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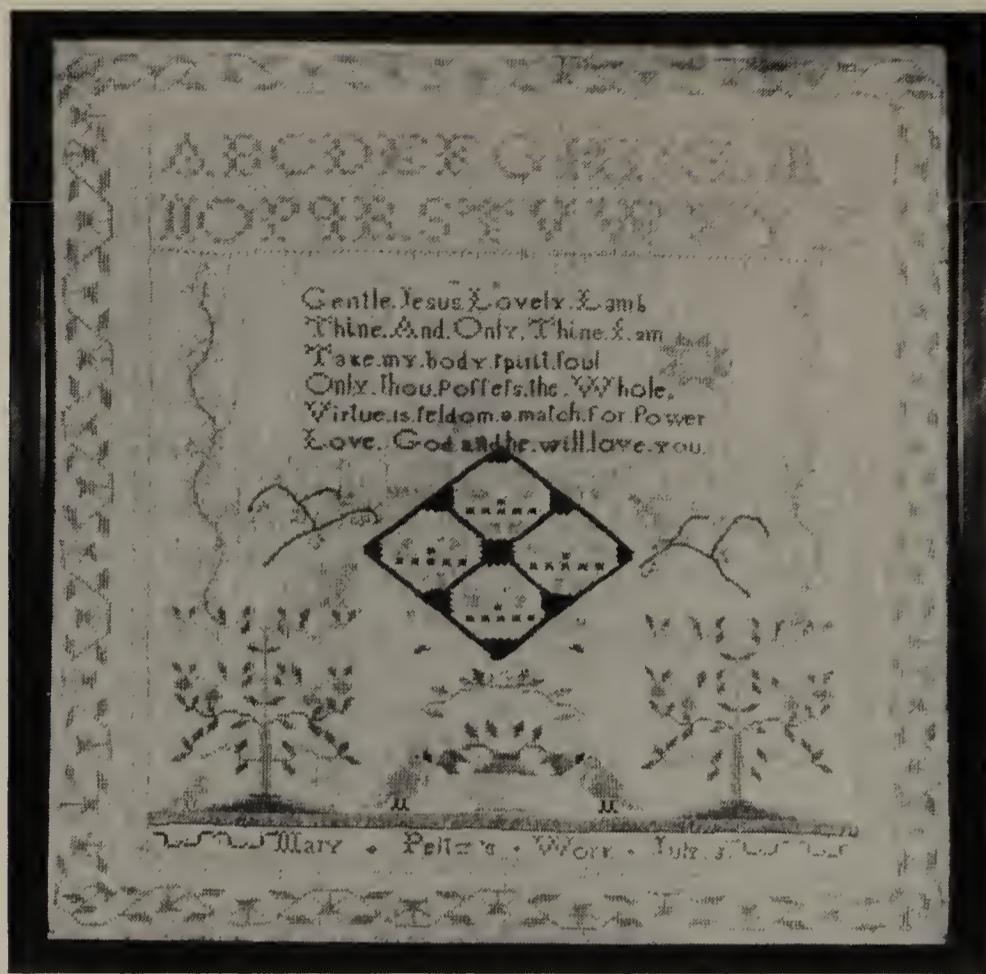
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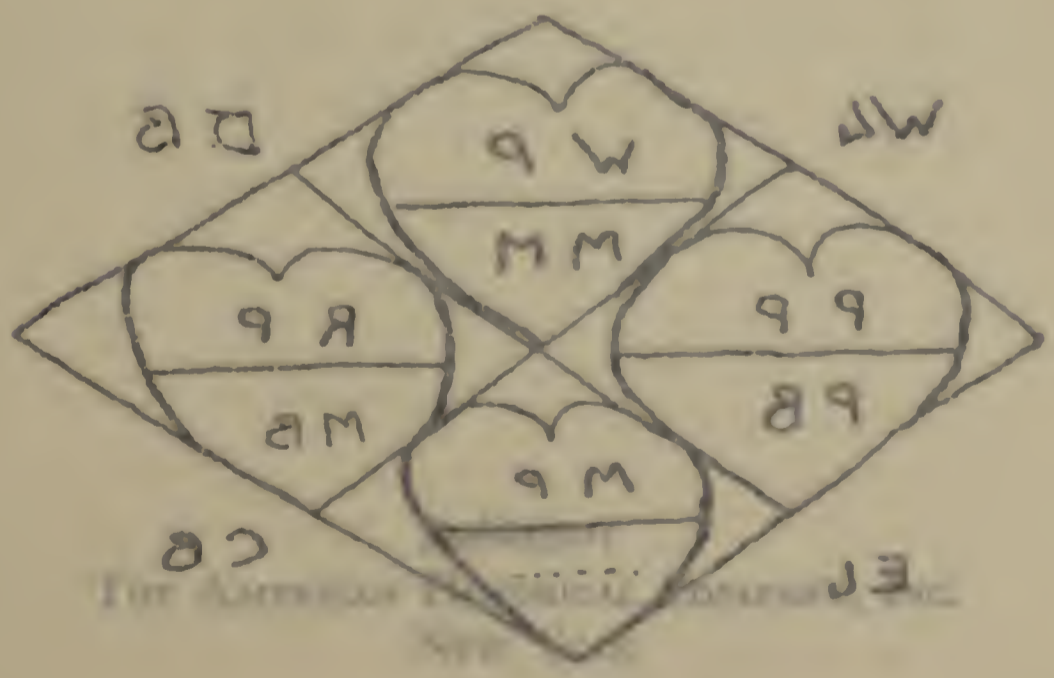


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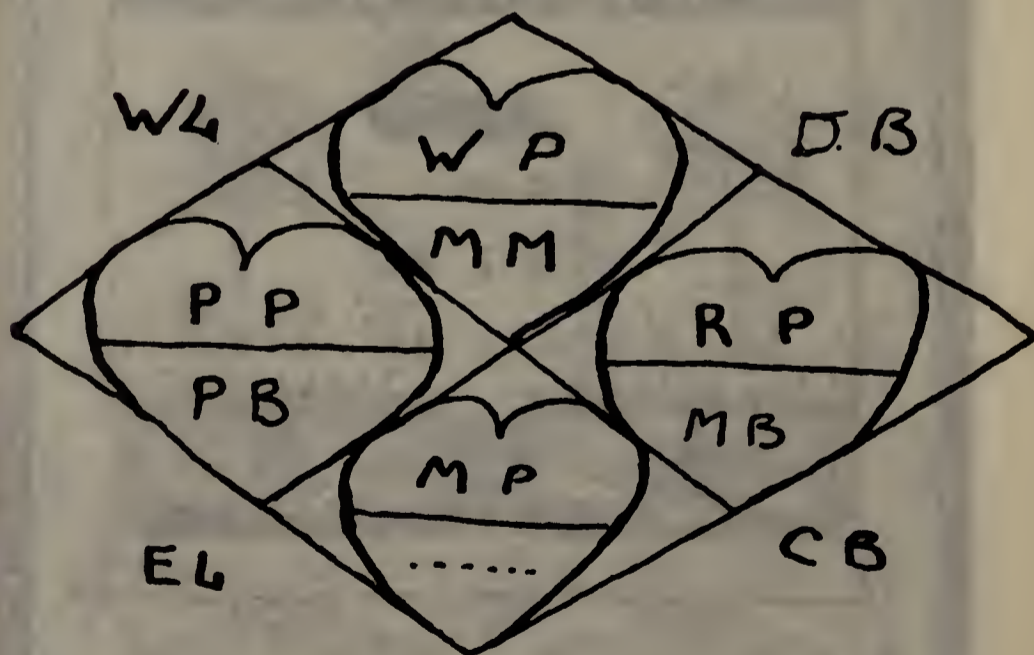


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PELTZ RECORD

Page 7—Jacob S. Sickles 1797-1801

Page 10—"The following persons were received by certificate July 1847".

Page 40—Line 8—Identifies (spelling).

Page 45—Line 1—Read *Selab* for Belah.

Page 56—Philip Peltz, born 1915, lieutenant World War II.

Page 147—Vidal et al vs. The Mayor of Philadelphia et al, 43 U. S. (2 Howard) 127.

Page 164—Catharine Barnard Walsh Peltz died March 17, 1926.

Page 215—Line 6 et seq.—Named for a family friend, Hamilton Salmon, *Hamilton Peltz* thus signed himself.

ERRATA

DEWITT RECORD

Page 262—"Thomas Atwood Bridgen—the first surrogate of Albany County."

(Correction)

Appointed April 11, 1822, he was the last surrogate of Albany County under the first constitution, the first under the second which became effective July 1, 1822.

New York Civil List, 1870, pages 98, 239, 265.

Page 270—Rev. Thomas DeWitt, D.D., 2 Nat. Cyc. Am. Biog. 492.

Page 293—In a letter to A. V. DeWitt, dated Sept. 22, 1862, from Mark L. DeMotte, Captain and Assistant Quartermaster, U.S. Army, Milroy's Brigade, 12th Corps., written from Camp near Chain Bridge opposite Washington, D.C., it appears that John Clinton DeWitt was at his death at a vicinity hospital, a corporal Co. K., 75th Reg't., Ohio Volunteer Militia, detailed as clerk in the Quartermaster General's Department under Capt. DeMotte.

Page 301—Clinton DeWitt. The Rutgers record clarified—

Mrs. Grace Hanna and John D. Schoonmaker therein mentioned were two of the several nieces and nephews of his first wife who was likewise his cousin. However his own nephews and nieces were his nearest of kin.

Page 305—Charlotte Lee *Gillet* DeWitt.

Page 309—John Griffeth Booton, Jr., was born June 26, 1913.

Nicholas A. Vedder flourished before the days of Delta Phi. Not himself a founder of that society as stated, he sired early brethren.

PELTZ ADDENDA

THE PELTZ HOME IN THE NECK; ITS LOSS

REVISED VERSION

NEW LIGHT is thrown by John Peltz Kelly, grandson of John Lentz Peltz (Page 192) on the home of Philip the Elder and of his son Richard. His understanding, shared by his sister Eliza, is that Philip the Elder's Greenwich Island farm (diagram opposite Page 76) was not the family residence. Note that the city directory for 1813 *et seq.* (Page 63) lists Philip Peltz, Gentleman, as residing on Buck near Passyunk Road. This corroborates the following Kelly statement.

“My mother Lidie Peltz (Eliza Peltz Kelly) told us of their old homestead; this was on the west side of Broad below Buck Road (about Dickinson Street) and extended west to about 18th Street and on Broad Street to about Morris Street (1700 South). It was probably this house, the third on the farm, to which Mary Peltz alluded, pages 59-60. It had been built when her father, Richard Peltz was young—perhaps 1800 to 1810. My grandfather John Lentz Peltz truck-farmed this farm all his life until December 1875 when he bought a farm in Olney, North Philadelphia, and moved there. He died Feb. 17, 1876. *All his children were born in the old homestead as had been his brothers and sisters.* (Emphasis supplied.)

“He was a successful truck farmer and was helpful to his brothers and sisters; my mother's Uncle Dick told her that he had repaid a loan of \$5,000. to her father two days before her father died. My grandfather had always rented the old homestead after his father had lost its ownership. The house was of brick and was located below Buck Road at about 15th Street.

