First that the said Richard Longstreet, shall Occupy & Enjoy the free & full use of the above described Tract of Land. Together with all & singular the buildings thereon, for and during the term of His natural life in as ample a maneer, as tho no such Conveyance had been made.

Second that in case Catharine the wife of the said Richard should survive her said Husband; she Shall Occupy or enjoy, the one equal third part of the said house and Tract of Land, or of the rents Issues & profits arising therefrom, so long as she shall remain his widow, or for and during the Term of her Natural life.

Third that after the decease of the said Richard Longstreet & during the widowhood or life of the said Catharine he shall make or Cause to be made to the sd John Beatty, his heirs or assigns a legal conveyance, or release of the one equal third part of the remaining two third parts of the above described tract of Land and buildings thereon, agreeable to a Valuation then to be made, or a proportionable part of the rents, Issues and profits arising therefrom if Leased or rented But in Case it should be deemed more advantageous by the parties to these presents, & they should agree to make sale of the whole premisses, or any part thereof; then he shall Cause the monies arising from the sale thereof or so much as shall be equal to the one equal third part of the two third parts to be paid to the sd. John Beatty his Certain Attorney, heirs Executors, Administors or assigns.

Fourth that in like manner after the decease of the sd Richard & during the widowhood & life of the sd Catharine he shall pay or cause to be paid to Christiana (who hath Intermarried with the sd Peter Stryker) the one equal third part of the remaining two third parts of the rents Issues & profits arising from the aforesaid described Tract of Land & Buildings, to her sole use & behoof during her natural life, and after her decease then to make or cause to be made to the heirs of her body lawfully begotten as legal Conveyance or release of the one equal third part of the two third parts of the aforesaid described Tract of Land & Buildings thereon, or in case of sale having been made thereof, to cause the one equal third part of two Third parts of the monies arising therefrom to be paid to the Heirs of the sd Christiana.

Fifth That in case of Intermarriage or after the decease of the sd Catharine he shall cause the remaining one third part which she occupied & Enjoyed (whether of the Land and Buildings or if sold or leased, of the monies, rents Issues or profits arising therefrom) to be equally divided, made over and paid forward in the like proportions & to the same Grantees as is, before Expressed in the two preceding Conditions Then the said Obligation to be void or otherwise to remain in full force and virtue

Sealed and Delivered

in the presence of

John Lane Joseph Olden. Lem¹. Scudder

(Seal)

AGREEMENT OF JOHN BEATTY AND PETER STRYKER WITH LEMUEL SCUDDER, 104

Article of Agreement made and Entered into this ninth day of December seventeen hundred and ninety six Between John Beatty and Peter Stryker of the one Part and Lemuel Scudder of the other part Whereas in and by a Certain Bond Bearing Date the seventh Day of July seventeen hundred and Eighty seven the said Lemuel Scudder was bound unto the sd. John Beatty in the Penal sum of Fifteen Hundred Pounds; Conditioned that after the Death of Richard & Catharine Longstreet He should Release and make over to the said John Beatty & Peter Stryker two third parts of a Certain piece or parcel of Land said to Contain 250 Acres of Land more or less which was late in the possession of the sd Richard Longstreet Decd. Now this Article Witnesseth, that the sd Jnº Beatty & Peter Stryker of the first part Hath Covenanted and Agreed with Lemuel Scudder of the second part, that upon the payment of the sum of Twelve Hundred pounds in Gold or silver money to the sd John Beatty for Himself and the use of the sd Peter Stryker, the said Bond or Instrument of writing obligatory upon the said Lemuel Scudder shall be Cancelled Given up & Considered as null & void In Witness whereof the Parties to these presents Have to this article Interchangeably set their Hands & seals the day & date above written Sealed & Delivered in the

presence of John Beatty (Seal)

Nancy Combes Peter A Stryker (Seal) Abia Scudder Lemuel Scudder (Seal)

Received Decr. 23^d. 1790 of John Beatty, the sum of six Hundred Pounds being the one half of the sum specified in the within Article of Agreement, and receivable upon the terms specified in the Article of Contract Delivered up to the said Lemuel Scudder

Witness present R Leigh Peter A Stryker

Richard Longstreet died before Jan. 5, 1790, as on that date administration was granted on his estate.

Administration of Estate of Derick (Richard) Longstreet. 105

Derick Longstreet Letters of Administration were granted by His Excellency Richd Howell Esqrunto Peter A. Stryker Catharine Longstreet & Lemuel Scudder Adms of the Estate of Derick Longstreet late of the County of Somerset Decd they Being first duly Sworn well & truly to Administer the same Exhibit a true and Perfect Inventory & render a just and true account of their Administration given under the Prerogative Seal 5th Jany 1790.

John Beatty Regr

Richard and Margaret (Schenck) Longstreet had several children, one of them being a daughter Margaret who married Lemuel Scudder.

104 Trenton Deeds, AS-535. 105 Trenton Wills, 35-407.

LUDLAM

ILLIAM¹ LUDLAM was of Matlook, Derbyshire, England, and came to this country probably about 1648, with wife Clemence, who was a sister of Rev. Robert Fordham. He lived in Southampton, Long Island. He made his will Apr. 27, 1665, and it was proved Nov. 2, 1667. This will was the first recorded in the Surrogate's Office in New York and is in Liber 1, fol. 1.

William and Clemence (Fordham) Ludlam had at least 7 children, one of them being a daughter Mary, who is said to have married Thomas Scudder. 106

WILL OF WILLIAM LUDLAM. 107

April ve 27 1665.

The last will and testament of William Ludlam senior. I commend

my soul to God, and my estate I bestow as followeth.

Imprimis. My will is yt my son William shall have a cow. 2nd I give unto my daughter Grace one cow. 3d I doe give unto my daughter Mary one cow. 4th I doe give unto my daughter Frances one cow. 5th I doe give unto my son Anthony all my housing and land at the old ground and a fifty pound commonage to him and his heires, forever, provided yt my son Henry shall have a third part of ye said land for ye terme of seven years after ye date hereof. 6th I doe give unto my son Joseph my new dwelling house with two acres of land adjoining unto it and also thirty acres of land adjoining to the mill and mill pond on the east side of the mill river with a fifty pound commonage to him and his heires forever. 7th I do give to ye eldest child of my son William 50 shillings, and my son Henry's child 50 shillings, and my daughter Grace's child 50 shillings, and unto my daughter Mary's eldest child 50 shillings, and to my daughter Frances eldest child 50 shillings. 8th that whereas there is a covenant made between me and Samuel Davis, the said Samuel Davis is to enjoy the cowes and ye benefit of ye house and land specified in the said covenant, from the date hereof until the fourth day of March next ensuing. 9th and lastly I do will that my son Henry be my executor and to pay or cause to be paid all my debts, and also all the above mentioned legacies, and also to build up the mill that now is, half at his own proper charge and the other half out of my estate, and my son Henry to have half of the said mill to him and his heires forever, and my son Joseph the other half to him and his heirs forever. And also I do give to my son Henry a fifty

Howell's Southampton, 1887, p. 339; Refugees of 1776 L. I. to Conn., p. 457.
 Early L. I. Wills, 1897, p. 276.

pound commonage with and belonging to the land he hath now in possession, as it standeth upon record, also I give unto him the said Henry thirty six acres of land lying at ye mill pond head with all my household goods, cattle and chatels what soever, to him and his heires forever.

Witness my hand the day and year above written.

William Ludlam

In the presence of us witnesses John Howell John Cooper.

November 2, 1667.

This day the will of William Ludlam was proved in court. (Minutes of Court of Assizes).

McADAM

SAMUEL¹ McADAM (often spelt McAdams), born about 1715, came to this country from near Londonderry, Ireland, landed in Mass., and started for Londonderry, N. H. He was of Londonderry in 1740, in that part that became Windham in 1742, and he died there Jan. 8, 1790, in his 74th year. He had a wife Mary, who died in Windham, Feb. 21, 1791, in her 59th year.

Samuel and Mary McAdam had 9 children, their eldest child being a daughter Jane, born Windham, Apr. 10, 1752, who married Dec. 30, 1773, Robert McIlvaine. 108

108 Hist. of Windham, N. H., 1883, p. 625.

McILVAINE

ANIEL¹ McILVAINE was born of Scotch parents in County Donegal, parish of Sisson, Ireland, where he was christened, and he received his education in Dublin. He came to America at the early age of 19 years and taught school for some time after his arrival. He first settled in Boston; married Mary Smith, "an English girl"; then removed to Woburn, Mass., where he resided several years, and finally went to Windham, N. H., where he died July 25, 1785. His wife died in Francestown, N. H., Feb. 16, 1803, at an advanced age. 109

Daniel and Mary (Smith) McIlvaine had 7 children.

ROBERT² McIlvaine, born Windham, N. H., Sep. 19, 1748, died Antrim, Mar. 27, 1833. He married in Windham, Dec. 30, 1773, Jane McAdam, born Windham, Apr. 10, 1752, died Antrim, Feb. 17, 1833, daughter of Samuel and Mary McAdam.

"He was a good mathematician and prepared an arithmetic for his children and taught them. This manuscript is still in existence and exhibits much mathematical knowledge and skill."

Robert and Jane (McAdam) McIlvaine had 10 children, their third child being a daughter Margaret, born Windham, Aug. 26, 1779, who married Robert Gregg.¹¹⁰

¹⁰⁹ Hist. of Windham, N. H., 1883, p. 634; Hist. of Francestown, N. H., 1895, p. 824.

¹¹⁰ Hist. of Windham, p. 635; Hist. of Antrim, N. H., p. 598.

MAINE

OHN¹ MAINE (Main or Mayne) was of Mayne's Point, Casco, before 1648. He made a deposition Jan. 3, 1684, "aged 70 yeares

He made a deposition Jan. 3, 1684, "aged 70 yeares or yrabouts," which would make him born about 1614, and his wife Elizabeth deposed Feb. 16, 1684, "about 61: years of age or there abouts," which would make her born about 1623.¹¹¹

John Maine made a petition in 1687 regarding lands he owned in Casco Bay.

Petition of John Maine 1687.112

To his Excellency S^r Edmond Andros K^t Captaine Generall and Governour in Cheife of his Majestyes Territory and Dominion of New-England in America.

The Petition of John Maine of Casco Bay

Humbly Sheweth that yor Petition about thirty yeares since purchased an house in Casco Bay, with sixty Acres of Land Adjoyneing, Scittuate neare the Middle of Casco Bay; on the Westerly side of Westgostuggo River, at a Certaine place there, Comonly Called and Knowne by the name of Maines Point: Also he tooke up about six Acres of Salt Marsh: and hath Enjoyed the same (as it is Scittuate neare the head of the Eastermost Branch of Westgostuggo River) untill the Late warr with the Indians: at which time two of his sones in Law were Slaine: his Evidences for his houseing and Land were burnt: and he with his wife and the rest of the famaly hardly Escaped with their Lives; and some yeares after the Warr was ended he returned and ever since his returne, hath kept his possion of said Lands, and some that were strangers there, before the Warr; and have since settled there: have Laid out sundry Lotts on vor Petition's upland have taken the sd Marsh Land into their hand: and refuse yor Petition the Improvemt thereof

Yor Poore Petitionr therefore humbly prayes that yor Excellency will please to pass an order to Capt Edward Tyng to see that he may be settled in his Just Right so shall he ever pray &c:

John Maine

By His Excellency

The Within Peticon is Reffered to Mr Walter Gendall to Enquire &

¹¹¹ York Deeds, 4-31.

¹¹² Maine Hist. Soc. Colls., 2nd Ser., 6-263.

Exaine into ye Contents & fforthwith make Reporte thereof to me accordingly. Dated att Boston ye 10th day of June 1687.

By his Excell⁸ Command
John West. D. Secry
June 10th 1687.

Peticon of Jn^o Maine About Land in Casco bay Reffred till the Governor See M^r Ting or Heare from him ab^t ye Same.

John and Elizabeth Maine had several children, one of them being a daughter Hannah who married Moses Felt. This marriage is proved by a statement made by Amos Atwell, whose grandmother, Lydia Felt, was a daughter of Moses Felt. A copy of this statement is shown in the record of Moses Felt. 372

MOORE

IDOW ANN' MOORE was of Salem, Mass., in 1636 and had a son

THOMAS MOORE, born in England about 1615, died in Southold, L. I., June 25, 1691. He married (1) before July 1, 1636, Martha Youngs, bap. Southwold, Eng., July 1, 1613, died Southold, L. I., about June 27, 1671, daughter of Rev. Christopher and Margaret Youngs of Southwold, Eng. 113

He and his wife were admitted inhabitants in Salem, Mass., July 11, 1636, but they went to Southold, L. I., about 1650, and in 1653 he attended the New Haven General Court from Southold, also in 1658 he was Deputy to same Court. In 1673 he was named by Dutch officers as Magistrate, but declined to serve, though in 1685, he was a Magistrate (English) to try small causes. He made his will June 25, 1691, which was proved Sep. 29, 1691. Thomas and Margaret (Youngs) Moore had 9 children.

WILL OF THOMAS MOORE. 115

In ye name of God Amen—I Thomas Moore of Southhold in ye County of Suffolk on Long Island in ye Province of N. Yorke being Exercized under the afflicting hand of God with great weakness yet of sound memory do make constitute & ordain this writing to be my last Will & Testamt, first I bequeath my soul into ye hands of God who gave it and my body being dead to be decently buried in hopes of its resurrection at ye last day unto Eternal life & as for my wordly estate my debts & funeral charges being first paid I do order give dispose & bequeath in manner & form foll.

Impmis. I do give & bequeath unto my wife Catharine Moore one third of all my goods lands commonages & meadow lands dwelling houses barns orchards garden fences & fencing stuffe corn cattle horse kind sheep swine household goods of whatsoever sorts that are now belonging & appertaining unto me within the whole town bounds of Southhold

¹¹³ Youngs Family, 1907, p. 38.

¹¹⁴ N. Y. Record, 15-57; Moore's Index of Southold, 1868, p. 27.

¹¹⁵ Early Long Island Wills, 1897, p. 30.

& every part & parcel of sd goods land estate above mentioned to have & hold to her my said wife Katharine Moore with all the issues profits whatsoever during her widowhood or natural life if she marry not & no longer to be fully freely enjoyed by her.

Item—I give & bequeath unto my eldest son Thomas Moore all my lands together with ye appurtenances lying & being in Westhold near ye

fresh pond by ye wading river-

Item—I do give & bequeath unto my third son Nathaniell Moore all my lands & meadows allotments of lands right of lands commonages meadow lands dwelling houses houses buildings barns orchards gardens fencing stuffe fencing within the old bounds of ye town that is to say between W^m Wells & Toms Creek head.

Item—I give & bequeath unto my daughters namely Martha Symons Hannah Symons Elizabeth Grover & Sarah Glover all my household goods of whatsoever sort equally to be divided amongst them—

Also my will is that all the lands estate that are or is herein given to my said sons they shall have hold & enjoy to them their heirs & assigns forever—

Lastly—My Will is that my beloved sons Thomas Moore & Nathaniell Moore shall be the only Executors of this my last Will & Testamt. dated at Southhold this 23^d of June in ye 3^d year of ye reigne of our sovereigne Lord Will^m ye 3^d King of England & defender of ye faith &c. Anno Dom. 1691—

Witness my hand & seale-

Thomas Moore

Signed sealed & delivered before us Joseph Young Benjⁿ Young

By the tenor of these presents know ye that on ye 30th day of Sept. 1691 at Southhold in ve County of Suffolk on Long Island in ve Province of N. Yorke before Col William Smith Esq. Judge of ye Prerogative Court was proved & approved the last Will & testamt. of Thomas Moore deceased at Southhold ye 25th day of June Anno Dom. 1691 and having by his said Will & testamt. nominated & appointed his sons Thomas & Nathaniell Moore his Executors as by the copy of ye said Will hereunto annexed may appear for ye well & faithful administration of all & singular the goods chattels & credits of ye sd deceased you shall a true full & faithful Inventory of all & singular the goods chattels & credits yt did anyways belong or of right appertain to the deceased afores^d at the time of his death bring in & deliver to me or such Judge or Judges as shall be appointed for this County at or before the last day of March next ensuing & then & there to render a true full & perfect account of your having executed & performed your duty herein according to the tenour of ye said Will & the laws of this Province—Sworn before me the day and year aforesd

Witness my hand & seal

William Smith

Tho. Helme Cler.

NATHANIEL³ Moore, baptized in Salem, Mass., July 3, 1642, died in Southold, L. I., Apr. 20, 1698. He married Sarah Vail, who was baptized in Salem, Mass., May 18, 1647, died in Southold, June 10, 1733, 117 daughter of Jeremiah and Katherine Vail.

He made his will Apr. 19, 1698, and it was proved Aug. 26, 1698.

Nathaniel and Sarah (Vail) Moore had 6 children, one of them being a daughter Hannah, who married John Terry.¹¹⁸

WILL OF NATHANIEL MOOR. 119

In ye name of God Amen—I Nathaniel Moor of S'hold in ye County of Suffolk do make constitute & ordain these presents to be my last Will & testamt.

First—I bequeath my soul to God that gave it me & my body being dead to be decently buried in ye hopes of ye resurrection unto everlasting life I now being of sound memory though weak in body do also order give & bestow & bequeath all my wordly goods & estate in manner & form following

Imprimis—I give & bequeath unto my beloved wife Sarah Moor one third of all my estate during her natural life—

Item—I give & bequeath unto my son Nathaniel Moor all my farm at Oyster pond and all ye housing & upland & meadow yt was sometime in ye possession of my father Thomas Moor lying & being in ye town of S'hold—Also two oxen & two cows when he comes to age—

Item—My Will is that ye house yt I now live in & all ye land belonging to ye same & all yt. my house & land at West Chester & my part of ye Sloop be sold & divided equally among my five daughters together with ye other two parts of my moveables at ye age of eighteen years or the day of their marriage which shall first happen—

Item—My Will is yt. if my son Nathaniel shall die before he comes of age yt. then all his portion shall be divided among my daughters children as ye Executors shall see cause, also yt my son Nathaniel be put out to learne such a trade as he do most incline to—

Lastly—My will is yt my brother in law Jeremiah Vale & my son in law John Terry shall be ye only Executors of this my last Will & testamt Dated at S'hold this present 19th day of April in ye 10th year of ye reign

¹¹⁶ N. Y. Record, 47-347.

¹¹⁷ N. Y. Record, 48-22.

¹¹⁸ Moore's Index of Southold, p. 29.

¹¹⁹ Early Long Island Wills, 1897, p. 158.

of William ye 3^d King of England Scotland & Ireland Defend^r of ye Christian faith Anno Dom 1698.

Nathaniel Moor (Seal)

Signed sealed & delivered before us Benj. Youngs Daniel Youngs Andrew Miller

By ye tenor of these presents Know ye that on ye 26 day of August 1608 at ye manor of St. Georges in ye County of Suffolk before ye Honoble Coll. Wm Smith Judge of ye Prerogative Court in ye sd County was proved & approved ye last Will & testamt. of Nathaniel Moor late of S'hold in ye sd County deceased at Southhold on ye 20th day of April Anno Dom. 1698 who by his said Will & testamt. did nominate & appoint his son in law John Terry his Executor for ye well & faithful administration of all & singular ye goods & chattels of the sd deceased as by ye Will may appear, to whose care & trust ye same was committed to perform & Execute his duty herein according to ye tenor of ye said will & ye laws of this Province—S'hold April ve 19 1698 Memorandum vt I ve abovesd testator Nathaniel Moor have added this following Codicil to my aforesd Will, viz: yt it is my last Will & testamt. yt my wife Sarah Moor shall with her children live in & have ye benefit of ye house or housing I now live in during her widowhood or so long as she shall remain my widow & in confirmation of ye same I do hereunto set my hand & seal ye day & vear above written.

Nathaniel Moor (Seal)

Signed sealed & delivered before us Benj. Youngs Daniel Youngs Andrew Miller

MORRIS

EORGE¹ MORRIS, the first of the line that has been placed, was of Elizabeth, N. J., where he made his will Jan. 22, 1688-9, it being proved Apr. 10, 1691, and in which he mentions his wife Abigail, eldest son George, and other sons, John and Benjamin, stating that all his sons are under age.

He took the oath of allegiance at Elizabethtown, N. J., Sep. 11, 1673. 120

"George Morris was, doubtless, from New Haven, Ct., a near kinsman of Thomas Morris one of the founders of Newark, in 1667. He came here, probably, as single man, as his allotment was only 90 acres. He is known on the records as a Cordwainer." He had a house-lot, containing 6 acres; also 86 acres of upland; also 12 acres of meadow; in all 104 acres.¹²¹

May 21, 1701, John Morris late of Elizabeth town, weaver, now resident in Woodbridge, deeds to Alexander Mackeney of Elizabethtowne, 40 acres, "web land was given by will to John Morris by his father George Morris of Elizabeth town aforesd deceased." Also 7 acres of meadow, but which by surveyors return is 4 acres. 122

WILL OF GEORGE MORRIS.123

The last will and Testament of George Morris Inhabitant of Elizabeth Towne in East Jersey & Government of New England.

I being yet in my perfect understanding though under the hand of God and know not how it may please him to Dispose of me whether for life or Death Have thought it necessary to sett my house in order my will is that my wife Abigall Morris shall have the third of my Estate dureing her widowhood and if shee marrys againe the house barne and the orchard and pitle I will to my Eldest sonn George and twenty five Acres of land joyneing to Henry Norris Land and seven acres of meadow lyeing and

¹²⁰ Hatfield's Hist. of Elizabeth, N. J., 1868, p. 159.

¹²¹ Hatfield's Hist. of Elizabeth, p. 165.

¹²² Trenton Deeds, G-295.

¹²³ Trenton Deeds & Patents, D-280.

being upon bound Creeks, and I will to my sonn John Morris forty acres of upland lyeing by Henry Norris feild side and joyneing to Henry Lyons Land and seven acres of meadow lyeing and being by a Creeke Comonly called Mr Woodruffes Creeke, and I doe will to my sonn Benja Morris twenty four acres of upland lyeing and being a little beyond the bridge or brooke comonly Called by the name of Bracketts Brooke and Eight acres lyeing and being upon the south west side of Benja parkis his land and two Acres of Meadow by Forke Creeke, my will is that after all my just debts are paid that my wife shall have the Improvement and disposall of my whole estate till the children Come att age for the Ratificacon and Confirmacon whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and seale this 22d day of January one thousand six hundred eighty eight and nine and in the fourth yeare of the Raigne of King James the second of England Scotland France and Ireland &c. the marke of George Morris W—

Signed and sealed in the p^rsence of us Isaac Whitehead Henry Lyon

To all xpian people and others whatsoever to whom these psent. Lettrs Testimoniall shall come or whom the premisses shall or may Concerne Greeting Knowe ye that the tenth day of Aprill Anno Dom One thousand six hundred and ninety one the annexed last will and Testament of George Morris late of Elizabeth Towne in the County of Essex was rendred proved and approved before us and he the said George Morris haveing whilst hee lived Divers goods and chattells to bee administered off in this province of East New Jersey and the right of granting the Administracon thereof belonging unto us wee have admitted and by these presents doe admitt unto Abigall Morris widdow Relict and sole Executrix of the last will and Testament of the sd George Morris her late husband Deceased the Administracon of all and singular the goods Chattells and Creditts of the said Deceased truely and faithfully to Administer of the same and a full Just and pfect Inventory and apprizment of all & singular the goods Chattels and Creditts to make and the same to Exhibite in the Registers office of East New Jersey aforesd. on or before the Tenth day of October now next ensueing and also faithfully Administer thereupon according to law and further do make or Cause to bee made a true and just account of her said Administracon on or before the Eleventh Day of Aprill web shall be in the yeare of our Lord One thousand six hundred ninety two Dated at Eliza Towne aforesd, the day and yeare first above written

Ja Emott Regr.

96 GEORGE MORRIS, son of George and Abigail Morris, was of Woodbridge, as is shown by a deed of May 21, 1701, in which place he made his will Sep. 25, 1730, and in which he mentions his wife Mary; eldest son George, to whom he

gives £1, having "given deed of gift" to him Sep. 22, 1730; son John, under age; youngest son Jacob; and daughters Mary, Elizabeth, Sarah and Rachel Morris. The following clause is in his will: "In witness whereof the said George Morris being in the fifty fourth year of my age have hereunto set my hand & seal," etc., which would show him to have been born about 1676 and therefore about 12 years of age when his father made his will Jan. 22, 1688–9, and speaks of him as being under age.

Two deeds are found in which this George Morris was interested, abstracts of which follow:

May 21, 1701. George Morris of Woodbridge, Middlesex Co., N. J., cordwainer, son and heir of George Morris, late of Elizabeth town, deeds to Alexander Keeney of same, 16 acres of a tract of 20 acres, the other 4 acres being sold to John Thompson of Elizabeth town. "Being formerly yoland of my sd father & by him given to me by his will." 124

Feb. 14, 1701. John Moore and Hope his wife of Woodbridge, Middlesex Co., N. J., deed to George Morris of Woodbridge, for a consideration of £52. 10. 0., 45 acres of upland and 5 acres of meadow in two lots of $2\frac{1}{2}$ acres each. 125

WILL OF GEORGE MORRIS. 126

In the Name of God Amen the twenty fifth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and thirty and in the fourth year of the Reign of our Soveraign Lord George the Second King of Great Britain france and Ireland, I George Morriss of woodbridge In the County of Middlesex and province of New Jersey Gent being of indifferent State of Health as to my body but of sound mind and disposing memory blessed be God for the same Knowing the uncertainty of this transitory Life do make and declare this to be my last will and testament In manner and form following principally I recommend my sould into the hands of god that gave it & my body to the earth to be Buried In such Christian Like and decent manner as to my Executors hereafter named shall seem meet hopeing for a blessed and Joyfull resurrection at the last Day to Eternall life through the almighty power of god and as touching such worldly goods or Estate as it shall please God of his great goodness to

¹²⁴ Trenton Deeds, G-294.

¹²⁵ Trenton Deeds, C-194.

¹²⁶ Trenton Wills, B-180.

bless me with at the time of my death I give & dispose of the same in the following manner and form

First my will is that all my just debts be well and Truly paid by my Executors hereafter named

Item I give and bequeath to my Loving wife Marry Morriss all and Singular my moveable Estate that remains after my Just debts is paid to her only use benefitt and behoffe & her heirs and assigns such as she seems meet to make her heirs or assigns to hers or their use benefitt & behoofe forever.

Item I give and devise to my Eldest son George Morriss the full sum of one pound Current money of New Jersey to be paid him by my Execurs. hereafter named out of the sd moveable estate and that the said George Morriss Nor his heirs or assigns shall never lay no claim shew for nor demand forever hereafter and part or parcell or any wise lay claim by way of Inheritance to any part or parcell of my Estate in any wise Except what I have given him a deed of gift for bearing date the twenty

second day of Septembr 1730

Item I give to my well beloved wife Mary all my home stead land meadows houses barn orchard garden and all the appurtenances thereunto belonging two and a half acres of salt meadow on the south side of the Little Creek Joining to the raritan river to have and to hold the said premises with the appurtenances thereto belonging during the while she remains my widdow or unmarryed and not for no longer time and also for the benefits and Enjoyments of the said premises she the said Mary my wife shall give maintenance Education and learning to read and write to all my children that are under age untill such time as they are bound out to trades or come of age

Item I give and devise to my son John Morris when come of age or to the heirs of his body all and singular my whole estate of lands Houses barns orchards gardens meadows both salt and fresh meadows to him my son John Morriss & his heirs & assigns forever when come of age and that he the said John Morriss his heirs or assigns shall well and Truely pay or cause to be paid to my youngest son Jacob Morriss or his heirs or assigns when come of age the Just and full sum of twenty pounds Current Money of New Jersey @ Eight shs prounce as a Lagacie out of the said devised premisses and if the said John Morris dye before come of age and leave no heir or Issue behind him that then the said Jacob Morriss my youngest son shall have possess Enjoy and Inherit the said Estate and his heirs & assigns forever.

Item I give and devise to my four daughters Mary Elizabeth Sarah and Rachel Morrises the just and full sum of five shillings to Each daughter Current money of New Jersey to be paid them after my decease.

Item I give and devise to Peter Napp or his heirs or assigns when come of age one three year old heifer and her calf to him and his heirs and assigns forever and Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint my Loving wife Mary Morriss and my son John Morriss and Ichabod Smith Executors of this my last will and testament to see the same performed In witness whereof the said George Morris being in the fifty fourth year of my age have hereunto set my hand & seal to this my last will and testament Contained in sheet of paper and I do utterly Revoke all former wills and Testaments by me in any wise heretofore made or declared the day & year first above written

Signed Sealed published and declared by George Morriss as his last will and testament in the presence of us the subscribers

George X Morriss (Seal)

Edward harneed Nugent Kelly his Jonathan n Duncan mark

Perth Amboy 11th Decbr 1730

Then appeared before me Michael Kearnly Surr appointed by his Excely John Montgomerie Esq Captain Generall & Govr in Chief of New Jersey &c Jonathan Duncan one of the Evidences to the within last will & testament who being solemnly sworn on the holy Evangelist of Almighty god did depose that he saw George Morriss the testator within named sign seal publish and Declare the within written as his last will and testament and that he was at the same time of sound mind and memory as far as he knew or believed and saw the other evidences sign it as such

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Amboy 11th Decbr 1730

Then appeared before me Mary Morriss one of ye Execurs within Named who being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of almighty god to the true & faithfull performance of the office

Turat &c

Mich: Kearny Surr

GEORGE⁸ MORRIS, son of George and Mary Morris, is shown by the will of his father to have been given a deed of gift, Sep. 22, 1730, but no record of same is found.

One deed of record, together with an assignment thereon, is of particular interest as showing how George Morris obtained land at Cranbury, N. J.

DEED FROM JOSEPH DRAKE TO GEORGE MORRIS AND JOHN SKINNER. 127

This Indenture Made this Sixth day of September in the thirty third Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Second over Great Britain France and Ireland King defender of the faith Annoq: Dom: one

¹²⁷ Trenton Deeds, G-3, p. 523.

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thousand seven hundred and fifty Nine Between Joseph Drake of New Brunswick County of Middlesex and Province of New Jersey Yeoman of the one Part and George Morris and John Skinner of Woodbridge said County and Province Yeoman of the other Part Witnesseth that he the said Joseph Drake for and in consideration of the just and full sum of four hundred and Seventy Pounds Current money of the said Province at Eight shillings per ounce to him in hand paid by them the said George Morris and John Skinner the Receipt whereof he doth hereby acknowledge and himself to be therewith fully satisfied Contented and paid and of and from every Part and Parcel thereof doth freely and clearly acquit Exonerate and discharge them the said George Morris and John Skinner and their heirs Executors and Administrators and every one of them forever by these presents Hath Granted Bargained Sold Aliened Enfeoffed and Confirmed And by these Presents Doth freely clearly and absolutely Grant Bargain Sell Alien Release Convey & Confirm unto them the said George Morris and John Skinner and to their heirs Executors and assigns forever All that Tract of Land and Meadow Situate and lying on the North side of Cranberry Brook within the Corporation of the abovesaid New Brunswick Beginning at the South West Corner of a Tract of Land now in possession of Charles Macclean on the North side of Cranberry Brook by the Water of said Brook and from thence runing North thirty four degrees and thirty minutes East along Charles Maccleans line and John Tomson's line twenty Chains to a Stake standing in a Small Swamp being a Corner of John Tomson's Land thence South Sixty one degrees East along John Tomson's line four Chains to a Stake thence North thirty four degrees and thirty Minutes East fifteen Chains and twenty Links to a Stone set for a Corner by a Small Chestnut Sapling marked on four sides thence North Sixty one degrees and thirty Minutes West Sixty Chains to Spring Brook thence down along the said Brook as it runs to Cranberry Brook thence up Cranberry Brook to where this said granted Land began containing Two hundred acres besides about four acres of Meadow at the meetings of the said Brooks which belongs to the heirs of James Alexander deceased Together the said two hundred acres of Land and Meadow with all and singular the Buildings Improvements Advantages Emoluments Hereditaments Priviledges and appurtenances whatsoever to the same belonging or in any manner of ways thereunto appertaining And also all the Estate Right title Interest Possession Property Claim and demand whatsoever of him the said Joseph Drake and his heirs of in or unto the abovesaid Granted Two hundred acres of Land and Meadow as fully and amply to all Intents Constructions and Purposes whatsoever as the same was Conveyed and Confirmed unto him the said Joseph Drake from Moses Hull by his deed of sale bearing date the first day of May Annoq Dom: 1754 Refference thereunto being had may more fully appear. To have and To hold the abovesaid Two Hundred acres of Land and Meadow as above described unto them the said George Morris and John Skinner their heirs Executors and assigns forever To the only proper use Benefit and Behoof of them the said George Morris and John Skinner their heirs Executors and assigns forever And he the

said Joseph Drake for himself and his heirs Executors and Administrators doth Covenant and agree to and with them the said George Morris and John Skinner and their heirs Executors and assigns that at the time of the Ensealing and delivery of these Presents he hath in himself good Right full Power Lawfull and absolute Authority to Grant Convey and Confirm the abovesaid two hundred acres of Land and Meadow in manner as aboves aid and that the same is free and Clear from any and all manner of former and other Grants Bargains Sales Leases and Mortgages or any other Incumbrances whatsoever Committed or done or suffered to be done by him the said Joseph Drake or any other Person whatsoever by from or under him so as to Change alter determine or make Void this Present sale And further that he the said Joseph Drake and his heirs Executors and Administrators shall and will at all times hereafter the abovesaid Two hundred acres of Land and Meadow against the lawful Claims of all persons whatsoever unto them the said George Morris and John Skinner and to their heirs Executors and assigns forever Warrant and defend by these Presents. In Witness whereof he the said Joseph Drake and Katherine his wife with her free consent to this Indenture hath set their hands and seals the day and year above written.

Signed Sealed and Delivered
in the Presence of Joseph Drake (Seal)
Reuben Morris
Joseph Warne Cathrine Drake (Seal)
Ste². Warne

New Jersey Middlesex October the 9th 1762 Be it Remembered that on the day and year above Personally came before me Thomas Gach one of his Majesty's Judges of the Inferior Courts of Common Pleas for said County, Reuben Morris one of the within Evidences whome being duly sworn saith he saw the with Joseph Drake and Catherine Drake sign seal and deliver the within Instrument as their Voluntary act and deed for the uses therein mentioned. Taken and proved before me

Thomas Gach

On the Back of the foregoing Instrument was Indorsed the following

Assignment.

Know all Men by these Presents that I the within named George Morris for and in consideration of the sum of Ten Pounds Current money of East New Jersey at Eight shillings the ounce to me in at and before the delivery of these Presents well and truly Paid by Reuben Morris of Cranberry in the Corporation of New Brunswick the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge and thereof and from every Part thereof do acquit and discharge the said Reuben Morris his heirs Executors and Administrators forever by these presents Have and by these Presents Doth Convey assign and make over unto the said Reuben Morris and his heirs forever All that the within Parcel of Land Granted Bargained and sold by the within within (sic) mentioned deed or intended so to be, that is to say, such Part or Parcel thereof as is to be the property of me the said George Morris, the whole containing two hundred acres, to be

divided Equally between the within mentioned Parties to the said deed which Part or Parcel of Land equally divided as aforesaid Together with five acres taken of from the within mentioned John Skinner Part and assigned by virtue of a Quit Claim to me the said George Morris as an acknowledgement of the illness of the Part falling to my share I do hereby fully freely and absolutely Convey assign and make over unto the said Reuben Morris his heirs Executors and Administrators forever, and to his and their own use benefit and Behoof, together with all the Estate Right title Interest property Claim and demand whatsoever of me the said George Morris of in and to the same in as full and particular a manner as the same has been Granted to me by virtue of the within Deed and that as fully Authentically and binding as if this Assignment required a more sufficient Authenticity then is here written. In Witness whereof I the said George Morris have hereunto set my hand and Seal this twenty sixth day of November in the year 1768.

N. B. The words, the within named, money, and his heirs forever, together with five acres taken from the within named John Skinners Part, and assigned by Virtue of a Quit claim to me the said George Morris as an acknowledgment of the illness of the Part falling to my Share, as also the Erazements were all done before the perfecting or Executing of the above

assignment.

Signed Sealed and Delivered

in the presence of

Moses Morris Ephraim Morris his George X Morris (Seal) mark

New Jersey Middlesex County

Be it Remembered that on this seventeenth day of February 1774 person appeared before me Jonathan Frazee one of the Judges of the Courts of Common Pleas for said County George Morris the underneath sinner and Seller to the underneath written Instrument and did acknowledge he Executed the same with the Interlining and all other things therein contained as his Voluntary act and deed for the use and Purposes therein mentioned

Jonathan Frazee

It will be noticed that the witnesses to the foregoing assignment were Moses Morris and Ephraim Morris, in which connection it may be mentioned that in certain places it was quite customary for the name of a wife not to be mentioned in a deed as relinquishing her dower rights, but her signing her name as a witness served the same purpose; and that sons of a grantor often witnessed deeds, thereby showing their acquiescence in the same. It is probable that Moses Morris and Ephraim Morris were sons of George

Morris and brothers of Reuben Morris. (An inventory of the estate of Ephraim Morris of Woodbridge was taken Mar. 22, 1813.)¹²⁸

The name of the wife of George Morris has not been found, but it is possible that it may have been Spencer or Conger, as under date of Jan. 10, 1743, Gershom Conger and George Morris, Brother and Brother in Law to John Spencer, late of Woodbridge, mariner, were appointed administrators of his estate. 129

George Morris was living as late as Feb. 17, 1774, as on that date he acknowledged the assignment to Reuben Morris. 180

REUBEN⁴ MORRIS, born Sep. 16, 1737, died Dec. 3, 1801; married May 30, 1762, Elizabeth Wetherill, born Nov. 19, 1736, died Aug. 7, 1815, daughter of George Wetherill. These dates are taken from the Morris Bible in the possession of Dr. T. Y. Sutphen, of Newark, N. J., and reproductions of the pages in the Bible containing records will be found in this work.

Reuben Morris served as a private in the Middlesex, N. J., Militia in the Revolution.¹³¹

He made his will Nov. 28, 1801, and it was proved Dec. 26, 1801, and in it he mentions his wife Elizabeth, and two sons, Moses and George.

WILL OF REUBEN MORRIS. 132

In the name of God amen This Twenty eighth day of November in the year of our Lord One Thousand eight hundred and one I Reuben Morris of South Brunswick in the County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey, being sick and weak in body but of sound mind and memory, thanks to God, Do make and pronounce this my last will and testament, as touching what worldly estate it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life I give and dispose of as follows, it is my will that all my just debts and funeral charges be first paid by my Executor out of my personal estate. Item I give to my well beloved wife Elizabeth, the free use of

¹²⁸ Trenton Wills, 10426L.

¹²⁹ Trenton Wills, D-112.

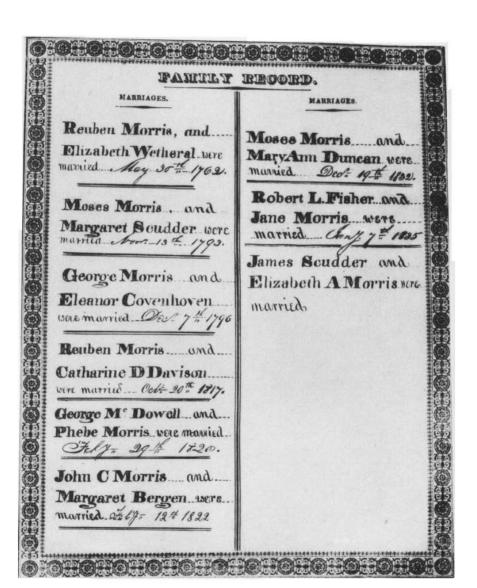
¹³⁰ Trenton Deeds, G3-524.

¹³¹ Stryker's Official Reg. N. J. in the Rev., 1872, p. 696.

¹³² Trenton Wills, 39-482.

BIRTHS.	BIATHS
Reuben Morris wasborn Sept. 16 4 1737 Elizabeth Wetheral was born	John Covenhoven son of Garrel and Cleans was born April 3 1700.
Moses Morris son of _ Pulsa and Cleabth Morris was born May 15 1/67. George Morris was born	Jane Schenck daughter of farnet of Chance Schenck was born Dect. 5 th 1761. Elias Covenhoven son of John and Jane bornhouse was born . Aug. 10 # 1779.
Moses morris married margaret Sendder 1793 George Morris anarried Elecuro Corenharer 1796	Sarah Covenhoven was born- May 18 1773. Garret Covenhoven was born- March 31 4 1775.
	Jane Covenhoven was born John Covenhoven was born

PAMILY BEC	ORD.
BIRTHS.	BIRTHS.
Reuben Morris son of	
George & Eleanor Morris	
was horn About 19th 1797.	
John C Morris was born	
March 21th 1799.	
Phebe Morris was hom	
Aug. 92 # 1801.	
Marian Marian Marian State State	
Moses Marris was born	
Jane Morris was born July 11 # 1810	
July 1816	
Elizabeth Ann Morris was	
born Jany 17th 1816.	