“I remember the old house faintly; it was surrounded by button-wood trees, old and hollow-trunked. I was about 5 or 6 when it was demolished. After grandfather moved, the old farm site was rented to circuses etc. Barnum and Bailey, The Adam Forepaugh and some smaller circuses, and the farm was then called Jumbo Park after Barnum's giant elephant Jumbo. The circuses were a lot of fun and excitement with the street parades and the shows and concessions, some pretty tough. I used to play baseball on the old place and have seen stone fights on it in the good old days of gang fights. The city was extending rapidly down to the old family farm and the stealings of the riff-raff was the cause of grandfather moving away; the farm was all built up by about 1885-1887.

“At my birth, my mother was attended by Dr. Frank H. Getchell, 15th and Spruce Streets, one of Philadelphia’s outstanding doctors; he again attended my mother about five years later, although his office was then three or four miles away. He was interested in building up South Philadelphia. Construction was then in progress on the Peltz Homestead site. He remembered that my mother was born there, secured and gave her the key to the old home. We believe this key was in the hands of our sister Mazy who died in 1943. It may be in the possession of one of her children.”

“Encyclopedia of Philadelphia,” Joseph Jackson, Vol. III, page 795:

“Jumbo Park—This name was given to a lot on the west side of Broad Street, from Morris to Tasker streets, by P. T. Barnum, when he leased it for his circus in 1880. His big elephant, Jumbo, was the star feature of the show that year and his name was applied to nearly everything that was regarded as huge. Jumbo Park was on the Broad Street boundary of a large tract of ground which Thomas P. Twibill, an operative builder, purchased that year from the executor of the estate of John J. Ridgway. The property extended as far west as Sixteenth Street and as far south as Dickinson Street. Barnum leased the lot for a term of years and from 1880 to 1885 his circus was exhibited there each year. In the summer season baseball games were played at Jumbo Park.”

That this important Kelly information is correct is evidenced by the following:

1.—Richard Peltz’s daughter Mary wrote (Page 60) “blocks of houses now cover the site of the farm.” This would have been true of the area now indicated—west side of South Broad, Dickinson (Buck Road substantially) to Morris Street, 1700 south, west to 18th Street. It would not have been true and is not true today of the area of the Greenwich Island farm.

2.—The obituary (Page 194) of Rebecca Peltz Anthony states that her residence at 1643 South Broad was within two squares of her birthplace.— This would have been true of the Buck Road location.

3.—The 1790 deed John to Philip “for natural love and affection and 5 shillings” (Page 59) conveys messuage and land in Passyunk Township bordered by Chevy Chase Lane and Lawrence Road (discussion follows) of an area of $22\frac{3}{4}$ acres. The Peltz farm on Greenwich Island (diagram opposite Page 76) had a much larger area.

Unfortunately this Peltz homestead does not appear on the map “Philipeltzadelphia” under the front cover. Its indicated location is across

Passyunk Road from a Lentz farm where Poor Richard found a wife and father-in-law who nominated him as executor of his substantial estate.

In a statement by Mrs. Mary E. Weiland (page 188) in the possession of Dr. Philip M. Peltz, she says—

“Our grandfather, Philip Peltz, built the double brick house in which all his children were born and which remained till torn down to make room for modern houses. The deed was originally from William Penn to John Peltz”—so she says.

“The two eldest children of Philip Peltz and Rebecca Brown (See Page 62) died from small-pox from inoculations and were buried at one time. William and Richard were so ill with it that when their parents returned from the funeral, they feared they too would be dead. Then they would not have the younger children inoculated—but they were later vaccinated.”

That John Lentz Peltz lived on the property is attested by occasional listings as follows: previous to consolidation of the county and city (1853) the directories listed residents of the former city only.

1860—Two different directories.

John Peltz farmer Buck road ab. Broad

John Peltz farmer Buck road nr. Broad

1861—John L. Peltz farmer Broad St. and Buck road.

CHEVY CHASE LANE, LAWRENCE AND BUCK ROADS

These early roads have long since vanished. A map in a Philadelphia directory of 1811 shows South Broad Street as ending at South Street (600 South). A map of 1830 shows its extension to Federal Street (1200 South). South Broad Street in its present width and length without curvature was probably not completed until the establishment of the Navy Yard on League Island in 1876 (Page 112). Until that development, Passyunk and Moyamensing were traversed with country roads without comprehensive pattern.

BUCK ROAD AND LAWRENCE ROAD IDENTIFIED

Philadelphia Deed Book J. O'D. 71 Page 369, June 6, 1882; John J. Ridgway and wife to Anthony J. Drexel. Conveys lots on the west side of Broad Street south of Dickinson Street, “said point being the middle of Buck Road now vacated,” etc.—recites an act of the Pennsylvania Assembly approved March 4, 1873 to vacate Buck Road

from Twelfth Street to Long Lane, Buck Road being "called in the indenture first above recited Lawrence Road to the Lower Ferry, being a fifty foot wide road which leads from Gray's Ferry road to a place called Buck Tavern." This deed therefore establishes that Lawrence Road's name was changed to Buck Road.

The "Lower Ferry" crossed the Schuylkill and later was called Gray's Ferry.

CHEVY CHASE LANE IDENTIFIED

Chevy Chase Lane shown to branch from Lawrence (Buck) Road at a point west of Broad Street.

Deed Book 12 Page 401, April 1846 Charles Robb, gentleman, and his wife, Rebecca, to John J. Ridgway, gentleman; conveys a tract where Chevy Chase Lane parts from Lawrence Road to the Lower Ferry bordering property belonging to Philip Peltz and others with courses indicating the area to be west of Broad Street.

Deed Book 152, Page 492—John A. Gerritt and wife to William McGeorge, April 9, 1881; \$50,000, farm lots in the Twenty-Sixth Ward, formerly Passyunk Township, situated on "a two perch wide road known as Chevy Chase Lane," crossing Seventeenth Street, Tasker Street and Sixteenth Street 888.89 feet, "to a corner at the intersection of Chevy Chase Lane and another road known as Lawrence lane or Buck Road now vacated by act of Assembly comprising 8.305 acres."

Former Buck Road shown to cross South Broad in the vicinity of present Dickinson Street.

Philadelphia Deed Book J.O'D 71, Page 369, June 6, 1882, as above. Conveys two other lots, one on the west side of Broad Street, whose boundaries begin at a point south of Dickinson Street "said point being the middle of Buck Road now vacated", 21.41 feet on Broad Street and 137-139 feet deep.— the other lot in the neighborhood of Dickinson and Sixteenth Streets and Buck Road "now vacated."

These and other references worked out by Mr. Edward W. Hocker demonstrate that John Peltz Kelly's recollection of the location of the Peltz homestead is correct and that the 1790 deed John to Philip Peltz (Page 59) above mentioned indeed conveyed the (later) Jumbo Park plot.

On the chart "Philipeltzadelphia" front cover, the location is in close vicinity to the Girard School there shown.

The Peltz Homestead was lost to the family by the following conveyance.

Deed Book A M 65 Page 221—May 26, 1835, Philip Peltz, gentleman, and his wife Elizabeth, to Joel B. Sutherland, City of Philadelphia, Esq., \$25,735, message and tract of land in Passyunk Township where Chevy Chase road parts from Lawrence road to the Lower Ferry, following Chevy Chase road SW 52½ perches, SW 13.2 perches, to a corner of land reserved by John Lownes for a road; SE 31.9 perches, along Lownes' land, NE 83½ perches to a corner of land of Lownes and Peter Stilley, NW 13.4 perches, NE 12 perches to Lawrence road, by this road NW 53 perches, comprising 22¾ acres.

The same was deeded by John Peltz to Philip Peltz March 2, 1790.

Also a small strip running from John Lownes' other land to Chevy Chase road, comprising 58 square perches, which Lownes had reserved for a lane into Chevy Chase road, and which Philip Peltz had acquired from John Lownes April 17, 1793.

Included were two other vicinity parcels of smaller area acquired from David Lentz and Thomas Stewardson respectively. By an earlier deed—Philadelphia Deed Book A.M. 8, Page 495, dated Nov. 10, 1829, Philip Peltz, Passyunk Township, Esq., and his (first) wife Rebecca conveyed to Thomas Stewardson, City of Philadelphia, gentleman, and his wife Anna for \$19.75 a lot on the east side of Broad Street and south side of Buck Road, Moyamensing Township, being part of a tract of 1 acre and 78 perches, which Philip Peltz bought of David Lentz and his wife Elizabeth Dec. 17, 1800 (E.F. 6. 56). This instrument is of interest in that it contains early reference to Broad Street (which when projected may have bisected the Peltz holdings), and shows that both David Lentz and Philip Peltz the Elder owned property east of Broad and in Moyamensing.

For career of Hon. Joel B. Sutherland see Scharf and Westcott's History of Philadelphia page 787.

Subsequent owners of the Peltz Homestead property are understood to have been,

Samuel Brown who sold it to Charles Robb Sept. 1, 1845; Robb sold to John J. Ridgway April 15, 1846 (A.W.M. 12, Page 401). Ridgway died seized of the property—Philadelphia Will Book 124, Page 23; his will was dated May 14, 1873, probated Nov. 17, 1885. By a series of deeds—G.G.P. 169, 135; G.G.P. 187, 227, Sept. 20, 1886; G.G.P. 225, 554, March 2, 1887, the Ridgway executor conveyed the premises to Thomas P. Twibill. The descriptions in this chain of conveyances conform to that

of the Peltz deeds and clearly identify the property. It seems probable therefore that these were the owners who leased the premises to John Lentz Peltz and thereafter for use of the circuses.

What became of the substantial proceeds of sale of this transaction, whether the former owners immediately moved into the listed homes in Southwark or lingered on the farm for a time as tenants as did Richard's son John Lentz Peltz for forty years as we are told by his grandchildren, are matters not understood.

THE HOME IN THE NECK

J.P.—John Peltz, immigrant patriarch in an early day of simple if rugged living, acquired acreage and messuage which for natural love and affection and five shillings he conveyed at life's end to son Philip the Elder who among other responsibilities occupied the office of,

J.P.—Justice of the Peace (Page 68). Meantime

J.P.—Jupiter Pluvius, unlisted in the index, showered milk and honey on the prosperous homestead and the expansive progeny there sheltered. A century after the era of the progenitor, the site became,

J.P.—Jumbo Park where saw-dust ring and pink lemonade brought,

J.P.—Joy to Philadelphia.

PAGE 24 — FERRIS

Rev. John Mason Ferris, D.D., the Dominie's successor 1865-1883, as Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions was a son of Rev. Isaac Ferris, D.D., LL.D., (page 232) by his first marriage.

Corwin's "Manual", page 461, discloses that Dr. John Mason Ferris was born in Albany 1825; graduated New York University 1843; New Brunswick Seminary 1849, pastor Sleepy Hollow Church at Tarrytown, 1849-1851; D.D. Rutgers College 1867. See also publication "Two Hundredth Anniversary of the Church at Tarrytown," 1897, page 149 with address by Dr. Ferris.

For upwards of twenty-five years, from 1877, Dr. Ferris was Editor of the "Christian Intelligencer," the official publication of the Reformed Church.

Editor 1831-1843 was Rev. Thomas DeWitt, D.D., elsewhere herein mentioned.

The third child of Dr. Isaac Ferris by his third wife was Morris Patterson Ferris, Esq., who married Mary Lanman Douw. She was the granddaughter by his third wife, Catharine D. Gansevoort, of John De Peyster

Douw, graduate of Yale 1777, who was appointed Surrogate of Albany County 1782, alderman 1788; in 1779 he was in Sullivan's Expedition against the Indians in western New York. Her father was John De Peyster Douw the younger, whose home was in Poughkeepsie and who married (2) Mariana Chandler Lanman. See Talcott, pages 74-77.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris P. Ferris were the parents of several children, one of whom is Morris Douw Ferris (page 232.)

PAGE 43 — MAJOR

"I conclude that I cannot find what I want at Goold's. My object is a covered buggy which would not be too heavy for my use. The kind of wagon you speak of is very good for some purposes, but it is not what I want as I have a wagon with two seats.

"The Lord means what he says in regard to answering our prayers. He does not have any of that difficulty which troubles us as we attempt to apply his promises to our individual and peculiar wants. How well were it for us to live in constant recognition of the Lord as our Shield and Sun. Light and safety, strength and peace are in him."

The Domine at New Paltz to A. V. DeWitt at Albany, May 3, 1866.

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Excerpts from address of the Domine appearing in "Bi-Centenary Reunion of the Descendants of Louis and Jacques Du Bois at New Paltz, 1875." Supplied through the kindness of Mr. Edward H. Preston, of the publishers' staff.

Philadelphia, Press of Rue and Jones, 1876.

"It is my privilege, in behalf of this ancient church, to welcome the descendants and kindred of Louis Du Bois to this house, and to our homes. As the eyes of the church are turned back to events which transpired two centuries ago, your honored ancestor occupies a very large place in the picture before us. Without trenching in the slightest degree upon the province of the historian whose labors are to afford us instruction and delight, I take up the very first page of our record as a church, and there we find the honorable prominence of Louis Du Bois.

"Without interfering with your arrangements in connection with this celebration, the church in New Paltz, called by your fathers 'l'eglise de Nouveau Palatinat,' feels that her history is too closely connected with the name and fame of your ancestor to suffer her to have no part in according fit honors to the first elder of the church.

"Accordingly, you have been invited to hold your meetings in this house, and otherwise partake of our hospitality. Though as a church we have no influence or control over your exercises here, we assure you that we expect to enjoy them in scarcely less measure than any of you, who may be 'Du Boises on both sides,' and all the way down from the patriarch Louis.

"This church, of which Louis Du Bois was the first elder, was established in

1683—a French Reformed Church, as strictly Huguenot as any association of protestant Christians in France. For fifty years the language of our record is French, succeeded by the Low Dutch for seventy years more. Since the beginning of the present century, the English has been our church vernacular.

"In 1720, the Du Boises and their contemporaries, having built a house of worship, prepared and recorded the deed of settlement, which gave each family its appointed share of seats in the church. Only their pious spirit could have accomplished this work, where there were only twenty-one heads of families. The expression of thanks and praise to God, for having put in their hearts to build a house for the Lord, lives in the following antiquated French record:—

"Beni sois Dieu Quij L nous a mys a coeur de Luy batir une maison pour y estre adores et servir et que par sa grace nous Lavon finys en Lan Dix vii et Dieu veille que son evangile y soit anonce dean ce ciecle et dedan Lautre y usque au jour De Leternite. Amen.

"Most heartily do I congratulate you upon so honorable and reverend an ancestry. The Huguenots are beginning to be reckoned at something of their proper worth. Foremost in prosperity and weight of character, among the Huguenot settlements of America, is this Nouveau Palatinat. This singular, and to us residents, very agreeable result is doubtless owing to the wise fraternity governed so long by their own 'twelve men,' representing the Huguenot tribes. These leaders of the Paltz Israel have continued in succession down to the time of those now living. One gentleman sits before me to-day who has been chosen the representative of his tribe. This wise, active legislation—for it was legislative action—must have been greatly moulded by Louis Du Bois, the acknowledged leader of the Huguenot colony which settled upon the ground we occupy.

"Some of you whose clans have gone out from the parent house in the past generation, have achieved higher fame in the world, and surpassed your cousins, who cultivate the ancestral acres, in putting money in the purse. But all feel that the highest earthly virtue is that reverence for ancestry which the old Romans knew by the honorable name of piety. In that virtue you all have great inducements to share, for Louis Du Bois and his colleagues builded wisely, when they laid the foundation, and set up, or stood up themselves, the pillars of this community.

"You will entirely agree with me when I say, that the relations of your ancestors to the church crown his memory with special honor, and deserve, as they receive, your deepest veneration for his official ecclesiastical life. No wonder that his descendants should desire to have this relationship inscribed on the stones which tell where their dust sleeps. Just here you and this church are brought into close sympathy. Our humble share with you in this celebration arises from locality. So we open to you our plain Huguenot homes, and invite you into our place of worship, the third successor of that built by the Huguenot fathers."

PAGE 58 — "PENNSYLVANIA GERMAN PIONEERS"

This work there cited opens with a documented discussion of the occasion for and extent of the influx of Germans into the domain of William Penn. Hardship of the voyage is recounted. Fortunately lists of these immigrants have been preserved; since Pennsylvania was a British colony, each foreign male arrival was required to take an oath of allegiance. Volume 2 of this work is largely composed of reproductions of sheets of signatures of these immigrants.

Johannes Peltz is included in Lists 99 A and 99 B at pages 341, 342 and 343 of its Vol. 1; his signature is reproduced in the list appearing at page 355 of its Vol. 2. He was evidently a Palatine.

PAGE 59 — EARLY MIST.

As stated in the "revised version," it becomes evident that the 1790 conveyance by John to his son Philip Peltz related to the Jumbo Park property near Dickinson and South Broad Streets. There is thus no record that John Peltz ever owned land on Greenwich Island.

Accumulation of lands on Greenwich Island by Philip Peltz the Elder.

	<i>Deed Book</i>	<i>Grantor</i>	<i>Area</i>
Aug. 1, 1795	D 53,-115	David Evans	9 acres — 50 perches. See page 63.
Jan. 17, 1800	E F.1,-470	Jacob Wonderly	Two tracts — 3 and 4 acres on London Company road.
Apr. 15, 1800	E F.2,-153	Caleb Davis	5 acres.
Dec. 10, 1800	E F.5,-276	Peter Young	5 acres — 22 perches.
10 of 12 mo. 1803	E F.14,-228	Hannah Pancoast widow	5 acres — 2 perches on London Company road.
Nov. 25, 1805	E F.22,-324	William Sykes and Samuel M. Sykes	8¼ acres on Hollander Creek.
Feb. 9, 1807	E F.24,-457	Mary Shaw John Aldham Shaw	Quarter interest in 28¼ acres on south side of Hollander Creek, conveyed March 26, 1759 by Francis Rawle as attorney for Thomas Hyam, Thomas Reynolds and Thomas How, surviving trustees of the Pennsylvania Land Company, London.
Nov. 2, 1808	I C 1,-104	Sheriff	Quarter interest in same property owned by Samuel Shaw, Jr.
June 17, 1830	A M 14,-175	Lewis M. Wharton	4 acres — 4 perches.

PAGE 123 — LENTZ ANCESTRY

That the mother of Sarah Lentz Peltz, wife of Richard Peltz, was in fact Sarah Rheinhard or Reinhard (anglicized, the name is Richard) is corroborated by the "Marriage Record of the German Reformed Church at Philadelphia 1748-1802," appearing in Pennsylvania Archives Second Series, Volume 8, Page 691, as follows:

"1787 March 8, Lentz, John and Sarah Reinhard (no other Lentz here listed). Your compiler is indebted to Mr. William K. Hall below mentioned for this citation.

An effort to identify the immigrant ancestor of Sarah Lentz Peltz, of her father John Lentz and of Henry Lentz believed to have been her grandfather, has not been wholly successful. Pennsylvania German Society archives published 1934 in three volumes, list many eighteenth century Lentz immigrants. That the family was large is evidenced by many Lentz tomb-stone inscriptions in the scattered cemeteries of Philadelphia.

The records and charts of Dr. Philip M. Peltz, Page 190, (confirmed by "A Collection of Upwards of 30,000 names of German, Swiss, Dutch, French and other immigrants in Pennsylvania, 1727-1776," by Prof. I. Daniel Rupp, Publisher Ig. Kohler, 1911 Arch St., Phila. 1880. Its page 57— Sept. 11, 1728— A number of Palatines with their families about ninety imported in the ship "James Goodwill," Daniel Crockett, Master, from Rotterdam, last from Deal whence she sailed June 15; Jacob Lentz listed. See also its pages 161-2, Sept. 20, 1743, Johannes Peltz), show that the immigrant Jacob was the father of David Lentz who married Elizabeth Schissler. (All buried in Lafayette Cemetery, now abolished, 17th Street and Passyunk Ave.) These were the parents of Elizabeth Lentz who married Philip Peltz, Jr., M.D.

Elizabeth and Sarah Lentz are repeatedly declared to have been first cousins, the identity of their respective fathers, the brothers David and John Lentz, being understood. We know too that Henry Lentz (Page 123) was a man of substance whose will etc., are of record and that he was survived inter alia by sons David and John. This suggests either that the Philip M. Peltz chart has omitted a generation or improbably that these brothers David and John were not those of these names who were the sons of Henry Lentz.—the (Page 123) record to the contrary notwithstanding. There is temptation to assume the immigrant of 1728, Jacob, sired Henry whose will was probated 1796, and that Henry (not Jacob) was the father of David and John Lentz, whose respective daughters married the brothers Philip and Richard Peltz.

In Lafayette Cemetery, Ninth and Federal Streets, South Philadelphia, were buried David Lentz and Elizabeth Shisler his wife, born March 4, 1776, died July 8, 1858 (her will recorded Book 40 of Wills, page 219). Here were tombstones with inscriptions for the above couple, also for many of their ten children, one of whom was Elizabeth who married Philip Peltz, Jr., M.D. Samuel Lentz (1812-1893) sixth of the ten, married March 9, 1837, (Gloria Dei Church records) Jane Barry (1813-1872); these were parents of eight children of whom several were buried here; John Lentz (1818-1900) youngest of the ten, with his wife Maria Louise (1817-1904) were the parents of seven children of whom likewise several were buried here. Mr. William K. Hall, address (1949) Box 98, North Postal Annex, Boston 14, Mass., their remote kinsman, has tabulated the above with listing of additional Lentz interments in this cemetery.

Many of the remains were transferred to Evergreen Memorial Park, situated at Bristol and Trevoise roads, Bensalem Township, Bucks County, Penna., within which is Lafayette Cemetery Section. The company maintains an office at 1700 Walnut Street, Philadelphia. Records and listings of inscriptions have been promised to the Historical Society of Pennsylvania.