FAMILY RECORD. DEATHS. DEATHS. Reuben Morris died. John G Covenhoven died Dech 3 4 1801 Mary 11 # 1802. Elizabeth Tris wife died. Mary Covenhoven __died Aug. 7 " 1815. March 31 th 1796. Phebe M. Dowell died. John Covenhoven died 1843. April 8 1 1807 Moses Morris died Dic 21. 1842 Sarah Van. Doren died Dect 1 1 1828 Eleanor Correlavion Eleanor Morris died Garret Covenhoven disd May 12 # 1829. George Morris died Jan 4 1856 Jane Gordon died Reuben Morris dud Quine 1st 1831. Jane Schenck died John 6 Morris died March 3rd 1835 Oct 19 1874 Jonathan R Gordon died Margaret his rufe Mon 1314 1850 Mary

my house on my homestead plantation as long as she chooses to stay there and my riding chair, and a horse to be kept for her own use by my son George and she to be provided with a necessary living by him as long as she remains my widow, also I give her a cow if she chooses it & to be kept by my son George, I also give her the use of my house and Lot where David Emley now lives, that Joins the Lanes of John Story, and Henry Waggoner, during her life and after her decease I give it to my son George Morris, to him his heirs and Assigns for ever, but the intent of this my will is that my son George shall not be debarred from the priviledge of the house on my homestead plantation by my wife Elizabeth any farther than for her conveniency while she is there.

Item, I give to my son Moses Morris my house and Lot in Cranbery town, also a lot of salt meadow in the township of Woodbridge opposite Crab Island, to him his heirs and Assigns for ever. Also I give to my son Moses Two hundred pounds of the Obligations due from him to me, but if the Obligations fall short of two hundred pounds to be made up out of my moveable Estate.

Item I give to my son George Morris all my homestead plantation, including all my land from my son Moses line to Duncan's line between Cranbery Brook and the road to Princeton, also a Lot of Salt meadow, in the township of Piscataway, that I purchased of Thomas Holton, all which I gave to him, his heirs and Assigns for ever; and it is my "will", that all the remainder of my moveable Estate be equally divided between my Wife Elizabeth and my two sons Moses and George shear and shear alike, but it is my will that before the above division is made, the aforesaid moveables shall be appraised by my Executors, as near their value as can be Assitained, and that to be about two weeks after my decease. And I do hereby constitute ordain and appoint my well beloved wife Elizabeth, Executrix and my son George Morris and my friend Samuel Gronendevck Executors of this my last will and testament, and I do hereby disannul all other wills made by me. Ratifying this and no other to be my last will and testament. Reuben Morris

Signed, sealed and pronounced by the said Reuben Morris as his last will and testament in the presence of us—

Thomas Duncan David Embly John Wetherill

The foregoing will being proved in the usual form before Anthony W. White, Esqr. Surrogate for the county of Middlesex, on the 26th day of december 1801, by Thomas Duncan & David Embly, two of the subscribing Witnesses to the said Will—Probate was granted by his Excellency, Joseph Bloomfield, Esqr. unto Elizabeth Morris, the Executrix and George Morris and Samuel Gronendyke the Executors in the said will named, they having been first duly sworn, well and truly to perform the same, exhibit a true and perfect Inventory, and render a just and true Account when thereunto lawfully required.

Given under the prerogative seal, the day & year last afores.

John Beatty, Regr.

Among the papers in the possession of a descendant of Reuben and Elizabeth (Wetherill) Morris is a will, signed and sealed, of Elizabeth Morris, though this will is not found of record in Trenton, which makes it doubtful as to whether it was ever recorded. A reproduction of this will is shown in this work.

WILL OF ELIZABETH MORRIS. 133

In The Name of God Amen this twenty fourth day of October in the Year of Our Lord Eighteen Hundred and Seven I, Elisabeth Morris of South Brunswick in the County of Middlesex & State of New Jersey being sick but of sound mind and memory Thanks to God but calling to Mind the Uncertainty of Life Do Make this My Last Will and Testament: as Touching What Worldly Estate it hath Pleasd God to Bless me with in this Life I will and Dispose of in the following Manner first it is My Will that all my Just Debts & funeral Charges be Paid by My Executor Out of My Estate—

I Give to My Son Moses Morris My Dutch Cubbord that my Father Gave Me—

I Give to My Son Georges two Sons Reuben and John Two Pair of Silver Buckels to Devide Between them—

I Give to My Son Georges Daughter Phebe My three Gold Rings—And all the Remainder of My Estate wheresoever it be I Give to My Son George Morris forever And I Do hereby Constitute Ordain and Appoint My Son George Morris Sole & Only Executor to this My Last Will & Testament In Witness Whereof the said Elisabeth Morris hath hereunto Set her hand and Seal the Day and Year Above Written.

Signed Sealed Published and Pronounced by the said Elisabeth Morris as her Last Will and Testament In the Presence of

Elisabeth Morris (Seal)

John Grove Thomas Duncan Iohn Wetherill

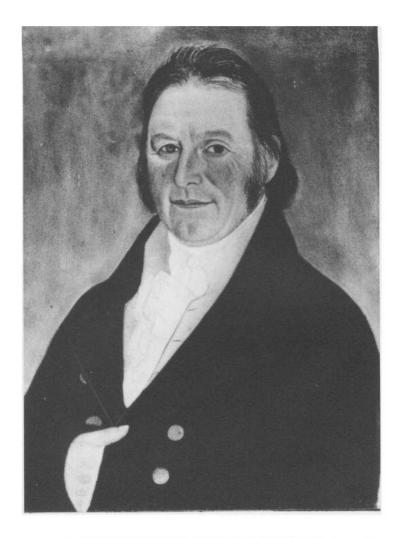
CHILDREN OF REUBEN AND ELIZABETH (WETHERILL) MORRIS.

i. Moses, b. May 15, 1767; mar. Margaret Scudder.

ii. George, b. July 10, 1773, d. Jan. 4, 1856; mar. Dec. 7, 1796, Eleanor Covenhoven, b. June 6, 1781, d. April, 1853, dau. of John and Jane (Schenck) Covenhoven.

Moses⁵ Morris, son of Reuben and Elizabeth (Wetherill) Morris, was born May 15, 1767. He married Nov. 13, 133 This will is not found of record in Trenton.

In The Name of God Amon this Twenty fourth day of october in the good of Bur Lord lightson Hundred and Soum A Elisaboth Inonis of South Brunswick in the County of mind and homory Thanks to god but Calling to mind the Uncertainty of life to So such this by Last Will and Jostament as Touching What Northly Effets it hath Plans God to Blogs how with in this Life gwill and Dispose of in the following hanner fish it is by will that all hoy Just dolls & gun sail Charges to Caid by lay ops senter But of they Made -I Give to try low moses knowns My Sutch Cubboid that hay Fattor Gazas his 4 give to king Son Goorges two Sons koulon and John I Give to hing Son Goorges Youghton Choles hing throw-Gold King. And all the homainder of my State who so over it lo & Gino to day Son Goods forour And y to horoly Constitute Codain and Apploint by Son Goorge morris Solo w Buly Spocutor to this Ry Last will & sostamo Rosanto Sot hor Anid and Soul the day and for Along Writter To Cullished and Cronounied by the Said saloth Monis as hor Lash will and Jostamonh In the Prosoncoof Elisabeth Morris John Groy Thomas francase John Wothouil



MOSES MORRIS, BORN MAY 15, 1767, DIED DEC. 21, 1842

1793, Margaret Scudder, daughter of Lemuel and Mar-

garet (Longstreet) Scudder.

A reproduction of an oil portrait of Moses Morris which hung for many years in the Morris home in Cranbury, N. J., is shown in this work.

CHILDREN OF MOSES AND MARGARET (SCUDDER) MORRIS.

- i. Reuben, b. Jan. 3, 1795 d. "Jan. 10, 1795, aged 7 days," according to his gravestone in Cranbury Churchyard, Cranbury, N. J.
- ii. John Beattie, mar. Eliza Reed.

iii. Margaret, mar. Derrick Sutphen.

iv. Elizabeth, mar. (1) a Mr. Sutphen; (2) Tappan Merrill.

v. Caroline, mar. a Mr. Thompson.

vi. Elias Scudder, mar. a Miss Sutphen.

- vii. WILLIAM SCUDDER, b. Apr. 2, 1811; mar. Zibiah Christy Gregg.
- WILLIAM SCUDDER⁶ MORRIS, son of Moses and Margaret (Scudder) Morris, was born Apr. 2, 1811, and died Oct. 2, 1895. He married July 26, 1836, Zibiah Christy Gregg, who was born Feb. 9, 1816, and died Mar. 30, 1904, daughter of Robert and Margaret (McIlvaine) Gregg.

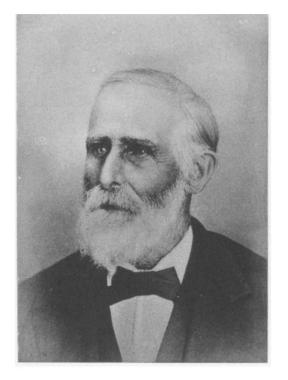
CHILDREN OF WILLIAM SCUDDER AND ZIBIAH CHRISTY (GREGG) MORRIS.

- i. Margaret G., b. July 3, 1837; mar. Feb. 3, 1858, Horace L. Henderson, b. Whitesboro, N. Y., Mar. 18, 1832. They had children: William Henry Henderson, mar. Apr. 26, 1893, Flora Hoskett, and they had 7 children; Fred L., b. July 28, 1859, d. Mar. 19, 1860; Mary, mar. Eli Roberts, and they had 7 children; Frank, mar. Stella Seamman, and they had 2 children; Nettie R., married Oct. 15, 1899, and they had 1 child; Reuben Morris, mar. Jan. 17, 1900, Myrtle Belle Allen, and they had two children; Jesse, mar. June 30, 1910, Florence Boncher; Lewis Ernest, b. Jan. 12, 1873, d. Sep. 19, 1873; Earl L., mar. Laura Anderson, and they had 4 children; Charles J., mar. Nov. 30, 1911, Nina Guither, and they had 3 children.
- ii. Elizabeth, b. Apr. 12, 1839; married Eugene Kincaid Felt. (See Felt Family.)

iii. Jeannette G., b. Nov. 16, 1842, d. May 20, 1846.

iv. Axie, b. Dec. 24, 1844; mar. Aug. 4, 1880, John Le Poidevin, b. Guernsey, Great Britain, July 27, 1827, d. Nov. 17, 1902, and they had one daughter, Elizabeth Le Poidevin, b. Carlton, Neb., May 18, 1881.

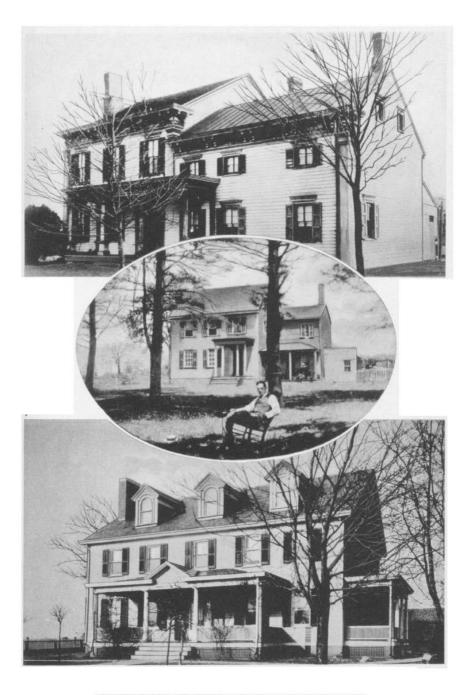
- v. Robert G., b. Oct. 19, 1846; was in the Civil War in the 22nd Wisconsin Infantry, and died Feb. 14, 1863, in a Hospital in Paducah, Ky.
- vi. William, b. Oct. 14, 1849. vii. David S., b. Aug. 16, 1854
- vii. David S., b. Aug. 16, 1854. viii. John B., b. Magnolia, Wis., Jan. 2, 1857; mar. Mar. 18, 1896, Anna G. Beam, and they had six children, all born in Beatrice, Neb.: Lola Zibiah Morris, b. Jan. 4, 1897; Hazel Ephia Morris, b. Feb. 18, 1899; John Walter Morris, b. Mar. 10, 1900; Achsah Lorea Morris, b. Nov. 24, 1902; Harry LeRoy Morris, b. Nov. 6, 1904; Robert Eugene Morris, b. June 26, 1910.





WILLIAM SCUDDER MORRIS

MRS. ZIBIAH CHRISTY (GREGG) MORRIS



ORIGINAL MORRIS HOUSE (REBUILT), CRANBURY, N. J.
SECOND MORRIS HOUSE WHERE PORTRAIT OF MOSES MORRIS HUNG
SECOND MORRIS HOUSE AS IT NOW APPEARS

NOYES

EA. NICHOLAS' NOYES, born in England about 1615–16, son of Rev. William & Anne (Parker) Noyes, came to this country in the ship "Mary and John" in 1634. He was one of a company of ten persons who walked from Newbury to Boston (40 miles) to qualify as a voter, by taking the freeman's oath, which he did May 17, 1637. He married about 1640, Mary Cutting, daughter of Capt. John and Mary Cutting. 184

Dea. Nicholas Noyes was a Deputy to the General Court in 1660, 1679, 1680 & 1681. He was a Deacon of the church in Newbury many years, and he died in that place Nov. 23, 1701. 135

Dea. Nicholas and Mary (Cutting) Noyes had 14 children, one of them being a daughter Hannah, born in Newbury, Oct. 13, 1643, who married (1) May 14, 1663, Peter Cheney;¹³⁶ (2) John Atkinson.¹³⁷

WILL OF NICHOLAS NOYES. 138

In the Name of God and by His Assistance I, Nicholas Noyes, of Newbery, in ye County of Essex in ye Province of ye Massachusets Bay in New England do humbly Comitt my soul body and Spirit both in life and death unto ye everlasting arms of God Alsufficient my Heavenly Father and unto Jesus Christ my alone Savior & Redeemer thro ye power & presence of his eternall Spiritt my body to ye earth whence itt Originall was taken in hopes of a happy and glorious Resurrection on ye Great day of ye man Christ Jesus to him be glory both now and Ever Amen. And for my Worldly goods I do dispose as is hereafter expressed.

Impr. To ye children of my Son John Noyes (late of Newbery Dec'ed) I give that meadow & upland wch they now posses in my neck of land (excepting only twenty acres of upland next to Henry Shorts Mills wch I do reserve to be otherwise disposed of for fifety pounds wch he oweth me) always reserving liberty for my heirs for ever to pass & repass thro

¹⁸⁴ Noyes Genealogy, 1904, p. 46.

¹³⁵ Newbury Vital Records.

¹³⁶ Newbury Vital Records.

¹³⁷Noyes Genealogy, p. 46.

¹³⁸ Essex Probate, Salem, 307-293.

any of ye aforesd lands at Sumer or Winter on ye place or places where we ware wont to pass & repass and further wth upland & meadow is contained in this my gift more than was Inventorized in my said Son John his inventory I do give to my grandson Nicholas Noyes the son of my said son John Noyes over and above his portion I do also reserve to my Self all those points of upland wch run into ye said meadow and are now on my side of ye deviding fence between my self and my said sons childrens land.

Item, To my son Mr. Nicholas Noyes of Salem I give five shillings in money besides what I have formerly done for him wch is in full of his portion to be paid by my executor.

Item To my son Cutting Noyes I give five shillings in money besides wt I have done formerly for him to be paid by my executors in full of his Portion.

Item. To my son Timothy Noves I give all that houseing and land that he now posseseth also one acre of plowland out of ye land that I myself now posses to be laid out by ye side of ye said Plow land that he now posseseth also about Two acres of Plow land and Swamp be itt more or less wch layeth betwene ye land that Moses Little late of Newbery did posses and ye land of Joseph Knight & my owne land and ye land of Lt. Tristram Coffin, also all that my long point of meadow or salt marsh in my neck of land as itt is bounded by ye Mill River on three sides, and ye other side by a line running streight from Henry Shorts Mill dam to ye turne of ye River yt makes ye said point of marsh, also ve one halfe of that marsh wch I formerly bought of Henry Jaques lying in ve great marshes in Newbery also ye one halfe of that twenty acres of upland on my Neck before reserved in this my Will. Also one Quarter part of all my devisions of land already laid out in ye upper Woods in Newbery to me; as also one Quarter parts of all my rights in ye undevided lands of Newbery all wch to enjoy to him and his heirs forever. Also I give unto him all my weareing apparrell I also confirm to him all yt piece of Meadow wch he bought of Peter Cheny lyeing on ye South Side of ye Mill River in Newbery.

Item To ye children of my son Thomas Noyes dec'ed I give ten pounds to be paid by my executor in good Currant pay as itt passeth from man to man (not as money) to be paid to ye children when they come of age or sooner as my executor shall see cause.

Item. To my daughter Mary ye wife of John French of Salisbury besides what I have formerly given her I give her fiveteen pounds in good currant pay as itt passeth from man to man (not as money) to be paid by my executor wth in four years after my death wch is for full of her portion.

Item. To my daughter Hannah ye wife of John Atkinson Sen'r. of Newbery I give five shillings money besides what I have formerly to her to be paid by my Executor wch is in full of her portion.

Item. To my daughter Sarah ye wife of Matthew Pettengall of Newbery besides what I have formerly given her I do now give her fifeteen pounds in good marchentable pay not as money price but as it passeth from man to man to be paid by my executor wth in four years after my

death wch is in full of her portion.

Item To my daughter Rachel the wife of James Jackman of Newbery I give fifeteen pounds besides what I formerly gave her to be paid by my Executor wth in four years after my death in good marchentable pay not in or as money but as it passeth from man to man wch is in full of

her portion.

Îtem. To my daughter Abigall Noyes I give all ye linen that I shall have in the house at my decease as Table Linnen & Sheets as also ye best bed with all ye furniture, also ye parlour dureing her naturall life as also seller room for her convenciency (the house room here mentioned she shall not have itt if she marry also I give her fifety Shillings per Annum dureing her naturall life to be paid to her by my Executor ten shillings of itt in money or in flax or Wool at money price annually and the ye other forty shillings in provision pay at money prices annually my Executor to keep ye said Parlour in good repair at his owne charge. Also I give to her ye fruits of ten Apple trees yearly if she do not marry to be at her owne choyce out of my old orchard. I also give my said daughter one of my brass kettles at her owne choyce & one iron pott & three platters and my tankard all wch is in full of her portion.

Item. I do hereby make my son James Noyes my true and lawful heir and do accordingly give and bequeath unto him and to his heirs & assignes forever all my houseing & lands wth all my goods & chattles (not perticularly mentioned in this my last Will and Textamt & otherwise disposed of) together wth all debts due to me by Bill Bond Book or otherwise, as also whatever may be mine and may appear due to me in time to come requireing him to pay all my honest debts & in speciall four pounds in money to his brother Mr. Nicholas Noyes of Salem on the accott. of Maj. Thomas Noyes of Newbery Esqr. as also Twenty shillings to ye First Church in Newbery, my funerall charges to be by him

discharged.

Lastly. I do appoint my son James Noyes to be ye executor of this my last Will Will and Testament hereby revoaking all former wills of mine. Whereas I have in this my last Will confered certaine lands on ye children of my son John Noyes itt is to be understood that Mary ye Widow of my said son John shall enjoy her thirds of said houseing & lands dureing her naturall life. In Witness whereof I, ye said Nicholas Noyes have hereto as my last Will & Testament sett to my hand & Seal this fourth day of July Anno Dom one thousand & seaven hundred.

Nicholas Noves & a Seal.

Signed, sealed & Declared by Mr. Nicholas Noyes to be his last Will & Testamt in presence of us.

Henry Short Junr.
Jonathan Emory.
Joseph Knight
John Short.
Henry Short.
Will proved Dec. 29, 1701.

PARRAT

EA. FRANCIS¹ PARRAT was town clerk of Rowley, Mass., in 1641. He made his will Nov. 18, 1655, in which he speaks of "intending to take a journey to England," and it was proved Sep. 30, 1656. He left a widow Elizabeth.

Dea. Francis and Elizabeth Parrat had 7 children, all daughters, their fourth child being Mercy, born Mar. 23, 1646, who married John Tenney. 189

WILL OF FRANCIS PARRAT. 140

I, ffrancis Parrot of Rowley, intending to take a journey to England, desire as sensible of the frailty of this mortall life to set my hous in order & doe therfore, constitute and appoint this as my last Will and Testament in maner & forme as followeth. Impf. I give & bequeath my Soule to God that gave it & my body to be interred, as the wise hand of God sees meete whether by sea or land in comfortable hopes of a happy ressurection at that day. Ite. My will is that my debts be first payd. Ite. I give to my louving wife Elizabeth Parrot one hundred pounds to take it where shee pleases in land, goods & cattle. I also give to her my house and house lott for her life and after her decease my will is that it shall be equally divided among my children. Ite. All the rest of my lands goods & chattels I give to my six daughters to be equally divided amongst them and each of them to have their equal share paid unto them at the age of twenty one yeares or the da- of their marriage wch shall first be.

And I constitute my wife as my sole executrix of this my last Will and Testament and I appoint my loueing brethren Maximilian Jewet & Ezekiell Northend as ouerseers of this my last Will and Testament.

in witnes hereof I have hereunto set my hand this 18th day of November, 1655.

ffrancis Parrot.

In the presence of us: ezekiell Northend john Palmer

Proved in Court held at Ipswich 30 of Sept. 1656 By the oath of ezekiell Northen & Jo. Palmer.

By Robert Lord Cleric.

¹⁸⁹ Blodgette's Early Settlers of Rowley, 1887, p. 166.

¹⁴⁰ Essex Probate, Salem.

PIERCE

HOMAS¹ PIERCE, born in England about 1583, was of Charlestown, Mass., and was admitted to the church there Feb. 21, 1634-5, his wife Elizabeth, who was born about 1595, having been admitted Jan. 10, 1634-5. He died Oct. 7, 1666, his wife surviving him. ¹40a Thomas and Elizabeth Pierce had, besides other children, a daughter Mary, who married Peter Tufts.

140 SERGT. THOMAS² PIERCE, born about 1618, died at Woburn, Mass., Nov. 6, 1683. He married Elizabeth Cole, who died in Woburn, Mar. 5, 1688, daughter of Rice and Arrold Cole. Sergt. Thomas and Elizabeth (Cole) Pierce had 12 children.

SAMUEL⁸ PIERCE, born Woburn, Apr. 7, 1656, died in same place July 5, 1721. He married in Woburn, Dec. 9, 1680, Lydia Bacon, who was born Mar. 6, 1656, 1400 died Woburn, Dec. 5, 1717, daughter of Daniel and Mary (Reed) Bacon. 140d

Samuel and Lydia (Bacon) Pierce had 11 children, one child being a daughter Sarah, born Woburn, June 22, 1691, who married Peter Waite. 1400

¹⁴⁰a Wyman's Charlestown, 2-756; Pierce Genealogy, 1882, p. 17.

¹⁴⁰b Wyman's Charlestown, 2–756; Pierce Genealogy, p. 21; Woburn Vital Records.

¹⁴⁰⁰ Cambridge Vital Records, 1-31.

^{140d} N. E. Register, 56-365; Woburn Vital Records.

¹⁴⁰e Pierce Genealogy, p. 28.

PUTNAM

JOHN' PUTNAM, baptized at Wingrave, Bucking-hamshire, England, Jan. 17, 1579-80, was of Salem, Mass., in 1640, with wife Priscilla, and he died there Dec. 30, 1662, but the date of death of his wife is not seen. John and Priscilla Putnam had 8 children.

LIEUT. THOMAS² PUTNAM, baptized at Aston Abbotts, Buckinghamshire, England, Mar. 7, 1614–15, died at Salem Village, Mass., May 5, 1686. He married (1) Lynn, Oct. 17, 1643, Ann Holyoke, born in England, died Sep. 1, 1665, daughter of Edward and Prudence (Stockton) Holyoke; (2) Mrs. Mary Veren. Lieut. Thomas Putnam was an inhabitant of Lynn in 1640; freeman 1642; selectman 1643; admitted to the church in Salem, Apr. 3, 1643. In 1645, he was appointed, with two others, by the General Court, "to end smale causes for y° towne of Lynne," and this commission was renewed in 1648. He held various town offices, and Oct. 8, 1662, he was confirmed by the General Court as Lieutenant in the troop of horse.

Lieut. Thomas and Ann (Holyoke) Putnam had 8 children, one child being a daughter Deliverance, born Salem, Sep. 5, 1656, 140g who married Capt. Jonathan Walcott. 140h

¹⁴⁰f Putnam Lineage, 1907, p. 1 et seq.

¹⁴⁰g Salem Vital Records.

¹⁴⁰h Putnam Lineage, p. 7 et seq.

SCHENCK

POELOF MARTENSE¹ SCHENCK was born in Amersfoort, Holland, in 1619, came to New Amsterdam in 1650, settled in Flatlands, L. I., in 1660, in which year he married (1) Neeltje Gerretse Van Couwenhoven, who was bap. in Flatlands, Sep. 20, 1641, and died in 1674, daughter of Gerret Wolfertse and Altie Cornelis (Cool) Van Couwenhoven. He later married twice and died in 1704. Roelof Martense and Neeltje Gerretse (Van Couwenhoven) Schenck had 10 children. He made his will September 4, 1704.

WILL OF ROELOF SCHENCK.142

In the name of God Amen,—ye fourth day of September in ye third year of ye reign of our Sovereign lady Annie now of England &c., Queen, and in ye year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and four,—I, Roelof Schenck, of Flatlands, in King County, on Nassau Island, in the Colony of New York—being of good and perfect memory—praised be Almighty God therefore doe make this, my last Will and Testament in manner and and form following—that is to say:

First, recommending my soul unto Almighty God who gave it, and my body to ye earth to be buried in such decent and Christianlike manner and in such place as by my Executor, hereafter named, shall be thought fitt and convenient—hoping for a glorious resurrection at the last day.

Item—I give, grant, devise, and bequeath unto my loving wife Catharine Schenck, for and during her natural life all my farm or tenement at Flatlands aforesaid,now in my possession and whereon I now live with ye House, Garden, Barne, orchard, and premises thereunto belonging. To have, hold, occupy, and enjoy for her use only, without impeachment of waste—for and during her natural life—and according to a contract and agreement made between my said wife Catharine and myself before marriage, bearing date ye ninth day of November, 1688, reference being thereunto had, may at large appear. Provided, always, that if my said wife Catherine happens to re-marry after my decease, then my gift, grant, devise and bequeath abovesaid, to be null and voyd to all intents and purposes.

Item—I give, grant, devise, and bequeath unto my loving son Martin Schenck, his heyres and assigns, forever, after the decease or remarriage

¹⁴¹ Anc. and Desc. of Rev. Wm. Schenck, 1883, p. 24; Bergen's Early Settlers of Kings Co., N. Y., p. 253.

¹⁴² Anc. and Desc. of Rev. William Schenck, p. 28.

of my said wife Catherine, all my Houses, Lands, Tenements, orchards, Gardens, meadows, and hereditaments in Possession, Reversion, or Remainder, Either within the Town and Libertyes of Flatlands aforesaid, or elsewhere. To Have and To Hold all ve said Houses and lands as afore exprest unto the said Martin Schenck, his heirs and assigns forever, upon this condition, he paying the legacies hereafter mentioned unto my children hereafter named, within six years after possession taken by himthe said Martin-of my houses and lands aforesaid. That is to say-to my daughter Jonica, sixty-four pounds and ten shillings in money—to my daughter Mayke (Marike?)—sixty-four pounds and ten shillings in money to my son John, sixty-four pounds and ten shillings in money—to my son Garrett sixty-four pounds and ten shillings in money—to my daughter Margrieta sixty-four pounds and ten shillings in money—to my daughter Neltie sixty-four pounds and ten shillings in money—to my daughter Mayke sixty-four pounds and ten shillings in money—to my daughter Sara sixty-four pounds and ten shillings in money—and to ye two children of my daughter Anneke deceased, by name Roeloft and Albert, each ten pounds in money—and farther it is my will that said legacys be paid to ye legatees aforesaid within six years time as aforementioned and that those of the legatees that are in most need or want shall be first payed, always provided that if my son Martin refuses, denyes or delays to pay ye lagacys above mentioned—then my house and lands above exprest to be equally divided among my children aforementioned and sold to the highest bidder.

Item—I give, grant, devise, and bequeath unto my loving children by name Martin, Jonica, Marike, John, Garrett, Margrieta, Neltie, Mayke, and Sarah, their executors and assigns forever after ye decease or remarvage of my said wife Catherine, all and singular my goods and Chattels, rights and credits, whatsoever or whensoever the same are, or shall become due in equal proportion be divided between them, that is to say, the one-half immediately after my decease and the other half after my wife's decease or remaryage as aforesaid, and that there be an Inventory taken of all my goods and Chattels soon after my decease by my Executors hereafter named. That my children or creditors may not be defrauded, and that my said wife Catherine shall give in bond and security to deliver or cause to be delivered upon her remaryage or death to my children above named what goods and chattels she shall enjoy as ye one-half part thereof, death of living creatures and wearing out of goods only excepted; and farther, it is my will that my daughter Sarah aforesaid, before any division of ye moveables have a good outsetting equal as my other children has had, and then to share equally with the rest, and that my son Martin, for his birth-right as Eldest son, shall have my negro boy Anthony, my said wife only to have ye profit or use of ye one-half of ye labor or service of said boy boy during her life time or remarryage.

I do hereby make, appoint, and ordain my loving son, Martin Schenck, whole and sole Executor of this my last will and Testament to see it performed according to ye true intent and meaning thereof. In witness

whereof, I, the said Roelof Schenck, have hereunto set my hand and seal ye day and year first above written.

Roelof Schenck. (L. S.)

Signed, sealed, and delivered in the presence of us:

Garret Stoothoff. Henry Filkin.

GARRET ROELOFSE SCHENCK, born Flatlands, L. I., Oct. 27, 1671, died in Pleasant Valley, near Holmdel, N. J., Sep. 5, 1745. He married about 1693, Neeltje Coerten Van Voorhees, born Flatlands, June 30, 1676, died Holmdel, Aug. 4, 1750, daughter of Capt. Coert Stevense and Marretje Gerretse (Van Couwenhoven) Van Voorhees. He bought land in Pleasant Valley, near Holmdel, N. J., to which he removed about 1696. He made several purchases of land, among which was a purchase in connection with his cousin, John Van Couwenhoven, of 6,500 acres at Pennsneck, near Princeton, N. J., on which several of his descendants settled. "He must have been a man of religious character and standing, as he was among the original members of the church at Freehold, N. J., and at the organization of this church, in 1709, was one of the first two deacons and subsequently served as an elder."143 From 1721 to 1726 he was a member of the Provincial Assembly of New Jersey.

He and his wife had 11 children, one of them being a daughter Margaret, born near Holmdel, bap. Apr. 17, 1715, who married (1) about 1735, William Van Couwenhoven, of Pennsneck; (2) after 1747, Dirck (or Richard) Longstreet, of Princeton.¹⁴⁴

He made his will Jan. 12, 1739, and it was proved Oct. 7, 1745.

WILL OF GARRET SCHENCK.145

In the Name of God Amen This twelfth day of Janry in the Year of Our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and thirty nine I Garret Schenck of the Township of Middletown in the County of Monmouth and Eastern

¹⁴⁸ Anc. and Desc. of Rev. Wm. Schenck, 1883, p. 34.

¹⁴⁴ Anc. and Desc. of Rev. Wm. Schenck, pp. 33, 40.

¹⁴⁵ Trenton Wills, D-334.

Division of the Province of New Jersey Gentl being of sound & Disposing Mind & Memory (Blessed be God for the Same Calling to Mind the Uncertainty of this present Life and knowing That it is Appointed for all Men once to Dye) Do make and Ordain this to be my last Will & Testament, in manner as followeth (Viz.)

First and Principally I Recommend my Soul to God that Gave it, And my Body to the Earth from whence it was taken, to be buried in such decent and Christian like manner as to my Executors & Executrix herein after Named shall Seem meet & Convenient And as Touching such worldly Goods & Estate As the Lord in his infinite Mercy (far beyond my Deserts) hath been pleased to bestow upon me I Give Devise & Dispose of the Same in manner as is hereinafter Express'd. (Viz.)

Imprimis My Will is that all my just Debts be paid by my Executors Executrix hereinafter named within Covenient time after my decease.

Item, I hereby Give to my Son Roeloffe my great Dutch Bible to be Delivered to Him at the Time of my wife's Decease.

Item, I hereby Give and Devise to my s^d. Son Roeloffe my Largest Lott of Meadow on the Westermost Side of Conascunk Meadows with the third part of the Landing on Chingaroras Creek & the third part of the Small parcel of Land thereunto adjoining I hereby Give & Devise the same to my said Son Roeloffe & to his Heirs & Assigns forever.

Item, I hereby Give & Devise to my Sons Roeloffe and Garrat all that Neck of Land whereof part Joins on the Plantation whereon I now dwell & part on my Son Roeloff's Plantation, I Give the same to my said two Sons Roeloffe & Garrat to be Equally Divided between them Vizt—the half of the said Neck that Lyes next to Capt. Reids the nearest to my home Plantation I hereby Give to my Son Garrat & to his heirs & Assigns forever & the other half the nearest to my Son Roeloff's Plantation to him my said Son Roeloffe and his Heirs & Assigns forever hereby desiring that if Roeloffe should incline to Sell his Part that he Lett his brother Garrat have the first offer of it.

Item, I hereby Give & Devise my Largest Lott of Land at Conascunck to my two Sons Roeloffe and Garrat to be equally divided between Them, to have and to hold to them and their heirs & Assigns forever in Equal half parts to be Divided between them as abovesaid, they both paying the Several Sums of money hereinafter ordered them to pay.

Item, I hereby Give & Devise to my Son Koert my small Lott of Meadow on the North West Point of Conascunck with the third part of the Landing on Chingaroras Creek And the third part of the Small Parcell of Land thereunto Adjoyning, To have & To hold the Same to my said Son Koert & to his heirs and Assigns forever, he Paying such Sums of money as is hereinafter ordered him to Pay.

Item, I hereby Give & Devise to my Son Garrat my forty Acre Lott that Lyes at Connascunck and is Joyning to Hendrick Hendrickson's Land there To have and to hold the said Lott of Land to him my said Son Garrat and to his heirs and assigns forever.

Item, I hereby Give and Devise to my said Son Garrat the forty Acres of Land that was Conveyed to my by John Bowne by his Deed bearing Date the Tenth day of March Anno Domini 1705 To have and To hold the said Tract of Land to him my said Son Garrat & to his heirs

and Assigns forever.

Item. I hereby Give and Devise to my said Son Garrat All my home Plantation and Eastermost great Lott of Meadow and the third part of the Landing on Chingaroras Creek and the third Parcel of Land thereunto Adjoyning To have & To hold the Same the Same to him my said Son Garrat and to his heirs & Assigns forever. On condition that he allows his Mother the Use of the two Westermost Rooms of the Dwelling House below with Convenient furniture to furnish the Same as his Mother Shall think fitt (which furniture with the Rest of my Personal Estate I hereby give my Wife the Use of it so long as she lives).

My Will also is that my said son Garrat shall Provide for and allow his said Mother food & Sufficient Maintenance so long as she lives And also Pay unto her the Sum of three pounds Pr Annum so long as she shall Live, if she doth not Accept of the said Maintenance and Leaves the house, but if she stays then not to Pay it, And my Will further is that my four Sons Roeloffe, Koert, John, and Albert shall each of them pay unto their said Mother the Sum of Three Pounds Pr Annum, so long as she

shall live.

But my desire is that in Case my said Son Garrat should Dye before his Mother That Then his said Mother shall have the choice either to Live and be Maintain'd in the Westermost Part of my Dwelling house as afores^d. or to Rent it out to her own Profitt, and be paid the Sum of ten Pounds Yearly, Out of the Estate herein & hereby given to my said Son Garrat, in Liew of her Maintenance, together with the Several Sums of Money as is above Appointed to be paid her Yearly by my several Sons abovenam'd.

Item, I hereby Give and Bequeath to my Sons John & Albert my Lott of Land Lying at Brunswick which was Conveyed to me by Koert Van Voorhuyse by his Deed bearing Date the fifth day of November Anno Domini 1723 to be by them equally Divided in Quantity & Quality between them or to be Sold by them & turn'd into Money for their Use To have & To hold the said Lott of Land to them my said Sons John &

Albert and to their heirs & Assigns forever.

Item, I hereby Give & Bequeath to my five Daughters, Mary, Alhie, Neelhie, Rachel and Margaret, my smallest Lott of Meadow Lying on the Eastermost Side of Conascunk Meadow Together with the small parcell of Meadow at Conascunck which I purchas'd of Hendrick Hendrickson to be equally divided amongst them in Quantity and Quality, or to be sold by them and turn'd into money for their Use, To have and To hold the Same to them my said five Daughters, Mary, Alhie, Neelhie, Rachel & Margaret as Tenants in Common and to their Heirs and Assigns forever.

Item, I hereby Give and Bequeath to my Daughter Mary the Sum of One Hundred Pounds to be paid her by my Son Koert Schenck Vizt: Fifty Pounds part thereof within One Year after my Decease and the other

fifty Pounds at my Wife's Decease whenever that shall happen.

Item, I hereby Give and Bequeath to my Daughter Alhie the Sum of

One Hundred pounds to be paid her by my Sons Koert & Garrat Schenck Viz^t: the Sum of twenty five Pounds by each of them within two Years after my decease and the other twenty five Pounds more by Each of them at my Wife's Decease as above mention'd.

Item, I hereby Give and Bequeath to my Daughter Neelhie the Sum of One hundred Pounds to be paid her by my Son Garrat Vizt: fifty Pounds part thereof within three Years after my decease and the other

Fifty Pounds at my Wife's Decease as above mention'd.

Item, I hereby Give & Bequeath to my Daughter Rachel the Sum of One hundred Pounds to be paid her by my Son Garrat Schenck Vizt: Fifty pounds part thereof within four Years after my Decease and the other fifty Pounds at my Wife's decease as is above mention'd.

Item, I hereby Give and Devise to my Daughter Margaret the Sum of One Hundred Pounds to be paid her by my Son Garrat Schenck Vizt: the Sum of Fifty pounds part thereof to be paid her by my Son Garrat within three Years after my Decease and the other fifty Pounds to be paid her by my Son Garrat at my Wife's Decease as is above mention'd.

Item, I hereby Give and Devise my Tract of Land lying at Penns Neck Beginning at a Chestnut Stake standing on the North Side of Tatamus Swamp mark'd on four sides with two Notches Thence North Five Degrees East thirty three Chains twenty Seven Links to a black Oak Tree mark'd Thence North forty five Degrees West Six Chains to Bear Swamp Line Thence Westerly the Several Courses of said Line about Eighty three Chains to the Line running from Asinpink North Nineteen Degrees West Thence along the said Line South Nineteen Degrees East One hundred & Eighty one Chains to Asinpink Creek Thence straight up the said Creek twenty one Chains to a Line Run from Tatamus Swamp South Seventeen Degrees West Thence along the said Line North Seventeen Degrees East One hundred and twenty two Chains & a half to a white Oake Tree marked on four Sides, thence the same Course about four Chains & a half Thence West forty degrees North Eight Chains to a great White Oak marked Thence West Sixty Three Degrees North thirty nine Chains Thence North four Degrees fourteen Chains and a half Thence East five Degrees South twenty two Chains to where it first begun the Same Containing Nine hundred and Eighty Six Acres of Land which above describ'd Tract I hereby Give and Devise to my five Daughters, Mary, Alhie, Neelhie, Rachael & Margaret, To have & To hold the same to them my said five Daughters, Mary, Alhie, Neelhie, Rachel and Margaret as Tenants in Common to them and to their Heirs & Assigns forever, hereby desiring them to Lett my Sons John and Albert have the Refusal of Purchasing the same for the Sum of two hundred and fifty Pounds, which if they Refuse then to make so much as they can of it.

Item, I hereby give to my Grand Children the Sons & Daughters of my Daughter Anne the Sum of One hundred Pounds Curr^t. money of New Jersey at 8^s p oz to be paid them by my Sons Roeloffe & Garrat in Manner following Viz^t: my Son Roeloffe to pay twelve pounds ten Shillings to the Eldest of my said Grandchildren & so the like Sum yearly to the next Eldest Successively one Year after another till Six of them be

paid which Comes to the Sum of Seventy five pounds & the two Last Yearly Payments I hereby will to be paid by my Son Garrat to the two youngest of my said Grand Children, being the Sum of twelve pounds ten shillings to each of them the two Last Years which makes up the said Sum of One hundred pds. In case of Death Survivors to have such Legacy equally divided amongst them.

Item, I hereby give my Grand Daughter Nelly the sum of fifteen Pounds Currency abovesaid to be paid her by my Son Roeloffe when she shall Come to the Age of Eighteen Years And also two Cows to be Given

her out of my Personal Estate.

Item, I hereby give all my Personal Estate not herein before Dispos'd of that shall be Left at my Wife's Decease to be then equally Divided amongst my Eleven Children Share & Share alike and in Case of Death or Want of Issue the Survivors to have such Share or Shares equally Divided amongst them at the Decease of my Wife as abovesaid.

And Lastly I do hereby Constitute make, Ordain & Appoint my Loveing Wife Neelhie with my Son Roeloffe & my Son in Law Hendrick Hendrickson to be the Executors & Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament hereby Revoking & Disannulling all other & former Wills by me heretofore made & Executed Confirming this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto Sett my hand & Seal the Day & Year first above written 1739.