The name Lentz frequently appears in the records of Monument Cemetery, founded 1832. This covers several city squares, its entrance and office being at North Broad and Berks Streets opposite the Baptist Temple.

PAGE 157 — GREENWICH REAL ESTATE COMPANY

Albert P. Gerhard, Secretary, 190 Land Title Building, Philadelphia, reported November 22, 1949 that all the real estate holdings of the corporation had been sold. The stockholders voted at a meeting held October 3, 1949 to dissolve, directed the officers to distribute a liquidating dividend of \$20. per share payable December 1, 1949 and do all things necessary to terminate corporate existence.

PAGE 164 — MARY ELLIS PELTZ

Journalist, born New York, May 4, 1896, daughter of Leonard E. Opdycke, translator, and Edith Bell, his wife.

Miss Chapin's and Spence Schools; A. B. Barnard College 1920.

Married John DeWitt Peltz, June 6, 1924.

Ass't. music critic New York Sun 1920-24.

Dramatic critic Junior League Mag. 1924-8; pres. Junior League New York 1928-30. Publ. Dir. Opera Guild 1936, Editor Opera News. Hon. mem. Junior League. Member Colony Club.

Author, Metropolitan Opera Guide; Metropolitan Operagrams, Plowshare, Publisher 1934.

She and her husband have a common ancestor in Joris Janssen de Rapalye (Page 281) the first white child born in New York. Episcopalian. Office 654 Madison Ave.; Res. 136 East 79th St., N. Y. City. Summer res. Bar Harbor, Maine.

"Who's Who in the East"; Larkin, Roosevelt & Larkin, Ltd., Boston, 1943.

PAGE 177 — ANDREW JACKSON PELTZ

Andrew Jackson Peltz, Maria Irwin Peltz, et al., have been reported by Dr. Philip M. Peltz to have been buried at Ronaldson Cemetery, Ninth and Bainbridge Streets (about No. 800 South). Tombstone records noted in 1920.

PAGE 181 — REBECCA PELTZ KLAPP

ADDITIONAL

Her daughter, Rebecca Klapp, married Richard W. Steele.

Children:

William Steele, married Frieda Sperling. Their son, Dr. William R. Steele, was killed in a hunting accident at Harvey Cedars, Beach Haven, New Jersey.

Clarence E. Steele, married Leurla Delschleger—Two children Richard and Howard H. Steele.

Mary Steele, married Edwin Harrison, daughter Mary Harrison.

PAGE 182 — DR. BENJAMIN RUSH

YELLOW FEVER EPIDEMIC

See "Bring Out Your Dead." The Great Plague of Yellow Fever in Philadelphia in 1793, by J. H. Powell; Univ. of Penna Press, 1949.

"Foremost among them (the quacks) was Dr. Benjamin Rush, a signer of the Declaration of Independence, 'the father of American medicine',—a devoted doctor, fearless and tireless, and also murderously wrong-headed, unscientific and unobservant and a pig-headed contro-

versialist. He prescribed fearsome purges and bleedings. It is a mystery how any of his patients survived.”

PAGE 187 — MARY ECKEL

ADDITIONAL

Married Prof. Mason Mitchell, who taught in Girard College.

Children:

William F. Mitchell, safe salesman.

Children—Mary, Paul, Bertha, William.

Frank Mitchell

Children—Mary, Kathleen.

Mary Mitchell, married Thomas Smith

Her older brother and sister, Samuel Eckel and Rebecca Peltz Eckel, are buried in Laurel Hill Cemetery, Lot 39 Sec. 13.

PAGE 187 — PHILIP PELTZ, JR., M.D., AND THE NICETOWN BRANCH.

Information supplied by Dr. Philip Malcolm Peltz

Dr. Philip Peltz, Jr., was a linguist—spoke eight languages and taught mathematics to his son, Lieut. Philip Grau Peltz, U.S.N.

He formerly lived at 214 South Fourth Street; bought forty-seven acres at Nicetown upon which was an old stone house thereafter known as the Peltz house. It was approached through Peltz Lane running from Nicetown Lane, now Hunting Park Avenue. From this house the sons Josiah and George M. Dallas Peltz went to the University of Pennsylvania Medical School, Ninth and Chestnut streets. This property after the Civil War was sold to the Dobsons, textile people at Falls of the Schuylkill. Upon it was later built the Queen Lane Reservoir. It was north of the tracks of the Philadelphia & Reading R. R. Co., Richmond Branch.

Thereafter Dr. Philip Peltz, Jr.'s widow bought the Kitchen property nearby but south of the tracks, called “Brookton”, four acres facing Hunting Park Avenue. Here was a brown stone house afterwards the home of Mrs. Mary E. Weiand, her brother David and sisters Rebecca and Elizabeth Peltz. Through this property, now entirely built-up, runs present Fox Street.

Kitchen was of the firm of Bailey & Kitchen—now Bailey, Banks & Biddle, jewelers and silver-smiths, 1218 Chestnut Street.

Elizabeth Lentz Peltz, widow of Philip Peltz, Jr., M.D., died February 12, 1875.

A columnist in the Roxborough "News" described the house at "Brookton" as having dated from the colonial period, oblong in shape with peaked roof and high ceilinged porch supported by six columns.

David L. Peltz who cultivated the property from early youth was a prize-winning farmer.

Nicetown, now engulfed in the great city, was a community but a few squares north-west of present North Philadelphia station of the Pennsylvania Railroad. Hunting Park Avenue, wide, curving and hilly, leads thence westward to the vicinity of Laurel Hill Cemetery, below which, likewise absorbed, is another hamlet—former Falls of the Schuylkill.

PAGE 188 — MARY ECKEL PELTZ WEIAND
ADDITIONAL

Born April 13, 1837, married 1880. Obituary states that for many years she was manager and vice-president of the Baptist Home, 17th and Norris Streets, Philadelphia; the oldest member of Falls of the Schuylkill Baptist Church; had been a teacher in the old Forest Public School, Falls of the Schuylkill. Her husband, Henry A. Weiand, Esq., born 1834, died April 13, 1890.

She died December 27, 1920, buried St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church Cemetery, Hilltown, Bucks County, Pennsylvania.

PAGE 188 — LIEUT. PHILIP GRAU PELTZ, U. S. N.
ADDITIONAL

Joined the Navy 1856; at age twenty-nine was Chief Engineer, invented the first steam winch to pull anchor.

At the outbreak of war he was stationed on the gun-boat "Wyoming" at Panama. When the captain and many of the ship's company deserted to the Confederates, he took command and brought the vessel to Baltimore in safety. Thereafter he was stationed at Sparrow's Point, Md., where he outfitted forty-three vessels for the Government during the war. He invented a device called "pillars" by which the gun-slots in the rails of the older war vessels could be screened to protect the gunners from small-arms fire.

Stationed at Honolulu after the war; returning he was taken ill at sea, transferred to and died upon the merchant vessel "Ajax" commanded by the captain who deserted the "Wyoming". Buried first on Carmen



Philip Grau Peltz
Chief Engineer U.S.N.

See page 188



Samuel H. Peltz, M.D.
Ass't. Surgeon U.S.N.

Island off Lower California, Mexico, his body was transferred by his mother to Laurel Hill Cemetery.

PAGE 188 — JOHN WILLIAM PELTZ
ADDITIONAL

A worker on the Brookton farm with his older brother David Lentz Peltz, he died October 1, 1860 following injury by a horse.

PAGE 188 — SAMUEL HENRY PELTZ, M.D.
ADDITIONAL

Born October 3, 1839, joined the Navy August 22, 1862 as Assistant Surgeon; he was aboard the Monitor "Patapsco" January 15, 1865, when at Charleston harbor while raking for torpedoes she was blown up and destroyed. He was one of six officers and sixty men killed. His body was not found.

PAGE 188 — JOSIAH PELTZ, M.D.
ADDITIONAL

Office corner 16th Street and Fairmount Avenue; afterwards corner 17th Street and Fairmount Avenue. Residence at his death, 602 North 17th Street.

His wife lived 1857-1906.

PAGE 188 — GEORGE M. DALLAS PELTZ, M.D.
ADDITIONAL

Born January 27, 1845; practiced and resided at 821 North Broad, later at 715 North 15th Street, Philadelphia; a founder of the Medical Legal Society.

He purchased, largely for gunning and fishing, a property of about three hundred acres near Center Square, Gloucester County, New Jersey, on Oldman's Creek, a portion of which belongs (1950) to his son, Dr. Philip Malcolm Peltz.

In addition to the listed children of Dr. George M. Dallas Peltz, there was another infant son, Otto Peltz, who was buried July 19, 1880, aged three months, in Lot 565, Sec. K, Mount Vernon Cemetery, north-east corner Ridge and Lehigh Avenues, Philadelphia. This lot is in the name of Dr. George M. Dallas Peltz; no others of the name Peltz are buried in this cemetery.

Mary Carnahan Malcolm, wife of George M. Dallas Peltz, M.D.

See—"Joannes Nevius, Schepen and Third Secretary of New Amsterdam under the Dutch, First Secretary of New York City under the English, and his Descendants, A.D. 1627-1900," by A. Van Doren Honeyman, Plainfield, N.J., Honeyman & Company, publishers, 1900. At page 482 (Nevius volume) it appears that Margaret Nevius married William Van Dyke; their daughter born October 4, 1824 married September 18, 1844 Rev. Thomas S. Malcolm, D.D., who was born at Hudson, N. Y., March 23, 1821, graduated Brown University and Princeton Seminary. His pulpits and emissions listed. Later residence was at 4434 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia. Of their several children, a daughter Mary Carnahan Malcolm married Dr. George M. Dallas Peltz. Portrait of Mrs. Malcolm opposite page 481. (Nevius volume.)

This matter was reported by Rev. W. H. S. Demarest, D.D.

PAGE 189—GEORGE M. DALLAS PELTZ, JR.

ADDITIONAL

After having conducted a drug business at 16th and Mifflin streets, South Philadelphia, he served as paying teller of the former German-American Title & Trust Co., now the Liberty Title & Trust Co., North Broad and Arch streets. He was afterwards a drug broker. Residence 8605 Seminole Avenue, Chestnut Hill; survived by his mother who resided at Elm Hall, Merion.

PAGE 190—PHILIP MALCOLM PELTZ, M.D.

After attending Princeton, graduated Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, 1903. Former chief of ophthalmological staff Jefferson Medical College Hospital. Eight years service First Regiment, Pennsylvania National Guard, (non-commissioned officer, hospital corps). Now (1950) retired from practice as eye-surgeon. Resides 1932 North Broad Street.

Dr. Peltz has (1950) important family data, including naval commissions of his uncles, ancestral charts and family photographs, largely those of his own (Nictown) branch.

PAGE 190—ELIZABETH BOWMAN PELTZ

ADDITIONAL

Born January 30, 1887; divorced husband Hugh Flynn; has not re-

married. Resides on her 2500 acre property, Blithewood Manor, Irwin, Goochland County, Virginia.