Signed, Sealed, Publish'd, Pronounc'd & Declar'd by the said Garrat Schenck to be his Last Will and Testament in the Presence of us the Subscribers

Garret Schenck (L. S.)

Johannis Bennet Roeloff Covenhoven Robert Dodsworth.

Be it Remembered that on the Seventh Day of October in the Year of Our Lord One thousand Seven hundred & forty five Johannes Bennet, Roeloff Covenhoven and Robert Dodsworth personally Came before me John Smyth duely Authoriz'd to Prove Wills and Qualify Executors &c And they being duely Sworn on the Holy Evangelists did Depose that they were present and Saw Garrat Schenck the Testator in the Annexed Will nam'd Sign & Seal the Same and heard him Publish & Pronounce and Declare it to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the doing thereof the sd. Testator was of sound Mind and Memory to the best of their knowledge and Understanding and that they Each Sign'd as an Evidence in the Testator's Presence.

John Smyth.

Be it also Remembred that at the Same time Roeloff Schenck and Hendrick Hendrickson two of the Executors in the Annex'd Will abovenam'd personally Came before me & were sworn to the due Execution & performance thereof according to Law.

John Smyth.

By His Excellency

Lewis Morris Esqr. Captain General and Governour in Chief in and over His Majesty's Province of New Jersey and Territories thereon Depending in America and Vice Admiral in the Same &c-To all to whom these Presents shall Come Greeting-Know Ye that at Perth Amboy on the Seventh Day of October in the Year of Our Lord One thousand Seven hundred & forty five the Last Will and Testament of Garrat Schenck Late of the County of Monmouth Gentleman deceased was prov'd before John Smyth who was thereunto duly Authoriz'd & Appointed for that Purpose and is now Approv'd and Allowed of by me; he the said deceas'd haveing while he Lived and at the Time of his death Goods, Rights & Creditts indiverse Places within this Province, by means whereof the full Disposition of all and Singular the Goods, Rights and Creditts of the said deceas'd and the Granting Administration of them also the hearing of Account, Calculation or Reckoning and the final Discharge and Dismission from the Same unto me solely and not unto any other inferior Judge are manifestly known to belong And the Administration of all and singular the Goods, Rights & Creditts of the said deceas'd and his Last Will and Testament in any Manner of way Concerning was granted unto Roeloff Schenck & Hendrick Hendrickson two of the Executors (Neelhie Schenck haveing Renounced her Right) in the said Testament named chiefly of well and truely performing the Said Will, and of makeing a true & perfect Inventory of all and singular the Goods, Rights & Creditts of the said deceas'd and Exhibiting the Same into the Registry of the Prerogative Court in the Secretary's Office at Perth Amboy and of Rendering a just and true Account when thereunto Lawfully required being duely Sworn on the Holy Evangelists.

In Testimony whereof I have Caused the Prerogative Seal of the said Province to be Affixed at Perth Amboy in the Province aforesaid in the

Year of Our Lord One thousand Seven hundred & forty five.

Thos: Bartow Secr.

SCOTT

HOMAS¹ SCOTT, aged 40, with wife Elizabeth, aged 40, and children Elizabeth, aged 9, Abigail, aged 7, Thomas, aged 6, came to this country in the ship "Elizabeth" of Ipswich in 1634. He was a proprietor of Ipswich, Mass., in 1635. His parents were Henry and Martha (Whotlock) Scott, of Rattlesden, Suffolk, England, his father, Henry, having died in England in 1624, but his mother, Martha, came with him to this country and is called 60 years of age in 1634. 147

Thomas Scott made his will Mar. 8, 1653-4, and it was proved Mar. 28, 1654. His widow married again and she died in 1678, her will being dated June 22, 1678, and proved some weeks later.¹⁴⁸

Thomas and Elizabeth Scott had several children, one of them being a daughter Elizabeth, born in England about 1625, who married John Spofford.¹⁴⁹

¹⁴⁶ Savage's Gen. Dict.; Pope's Pioneers of Mass.

¹⁴⁷ New Eng. Register, 52-248.

¹⁴⁸ Pope's Pioneers of Mass.

¹⁴⁹ Spofford Genealogy, 1888, p. 37.

SCUDDER

HOMAS' SCUDDER, born in England, was of Salem, Mass., where he was a proprietor as early as 1638. He married in England, Elizabeth Lowers. 150 He is said to have made his will Sep. 30, 1657, which was proved June 29, 1658. The inventory of his widow's estate was filed Nov. 29, 1666. Thomas and Elizabeth (Lowers) Scudder had at least 5 children. 151

THOMAS² SCUDDER left Salem about 1651 and went to Southold, Long Island, where the record shows that he owned property, but in 1656 he sold his town accommodations and removed to Huntington, L. I., where he was a large land owner. It is stated on the authority of Mrs. Gilbert Scudder that the wife of Thomas Scudder was Mary Ludlam, daughter of William and Clemence (Fordham) Ludlam. Is

Thomas Scudder died Nov. 16, 1690, leaving a will dated Dec. 2, 1686, which was proved Oct. 22, 1691, and in which he mentions his wife Mary and 7 children.

WILL OF THOMAS SCUDDER. 154

In ye name of God Amen

I Thomas Scudder of Huntington upon Long Island in ye County of Suffolk & Province of N. York in America being in a competency of health & having my perfect memory have made this my last Will & Testam^t in manner & form following—

Impmis—I give & bequeath my soul to God my maker & Redeemer & my body to ye earth from whence I was taken to be laid in decency according to the discretion of my Executors—

Item—I give & bequeath to my son Timothy Scudder my farm at Crab Meadow both upland & meadow with all its rights & privileges after Walter Noakes seven years expiration which began in 1685—And

¹⁵⁰ Waters' Gen. Gleanings in Eng., 1-768.

¹⁵¹ Pope's Pioneers of Mass.; Cooley's Early Settlers in Trenton and Ewing, 1883, p. 217.

¹⁵² Cooley's Early Settlers in Trenton and Ewing, p. 228.

¹⁵³ Refugees of 1776 L. I. to Conn., 1897, p. 556.

¹⁵⁴ Early Long Island Wills, 1897, p. 47.

that lot at ye Harbor on ye South of Capt. Fleet, also that piece of Meadow that lyeth on ye north side of Jonathan Rogers-Also a bed which is to be at ye disposal or his mother—Item—I give & bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Noakes a cow-I give & bequeath to my daughter Mary Arthur a cow-Item-I give and bequeath to my daughter Sarah Concklyn twenty pounds-Item-I give & bequeath to my daughter Cleman twenty pounds-Item-I give & bequeath to my daughter Mary (or Marcy) twenty pounds—All the rest of my lands goods & chattels not given & bequeathed I give & bequeath to my loving wife Mary Scudder & to my son Benjamin Scudder Equally to be divided between them and after the natural life of my wife both land & meadow housing & orchards to return to my son Benjamin and what goods & moveables my wife possesseth at her death to be at her disposal And thos that I have committed my trust to see the performance of this my last Will & Testam^t is my loving wife & my son Benjamin whom I make my full & whole Executrix & Executor of this my Will & Testamt to see all things done & performed according to the just intent there of-

In Witness Whereof I have subscribed my hand & set to my seal ye seventh day of December in ye 2^d year of his Mat^{yes} reign & in ye year of our Lord 1686.

Thomas Scudder

Signed Sealed & published in ye presence of Thomas Powell Ioseph Bayley

By the tenor of these presents Know ye that on ye 22d day of October Anno Dom. 1691 at Brookhaven in ve County of Suffolk on Long Island in ye Province of N. Yorke before Coll. William Smith Judge of the Prerogative Court was proved & approved the last Will & Testam^t of Thomas Scudder deceased at Huntington in ye County aboves on ye 16th day of November Anno Dom. 1690 and having by his said Will & Testamt nominated & appointed Mary Scudder his wife & Benjamin Scudder his son his Executors (as by the copy of the said Will hereunto annexed may appear) for the well & faithful administration of all & singular the goods chattels & credits of the sd. deceased—You shall a true & faithful Inventory of all & singular the goods chattels & credits that did anyways belong or of right appretain to the sd deceased at the time of his death bring in & deliver to me or such Judge or Judges as shall be appointed for this County at or before the first day of May next ensuing and then & there to render a true plain & perfect account of your having executed & performed your duty herein according to the tenor of the sd Will & the laws of this Province.

Sworn before me the day & year aboves^d

Witness my hand & seal.

William Smith

Thomas Helme Cler.

Benjamin³ Scudder was a large landholder in Huntington, L. I., as he received from his father's estate, lands, a

grist mill and the homestead, and he died in Huntington in 1735, having made his will May 17, 1732, which was admitted to probate Oct. 21, 1739. He had two wives, Sarah and Mary.155

Benjamin Scudder and Sarah his wife of Huntington sell land in Huntington, Nov. 18, 1698, 156 which shows that the wife of Benjamin Scudder in 1698 was Sarah, while his wife at the time he made his will was Mary.

Mrs. Gilbert Scudder, of Huntington, L. I., who has made an extended study of the Scudder family, gives the following dates regarding the children of Benjamin Scudder, and is of the opinion that Sarah was the mother of Jacob⁴ Scudder: Benjamin, b. 1698; Thomas, b. about 1700; Ezekiel, b. about 1702; Ruth, b. 1703, mar. 1725; Isaac, b. 1706; Jacob, b. Nov. 29, 1707, mar. Abia Rowe; Moses, b. 1709; Isaiah; Sarah, mar. 1723; Ann, unmarried 1732; Peter, b. 1715.

WILL OF BENJAMIN SCUDDER. 157

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN the Seventeenth day of May in

the year of our Lord God 1732

I BENJAMIN SCUDDER of Huntingdon in the County of Suffolk in the Colony of New York Yeoman being sick and weak in Body but of Perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto God therefore calling unto mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all once to Dye do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament that is to say Principally and first of all I give and recommend my Soul into the hands of God that gave it and for my Body I recommend it to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like and decent manner at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at the General resurrection I shall Receive the same again by the mighty Power of God and as touching such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with in this Life I give and devise dispose of the same in manner and form following.

Imprimis I give & bequeath to my welbeloved Son Thomas Scudder the Northward part of my Old Lott down the East Neck bounded as far Southward as to the place where I have began to set up a new fence from a little Cove soe Eastward to the Highway that leads thorough the little East Neck and also a certain Peice of Woodland called A Hollow Joining to

¹⁵⁵ Cooley's Early Settlers in Trenton and Ewing, p. 233.

¹⁵⁶ Huntington Town Records, Ed. 1888, 2-233.

¹⁵⁷ New York Wills, 13-269.

the rear of said Thomas Scudders home lot and Joining Eastward to Daniel Kelly and as far Southward as to the top of the Hill that makes the said Hollow and no further, and further I give to my Son Thomas Scudder a small Peice of fresh meadow lieing on the South side of the Old Mill Dam that I bought of Cornelus Smith and also ten Acres of Land that comes by the division before last and further my Will is my Son Thomas Scudder shall pay the full & Just sum of sixty Pound Current money of New York that is to say as followeth to pay the sum of fifty Pounds Current Money as aforesaid unto my youngest Son Peter Scudder on or before the Seventeenth day of May which will be in the year of our Lord Christ 1740 and also ten pounds to be paid in Current money as aforesaid unto my Son Ezekiel Scudder at or before the Seventeenth day of May next ensuing the date hereof or within a twelve months time after my Decease.

Item I give and bequeath to my welbeloved Son Benjamin Scudder ten pounds in Current money of New York the said sum I order my Son

Jacob to pay within twelve months after my Decease.

Item I give and bequeath unto my welbeloved Son Isaac Scudder ten Pounds in Good Current Money of New York that is to say to be paid by my Son Jacob Scudder as I shall hereafter mention to be paid

within two years after my Decease.

Item I give & bequeath unto my welbeloved Son Jacob Scudder that is to say half my mill and the Land where it Stands with the priviledge of all the Streames and all priviledges of Ponding and passing and repassing whatsoever shall be necessary with all Building Bolting Mils and whatsoever thereunto belonging in full to the other part that I had formerly given to him the said Jacob Scudder and in Consideration of the above mentioned I order and my Will is that my Son Jacob shall pay Forty pounds in good Current Money that is to say as followeth to pay ten pounds to my Son Benjamin Scudder in Currant money of New York at or before a twelve months time after my Decease and further my Will is that my said Son Jacob Scudder shall pay ten pounds Current money of New York within two years after my Decease unto Isaac Scudder my Son and further my Will is that my Son Jacob Scudder shall pay unto my Son Isaiah Scudder ten pounds at or before the Seventeenth day of May which will be in the year of our Lord Christ 1736 and further my Will is that my son Jacob shall pay likewise ten pounds to my said Son Isaiah on or before the 17th day of May which will be in the year of our Lord Christ 1737 and further my Will is that my said Son Jacob shall pay or cause to be paid unto my kind and loving Wife Mary after my Decease and as long as she remains my Widdow ten Bushel of good Marchontable wheate yearly and every year ten bushels of wheat as aforesaid and further I give and bequeath unto my welbeloved Son Moses Scudder all that certain Tract of Land Scituate lying and being at a place called and known by the name of Wolfe Pit Hollow a little Northward from Grovnut Hollow upon the Hills between the two Paths that leads down to the Vineyard Containing about four Acres be the same more or less and further I give unto my welbeloved Son Jacob Scudder a certain Tract of Woodland

Scituate lying and being at the North East from John Bryan Field as the way leads down to the Cove Joyning North & East by the Highway near my Vineyard late Containing about four Acres be the same more or less.

Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Son Moses Scudder as followeth my Houses and Barn and all my Buildings where I now Live and all my Home lott and fences & Orchards and all the Woodland above my home lot lieing in the Township of Huntingdon on long Island Joining East by a Highway that lead down the East neck South part by my Son Thomas' Land that he bought of Major Platt and part of Land of Thomas Jormis and Daniel Kelly and my Son Benjamin Scudder and Jonathan Whittecor and Joining North by the Land I gave to my Son Thomas Scudder as far as the top of the Hill that Butts Chiefly against the uper End of my Son Thomas Home lot and partly against the Rear of my Homelott Running upon the top of said Hill Eastward till it comes to the path that goes to Daniel Kelly's Field and part by the Lott I bought of John Cranfield that is my Son Thomas Scudder Westd by the Harbour Highway with all Priviledges thereunto belonging whatsoever and further my Will is my said Son Moses shall have all that Tract of Meadow Land lying Eastward of the Mill and trench below the Mill and so running Southward by the Dam which makes the Mill pond and by the trench which leads into the Milpond up to the old Mill dam to the Bridge from thence Eastward by the Highway and on the East bounded upon Thomas Jarvis Junr and by Mr Garrit Van Horne and North by the Highway over the Creek and further my Will is that my Son Moses shall have all that tract of Land at the place commonly called and known by the name of the Vineyard butted and bounded as followeth East by the Land of William Jarvis Senr and South by Jonathan Wickes his Hollow from thence by the Highway Westward and North by the old Cove Path with all the Orchardings fences timber and whatsoever Priviledges or Commodities to the same belonging and further I give to my welbeloved Son Moses Scudder a certain tract and Parcel of Land lying by the harbour and bounded by the Land which I have given to my Son Thomas Scudder Northward and East by the Highway that Leads through the little East Neck and South by the Land of William Johnson containing about twenty five acres be it more or less together with all the fruit trees fences timber and all the priviledges thereunto belonging and likewise in consideration of the above mentioned premises my Will is that my Son Moses shall pay fifty Pounds in good Current money of New York that is to say as followeth to pay ten pounds of Good current money of New York to my Son Ezekil Scuder at or before the 17th day of May next ensuing which will be in the year of our Lord Christ 1733 and further my Will is that my Son Moses shall pay unto my Son Ezekil Scudder the sum of ten pounds of good current money of New York on or before the 17th day of May which will be in the year of our Lord Christ 1734 and further my Will is that my Son Moses above sd shall pay unto my Daughter Sarah the Wife of Epenetis Platt Junr the sum of ten pounds of good Current money of New York on or before the 17th day of May which will be in the year of our Lord 1735 and further my Will is that my sd Son Moses

shall pay unto my Daughter Ruth Rogers the sum of ten pounds of good current money of New York on or before 17th day of May which will be in the year of our Lord 1736 and further my Will is that my sd Son Moses shall pay unto my Son Isaiah Scudder the sum of ten pounds of good Current Money of New York on or before the 17th day of May which will be in the year of our Lord 1737 and further my Will is that my kind and loveing Wife Mary Scudder shall have a third part of my Orchard and all the priviledges thereunto belonging that is all my home Lott where I live and the West end of my house with priviledge of the cellar and kitchen to bake in and wash and priviledge to pass and repass without any interruption from Moses or any other of my Children so much as she shall have occossion and it is to be understood so long as she shall continue my Widow and no longer and then to return to my sd Son Moses as aforesaid my Will is that my sd Wife Mary shall have as before mentioned notwithstanding what I gave to my sd Son Moses Concerning my house and Orchard at Home.

Item I give and bequeath unto my kind and tender Wife Mary Scudder fifty pounds of my moveable Estate after my Decease having the Liberty of her Choice according to the Prizal thereof and further I give her my said Wife Rose my Negro Girl during her Life and then at her my said Wifes Decease that she shall be returned to my welbeloved Daughter Ann Scudder if she be living but if not she shall be sold and the money be equally divided among all the Surviving children and further my Will is that my Son Moses Scudder shall keep four Sheep for my said Wife Mary during her Widdowhood and likewise to find her with firewood, and Pasture and winter a Cow during such a time as aforesaid and further I give to my welbeloved Son Moses Scudder my Negro Boy Harry and a Teem of a pair of Oxen and horses with a Cart Plough and tackling convenient for the carrying on Farming together with all my Iron conveniences for carrying on Husbandry.

Item I give and bequeath to my welbeloved Daughter Ann Scudder fifty pounds out of my moveable Estate with what she already has being

prized in the said fifty Pounds.

Item further my Will is that whereas there was a neglect concerning my two Sons Jacob & Moses concerning the Several parcels of Land which I have given to them as aforementioned in this Will that it I say being Omitted to mention their heirs and assigns I do hereby Declare that I give to them & each of and to their and each of their heirs and assigns for ever every particular part and parcel thereof according as they are particularly mentioned within that they and every of them shall for ever after my Decease Enjoy and Posses the said Premises as fully peaceably and quietly as though their heirs & assigns for ever had been mentioned in the first place as if notwithstanding the Omission aforesaid.

Item further I give to beloved Son Thomas Scudder three quarters of a Hundred Right in the undivided Land in the Old purchase and the baiting place purchase and to my to beloved Sons Jacob Scudder & Moses Scudder I give & bequeath to each of them half hundred Right in the

same to them & each of them to their & each of their heirs & assignes for-

Item and further my Will is that what Goods & Chattels of my Estate is left at my Decease which has not been before mentioned or disposed of I leave with my kind & loving Wife Mary Scudder & my good Friend Daniel Kelly to distribute among my children as they shall see meet and further I do constitute & appoint my sd Wife Mary Scudder & my friend Daniel Kelly to be Executors of this my last Will & Testament & I do hereby utterly disalow revoke & disanul all & every other former Testamts Wills & Legacies & Executors by me in any ways before this time named Willed & bequeathed Ratifying & confirming this and no other to be my last Will & Testament

I Witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand & Seal the day and year first above written.

Benjamin Scudder (L. S.)

Signed Sealed & Published pronounced & Declared by the sd Benj: Scudder to be his last Will & Testament in the Presence of us

Charles Sexton, Jonathan Whitaker.

Will admitted to probate Oct. 21, 1739.

JACOB⁴ SCUDDER, was born in Huntington, L. I., Nov. 29, 1707, where he lived 42 years, having in that time married, Aug. 5, 1731, Abia Rowe, who was born May 23, 1708, and died May 5, 1791. Jacob Scudder sold his property in Huntington and removed to the vicinity of Princeton, N. J., where he became quite a large owner of property, including several mills of various kinds. He took an active part in the establishment of the First Presbyterian Church of Princeton and was one of its leading members. He died May 31, 1772, his will being dated June 30, 1771, and it was proved July 25, 1772. 158

WILL OF JACOB SCUDDER. 159

In the Name of God Amen I Jacob Scudder of New Brunswick of the County of Middlesex in New Jersey Being in Perfect mind memory and understanding but Calling to mind the Mortality of my Body and that it is appointed for all Men once to die do make Ordain Constitute and declare this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following. Imprimis I give and Bequeath to Beloved wife Abia Scudder and to my daughter Ruth Scudder my Negro wench & three Youngest Children Together with all my household Goods to their own disposal also the use

¹⁵⁸ Cooley's Early Settlers in Trenton and Ewing, p. 238.

¹⁵⁹ Trenton Wills, K-458.

of one third of my Mills and Plantation and Necessary Room in my house to my wife so long as she Remains my Widow if she accepts it as her Dowry and not Else but if she happens to Remarry the (sic) I will her out of my Estate Except what is forementioned to be at her Disposal. Item I Give and Bequeath to my son Nathaniel Scudder Eighty Pounds to be paid by my son William Scudder one year after my decease. Item I Give and Bequeath to my son William Scudder to him his heirs and assigns forever all my Mills and Plantation my two Negro Boys Cezar and Jack with all my Outstanding Debts Live Stock and Weaving and Farming Utensils he paying my due debts. Item I Give to my daughter Phebe thirty Pounds and to my daughter Lucretia Ten Pounds to be paid by my son William Scudder one year after my decease. Lastly I Nominate and appoint my son William Scudder Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament to Execute Fulfil and perform the same according to the true intent and meaning thereof. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this thirtieth day of June one thousand seven hundred and Seventy one.

Signed Sealed Pronounced and declared by the said Jacob Scudder as his last Will and Testament in presence of the Subscribers. Jonathan Combs. Joseph Husey. Daniel James.

Jacob Scudder (LS)

New Jersey Ss: Jonathan Combs and Joseph Huzey two of the Witnesses to the within Will being duly sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God did Severally depose that they saw Jacob Scudder the Testator within named sign and Seal the same and heard him Publish Pronounce and declare the within Instrument to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the doing thereof the said Testator was of sound and disposing mind and Memory as far as these deponents know and as they verily Believe and that Daniel James the other Subscribing Witness was present and signed his name as a Witness to the said Will together with these Deponents in the presence of the said Testator.

Sworn at Princeton this 25th July 1772, before me Jona D Sergeant Surrog^t.

Also at the same time William Scudder Sole Executor in the within Testament named was duly Qualified by taking the Oath of an Executor as by Law appointed.

Before

Jona D Sergeant Surrog^t.

Probate Granted by Governor Franklin (in the usual form &c) Dated the twenty fifth day of July 1772. Pettit Reg^r.

The following account of the family of Jacob Scudder is taken from a volume of a set of "Scott's Commentaries"

now in the possession of Mr. D. W. Perrine, of Free-hold, N. J. In one of the volumes is the following dedication:

"The Gift of Mr Kenneth Anderson To Mrs Jane Cowenhoven May 5th 1820"

"Jacob Scudder was born Nov. 29th 1707 And departed this Life May 31st, 1772 Abia Scudder was born May 23rd 1708 Married Augst 5th 1731 departed this life May 15th 1791

Nathaniel Scudder was born May 10th 1733 at 9 in the Morning, And departed this life Oct^r 15. 1781 Phoeba Scudder was born Augst 2nd 1734 at 7 in the morning, departed this Life 1807

Lucretia Scudder was born March 10th 1727

Lucretia Scudder was born March 19th 1737 at 1 in the Morning

William Scudder was born April 6th 1739 at 8 in the Morning Departed this Life Octr 31st 1793 Lemuel Scudder was born Septr 30th 1741 at 2 in the Morning Departed this Life July 9th 1806

Ruth Scudder was born October 27th 1745 at 10 in the Morning. Was Married to Kenneth Anderson on 18th August. 1772" Kenneth Anderson was born June 8th 1742

Lemuel 'Scudder, born Sep. 30, 1741, died July 9, 1806. He married Margaret Longstreet, daughter of Richard and Margaret (Schenck) Longstreet, who was evidently not living at the time he made his will, as she is not mentioned in it. He made his will May 7, 1803, and it was proved Aug. 9, 1806. In it he mentions three sons and three daugh-

ters, one daughter being "Margaret, the wife of Moses Morris." 160

WILL OF LEMUEL SCUDDER. 161

For as much as it is appointed for all men once to die and the time when very uncertain, I Lemuel Scudder of the township of Montgomery in the County of Somerset and State of New Jersey being through the merciful goodness of God in a comfortable State of health and of sound disposing mind, memory and understanding. Do this seventh day of May in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and three, make and publish these presents as and for my last will and testament and do Enjoin it on my Executors herein after named, to see, that the following disposition, of that temporal Estate of which I am possessed, is fully observed and performed: Imprimis: I direct that my funeral be decent and plain, and that the expences arising therefrom, and all other my just debts, be first paid out of my personal Estate.

Item, secondly having in my life time rendered unto my oldest son Richard Scudder what I considered a proportionate share of my Estate: I give, grant and bequeath to him only, the further sum of five pounds, to be paid out of my personal Estate in six months after my decease, if the same shall be demanded.

Item, thirdly, Haveing also given by Deed of Indenture to my son Elias Scudder, a tract of land adjoining that on which I now live; I give, grant and bequeath to him, his heirs and assigns, the additional sum of two hundred pounds, to be taken from the proceeds of my personal Estate and paid to him in one year after my decease, which sum, with what I have heretofore given him, I consider as his Equivalent portion of my Estate

Item, fourthly, I give devise and bequeath unto my son Jacob Scudder all that plantation or tract of land with the appurtenances thereunto belonging, on which I now reside, to hold to him my said son Jacob and to his heirs and Assigns forever; but in case my said son Jacob should die without leaving heirs of his body lawfully begotten; then and in that case, I give devise and bequeath my said Estate Real unto all my other Children share and share alike, my son Richard excepted. And in consideration of the foregoing devise to my son Jacob, it is my will and I do order and direct that he pay into the hands of my Executors the sum of six hundred pounds to become part of my personal Estate in Instalments of three Hundred pounds in one year and Three Hundred pounds in two years after my decease; And I charge the Lands so given to my said son Jacob, with the payment of the said sum of six hundred pounds.

Item, fifthly, all the rest, residue and remainder of my personal Estate not hereinbefore given and bequeathed, I do give and bequeath the same in the following manner, that is to say, I give and bequeath the one

¹⁶⁰ Cooley's Early Settlers in Trenton and Ewing, p. 251.

¹⁶¹ Somerset County, N. J., Wills, A-103.

equal third part of the said Residue unto my daughter Margaret, the wife of Moses Morris. One other equal third part of the said residue, I give and bequeath unto my daughter Abigail Scudder; And I further give and bequeath to my said daughter Abigail, the service of my negro woman Flora and her child Paris, until they shall be manumitted and set free as is herein after directed. The remaining third part of the said residue, I give and bequeath unto my said Executors and the Survivors or Survivor of them upon this special trust and confidence, that they my said Executors and the survivor of them do, as soon after my decease as conveniently may be, convert the remaining one third of the residue of my personal Estate into money, and put out the same on Interest, taking landed security therefor and that they from time to time and in such manner as they Shall think fit, and proper, pay the interest arising thereon unto my daughter Elizabeth, the wife of Minne Dubois in order for her better and more comfortable support, and that for and during the natural life of her husband Minne Dubois and no longer; and from and immediately after the decease of the said Minne Dubois; it is my will and I do hereby order and direct my said Executors or the survivor of them, to pay unto her my said daughter Elizabeth the principal or one third part of the residue of my personal Estate, being the sum bequeathed in trust as aforesaid; But in case it should so happen, that she my said daughter Elizabeth should die in the lifetime of her present Husband Minne Dubois; then and upon such contingencies it is my will and I do hereby give and bequeath unto the children of her my said daughter Elizabeth as may be living, share and share alike; the aforesaid one third part of the residue of my personal Estate above bequeathed in trust as afsd. to be paid to them as they severally shall attain the age of twenty one years; but in case it should so happen, that she my said daughter Elizabeth should die in the life time of her present husband Minne Dubois without leaving Issue of her body lawfully begotten then it is my will and I do give and bequeath the aforesaid one third part of the residue of my personal Estate as aforesd. unto all my children as may be then living (Richard Excepted) to be divided between them share and share alike.

Item. sixthly, it is my will and express direction, that all the negros of which I may die possessed shall be manumitted and set free (conformably with the provisions of the act of Assembly of this State in such case made & provided) when they shall respectively arrive at the age of thirty five years, and that they be permitted (Flora & Paris excepted,) to reside during their term of servitute with such of my children, (or other person) as they may prefer; upon the payment of such compensation, as my Executors shall judge adequate for their term of service as aforesaid.

Item. Seventhly and Lastly I nominate, constitute and appoint my trusty friend Colonel Erkuries Beatty of Middlesex County, and my loving sons Elias Scudder and Jacob Scudder Executors of this my last Will and testament, hereby revoking and making void all former Wills, by me made Ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last Will and testament.

In Testimony Whereof I have to this my last Will and testament contained on three sides of one sheet of paper, put my hand and seal, the day and year first herein above written.

Signed sealed published and declared by the said Lemuel Scudder the testator to be his last will and testament, in the presence of us who in his presence, and in the presence of each other subscribed our names as witnesses

Lemuel Scudder (Seal)

Mary Beatty Elijah Blackwell R^d. L. Beatty

Elijah Blackwell one of the subscribing witnesses to the within Will being sworn according to law, did depose and say that he saw Lemuel Scudder the testator therein named Sign and Seal the same, and heard him publish pronounce and declare the within writing to be his last will and testament, and that at the doing thereof, the said testator was of sound disposing mind and memory as far as this deponent knows and as he verily believes and that Mary Beatty and Richd. L. Beatty the other subscribing witness were present at the same time and signed their names as Witnesses together with this deponent in the presence of the said testator.

Sworn at Princeton Augt. 9th

Elijah Blackwell

A.D. 1806 before me Jos Doty, Surrogate

Ercurius Beatty and Jacob Scudder two of the Executors within named being duly sworn according to law did depose and say that the within writing contains the true last will and testament of Lemuel Scudder the testator therein named so far as they know and as they verily believe and that they will well and truly perform the same, by paying first the debts of the said decd, and then the Legacies therein named so far as the goods and chattels rights and credits of the said decd, can thereunto extend, and that they will make and exhibit into the Surrogates office of the County of Somerset a true and perfect Inventory of all and singular the goods and Chattels rights and credits of the sd. decd. as far as shall come to their knowledge or possession, or to the knowledge or possession of any other person for their use, and render a just and true account when thereunto lawfully required.

Sworn at Princeton Aug^t 9th A.D. 1806 before me Jos. Doty Surrogate. Jacob Scudder E. Beatty

Recorded and compared in Book A of wills in the Surrogates office for the County of Somerset pages 103, 104 & 105 the 18th of September 1806 By Jos Doty Surrogate

SPOFFORD

OHN¹ SPOFFORD was of Rowley, Mass., where he was a proprietor before 1643. He deposed in 1662 aged about 50 years, therefore born about 1612. He married Elizabeth Scott, born in England about 1625, died Feb. 10, 1691,162 daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth Scott.

He died in 1678, his will being proved Nov. 6, 1678. John and Elizabeth (Scott) Spofford had 9 children. 163

WILL OF JOHN SPOFFORD. 164

The last will and testament of John Spofard Senior

I comit my soull into the hands of God that gave it and my body to the earth to be decently buryed and as for that estate the lord hath given I dispose of as followeth after my debts are payd

Imprimus as for my dear and loving wife I give to her the lease of the house and land of Mrs Prudence Coffons also I give to her all the houshold stuff to be at her dispose excepting the arms and

hold stuff to be at her dispose excepting the arms and amunition also I give her two cowes and one calfe also foure shep I give to her and my son francis to be equally divided between them and I give to my wife one young horse also to have to have the use of four acres of land at ye farm During her life furthermore I will that my son francis his portion be at my wifes dispose till he come to the age of twenty one years if she live so long: for that and that he may be helpfull to her to cary on her husbandry worke.

Item that which I give to my son francis is the two young oxen and mare and the cart and all the furniture

young oxen and mare and the cart and all the furniture belonging to husbandry also one yearling calfe these to be at my wifes dispose till he be at the age abovesaid and then these things or the worth of them to be faithfully payd to him also I give to him the small gun and the rapier also

five acres of land towards great meadow and what may befall by virtue of of any towne grantes

Item I give to my son John two stears coming thre year old and the long fowling peice and one halfe of the lease of the farm together with twenty pound stocke I formerly gave him.

¹⁶² Bradford Vital Records.

¹⁶³ Savage's Gen. Dict.; Pope's Pioneers of Mass.; Spofford Genealogy, p. 37.

¹⁶⁴ Essex Probate, Salem.

Item I give to my son Thomas my vilage land and the gray horse and two shep and one spring hog and one two year old heifer and the great musquet.

Item I give to my son Samuell the other halfe of the lease This twenty and ten pound that is given to John and Samuell they have owned that they have formerly recd of the farm and two young stears one that comes 3 year old and one that comes two year old one spring hog with about ten pound stock I have already given him.

Item I give to my daughter Elizabeth one two year old heifer and two shep.

Item I give to hannah one cow one thre year old heifer and

Item I give to my daghter Mary one cow and one calfe and two sheep

Item I give to my daughter Sarah one Cow and one calfe and two sheep

Also I apoint my loving wife and my son thomas to be joynt exegutors of this my last will and my childrens portions to be payd at their mariage or at twenty one years of age and if any dy before, their portions to be divided among the rest

October 7.

1678 In witnes heirof I set to my hand and seall

Signed sealed and delivered

John X Spofard (Seal)

in presence of us John Johnson

Philip Nellson

Will proved At Ipswich 6, 9 mo 1678.

John² Spofford, born Rowley, Mass., Oct. 24, 1648, 144 died in same place Apr. 22, 1697, and was buried in Bradford. 165 He married Mar. 9, 1675, Sarah Wheeler, who is said to have probably been the daughter of David & Sarah (Wise) Wheeler. 186 After the death of John Spofford, she married a second time and died Oct. 24, 1732, in her 81st vear. John and Sarah (Wheeler) Spofford had 8 children. 167

Jonathan⁸ Spofford, born Rowley, May 28, 1684, died 72 there Jan. 16, 1772. He married Jemima Freethe, daughter of John and Hannah (Bray) Freethe.

Jonathan and Jemima (Freethe) Spofford had 13 children.168

¹⁶⁵ Bradford Vital Records.

¹⁶⁶ Wheeler Family, 1914, p. 396.

¹⁶⁷ Spofford Genealogy, p. 39.

¹⁶⁸ Spofford Genealogy, p. 41.

- DAVID⁴ SPOFFORD, born Rowley, Dec. 4, 1710,¹⁶⁹ married there Mar. 6, 1734–5,¹⁷⁰ Hannah Cheney, born Bradford, May 18, 1712,¹⁷¹ died May 6, 1755, daughter of Eldad and Mary (Walker) Cheney.¹⁷² He married a second wife and is said to have died in Townsend, Mass. David and Hannah (Cheney) Spofford had 6 children.¹⁷⁸
- DAVID⁵ SPOFFORD, baptized July 23, 1738, married in Bradford, Nov. 26, 1761, 174 Mrs. Elizabeth (Fales) Griffen, born Nov. 21, 1724, 175 daughter of Nathaniel and Elizabeth (Atwood) Fales, and widow of Nathaniel Griffen. The Vital Records of Bradford give the marriage of Nathaniel Griffen, Jr., and Elizabeth Fales, Jan. 29, 1746, and the death of Nathaniel Griffen, Jr., Oct. 30, 1760.

June 14, 1769. Ebenezer Griffen of Bradford, Essex Co., "in consideration that my late brother Nathan¹ Griffen of Bradford did equally join with me in purchasing" various land, releases and conveys to John Griffen of Bradford, Nathan¹ Griffen of Bradford a minor and Samuel Griffen of Temple, N. H., "children of my said brother Nathaniel Griffen deceased" an undivided moiety as tenants in common in said land. "Only recerving out of said Meadows and Lands a right for Elizabeth Spaford wife of David Spaford of said Temple who was the widow and relict of the said Nathan¹ deceased."¹¹6

David and Elizabeth (Fales) Spofford had 3 children, their oldest child being a daughter Elizabeth, born Aug. 10, 1762, 177 who married in Townsend, Dec. 15, 1785, 178 Joseph Felt 179

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169 Essex Inst. Hist. Coll., 5-9.
170 Essex Inst. Hist. Coll., 6-120; Bradford Vital Records.
171 Bradford Vital Records.
172 Cheney Genealogy, p. 233.
173 Spofford Genealogy, p. 50.
174 Bradford Vital Records.
175 Bradford Vital Records.
176 Essex Deeds, Salem, 129-83.
177 Bradford Vital Records.
178 Hist. of Townsend, 1878, p. 398.
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179 Spofford Genealogy, p. 70.

TENNEY

HOMAS¹ TENNEY was a proprietor in Rowley, Mass., in 1643. He deposed May 4, 1680, aged about 66 years, therefore born about 1614. He had a wife Ann, who died in Rowley and was buried Sep. 27, 1657. He was called Ensign and died in Bradford, Mass., Feb. 20, 1699–1700. Thomas and Ann Tenney had 6 children.

John Tenney, born Rowley, Mass., Dec. 14, 1640, married there Feb. 26, 1663-4, Mercy Parrat, born Rowley, Mar. 23, 1646, died Nov. 27, 1667, daughter of Dea. Francis and Elizabeth Parrat.

John and Mercy (Parrat) Tenney had 2 children, their oldest child being a daughter Sarah, born Oct. 17, 1665, who married July 23, 1684, Capt. Philip Atwood. 182

¹⁸⁰ Blodgette's Early Settlers of Rowley, 1887, p. 211.

¹⁸¹ Bradford Vital Records.

¹⁸² Early Settlers of Rowley, p. 211.

TERRY

RICHARD TERRY, born in England, probably about 1618, came to this country in 1635 on the "James," the list for that boat including the names of Thomas Terry, aged 28; Robert Terry, aged 25; and Richard Terry, aged 17. Richard Terry went to New Haven and in 1640 joined the church which was organized there under Rev. John Youngs and came with the first band of settlers in the fall of that year to Southold, L. I. He had wife Abigail, about 1649, who died after 1686. He was witness to a deed in 1645, and he is called Lieut. by his son Gershom. He died in Southold, his will being dated July 6, 1675. Richard and Abigail Terry had 10 children. 183

WILL OF RICHARD TERRY. 184

THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF RICHARD TERRY OF SOUTHOLD, DECEASED.

I, RICHARD TERRY of Southold, in the East Riding on Long Island, being weake in body, but sound in understanding, blessed be God, do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and forme following:

FIRST: I bequeath my body to the dust, from whence it came, and my immortall soul to the Lord Jesus Christ who purchased it wth. his most precious blood, by whom alone I hope for eternall salvation; and touching the outward estate God hath lent me, I dispose thereof as followeth:

I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Abigail Terry, for her lifetime, the accommodacon in Towne, the house and land that properly belong to that house in Towne, that is to say, with the foure acres of land that joyne to the house with the orchard and ffences about ye same; and eight acres of land that lye at the North Sea, and two in the Calves Neck, and one in the old field, and two acres of meadow, in the Great Meadow, at Catchacke.

I give unto my sonne Gershome Terry halfe my wood land at Catchake, and my sonne Samuell, the other halfe, also a piece of meadow that was my brother Thomas Terry's, which I had by vertue of exchange.

I give unto my daughter Abigaile twenty acres of land, more or

¹⁸⁸ Mss. Record of Terry Family, by Stuart T. Terry, in Suffolk Hist. Soc., Riverhead, L. I.

¹⁸⁴ New York Wills, 1-137.

lesse, lying in the fforte Neck, I give it to her and her heires for ever, that is to say, Thomas Riders heires, and one cow.

I give also to my two sonnes Nathaniel and my sonne Richard my house and land which I live upon here, at Squash Neck wth all the meadow that do belong unto it, being in the fresh meadow; and this to possesse when my sonne Richd. comes to the age of one and twenty.

I do also give unto my sonne John, after his mother's decease, the house and the accommodacon in Towne wth. the next of the accommodacon belonging thereunto, as is formerly expressed.

I give unto my sonne Gershome, a Yoke of young steeres, and a

young mare, one yeare old, and the wantage and two sowes.

I do also leave all my children to bee at my wifes command to bee educated and brought up, both for the good of their souls and bodyes, till they come unto their respective age, that is to say, my sonnes to the age of one and twenty, and my daughters at eighteene.

I give unto my sonne Nathaniell, and my sonn Richard, one Yoke of oxen, and to have them when they come to possesse the ffarme wth one cow for milke, also I give my son John one cow, when he comes to age.

And for all the rest of my cattle that is not expressed I leave to my wife for herselfe and for the bringing up of my children, till they come of age, and for ages. I give unto my sonne Samll. two acres of meadow, lying at Accabacke.

And I make my sonne Gershome my executor and my wife executrix of this my last will & testament. And for all my debts which I owe, it shall be paid out of that estate that is not disposed of, that is left in my wifes hand.

IN WITTNESS HEREOF, I have hereunto sett to my hand and seale the day and yeare above written.

Witnesse: Barnabas Wyndes

RICHARD TERRY (Seale)

The W marke of Sarah Wyndes.

Postscript:

Memorandm. It is to bee understood that when my wife sees cause to live in the Towne, my three eldest sonnes Gershome, Nathll. and Richard Terry shall fitt and repaire her house in a habitable and comfortable manner.

JOHN[®] TERRY, son of Richard and Abigail Terry, was born "May the middel 1662," and died Apr. 27, 1733. He married Hannah Moore, who survived him and died his widow, Aug. 28, 1753. He made his will June 6, 1728. John and Hannah (Moore) Terry had at least 7 children. 185

185 Mss. Record of Terry Family, in Suffolk Hist. Soc., Riverhead, L. I.

WILL OF JOHN TERRY. 186

IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN.

I, JOHN TERRY of Southold in the County of Suffolk, in the Province of New York in America, Yeoman, being at present in some good measure of health and sound mind and memory, thanks be given to God therefor but calling to mind the uncertainty of this life and that it is appointed for all men once to die, doe make, constitute, appoint and ordain this to be my last Will and Testament, that is to say:

PRINCIPALLY AND FIRST of all I recommend my soul into the hands of God who gave it and my body to the earth to be buried at the discretion of my executr. and as touching my worldly estate I give, demise

& dispose of the same in the following manner and form.

FIRSTLY: I give & bequeath unto my beloved wife Hannah my best room in my dwelling house and one third part of all my lands and meadows in the said town and all my moveable estate during the time that she remains my widdow and not longer and if my said wife doth marry again that then and in such case my absolute will and pleasure is that my said wife shall have no more of my estate either real or personall then what the law allowes to her or any other married woman and the two thirds of my said moveable estate shall be equally divided between my three daughters namely, Sarah, Hannah and Abigail (excepting so much of the same as I shall herein give unto my sons) to whom I do give the same for ever anything herein contained to the contrary notwith-standing.

SECONDLY: I give, demise and bequeath unto my son John Terry all my land and meadows in Oyster Ponds lower neck in the said Town to him, his heirs and assigns for ever and also all my other lands in the said Town. I give, demise and bequeath unto my said son John and to his heirs and assigns for ever always provided and hereby it is provided and the true intent and meaning of this my last will is that my said son John Terry shall pay unto my son Samuel Terry the sum of thirty pounds cur. money of New York, within one year next after my decease and also pay unto my son Richard Terry the sume of thirty pounds current money of New York within two years next after my decease and also shall pay unto my son Robert Terry the sume of thirty pounds currant money of New York within three years next after my decease which if my said son John Terry shall refuse or neglect to do that then and in such case my absolute will and pleasure is that my said three sons namely Samuel, Richard and Robert shall each of them have one fifth part of all the lands and meadows herein willed and bequeathed to my said son John to whom I do give the same and to their heirs and assigns for ever anything in this my last Will contained to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

THIRDLY: I give and bequeath unto my son John one yoake of oxen, one cow and six sheep and allso all my implements of husbandry after my said wife interest is expired in the same by virtue of my above gift unto her for the same.

¹⁸⁶ New York Wills, 12-136.

LASTLY: Of this my last will and testament I do hereby nominate, apoint, and ordain my said beloved wife Hannah and my said son John to be my executrix and executor with full power & authority to act in and about the premisses.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and fixed my seal this sixth day of June in the year of our Lord Christ one thousand seven hundred and twenty-eight, the words (my sd. wife) was interlined twixt the ninth & tenth lines from the bottom before signing and sealing.

JOHN TERRY (S.)
Signed, sealed and declared by the JOHN TERRY to be his last Will and Testament in the presence of us witnesses:

Grover Younge. John Hempsted. Benj. Youngs.

ROBERT³ TERRY, son of John & Hannah (Moore) Terry, was born July 31, 1711, and died in Brookhaven, L. I., probably in 1783. He married Sep. 2, 1736, Patience Youngs, born about 1719, who died May, 1799, aged 80. They settled at Wading River, L. I., and the wife is buried there in a private ground. He made his will June 1, 1782, and it was proved Feb. 13, 1796. Robert and Patience (Youngs) Terry had 5 children, one of them being a daughter Patience, who married Benjamin Woodhull.¹⁸⁷

WILL OF ROBERT TERRY. 188

In the Name of God Amen I Robert Terry of Brook Haven in the County of Suffolk and provence of New York being week in body but sound of mind and memory and knowing that death is certain and life is uncertain I do make and ordain this my last will and Testament in manner and form following my body I commit to the Earth to be decently Buried at the Direction of my Executors hereafter named and Touching Such worldly goods and Estate as it hath pleased god to bestow upon me I give and Dispose of the same in manner and form following Inprimas I give and bequeath unto Patience my dearly Beloved wife all my Houshold goods Except one bed and beding I give to my beloved Son John Terry and I give to my Said Son John all my lands and meddows and buildings and all my Boats and all my moveabls Except what was will'd before To Him his heirs and assigns forever and if he dies without an heir Lawfully begotten of his own Body I give it to my Grandson Robert Woodhull and If said Robert comes into possession of the Estate I order him to pay one hundred Pounds current Lawfull money of the provence of New York to my Grandson Nathaniel Woodhull I give unto my beloved Daughters hannah and Patience Ten Pounds to Each Law-

¹⁸⁷ Mss. Record of Terry Family, Riverhead.

¹⁸⁸ Riverhead, L. I., Wills, A-423.

FELT AND ALLIED FAMILIES

full Money to be paid out of my personal Estate Now I Constitute make and opint my Executors as follows namely Joseph Brown Patience Terry John Terry Executors to this my last will and Testament to execute the same according to the true intent and meaning hereof in witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this first day of June Anno Domini one thousand Seven hundred and Eighty two
Robert Terry his X mark (L. S.)

David Brown Daniel Brown Isaac Brown

Proved February 13, 1796.

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TUFTS

PETER¹ TUFTS, born in England about 1616, was an inhabitant of Charlestown, Mass., prior to 1638; married Mary Pierce, who was born in England about 1627, died Malden, Mass., Jan. 10, 1702–3, aged 75 (gravestone), daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth Pierce. He died in Malden, May 13, 1700.^{188a}

Peter and Mary (Pierce) Tufts had 12 children, one child being a daughter Mercy, who married Oct. 24, 1688, Joseph Waite. 1886

¹⁸⁸⁰ Malden Vital Records; Wyman's Charlestown, 2-957. ¹⁸⁸⁰ N. E. Register, 51-299.

VAIL

FREMIAH VAIL, born in England about 1618, died in Southold, L. I., probably in 1687, his will being dated Dec. 4, 1685, and proved Oct. 19, 1687.

The name of his first wife was Katherine, of his second, Mary, and of his third, Joyce. He was witness in a case in court at Salem, Mass., in 1639, and had children born there between 1645 and 1649.

Jeremiah and Katherine Vail had at least 3 children, one of them being a daughter Sarah, bap. Salem, Mass., Mar. 21, 1647–8, died June 10, 1733, who married Nathaniel Moore. 189

WILL OF JEREMIAH VAIL. 190

Southold December 4, 1685

In the name of God Amen

I Jeremy Veale sen an inhabitant of the toune of Southold in ye County of Suffolk being at this time in bodly health praysed be god for it do make and declare these presents to be my last will and Testament as followeth

Imps I comitt my soule at its departure out of my body into ye hands of my Redeemer Jesus Christ and my body when dead to ye grave In Assured hope of its Ressurection at ye last day and as for my temporall estate. My Just Debts and funerall charges being payd I doe give and bequeath as followeth first I give to my son John Vale and his heyres and assigns forever my dwelling house withall ye out houses thereunto belonging together withall the home land that are within fence and two acres of meadow in the old field and one acre of upland in said field and half of one first lot at Carchauge and one lott of townd Comonage also I give him all my household goods and Movabls whatsoever and all my stock of cattle sheep horses and swine Reserving to my beloved wife Joyce vale the full third of all these premises during her naturall life—

2^dly I give to my son Daniell veale and to his heyres and assigns that piece of home land without fence butting upon John paynes land to the southwestward of it and soe lying between the two highways together with a first lott of towne Comonage and the other half of the lott at Carchaug

3ly I give to Jeremy Foster the son of Joseph Foster of Southampton one first lott at Carchauge lying to ye Westward of that lott I have

 ¹⁸⁹Pope's Pioneers of Mass.; N. Y. Record, 2-151; Essex Inst. Hist. Coll., 6-241; Moore's Index of Southold, L. I., p. 104; Vail Family, 1902, p. 29.
 190 N. Y. Record, 2-152.

given to my son John and Daniell to him the said Jeremy Foster his

hevres and asignes forever

4ly I give to my well beloved friend & neighbour Thomas Tustan of Southhold above said and to his heyres and assigns forever one second lott of meadow containing two acres or aboutes more or less in Carchauge divition bounded to ye Southward by Richard Benjamins meaddow and the East side by fort neck and to ye North ward running to a highway near a hill called brook hill all which meadow with all the branches running out of it and a hole of meadow a little distant from it on the East toward fort neck

ultimo: I constitute and make my son John veale sole executor of

this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I doe hereunto sett my hande and seale

Signed before us witnesses

Joshua Hobart

Jeremy I vale (ye seale)

his mark

John Payne Thomas Mapes Jr

the afores^d will was presented to y° Courte of Sessions now sitting at Southold for the County of Suffolk october the 19th 1687 where the same was proved by the oath of John Payne and thomas Mapes two of the evedences subscribed to y° same and the executor confirmed

A true coppy

John Howell Clark

VAN COUWENHOVEN

OLFERT GERRETSE VAN COUWENHOVEN, the common ancestor of this family, married Neeltje—, and emigrated with his family in 1630 from Amersfoort, in the province of Utrecht, Holland; was employed at first, as early as 1630, as Superintendent of farms by the Patroon at Rensellaerswick, afterwards cultivated a farm on Manhattan Island and in 1637 bought land on Long Island. He may possibly have removed to New Amsterdam prior to his death, which occurred after 1660, as his name appears in 1657 on the list of small burghers of that place. 191 They had at least 3 children.

GERRET WOLFERTSE² VAN COUWENHOVEN, born 1610 came to this country with his father and resided in Flatlands, where he died about 1645. He married Altie Cornelis Cool, daughter of Cornelis Lambertse and Altie Cool who, after the death of Gerret, married Elbert Elbertse Stoothoof. They had 4 children, two sons and two daughters, one of the daughters being Marretje Gerretse, bap. Apr. 10, 1644, died after 1702 and before 1709, who married Coert Stevense Van Voorhees, 192 and the other Neeltje Gerretse, bap. Sep. 20, 1641, died 1674, who married in 1660, Roelof Martense Schenck. 193

¹⁹¹ Bergen's Early Settlers of Kings County, p. 81.

¹⁹² Van Voorhees Family, 1888, p. 12.

¹⁹³ Anc. and Desc. of Rev. Wm. Schenck, p. 31.

VAN VOORHEES

Hees, Holland, in 1600, died at Flatlands, L. I., Feb. 16, 1684. He married (1), in Holland, a wife whose name is not given, but who was the mother of all his children. He emigrated to this country in April, 1660, in the ship Bonte-koe (Spotted Cow) with his wife and all their children except two daughters, and purchased land in Flatlands in November, 1660. After the death of his wife he married a second time. He was a member of the Flatlands Dutch Church in 1677, and his name appears on the assessment rolls of Flatlands of 1675 and 1683, as a Magistrate in 1664, and on a Patent of 1667. He signed his name "Steven Koerten" and at times "Steven Koerts." 194

CAPT. COERT STEVENSE VAN VOORHEES, born in Hol-222 land in 1637, died after 1702. He came to this country with his parents in 1660, and married prior to 1664, Marretje Gerretse Van Couwenhoven, who was baptized Apr. 10, 1644, died after 1702 and before 1709, daughter of Gerret Wolfertse Van Couwenhoven and his wife Altie Cornelis Cool. His name appears on the assessment roll of Flatlands of 1675 & 1683; a member of the Dutch Church of Flatlands and Deacon in 1677; a Magistrate in 1664 & 1673; and Captain of Militia in 1689. He was a representative to the General Assembly held at the City Hall in New Amsterdam on Apr. 10, 1664, and was also a delegate to the Convention held Mar. 26, 1674, at New Orange. He signed his name "Koert Stevenson" and at times "Koert Stevenson Van Ruinen." Capt. Coert Stevense Van Voorhees and his wife Marretie had 9 children, one of them being a daughter Neeltje Coerten, born June 30, 1676, died Aug. 4, 1750, who married Garret Roelofse Schenck. 195

¹⁹⁴ Van Voorhees Family, p. 10; Bergen's Early Settlers of Kings Co., 1881, p. 380.
¹⁹⁵ Van Voorhees Family, p. 12; Anc. and Desc. of Rev. Wm. Schenck, p. 38.

WAITE

APT. JOHN' WAITE (variously spelt Wait, Waite, Wayt, Wayte) was born about 1618, and accompanied, or followed, his father-in-law, Joseph Hills, who came to America in the ship "Susan and Ellen," in 1638. He was a member of the Charlestown Church in 1647, and a freeman that year. In March, 1647-8, he was allowed by the General Court £4. 18s. "for his writing one booke of the lawes, & for finding paper for both bookes."195a He was a Deputy to the General Court, 1666-84, the latter year being Speaker; but the next year by reason of age and blindness excused from further service as Captain, in which place he had served for many years. 195b He married (1) Mary Hills, baptized in Great Burstead, Billericay, Essex, England, Nov. 13, 1625, 1950 died Malden, Mass., Nov. 25, 1674, 195d daughter of Joseph and Rose (Clark) Hills. Capt. John Waite died in Malden, Sep. 26, 1693. 195e Capt. John and Mary (Hills) Waite had 10 children. 195f

Joseph Waite was of Malden, where he married his first wife, Hannah Oakes, Aug. 7, 1762. 195g He married, as his second wife, Oct. 24, 1688, 195h Mercy Tufts, daughter of Peter and Mary (Pierce) Tufts, who, after the death of Joseph Waite, which occurred in 1692, married Lemuel Jenkins, and she died in Malden, July 19, 1736. 195i Joseph and Mercy (Tufts) Waite had 2 children. 195j

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PETER<sup>3</sup> WAITE, born in Malden, Jan. 20, 1689–90, 195k 195a Mass. Bay Records (Ed. Shurtleff), 2–227. 195b Savage's Gen. Dict.; N. E. Register, 32–189. 1956 Hills Family in America, 1906, p. 258. 1956 Malden Vital Records. 1956 Malden Vital Records. 1957 N. E. Register, 32–189; Waite Family of Malden, 1913, p. 15. 1958 Malden Vital Records. 196h Malden Vital Records. 196h Malden Vital Records. 196h Malden Vital Records. 196i Malden Vital Records. 196i Malden Vital Records. 196i N. E. Register, 32–190; Waite Family of Malden, p. 17.
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195k Malden Vital Records.

removed to Medford, where he died Dec. 8, 1721.¹⁹⁵¹ He married (1) Sarah Pierce, born Woburn, Jan. 22, 1691–2,^{195m} died Medford, Aug. 16, 1717,¹⁹⁵ⁿ daughter of Samuel and Lydia (Bacon) Pierce; (2) Abigail Pierce, sister of his first wife.¹⁹⁵⁰ Peter and Sarah (Pierce) Waite had 2 children, one child being a daughter Mercy, born Medford, Apr. 28, 1716,^{195p} who married Aaron Felt.^{195q}

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1951 Medford Vital Records.
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¹⁹⁵m Woburn Vital Records.

¹⁹⁵n Medford Vital Records.

¹⁹⁵⁰ N. E. Register, 32-192.

¹⁹⁵p Medford Vital Records.

¹⁹⁵q Essex Inst. Hist. Coll., 16–129; Lynn Vital Records; Waite Family of Malden, 1913, p. 20.

WALCOTT

APT. JONATHAN WALCOTT, whose date of birth is not seen, died in Salem, Mass., Dec. 16, 1699. He married, first, Jan. 26, 1664-5, Mary Sibley, who died Dec. 28, 1683; second, Apr. 23, 1685, Deliverance Putnam, 1957 born Salem Village, Sep. 5, 1656, daughter of Lieut. Thomas and Ann (Holyoke) Putnam.

"Jonathan Walcott was a man of the highest respectability, and was exceedingly popular. He held the positions of captain of the troop of horse and deacon in the church. Although he had opposed the violent measures at the Village just previous to the witchcraft delusion, during the attempts to settle a minister, he seems to have believed thoroughly the stories of the girls, one of whom was his own daughter, Mary. He seems to have investigated matters, but being very much under the authority of the church, was easily prejudiced and afterward was prominent in the witchcraft trials." 1958

Capt. Jonathan and Deliverance (Putnam) Walcott had 7 children, the oldest child being a daughter Ann, born Salem, Jan. 27, 1685, 1954 who married Joshua Felt. 1954

¹⁹⁵r Essex Institute Hist. Coll., 4-44.

¹⁹⁵⁸ Putnam Lineage, 1907, p. 47.

¹⁹⁵t Salem Vital Records.

¹⁹⁵u Felt Genealogy, p. 44.

WALLACE

JOHN¹ WALLACE emigrated from the north of Ireland and settled in Londonderry, N. H., about the year 1726. He married Janet Steele and they had 6 daughters, one of them being Margaret, who married Samuel Gregg. 196

¹⁹⁶ History of Londonderry, N. H., 1851, pp. 306-7.

WETHERILL

APT. THOMAS WETHERILL, the first of the line that has been placed, was of Piscataway, Middlesex Co., N. J., and records at Trenton show that there was granted "A Commission to Tho Wetheral to be Captaine of a militia Company in the Township of Piscattaway in the Regiment of Coll Tho Farmer Dated the twenty eighth of Septemb^r 1713." He was Church Warden (Episcopal) in Piscataway, Dec. 24, 1714. 198

Several deeds are of record in which Thomas Wetherill, or his estate, were concerned.

Mar. 20, 1732-3. Thomas Wetherill of Middlesex Co., N. J., Blacksmith, deeds to his son John Wetherill of the same, Blacksmith, in consideration of £100, 200 acres of land in Middlesex Co. on the Old Post Road. 199 Having deeded this land to this son is undoubtedly the reason he did not leave him land in his will, that is, more than the 20 acres of meadow.

Oct. 12, 1730. Benj. Harrison of Rockehill, Somerset Co., N. J., gave a bond to Thomas Wetherill of Piscataway, Middlesex Co., blacksmith, in the sum of £240, to secure "two fifty poundes Bondes which will become due from Danyel Couper in the years 1731 & 1732," etc., or else deed him land.²⁰⁰

May 14, 1731. Benj. Harrison of Middlesex Co. in conformity with the foregoing bond deeds to Thomas Wetherill of same, blacksmith, 500 acres of land at Cranberry Brook, "Also the Westerlie Moyetie or full equal half part as near as can be divided," etc., of the meadow on the North side of Cranberry brook.²⁰¹

¹⁹⁷ Book AAA of Commissions, Trenton, p. 152.

¹⁹⁸ Whitehead's Hist. of Perth Amboy, 1856, p. 408, footnote.

¹⁹⁹ Trenton Deeds, C₃-266.

²⁰⁰ Trenton Deeds, E2-75.

²⁰¹ Trenton Deeds, E2-76.

Feb. 28, 1736–7. "Ann Wetherill Widdow of Thomas Wetherill late of Piscattaway in the County of Middlesex and Province of New Jersey deceased and John Wetherill of New Brunswick in said County and Province both Executors of the last Will and Testament of the said Thomas Wetherill dece'd" to Thomas Grubs of New Brunswick. This deed conveys the above 500 acres and also the "Westerly Moitie," except "forty acres of Meadow part of the afores^d Moitie of Meadow which is by the last Will and Testament of the aboves^d Thomas Wetherill deceased Given and Granted to three of his Sons as by the said last Will and Testament will more at large appear." 202

Mar. 2, 1736–7. John Wetherill of New Brunswick, Middlesex Co., N. J., buys 500 acres near Cranberry Brook, also the "full equal half part as ner as can be divided," etc., or all the meadows on the north side of Cranberry brook formerly belonging to George Willocks and John Harrison, as full, etc., as was conveyed to Thomas Grubs (the grantor) by the Executors of Thomas Wetherill dec'd by Deed of Sale dated Feb. 28 last past "Excepting forty Acres of Meadow part of the aforesaid Moitie which is by the 'last Will and Testament of the said Thomas Wetherill deceased Given and Granted to three of his sons." ²⁰³

Capt. Thomas Wetherill made his will Dec. 11, 1735, and it was proved Jan. 20, 1735 (1735–6). In it he mentions his wife, whose name is elsewhere shown to have been Anne; son John, to whom he gives 20 acres of meadow at Cranbury; son George, to whom he gives besides other land 10 acres of meadow; son William, to whom he gives other land besides 10 acres of meadow; son Thomas; son-in-law Lawrence Hartwick; and Daughters Ann, Hannah, Elizabeth, Mary and Catheren. His wife and John Wetherill are named as executors, who are directed to sell 500 acres of land at Cranbury and the meadow belonging to it.

²⁰² Trenton Deeds, E2-78.

²⁰³ Trenton Deeds, E2-79.

WILL OF THOMAS WETHERILL. 204

In the Name of God Amen the eleventh day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and thirty five &c I Capt Thomas Wetherill of Piscataway in the County of Middlesex and Province of New Jersey being sick and weak in body but of sound and perfect memory praise be given to God for the same and knowing the uncertainty of this life on Earth and being desirous to settle things in Order Do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say first & principally I commend my soul to Almighty God my Creator assuredly believing that I shall receive full pardon and free remission of all my sins and be saved by the precious Death and Merits of my blessed Saviour & Redeemer Christ Jesus and my body to the earth from whence it was taken to be buried in such decent and Christian manner as to my Executors hereafter named shall be thought meet & Convenient and as touching such worldly Estate as the Lord in mercy hath Lent me my will and meaning is the same shall be imployed and bestowed as hereafter by this my will is expressed and first I do Revoke renounce frustrate and make void all wills by me formerly made and Declare and appoint this my last Will and Testament.

Item I give & bequeath to my well beloved son John Wetherill his

heirs and assigns twenty acres of meadow lying at Cranberry.

Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved son George Wetherill his heirs & Assigns two hundred fifteen acres of Land lying at drinking brook hollow Beginning at my son John Line from thence to Perus Line and also ten acres of meddow.

Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved son William Wetherill his Heirs and Assigns two hundred and fifteen acres of land at Drinking brook hollow also ten acres of meddow and also a yoke of two year old Steers a Cow and two heifers a Gray Mare and a black one and a Bay one.

Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved son Thomas Wetherill his Heirs & assigns the plantation which I now live on both land and meddow Excepting a house Lot containing a hundred foot in length and sixty foot in bredth and also I Give to my said son Thomas two steer Calfs and two heifers of two year Old and a black mare and colt.

Item I give and bequeath to my Son in Law Lawrence Hartwick his heirs and assigns a House Lott Beginning at the River thence running to a Chestnut Oak Stump with a little spruce bush by it a hundred foot be it more or less thence north sixty foot and west to the River and so down the River to the place where it began.

Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved Daughters Ann and Hannah forty pounds to be paid by my son George Wetherill to paid by four payments The first payment to be paid in a year after my Decease and so yearly till it is paid.

Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Daughters Elizabeth & Mary forty pounds to be paid by my son William Wetherill in four payments the first paym^t to be in two years after my Decease & so yearly till it is paid.

204 Trenton Wills, C-62.

Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved wife the Euse of the plantation that I now live on during her widowhood and also fifty pounds being part of a Bond which will be due from my son John with the rest of my moveable Estate after my Debts is paid.

Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Catheren fifty pounds The remainder part of the above said Bond to be put out till she comes of age. I also make and ordain my well beloved wife and my son John Wetherill my Executors of this my last will & testament and to sell and dispose of five hundred acres of Land at Cranberry and the meddow belonging to it to pay my Debts and the remainder to be divided Between them if any there be And I do hereby utterly Disallow Revoke and Disanull all & every other former Testaments wills & Lagacies Requests & Executrs by me in any ways before this time named Willed & bequeathed Ratifying & Confirming this & no other to be my last will & Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal the day & year above written

Tho: Wetherill (Seal)

Signed Sealed & Delivered in the prence of

Sam¹. Walker, Jacob Bennet, Sam¹. Walker Jun^r

William Cosby Captain General & Governour in Chief of the Provinces of New Jersey New York & the Territories thereon Depending in America Vice Admiral of the same and Collonel in his Majestys Army &c To all to whom these presents shall come or may concern Greeting Know ye that at Perth Amboy on the twentieth Day of January Instant before Lawrence Smyth being duly authorized and appointed The last will & Testament of Thomas Wetherill late of Piscataway in the County of Middlesex was proved and now approved and allowed of by me having while he lived and at the time of his Death Goods Rights & Credits in divers places within this province by means whereof the full Disposition of all and Singular the Goods Rights and Credits of the said Deceased and the Granting Administration of them as also the hearing of Account Calculation or Reckoning and the final discharge and Dismission from the same unto me solely & not unto any other Inferior Judge are manifestly known to belong. And the administration of all and singular the Goods Rights and Credits of the said Deceased and his last will and testament in any manner of ways concerning was granted unto Anne Wetherill and John Wetherill the Executors in the said will named and appointed Chiefly of well & truly administering the same and of making a true & perfect Inventory of all & Singular the Goods Rights & Credits of the said Deceased & Exhibiting the same into the Registry of the prerogative Court in the Secretarys Office at Perth Amboy in New Jersey On or before the twentieth Day of May next ensuing and of rendering a Just and true account Calculation or Reckoning when thereunto required In Testimony whereof I have caused the prerogative seal of the said Province

of New Jersey to be hereunto affixed this twenthieth Day of January Anno Dom One thousand seven hundred & thirty five.

Lawr: Smyth Surr

GEORGE WETHERILL, son of Capt. Thomas and Anne Wetherill, made his will July 30, 1804, and it was proved Nov. 30, 1805, the inventory of his estate being taken Sep. 15, 1805. In his will he mentions the following: Son Thomas, to whom he leaves land at Manalipon Brook, and "I also Give to my son Thomas ten acres of Meadow Lying at Cranbury meadows which was left to me by my father;" son Samuel, to whom he leaves "all my Homested Plantation where my Grandson William Longstreet Now Lives;" daughter Elizabeth, to whom he leaves "all my lands at the Pidgeon Swamp;" daughter Ann, to whom he leaves £200. He makes Thomas Wetherill and Son-in-law Aaron Longstreet executors.

Two important facts are shown by this will. First, the bequest of the testator to his son Thomas of the 10 acres of meadow in Cranbury "left to me by my father" taken in conjunction with the will of Capt. Thomas Wetherill, proves that he was George, the son of Capt. Thomas Wetherill; second, that his daughter Elizabeth to whom he willed land was the Elizabeth Wetherill, born Nov. 19, 1736, who married May 30, 1762, Reuben Morris, as shown by the Morris family bible, when taken in connection with the following:

May 30, 1763. "John Barberie, John Johnston, Stephen Skinner and Catherine his wife (late Catherine Johnston,) which said John Barberie and John Johnston are Executors, and the said Catherine Skinner Executrix of the last Will and Testament of Andrew Johnston Esqre late of the City of Perth Amboy deceased" to George Wetherill of New Brunswick, Middlesex Co. Consideration £176. 15. 0. at eight shillings the ounce. 53 acres on easterly side of George's Road in New Brunswick.²⁰⁵

²⁰⁵ Trenton Deeds, A3-95.

DEED FROM ELIZABETH (WETHERILL) MORRIS. 206

This Indenture made this thirtyeth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seven Between Elizabeth Morris of the Southward of New Brunswick County of Middlesix and State of New Jersey of the first part and Samuel Dean of the same place County and State as aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth that the said Elizabeth Morris for and in consideration of the sum of Eight hundred dollars lawful money of the United States of Amerrica to her in hand paid by the said Samuel Dean the receipt whereof she doath hereby acknowledge and herself to be therewith fully satisfied and content and of and from every part and parcle thereof doth fully and clearly aquit exonerate and discharge him the said Samuel Dean his heirs executors administrators and every of them forever and by these preasents Haith granted bargained and soald alienated enfofed and confirmed unto him the said Samuel Dean and to his heirs and assigns forever. All that lot of land situate laying and being in the southward of New Brunswick County of Middlesix and State of New Jersey Begining at the moast northerly corner of Two hundred acres of land laid out there for John Newell being a stake planted on the easterly side of Georges Road from thence runing Northeast fifty chains to the line late Sarah Cox thence along her line northwest four chains, then south sixty two degrees west, forty six chains to Georges Road aforesaid, then along the same south twenty five degrees and thirty minutes east eighteen chains and a half to the beginning containing fifty three acres "more or less" being all that "lot" of land conveyed to George Wethrill by a deed from John Barberie, John Johnston, Stephen Skinner and Caterine his wife baring date the twentyeth day of May one thousand seven hundred and sixty three, and refference therefrom may more fully appear and the same convayed to Elizabeth Morris by the last Will and testament of the said George Wetherill de'd., Together with all the treets emollements previliges appertainauces groing or laying thereon or thereunto belonging to the above said lot of land or in any manner of ways thereunto appertaining and all the right title interest possession property claim and demand of the said Elizabeth Morris or her heirs or eighther of them of in or unto the said lot of land and bargained premises. To have and to hoald the above granted lot of land bargained premises with the previliges and appertainances unto him the said Samuel Dean and to his heirs and assigns to the only proper use benefit and behoof of him the said Samuel Dean his heirs and assigns forever, and that the same now is and forever hereafter shall be and remain in quiet and peaceable possession unto him the said Samuel Dean his heirs and assigns forever without the least interuption or denial of the said Elizabeth Morris or her heirs or any other person whatsoever lawfuly claiming by from or under them and further that the said Elizabeth Morris and her heirs shall and will at all times hereafter the discribed granted lot of land and bargained premises against the lawful claims of all persons whatsoever unto him the said Samuel Dean and his heirs warrent 206 Middlesex Co., N. J., Deeds, 8-611.

and forever defend by these preasents In Witness whereof the abovesaid Elizabeth Morris have hereunto set her hand and seal the day and year in this Indenture first above written.

Signed sealed & delivered in the Preasents off Matthew Rue.. Abram Dean.

The word "more or less" "Lot" between the seventeenth and eighteenth lines was interlied befor the ensealing of these preasents

New Jersey SS: Be it remembred that on the eighth day of July eighteen hundred and nine came before me Nathaniel Hunt one of the judges of the Inferior Court of Common pleas in & for the county of Middlesex Elizabeth Morris grantor of the within deed who did acknowledge that she signed sealed & delivered the within deed of her own free and voluntary act for the use and purposes therein mentioned

Taken and acknowledged the day and year above writen before me Nathl Hunt

Received December 24th 1810 recorded by Deare Clk.

WILL OF GEORGE WETHERILL.207

In the Name of God Amen this thirtyeth day of July in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and four I George Wetherill of South Brunswick in the County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey being in health and of sound mind and disposing memory Thanks to God therefor Do make this my last will and Testament as Touching what worldly Estate it hath Pleased God to Bless me with in this Life I will & dispose of in the manner following.

First it is my will that all my just debts and funeral charges be Paid

by my Executors Out of my Personal Estate.

I Give to my son Thomas Wetherill all my Lands at Manalapon Brook in South Amboy to and for his own use Benefit and Behoof for and Dureing his Life and after his Death I Give it to his Heirs and their Assigns forever I also Give to my son Thomas ten Acres of Meadow Lying at Crambery meadows which was left to me by my father which I give to him his Heirs and Assigns forever.

I give to my son Samuel all my Homested Plantation where my Grandson William Longstreet Now Lives to and for his own use and benefit and Behoof for and dureing his life and after his death I give it to George Wetherill my son Samuell son to him his heirs and assigns forever I also Give to my Son Samuel Wetherill a Lot of Meadow at South River to him his heirs and assigns forever it being a Lot I Purchaised of James Hays.

I Give to my Daughter Elisabeth all my Lands at the Pidgeon Swamp where Samuel Dean Now lives to her & her heirs and Assigns for-

²⁰⁷ Trenton Wills, 10086L.

ever I also give to my daughter Elisabeth my Negroe boy Named Lias &

my Negroe Garl named Cate.

I Give to my Daughter Ann Two hundred pounds to be Paid to her out of my personal estate by my executors within one year after my death I also give to my Daughter Ann my Negroe Boy Named Abraham with my Negroe Garl Named Peg And it is my will that my Negroe man Named Dick shall have his Liberty to go and work for his maintenance amongst my children where he Chuses And it is my will that my son Thomas Pays to my Daughter Ann Twenty five pounds to be part of the two hundred Pounds I have Given her it being Rent my son Thomas has in his hands Due to me of my Place at Manalapon Brook and it is my will that all the Remainder of my moveable Estate that is not here Given away I Give to my two Daughters Elisabeth and Ann to be Equally Devided between them shear and shear Alike and I do hereby constitute make ordain and appoint my Son Thomas Wetherill and my soninlaw Aaron Longstreet Executors of this my last will & testament In witness whereof the said George Wetherill hath hereunto set his hand & seal the day and year Before written

Signed Sealed Published Pronounced and Declared by the said George Wetherill as his last will & testament in the Presence of

henry Gray Thomas Bound John Wetherill George Wetherill (Seal)

the word (Estate) & the words (to my) being first Enterlined

Henry Gray and John Wetherill two of the witnesses to the within will being duly sworn on the holy Evangelists of almity god did depose and say that they saw George Wetherill the Testator therein named sign and seal the same and heard him publish pronounce and declare the within writing to be his last will and testament and that at the doing thereof the said testator was of sound and disposing mind and memory as far as these deponents knows and as they verily believe and that Thomas Bound the other subscribing Evidence was present at the same time and subscribed his name as a witness to the said will together with these Deponents in the presence of the said testator

Sworn at NBrunswick the 30th day November 1805 Henry Gray John Wetherill

Before me Phins Manning Surrogat

Thomas Wetherill and Aaron Longstreet sole Executors in the within testament named being duly sworn on the holy Evangelist of Almighty God did depose and say that the within Instrument Contains the true last will and testament of George Wetherill the testator therein named so far as they know and as they verily believe that they will well and truly perform the same by paying first the debts of the said deceased and then the lagacies in the said Testament Specified so far as the goods Chattels and Credits of the said deceased Can thereunto extend; and

that they will make and Exhibit into the Surrogates office in the County of Middlesex a true and perfect Inventory of all and singular the goods Chattels and Credits of the said Deceased that have or shall come to his knowledge or possession or to the possession of any other person or persons for their use and render a Just and true account when thereunto lawfully required

Sworn at NBrunswick 30th day of Nov¹ 1805 Thomas Wetherill Aaron Longstreet

Phinn^s Manning Surrogate

CHILDREN OF GEORGE WETHERILL.

i. Elizabeth Wetherill, b. Nov. 19, 1736; mar. Reuben Morris. (See Morris line.)

ii. Thomas Wetherill, b. Oct. 16, 1739, d. Sep. 31 (sic), aged 77 yrs., 11 mos. 14 ds. He had a wife Rachel, who d. Mar. 31, 1829, aged 87 yrs. & 2 mos. (g. s.)

 Ann Wetherill, mentioned in father's will. She probably mar. Aaron Longstreet.

iv. Samuel Wetherill, b. Oct. 26, 1745, d. Dec. 27, 1831, aged 86 yrs., 2 mos., 1 d. He had a wife Phebe, who d. Nov. 19, 1838, aged 90 yrs. & 3 mos. (g. s.)

There are gravestones in the Cranbury, N. J., churchyard of Thomas Wetherill and his wife Rachel, and of Samuel Wetherill and his wife Phebe. The gravestone of Elizabeth (Wetherill) Morris is along-side of these Wetherill stones, and beyond her stone is a vacant spot where it it probable Reuben Morris, her husband, is buried, but no gravestone is found.

WHEELER

OHN¹ WHEELER is said to have been born at Salisbury, Wiltshire, England, and to have sailed for America on Mar. 24, 1633-4, in the ship "Mary and John," bringing his wife Ann and six children and leaving four sons in England. He spent the first year of his residence at Aggawam (now Ipswich), Mass. The following year he removed to the settlement on the north bank of the Merrimac River that was called Salisbury after 1640, and as one of its original proprietors, in 1641 he received land there which he still held and paid tax on as late as 1652, notwithstanding he had removed to Newbury, Mass., before 1650.²⁰⁸ He died at Newbury in 1670, and his wife Ann died in same place Aug. 15, 1662.²⁰⁹ His will was dated Mar. 28, 1668, and proved Oct. 11, 1670. John and Ann Wheeler had at least 10 children.

WILL OF JOHN WHEELER.210

Be it knowne unto all men by theise psents, th(at I) John Wheeler of New(berie) in the county of Essex in New england Massachusets (Consider)ing my old age & (my owne) weakness: being in health of (body) and of pfect me(mory) through gods mercy (doe) hereby make my last will and testament, Comend(ing) my soule (in) to the hands of my blessed Redeemer Jesus Christe and my body to be buryed in the burying place of Newbury (when forever it shall please god to take me hence by death.) In Hope of a blessed Resurrection. And for my worldly goods I dispose as followeth first I give and bequeath unto my Son David Wheeler ten pounds of that debt which hee owes mee, 2dly I give to my Sonne Edward Wheeler of the Citty of Salisbury in the Realme of England ten pounds of which he is to pay three pounds and ten shillings to the Chamber of the Citty aforesaid also I give & bequeath to my Son (Adam Wheeler of the said Citty) forty shillings Al(so I give) to my Son (Thomas Wheeler forty) shillings And also I give to my Son William forty shillings in case he shall come over into this country. Also I give to my Daughter Mercy forty shillings, And to my Daughter Elizabeth

²⁰⁸ Hoyt's Old Fams. of Salisbury & Amesbury, 1-353; Wheeler Family, 1914, p. 394.

²⁰⁹ Newbury Vital Records.

²¹⁰ Wheeler Family in America, 1914, p. 394.

Button I give four pounds, Also I give to my Daughter Anne Chase four pounds. I give to my Daughter in Law Susanne Wheeler four pounds, twenty shillings apeice to all theise my children, of this estate was given them by their mother which is included in the severall Summs abou exprest (Also I) give and bequeath to my Son Georgs Children Ephraim Wheeler & (Samll) Wheeler four pounds apeice that is eightpounds between them (when) they shalbe of the age of one and twenty to be paid by my Execut(or) I give to my Son Roger Wheelers Daughter Mary Wheeler (three) pounds to be paid to her when she shall be of the age of (eighteen years) And to her Brother Joseph Wheeler I give forty shillings (when he shalbe) of the age of one & twenty years And to my Daughter El(izabeth children) forty shillings apeice: To Thomas forty shillings to be(e payd to) him when he shalbe of the age of one & twenty & To Mary (forty Shill)ings & to Elizabeth forty shillings when they shalbe Eight(een years) of age. All theise Legacyes are to be paid in Newengland (in such) pay as my Estate I leave wilbee due to my executor (in when) he shall receive it. And the Legacyes above mentioned which (is) to my children shalbe paid within one whole yeare after my decease but those of my Grandchildren to be to the use of my Executor untill they shalbee of the ages above mentioned, Also I give the Land to my Daughter in Law Susanne My Son Georgs wife which I gave to her husband which he built (upon) as it is inclosed: Also I Appoint my Son Henry Wheeler to be sole Executor of this my Last Will & testament and to have all the rest of my goods & chattells undisposed of my debts & funerall being discharged. March 28, 1668.

John Wheeler (Seal)

Witnesse Anthony Somerby
Augustinn Stickney Jr
Roger Woodman
Beniamine Lowle
Jonathan Woodman

Benj: Loel & Jon(athan) Woodman gave their oath before Court held at Hampton Octo(br ye:) 11:1670. that this was the will & testament of John Wheeler, & (of when) he declared the same he was compos mentis; & that they know of no other will but this made by him & that he did signe & seale this writeing as his Last will.

as attests, Tho: Bradbury recd.

DAVID[®] WHEELER, born in England, is stated to have been brought to America in the ship "Confidence" in 1638 by a friend of his father. He married in Newbury, Mass., May 11, 1650, Sarah Wise,²¹¹ daughter of Humphrey and Susan Wise.

²¹¹ Newbury Vital Records.

David and Sarah (Wise) Wheeler had 9 children whose births are recorded, but it is claimed that their oldest child was a daughter Sarah, born about 1651, who married Mar. 9, 1675, John Spofford.²¹²

²¹² Hoyt's Old Fams. of Salisbury & Amesbury, 1–354; Wheeler Family, p. 396.

WISE

⁵⁸² I UMPHREY WISE was a proprietor in Ipswich, Mass., in 1635, where he died in 1638. He had a wife Susan, who after his death married Samuel Greenfield.²¹³

Humphrey and Susan Wise had 5 children, one of them being a daughter Sarah, who married in Newbury, May 11, 1650,²¹⁴ David Wheeler.²¹⁵

²¹³ Pope's Pioneers of Mass.

²¹⁴ Newbury Vital Records.

²¹⁵ Wheeler Family, 1914, p. 396.