Children:

Wendell Bowman Flynn, born 1917. Attended Culver Academy; Chief Petty Officer, U. S. Navy, World War II. Lives with his mother. Married—three children.

Howard Malcolm Flynn, born 1927. Resides Goochland Court House, Va. Married—two children.

PAGE 191 — SAMUEL PELTZ

Dr. Philip M. Peltz has a note book dated February 1824 of Samuel Peltz which shows clearly that the latter was a pharmacist in the U. S. Navy.

PAGE 192 — ELSIE FOX OFF
ADDITIONAL

Her grandfather Henry Fox was the original Philadelphia glass manufacturer. At his factory near Gray's Ferry Road on the Schuylkill was made the first white flint glass. The early Jersey glass was green.

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Thanks to Mrs. Leslie W. Cline, Mr. John Peltz Kelly and Mrs. George Van Brunt the following information as to the families of the younger daughters of John Lentz Peltz has been secured.

2. Anna Young Peltz, born March 11, 1850, died about 1919, married (1) William Barger. Their son William Barger, Jr., born about 1868, died about 1920. He married Adele White (died about 1924) and had a daughter, Marie, born about 1896, who married Henry Bowman. No children; reside Perkasio, Pennsylvania.

Anna Young Peltz Barger and her first husband were divorced. She married (2) William Myers, who died about 1935.

4. Rebecca Jane Peltz, born August 2, 1853, baptized Trinity Lutheran Church, March 16, 1857, died November 28, 1941. Married, 1876, Samuel H. Patrick, who died June 21, 1926, aged 73 years.

Samuel H. Patrick, Rebecca Jane Peltz, his wife and Henrietta B. Patrick, his daughter, are buried in Lot 611 Marlborough Section, West Laurel Hill Cemetery, Bala-Cynwyd, Pennsylvania.

Children:

- A. William Patrick 1878-1888.
- B. Henrietta Barton Patrick, born 1885—a graduate nurse of the Children's Hospital, Philadelphia; army nurse World War I; secretary-treasurer Pennsylvania State Nurses' Association, 311 South Juniper Street, Philadelphia; residence 1544 North 62nd Street; unmarried. Died November 7, 1947.
- C. Sara Patrick, born 1890, unmarried; a graduate nurse who trained and continues on the staff of Lankenau Hospital, Corinthian and Girard Avenues, Philadelphia; resides 2004 Girard Avenue.
- D. Edith Anna Patrick, born April 19, 1895, married Leslie Warner Cline (Cline Thornton Inc., contractors' equipment and supplies, Glenwood Avenue, at 17th and Lehigh Avenue, Philadelphia 32). Resides 132 Lodge's Lane, Bala-Cynwyd.

Children:

Rebecca Jane Cline, born July 28, 1923—graduated Middlebury College, Vermont, graduate work at University of Pennsylvania, married Robert Aber Finley of Harrisburg. Resides at Lancaster.

Leslie W. Cline Jr., born February 12, 1928. Graduated 1949, M.I.T.

5. Eliza Peltz (always called Lidie) born January 31, 1855, baptized Trinity Lutheran Church March 16, 1857 (died February 4, 1925). Married Thomas N. Kelly 1854-1943.

Children:

- A. John Peltz Kelly, born South Philadelphia, February 24, 1877; married Emma Turner 1918 (divorced 1929). No children. September 1948 Mr. Kelly retired after twenty years service as chief deputy clerk of the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals, Third Circuit, Philadelphia. Accountant. Resides with his younger sister.
- B. Mazy Kelly 1883-1943; married Gilbert Wayne Helman who died 1945.

Children:

Gilbert Wayne Helman, Jr., born 1906; married Nellie Frock—one son Wayne Helman, born 1926. Resides Lansdale, Pennsylvania.

Grace Helman, born 1908, married George Metz. One daughter, Marjorie Metz, born 1928; married 1948 Andres Astat—all reside Middletown, Delaware. No children.

Betty Helman, born 1914, married Henry Child—one daughter, Virginia Child, born 1944. Reside Mt. Holly, New Jersey.

Marian Helman, born 1919, married William Quig. Greyhound Bus Corp. Children, Judy, Phyllis, Penny, Bryan. Resides Lansdale, Pennsylvania.

Warren Helman, born 1922, married Olga Barboni. Children, Barbara, Warren Jr., Susan. Reside Hatfield, Pennsylvania.

Carolyn Helman, born 1925. Unmarried. Resides Lansdale, Pennsylvania.

C. Lidie Hilliard Kelly, born 1896; unmarried. Resides 3428 North Carlisle Street, Philadelphia.

D. Nelson Kelly, died unmarried, buried in his father's lot, Laurel Hill Cemetery.

The will of Thomas Nelson Kelly was dated June 30, 1938, probated December 31, 1943, (Philadelphia Will Book 324, Page 106) following his death December 27, 1943. Son, John Peltz Kelly, executor.

After mentioning his daughter, Mazy Helman, his property passed to Lidie Hilliard Kelly.

The Philadelphia "Inquirer" for December 29, 1943 states that Thomas N., husband of Lidie Kelly, aged 89 years, died at his residence, 3428 N. Carlisle Street, interment at West Laurel Hill.

6. Mary Peltz, born January 2, 1860, baptized Trinity Lutheran Church, October 20, 1869, (died about 1935) married, 1883, Charles Tilton, livery stable operator who had a hotel at Atlantic City. Resided also at Asbury Park and Lakewood, New Jersey.

Children:

A. Charles Peltz Tilton, born September 7, 1886, married, 1913,

Rae L. Endicott, resides (1950) 9 North Richards Avenue, Ventnor, New Jersey. Painter employed by Atlantic City Transportation Company. No children.

- B. Helen Tilton, born January 5, 1894, married (1) June 5, 1913, Cecil Dilks.

Children:

Cecil Dilks, Jr., born September 29, 1914, served three years in the Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army—now plumber's assistant.

Florence Dilks, born January 15, 1916, married William D'Zio. She was employed four years at the Naval Base, Lakehurst, New Jersey, repairing navy blimps. Her husband, four years in the army, was in Gen. Patton's outfit; now (1950) mail carrier at the Lakewood postoffice. One son, William D'Zio, Jr.

Mrs. Helen Tilton Dilks, married (2) September 15, 1927, George Van Brunt, who died November 15, 1938. For two years she was employed (Lakehurst Naval Base) in the first-aid room at the repair shop for blimps, thereafter served one year at the Waves Barracks as house-keeper's assistant. She resides 919 Mattison Avenue, Asbury Park, New Jersey.

- C. Florence Tilton, born 1896, married January 19, 1919 at Lakewood, William Pendle, employed (1950) by Morris Kogel, Asbury Park, in the carpet and linoleum business; resides Asbury Park.

Children:

Robert W. Pendle, born September 24, 1920, married Alice Betts; he is (1950) technical sergeant U. S. Army at Fort Lewis, Washington. Resides Tacoma. One son, Robert W. Pendle Jr., born June 12, 1947.

Myrtle Pendle, born September 26, 1923, married Theodore Hay; child, Richard Hay born August 18, 1946.

Howard E. Pendle, born March 24, 1925, married Clare Pakdt. No children. Two years service in the navy; employed (1950) operator, Personal Products

Branch, Johnson and Johnson, New Brunswick, New Jersey.

Edna Pendle, born March 1927. Unmarried; saleslady.

Mrs. Leslie W. Cline (Edith Anna Patrick above) writes January 19, 1950—

“My grandfather John Patrick was a contractor-plastering, painting and paper-hanging. His son Samuel and Tom Kelly worked for him on the new houses near Grandfather Peltz’s (John Lentz Peltz) farm on Passyunk Road. Father (Samuel Patrick) worked for a firm of wallpaper manufacturers and designers.

“I believe my grandfather John Lentz Peltz had only lived in Olney a short time when he died because Mother said the house was not finished at that time. The house was rented from then until about 1902 when the Tiltons moved there from Asbury Park.”

As to the occupancy of the Olney house by the Tiltons, note, Page 200, that Mrs. Gertrude Gray Peltz Stringfellow lived with them at her life’s end and died there.

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Mary Lindsay Peltz and her younger brothers and sisters—their order of age re-arranged in the light of later information.

B. Mary Lindsay Peltz, born August 15, 1897. Married June 11, 1919 Howard McDaniel, son of Oliver McDaniel, born January 5, 1870 and Katherine Ulery, his wife. Howard McDaniel is a retired executive of Philco Corporation, resides 706 West Mt. Airy Avenue, Philadelphia.

Children:

a. Doris Helen McDaniel, born February 25, 1922. Married November 14, 1942 Joseph Grant Bruder.

Children:

Stephen Richard Bruder, born June 16, 1944.
Suzanne Jo Bruder, born March 9, 1947.

b. Mildred Jeanne McDaniel, born October 11, 1929.

C. Harriet Talbot Peltz, born December 19, 1899; married November 21, 1936, Russell Kett. Resides 7825 Barnes Street, Philadelphia.

Children:

- a. Russell Kett, Jr., born May 6, 1938, died October 8, 1939.
 - b. Robert Henry Kett, born Jan. 26, 1943 (adopted).
- D. Mabel Elizabeth Peltz, born March 23, 1906, died May 20, 1908.
- E. William John Peltz, Jr., born July 7, 1909. Married January 1935, Margaret Arna Paget. (1949) General Manager of Parts Production, Philco Corporation, Philadelphia.

Children:

- a. Phyllis Ann Peltz, born December 30, 1935.
 - b. Deborah Lee Peltz, born January 14, 1940.
- F. Charles Samuel Peltz, born Philadelphia July 16, 1912. Married October 28, 1938, Eugenie Goldsmith. He is (1949) Vice President, Warehouse and Terminals Corp., 1627 West Fort Street, Detroit 16, Michigan. Residence, Park Lane and Horse Mill Road, Grosse Ile, Michigan.

Children:

- a. Charles Samuel Peltz, Jr., born September 24, 1941.
- b. Lindsay Ann Peltz, born March 6, 1948.

JOHN PELTZ, JR., PAGE 212, AND WILLIAM PELTZ, PAGE 215,
SONS OF THE IMMIGRANT JOHN PELTZ

Additional information has been supplied by Thomas H. Sherborne, Jr., Elmhurst, New York, who has common Sherborne ancestry with Mary Jane Sherborne, 1835-1909, who married Rev. George A. Peltz, D.D., and with Joseph S. Kennedy, 1821-1893, who married Elizabeth Margaret Peltz, 1831-1901, Dr. Peltz's older sister. Mrs. Mary Jane Sherborne Peltz was pure English on both sides; her father Thomas Porter Sherborne was born in Sherborne, Dorset, England.

The will of John Peltz, Jr., is on record in District of Columbia Wills, Liber J H 2, page 29 (new). It is dated December 4, 1816, proved February 15, 1817, executors John Davis and Charles Glover, witnesses William H. Hamer, Anne F. Hamer, Jane Glover.