WOODHULL

176 RICHARD WOODHULL, born in England, Sep. 13, 1620, probably married before coming to this country, the name of his wife being Deborah, and it is strongly believed that her name was Deborah Crewe. 216

The Woodhull, or Wodhull, family is stated to be of ancient lineage, the name appearing in "Domesday Book" and the family in various connections tracing to William the Conqueror, and also to Charlemagne, as well as to the Magna Charta Barons, Robert de Ros and Eustace de Vesci. A very full account of the ancestry of Richard Woodhull showing his descent from royalty and nobility is given at considerable length in the Woodhull Genealogy, pages 9 to 37.

There is in existence a copy of an original paper the title of which is: "The Originall of the Family of ye Wodhulls from ye Conquest," the final statement reading: "Lawrence Wodhull had issue Lawrence who died without issue and Richard Wodhull. Richard Wodhull had issue Richard and Nathaniel Wodhull, now living in America, on Long Island at Brookhaven."²¹⁷

A painting of the Wodhull Coat-of-Arms, which is believed to have been sent to this country in 1687, is in existence, and the "Achievement of eighteen quarterings shows the coat of arms of all the heiresses who married in the Wodhull family, from the time of Nicholas, Baron de Wahull."218

The date of the arrival of Richard Woodhull in this country is uncertain, but it was prior to Apr. 29, 1648, as on that date he witnessed a deed at East Hampton, L. I. His name "appears among the early settlers of Jamaica, but he is said to have had a distaste for the policy of the

²¹⁶ Woodhull Genealogy, 1904, p. 43.

²¹⁷ Woodhull Genealogy, pp. 47, 282.

²¹⁸ Woodhull Genealogy, pp. 24, 46.

Dutch Government, and hence removed to another part of the Island. He finally settled permanently at Setauket Harbor, than called Cromwell Bay, or Ashford, in the year 1656."²¹⁹

In 1663 he represented Setauket at the General Court at Hartford, and in 1666 was Justice of the Court of Assize. In 1673 he was Deputy to the Dutch Commissioners in New York, and was by them commissioned a Magistrate. He died at Setauket, L. I., Oct. 17, 1691. Richard and Deborah Woodhull had 5 children.²²⁰

RICHARD WOODHULL, born Oct. 9, 1649, died in Brookhaven, L. I., Oct. 18, 1699. He married Aug. 19, 1680, Temperance Fordham, who was perhaps a widow Topping when he married her, and who survived him, daughter of Rev. Jonah and Elizabeth (Benning) Fordham of Southampton, L. I. Richard and Temperance (Fordham) Woodhull had 6 children.²²¹

The records at Riverhead, Suffolk Co., L. I., show that on Apr. 23, 1688, Richard Woodhull, Jun., is called of Brookhaven. Oct. 22, 1700, a deed mentions Richard Woodhull, deceased, and conveys land to Temperance Woodhull, Executrix of Richard Woodhull. Richard Woodhull made his will Oct. 13, 1699, and it was proved May 28, 1700.

WILL OF RICHARD WODHULL. 223

In the name of God Amen. I Richard Wodhull of Brookhaven in the County of Suffolk being weak in body but of sound memory thanks be to God calling to mind ye uncertain state of this life do make & ordain this & none other to be my last will & testamt. in manner following—First I commit my soul into ye hands of Jesus Christ my merciful Redeemer and my body being dead to ye earth to be decently buried—Item to Richard Wodhull my eldest son I give my house and all my home lands adjoining to it with all other the buildings orchards fencings and other the improvements thereon made & all my land in ye old field & in ye

²¹⁹ Woodhull Genealogy, p. 43.

²²⁰ Woodhull Genealogy, p. 53.

²²¹ Woodhull Genealogy, p. 53.

²²² Riverhead, L. I., Deeds, A-25, 102.

²²³ Early Long Island Wills, 1897, p. 208.

Little Neck and my meadow at Conscience and all my meadow & upland in the fire place neck at South and twenty acres of land at Selliers lot in Newtown and ten acres of meadow in Porriges neck at ye South and half an accommodation of commonage all which lands and meadows with the buildings & improvements aboves I give to my said son Richard to have & to hold ye same to him & his heirs forever-Item to Nathaniel Wodhull my son I give my land & meadow at ye south in Crossums Neck with ten acres of meadow in ye Westward part of Snake Neck with half an accommodation of commonage-To Have & to Hold the said lands & meadows to him my sd. son Nathaniel his heirs & assigns forever— Item—to John Wodhull my son I give the Easternmost part of Snake called Porridge neck with all ye lands & meadow therein contained (Except ve ten acres of meadow before given to my son Richard) also to my said son John I give ten acres of meadow in ye westward part of Snake neck and half an accommodation of commonage to have & to hold the same to him my sd son. John his heirs & assigns forever-Item-to Josiah Wodhull my son I give ye Westermost part of Snake neck containing the land and meadows there (Except ve twenty acres of meadow given to my son Nathaniel & John) and half an accommodation of commonage to have & to hold ye sd land & meadow to him my sd son Josiah his heirs & assigns forever—Item—My Will is that if my sd sons John & Josiah shall not enjoy ve land in Snake neck then I give to them in like manner the twenty acres at Newtowne near to ve land late belonging to Peter Whitier and the rest of my land at Newtown (Except what I have given to my son Richard) to be equally divided between them and in case either of my said sons shall not agree in the division of the land or meadow before given them then they shall chose indifferent persons to divide the same and in case either or any of my sd sons shall die without issue then the survivors shall in like manner divide the part of the deceased among them the surviving brethren equally—Item—to Dorothy Wodhull I give forty pounds current money to be paid her out of my moveables at such time as she shall be of age or married—Item—to Temperance Wodhull I give forty pounds current money to be paid likewise out of my moveables at such time as she shall be of age or married. Item-to Temperance Wodhull my beloved wife I give a third part of my moveables and the whole improvement & managemt. of all my estate until such time as my children aforesd shall be of age. And the rest of my moveables not hereby disposed of my just debts & legacies first paid I give & dispose to be equally divided between my four sons-Lastly I do hereby nominate & ordain my beloved wife Temperance Wodhull to be sole Executrix of this last Will & testamt. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & fixed seale the 13th day of Oct. Anno Dom 1699.

Memorandum—It is my will that in case my two sons John & Josiah shall enjoy ye land in Snake neck at South, then my son Richard shall enjoy all my land at Newtown before mentioned to be given to my said sons John & Josiah.

Witness my hand & seale ye day & year abovesd

Richard Wodhull (Seale).

Signed sealed & declared to be ye last Will & testamt of ye sd testator in ye presence of—

Rich^d Floyd Tho. Helme Arthur Futhy

By ye tenor of these presents know ye that on ye 28th day of May Anno Dom 1700 at ye Manor of St Georges in ye County of Suffolk before the Honoble Wm Smith Judge of the Prerogative Court in ye sd County was proved & approved the last Will & testamt. of Richard Wodhull late of Brookhaven in ye County abovesaid deceased on ye 18th day of Oct. 1699 who by his sd last will did nominate & appoint Temperance Wodhull his sole Executrix to whom was granted the administration of all & singular the goods & chattels of ye sd deceased.

JOSIAH³ WOODHULL, born Sep. 9, 1695, married Clementine Homan, daughter of John Homan, and they had 9 children.²²⁴ He made his will Mar. 15, 1761.

WILL OF JOSIAH WOODHULL.225

IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN.

I, JOSIAH WOODHULL of the Wadeing River in the Township of Brookhaven, County of Suffolk and Province of New York, being weak in body, but of a sound memory, thanks be to God, therefore calling to memory the uncertain state of this life, do make this and no other to be my last Will and Testament in manner following, first of all

I commit my soul to God that gave it and body being dead to be decently buried and as touching such worldly estate as it hath pleased Almighty God to bless me with, I give and bequeath in manner following:

ITEM: I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Clement Woodhull, one of my negro girls which she shall chuse and one equal half of houshold goods and three cows and also my young mare and one room in my house which she shall chuse to be hers so long as she remains my widow.

ITEM: I give my eldest son John Woodhull all my lands & meadows which I bought of Hezekiah Dayton excepting meadow enough to cut four loads of hay a year and also on equal half of my lands which I bought of Josiah Raner.

ITEM: I give my son Zebulon Woodhull all my lands which I bought of Nathaniel Lane and also all my meadow laying in Pine Neck and also one equal half of my land which I bought of Josiah Raner and also meadow enough to cut four loads of hay in the meadow which I bought of Hezekiah Dayton annually to him, his heirs and assigns forever.

ITEM: I give to my son Josiah Woodhull one hundred and thirtyfive pounds. I give to my son Benjamin Woodhull one hundred pounds.

²²⁴ Woodhull Genealogy, p. 63.

²²⁵ New York Wills, 27-593.

ITEM: I give my daughter Clement Tuttle twenty pounds and I give my daughter Charity Alberson twenty pound.

ITEM: I give my daugter Temperance Bruster forty pounds. ITEM: I give my grandaughter Bena Raner forty pounds.

ITEM: I give my youngest daughter Nancy Woodhull fifty pounds

to them, their heirs and assigns forever.

ITEM: I give to my sons, John and Zebulon Woodhull all my rights of commonage throughout the Township of Brookhaven, to be devided equally between to them, their heirs and assigns for ever. And my will is that my son John Woodhull shall live at Calcheponack till my leese be out which I had of William Raner and that my son Zebulon Woodhull shall live in my house at the Wadeing River till the above said leese be up and my will is that my sons John Woodhull and Zebulon Woodhull shall have all my moveable estate and to improve all my lands together in order to pay all my just debts and legeseys abovementioned until the expiration of the abovementioned leese and if my sons John Woodhull and Zebulon Woodhull shall pay the above legesey which I have given to each of my sons and daughters within four years after my decease then my will is that all my moveables shall be devided between my two sons John Woodhull and Zebulon Woodhull I manner following, that my son John Woodhull shall have one quarter of them first and the other three quarters to be equally devided between them. But if my two sons John Woodhull and Zebulon Woodhull shall refuse to pay the legeseys by me above given and bequeathed to each of my sons & daughters my will is that all my moveable estate shall be sold, and the moneys arising from them shall be devided amongst my sons and daughters in proportion as I have given them above and

LASTLY: I do hereby constitute, make and ordain my sons John Woodhull, William Alberson, Josiah Woodhull and Zebulon Woodhull my only and sole executors of this my Last Will and Testament and I do hereby utterly disallow, revoke and disannull all and every other and former testaments, wills, legaseys and executors by me in any wise made before this time or named, willed or bequeathed, ratifying and confirming

this and no other to be my last will and testament.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I, the said JOSIAH WOODHULL have hereunto set my hand and seal this fifteenth day of March in the one thousand seven hundred and sixty-one (1761)

JOSIAH WOODHULL (L. S.)

Memorandum that the words shall live was enterlined between the twenty-sixth and twenty-seventh lines from the top and the word son between the twenty-seventh and twenty-eight lines from the top before the ensealing & delivery hereof.

Signed, sealed, pronounced and declared by the said JOSIAH WOOD-HULL to be his last Will and Testament in the presence of us, the subscribers.

Richard Miller Nathan Woodhull Ebeneser Woodhull. BENJAMIN⁴ WOODHULL, born Mar. 14, 1741, died Nov. 10, 1810. He married Patience Terry, daughter of Robert and Patience (Youngs) Terry. They removed to New York State and later settled in Canada.

Benjamin and Patience (Terry) Woodhull had 6 children, the oldest being a daughter Patience, born Apr. 8, 1763, who married Abram Foster.²²⁶

²²⁶ Woodhull Genealogy, p. 83.

YOUNGS

JOSEPH¹ YOUNGS, son of Rev. Christopher Youngs of Southwold, England, was born in England and came to this country to settle about 1638, in which year he was admitted an inhabitant of Salem, Mass. He removed to Southold, Long Island, about 1649, where he died about 1658. He married in Southwold, Eng., Feb. 5, 1632, Margaret Warren, who died in Southold, L. I., about 1669. Joseph and Margaret (Warren) Youngs had at least 5 children.²²⁷

John² Youngs, born Southwold, Eng., Mar. 23, 1635, died Southold, L. I., about 1689. He married before 1676, Mercy Horton, daughter of Barnabas Horton, and she survived her husband. John and Mercy (Horton) Youngs had 4 children.²²⁸

JOHN³ YOUNGS, born Southold, L. I., probably about 1686, died in that place in 1760, administration on his estate being granted to his widow, May 17, 1760.²²⁹ He had a first wife Patience, who died Jan. 10, 1714–15;²³⁰ a second wife Dorcas, who died Mar. 7, 1743–4;²³¹ and he married a third wife, Nov. 17, 1746, Mary Reeve, who died Oct. 17, 1764, aged 66.

John and Dorcas Youngs had at least 4 children, one of them being a daughter Patience, born about 1719, died May 15, 1799, who married Robert Terry.²³²

²²⁷ Youngs Family, 1907, p. 43.

²²⁸ Youngs Family, p. 56.

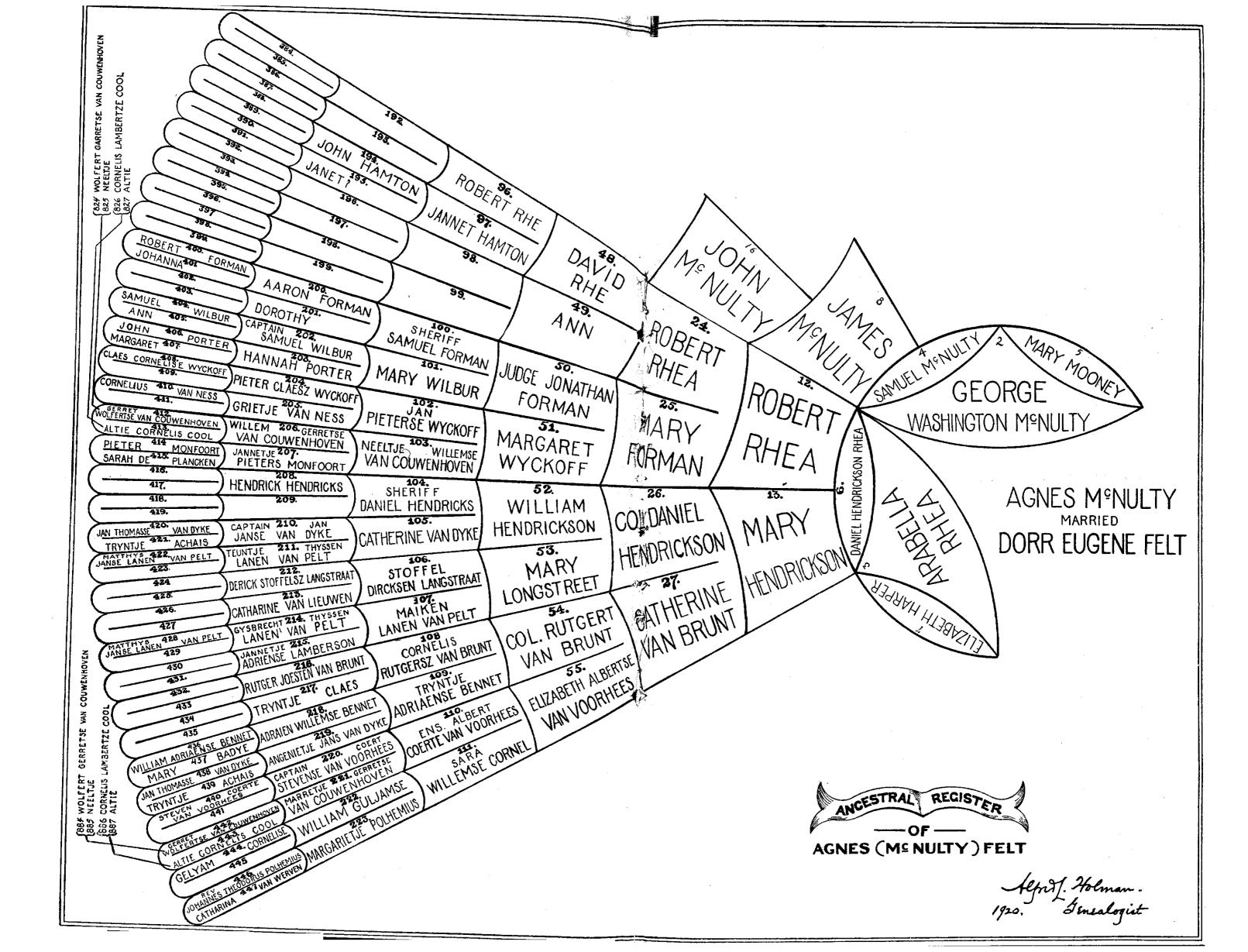
²²⁹ Youngs Family, p. 73.

²³⁰ N. Y. Record, 47-351.

²³¹ N. Y. Record, 48-29.

²³² Youngs Family, p. 73.

ANCESTRY OF AGNES (McNULTY) FELT WIFE OF DORR EUGENE FELT





MRS. AGNES (McNULTY) FELT, WIFE OF DORR E. FELT

McNULTY

HE following record of the McNulty Family is based on the "Genealogy of the McNulty Family is by David Liggett McNulty (No. 51), published in 1912; to which have been added data from the Bible of Samuel McNulty (No. 14), together with information gained from living members of the family.

I. IOHN McNULTY is said to have come from the North of Ireland (with his brother Charles, who settled in Mississippi), in the early part of the 18th century. He settled in York County, Pa., where he died, leaving a will dated Feb. 16, 1774. His wife Mary and son John were executors of his estate. (No. 16 on chart.)

CHILDREN.

- i. James.
- ii. Richard.
- iii. William.
- iv. John. He settled in Antrim Twp., Franklin County, Pa.
- v. Michael.
- vi. Joseph.
- 8. vii. Caleb.
- 2. James McNulty, (John lived at Green Village, Pa., where most or all of his children were born. The name of his wife is not given. (No. 8 on chart.)

CHILDREN.

- i. James, Jr., b. Aug. 28, 1782; mar. Catherine Kline.
- ii. Sarah Ann, b. 1785; mar. Felix Doyle.
- iii. Nancy, b. 1787; mar. a Mr. Immel or Gemmel.
- iv. Joseph, b. 1788; mar. Margaret Culbertson.
- v. Charles, b. Apr. 9, 1791; mar. Jane McCarrell.
- vi. Samuel, b. 1794; mar. Mary Mooney.
- 15. vii. Hannah, lived at home until grown.
- 16. viii. Mary Ida Lashin, b. 1803; mar. a Mr. Redette.
- 9. James McNulty, (James, John) was born at Green Village, York County (now Franklin Co.), Pa., Aug. 28, 1782, and died in Ashland, Ohio, July 29, 1849; married in

Franklin Co., Pa., Feb. 10, 1804, Catherine Kline, who was born in Franklin Co., Pa., Apr. 28, 1786, and died in Ashland, O., Nov. 13, 1845, daughter of Nicholas Kline.

CHILDREN OF JAMES AND CATHERINE (KLINE) McNulty.

- i. Nicholas, b. Nov. 20, 1805; married and had three children. 17.
- ii. Harriet, b. Mar. 28, 1807.
- 10. iii. Samuel, b. Feb. 11, 1810.
- iv. James, b. Mar. 8, 1812; married Margaret Pugh.
- v. Matilda, b. Oct. 12, 1813.
- vi. William, b. Dec. 5, 1816.
- vii. Elizabeth, b. Aug. 17, 1819; mar. a Mr. McGaughev and they had one daughter.
- 24. viii. John, b. Nov. 2, 1821. Died at home.
- ix. George v Paul twins, b. Oct. 14, 1824.
- xi. Anna, b. Jan. 26, 1826; mar. a Mr. Deering and they had one
- xii. Charles, b. Mar. 18, 1828, died at Fort Laramie; unmarried.
- 10. SARAH ANN³ McNulty, (James, John¹) was born at Green Village, Pa., in 1785, and died in Chambersburg, Pa.; married about 1780 in Path Valley, Pa., Felix Dovle.

CHILDREN OF FELIX AND SARAH ANN (McNulty) Doyle.

- i. Charles Dovle. 29.
- ii. Barnabas Doyle.
- iii. William Doyle, mar. a Miss Byers and they had six children.
- iv. John Doyle, mar. and had children. He is probably the ancestor of the Doyles now (1912) living at Dry Run in Path Valley, Pa.
- v. James Doyle.
- vi. Julia Dovle.
- 35. vii. Sarah Doyle.
- 36. viii. Ann Dovle.
- ix. Harriet Doyle.
- 11. NANCY McNulty, (James, John) was born at Green Village, Pa., in 1787, and died at Blairsville, Pa., Jan. 25, 1855; married in 1805, a Mr. Immel or Gemmel, who died in Chambersburg, Pa., and they had one daughter.
 - i. Madalene Immel or Gemmel, born Chambersburg, Jan. 28, 1806, died Aug. 8, 1892; married Jan. 28, 1836, George W. Johnson, and they had four children, none of whom married.

12. Joseph³ McNulty, (James, John¹) born in 1788, died in Green Village, Pa., Apr. 16, 1854; married Margaret Culbertson, of Franklin County, Pa., who died in Green Village, Mar. 20, 1862.

CHILDREN OF JOSEPH AND MARGARET (CULBERTSON) McNulty.

- i. Isaac, married in New Jersey and lived for some time in New York. Had two boys and a girl.
- 40. ii. William, b. Mar. 27, 1824; mar. Mrs. Margaret (Pugh)
 McNulty, widow of his cousin, James McNulty (No. 20).
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- 41. iii. Margaret, married Jacob Bittinger and they had eight children: Agnes, Lydia Bell, Catherine, John, Horace G., David, Luther B. and Albert Bittinger.
- 42. iv. Elizabeth, married William Baughman and they had two children, Samuel and Elizabeth Baughman.
- 43. v. John, died when a young man, unmarried.
- 13. CHARLES⁸ McNulty, (James, John) was born at Green Village, June 7, 1791, and married in 1810 or 1811 Jane McCarrell, born Apr. 9, 1791, daughter of John and Mary (McKnight) McCarrell.

CHILDREN OF CHARLES AND JANE (McCARRELL) McNulty.

- 44. i. John, b. 1812; d. 1845; unmarried.
- 45. ii. Mary Ann, b. 1814; married 1841, Adam Ross.
- 46. iii. Caroline, died young.
- 47. iv. Elizabeth Jane, died young.
- 48. v. William Charles, b. June 6, 1823; married (1) 1843, Sophia Mouer, b. Mar. 27, 1817, d. Feb. 26, 1856; (2) February, 1857, Catherine Reamer Shoemaker. He had 5 children by his first wife and 3 by his second.
- 49. vi. Rev. Joseph McCarrell, D. D., b. May 12, 1827, d. Dec. 24, 1906; mar. (1) Sep. 22, 1852, Hannah B. Lander; (2) Oct. 25, 1877, Margaret Praul. He had 2 children by his first wife: William, who died young, and Benjamin Lander, b. 1854, who mar. Apr. 28, 1896, Annie Brewster.
- 50. vii. Caroline Elizabeth, b. Feb. 22, 1829; married Nov. 6, 1849, David H. Black, b. Aug. 22, 1822, d. May 29, 1879. They had 7 children, 4 boys & 3 girls.
- 51. viii. David Leggett, b. July 28, 1832; married Dec. 6, 1855, Lucretia Ellanora Sterrett, b. Mar. 12, 1834, d. Jan. 20, 1907, daughter of William Dunwoody and Lucretia Maria (Nead) Sterrett. They had 14 children.

- 52. ix. Louisa Jane, b. Mar. 30, 1834, d. May 24, 1879; married Mar. 7, 1859, Benjamin Newton Sterrett, b. Jan. 15, 1836, d. Feb. 14, 1895, son of William Dunwoody and Lucretia Maria (Nead) Sterrett. They had 4 children.
- 14. Samuel³ McNulty, (James,² John¹) was born in Green Village, Franklin County, Pa., in 1794, and died in Blairsville, Pa., Oct. 22, 1870; married at Green Village about 1815, Mary Mooney, who died Nov. 2, 1852, aged 56 years. (No. 4 on chart.)

CHILDREN OF SAMUEL AND MARY (MOONEY) McNulty.

- 53. i. Charles Augustus, b. June 1, 1817; mar. Frances Sophia Miraben.
- 54. ii. John, b. Jan. 3, 1819, d. Apr. 20, 1848.

55. iii. Isabella, b. Nov. 24, 1820, d. Sep. 22, 1821.

- 56. iv. George Washington, b. Nov. 11, 1822; mar. Arabella Rhea.
- 57. v. Andrew Jackson, b. Oct. 17, 1824, d. LaMotte, Iowa, June 12, 1856; married Nov. 9, 1853, Rose Stephens.
- 58. vi. Harrison, b. Oct. 22, 1826; mar. Anna Mary Wilson.

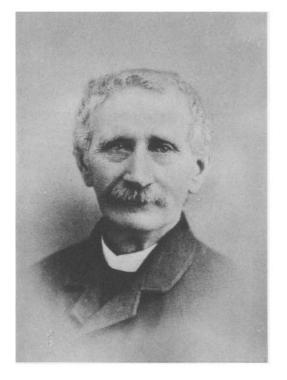
59. vii. William, b. June 13, 1828, d. June 30, 1828.

- 60. viii. Agnes, b. Nov. 29, 1829, d. Feb. 24, 1866; married June, 1855, Daniel Barr.
- 16. MARY IDA LASHIN³ McNulty, (James, John¹) was born in Green Village, Pa., in 1803, and married about 1823, a Mr. Redette, of Shippensburg, Pa. They had the following children:
 - 61. i. Samuel Redette, died young.

2. ii. John Redette, b. 1826; died at the Soldiers' Home in Dayton,

Ohio, in 1885.

- 63. iii. Ida Redette, died in 1886; married in 1843, William Maher, who died in 1892, and they had 9 children, Mary, James, Samuel, William, Anna, Thomas, Margaret, Rose and Gertrude. Of these children, James and Rose died young but the others all married and had children.
- 53. CHARLES AUGUSTUS⁴ McNULTY, (Samuel, James, John) was born in Green Village, Pa., June 1, 1817, and died in San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 15, 1884; married Wheeling, Va. (now West Virginia), Apr. 14, 1842, Frances Sophia Miraben, born Wheeling, Apr. 15, 1824, died San Francisco, May 17, 1911, daughter of Bertrand V. Miraben.





GEORGE WASHINGTON McNULTY

ARABELLA (RHEA) MCNULTY

Children of Charles Augustus and Frances Sophia (Miraben) McNulty.

- 64. i. Bertrand, b. Wheeling, May 12, 1843, d. San Francisco May 19, 1895; unmarried.
- 65. ii. Virginia, b. Pittsburgh, Pa., Sep. 5, 1844, d. San Francisco, May 17, 1911; married San Francisco, Feb. 15, 1871, Thurlow McMullin. They had one child, Latham McMullin, who was born in San Francisco, Mar. 17, 1872, and married May 8, 1901, Mary Thomas, born in Boston, Mass., Dec. 14, 1875, and they have a daughter, Virginia, McMullin, born Dec. 6, 1913.
- 56. GEORGE WASHINGTON⁴ McNulty, (Samuel, James, John¹) was born in Blairsville, Pa., Nov. 11, 1822, and died in Chicago, Ill., Dec. 25, 1886; married at Pittsburgh, Pa., Jan. 27, 1853, Arabella Rhea (spelt Rhey in Bible record), daughter of Daniel Hendrickson and Elizabeth (Harper) Rhea. (No. 2 on chart.)

Children of George Washington and Arabella (Rhea) McNulty.

- 66. i. Arabella Jane, b. Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 17, 1853.
- 67. ii. Charles Augustus, b. Bellevue, Iowa, Sep. 1, 1855; married Virginia City, Montana, 1883, Flora McKay. He died at Harlem, Mont., Oct. 7, 1904.
- 68. iii. Samuel, b. Bellevue, Ia., 1857, d. August, 1859.
- iv. Harriet Virginia, b. Bellevue, Ia., Feb. 25, 1860; married at Milwaukee, Wis., June 3, 1896, D. B. Morris.
- v. Agnes, b. Bellevue, Ia., Apr. 2, 1861; married Chicago, Ill.,
 Jan. 15, 1891, Dorr Eugene Felt. (See Felt Genealogy.)
- 71. vi. George W., b. Bellevue, Ia., Dec. 17, 1864, married Omaha, Neb., May 4, 1887, Jessie Elnora Romine.
- 58. HARRISON⁴ McNulty, (Samuel, James, John¹) was born October 22, 1826, and died Sep. 3, 1899; married Blairsville, Pa., Nov. 20, 1848, Anna Mary Wilson. This family spelt the name McAnulty.

CHILDREN OF HARRISON AND ANNA MARY (WILSON) McAnulty.

- 72. i. Mary Agnes.
- 73. ii. Annabel.
- 74. iii. William McCormick.
- 75. iv. James Wilson.
- 76. v. Charles Augustus.
- 77. vi. Ida Maher, married J. V. Kilgore.

BENNET

Numbers in bold-faced type at the commencement of each generation correspond with numbers on the chart of Agnes (McNulty) Felt.

TILLIAM ADRIAENSE' BENNET, an Englishman, and a cooper by trade, was in this country prior to 1636, for in that year he and one other purchased from the Indians 930 acres of land at Gowanus, and he appears to have bought out the interest of the other man Dec. 26, 1639. He married Mary Badye (sometimes written Mary Thomas) daughter of Aeltien Brackhonge (wife of Willem Bredenbent) by a former husband, and widow of Jacob Verdon. William Adriaense Bennet died prior to 1644, and his widow married again and was living as late as January, 1697. He and his wife had 5 children.

Dec. 3, 1662, Angenietje Jans Van Dyke, daughter of Jan Thomasse Van Dyke and his second wife Tryntje Achais or Haegen. He settled at first in New Utrecht, where he was Constable in 1676, and where he was a member of the Reformed Dutch Church and Deacon in 1677, but sold his property there Jan. 26, 1681–2, having bought land in Gowanus, to which place he removed, and where he took the oath of allegiance in 1687 as a native. He was a Commissioner in 1687 and his name appears on the Census of 1698.

Adriaen Willemse Bennet and his wife Angenietje had 11 children, one of them being a daughter Tryntje Adriaense, born 1664, who married Cornelis Rutgersz Van Brunt.

¹ Bergen's Early Settlers of Kings Co., 1881, p. 29.

² Bergen's Early Settlers of Kings Co., p. 27.

COOL

An account of this family will be found under the Ancestry of Dorr Eugene Felt in another part of this work.

CORNEL

ELYAM¹ OR GUILLIAME CORNELISE, the common ancestor of the Flatbush and Kings Country families of Cornell, emigrated to this country at an early period (was probably a Huguenot), settled at Flatbush, and died prior to July, 1666. "The surname of his descendants for more than a century was pronounced Cornale, with the accent on the e (from Cornelise son of Cornelis) and but lately changed to Cornell. What Guilliame's proper surname was, if he had any, has not been ascertained, but from his name it is evident he was a Frenchman." He had 5 children.³

Polhemius, daughter of Rev. Johannes Theodorus Polhemius and his wife Catharina Van Werven, and he died prior to 1702. His name appears on the assessment rolls of Flatbush of 1675 and 1683; as a Magistrate of the town from 1659 to 1664; and as a member of the Reformed Dutch Church of Flatbush in 1677. He signed his name "Willem Guljamse."

He and his wife Margarita had 7 children, one of them being a daughter Sara Willemse, who died about 1736, and who married Albert Coerte Van Voorhees.⁴

³ Bergen's Early Settlers of Kings Co., 1881, p. 71.

⁴Bergen's Early Settlers of Kings Co., p. 73.

FORMAN

OBERT' FORMAN "was driven from England by the persecution of Archbishop Laud and took refuge in Holland. His name and that of his wife are enrolled upon the church register at Vlissingen, Holland. of which the English name is Flushing. Coming to America, he was one of the 18 incorporators of the town of Flushing, on Long Island, in 1645." He removed from Flushing to Hempstead, L. I., and his name appears among the 43 signers of a letter to Governor Stuyvesant agreeing to pay the "tenths" demanded by the Governor, if it can be shown that they are obliged to do so. He was appointed by the Governor on Dec. 9, 1658, one of the magistrates at Hampstead. On May 12, 1664, he was appointed one of the two magistrates of Oyster Bay, then under the rule of Connecticut. He died in 1671. His will is dated Feb. 7, 1670, and is in Oyster Bay Records, 1-239, in office of Clerk of Queens Co., Jamaica, L. I. The inventory of the estate of his widow Johanna is dated June 6, 1672.6 Robert and Johanna Forman had 3 children (mentioned in his will).

WILL OF ROBERT FORMAN.7

February 7th, 1670. Ovster Bay. I being

Ye last will and testament of Robert fforman of Oyster Bay. I being weak in body, yet being in perfect memory and understanding, do desire of my estate as followeth, viz: First, I give to my loving wife my house, barn and orchard, and home lot, and the meadow at Matinecock, and all ye hollow at ye Plain Edge, and a hollow on ye Brushy Plains for my wife to dispose of as she see best for her comfortable subsistence, while she liveth, and if my son Aaron will undertake this for his mother, my will is that he shall do it, and improve ye aforesaid house and land for her, before any other, and at my wife's decease, ye above mentioned house and land to be my son Aaron's—to him and his (heirs) forever.

Secondly. I give to my two sons Samuel and Moses all of ye remainder of my accommodation, both of meadows at ye south and mowable land

⁵Col. Hist. of New York, 1883, 14-362.

⁶ Forman Genealogy, 1903, p. 66.

⁷Forman Genealogy, 1903, p. 66.

upon ye plains, to be equally divided betwixt them, and in particular, I give to my son Samuel all my housing and land at ye Cold Spring, after my wife's decease, provided always ye agreement formerly made betwixt my two sons Samuel and Moses at my wife's decease shall stand.

Thirdly. I give to my loving wife all my personal estate, both of living stock and household goods to her proper use and behoof, for her comfort and to dispose of at her decease; and my will is that my two sons shall during their mother's life, provide yearly, hay and what else is needful for ye maintaining their mother's stock of cattle. This is my will, as witness my hand in presence of

Jonas Wood, Ab—— Frost. Robert fforman.

This will was probated at Jamaica, Long Island, at June session, 1671, and the widow was allowed to be executrix.

AARON² FORMAN, born not later than 1637, was a townsman of Hempstead, L. I., in 1660, but was living in Oyster Bay in 1683. He removed to Monmouth Co., N. J., before Apr. 11, 1693, the date of a deed in which he is described as of the County of Monmouth and Province of East Jersey, planter, and by which he conveys land at Oyster Bay to "my son Alexander Forman, which land was granted unto me Aaron Forman by a gift of my father Robert Forman." He had a wife Dorothy, and they had 4 children.⁸

SHERIFF SAMUEL³ FORMAN, born about 1662, removed to Monmouth Co., N. J., as did two of his brothers, and their names appear among the signatures to a Remonstrance of the Inhabitants of East Jersey to the King against the Acts of the Proprietors, under date of Nov. 16, 1700.⁹ On Nov. 29, 1695, Samuel Forman was commissioned High Sheriff of Monmouth Co., by Gov. Andrew Hamilton.¹⁰ He married Mary Wilbur, daughter of Capt. Samuel and Hannah (Porter) Wilbur. Sheriff Samuel Forman died Oct. 13, 1740, in the 78th year of his age, his wife having died Mar. 13, 1728, in the 62nd year of her age. (Gravestone Records.) They are buried on a farm about 1½ miles from Freehold,

⁸ Forman Genealogy, p. 69.

⁹N. J. Archives, 2-222.

¹⁰ Commissions, Trenton, C-235.

N. J. Sheriff Samuel and Mary (Wilbur) Forman had 9 children.¹¹

JUDGE JONATHAN⁴ FORMAN, born 1688, was Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, Monmouth Co., N. J., in 1745. He married Margaret Wyckoff, born 1693, died Dec. 21, 1765, aged 72, daughter of Jan Pieterse and Neeltje Willemse (Van Couwenhoven) Wyckoff.

He died Dec. 28, 1762, aged 72 years, and he and his wife are buried in the Old Scots' Cemetery in Marlborough Township, Monmouth Co., N. J.

Judge Jonathan and Margaret (Wyckoff) Forman had 8 children, one of them being a daughter Mary, who married Robert Rhea.¹²

WILL OF JONATHAN FORMAN.13

In the Name of God Amen The Twentieth day of June in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and fifty nine I Jonathan Forman of Freehold in the County of Monmouth and Province of New Jersey Esqr. Being antient and weak in body but of Perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto God therefore Calling unto mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to Die Do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament that is to say Principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul unto the hands of God that gave it and for my body I recommend it to the earth to be burried in a Christian like and decent manner at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty Power of God and as touching such wordly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life I give devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form Viz: Firstly I Give and bequeath unto Margaret my Dearly beloved wife one moiety or half part of my Farm or Plantation whereon I now dwell and also one half of all my buildings and of my Negro Men and one Negro woman at her choice and her choice of any two of my beds with all the Furniture to them belonging that is now in the house and the one half of all my other household goods belonging to my House all which I give unto her to have and enjoy as long as she remains my widow but if she should see cause to marry again then my mind and will is that she shall have her choice of one of my Negro women and her choice of one of my Beds with all its furniture and her choice of a Riding Horse and her Side Sadle all which she shall have and enjoy enduring her natural life and after her decease

¹¹ Forman Genealogy, p. 69.

¹² Forman Genealogy, p. 73.

¹³ Trenton Wills, H-215.

to be returned and be divided amongst all my Children and Grand Daughter Eleanor VanDorn or to such of them as she shall think most deserving and if the Negro woman shall have any children between the time of my decease and the decease of my said wife they are to be returned and be disposed of in like manner. Also I give her my Negro children Tone and Nan for her to give to any of my children which she sees cause to give them to.

Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Son Samuel Forman besides what he has already had Ten Pounds in money and at my wife's decease my negro boy called Ninos.

Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Son John Forman besides what he had already had the like sum of Ten Pounds.

Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Son Peter Forman his heirs and assigns for ever all that tract of land begining at Nicholas Stilwells southwest corner at a Red Oak Tree marked on four sides thence runing south seventy three degrees west fifteen chains and twenty six links to George Rhe's Line thence along his line fourteen chains crossing a swamp to the upland, thence south seventy three degrees west nine chains and thirty six links on a straight line to an oak tree marked on four sides which line runs on the upland, thence north forty three degrees thirty minutes west thirty one chains and fifty links to Nicholas Stilwells Swamp thence north seventy eight degrees east fifteen chains twenty six links up the said swamp more or less to where Stilwells' and my lines meets at the Swamp thence along said Stillwels and my lines to where it began.

Item I give and Bequeath unto the three Youngest Children of my well beloved Son Jonathan Forman Jun. deceas'd the sum of sixty pounds to be equally divided and paid viz: the Sum of twenty pounds to each of them as they severally arrive at the age of twenty one years, but if their eldest brother shall when he is of age give unto his youngest brother and two sisters a suitable and reasonable share of their Fathers Estate (so as to please my Executors or the survivor or survivors of them) then it is my will and I do order that the above sixty pounds be divided into four equal parts and that he shall have his part as well as the other three and his equal part that I designed for their Father of my brother Samuel Forman Deceased estate hereafter mentioned.

Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Daughter Mary wife of Robert Rhe the sum of One hundred pounds to be paid unto or her Heirs or assigns one year after my or my wifes decease or the decease of the survivors of us.

Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved Grand Daughter Eleanor VanDorn one good Feather and Furniture two Cows and their Calves ten sheep my Negro boy called Mack one Cupboard or Desk one horse or mare fit for her own Riding and ten pounds to purchase necessaries for housekeeping all to be to her at the time of her marriage and also the sum of one hundred pounds to be paid unto her or her heirs or assigns two years after my or my wifes decease or the decease of the survivor of us Also to have the full priviledge of that Room in my House that is now

her bedroom and liberty to sit in my Phew in the new meeting House until she is married.

Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved son David Forman his heirs and assigns forever all my lands and meadows that is in New Jersey Excepting what is above bequeathed and a Cedar Swamp hereafter mentioned and the one half of all my Personal or moveable estate in New Jersey not herein bequeathed, and all the debts that will be due to me at my decease and my negro Men Titus & Tom to enable him to pay all the just debts which I owe either Law or Conscience and also all the legacies above mentioned and herein after mentioned.

Item I give and bequeath unto my well Beloved and Eldest Son Samuel Forman aforesaid his heirs and assigns forever the one third part of all my lands and profits in New England bequeathed unto me by the last will and testament of my well beloved brother Samuel Forman Deceased and it is my will and I do order that the other two third parts of my said lands and profitts in New England aforesaid be equally divided among all my other children their heirs and assigns forever and that my said son Jonathan Forman deceased's three youngest children shall have the part that should have been the part that should have fallen to their Father had he been alive unless their eldest brother when of age Comply and make division as above mentioned of his fathers estate, which if he do he shall have an equal share with his other brothers and sisters as aforesaid and not otherwise.