"I, John Peltz of the City of Washington, Being Sick and weak in Boddy etc.—the residue to be applied in the Most Beneficial way for the

interest and welfare of my Heirs, Alexander M. Peltz and Michael B. Peltz my dearly Beloved Sons in whom I am well Pleased; now, be it known unto the end finally that I, John Peltz, etc.” His personal estate amounted to \$1352. and included a Bible \$12., a Servant girl—\$120., a “Dimijohn” at \$1.20, table spoons \$33. and many other items.

Alexander Michael Peltz, page 212, son of John Peltz, Jr., was the first husband of Susan Poulson Savage, born July 4, 1806. She was related to Zachariah Poulson (1761-1844) editor and publisher of “Poulson’s American Daily Advertiser” from 1800 to 1839.

The records of Monument Cemetery show that Alexander M. Peltz was buried there April 7, 1838, Lot 769, Sec. 3. Therein too was buried Ellen Peltz, aged 27 years, removed from Francisville, 18th Street and Girard Avenue.

Elizabeth Margaret Peltz, page 214, daughter of Alexander M. Peltz and Susan Poulson Savage, his wife, married Joseph Smith Kennedy. He was a trunk manufacturer and cabinet maker in his youth in the employ of his uncle Thomas P. Sherborne; he was later a cloth cutter with Wanamaker & Brown. He was one of the original Knights of Labor.

Two of the four Kennedy children were—

(1) Joseph Walter Kennedy, born 1863, married Miriam Bitting (1864-1933); she was born in Alexandria, Virginia, became a physician after graduating 1889 from Women’s Medical College, Philadelphia; these were the parents of *Miriam* (Marian, page 214 corrected) Kennedy, born 1896 who married Maubert St. Georges.

(2) Emma Sherborne Kennedy who married William McCanna Laverty, born 1866.—Treasurer Pinkerton Construction Company, Philadelphia, parents of Maris Alexander Laverty, born 1894.

Buried in the Alexander M. Peltz lot Monument Cemetery as shown by its records are also—

Elizabeth P. Kennedy, May 6, 1902, aged 70 years.

Joseph S. Kennedy, January 17, 1893, aged 71 years.

Ida Kennedy, November 4, 1868, aged 1½ years.

Lizzie P. Kennedy, December 4, 1886, aged 28 years.

The lot was first recorded as belonging to Susan Peltz, Trustee. Later owner was Joseph W. Kennedy, 52 Lafayette Place, New York City.

No names or dates appear (1949) on the weathered family monument on the indicated lot.

Rev. George Alexander Peltz, D.D., page 214, was the second of the children of Alexander M. Peltz; the third was Ellen Louisa Peltz, 1835-1837. Tablet at pulpit steps, Baptist Temple, George A. Peltz, D.D.—“The Crown of Life.”

Further data on the children of Dr. and Mrs. George A. Peltz—Hamilton Peltz, born New York 1860, died Lake Hopatcong, New Jersey, 1932, married Mary Emily Milligan, 1866-1933, daughter of Charles Thornton and Emily (Pooze) Milligan. Four children.

Mary Sherborne Peltz, 1863-1888, married John Ernest Roberts, 1859-1918, son of George and Elizabeth (Hoffman) Roberts. Four children.

Dr. Edgar Warren Tully who married Louise Fawcett Peltz is a graduate of University of Pennsylvania and of Jefferson Medical College '91; until his retirement a pediatrician, he was head of St. Christopher's Hospital for Children. Dr. Tully, born in Chester County, Penna., August 25, 1866, is the son of Isaac M. and Isabella (Murray) Tully. No children.

William Peltz, pages 59 and 215, another son of the immigrant John Peltz was married (1) by Rev. Casper Weyborg, January 17, 1769, to Catharine Witman who was buried December 16, 1783 aged 31 years, 10 months. William Peltz was buried January 19, 1800.

Children:

1. Catharine Peltz born May 23, 1770, baptized First German Reformed Church, Philadelphia, June 14, 1770, married December 2, 1792, Daniel Boehm, born March 1, 1771, son of John Philip Boehm, Jr., and Anna Maria Yost, his wife; see pages 87, 114. Five children one of whom Elizabeth Boehm was the first wife of John Taylor Jones, 1803-1871, who married (2) Susan Poulson Savage Peltz, 1806-1871, widow of Alexander M. Peltz.
2. William Peltz, born, baptized and died 1773.

See “Proceedings of the Reunion of Apple's Church and of the Boehm Family” by Rev. Alfred P. Horn, 1902 (copy in the genealogical section, New York State Library) wherein appears “A Sketch of the Life of Rev. John Philip Boehm” by Rev. Wilson F. Morse, A.M. (page 71); “Descendants of Rev. John Philip Boehm, Through his Oldest Son, Anthony William Boehm” (page 100). Anthony William Boehm had daughters and a son John Philip Boehm who married Anna Maria Yost as appears above. See Page 87.

William Peltz married (2) Marie Boehm, sister of Daniel Boehm above.

Children:

3. Elizabeth Peltz, born March 21, 1785; baptized April 10, 1785, married July 7, 1803 William Lyle. This may be confusing because another William Peltz, pages 62, 108, married Elizabeth Lyle. Elizabeth Peltz, daughter of William Peltz, son of John the immigrant was first cousin of this other William Peltz, son of Philip Peltz the Elder, son of John the immigrant. The relationship of Elizabeth and William Lyle is not understood.
4. Maria Peltz, born September 10, baptized September 25, 1787, died unmarried 1811; Maria Peltz and Mary Peltz, page 215, are evidently the same person; will of Mary Peltz, "single-woman, sick and weak," dated January 15, 1811, proved June 14, 1811, recorded, Philadelphia, Book 3, page 345, mentions her uncle Philip Peltz, her brother-in-law William Lyle, sister Elizabeth Lyle, aunt Mary Maag, sister Catharine Boehm.

PAGES 212 AND 215 — MILITARY ENTRIES AS TO OTHER SONS OF
JOHN PELTZ, THE IMMIGRANT
Sixth Series, Pennsylvania Archives

Vol. I. 128—General Return, Second Battalion Associators and Militia, City of Philadelphia when called into service, July, 1777. William Peltz was enrolled in Capt. Jonathan Wainright's company. Daniel Abraham served as substitute for the tour.

I. 310—General return of Philadelphia militia called into service August 10, 1780. Fourth Battalion, William Peltz, paid \$21, September 1780.

I. 318—William Peltz private in Capt. John McCallum Jr's company, city of Philadelphia, August 12, 1780.

II. 697—York County Militia. Captain Gesselman's company included Michl Peltz. No date but listed with 1783 returns.

III. 988—William Peltz member of Second Company, First Battalion, Philadelphia Militia, Capt. Daniel Smith, 1788.

III. 1172—Muster roll, First company, Sixth Battalion, Philadelphia City Militia, Capt. Robert Ralston, 1785, includes name of William Peltz. Also same company, 1784. (P. 1319)

VIII. 380—William Peltz, 219 S. Second Street, Philadelphia, listed in muster roll of company drafted for service in War of 1812. Captain Reuben Gilder organized the company August 15, 1814.

Note—Since the will of William Peltz, son of the immigrant, was probated in 1800, it may be conjectured that the last above entry relates to William Peltz (Pages 62 and 108), son of Philip the Elder.

DEWITT ADDENDA

DEWITT TABLET

Tissue opposite page 232, first paragraph, description of "Cenotaph of Marble in Two Colors." The statement "This memorial was there erected over the north door, Beaver Street front" proves to be inexact. In a photograph of the interior of the church, this memorial is clearly shown on the north wall of the auditorium beside the pulpit facing the pews on the west side of the east aisle.

PAGE 237 — PEARL STREET THEATRE

This theatre, second edifice to be occupied by the congregation of St. Paul's Church, was opened May 18, 1825 as is stated (illustrated) in 8 Munsell's Annals 118. It was on the west side of South Pearl Street below Beaver (not to be confused with the Leland which afterwards adjoined on the north). See Directory, 1854, page 16.

PAGE 238 — OLD QUEEN'S

"Architect of Old Queen's was John McComb. His inspiration probably came from the royal palace at Whitehall. McComb's masterpiece is City Hall, New York City, constructed 1803-1812, the years during which Old Queen's was likewise planned and partially erected. Between the two buildings are similarities. Both have cupolas of about the same design. Both are oblong structures with center part supporting wings on east and west. Both employ an identical style of pilaster in the façade." See also "History of Rutgers College" by William H. S. Demarest, President, published by the College 1924, Princeton University Press, page 211 in that volume.

Fort Clinton, afterwards Castle Garden, and later the Aquarium at the Battery, New York City, was built 1807-1811, named for DeWitt Clinton, Mayor of New York and later Governor; built on a ridge of rock off the southerly tip of Manhattan, the ground fill was afterward extended to include its site. Its architect was John McComb, one of the most distinguished of his time.

See—Matter of Application of Alexander Hamilton, for an order pursuant to Article 78 of the Civil Practice Act, against Robert Moses, as Commissioner of Parks, with opinion carrying "a bit of history" by Justice Shientag, 275 App. Div. 76. This decision of March 29, 1949 reversed

the decision, December 10, 1948, of Justice Null with opinion, Supreme Court, New York County, Part 1.

PAGES vii, 245 — REV. WILLIAM HENRY STEELE DEMAREST, D.D., LL.D.

Born Hudson, N. Y., May 12, 1863; son of Rev. David D. Demarest, D.D., and Catharine L. Nevius, his wife, A. B. Rutgers 1883. New Brunswick Theological Seminary 1888. D.D. Rutgers, New York University; LL.D., Columbia, Union, University of Pittsburgh, Rutgers. Unmarried.

Pastor Reformed Church Walden, N. Y., 1888-97; Catskill 1897-1901. Prof. Church History New Brunswick Theological Seminary 1901-06. President Rutgers College, 1905-24; President New Brunswick Theological Seminary 1925-35. Emeritus since 1935.

Trustee Rutgers University. President Board of Directors Reformed Church in America 1937-44; President General Synod Reformed Church in America 1909; Vice president Huguenot Society of America, member Holland Society, Phi Beta Kappa, Delta Phi.

Author—History of Rutgers College 1924. Notes on the Constitution of the Reformed Church in America 1928.

Compiler—Tercentenary Studies of the Reformed Church in America 1928; History of New Brunswick 1680-1930; Demarest Family Genealogy 1938.

Clubs—University, N. Y., President New Brunswick Hist. Soc.
Res.: The Stone House (President's Home) New Brunswick.

“Who's Who in America,” Vol. 25, 1948-49.

Corwin's “Manual, Reformed Church in America 1902,” Page 416.

A ceremony was held April 14, 1950, in observance of the beginning of construction on Bishop Campus, Rutgers University, of William H. S. Demarest Hall, a dormitory for Freshmen. The principal address was made by Dr. Demarest.

PAGE 249 — BIRTHPLACE OF TJERCK CLAESSEN DEWITT

Mr. A. S. F. van Laer, a native of Holland, for many years State Archivist, recently retired, supplies the following valued information—

“When I revised Jonathan Pearson's translations of the two volumes of Notarial Papers in the Albany County Clerk's Office (published in 1918 by the State Library under the title ‘Early Records of the City and County of Albany, Vol. 3—History Bulletin 10’), I made an effort to locate the birthplace of Tjerck Claessen de Witt, which in the marriage

records of the Dutch Reformed Church of New York is given under date of April 24, 1656, as 'Grootholt in Zunderlandt', and which according to Schoonmaker's History of Kingston, p. 477, is 'supposed to be Saterland, a district of Westphalia, on the southern border of East Friesland.'

"I conclude this is a mistake and that Zunderlandt has nothing to do with Saterland, but is a misreading of Emderland. In the first place, Tjerck Claessen had a sister Emmerentje de With, who in the record of her intended marriage in 1664, at New Amsterdam to Marten Hofman is given as 'from Esens in Embderlt', and secondly, in a power of attorney, dated June 9, 1661, given to his brother-in-law Jan Albertsen, Tjerck Claessen speaks of land inherited by him at 'Oosterbemus in Oost Vriesland.' The latter is a small place on the coast of East Friesland, opposite the island of Baltrum, which on the map of 'Emden & Olderborch, Comit,' in Mercator's Atlas of 1619, is given as 'Oosterbeus'. This place is situated near Esens, only a few miles N.E. of Emden, and accounts for all the places mentioned in the various documents and also accounts for the fact that the first known ancestor of the DeWitt family had the Frisian name 'Tjerck,' which is equivalent to the Dutch name Dirck, or Diederick.

"It would be interesting to see whether the original marriage record of 1656 in the Dutch Church at New York actually has the name 'Zunderlandt,' or whether this mistake was made by the clerk who transcribed the record for the printer.

"Emden, the seaport in East Friesland which was heavily bombed in the last war, was in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries a place of refuge for Dutch Protestants who fled there from the Spanish inquisition. The place was under the protection of the States General of the Netherlands, who maintained a Dutch garrison there. The place looks like a Dutch city and has a large Dutch Reformed Church, where some of my own ancestors, the immediate descendants of Johan van Laer, who in 1533 fled from Oldenzaal, in the province of Overijssel, Netherlands, are buried. I visited their tombs in 1910, but fear that they were destroyed in the last war.

"The Frisians early in the Middle Ages settled all along the Dutch coast. They were predominant in the northern part of the present province of Noord Holland, which for a long time retained semi-independence and became known as West Friesland, in contradistinction to the province of Friesland on the east side of the Zuider Zee, of which Leeuwarden is the capital, and the territory in Germany, which is known as East Fries-

land. In the 17th century West Friesland was combined with the northern part of the province of Holland, but still retained administrative independence and became officially known as 'Holland and West Friesland.' When the Netherlands became a kingdom, in 1813, the name West Friesland was dropped and the territory of 'Holland and West Friesland' was named 'Noord Holland,' the remainder of the ancient county or province of Holland, in which the cities The Hague, Rotterdam, Leiden and Delft are located, being named 'Zuid Holland.'

"West Friesland, therefore, was never a separate province of the present Kingdom of the Netherlands."

PAGE 250 — TJERCK CLAESSEN DEWITT HOUSE

The Tjerck Claessen DeWitt house illustrated.

See also—"Dutch Houses in the Hudson Valley Before 1776" by Helen Wilkinson Reynolds, deceased, sponsored by the Holland Society and published in 1929. A copy of this important work now out of print is in the manuscript division of the New York State Library.

(Page therein 193, Plate 69).

"The small size of each of the two units that form the south end of the house gives ground for the belief that one or the other was the dwelling built by Tjerck Claessen DeWitt in 1670. Perhaps the second unit was being added by Capt. Andries DeWitt in 1710 when the beam fell upon him. The second and larger suggests in appearance that it dates from about 1799 when the brass knocker was placed upon the new east door."

See also—"Southeastern New York." A History of the Counties of Ulster, Dutchess, Orange, Rockland and Putnam, 3 volumes, Lewis Publishing Company, Inc., New York 1946. At page 178, Volume One of that work, Louise Hasbrōuck Zimm, the painstaking editor of the Ulster County section, mentions this house.

PAGE 249 AND 253 — TJERCK CLAESSEN DEWITT

For additional information of the immigrant patriarch see—

"Gasherie DeWitt II, 1822-1874", compiled 1948 by Harold Nichols DeWitt, privately (100 copies) lithoprinted, Edward Brothers Inc., Ann Arbor, Mich. Copies lodged in the leading American genealogical libraries.

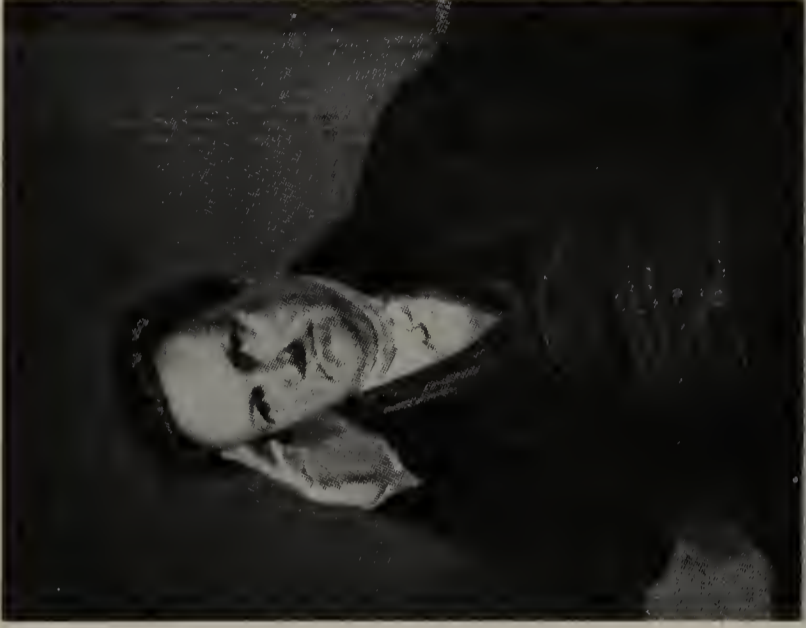
Its page 109—will in Dutch of Tjerck Claessen DeWitt, dated March 4, 1687-88, stated to be recorded in Ulster County Clerk's Office, Book



Simon DeWitt



Thomas De Witt



DeWitt Clinton

Related DeWitt Celebrities

AA of Deeds, Page 252, translated by George C. DeWitt, late of New York City—gives son, Lucas DeWitt, one half of his sloop built the year before. At its page 120, Dutch sloops discussed and described.

PAGE 259—SARAH SCHOONMAKER DEWITT

Her tomb-stone, the inscription badly weathered, is to the right of the front entrance and at an exterior corner of the First Reformed Church, Neilson and Hiram Streets, New Brunswick—in the same burial ground but some distance from that of her husband.

RELATED DEWITT CELEBRITIES

The Evans pamphlet cited on page 251 resolves the distant relationship (third cousins of John I. DeWitt, page 258) of Simeon DeWitt, The Surveyor-General.

Rev. Thomas DeWitt, D.D., Pastor the Collegiate Church, New York City.

Governor DeWitt Clinton.

For these relationships see Evans, its page 7 Family 2, and Evans, its page 12, Family 15.

All stem from Andries DeWitt, 1657-1710, oldest of the children of the progenitor Tjerck Claessen DeWitt, whereas

Rev. John DeWitt, D.D., one of the central figures of this work, descended from Lucas DeWitt, younger brother of Andries.

Andries DeWitt married, 1682, Jannetje Egbertsen—see page 253. Seventh child of Andries DeWitt was Egbert (1699-1761) who married Mary, daughter of William Nottingham and Margaret Rutsen, his wife born 1650. William Nottingham was born in England, died 1730. County Clerk of Ulster County 1719-21 (see New York Civil List 1870, page 61); a proprietor of the Hardenbergh Patent.

Here the lines of the "DeWitt celebrities" divide.

PAGE 253 — SIMEON DEWITT

A son of Egbert DeWitt and Mary Nottingham, his wife, was a younger Andries DeWitt (1723-) of Kingston, who married Jannetje Vernoooy. See New Brunswick Seminary Bulletin Vol. VII No. 3, October 1932. "George Washington and His Relation to the Dutch Reformed Church," W. H. S. Demarest at page 17. Andries DeWitt and Jannetje Vernoooy, his wife, were the parents of Simeon DeWitt (1756-1834).

Simeon DeWitt married

(1) 1789, Elizabeth Lynott, 1767-1793—no children.

(2) The widow Janneke Varick, 1760-1808, sister of Col. Richard Varick and widow of Abraham Hardenbergh.

(For Hardenbergh, see *Nat. Cyc. Am. Biog.* XI—329. Demarest, *History of Rutgers College.*)

Col. Richard Varick, 1753-1831, was aid to Benedict Arnold. In 1780, prostrated at discovering Arnold's treachery, he petitioned Gen. Washington for a Court of Inquiry, which acquitted him with honor. Despite the verdict, Varick found himself an object of suspicion. Washington selected him as his secretary and turned over to him to arrange, classify and copy all the correspondence and records of the Continental Army. In the face of such a display of confidence, all the whispered slanders against Varick were forever silenced.

Varick took quarters at Poughkeepsie; the work was done 1781-83; the forty odd volumes, now in the Library of Congress, are a monument to Varick's secretarial skill. His later record—

1784—Recorder, City of New York.

1787-1788—Speaker of the Assembly.

1788—Attorney-General, State of New York.

1789-1801—Mayor of New York City.

1817—One of the Appraisers for the Erie Canal. Founder American Bible Society etc. President 1828-1831.

President New York Society of the Cincinnati elected July 4, 1806.

Died at Jersey City, buried in the Dutch Reformed Church, Hackensack.

Married, 1786, Maria; daughter of Isaac and Cornelia (Hoffman) Roosevelt.

She survived him by a decade; they left no children.

"*Dict. Am. Biography*;" XIX, 226.

"*New York Civil List*," 1870, Pages 82, 214.

Children of Simeon DeWitt and Janneke Varick, his wife—(See "*Nat. Cyc. Am. Biog.*;" III, 215).

1. Richard Varick DeWitt, 1800-1868.

2. George Washington DeWitt, 1801-1814.

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Richard Varick DeWitt, 1800-1868 (See page 231) graduate Union College; lawyer, married 1831, Sarah, 1806-1842, daughter of Dudley Walsh and Sarah Stevenson, his wife.

Dudley Walsh, born in Ireland, was president, 1810-1814, of the Bank of Albany, died at Albany 1816. The present Hospital for Incurables, Kenwood Heights, (on the brow of the hill south of McCarthy Avenue) occupies a building expanded from his residence.

Children:

- (a) Richard Varick DeWitt, 1832-1901, unmarried. Albany Fire Commissioner, member Society of the Cincinnati. Built the house 202 Lancaster Street, Albany and resided there with his brother and sisters.
- (b) Catharine Walsh DeWitt, 1833-1907, unmarried.
- (c) Dudley Walsh DeWitt, 1835-1904, unmarried.
- (d) Sarah Walsh DeWitt, 1837-1924, unmarried.
- (e) Justina DeWitt, 1839-1840.
- (f) Alice Justina DeWitt, 1841-1869, married 1865 Augustus de Peyster, of Boston. No children.
- (g) An infant daughter, born and died 1842.