Item and whereas my said brother Samuel Forman left and bequeathed in his said last will and testament a Certain piece of land lying at Portsmouth on Rhode Island in New England containing about sixty two acres equally between our brethren Joseph Forman and Ezekiel Forman and thereby ordered them to pay out of the same legacies to our three sisters viz: Hannah Madock Mary Romine and Rebecca each to the value of fifty pounds New York money, but so it pleased God that our said brother Ezekiel Forman Died before our said brother Samuel Forman and therefore that bequest was void and I being Heir at Law to that past was willing and did pay half of said legacies given to my said three sisters, therefore my said brother Joseph Forman and myself have sold the said land and paid all the said legacies to our said Sisters notwithstanding I being heartily willing to comply with what I believe was my said brother Samuel's will and desire, that is, that brother Ezekiel's children should enjoy what was bequeathed to him, had he lived to inherit it altho it was not to his children, for at the time that brother Samuel Forman aforesaid made his said will brother Ezekiel had no child therefore as it is fallen into my Hands I give and bequeath all the remainer of the money after payment of the legacies aforesaid and charges thereon accrued unto my said brother Ezekiel's Children in manner following Viz: First, I give and bequeath unto Samuel Forman (son of my said brother Ezekiel) the sum of eighty pounds to be paid unto him on the twenty eighth day of October which will be anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and fifty nine.

Item I give and bequeath unto Thomas Forman (son of said Ezekiel)

the sume of seventy pounds to be paid unto him on the Eighteenth Day of December which will be anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and sixty one.

Item I give and bequeath unto Aaron Forman (son of said Ezekiel) the sum of seventy pounds to be paid unto him on the fourth Day of February which will be anno Domini one thousand Seven hundred and Sixty Seven.

Item I give and bequeath unto Ezekiel Forman (son of said Ezekiel) the sum of Seventy Pounds to be paid unto him on the Seventh day of April which will be anno domini One thousand seven hundred and Sixty Eight. All which Sums of money to be paid to my said Brother Ezekiel's said four sons above named by my above named son David Forman at the said times in Current money of New Jersey at Eight Shillings the ounce in which Currency all the above Legacies are to be Paid.

It is also my will and I do order that if any of my said brother Ezekiel's sons above named should die before they arrive at the age of twenty one years or have lawfull heirs of their bodies, then the part of the deceased shall be equally divided between the survivors of them.

Item I give and bequeath unto all my sons and their heirs and assigns forever all my Cedar Swamp above Cedar Bridge on a branch of Matetecunck River also it is my will and I do order that all parts of my Personal Estate not above bequeathed shall be given to my said son David Forman his heirs or assigns to be a further help to enable him to pay the above debts and legacies Also it is my will and I do order that if my said Granddaughter Eleanor VanDorn should die unmarried that then her above legacies shall return to my estate and be equally divided among all my children. And Lastly I constitute make and ordain my said dearly beloved wife Margaret afores^d. Executrix and my said well beloved Sons Samuel Forman and Peter Forman and no others Executors of this my last will and testament Ratifying and confirming this my Last will and Testament. And I do hereby utterly disallow revoke and disannul all and every other former Testaments wills legacies bequests and Executors by me in any ways before named willed and bequeathed ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last will & Testament.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the Day and year first above written.

Jonⁿ. Forman (L. S.)

Signed Sealed Published Pronounced and Declared by the said Jonathan Forman Esq^r. as his last will and Testament in the presence of us the Subscribers.

> John VanCafe Tho⁸. Leonard Jn⁹. Henderson Ja⁸. Robinson

Be it known to All Men by these Presents that whereas Jonathan Forman of Freehold in the County of Monmouth and Province of New

Jersey Esq^r. have made and declared my last will and testament in writing bearing date the Twentieth day of June 1759 I the said Jonathan Forman by this Present Codicil do Ratify and confirm my said last will and testament and do give and bequeath unto my said well beloved Son Peter Forman & his heirs Ten pounds besides what is in the above will and the land that I gave in sd will I have given him a Deed for it which is to be a discharge for that part of said will also I give unto him my Negro boy named Toney at the decease or discretion of my dearly beloved wife I in like manner give and bequeath unto my well beloved Daughter Mary the wife of Robert Rhe my Negro Girl named Nanny and I in like manner give and bequeath in like manner my Negro woman Franck to my Daughter Mary and Son David. I give and bequeath unto my said dearly beloved wife Margaret to be possessed by her enduring her natural life all my household goods whatsoever (excepting my watch and my best Gun) and after her decease to be equally divided between my said Daughter Mary Rhe and Granddaughter Eleanor Van Dorn (Negros not to be included in household goods).

It is my will and I bequeath unto my son David Forman all my Farms utensills whatsoever and my said watch and Gun whatsoever Sum or Sums or things that I have paid or given or that I may hereafter pay or give in my life time to any legatee or legatees shall be accounted a discharge to discharge so much of said legacies or legacies as shall be paid or given-all my Horses Cattle and Sheep not before bequeathed I order to be equally divided amongst all my sons that are now alive and their heirs I also give and bequeath unto my well beloved son Samuel Forman his heirs & assigns forever Sixteen acres and one half acre of land in Freetown in New England to which I am heir at law. And my will and meaning is that this Codicil or Schedule be and be adjudged to be part and Parcel of my said Last Will and Testament and that all things herein mentioned and contained be faithfully and truely performed and as fully & amply in every respect as if the same were so declared & set down in my said last will and Testament, Witness my hand and seal the sixth day of June anno domini 1761.

John Forman (L. S.)

Signed Sealed published & declared in Presence of us
John VanClafe
James Robinson
Ino Henderson

Memorandum That on the Twentieth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty Three John VanClafe James Robinson and John Henderson three of the within evidences appeared before me John Smyth duely authorized &c and they being sworn on the Holy Evangelists on their oath do declare that they were present and did see Jonathan Forman the testator within named sign and Seal the within instruments and heard him publish and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament, that at the doing thereof the said

Jonathan Forman was of sound mind and memory to the best of their knowledge and as they verily believe and that at the same time Thomas Leonard the other evidence to one of said Instruments was also Present and signed his name as an evidence thereto as each of the deponents did to both instruments in the presence of the said Jonathan Forman also that at the same time Samuel Forman and Peter Forman two of the Executors within named came before me and were qualifyed by takeing the oath of executors as by law appointed.

John Smyth

Probat granted by Gov^r Hardy &c (in the usual form &c) dated the same twentieth day of January 1763.

Cha: Read Regr.

HAMTON

JOHN¹ HAMTON (or HAMPTON) was of Elphingstoun, East Lothair, Scotland, as is shown by a deed for a 10 acre lot on Amboy Point given him by the Proprietors of East Jersey, dated Nov. 23, 1682, in which deed he is styled "gardner." He is said to have had a first wife Janet, and he married (2) Shrewsbury, N. J., Mar. 3, 1686-7, Martha Brown; (3) between May 27, 1697, and May 12, 1698, Mrs. Jane (Curtis) Ogborne.

Records in New Jersey show "Names of John Hantone's children, brought to the Province in 1683; Janet, Elizabeth, Lideah, John, David." ¹⁸

John and (Janet?) Hamton had at least 5 children, one of them, perhaps the oldest, being Jannet, who married Robert Rhe.

He made his will Jan. 31, 1702, and it was proved Feb. 26, 1702 (1702–3).

WILL OF JOHN HAMTON.19

In the name of God Amen the twentieth and third day of January one thousand seven hundred and two years According to the computation of the church of England I John Hamton of Freehold in the County of Monmouth and province of East New Jersey planter being of perfect memorie and Remembrance praised be God do make and ordaine this my last will and testament in Manner and form following Viz Imp^s I bequeath my soul into the hands of almighty god my maker hoping that through the meritorious death and passion of Jesus Christ my only Saviour and redeemer to receive free pardon and forgiveness of all my sins and as for my body to be buried in Christian buriall at the discretion of my Ex^{rs}. hereafter nominated

Item I give unto my son John hamton the north east Lot of my land lying next the dutch mans brook being part of that land which was formerly James Millers.

¹⁴ N. J. Archives, 21-72.

¹⁵ Stillwell's Hist. and Gen. Misc., 4-157.

¹⁶ Stillwell's Hist. and Gen. Misc., 1-242.

¹⁷ N. J. Archives, 21-519, 525.

¹⁸ N. J. Archives, 21-90.

¹⁹ Trenton Deeds, H-123.

Item I give unto my son David Hamton the mid Lot of the sd land Joyning to that I have given John my son.

Item I give unto my son Joseph the south west lot of the s^d land lying next to James Reids Land as also I give unto them my ditched meadow adjoyning to James Reids Land after my widow Jean Hamton her marriage or decease and I likewise will that if one or more of my sd sons shall die without heirs Lawfully begotten of their bodies y^t then their Estate of Inheritance shall fall to their Surviveing Brethren or their lawful heirs and likewise if any of them be minded to sell their abovs^d Inheritance they prefer it first to their brethren or Lawful heirs.

Item I give unto my son Andrew Hamton one hundred acres of Land I purchased of John Butler when he comes to be twenty one years of age.

Item I give unto Jonathan Hamton my son one hundred Acres of Land upon which my house stands after my widow's marriage or death when he is of age twentie one years.

Item I give unto my son Noah hamton the midle hundred acres lying twixt that I have given to my sons Andrew and Jonathan hamtons after my widows marriage or decease when he comes to the age of twentie one years And I will that my sons David Jonathan and Noah Hamtons live upon my s^d plantation and be assisting to my sd widow till they come of age (if she see cause to keep them.

Item I give unto my wife Jean and her son Joseph hampton four cows two bigg steers a year old bull two year old heifers and a year old steer of her choosing.

Item in token of my love to Sarah and Mary Ogburns I give each of them a year old heifer.

Item I give unto my daughters Elizabeth and Lydia each of them a cow.

Item I give unto my sons John David Jonathan Andrew and Noah Hamtons all the rest of my estate to be Equally divided among them by my Exrs.

Item I give unto my wife Jean and her son Joseph Hamton my horses called Buck Jack and the young horse that runs in the woods.

Item to my sons John and David hamtons my two old mares that run in the woods and the horse called Cupid and will that they give to my sons Jonathan and Noah two mare Colts when the mares breeds them.

Item I give to my son Andrew Hamton my young mare in the woods. Item to Jean my wife and my son Joseph twelve of my sheep of her choosing.

Item to Sarah and Mary Ogburns two Ewes. Item to Jannet Rayes her children three Ewes.

Item to my four G and Children four Ewes and all the rest of my sheep to my sons John David Andrew Jonathan and Noah hamtons.

Îtem Î give my daughters Elizabeth and Lydia two bedds and Bolsters which were their mothers wth what other cloths my Ex^{rs}. find can be sparred.

Item to Jean my wife my great bible and after her decease to my son Joseph.

Item to Jannet Ray my little bible.

Item to my wife Jean and her Children all that belonged to her and her Children before our marriage and the Equall half of all my pewter and the other half to my daughters Elizabeth and Lydia.

Item to my sons John and David Hamtons I give each of them an

Iron pot.

It: to Jean my wife and and my son joseph a case wth knives and a case wth botles wth all my provisions of meat & drink &c for the use of my house and I desire my Exrs. may make use of my wheat in the house and in the barn for paying all my debts and what is over paying my debts I give to my wife Jean and my son Joseph.

Item: to Jean my wife and my son Joseph the half of my crop of wheat on the ground and the other half thereof to my sons John and David Hamton upon the condition they cut down the same and take it up again carry it to my barn and then secure it thresh clean and transport it

to market.

It: I give to Jean my wife and son Joseph my cart & Cows harrows ax aze howes Siths and other tools and utensils upon my plantations wth all the remaining vessels tables Chairs beds and bedsteads Chests and Trunks &c. together wth two sows and their pigs and three hives of bees.

It: all the rest of my Goods Money debts I give unto my wife Jean and my son Joseph Hamton upon Condition they pay all my debts and Legats and make Robert Ray of Freehold and Jean my wife my Exrs. of this my last will and Testament revoking all other wills and testament In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal day and year above written in presence of

Andrew Burnet

John Hamton (Seal)

John Trot William Laing

William Laing and Andrew burnet two of the hereunto Subscribing witnesses came before me underwritten Commissionated for taking the probate of all last wills and Testaments within this province of East New Jersey and did solemnly depose that they saw the above named John Hamton sign seal publish and declare the above written Instrument to be his last will and testament and y^t at the same time he was of sound mind and perfect memorie to the best of their understanding Jurat

vicesimo Sexto Die Febry Anno Domi 1702 Coram me

Thomas Gordon



CHILDHOOD PICTURES OF DAUGHTERS OF DORR EUGENE AND AGNES (McNULTY) FELT



GIRLHOOD PICTURES OF DAUGHTERS OF DORR EUGENE AND AGNES (McNULTY) FELT

HENDRICKSON

ENDRICK¹ HENDRICKS (or Hendricksen) is said to have been born in 1636, and to have come with his first wife to this country from Westphalen in the ship Rosetree or Roseboom.²⁰ Beekman in "Early Dutch Settlers of Monmouth Co., N. J.," in speaking of his sons Daniel & William, says that they "were brothers and sons of Hendrick Hendricks by his first wife," and that he thinks the father lived in Monmouth between 1694 and 1706. "Hendrick Hendricks was a widower and married again about 1706 Helen Cortelyou, the widow of Nicholas Van Brunt and of Dionyse Denyse. After this marriage it is said that he lived with his wife on land at New Utrecht, L. I., which her father, Jacques Cortelyou, had devised to her."²¹

Daniel Hendricks, born probably on Long Island, was of Middletown, N. J., in 1693, where he died in January, 1728, his will being dated Nov. 16, 1727, and it was proved Jan. 29, 1728. He married in Brooklyn, Catherine, daughter of Capt. Jan Janse Van Dyke and Teuntje Thyssen Lanen Van Pelt his wife, and she survived him. They had 11 children.

Daniel Hendricks was appointed one of the constables of Middletown in 1704–5, and in 1707 was appointed High Sheriff, being the first Netherlander to hold that office.²²

Commission to Daniel Hendrickson as High Sheriff of Monmouth County.²³

Anne by the grace of God of England Scotland France & Ireland &c Queen Defender of the faith &c. To Daniell Hendrickson Esq^r high sheriff of the County of Monmouth Greeting we comitt unto you our County of Monmouth in this our Province of Nova Cesaria or New Jersey

²⁰ Van Pelt Family, 1913, p. 251.

²¹ Beekman's Early Dutch Settlers of Monmouth Co., 2 ed., 1915, pp. 121, 148. ²² Beekman's Early Dutch Settlers of Monmouth Co., 2 ed., 1915, p. 121 et seq.;

Van Pelt Family, p. 150; Beekman and Van Dyke Genealogy, p. 187.

²⁸ Trenton Commissions, AAA-73.

in America from the day of the date of these presents unto the Tenth day of November now next ensueing saveing unto us our heirs & Successors all dues and other things to us and them thereby belonging And all our Loving Subjects in our said County are hereby required and Comanded that to you in the said office of high sheriff they are aideing helping & assisting In Testimony whereof we have cause the Great Seale of our said Province of New Jersey to be hereunto affixed Witness our right Trusty and Right Welbeloved Cousin Edward Viscount Cornbury our Captain Generall & Governor in Chief in & over the Provinces of New Jersey New York & all the Territories & tracts of land Depending thereon in america & Vice Admiral of the same at Perth Amboy the Twelfth day of November in the fifth year of our reign.

By his Excellencys Comand J Bass Secr

WILL OF DANIEL HENDRICKS.24

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN.-I Daniel Hendricks of Middletown in the county of Monmouth and Eastern Division of ve Province of New Jersey Gent. This Sixteenth day of November in the Year of our Lord one Thousand seven hundred & Twenty Seven, being very Sick & weak of Body but of a Sound Mind and Disposing Memory (Thanks be to God for ye Same & calling to mind ye uncertainty of this present Life knowing That it is appointed for all Men once to Dye) Do make & declare this to be my Last Will & Testament as followeth Vizt, first & principally I recomend my Soul to Almighty God that gave it and my Body to ye Earth from whence it was taken to be buryed at ye Discretion of my Executors herein after named and as Touching Such Worldly Goods and Estate as it hath Pleased Almighty God (far Beyond my Deserts) to bestow upon me I give Devise & Dispose of ye Same in Manner & form following Viz. IMPRIMIS my Will is that all my Just Debts be justly and truly payd by my Executors hereinafter named and for That end & purpose my Will is, and I do by These Presents give To my Three Executors, or in case of Death or Refuzal to any two of Them full power to sell and Dispose of my Two Largest Lotts of Wood Land on Conescunk Neck & my Land at Barnegate & Right to Propriety, pt I give & Devise to my Son Hendrick the plantation on which he Dwells, formerly Benjamin Stouts, and the full halfe of all my Lotts of Meadow at Conescunk, on condition that he pay the Sum of Three hundred Pounds to my Seven Daughters in such Payments & at Such Times as hereafter expressed viz. That he pay to my daughter Catharine the Sum of thirty seven pounds Ten shillings at ve Time of her Marriage or ye Age of Twenty one Years which shall first happen & to my Daughter Jonayfye the sum of Thirty seven pounds Ten shillings at ye Time of marriage or age of Twenty One Years which shall first happen & ye Remaining Two hundred Twenty five pounds by equal parts to my Seven Daughters Namely Ghesye, (Geesie) Teuntye, (Teuntje), Maykije, Catharine, Anne, Francis (Francyntje), & Janayfye (Jannetje), the first Payement to commence four Years after my

24 Beekman's Early Dutch Settlers of Monmouth Co., 2nd ed., 1915, p. 123.

Decease to my Eldest Daughter & so on yearly the Like Sum to ye Next oldest till ye Seven Daughters hath Received ye same. That Then I Give & Devise the sd Lands and Meadows to my Son Hendrick Hendricks his heirs & Assigns for Ever, pt I give and Devise to my Son John the plantation whereon he Dwells that I purchased of Stephen Warne, on condition That he pays the sum of five hundred pounds to my Daughters as hereinafter expressed viz That he pay to my Daughter Anne ye Sum of Thirty Seven pounds Tenn Shillings at ve Time of her Marriage or ve age of Twenty one Years which shall first happen and ve Remaining two hundred Sixty two pounds Tenn shillings by equal parts to my Seven daughters above named, the first payment To Commence Four Years after my Decease, to my Eldest Daughter, and so on Yearly the Like sum to ye Next oldest till ye Seven Daughters have received ye same. That then I Give & Devise the said Plantation to my Said Son John his Heirs & Assigns forever. pt. I give and Devise to my Son William ye Remaining halfe of my Salt Meadow Lotts at Conescunk & to him his heirs and Assigns forever and my Will is That the fee simple of the Three Hundred Acres of Land I Lately purchased from ve Executors of Obadiah Bowne Deced be settled & Confirmed to my said Son William his Heirs & Assigns forever on condition That he pay ye Sum of four Hundred pounds to my Daughter as herein After Expressed viz: That he pay to my Daughter Francis (Francyntie) the sum of Thirty Seven pounds Tenn Shillings at ye Time of her Marriage or the Age of Twenty One Years which shall first happen and ye Remaining three hundred Sixty-two pounds Ten shillings by equal parts to my Seven Daughters Above named the first payment to commence Six Years after my Decease to my Eldest Daughter and so on Yearly the Like Sum to ve Next oldest till ve Seven Daughters have Received the Same. pt I give and bequeath to my Loving Wife Taytye the use of my Homestead plantation & three parcels of Land more, the One I purchased of Jarat Wall, one of John Wall & a parcel adjoyning to Wallens Land, and Salt Meadow at Shoal Harbor with the use of my Personal Estate for & During the Term of her Widowhood, if the Same continue Not Longer than That my Youngest Son Daniel Attain ye Age of Twenty One Years. If at That Time she be my widow unmarryd my Will is that ye Said Lands be Equally Devided between her and my Said Son D niel During her Widowhood and at the Expiration thereof, I give and Devise all ye Lands and Meadow I have herein given her the use of to my Said Son Daniel His heirs & Assigns for Ever on condition that he Pay to my Seven Daughters the Sum of Three hundred & fifty Pounds VIZ fifty Pounds to my Eldest Daughter within One Year after he is of age of twenty One Years and Lawfully possessed of the whole Plantation, and so Yearly fifty Pounds to ye Next Eldest till ye Seven Daughters have Received their fifty Pounds a Piece, and Personal Estate Equally to my Children. pt. I give and Devise to my Nephew Daniel Hendricks a small Lott of Land I have in Amboy purchased of Stephen Warne VIZT To Daniel Hendricks, the son of my Brother William Hendricks his heirs & Assigns forever pt. I give & Devise Two Small Parcels of Upland at Conescunk called ye Landing and Landing Lotts, Equally to my Sons Namely Hendrick, John, William & Daniel and To their heirs & Assigns for ever as Tenants in common pt. and Lastly I do Nominate & appoint my son Hendrick and my Sons in Law Roeleff Schank and Jonathan Holmes, Junr., Exectors of this my Last Will and Testament to see ye Same executed.

IN TESTIMONY whereof I have hereunto Sett my Hand & Seal the Day & Year first above Written Daniel Hendricks (Seal)

SIGNED, SEALED and PUBLISHED by Daniel Hendricks as his Last Will & Testament in ye Presence of Cornelius Wyckof, Johannis Leilster (Luyster), Cornelius Dooren (Doorn), William Lawrence Junior.

WILLIAM BURNET, Esqr. Captain General & Governour in Chief of ye Provinces of New Jersey, New York and Territories thereon depending in America, and Vice Admiral of ye same &c., KNOW YE That in ye County of Monmouth in ye Province of New Jersey, The Twenty Ninth day of January one Thousand seven hundred & Twenty Seven, The Last Will and Testament of Daniel Hendricks Late of Middletown in ve County of Monmouth yeoman Deced, was proved before LAWRENCE SMYTH who is Thereunto by me authorized and appointed for That purpose, having while he Lived and at ye Time of his Death, Goods, Chattels & Credits in Divers places within This Province, by Means Whereof ye full Disposition of all & Singular ye Goods Chattels & Credits of ye said Deced, and ye Administration of Them, also ye hearing of Account, Calculation or Reckoning and the final Discharge and Dismission from ye Same unto me Solely, and not unto any Other Inferiour Judge are Manifestly known to belong, and the Administration of all & Singular ye Goods chattels & credits of ye said Deced, & his Last Will and Testament in any Manner of Ways Concerning was Granted unto, Hendrick Hendricks, Roeleff Schank & Jonathan Holmes ye Executors In the sd Last will & Testament Named Chiefly of well & Truly Administring the same and of making a True and perfect Inventory of all & Singular ye Chattels and Credits of ve said Deced and Exhibiting ve same into ve Registry of ye Prerogative Court in ye Secretary's office at on or before ve Twentyeth day of June next Ensuing & of rendering a just & True Account when thereunto required.

IN TESTIMONY whereof I have caused ye PREROGATIVE SEAL of ye sd Province of New Jersey to be hereunto Affixed at Burlington in New Jersey Afd. ye 22d Day of February in ye First Year of our Reign JAMES SMITH Secry.

WILLIAM⁸ HENDRICKSON, baptized Nov. 6, 1709, died in 1783, letters of administration on his estate being granted Oct. 27, 1783. He married about 1731, Mary (or Maria) Longstreet, who was baptized May 6, 1702, daughter of Stoffel Dircksen Langstraat and Maiken (or Moika) Lanen Van Pelt, his wife.²⁵ They had 2 children.

²⁶ Beekman's Early Dutch Settlers of Monmouth Co., ed. 1915, p. 133; Van Pelt Genealogy, p. 196; Beekman and Van Dyke Genealogy, p. 191.

ORDER FOR ADMINISTRATION OF ESTATE OF WILLIAM HENDRICKSON.²⁶

Letters of Administration was Granted by His Excellency William Livingstone Esq^r, unto Daniel Hendrickson & Jacob Remson Administrators to the Estate of William Hendrickson late of the County of Monmouth Dec^d. they being first duly Sworn truly to Administer the same Exhibit a true and perfect Inventory and Render a Just and true Account of their Administration Given under the Prerogative Seal the 27th Day of October 1783.

Bowes Reed Regr.

Col. Daniel⁴ Hendrickson, bap. Brick Church, Marlboro, N. J., Dec. 25, 1736,²⁷ married about 1756, Catherine Van Brunt, born Jan. 29, 1738,²⁸ daughter of Rutgert Van Brunt, and Elizabeth Van Voorhees, his wife. Col. Daniel Hendrickson was a land surveyor, and was a prominent man at the time of the Revolution, being Colonel of the 3rd Regiment of the Monmouth County Militia. He was chosen with Nicholas Van Brunt, May 27, 1775, by the inhabitants of the township of Shrewsbury to represent them in the Provincial Congress "now sitting at Trentown" and they presented their certificate as deputies to the Congress May 29 and served in accordance therewith.²⁹

After the Revolution Col. Daniel Hendrickson represented Monmouth County in the General Assembly for four years, and in 1784 was Speaker of the House.

Col. Daniel Hendrickson deeded Oct. 11, 1794, to Daniel Hendrickson, Jr., of Upper Freehold, calling him "only Son of the Grantor," 298¾ acres "whereon the said Daniel Hendrickson Jun¹ now lives." The witnesses were Jacobus Hubbard, Jr., and Daniel H. McKnight, and the deed was proved by Jacobus Hubbard, Jr., May 30, 1797.³0

Apr. 4, 1797, Col. Daniel Hendrickson of Shrewsbury Twp. deeds to Daniel Hendrickson, Jr., of Upper Freehold and John S. Holmes of Middletown, the deed reciting that

²⁶ Trenton Wills, 25-38.

²⁷ Records of Brick Church, Marlboro, N. J.

²⁸ Van Brunt Genealogy, 1867, p. 21.

²⁹ N. J. Archives, 10–600; Minutes of the Prov. Cong. and Coun. of Safety, 1879, p. 175.

³⁰ Freehold, N. J., Deeds, L-287.

he is indebted to several persons in the sum of £1720, and the said Daniel Hendrickson, Jr., (his son) and John S. Holmes, (his son-in-law) being engaged jointly with him for the payment of said sum, he therefore sells and conveys all his estate to them to secure them for these liabilities. Jacobus Hubbard, Jr., was a witness and proved the deed May 11, 1797.³¹ As the wife of Col. Daniel Hendrickson did not sign this deed with him it may confidently be assumed that she was not living.

Apr. 5, 1797, Col. Daniel Hendrickson gives a Bill of Sale to Daniel Hendrickson, Jr., and John S. Holmes of all goods, chattels, real and personal, etc. Says he is justly indebted to Daniel Hendrickson, Jr., of Upper Freehold, John S. Holmes and John Holmes of Middletown, Catherine Remsen widow of Jacob Remsen of the City of New York and Rutgert Van Brunt of Kings Co., L. I., in the sum of £1720. Jacobus Hubbard, Jr., was a witness and proved same May 11, 1797.³²

Apr. 15, 1797, Daniel Hendrickson certifies that he has this day given and delivered to John S. Holmes of Middletown for himself and also in behalf of Daniel Hendrickson, Jr., of Upper Freehold in the presence of Jacobus Hubbart and Samuel Holmes, "full and peaceable possession of all and singular the Lands and Tenements Grist Mills and Saw Mill Situate lyin at the about Tinton Falls in Shrewsbury County and State aforesaid, together with all my personal Estate such as all my household and Kitchen furniture Negroes and Negroe Wenches with their Children Farmers Uttenseals Horses, Cattle Sheep Hogs of whatever Kind or nature name or names such personal property may be described Distinguished or Designated by." Proved by Jacobus Hubbard, Jr., May 11, 1797.³³

Beekman in Early Dutch Settlers of Monmouth Co. says: "Like many other officers of the Revolution he served

³¹ Freehold Deeds, L-97.

³² Freehold Deeds, L-100.

³⁸ Freehold, N. J., Deeds, L-101.

his country at a sacrifice. The seven years of war and confusion ruined his business. The raids of the refugees of which he was a victim two or three times, caused him great loss. The depreciation of the continental currency had also depreciated the value of his real estate, and there was no sale for real estate except at a ruinous sacrifice. He was thus compelled to make this transfer of all his lands to these near relatives in order to prevent an entire loss under a forced or sheriff's sale. Colonel Daniel Hendrickson died soon after this assignment, probably discouraged and broken hearted over his troubles and sorrows. When and where he died is unknown. Neither is his place of burial known. He lies in an unknown and unmarked grave.³⁴

Col. Daniel Hendrickson died shortly after Apr. 15, 1797, as the inventory of his estate was taken May 13, 1797, the appraisers being William Tapscott and Jacobus Hubbard, Jr. 35 Letters of Administration on his estate were granted May 27, 1797.

Administration on Estate of Col. Daniel Hendrickson.³⁶

Letters of Administration were Granted by His Excellency Richd. Howell Esq^T unto Daniel Hendrickson Admr. of the Estate of Dan¹. Hendrickson late of Monmouth County dec^d. he being first duly sworn well and truly to Administer the same Exhibit a true and perfect Inventory and render a just and true account of his Administration Given under the Prerogative Seal the 27 Day of May 1797.

John Beatty Regr.

A suit of ejectment against Thomas Lloyd, Jr., was brought by the heirs of Col. Daniel Hendrickson in the New Jersey Supreme Court, a "Declaration in Ejectment for Lands in the County of Monmouth" being filed at the September Term, 1798, and it gives the names of the children of Col. Daniel Hendrickson who were living at that time.

⁸⁴ Early Dutch Settlers of Monmouth Co., 2 ed., 1915, p. 135.

³⁵ Freehold, N. J., Inventories, A2-209.

³⁶ Trenton Wills, 36-418.

EJECTMENT SUIT BROUGHT BY HEIRS OF COL. DANIEL HENDRICKSON.³⁷

NEW JERSEY SUPREME COURT of the Term of May in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and ninety eight.

MONMOUTH ss:

John Den complains of Richard Fen in custody &c for that to wit, That whereas David Rhea and Elizabeth his wife late Elizabeth Hendrickson on the first day of May in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and ninety eight had demised, let and to farm let unto the said John Den, one messuage, one tenement, one barn, one orchard, one garden, three hundred and fifty acres of arable land, three hundred and fifty acres of pasture land, three hundred and fifty acres of wood land and three hundred and fifty acres of meadow land with the appurtenances situate lying and being at Freehold in the County of Monmouth and now or late in the Tenure and occupation of Thomas Lloyd Junior or his assigns to have and to hold the tenements aforesaid with the appurtenances unto the said John Den and his assigns from the thirtieth day of April last past for, during and until the full end and term of seven years from thence next ensuing and fully to be completed and ended: And whereas Daniel Hendrickson on the said first day of May in the year aforesaid, at Freehold aforesaid in the County aforesaid had demised, let and to farm let unto the said John Den one other messuage, one other Tenement, one other Barn, one other orchard, one other garden, other three hundred and fifty acres of arable land, other three hundred and fifty acres of pasture land, other three hundred and fifty acres of wood land and other three hundred and fifty acres of meadow lying with the appurtenances situate, lying and being at Freehold in the County aforesaid, and now or late in the Tenure and occupation of Thomas Lloyd, Junior-or his assigns; to have and to hold the tenements last aforesaid, with the appurtenances unto the said John Den and his assigns from the thirtieth day of April last aforesaid, for, during and until the full end and term of seven years from thence next ensuing and fully to be completed and ended; And whereas Robert Rhea and Mary his wife late Mary Hendrickson on the said first day of May in the year aforesaid at Freehold in the County aforesaid, has demised, let and to farm let, unto the said John Den one other messuage, one other tenement, one other barn, one other orchard, one other garden, other three hundred and fifty acres of arable land, other three hundred and fifty acres of pasture land, other three hundred and fifty acres of Woodland and other three hundred and fifty acres of meadow land with the appurtenances situate, lying and being at Freehold in the County aforesaid and now or late in the tenure and occupation of the said Thomas Lloyd Junior or his assigns to have and to hold the tenements last aforesaid with the appurtenances unto the said John Den and his assigns from the thirtieth day of April last aforesaid, for, during and until the full end and term of seven years from thence next ensuing and fully to be com-

³⁷ Supreme Court Files, Trenton, N. J., No. 32568.

pleted and ended; And whereas Jacobus Hubbart and Catharine his wife late Catharine Hendrickson on the said first day of May in the year aforesaid, at Freehold, in the County aforesaid had demised, let and to farm let unto the said John Den one other messuage, one other other tenement, one other barn, one other orchard, one other garden, other three hundred and fifty acres of arable land, other three hundred and fifty acres of pasture land, other three hundred and fifty acres of woodland and other three hundred and fifty acres of meadow land with the appurtenances situate, lying and being at Freehold, in the County aforesaid and nor or late in the tenure and occupation of the said Thomas Lloyd Junior or his assigns to have and to hold the tenements last aforesaid, with the appurtenances unto the said John Den and his assigns from the thirtieth day of April last aforesaid, for, during and until the full end and term of seven years from thence next ensuing and fully to be completed and ended; And whereas John S. Holmes and Sarah his wife late Sarah Hendrickson on the said first day of May in the year aforesaid at Freehold in the County aforesaid, had demised, let and to farm let unto the said John Den one other messuage, one other tenement, one other barn, one other orchard one other garden, other three hundred and fifty acres of arable land, other three hundred and fifty acres of pasture land, other three hundred and fifty acres of wood land and other three hundred and fifty acres of meadow land with the appurtenances situate lying and being at Freehold in the County aforesaid, and now or late in the tenure and occupation of the said Thomas Lloyd Junior, or his assigns to have and to hold the tenements last aforesaid with the appurtenances unto the said John Den and his assigns from the thirtieth day of April last aforesaid for, during and until the full end and term of seven years from thence next ensuing and fully to be completed and ended; And whereas David Rhea and Elizabeth his wife, late Elizabeth Hendrickson, Daniel Hendrickson Robert Rhea and Mary his wife, late Mary Hendrickson, Jacobus Hubbart and Catharine his wife, late Catharine Hendrickson, John S. Holmes and Sarah his wife, late Sarah Hendrickson, on the said first day of May in the year aforesaid, had demised let and to farm let, unto the said John Den one other messuage, one other tenement, one other barn, one other orchard, one other garden, other three hundred and fifty acres of arable land, other three hundred and fifty acres of pasture land, other three hundred and fifty acres of wood land, and other three hundred and fifty acres of meadow land with the appurtenances situate, lying and being at Freehold, in the County aforesaid and now or late in the tenure and occupation of Thomas Lloyd Junior, his assigns to have and to hold the tenements last aforesaid with the appurtenances unto the said John Den and his assigns from the thirtieth day of April last aforesaid for, during and until the full end and term of seven years from thence next ensuing and fully to be completed and ended; By virtue of which said several demises, the said John Den unto the several tenements aforesaid with the appurtenances aforesaid thereof did enter and was thereof possessed until the aforesaid Richard Fen afterwards, to wit, on the same first day of May in the year aforesaid with force and arms he entered on the tenements

aforesaid with the appurtenances, in and upon the possession of the said John Den and ejected, drove out and amoved the said John Den from his said farm his said term not being yet ended and kept out and still keeps out the said John Den so ejected, drove out and amoved from his said possession and then and there did other injuries to the said John Den against the peace of the State and to the damage of the said John Den one thousand pounds and thereof he bring suit &c.

A. D. Woodruff for the Plaintiff.

John Doe and Pledges &c.

Monmouth ss: John Den puts in his place Aaron Dickinson Woodruff his Attorney against Richard Fen in a plea of trespass and Ejectment.

Sir: I am informed you are in possession of or claim title to the premises in this Declaration of Ejectment mentioned or to some part thereof and I being sued as casual ejector and having no claim or title thereto do advise you to appear at Trenton on the first Tuesday in September next, in the Supreme Court of Judicature of New Jersey then and there to be held by some Attorney of the same Court and cause yourself to be made Defendant in my stead otherwise I shall suffer Judgment to be entered against me by default and you will be turned out of possession.

Dated the first day of August 1798.

I am your Friend, Richard Fen.

To Thomas Lloyd Junior Tenant in possession of the premises in this Declaration mentioned or of some part thereof.

James Lloyd Esquire, Sheriff of the County of Monmouth maketh oath that he this Deponent did on this 31st day of August 1798, deliver to Thomas Lloyd Junior the tenant in possession of the premises in the within Declaration mentioned, or of some part thereof a true copy of the said Declaration and of the Notice thereunder written, and did at the same time inform him the said Thomas Lloyd Junior that it was a Declaration in Ejectment and that unless he appeared by some Attorney in the Supreme Court of Judicature at Trenton on the first day of next September Term and cause himself by Rule of Court to be made Defendant in the Room of the Casual Ejector Richard Fenn, judgment would be entered against the Casual Ejector by Default, and that he the said Thomas Lloyd Junior, would thereupon be turned out of possession or words to that effect.

Sworn before me the day & year above

James Lloyd.

Caleb Lloyd, Commsr. of Bails & Affvdts. Monmouth County.



BIRTHPLACE OF AGNES (McNULTY) FELT, BELLEVUE, IOWA

CHILDREN OF COL. DANIEL AND CATHERINE (VAN BRUNT) HENDRICKSON.

Baptisms are from records of Brick Church, Marlboro, N. J.

i. William Hendrickson, bap. July 31, 1757, d. young.

ii. Elizabeth Hendrickson, bap. July 16, 1758; mar. (1) Capt. Richard McKnight, who died about 1781, his will being dated Jan. 5, 1780, and proved Apr. 13, 1781. He makes his father-in-law, Daniel Hendrickson, one of his executors. She mar. (2) David Rhea. David Rhea, Esq., and Elizabeth his wife gave a deed under date of Dec. 5, 1789. She

iii. William Hendrickson, bap. Jan. 11, 1761, d. young.

iv. Daniel Hendrickson, b. Nov. 18, 1762, died, according to his gravestone in Presbyterian Churchyard, Allentown, Upper Freehold, N. J., Feb. 5, 1840, aged 77 yrs. 2 mos. 17 ds. He mar. Elizabeth Grover, daughter of Barzillai Grover. 60

v. Mary Hendrickson, bap. Mar. 17, 1765; mar. Robert Rhea, bap.
Old Tennent Church, Dec. 15, 1765, son of Robert & Mary

(Forman) Rhea.41 (See Rhea line.)

- vi. Catherine Hendrickson, bap. June 8, 1767; mar. May 2, 1798, Dr. Jacobus Hubbert⁴² (or Hubbard), bap. June 22, 1766,⁴³ son of Dr Jacobus & Rebecca (Swart) Hubbert. She had probably died before May 1, 1820, as on that date Jacobus Hubbard, Teunis Hubbard & Margaret his wife, Samuel Hubbard & Margaret his wife, and John Hubbard & Eleanor his wife of Middletown deed to Elias Hubbard & Eleanor his wife, for a consideration of \$5,508, 198 49/100 acres of land, "Being for the fourth parts shairs which descended to the parties of the first part by the death of their Father Jacobus Hubbard Senr. Decest interstate."44 The deed was signed by all parties of the first part and their wives as stated, and as no wife of Jacobus Hubbard is mentioned it may be considered proof that Catherine had died. This Dr. Jacobus Hubbard mar. again before May 5, 1831, as on that day Jacobus Hubbard & Charlotte his wife gave a deed.45 Dr. Jacobus Hubbard made his will Feb. 10, 1843, and it was proved Mar. 20, 1847. He undoubtedly left no children, even if he had any, as he leaves his property to his wife Charlotte and his brothers and their children.46
- vii. Sarah Hendrickson, b. Mar. 9 (perhaps it should be 1769), d. after August, 1821; mar. John S. Holmes, b. Nov. 29, 1762, d. Aug. 15, 1821, son of Samuel & Mary (Stout) Holmes.

⁸⁸ Trenton Wills, 24-114.

³⁹ Freehold, N. J., Deeds, K-53.

⁴⁰ Cf. Stillwell's Miscellanies, 3-274.

⁴¹Old Tennent Church, 1904, p. 218.

⁴² Brick Church Record, also Freehold Marriages, A-35.

⁴³ Records of Brick Church, Marlboro, N. J.

⁴⁴ Freehold Deeds, E2-139.

⁴⁵ Freehold Deeds, D₃-2₃2.

⁴⁶ Trenton Wills, 10971M.

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LONGSTREET

ERICK STOFFELSZ¹ LANGSTRAAT. (See Ancestry of Dorr Eugene Felt.)

STOFFEL DIRCKSEN² LANGSTRAAT was Deacon of the Flatlands Dutch Church in 1698, but removed to Monmouth County, N. J., where he died, his will made in the name of Theophilus Longstreet, but signed Stoffel Longstreet, being dated Dec. 1, 1739, and proved Mar. 1, 1741. He married Maiken (or Moika) Lanen Van Pelt, daughter of Gysbrecht Thyssen Lanen Van Pelt and his wife Jannetje. She made her will under the name of Moica Longstreet, Apr. 8, 1752, and it was proved Mar. 13, 1753. He signed his name "Stoffel Langstrat."⁴⁷

Stoffel Dircksen Langstraat and his wife Moika had 10 children, one of them being a daughter Mary (or Maria), baptized May 6, 1702, who married William Hendrickson.

WILL OF STOFFEL (THEOPHILUS) LONSTREET.48

In the Name of God Amen I Theophilus Longstreet of the Town of Shrewsbury in the County of Monmouth and Eastern Division of the Province of New Jersey Yeoman being in good health of Body and of sound and disposing mind and memory thanks be given to almighty God for that and all other his manifold mercys to me Do in this my time of health make Ordain and Constitute this my last Will and Testament in manner following that is to say First and principally I Give and recommend my soul into the hands of God that gave it and my body to the Earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection to receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as touching my Temporal Estate wherewith it shall please God to bless me with at the time of my Decease I Give Devise and bequeath the same after the following manner and form I Give unto my beloved wife Mercy the use of my fire Room of my house which she shall chuse two feather beds and furniture and as many household goods as will be sufficient for her to keep house with all during all

⁴⁷ Bergen's Early Settlers of Kings Co., p. 182; Van Pelt Genealogy, p. 196; Beekman's Early Dutch Settlers of Monmouth Co., 2nd ed., 1915, p. 122.

⁴⁸ Trenton Wills, C-491.

the time she remains my widdow and during the said time I Order my sons to find her sufficient firewood cut and carted to her Door and a milch Cow winter and summer and if she sees cause to keep one of the young Negro Wenches my will is that she may have which she pleases of them during my said wives life with this Proviso that said Negro Wench at her decease shall be reckoned and esteemed as part of my personal estate what I have herein given to my wife is given to her instead of her thirds or Dower I Give Devise and bequeath to my Eldest Son Richard Longstreet the Plantation whereon he now lives and has in possession on the north side of Manasquan River to him his heirs and assigns forever my old gun and the sum of fifty pounds out of my Personal Estate I Give Devise and bequeath to my second son Gilbert Longstreet the plantation whereon he now lives and has possession of on the north side of said Menasquan River to him the said Gilbert his heirs and assigns forever My will is and I hereby Give Devise and bequeath all my tract of Land on the north side of said River and joyning to my said son Gilbert plantation and all Land and meadow on the south side of said River equally to be Divided between my said sons Richard and Gilbert to them their heirs and assigns forever I Give Devise and bequeath to my third son Aury Longstreet all that tract of land and meadow at Raritan whereon he now lives and has in possession to him the said Aury his heirs and assigns forever I Give Devise and bequeath to my fourth son Theophilus Longstreet all my land and meadow in said Town on Long Branch and Raccoon Island being in my own possession to him the said Theophilus his heirs and assigns forever and my best horse he having his choice All the rest of my lands and meadow wheresoever Situate I Give Devise and bequeath to my said four sons to be equally divided in four parts to them their Heirs and assigns forever and I hereby order my said four sons to pay unto their mother during her widowhood the sum of ten pounds yearly that is fifty shillings a year a piece All the residue of my personal estate not herein before bequeathed I Give to my said four sons equally between them share and share alike my will is that my said four sons shall equally among them pay unto my six Daughters namely Yonica Catharine Mary Sarah Moica and Anne the sum of six hundred pounds that is one hundred pounds apiece to each of my said daughters and that will be one hundred and fifty pounds for each of said sons to pay to their said sisters and that my said sons pay unto them the sum of fifty pounds a piece within a year after my decease and so on in that proportion yearly till their one hundred and fifty pounds is paid and that they pay their eldest sisters first Lastly I Constitute and make my said four sons Executors of this my last will and Testament to see the same performed and I do hereby disannul and make void all former will or wills by me made In Witness whereof I the said Theophilus Longstreet to this my last will and Testament contained in one sheet of paper have set my hand and seal this first day of December in the year of our Lord One Thousand seven hundred and thirty nine and in the thirteenth year of His majesty King George the seconds reign &c 1739 Memento I give to my eldest daughter Yonica my old Loom this being done before signing sealling and publishing.

Signed Sealed published and Declared by the s^d Testator to be his last will and Testament in presence of us

Stoffel Longstreet (Seal)

John Little Thomas Wainright

Jon. Seares
Jacob Dennis

Note there are no razures nor interlineations in the original nor Record aforegoing

Be it Remembered that on the first day of March in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and forty one John Little and Thomas Wainright two of the within witnesses personally came before me Thomas Bartow duly authorized to prove wills quallify Exer^{ts}. &c in the Eastern Division of New Jersey and they being duly sworn on the holy Evangelists Did depose that they were present and saw Stoffel Longstreet the Testator within named sign and seal the within written Instrument and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his last will and testament and that at the doing thereof the s^d. Testator was of sound mind and memory to the best of their knowledge and understanding and that at the same time John Sears and Jacob Dennis the other Subscribed witnesses were present and that each signed his name as a Witness in the Testators presence

Thos. Bartow

Be it also Remembered that at the same time Richard Longstreet Gilbert Longstreet Aury Longstreet and Theophilus Longstreet the Executors within named personally came before me and were sworn to the due Execution and performance of the within will and testament according to Law

Thos. Bartow

Lewis Morris Esq. Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over His Majestys Province of New Jersey and Territories thereon depending in America and Vice Admiral in the same &c To all to whom these presents shall come Greetings Know ye that at Perth Amboy on the first day of March in the year of Our Lord One thousand seven hundred and forty one the last will and testament of Theophilus Longstreet of the Town of Shrewsbury &c yeoman Deceased was proved befor Thomas Bartow who was thereunto duly authorized and appointed for that purpose and is now approved and allowed of by me he the said deceased having while he lived and at the time of his death Goods Rights and Credits in divers places within this province by means whereof the full disposition of all & singular the Goods Rights and Credits of the said deceased and the granting administration of them also the hearing of account Calculation or reckoning and the final discharge and Dismission from the same unto me solely and not unto any other inferior Judge are manifestly known to belong

and the administration of all & singular the Goods Rights and Credits of the said Deceased and his last will and testament in any manner of way concerning was Granted unto Richard Longstreet Gilbert Longstreet Aury Longstreet & Theophilus Longstreet the Executors in the said Testament named chief of well and truly performing the said will and of making a true and perfect Inventory of all and singular the Goods Rights and Credits of the said Deceased and exhibiting the same into the Registry of the prerogative Court in the Secretarys office at Perth Amboy and of rendering a just and true accompt when thereunto lawfully required being duly sworn on the Holy Evangelists In Testimony whereof I have caused the prerogative seal of the said Province to be affixed at Perth Amboy in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and forty one.

Thos. Bartow p Regr.

WILL OF MOICA LONGSTREET. 49

In the name of God Amen I Moica Longstreet of the Township of Shrosbury in the County of Monmouth and Eastern Division of the Province of Newiarsey widdow being in but reasonable helth of Body but of sound and disposing mind and memory thanks be giving to Almighty God for that and all others his manyfold mercys to me Done in this my time of health I make ordain and constitute this my last Will and Testament in manner following that is to say First and principally I Give and recommend my sole into the hands of God that gave it and my Body to the earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at the Resurrection to receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as touching my Temporal Estate wherewith it shall plese God to bless me with at the time of my Decease I Give Devise bequeath the same after the following manner and form I give all my Waring Close and all my Household Goods and all the Goods that my son Stoffel Longstreet gave to me at the time that he sold his plantation to be equil Divid amongst my Daughters to be equel Divided amongst them namely Jeane Cattren Marcy Sary Masy and Anne to them and there assigns I Give Devise and bequeat unto my Dafters as follows that is to say that all the remaining part of my Estate after my Decease after all my just debts be paid for to be put out at Intrest and the Intrest to be giving to my Daughters that is to say to them that hath the most need of it that I leave to the discretion of my Executors and in Case that my Executors sees an acation for to make use of the Prinsibel for the saport of my Dafters or of any part of it I leave it to their discression and further my will is that if my Executors sees that any of my Dafters Children that is the female kind is non capable for to releave themselves nither any Body for to releave them then my Executors there discression may releave them and my will is that after the dissease of all my Dafters of that it there be any Estate left in the hands of my Executors that they are desird to keep it at Intrest as aforementioned and yuse as before mentioned that is to let my childrens children have it that is the female kind I leave it to be disbusted as my

⁴⁹ Trenton Wills, F-105.

Executors sees fit my will is further that if my Executors thinks that these children are capable of taking care of themselves that then it may be Devided amongst the Servivers equal to them and there assigns Lastly I constitute and make my son Gisbert Longstreet John Little and William Hendrickson my Executors of this my last will and Testament to see the same performed and I do hereby Disanul and make void all former Will or Wills by me maid In Witness whereof I the said Moicy Longstreet to this my last will and testament contained in one sheet of paper here set my hand and seal this eight day of April in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and fifty two in the twenty fift year of his majisties Reign King George the second 1752

Signed sealed published and declared by the said Testator to Moicae m Longstreet (Seal) be her last will & Testament in mark

Presence of us

his
Jeames Irons
mark
Gershom Bills
John Lake

Be it Remembered that on the thirteenth day of March one thousand seven hundred and fifty three John Lake one of the hereunto Subscribing Witnesses being solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God and Gershom Bills another of the within subscribing witnesses being solemnly affirmed according to law he being one of the People called Quakers Personally appeared before me Jacob Dennis duly authorized to prove wills and qualify Executors And the said Deponant and affirmant on his sd. oath and his affirmation did Declare that they were present and saw Moica Longstreet the Testatrix within named sign and seal and heard her publickly pronounce and declare the within written Instrument to be her last will and testament and that at the time of the doing thereof she was of sound mind and memory to the best of their judgments and as they believed and that they together with James Irons the other subscribing witness severally signed their names thereto as witnesses thereof in presence of the said Testatrix and of each other.

Jacob Dennis Surrogate

Be it also Remembered that at the same time Guysbert Longstreet and John Little two of the Executors in the within Will named were sworn to the due Execution thereof and on the next day William Hendrickson the other Executor in the said Will named was in like manner sworn to the due Execution thereof before me

Jacob Dennis Surrogate
Probate Granted by Gov^r. Belcher in the usual form Dated the 13th
March 1753

MONFOORT

PIETER¹ MONFOORT emigrated from Holland to the New Netherlands at an early date, the first reference to him on the Colonial records being Dec. 15, 1639. May 29, 1641, he obtained a patent for land at the Wallabout and at later dates acquired additional land. He married at Amsterdam, Holland, Jan. 12 or 17, 1630, Sarah De Plancken (sometimes written Blanck). He died Jan. 4, 1661, and his widow married again.

Pieter & Sarah Monfoort had several children, one of them being a daughter Jennetje Pieters, baptized May 12, 1646, who married Feb. 12, 1665, Willem Gerretse Van Couwenhoven.⁵⁰

⁵⁰ N. Y. Gen. and Biog. Record, 7-152; Bergen's Early Settlers of Kings Co., 1881, p. 210.

POLHEMIUS

EV. JOHANNES THEODORUS¹ POLHEMIUS, common ancestor of the family now called Polhemus, emigrated in the employ of the West India Company from the Netherlands to Itarmarca, Brazil, and thence to Long Island in 1654, where he officiated in the churches of Kings County. He married Catharina Van Werven.

"He preached at Flatbush in the morning and at Brooklyn and Flatlands in the afternoon of each Sunday until 1660. When Brooklyn obtained a minister in 1665 Dominie Polhemus ceased to be connected with the church at Flatbush, and removed to Brooklyn, where he died, the worthy and beloved pastor of that church." 51

He died June 8, 1676. He signed his name "Johannes Theod. Polhemius."52

Rev. Johannes Theodorus Polhemius and his wife Catharina had 8 children, one of them being a daughter Margarietje, who married William Guljamse (Cornel).

⁵¹ Beekman's Early Dutch Settlers of Monmouth Co., 2nd ed., 1915, p. 13.

⁵² Bergen's Early Settlers of Kings Co., p. 226; Cf. Corwin's Manual of the Reformed Church in America, 3rd ed., 1879, p. 406.

PORTER

OHN¹ PORTER was first of Roxbury, Mass., where he and his wife were members of the church, and he was freeman Nov. 5, 1633, but removed to Boston, where he was a supporter of Wheelwright and Hutchinson, and disarmed in 1637, and soon removed to Rhode Island, and at Portsmouth signed the Compact of Mar. 7, 1638. (A copy of this Compact is given under Wilbur.)

He was Assistant 1640-44, 1650 & 1664; Commissioner 1658-61. He later removed to Kings Town, R. I., and he died after 1674.

John and Margaret Porter had a daughter Hannah, who married Capt. Samuel Wilbur. 53

⁵³ Savage's Gen. Dict.; Austin's Gen. Dict., 1887, p. 155.

RHEA

OBERT¹ RHE, as the name was first spelt, was the first of the name in Monmouth Co., N. J., where he bought headland in 1688, and in 1691 he had land from the proprietors, and also bought land in the same year of which the proprietors confirmed the title in 1693. He married Jan. 9, 1689–90, or as the date is given on the margin of the record in Shrewsbury Meeting, Apr. 10, 1690,⁵⁴ Jannet Hamton, who was born about 1668, died Jan. 15, 1761, aged about 93 years, daughter of John and (Janet?) Hamton. Robert Rhe died Jan. 18, 1719.⁵⁵ Robert and Jannet (Hamton) Rhe had 6 children. Robert Rhe made his will Apr. 10, 1718, and it was proved May 27, 1719; his widow making her will Apr. 1, 1752, which was proved Aug. 14, 1761.

WILL OF ROBERT RHE.56

In the name of God Amen, the tenth day of Aprille one thousand seaven Hundred & Eighteen, I Robert Rhe of Freehold yeoman being of perfect memory & Remembrance praised be God, Doe make & ordain this my Last Will & Testament In manner & forme following (viz)

Imprimis I bequeath my soule Into ye hands of Almightie God my maker, hoping that through ye meritorious Death & passion of Jesus Christ my only Saviour & Redeemer, to receive free pardon & forgiveness of All my sins and as for my Body to be Buryed In Christian buryall at ye discretion of my Executrix hereafter Nominated,

Item I Give to my son David Rhe All my Lands & tenements, and All my Carpenters & Coopers Toolls upon condition that he shall pay All my debts & Legacies, and that my Executrix shall have her Priviledge of any one Roome In ye house during her Life,

Item I give to my Daughter Elizabeth Rhe ye sum of twenty pounds, Item I give to my daughter Catherine Rhe ye sum of twenty pounds, Item I Give to my daughter Margarett Rhe ye sum of twenty pounds, Item I give to my daughter Isabell Rhe ye sum of twenty pounds,

Item I give to my daughter Mary Rhe ye sum of twenty pounds to be paid In manner followeing, that is to say Elisabeth within two years After my decease, Catherine one year after Elisabeth, Margarett two

⁵⁴ Stillwell's Hist. and Gen. Misc., 1-244.

⁵⁶ Hist. of Old Tennent Church, p. 399.

⁵⁶ Trenton Wills, A-119.

years after Catherine Isabell two years after Mary, Mary two years After

Margarett or when she comes to ye Age of twenty years,

Item I Give to Jannet my wife the sum of thirtie pounds to be paid In six months After my decease, and all my moveables Imediately and make her sole Executrix of this my last will & testament, Revoking all other wills & Testaments, further I will & ordain that In case of None payment of ye Aforesd Debts & Legacies, that then so much of my Land bequeathed shall be sold by ye greeved to pay all Debts & Legacies In witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand & seale the day above written

Signed sealed, pronounced & declared In ye presence of Richard Clerk,

Robt: f Rhe (Seal)

his mark

George Walker John Campbell

Memorandum yt on ye 27th of May 1719 Richard Clerk & John Campbell two of ye subscribing witnesses to ye above Instrument came before me John Barclay Surrogate, who upon their solemn oath deposed that they saw ye above Robert Rhe, Sign, Seale, Deliver, pronounce & declare ye same to be his Last Will & Testament, and that at ye same time he was of sound mind & Judgment to the best of their understanding, Sworn before me ye day & year above written

John Barclay Surgt

Letter of Administration was Accordingly Granted by His Excellency Brigadeere Hunter Governour of New Jersey &c. to Jannet Rhe widow ye Executrix In ye sd Last will & Testament named Dated ye 20th day of June 1719

Barclay Dpt Sety.

WILL OF JANNET RHE.57

In the name of God Amen the first day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and fifty two I Jannet Rhe widow of the deceas'd Robert Rhe of Freehold in the county of Monmouth and province of East New Jersey Spins^t being weak and sickly in body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given to God therefore calling unto mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all once to dye do make and ordain this to be my last will and testament Viz: principally and first of all I recommend my soul unto the hands of God that gave it and for my body I recommend it to the earth to be buried in a christian like and decent manner at the discretion of my executors herein after mentioned nothing doubting but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as touching such worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life I hereby give devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form Viz:

⁵⁷ Trenton Wills, H-27.

Imprimis it is my will and I do order that all my just debts and funeral charges be paid and discharged by my executors hereinafter named out of my personal estate.

Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved friend William Tenant

the sum of five pounds:

Item I give and bequeath towards the finishing of the presbyterian mitting house the sum of five pounds.

Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved son David Rhe one

great bible and one chist and one pair of money weights.

Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved granddaughter Jannet Rhe one silk crape gound and pettecoat and one tronk and one table and one looking glass and one pair of hand irons and one pair of tongs and fire shovel.

Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved granddaughter Margret Gordon wife of John Yeetman one cobbert and one bed filled with flowrs

and one old bolster one coverlid, two blankets one sheet.

Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved grand daughter Anne VanShyack my feather bed one boulder two pillows two sheets two blankets on coverlid and writings.

Item I give and bequeath to my great grand daughter Isable Van-

Shyack daughter of John one old crape gound and pettecoat.

Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved son in law James English all my sheep.

Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved gran daughter Elisabeth

English one Iron pott and pott hooks.

Item it is my will and I do order that all other parts of my estate that will remain after paying the above debt charges and legacies be left to the discretion of my executors hereafter mentioned and lastly I do nominate constitute and appoint my well beloved son David Rhe and my well beloved son in law James English and no other to be executors of this my last will and testament and do hereby utterly disallow revoke and disannull all manner and other wills testaments legacies and executors by me heretofore made and given ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and seal the day

and year first above written, 1752.

Signed Sealed published pronounced and declared by the said Jannet Rhe to be her last will and testament in the presence of us

> Robert English blacksmith James Cole James English Junr. David English

Be it remembered that on the fourteenth day of August one thousand seven hundred and sixty one Robert English (blacksmith) and David English two of the subscribeing wittnesses to the within will personally appeared before me the subscriber who am duly authorized to prove wills and qualify executors who being solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God did depose and declare that they were present and saw Jannet Rhe the testatrix within named sign and seal the within written instrument and heard her published pronounce and declare the same to be her last will and testament, and that at the time of the doing thereof she was of sound mind and understanding to the best of their judgments and as they believed and that the said deponants together with James Cole and James English Junr. the other two subscribing wittnesses to the within will severally signed their names thereto as wittnesses thereof in presence of the said testatrix and of each other Also at the same time James English the surviving executor (David Rhe being lately dead) in the within will named was solemnly sworn to the true execution thereof before me.

Jacob Dennis Surrog^t.

Probate granted by Gov^r. Boone &c. (in the usual form &c) dated the same fourteenth day of August 1761.

Cha: Read Regr.

DAVID² RHE, born Mar. 15, 1697, died Freehold, N. J., May 15, 1761, aged 64 yrs. 2 mos. He was prominently identified with Old Tennent Church, of which he was an Elder in 1735, and he was appointed Judge of Common Pleas, Mar. 16, 1756. He had wife Ann, who is said to have died Aug. 26, 1777. David and Ann Rhe had 7 children.⁵⁸

The Battle of Monmouth in the Revolutionary War, June 28, 1778, took place largely on the Rhea farm, and "Lieut. Col. David Rhea, son of David, ruling elder in Old Tennent, fought in the battle almost over the very spot where the graves of his family's dead were made." (History of Old Tennent Church, p. 106.) David Rhe made his will July 26, 1760, and it was proved June 23, 1761.

WILL OF DAVID RHE.59

In the name of God Amen I David Rhea of Freehold in the County of Monmouth and province of New Jersey calling to mind my latter end but being of perfect health of body and mind, do make this my last will and testament.

⁵⁸ Hist. of Old Tennent Church, pp. 175, 361, 399.

⁵⁹Trenton Wills, G-458.

First, I give my soul into the hands of God that made it and my body to the grave to be buried in a decent manner and as to my wordly estate, I dispose of it in manner following, that is to say Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my dearly beloved wife Ann Rhea all my household furniture and wearing apparel to be by her disposed of as she thinks proper, I also give unto my said wife the use of my negro man Frank and of my Negro wench Liss during her life, I also give unto my said wife the sum of fifty pounds pr annum to be paid her by my Executors herein after mentioned out of my estate hereinafter disposed of for and during her life.

Item whereas I have already provided for my sons Robert Rhea and John Rhea I only give unto my said son Robert Rhea my negro girl or child Lydia and at the decease of my said wife my negro man Frank and unto

my said son John Rhea my negro boy Titus.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Jonathan Rhea the plantation or tract of land and improvements on which he now lives, which I bought of William Kerr by deed in Fee and to him and his heirs forever I also give unto my said son Jonathan Rhea my negro man Bristol.

Item I also give unto my daughter Anna Rhea my negro girl Sarah

and at the decease of my dear wife my Negro wench Liss.

Item I give unto my son David Rhea my negro boy Umple and it is further my will that all the remainder of my personal estate (except two of my best horses and my chair and hearness which I give unto my said wife) be by my executors turned into money to be by me disposed of in manner hereinafter mentioned It is also my will that my homestead or the plantation on which I now live be valued by five hones men of my neighbors chosen by my executors and that after said valuation my son David Rhea be at liberty to take said plantation at the said valuation paying to my said executors the overplus money of said valuation whatever it may be more than the sum of one thousand pounds which said sum of one thousand pounds I give unto him as his portion of my estate beside what I have already given him but in case he should decline takeing my said homestead or plantation at said valuation, I then desire the offer of my said plantation at said valuation be made to my son Robert Rhea he paying the said valuation to my said executors and in case my son Robert should decline takeing my said plantation at said valuation that then the offer of it be made in the same manner to my son Ionathan Rhea, and if he decline takeing it, then the said offer be made to my son John and I do hereby give unto my said executors a full and sufficient power to make unto either of my sons as good and sufficient a title unto my said plantation as I myself am possessed of, and if they should all decline takeing it, it is then my will that my said plantation be disposed of at publick sale to the highest bidder And that the money ariseing from the sale of the same together with the money ariseing from the sale of my personal estate be disposed of in manner following, that is to say, First so much of it as may be sufficient by the interest ariseing from it to make the yearly sum of fifty pounds, which I have already bequeathed to my dear wife, be putt out to interest for that purpose by my executors during my said wife's life, and at her decease the said principal sum be divided in manner following, that is to say, one hundred pounds thereof be paid by my executors to my son Robert Rhea, one hundred pounds to my son Jonathan Rhea and the remainder be divided equally between my three daughters Elenor, Jannet and Anna.

Item I further give unto my dear wife the further sum of one hundred pounds to be by her disposed of as she thinks proper, to be paid by my said executors to her as soon as convenient after the sale of my said plantation.

Item I further give unto my son David Rhea in case he declines takeing my said plantation as aforesaid the sum of one thousand pounds to be paid him by my said executors as soon as convenient after the disposal of my said estate.

Item I further give unto my daughter Jannet the sum of one hundred pounds and to my daughter Anna the sum of two hundred pounds to be paid unto them by my executors aforesaid as soon as convenient after the sale of my said plantation.

Item it is my will and I further give and bequeath all the remainder of my estate not already disposed of to be equally divided among my three daughters Elenor, Jennet, and Anna and lastly it is my will and I do hereby nominate and appoint my sons Robert Rhea and John Rhea and my worthy friend the Reverend W^m Tennent to be my executors to this my last will and testament hereby revoking and disannuling all my former wills and testaments In Witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and seal this twenty sixth day of July one thousand seven hundred and sixty

Signed Sealed delivered and acknowledged as his last will and testament in presence of us

David Rhe (Seal)

Samuel McConkey James Gordon William Hamton

Memorandum that on the twenty third day of June one thousand seven hundred and sixty one Samuel McConkey and William Hamton two of the above evidences appeared before me Andrew Smyth duely authorised &c and they being duely sworn on the Holy Evangelists on their oaths do declare that they were present and did see David Rhea the testator in the foregoing will named sign and seal the same and heard him publish and declare it to be his last will and testament, and that at the doing thereof the said David Rhe was of sound mind and memory to the best of their knowledge and as they verily believe and that at the same time James Gordon the other evidence was also present and signed as an evidence as they each did in the presence of the said David Rhe

Andw. Smyth

Also at the same time Robert Rhea, John Rhea and William Tenant the executors in the foregoing will named came before me and were duely qualifyed by takeing the oath of executors as appointed by law

Andw. Smyth

Probat Granted by Gov^r Boone &c (in the usual form &c)
Dated the same twenty third day of June 1761
Chas Read Reg^r

ROBERT³ RHEA married Mary Forman, the date of the marriage license being Dec. 18, 1744, ⁶⁰ who was the daughter of Judge Jonathan and Margaret (Wikoff) Forman. Robert Rhea died Sep. 21, 1777, and his widow died three days later, Sep. 24, 1777. Robert and Mary (Forman) Rhea had 10 children. ⁶¹ He made his will Sep. 27, 1774, and it was proved Dec. 8, 1777.

WILL OF ROBERT RHEA.62

In the Name of God Amen I Robert Rhea of Allen Town in the County of Monmouth in the Province of New Jersey being sick and weak in Body but of Sound and disposing mind and memory blessed be God for the same do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner & form following first and principally I recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God and my body I commit to the Earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named, and as for such Worldly estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with I give and dispose of the same in the following manner.

Imprimis I will and order that all my just debts and funeral charges be paid and satisfied by my Executors as soon after my decease as conveniently may be in the following manner to wit that my Executors do sell so much of my moveable estate as they can reasonably spare, And also that they sell & convey Two hundred & fifty Acres of Land in Freehold adjoining Henry Waddells Land to be laid off in such manner as they think best and the money arising from said sales to go towards discharging said debts and if the debts are not then fully paid then I give my Executors full power to sell any other of my lands for the payment thereof or that they pay the same out of the Rents & Profits of my Estate in which every way they shall judge best.

Item I give and bequeath unto my loving Wife Mary Rhea the use and profits of the remainder of all my Real and personal estate during her Widowhood She to support and bring up all my children out of the same but in case my loving wife should marry then and in such case I give unto her the use and profit of Five hundred Pounds which said money after her Death is to be equally divided amongst my Daughters or their representatives.

Item the Remainder of my Lands in Freehold unsold as afores^d. I give and devise to my three youngest Sons to wit James David and

⁶⁰ N. J. Archives, 22-321.

⁶¹ Hist. of Old Tennent Church, p. 400.

⁶² Trenton Wills, 19-382.

Robert after the death or marriage of my loving wife to be equally divided between them & to hold to them their Heirs and assigns forever as Tenants in Common and not as joint Tenants.

Item I order and empower my Executors to Rent out or keep in their possession my Mills & Premises in Allen Town together with the lot of land I purchased of Robert Parent untill my son James shall arrive to the age of twenty one years and then I empower them to sell and convey the same as soon after as they shall think fit and the money arising therefrom is to be equally divided among my three Daughters or their issue or survivors unless my Son James should choose to take the Mills and Premisses aforesaid In such case I then will and devise the same to him and his heirs and assigns forever, and the third part of the lands in Freehold above devised to him I then order and empower my Executors to sell for the use of my Daughters aforesaid.

Item I order and empower my Executors to put my Son Jonathan as apprentis to the Law and that they do support and maintain him during his apprenticeship. And further I give and bequeath to my said son Jonathan the sum of Two Hundred Pounds to be paid to him when he arrives to twenty two years of Age. And I also order my Executors to give unto him a good Riding Horse.

Item all such moveable estate as my Executors shall not sell for the payment of my debts I order to be sold after the death or marriage of my loving wife. And the money arising therefrom is to be paid to my three Daughters as above mentioned.

Item all such estate as my loving wife shall make over and above supporting my children as above mentioned I leave to her to be disposed of in any manner that she shall think fit. Note my Negro Girl Lid I have already given to my Daughter Anne.

Lastly I do hereby Constitute and appoint my said loving wife Mary Rhea and my brother in law David Furman to be the Executors of this my last Will and Testament, And I further constitute and appoint them Guardian of all my children until they respectively arrive to the age of Twenty one years, And I hereby utterly revoke and disallow all former and other wills by me heretofore made, Confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this twenty seventh day of September Anno Dom: One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy four, 1774.

Signed Sealed Published Pronounced and Declared by the said Robert Rhea to be his last Will and Testament in the presence of us.

> Wm. Schenk Isaac Wright, David Brearley Jun^r.

Robert Rhea (SEAL)

I William Schenk one of the witnesses to the within will being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God did depose and say that he saw Robert Rhea the testator therein named sign and seal the same and heard him pronounce it as his last will and testament and that at the doing thereof the said testator was of sound and disposing mind and memory as far as this deponent knows and as he verily believes. And that Isaac Wright and David Brearley were present at the same time and signed their names as Witnesses to the said Will together with this Deponant in the presence of the said Testator. Wm. Schenk Sworn at Trenton December 8th 1777 before me I. Paxton Sur: The foregoing Will being proved Probate was granted by his Excellency William Livingston unto David Furman Executor in the said will named being first sworn well and truly to perform the same exhibit a true Inventory and render a true Account when thereunto lawfully required. Given under the Prerogative Seal the Day and Year aforesaid.

Cha. Pettit Regr.

It will be seen that Robert Rhea in his will left land to his three youngest sons, and some deeds are of record regarding this land and two of the sons.

May 9, 1785. David Rhea Minor of Freehold, Monmouth Co., N. J., to David Forman. Whereas Robert Rhea late of Freehold etc., deceased being seized in fee of land, etc., "and by his last Will and Testament give Devise and Bequeath the said Lands in Freehold Aforesaid, to his three youngest Sons, to wit, James David and Robert to be Equally Devided amongst them *** as Tenants in Common," etc., "And Whereas the said James David and Robert, Sons of the Aforesaid Robert Rhea Deceased, did by mutual Consent, and Assent, on the Third Day of March in the year of our Lord one Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty Five, Devide the said Lands to them as aforesaid Devised, in Three parts as by their Mutual leases and Releases, bearing Date the Same day and year last aforesaid, reference being had to the same will appear," etc. David Rhea deeds his land coming to him in the division with his brothers James & Robert—1871/2 acres & 23 acres to David Forman for a consideration of £600.63

James Rhea and David Rhea moved away from Free-hold, as shown by the following abstracts:

Nov. 4, 1790. Jonathan Rhea gives a Power of Attorney to "James Rhea of Miami in the western Territory to take 63 Freehold Deeds, I-74.

possession of all those Tracts of Land Located for me by the Honorable John Cleve Symmes Esquire adjoining the Military Range lying east of Mr. Ludlows Meridian Line Beginning at the Town of Cincinnati between the Stakes No. 14 & 15."64

June 9, 1801. Jonathan Rhea & Anna Rhea of Trenton deed to Samuel Forman of Freehold. Consideration \$160. 2 acres of woodland which foremerly belonged to their Brother David Rhea late of Orangeburgh in the State of South Carolina deceased.⁶⁵

ROBERT⁴ RHEA was baptized in Old Tennent Church, Dec. 15, 1765.66

Nov. 2, 1786. Robert Rhea gives a bond to David Forman, executor of the will of Robert Rhea, deceased, to indemnify him as such executor.⁶⁷

Feb. 6, 1787. Robert Rhea gives a mortgage deed to Daniel Hendrickson on 350 acres of land for £368. 14. 8. payable May 1, 1787.68

Supreme Court, April Term, 1788. William Montgomery Minor complains of Robert Rhea that he owes him £320 by his obligation dated Mar. 3, 1785. Another paper in Court of Common Pleas, Monmouth Co., calls David Forman "real Pltf." 69

Jan. 3, 1789. Robert Rhea & Mary his wife of Township of Freehold, Monmouth Co., N. J., deed to Jonathan Rhea, Esq., of same. Consideration £195. 60 acres in Freehold Twp. on west side of road that leads to Mr. Bucks mill * * * to the road that leads to English Town. Proved Apr. 27, 1798.70

In a list of baptisms in Old Tennent Church there is given under date of July 28, 1792, the baptism of several

⁶⁴ Freehold Deeds, I-491.

⁶⁵ Freehold Deeds, M-569.

⁶⁶ Hist. of Old Tennent Church, p. 218.

⁶⁷ Freehold Deeds.

⁶⁸ Freehold Mortgages, B-45.

⁶⁹ Supreme Court Files, Trenton, No. 26654.

⁷⁰ Freehold Deeds, I-238.

Rhea children, "the parents names or by whom presented" being "Mary wife of Robt. Rhea & Daniel Hendrickson" and the childrens names being Catherine Hendrickson, William, Molly, Simon Dehart & Daniel Hendrickson.

Robert Rhea married, probably about 1782–85, Mary Hendrickson, bap. Brick Church, Marlboro, N. J., Mar. 17, 1765, 17 daughter of Col. Daniel & Catherine (Van Brunt) Hendrickson.

A paper was filed in the Supreme Court, Trenton, September Term, 1798,⁷³ which is a "Declaration in Ejectment for lands in the County of Monmouth," this being given in full under the account of Col. Daniel Hendrickson in this work, and in which will be seen the children of Col. Daniel Hendrickson who were living at that time, among them being "Robert Rhea and Mary his wife, late Mary Hendrickson," and after this date, 1798, nothing has been found regarding Robert Rhea or his wife.

Daniel Hendrickson⁵ Rhea, born in 1791, as he died Jan. 6, 1879, aged 87 years, which would conform to his being the youngest child of those baptized July 28, 1792. Family record gives the marriage of Daniel Hendrickson Rhea to Elizabeth Harper, and this is borne out by records found in Washington, D. C. Marriage license was issued for Robert Erskine & Elizabeth Harper Jan. 24, 1812, and for Daniel Rhea & Elizabeth Erskine July 16, 1821.⁷⁴

In a suit brought by a Daniel Renner against Elizabeth Erskine otherwise Elizabeth Rhea⁷⁵ on the question of a deed given by them to the complainant on May 3, 1819, the following certificates are shown as exhibits:

"I do hereby certify that I solemnized the Rites of marriage between Robert Erskine and Elizabeth Harper

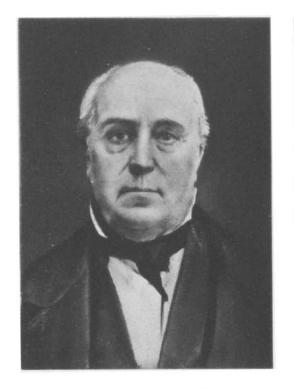
⁷¹ Hist. of Old Tennent Church, p. 233.

⁷² Records of Brick Church, Marlboro, N. J.

⁷⁸ Supreme Court Files, Trenton, No. 32568.

⁷⁴ Marriage Licenses, Washington, D. C.

⁷⁵ No. 120 Chancery Docket, No. 3.





DANIEL HENDRICKSON RHEA

ELIZABETH (HARPER) RHEA

on the 26th day of January in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred & twelve.

Witness

Walter D. Addison."

Mary Addison

"George Town July 16, 1821

To all whom it may concern, this certificate that Daniel Rhea & Elizabeth Erskine have been lawfully married by the Subscriber.

S. D. Balch M. V. D."

A verdict in this suit was rendered in favor of the complainant, but an appeal was made to the Supreme Court, where the judgment of the lower Court was reversed.⁷⁶

The record of the death of Daniel Hendrickson Rhea on the Pittsburgh, Pa., Records is as follows: Daniel Rhea—87 years—Died Jan. 6, 1879, of old age—Born New Jersey—Resided 166 2nd Ave. 2 Ward—Time of residence there 27 years—Previous residence Pittsburgh, Pa.—Place of Interment Alleghany Cemetery—Buried Jan. 8, 1879.

Daniel Hendrickson Rhea made his will Apr. 18, 1872, and the same was proved Jan. 18, 1879. In it he gives one-seventh to his son Charles H. Rhea, and the same to each of his daughters, Mary A. Robertson (widow of W. V. Robertson dec'd.); Virginia Barrett (intermarried with W. Barrett); Elizabeth Rhea; Rose Hughey (intermarried with Robert Hughey); Mary A. Cole (intermarried with Eli Cole); Arrabella McNulty (intermarried with G. W. McNulty). He makes Calvin Adams, executor.

Calvin Adams made oath that Daniel Rhea died Jan. 6, 1879, at 4 a. m. 78

⁷⁶ First Peters 105.

⁷⁷ Pittsburgh, Pa., Wills, 21-568.

⁷⁸ Pittsburgh Death Records, 2-248.

VAN BRUNT

PUTGER JOESTEN¹ VAN BRUNT, the common ancestor of the Van Brunt family in this country, emigrated from the Netherlands in 1653, and was among the first settlers in New Utrecht, L. I., in 1657. He was one of the most influential citizens in the newly begun village of New Utrecht, where he continued to reside until his death which took place prior to 1713. He was a Magistrate in 1661, from 1678 to '81, and in 1685. He signed his name "Rutger Joesten." He married (1) in 1657, Tryntje Claes or Cleasen, the widow of Stoffel Harmensen Van Borculo (now Barkalow). She was born about 1618 and was living as late as 1688. Rutger Joesten Van Brunt and his wife Tryntje had 3 sons. 79

Cornelis Rutgersz² Van Brunt married Nov. 23, 1685, Tryntje Adriaense Bennet, born about 1664, died probably about 1738, daughter of Adriaen Willemse Bennet and his wife Angenietje Jans Van Dyke. He was a Deacon in 1695, and 1715–17, 1719–21, 1729–31 an Elder in the Reformed Dutch Church of New Utrecht. From 1698 to 1716 inclusive, he was a member of the N. Y. Colonial Assembly. He died about 1748, his will being dated July 25, 1748, and proved May 13, 1754. He signed his name "Cornelis Van Brunt." Cornelis Rutgersz Van Brunt and his wife Tryntje had 9 children.⁸⁰

WILL OF CORNELIUS VAN BRUNT.81

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN the twenty fifth day of July in the year of our Lord Christ One thousand seven hundred and forty eight I CORNELIUS VAN BRUNT of Newuytreght in Kings County in the Province of New York Gentleman being weak in Body but of perfect

⁷⁰ Van Brunt Genealogy, 1867, p. 1; N. Y. Record, 35-33; Bergen's Early Settlers of Kings Co., 1881, p. 312.

⁸⁰ Van Brunt Genealogy, p. 5; N. Y. Record, 35-33; Bergen's Early Settlers of Kings Co., p. 311.

⁸¹ New York Wills, 19-38.

mind and memory thanks be given unto God therefor calling unto mind the mortallity of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to dye to make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament that is to say principally and first of all I give and Recommend my Soul into the hands of God that gave it and for my Body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like and decent manner at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at the General resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as touching such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless in this life I give devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form it is my Will and order that all my lawfull debts shall be paid out of my moveable Estate I give and bequeath unto my son Rutger Van Brunt his heirs and Assigns for ever all that House and Whomelott lying and being in the Town of Newuytreght aforesaid bounded North Westerly by Hendrick Janse Southeasterly by the Lott formerly belonging to Joost Van Brunt and Cornelius Van Brunt myself and also the half part of the said Lott bounded easterly and Southerly by the Road that leads from Newuytreght to Flatbush I do further give to my Son Rutger Van Brunt his heirs and Assigns for ever the now dwelling house and Tract of land Joyning thereunto beginning by the Road aforesaid at the north west corner of one whomelott lately belonging to Hendrick Smak and sold to the said Rutger Van Brunt and Running Southerly along the division fence of the said whomelott between my son Rutger and myself and so along with a streight line to the Land of Jaquis Cortelyou and so along the said Cortelyou to the bay all my Land between the said line and the Land of Court Voorhees and also all my Land in the Town of Gravesand in the said County so as it is now in the possession of my said son Rutger Van Brunt I give Nicholas and to his heirs and assigns for ever all my now dwelling House and tract of Land Joyning thereunto beginning by the aforesaid at the Northwest corner of the whomelott lately belonging to Hendrick Smak and sold to Rutger Van Brunt as aforesaid and running Southerly along the division fence with a straight line to the land of Jaquis Cortelyou as hereaforesaid and so along the Land of the said Cortelyou westerly to the Road and so along the said Road to the place where is first begon.

I do also give to my Son Nicholas his heirs and assigns for ever all that my Land lying in the said Town between the Land of Jan Van Brunt and the hills so as it is now in the possession of my said Son Nicholas I do also give to my Son Nicholas and to his heirs and assigns for ever all my right in the undivided Land in the said Town by the Great pound formerly belonging to Joost Van Brunt and Cornelius Van Brunt my self I give to my two Sons Rutger and Nicholas all my Wood Lands and Maddows in the said County to be divided amongst them equally for them their heirs and assigns for ever and it is will and order that my Son Rutger shall pay to my daughters and the Children of my daughter Angeniete deceased the sum of two hundred pounds currant money of New York five years after my decease in manner following to my daughter Tryntie the sum of forty pounds of the like currant money of New York to my daughter Marrytie the sum of forty Pounds the like money as aforesaid to my

daughter Marragreet the said sum of forty Pounds of the like money aforesaid to my daughter Neeltie the said sum of forty mouney as aforesaid and to the children of my daughter Angenietie the sum of forty Currant mouny aforesaid to be divided among them equally if any of the said Children happen to die without issue before division made and the time of payment the portion to be divided equally among the survivors and all lawful debts bonds bills or any debts due and payable by any of my said daughters or by any of their husband deceased or alive to my son Rutger shall be deducted out of their proportion and receive the overplus if any thier be it is my Will and order that my Son Nicholas shall also pay the sum of two hundred pounds to my daughter and the Children of my Daughter Angenietie in manner and form as my Son Rutger it is my Will and order that within three months after my decease all my moveable Estate that is left after my lawfull debts are paid as here above said shall be divided among all my Children Sons and daughters and the Children of my daughter Angenitie in equal proportion as above said if happen that any of said Children die without issue the portion to be divided among the survivors I do further appoint constitute and make my two Sons Rutger and Nicholas Executors of this my last Will and Testament and I do hereby utterly disallow Revoke and disannull all and every other and former Testaments Wills and Legacys Bequests and Executors by me in any wise before this time named willed and bequeathed Ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the day and year first above Written.

his Cornelius Van X Brunt (L.S.)

Signed Sealed published pronounced and declared by the said Cornelius Van Brunt as his last Will and Testament of us the subscribers viz Ian I I Ianse, Cornelius Groenendyck, Pieter Lefferts

Col. Rutgert³ Van Brunt married Nov. 3, (1715?) Elizabeth Albertse Van Voorhees, who was baptized Dec. 10, 1695, and died July 17, 1748, daughter of Albert Coerte Van Voorhees and Sara Willemse Cornel his wife. He was Deacon from 1717 to 1723, and Elder from 1726 to 1729 in the Reformed Dutch Church of New Utrecht; in 1722 was Captain and in 1740 Colonel of the Militia.

He died Apr. 7, 1760, his will being dated Apr. 4, 1760, and proved May 19, 1760. He signed his name "Rutgert Van Brunt."

Col. Rutgert Van Brunt and his wife Elizabeth had 11 children, one of them being a daughter Catryntie (or

Catherine), born Jan. 29, 1738, who married Col. Daniel Hendrickson.⁸²

WILL OF RUTGERT VAN BRUNT.83

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN the fourth day of April in the year of our Lord Christ One thousand seven hundred and sixty

I RUTGERT VAN BRUNT of the town of New Uitreght in Kings County of Nassow Island in the province of New York farmer being at this time verry seeck & weck in Body but of sound mind and memory blessed be his holy name therefore and calling to mind the shortness of Live & the uncertain hour of my decease do therefore make this last will and testament in manner and form following willing and desireing that all & every person & persons herein concerned may be fully contented and satisfyed therewith & raise no Contention about the same after my decease and first I give and bequeath my soul immortal unto God who give it my body I recommend to the earth from whence it was taken to be intered in a deceant & Christian like manner at the discretion of my Executors hereinafter named and as touching and concerning my wordly estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me in this life I give will devise bequeath and dispose thereof in the following manner (to witt) first I do will and order that all my just & lawfull debts together with my funerall charges shall be duly paid by my Executors hereafter named out of my estate as soon as conveniently may be after my decease.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Welhelmus van Brunt to him his heirs & assigns forever all that home lott of land with the house & barn on the same where my father Cornelius van Brunt used to live in the town of New Uitreght in Kings County aforesd which same home lot begins from the mean road along the lane running to the strand till you come to the corner of the Sheep pasture so called from thence southeasterly with a straight line till you come right over the southeast corner of the towns plain and so with a straight line to the aforesaid mean road or Kings highway also a certain peice of clear land some lying on the southwest side of the road that leads from New Uitreght town to Deneyses ferry and some on the east side of the said Road as it now lyes in fence the same also lying in the township of New Uitreght about ninety Acres be the same more or less also the one third of all my woodlands lying in Newuitreght wood lands (Except two peices of woodlands which I herein after shall give unto my son Albert & my son Toost) also the one half of all my Meadow Ground which lyes within the township of flatlands in the said County also the one half of a certain peice of salt and fresh meadow seatuate lying and being in the township of Graves and adjoyning to the land of Daniel Lake with the provisor my said son Welhelmus Van Brunt or his heirs Exrs or Adminsrs paying therefore the sum of seven hundred pounds to my Executors hereinafter named the first payment to begin

⁸² Van Brunt Genealogy, p. 10; N. Y. Record, 35-35; Bergen's Early Settlers of Kings Co., p. 312; Van Voorhees Family, p. 91.

⁸³ New York Wills, 22-73.

four years after my decease and so every year One hundred pounds currant lawfull money of the province of New York till the seven hundred

pounds are paid to my Executors hereinafter named.

Item I do give and bequeath unto my son Rutgert Van Brunt Junr to him his heirs and assigns forever all that certain peice of Land with the improvements on the same scituate lying and being in the township of Gravesand in the said County some lying on the Southwest side of the road that leads from Gravesand town to New Uitreght town and some on the northeast side of the said road with all the meadow & swamp adjoyning to the same also the one third of all my woodlands scituate lying and being in Newuitreght Woodlands (Except two peices which I hereinafter shall give unto my son Albert & my son Joost) with the provisor my said son Rutgert Van Brunt Junr or his heirs Exrs or Adminisrs paying for the same the sum of five hundred pounds courrant lawfull money of the province of New York to my Executors hereafter named in five payments the first payment of one hundred pounds to begin four years after my decease & so every year following one hundred pounds till the five hundred pounds are paid to my Executors hereinafter named.

Item I do give and bequeath unto my son Adrian Van Brunt to him his heirs and assigns forever all that certain peice of land with all the improvements on the same which I now live in scituate lying and being in the town of New Uitreght in Kings County aforesaid bounded southeast to Robert Voorhees, Northeast & south east to Petrus van Pelt Northeast to the road that leads to Newuitreght town Northwest partly to said Welhelmus Van Brunt and partly the aforesaid lane which leads to the strand southwesterly, to Jacques Catelyou and the River containing about One hundred and twenty Acres more or less also a certain peice of clear & woodland lying at a place called the Great Pond in the township of Newuitreght aforesaid also the one third of all my woodlands scituate lying and being in New uitreght Woodlands (Except two peices which I hereinafter shall give unto my son Albert & my son Joost) also the one half of all my Meadow lying in the township of Flatlands also the one half of a certain peice of salt & fresh Meadow Ground lying in the township of Gravesand adjoyning to the land of Daniel Lake with the provisor my said son Adrian Van Brunt or his heirs Executors or Admrs paying for the same the sum of seven hundred pounds Currant Lawfully money of the said province or New York in seven equall payments to my Executors hereinafter named the first payment to begin four years after my decease & so every year following one hundred pounds till the seven hundred pounds are paid to my said Executors hereinafter named

Item I do give and bequeath unto my son Albert Van Brunt to him his heirs and assigns the sum of three hundred pounds currant lawfull money of the province of New York to be paid to him or them at such

times and in such payments as hereinafter I shall order.

Item I do give and bequeath unto my son Joost Van Brunt to him his heirs & assigns the sum of six hundred pounds like money aforesaid to be paid to him or them at such times and in such payments as I hereinafter shall order

Item I do give and bequeath unto my daughter Saertie the wife of Jeremias V. D. Bilt or to her heirs or assigns the sum of four hundred pounds like money aforesaid to be paid to her or them at such times and in such payments as I hereinafter shall order.

Item I do give and bequeath unto my daughter Catryntie the wife of Daniel Hendrickson or to her heirs or assigns the sum of four hundred pounds like money aforesaid to be paid to her or them at such times & in such payments as I hereinafter shall order.

Item. I do give and unto my Grant Daughter Elezabeth the wife of Hendrick Johnson Junr or to her heirs or assigns the sum of one hundred pounds to be paid to her or them at such time & at such payments as I

hereinafter shall order.

Item I do give and bequeath unto my Grant daughter Nelley the sum of one hundred pounds to her or her heirs and assigns to be paid to her at such times and in such payments as I hereinafter shall order.

Item it is my will and I do order that my Executors hereinafter named as the money is paid to them by my aforesaid three sons Welhelmus Rutgert & Adrian Van Brunt yearly & every year during the time I have above ordered them to pay the same for my real estate to pay the same as I have hereinabove ordered to whom the same shall be paid till the above-said sums of money are all paid as the aforesaid money come in yearly equally share & share alike my two Grant daughters to be counted as one.

Item I do give & bequeath unto my son Albert Van Brunt to him his heirs & assigns forever a certain peice of Woodland now in possession & fence of my said son Albert Van Brunt also a certain peice of salt & fresh meadow ground lying in the township of Brookland bounded southeasterly by Browers creek so called Northwesterly by the upland of John Rapelje.

Item I do give & bequeath unto my said son Joost Van Brunt to him his heirs & assigns forever a certain peice or Woodland scituate lying & being in the township of Newuitreght partly & partly in the township of Brookland in Kings County aforesaid bounded Northwest by the Cleer land of the widdow of John Van Dyck deceased southwest to the widdow Van Brunt southeast to Gerrit Van Duyn & Northeast to Teunis Van Pelt.

Item I do give and Bequeath my whole personal estate whatsoever unto all my children Albert, Welhelmus, Joost, Rutgert Adrian Saertie the wife of Jeremias V. D. Bilt, Catryntie the wife of Daniel Hendrickson to them and their heirs forever to be equally divided between them share & share alike some convenient time after my decease

Lastly I do hereby nomonate constitute ordain & appoint my said son Albert Van Brunt my said son Joost Van Brunt & my said son in law Jeremias V. D. Bilt to be the Executors of this my last will and testament desireing of them to perform fulfill & execute all and every artiel & thing herein contained as near as can be done by them Ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament.

FELT AND ALLIED FAMILIES

In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal the day & year first above written

Rutgert van Brunt (L.S.)

Signed sealed and declared by the said Rutgert van Brunt as his last will & testament in the presence of us the subscribers

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VAN COUWENHOVEN

OLFERT GERRETSE VAN COUWENHOVEN (See Ancestry of Dorr Eugene Felt.)

GERRET WOLFERTSE VAN COUWENHOVEN. Ancestry of Dorr Eugene Felt.)

WILLEM GERRETSE⁸ VAN COUWENHOVEN, born 1636, mar-& ried (1) 1660, Altie Brinckerhoff; (2) Feb. 12, 1665, Jannetje Pieters Monfoort, daughter of Pieter Monfoort and Sarah De Plancken (or Blanck). He resided first in Brooklyn, of which place he was a Magistrate in 1661, '62 & '64, and a Deacon of the Reformed Dutch Church in 1663. From thence he appears to have removed to Flatlands, his name appearing on the patent of said town of 1667, and he was an Elder of the Reformed Dutch Church there in 1677. He sold his farm at Flatlands to his son William in 1709, and he is thought to have spent his declining years among his children in Monmouth Co., N. J.

Willem Gerretse and Jannetje Pieters (Monfoort) Van Couwenhoven had 11 children, their second child being a daughter Neeltje Willemse, born Dec. 7, 1667, who married Jan Pieterse Wyckoff.84

⁸⁴ Bergen's Early Settlers of Kings Co., 1881, p. 80; Beekman's Early Dutch Settlers of Monmouth Co., N. J., 1901, p. 19.

VAN DYKE

AN THOMASSE' VAN DYKE (or Van Dyck) emigrated from Amsterdam, Holland, in 1652, with his wife Tryntje Achais, or Haegen, and seven children, and settled in New Utrecht, L. I., in 1657, of which place he was one of the founders, and he was appointed Sergeant Oct. 2, 1659. He was appointed Schepen Aug. 18, 1673, but must have died soon after that date, as Oct. 16, 1673, another Magistrate was appointed in his place, he being spoken of as "now lately deceased."

Jan Thomasse Van Dyke is said to have had 4 children by his first wife, whose name is not given, and 7 by his second wife Tryntje, one of the latter being a daughter Angenietje Jans, who married Dec. 3, 1662, Adriaen Willemse Bennet.⁸⁵

CAPT. JAN JANSE² VAN DYKE, born not long before 1652, came to this country with his parents in 1652, settled in New Utrecht, where he was a Magistrate in 1679, and where he died in 1736, his will being dated May 16, 1735, and it was proved Nov. 9, 1736. He married in N. Y. City, May 9, 1673, Teuntje (or Tryntje) Thyssen Lanen Van Pelt, born in Holland, daughter of Matthys Janse Lanen Van Pelt and his first wife. Capt. Jan Janse Van Dyke was commissioned Lieutenant in December, 1689, and Captain in 1700.

Capt. Jan Janse Van Dyke and his wife Teuntje had 6 children, one of them being a daughter Catherine, who married Daniel Hendricks.⁸⁶

WILL OF JOHN VAN DYCK.87

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN

I JOHN VAN DYCK of New Uytrecht in Kings County on the Island Nassau in y province of New York yeoman being of perfect health

85 Beekmah and Van Dyke Genealogy, 1912, p. 174; Bergen's Early Settlers of Kings Co., 1881, p. 336.

86 Beekman and Van Dyke Genealogy, p. 187; Bergen's Early Settlers of Kings Co., p. 335.

87 New York Wills, 13-37.

both in Body & mind but knowing the certainty of Death & uncertainty of the Time of its approach Do make this my Last Will and Testament n manner and form following

first I bequeath my soul to God who gave it my Body to the Earth from whence it came to be decently Interred at the Discretion of my Executors hereafter named in Certain hopes of a Resurrection & the Union of my Body & Soul at the last day and of Eternal Life through the sole merrits of my Blessed Saviour Jesus Christ and as to what worldly Estate God hath pleased to Bestow upon me and that shall belong to me at the time of my Dec'se after my just debts and funeral are paid and satisfyed I give Devise and Bequeath of the same in manner and form following.

Imprimis I give and Bequeath unto my loveing Children John Van Dyck Mattys Van Dyck Catherin Widow of Daniel Hendrickson Jannet wife of Capt Rutgers Van Brunt Angennetje wife to Simon DeHart all my personal Estate which I have within the province of New York or Elsewhere for them their heirs and Assigns forever to be Equally Divided share and share alike that is to say after the Legacies are paid to some of my Grant Children hereafter named to which I have Bequeathed in manner following

Imprimis I give and Bequeath unto my Grant Son John Stephens the sum of five shillings Currant money of New York to be paid to him by my Exers hereafter named within six months after my Decease which sum is to be his full share & proportion of my Estate whatsoever.

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Grant Daughter Teuntje being the widdow of John Sleigh Deceased the sum of twenty five pounds Currant money of New York to be paid to her by my Executors hereafter named within six months after my Decease which sum is to be in full share and proportion of my Estate whatsoever.

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Grant Children of my Daughter Catleyntje Deceased which was the wife of Garret Ketteltas they are in number Three Sons & Three Daughters each five shill Currant money of New York to be paid Them by my Exers hereafter named within six months after my Decease which sum is to be in full share & proportion of my Estate Whatsoever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Great Grant Son John Van Buren being the son of my Grant Daughter Teuntje Richon Deceased which was the wife of Doctor John Van Buren Junr The sum of Fifteen pounds Current money of New York to be paid to him by my Exers hereafter named that is when he shall arrive to the full age of twenty one years & not Before but if in Case my said Great Grant son John Van Buren should die before the age of twenty one years without Issue then in that Case it is my Express will and order that the Before mentioned fifteen pounds Currant money aforesd shall Decend upon my own Children before named and be Equally Divided amongst them share & share alike otherwise the which sum is to be in full share & proportion of my Estate whatsoever

Lastly I hereby nominate Constitute & appoint my Loveing Sons

John VanDyck Mattys Van Dyck Rutgers Van Brunt Symon DeHart to be my sole Exers of this my Last will and Testament & Do Deligent take care that everything and article to be Duely and Truely performed According to ye true Intent and Meaning hereof

And I do hereby utterly Disallow Revoke and Disannul all & every other former Testament wills and Legacies bequests and Executors by me in any ways before this time named & Bequeathed Ratifying and Confirming This & no other to be my Last will and Testament

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand seal this sixteenth day of May in the year of our Lord Christ Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and Thirty five

John Van X Dyck (L.S.)

Signed sealed published pronounced & Declared by the said John Van Dyck as his Last Will and Testament in the presence of us the subscribers

Cornelius Van Brunt Joost Van Brunt Theo Elsworth Christopher Codwise

VAN NESS

ORNELIUS¹ VAN NESS is said to have been a member of the Council of the Manor of Rensselaerwyck, and to have had probably several children, one of whom was a daughter Grietje, or Gretia, who married about 1649, Pieter Claesz Wyckoff.⁸⁸

88 Somerset Co., N. J., Hist. Quarterly, 2-189.

VAN PELT

ATTHYS JANSE LANEN VAN PELT, with wife and four children came from Liege in 1663, they being given on the ship's list of the Rosetree or Roseboom. The wife is said to have set sail but died on the way over and was buried at sea. He married for a second wife Adriaentje Hendricks, and she survived her husband. He settled at New Utrecht, L. I., and his name appears on the assessment rolls of 1675 & '76. He signed his name "Thys Jansen Van Pelt." Matthys Janse Lanen Van Pelt and his first wife had 4 children, one of them being a daughter Teuntje (or Tryntje) Thyssen Lanen Van Pelt, born in Holland about 1648, who married Capt. Jan Janse Van Dyke. 89

Gysbrecht Thyssen² Lanen Van Pelt, born in Holland about 1652, came with his father in 1663; married Jannetje Ariens or Adriens, called by Beekman, Jannetje Adriense Lamberson.⁹⁰ He was a member of the New Utrecht Church in 1677 and Deacon in 1683, but was of Monmouth Co., N. J., by 1709, where he was one of the organizers of the Dutch Church in that year. His will, in which his name is given as Gilbert Lane, was dated Nov. 7, 1720, and proved May 17, 1727. Many of his descendants have the name of Lane.

Gysbrecht Thyssen Lanen Van Pelt and his wife Jannetje had 9 children, one of them being a daughter Maiken (or Moika) Lanen Van Pelt, who married Stoffel Dircksen Langstraat.⁹¹

WILL OF GILBERT LANE.92

In the name of God Amen the seventh day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and twenty I Gilbert Lane of

⁸ Van Pelt Genealoy, 1913, pp. 11, 22; Bergen's Early Settlers of Kings Co., 1881, p. 357.

⁹⁰ Beekman's Early Dutch Settlers of Monmouth Co., 2nd ed., 1915, p. 122.

⁹¹ Van Pelt Genealogy, p. 156; Bergen's Early Settlers of Kings Co., p. 354. ⁹² Trenton Wills, B-66.

Middleton in the County of Monmouth and province of New Jersey yeoman being in health of body and of perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto god for it therefore calling to mind the Mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to dye do make and ordain this to be my last will and testament that is to say Principally and first of all I give and recomend my soul into the hands of God that Gave it and for my body I recomend it to the Earth to be buryed in a Christian Like manner at the discretion of my Executors Nothing doubting and at the General resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God And as touching such wordly Estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life I Give devise and dispose of the same in the following manner

Imprimis I Give devise and bequeath unto my loving wife Jane lane all my goods and chatles dureing her life I give devise and bequeath unto my sons Adrain Lane Cornelius lane and Matthias lane and my daughters Moika Longstreet Catherine D'hart Mary VanSicklah, Jane lane and my Grand children which were born of my daughter Williamea Hendrickson Late deceased formerly wife of William Hendrickson Likewise deceased after my wifes decease all my personall Estate Goods & chattles to Equally divided between them share and share alike in Eight Equall parts and proportions And as concerning my son Joseph Lane who is blind, my will and meaning is that within six weeks after my own and my wifes decease and before my Estate is parted and Divided among my seven forsd mentioned children and the children of my daughter Williamea Hendrickson that all my said seven children and my aforesd Grand children shall Give bond of two hundred pounds unto each other with Conditions that each and every of them shall bear their Equall part & proportion according to the discretion of my Executors in the keeping and maintaining their said brother Joseph Lane yearly and every year during his naturall Life, But if any of my said children shall refuse to give bond as aforesaid my will is that they shall lose their Equall parts and proportions of my Estate and be entirely Cutt off from Enjoying any part of my Estate, and their parts that shall so refuse to be equally divided among those that shall perform my will in signing such bond as aforesaid.

Lastly I appoint my said sons Adrain, Cornelius and Mathias Lane Executors of this my last will and Testament hereby disanulling all former wills heretofore Either by word or writeing by me made In witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and seal the day and year above written

Signed Sealed published and declared by the sd Gilbert Lane as his last will and testament in the presence of us the Subscribers

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John Little Sam¹ Dennis Jacob Dennis

Perth Amboy 17th May 1727

Then personally appeared before me Michael Kearny Surr appointed by his Excellency William Burnet Esq captain Generall & Governour in chief of New Jersey &c John Little one of the Evidences to the within last will and testament who being sworn on the holy Evangelist of Almighty god did depose that he saw Gilbert lane the testator within mentioned sign seal publish and declare the within written Instrument as his last will and testament and that he was at the same time of sound mind and memory as far as they knew or believed and saw the other evidences sign it as such

Jurat Coram Mich: Kearny Sur

Perth Amboy 17th May 1727

Then appeared before me Michael Kearny Surr appointed by his Excellency Wm. Burnet Esq captain Generall Governor in chief &c Adrain Cornelius and Mathias Lane the Executors mentioned in the within last will and testament who being sworn on the holy Evangelist of Almighty god did depose to their well and faithfull Administring on the within last will &c.

Juraat Coram me Mich: Kearny Surr

VAN VOORHEES

TEVEN COERTE VAN VOORHEES. (See Ancestry of Dorr Eugene Felt.)

CAPT. COERT STEVENSE VAN VOORHEES. (See Ancestry of Dorr Eugene Felt.)

He married (1) Sara Willemse Cornel, who was the mother of his children and who died about 1736, daughter of William Guljamse Cornel and Margreta (or Margarietje) Polhemius his wife. He took the oath of allegiance in Flatlands as a native, in 1687, and was Ensign of Militia in 1691 and 1700; was on the assessment roll of New Utrecht of 1723. He signed his name "Albert Coerten." He made his will May 14, 1747, and it was proved Apr. 14, 1748.

Ens. Albert Coerte Van Voorhees and his wife Sara had 7 children, one of them being a daughter Elizabeth Albertse, bap. Dec. 10, 1695, died July 17, 1748, who married Rutgert Van Brunt.⁹³

WILL OF ALBERT COURTEN (VAN VOORHEES).94

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN The Fourteenth day of May in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and forty seven

I ALBERT COERTE of Flatlands in Kings County on the Island of Nassau Yeoman being at the present time in good health and of perfect mind and memory thanks be given to God therefore calling unto mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all Men once to die do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament that is to say principally and first of all I give and Recommend my Soul into the hands of God who gave it and for my Body I recommend to the earth to be buried in a Christianlike and decent manner at the discretion of my Executors Nothing doubting but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as touching such worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life I give devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form

Imprimus that after my lawfull debts are paid and my funeral charges are defrayed I give and Bequeath unto my Son Coert Voorhees or his heirs the full and just Sum of twenty five Pounds Current Money of

⁹⁸ Van Voorhees Family, p. 52; Van Brunt Genealogy, 1867, p. 10; Bergen's Early Settlers of Kings Co., 1881, p. 375.

⁹⁴ New York Wills, 16-284.

New York, to be levied out of my estate before any division is made for his first birth right wherewith he he shall quit claim of any pretention of being heir at law

Item it is my will that my whole real estate within the town of Flatlands abovesaid or elsewhere shall be sold by my Executors or the Major part of them to the highest bidder immediately after my decease and I do give by these presents full power and lawfull authority to my Executors or the Major part of them to sell convey assure and confirm my said Real Estate to any Buyer or Buyers and such Deed or Deeds Conveyance or Conveyances as my Executors or the Major part of them shall make or Execute for my said Real Estate or any part or parcell thereof shall be as lawfull and Authentick in the law for and to any Buyer or Buyers and to their heirs and Assigns as if I had Acted and Executed the same in my lifetime

Item I give and bequeath all the Money which shall arise by the sale of my real Estate as abovesaid to my Children by name Coerst Voorhees Elizabeth now the wife of Rutger Van Brunt Mary now the wife of John Noordstrandt Margarett now the Wife of David Nevius Aeltie now the wife of Wilhelmus stoothoff and the Children of my Daughter Ann which was the Wife of Hendrick Cortelyou and the Children of my Daughter Nieltje which was the Wife of Christopher Hoogelandt each an equal portion that is to say my Daughter Anns Children together apart with my own Children and my Daughter Nielties Children together apart with my own Children and after my Daughter Margaritts decease that then the Children which she had by Petrus Stoothoff shall each have so much out of that Portion which I gave to her as the Children shall have as She has by David Nevius

Item I give and bequeath all my personal Estate in Flatlands or elsewhere to all my above named Children and Grand Children to be equally divided among them in manner and form as is abovesaid immediately after my decease and if any of my Children shall happen to Dye under lawfull age without issue that than the deceased Portion shall be equally divided among the Survivors of my Children and Grand Children Included in this Will and I do Constitute and appoint my Son Coert Voorhees and my Sons in Law Rutgert Van Brunt John Noorstrandt David Navius & Wilhelmus Stoothoff to my Executors of this my last Will and Testament and to see that it is duely and truly performed According to the true intent and Meaning thereof and I do utterly disallow and Revoke and disannull all and every other former Testaments Wills Legacies bequesths & Executors by me in any's before this time named Willed or Bequeathed Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament.

In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this day and year first above written Albert Coerten Ls

Signed Sealed Published pronounced and Declared by the said Albert Coerten as his last Will and Testament in the presence of us Subscribers

Harmanus Hoogland Johannes Lott Johannes Nevius.

WILBUR

SAMUEL¹ WILBUR (or Wildbore) was of Boston, Mass., as early as 1633, where he and his wife Ann were admitted members of the Church, Dec. 1, 1633, and he was Assessor of Taxes, Nov. 10, 1634. "He fell out of sympathy with the major part of his fellow worshippers under the dangerous doctrine of Cotton and Wheelwright, so that the body of the people at other places in the Colony deemed it necessary to disarm them in November, 1637, when his character stood high enough to serve on the grand jury two months earlier, and in March following he was banished. With Coddington, and seventeen others, among the best men of Boston, they purchasing Aquidneck or Rhode Island, he formed corporation by solemn compact Mar. 7, 1638, and was held in high esteem there for many years, so that though he had removed to Taunton, his name as senior, and Samuel, Jr., were retained on the list of freemen, 1655."95 The compact of Portsmouth, Mar. 7, 1638, was as follows: "We whose names are underwritten do here solemnly in the presence of Jehovah incorporate ourselves into a Bodie Politick, and as he shall help, will submit our persons, lives and estates, unto our Lord Iesus Christ, the King of Kings and Lord of Lords, and to all those perfect and most absolute laws of his given us in his holy word of truth, to be guided and judged thereby."96

He was Clerk of Train Band June 27, 1638; Constable Jan. 24, 1639; and Sergeant in 1644. In 1645 he was of Boston, but at the time of making his will he was living in Taunton, and he died Sep. 29, 1656, his first wife, whom he married in England, having died prior to November, 1645. 97 Samuel and Ann Wilbur had at least 3 children.

⁹⁵ Savage's Gen. Dict.

⁹⁶ Austin's Gen. Dict., 1887, p. 227.

⁹⁷ The Wildbores in America, 1907, p. 1 et seq.

WILL OF SAMUEL WILBUR.98

A copy of A Will appointed to bee Recorded.

The thirtieth day of Aprill in the year of our Lord one Thousand Six hundred fifty Six, I Samuell Wilbore of Taunton in Plymouth Pattent being of pfect understanding blessed bee God doe make this my last Will and Testament as followeth:

Impr. I give and bequeath unto my loveing Wife Elizabeth all the moveable goods that is or shall bee in my house in Boston wher att prsent I doe habitt att the time of my decease and alsoe all my sheep and lambes att Dorchester there kept to halves alsoe a maire and coult at John Mores att Brantrey.

Item. I give and bequeath unto Samuell Wilbore my eldest son all my lands att Road Iland and all my debts due to mee there first from Richard Smith the eldest and alsoe a debt from Henery Bull which is foure pounds and an ewe of 2 years old also: one Cow in the hands of James Babcocke and alsoe one Cow that is att Bridgwater together with the rent for the said cattle according to agreement and alsoe Six hundred of Iron lying att Taunton in my dwelling house there.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Joseph Wilbore my house and land wherein my said son Joseph doth now Inhabite and dwell with all the appurtenances therunto belonging and also twelve acres of ground by the Towne of Taunton being by the Iron mills and alsoe my share in the said Iron Workes: And I give and bequeath unto my youngest son Shadrach Wilbore my house and land therunto belonging att Taunton wherein I dwell with all the moveables goods within and without dores and cattle excepting halfe the orchard and halfe the said dwelling house and two of the best cowes and hay to bee taken of the meddow ground convenient for theire wintering which I give and bequeath unto my said Wife Elizabeth provided shee continue and dwell there, but in case my said wife should marry an other man and Inhabite elsewhere that my said son shall have the said Annuity allowing my said wife or her assignes the sume of ten pounds to bee paied in such goods as the countrey doth affoard:

Item I give unto my said son Shadrach the debts of James Lynard Ralph Rusill and Jeremy Howland: and I the said Samuell Wilbore doe nominate and appoint my said Wife Elizabeth and my said son Shadrach Exeycitors of this my last Will and Testament unto whome I give and bequeath all other my debts owing unto my selfe not before specified paying all such debts as are owing by mee and discharging my funerall and pforming the trust comited unto them which I hope they will doe and I give my white horse unto my son Shadrach and what other cattle or goods I have not desposed of I will that my said exeycitors have them betwixt them equally to be devided.

Item I give to Robert Blott of Boston twenty shillings

Item I give to goodman Blacke twenty shillings

Item I give to my son Shadrach the time of the service of my man John Markelett a Scotsman:

⁹⁸ Plymouth Colony Wills, 2, pt. 1, p. 49; Cf. N. E. Register, 6-290.

Item I give unto my son Joseph a peece of blew Trucking cloth of eight or ten yeards which said cloth is included a monge the goods in the house att Boston wher att prsent I doe Inhabite and above bequeathed to my said wife and I will that my said exeycitors pay to my son Joseph within two years after my decease the sume of ten pounds in Iron viz. one five pounds thereof att six months end and the other five pounds att the two yeares end unto which as my last will and Testament I have heerunto sett my hand and seale the day and yearre above said

Attested

Samuell Wilbore and A Seale

Pr. Robert Howard William Colbron

This is a true copy comparred with the originall will with these Interlininges therunto belonging the word said which as attested Edw Rawson Att A meeting of the Govr: deputie Govr. and Recorder the sixt of Novem. 1656. Mr. William Colbron and Mr. Robert Howard deposed saith that they were prsent when Samuell Wilbore within mentioned declared the above written to bee his last will and Testament: that when hee declared it to them hee was of a pfect memory and sound understanding to theirre best knowlidge and deserning: that is a true coppy of the probate

Attested

Edw. Rawson Recorder.

The original Will was proved in the Court of the Massachusetts but this coppy ordered to bee heer recorded.

Capt. Samuel Wilbur of Portsmouth, R. I., married Hannah Porter, who died Apr. 6, 1722, daughter of John and Margaret Porter. He was Commissioner 1656, 1658–60, 1662–63; Deputy 1664–65; 1669–70; Assistant 1665–69, 1677–78. He enlisted in the troop of horse Aug. 10, 1667, and was Captain in 1676. His will dated Aug. 21, 1678, was proved Nov. 7, 1710.

Capt. Samuel and Hannah (Porter) Wilbur had 6 children, one of them being a daughter Mary, who married Sheriff Samuel Forman.⁹⁹

WILL OF CAPTAIN SAMUEL WILBUR. 100 In the name of God Amen,

Captain Samuel Wilbur Inhabitant in the Town of Portsmouth on Rhode Island, in the Colonie of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, being at present sick in body, yet in perfect memory, I bless God,

⁹⁹ Austin's Gen. Dict., p. 227.

¹⁰⁰ Probate Records, Portsmouth, R. I., 2-234.

this being my last Will and Testament, I do give and bequeath my soul to the Almighty God Everlasting, from whom I received my ffirst being. And my body to the Earth from whence it came, to be buried Christian like.

And all my personal Estate in manner and fform ffollowing.

Imps I do make my Loving wife Hannah Wilbur my whole and sole Executrix of this my last will and testament, making also my Sonn John Wilbur sole Executor along with his mother during her natural Life, and also I do give and bequeath unto my said wife, all my personal estate upon Rhode Island as houses, lands, cattell or chattells whatsoever during her natural life, And after her decease I do freely give and bequeath all the said Land and houses upon Rhode Island unto my sonn John Wilbur to him and his heirs forever, male or ffemale, And if the said John Wilbur shall Decease without issue, that then the said Lands and houses to be Equally divided between his three younger sisters or to whome or which of them that shall be then surviving, but if the said John Wilbur shall marry and die without Issue, that then his wife shall enjoy the said house and Land during her natural life.

2ndly I do ffreely give unto my Loving Daughter Elizabeth Wilbur min whole share of Land Lying in Point Judith in the narragansett countrey to her and her heirs forever; only Excepted one hundred acres of the said share of Land I do ffreely give unto my youngest daughter Rebekah Wilbur to her and her heirs fforever.

3rdly I do give and bequeath unto my Loving daughter Mary Wilbur my whole share of Land in the Thousand Acres of Land lying in the narragansett countrey to her and her heirs fforever.

4thly I do give and bequeath unto my Loving daughter Rebekah Wilbur Two hundred and ffifty Acres of Land upon the nex Division in the narragansett countrey to her and her heirs fforever.

5thly I do give and bequeath unto my sonn John Wilbur Two hundred and ffifty Acres of Land upon the same division and all the share of my Land belonging to the minneralls, and also the share of my house Lots between Jes Bull and John Tift, And also all my right between the River and the house Lots, with all the minnerall Rights thereunto belonging forever.

6thly I give and bequeath unto my Grandson Latham Clark one hundred acres of Land upon the same Division in the narragansett countrey to him and his heirs forever.

7thly I do give and bequeath unto my Grandson Samuel Arnold one hundred Acres of Land upon the same division in the narragansett countrey to him and his heirs forever.

8thly I do give and bequeath unto my Cousin Anna Wilbur Daughter to Joseph Wilbur one hundred Acres of Land upon the same Division in the narragansett countrey to her and her heirs forever.

9thly I do ffreely give and bequeath unto my cousin Samuel Wilbur son of Sydrach Wilbur one hundred Acres of Land upon the same Division in the narragansett countrey to him and his heirs fforever.

10thly I do give and bequeath unto my sister Sarah Shearman Two

hundred Acres of Land upon the same Division in the narragansett countrey one hundred acres of the said Land being fformerly engaged to her and her heirs forever.

11thly I do give and bequeath unto my cousin William Wilbur Sen. two hundred and flifty acres of Land upon the same division in the narragansett countrey to him and his heirs forever.

12thly I do give and bequeath unto Ffrancis Gisborne one hundred acres of Land upon the same division in the narragansett countrey, to

him and his heirs forever.

13thly I do ffreely give and bequeath unto my said wife all my Remaining part of my said Land in the narragansett countrey after the Legasies above specified are performed, with four Indians, one Indian man and three Squaws for their full times they have to serve, as also what horses mares, or colts shall be found to be mine in the narragansett countrey, I do ffreely give and bequeath unto my said wife to her and her heirs fforever.

14thly My will is that what tract of Lands, I have given unto my three youngest daughters that they are to receive it at the age of sixteen years or at the day of their marriage, but if in case any of them shall decease before they come to age or be married that then the said Land to be Equally divided between the sisters who shall surviving, then as for my two Eldest daughters they have received their portions already in full.

15thly I do leave in possession with my said wife two children of Robert Westcoates deceased, for their full times they have to serve according to condition.

16thly I do will that my son in Law Lieut Latham Clark and my cousin William Wilbur Sen. shall take care of my Deeds in the narragansett countrey and se to the Recording of them, And to Act with the partners as though I myself were personally present in the behalf of my Executrix.

17thly I do will that my Executrix with my Executor to pay and

Receive all my just debts.

18thly I do desire my Loving Son in Law Lieutenant Latham Clark and my Loving cousin William Wilbur Sen. to be the overseers of this my Last Will and Testament to se it performed, And to the same have set to my hand and seal the one and Twentieth day of August in the yeare of our Lord one Thousand six hundred seventy eight.

Signed sealed and delivered in

the presence off

Samuel Wilbur Seal

Philip Shearman John Gorton FFrancis Gisborne

Ye 10th day March 1678:79 Apeared before me Philip Shearman & Jn. Gorton & tooke there Ingagement.

The above written is a true copie of the originall Entered and Recorded the 10th of the 8th month 1710, by me John Anthony Town Cleerke.

Mr. John Gorton Apeared before me this 7th day of november in the year of our Lord 1710: And upon his solemn Ingagement did declare that himself with Philip Shearman and FFrancis Gisborne were the witnesses to the above written will at the time of the date thereof, And the subscriber thereof Capt. Samuel Wilbur at the signing thereof was in his perfict sence and memory.

Taken in Warwick by me Randall Holdon Assist.

This above written will was proved according to Law before the Town Councill the 13th of the ninth month 1710:

The above written evidence with the above written probation was Entered and Recorded the 15th of the 9th month 1710 by me John Anthony Town Cleerke.

Whereas my Husband Samuel Wilbur did in this within written will after my decease Give and bequeath all his housings and Land situate in Portsmouth on Rhode Island within mentioned unto my son John Wilbur and his heirs fforever male or female And if my said son John Wilbur should decease without issue that then the said Lands and housings to be equally devided between his three younger sisters or to whom or which of them that shall be then surviving: now, I the within named Hannah Wilbur being widow and executrix unto my within named deceased Husband Samuel Wilbur do ffor me my heirs and Assigns and for every of us hereby ffreely and ffully Confirm the said Gift unto the survivors of my said three voungest Daughters and their heirs and Assigns forever equally according to this my said Husbands Last Will and Testament to be possest by them after my decease abovesaid, In Witness Whereof, I the said Hannah Wilbur have hereunto sett my hand and seal the Thirteenth day of the Twelfth month called FFebruary in the year of the Lord one Thousand seven hundred and Eleven 1711/12

Signed sealed and delivered

Hanna Wilbur Seal

In presence off

Roger Burrington John Anthony

The above named Hannah Wilbur personally Appeared the day and year Last above written and acknowledged the above written instrument to be her voluntary Act and Deed before me, George Brownell, Assistant.

The above written is a true copie of the original Entered and Recorded the 14th of the 12th month 1711/12.

by me John Anthony Town Cleerke.

WYCKOFF

▶LAES (or NICHOLAS) CORNELISE¹ WYCKOFF was the original ancestor of this family in America and was born in Holland in 1597, as by his affidavit in the archives of New York at Albany. There is no record of his arrival in this country, but it is probable he came in the ship "Rensselaerwyck," with his son Peter, reaching New Amsterdam Mar. 4, 1637, and Albany Apr. 7, 1637. This vessel sailed from Amsterdam, Oct. 1, 1636. His name does not appear in the Albany records, but he had a daughter baptized in New Amsterdam in 1640. Whether he had other children is uncertain, but probably he had several. He was sometimes called Van Schouw and sometimes Meutelaer. He appears several times in the Court records of New Amsterdam, and received a grant of land from the government in 1642, covering what is now Brooklyn Heights, in the City of Brooklyn. Later he sold this tract and resided in Flatlands, which was then called New Amersfoort. He was alive as late as 1674.101

PIETER CLAESZ² (OR PETER CLAESEN) WYCKOFF was born about 1625, in Holland, and was not over 12 years of age when he came to this country. He was first a farm laborer at Fort Orange until 1648, when he took a farm near Bethlehem, N. Y., and he married in 1649, Grietje (or Gretia) Van Ness, daughter of Cornelius Van Ness.

He came to New Amsterdam in 1649, and in 1653 purchased a farm at New Amersfoort, L. I., where he lived until his death, about 1700. He was a Magistrate of Flatlands in 1655, 1662 & 1663, and a member of the Flatlands Dutch Church in 1677. Pieter Claesz and Grietje (Van Ness) Wyckoff had 12 children. 102

¹⁰¹ Somerset Co., N. J., Hist. Quarterly, 2-188.

¹⁰² Somerset Co., N. J., Hist. Quarterly, 2–189; Bergen's Early Settlers of Kings Co., 1881, p. 397.

JAN (OR JOHN) PIETERSE⁵ WYCKOFF, born Feb. 16, 1665, married about 1692, Neeltje Willemse Van Couwenhoven, born Feb. 7, 1669, daughter of Willem Gerretse and Jannetje Pieters (Monfoort) Van Couwenhoven.

Jan Wyckoff owned a farm at Flatlands, L. I., which he sold in 1702 and removed to Freehold, N. J., where he owned a large farm. By trade he was a shoemaker.

John and Nelly (Couwenhoven) Wikoff (as the names came to be spelt) had 6 children, the oldest being a daughter Margaret, born about 1693, died Dec. 21, 1765, who married about 1713, Judge Jonathan Forman.¹⁰³

108 Somerset Co., N. J., Hist. Quarterly, 6-136; Bergen's Early Settlers of Kings Co., 1881, pp. 80, 396.

In the foregoing ancestry of Agnes (McNulty) Felt eligibility for membership in The National Society of the Colonial Dames of America is derived from the services of Sheriff Samuel Forman; Judge Jonathan Forman; Sheriff Daniel Hendricks; Col. Daniel Hendrickson; John Porter; Judge David Rhe; Wolfert Gerretse Van Couwenhoven; Gerret Wolfertse Van Couwenhoven; Capt. Jan Janse Van Dyke; Cornelius Van Ness; Capt. Coert Stevense Van Voorhees; Samuel Wilbur; Capt. Samuel Wilbur; and Pieter Claesz Wyckoff.



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