Note—John Stevenson Walsh, son of Dudley Walsh and Sarah Stevenson, his wife, and brother of Sarah Walsh DeWitt, married Laura Spencer Townsend daughter of Hon. John Townsend, Mayor of Albany, and of Abby Spencer, his wife, daughter of Ambrose Spencer, Chief Justice of the New York State Supreme Court, appointed 1819. See—"New York Civil List," 1870, page 95. See also "Top Flight" below mentioned page 29. See also—"Hudson-Mohawk Genealogical and Family Memoirs" edited by Cuyler Reynolds, Vol. IV, Page 1784, published by Lewis Historical Publishing Company, New York, 1911.

Children:

- (a) Laura Spencer Walsh, 1834-1927, page 164, married Augustus H. Walsh; no relation; six children.
- (b) Abby Sarah Walsh, 1839-1918, unmarried. Lived with Sarah W. Barnard, below mentioned.
- (c) Dudley Walsh, 1841-1921; married Elizabeth Haswell.

Children:

John S. Walsh, deceased, Schenectady.
 Harry H. Walsh, deceased, Albany.
 Laura Walsh, deceased, married Gibson Oliver.

Elizabeth Trowbridge Walsh, married Charles F. Van Benthuysen, of Albany, deceased.

Note—Catharine Walsh, daughter of Dudley Walsh and Sarah Stevenson, his wife, married Hon. Daniel D. Barnard, 1797-1861, who settled in Albany. He was congressman 1839-45; minister to Prussia 1850-53. Their daughter was Sarah Walsh Barnard, 1836-1903; resided 25 Elk Street, Albany; buried in her father's lot, Albany Rural Cemetery. Crossed the ocean in a sailing vessel with her father. See—10 Nat. Cyc. Am. Biog. 70.

Note—Sarah Stevenson above was the daughter of John Stevenson and Magdalena Douw, his wife. His brother was Hon. James Stevenson, 1788-1852; Mayor of Albany. See "Top Flight at Number One Lafayette Street," privately printed, Yale University Press, 1939, Page 33.

(3) Simeon DeWitt married, October 29, 1810, Susan Linn, 1778-1824, daughter of Rev. William Linn, S.T.D., 1752-1808 of Albany, trustee of Queen's College, Regent of the University of the State of New York, 1787-1808, and of Rebecca Blair, his wife. See "Corwin's Manual," Page 572; "New York Civil List," 1870, page 417.

Children:

3. Susan Linn DeWitt, 1811-1849, married, 1835 Levi Hubbell, 1807-1876. Died in Milwaukee.

Children:

Simeon DeWitt Hubbell, deceased, Santa Ynez, Calif.
Richard Walter Hubbell, deceased, a lawyer, Oconto, Wisconsin—four children—see proceedings probate will of Sarah W. DeWitt, Albany County Surrogate's Court.

4. Cornelia Lansing DeWitt, 1813-1820.
5. William Linn DeWitt, 1817-1903, Ithaca, N. Y., unmarried.
6. Mary Linn DeWitt, 1819-1871, unmarried.

Note—Listings of the progeny of Simeon DeWitt are based on a memorandum in the hand of Sarah Walsh DeWitt and on probate papers.

A portrait of Simeon DeWitt—"Geographer of the American Army," by Ezra Ames, 1806, hangs in Kirkpatrick Chapel, Rutgers University; presented 1902 by his grandchildren. See 1907 catalogue of Rutgers portraits, page 10.

By the will of Sarah Walsh DeWitt there was bequeathed to Rutgers College \$25,000. for the endowment of a professorship in memory of Simeon DeWitt, also his bust by Carew.

Simeon DeWitt, born at Warwarsing, Ulster County, as a student at

Queen's College, from which he graduated in 1776, fled the British under Gen. Howe on their capture of New Brunswick—see page 238. Surveyor General, State of New York, 1784-1834; member Board of Regents of the University 1798-1817; its Vice Chancellor 1817-1829; its Chancellor 1829-1834; Presidential Elector appointed by the Legislature 1812; charter member of the Society of the Cincinnati; died and buried in Ithaca.

See—"History of Rutgers College 1766-1924," Demarest, 1924, page 127; 3 "Nat. Cyc. Am. Biog." 215.

"New York Civil List," 1870, pages 234, 419.

The "Ithaca Daily News," October 12, 1903, in its obituary of William Linn DeWitt, refers to his father Simeon DeWitt as the founder of Ithaca.

"Hudson-Mohawk Genealogical and Family Memoirs," Cuyler Reynolds, Editor, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, New York, 1911 Vol. I, Page 362.

PAGE 270 REV. THOMAS DEWITT, D.D.

Egbert DeWitt and Mary Nottingham, his wife above listed, were also the parents of Major Thomas DeWitt, 1741-1809, their seventh son, who married, 1782, Elsie Hasbrouck, daughter of Jacob Hasbrouck who was of French Huguenot descent, and Maria Hoornbeek, his wife. Others of Egbert's sons were soldiers and officers in the Revolution. In Napanoch, Town of Rochester, Ulster County where they were born, was a lead mine useful in the Revolution. Thomas DeWitt joined the American forces in Canada at the time of Wolfe's victory over the French, was a captain in the Continental Army throughout the war, was present at the death of Montgomery in the attack on Quebec in 1775; was with Col. Willett at the siege of Fort Stanwix.

Major Thomas DeWitt and Elsie Hasbrouck, his wife were the parents of Col. Jacob H. DeWitt, member of Congress 1819-21, (New York Civil List, 1870, page 230), died 1859, and of Rev. Thomas DeWitt, D.D. The latter the fifth and youngest child of his parents was born September 13, 1791, at Twaalfskill, near Kingston, graduated Union College 1808, New Brunswick Seminary, 1812. He married Eliza Ann Waterman of New York "a member of Dr. McMurray's Church in Rutgers Street."

See "Memorial of Rev. Thomas DeWitt, D.D.," Anson D.F. Randolph and Company, New York, 1875, 2 "Nat. Cyc. Am. Biog.," 492.

Oil portraits of Rev. Thomas DeWitt, D.D., as follows:
Collegiate Reformed Church, New York City.

New-York Historical Society, by William Cogswell, 1819-1903, gift of the artist.

Same by Samuel B. Waugh, 1791-1874, painted 1858, gift of Theodore Cuyler and Morris K. Jesup, sons-in-law.

Rutgers University, Kirkpatrick Chapel, artist unknown, see 1937 Catalogue of Portraits, page 10.

PAGE 294 — GOVERNOR DEWITT CLINTON

Egbert DeWitt and Mary Nottingham, his wife, had nine sons of whom two were Andries and Major Thomas DeWitt above discussed and one daughter Mary, 1737-1795. She married Gen. James Clinton, 1736-1812, son of Col. Charles Clinton, 1690-1773, and brother of Gov. George Clinton, 1739-1812, the last named having been Governor of New York and Vice President of the United States. Gen. James Clinton was a member from Ulster County of the New York Convention of 1788 (Poughkeepsie) on the Federal Constitution; he voted against adoption—"New York Civil List," 1870, page 220.

For distinguished career of Gen. James Clinton see 1 "Nat. Cyc. Am. Biog." 46.

Gen. James Clinton and Mary DeWitt, his wife were the parents of DeWitt Clinton, 1769-1828, their third son. Thus the statement at page 294 that DeWitt Clinton was no relation of Clinton DeWitt is inaccurate.

DeWitt Clinton was probably born at Napanoch, but the matter is controversial—See "Olde Ulster" Vol. 7, No. 3, March 1911, leading article by Thomas E. Benedict.

Member of New York State Assembly from New York County, 1798.

State Senator 1799-1802, 1806-1811; residence Newtown, Queens County.—Member Council of Appointment, appointed 1800.

United States Senator, elected 1802 (resigned).

Mayor of New York appointed 1803, 1808.

One of the original Canal Commissioners appointed 1816.

Candidate for President of the United States 1813. He carried New York State—electoral vote Madison 138, DeWitt 89.

Governor of New York, elected 1817, 1820, 1822, 1824.

See "New York Civil List," Weed Parsons & Co., 1870, pages 75, 79, 84, 124, 177, 213, 221, 236.

See also "Southeastern New York," Lewis Historical Publishing Co., Inc., 1946; Ulster County section, Zimm, Vol. 3, page 580.

See also 3 "Nat. Cyc. Am. Biog." 43.

DeWitt Clinton served as a director of the Bank of the Manhattan Company 1803-1813.

PAGE 298 — A. V. DEWITT

A. V. DeWitt was superintendent of the Sunday School of the Second Reformed Church, Albany, in the years 1863 and 1873. See "Manual and Directory, 1903."

He was elected Recording Secretary of the New York State Bar Association at its organization meeting in the Assembly Chamber of the Capitol at Albany, November 21, 1876; he continued in that office through 1881.

PAGE 298 — SPOOR

Charles Tallmadge Fairchild Spoor, born January 1, 1842; died unmarried December 10, 1891 at Coxsackie, graduate Williams College, lecturer at Albany Law School. He was the only son of Dr. James Wells Spoor (son of John D. Spoor), born 1801 at Coxsackie and of Elizabeth Fairchild his wife.

James Wells Spoor died October 28, 1849, and is buried in the family plot at Spoorenberg, where four generations of his family rest.

The picturesque old stone house "Spoorenberg" (1948) is no longer the Spoor family home. It is between Coxsackie and Athens just east of the West Shore Railroad on a north and south road somewhat parallel to and east of Route 9W (The King's Highway). Charles T. F. Spoor was best man at the marriage, April 21, 1881, in St. Peter's Church, Albany, of John DeWitt Peltz and Mary Marvin Learned.

See—A record of the known descendants of Jan Wybesse Spoor who migrated from Holland and settled in the Hudson River Valley in the middle of the seventeenth century. Compiled by Marie A. Underwood, New York, 1901, Page 84. View of the Spoor Homestead near Coxsackie opp. its page 24.

"History of Greene County," Beers, New York 1884, its page 232—Account of the Spoor place on the Spoorenberg road.

PAGE 302 — LEO-HENKEL

Additional facts supplied by Mrs. Charlotte Leo Henkel, daughter of Mrs. Charlotte Lent Leo—

Norman Blackstone Leo, steel constructor, New York City died 1939.

His daughter Mrs. Charlotte Leo Henkel, born January 2, 1917, resides (1949) with her husband David S. Henkel at 27 Grandview Avenue, White Plains, N. Y.; he graduated University of Richmond 1933; University of Virginia Law School 1936; first lieutenant U. S. Army (Intelligence) World War II.

Their children are aged (1949) 7 and 1½ years respectively.

Norman Blackstone Leo, Jr., resides with his mother; he is with Duane-Jones Co., Inc., advertising, New York City; first lieutenant of infantry, service in the Philippines, World War II.

PAGE 305 — ELIOT

Eliot Ancestry of Charlotte Lee Gillet DeWitt.

See also Genealogy of the Descendants of John Eliot "Apostle to the Indians" 1598-1905. Prepared and published by the Committee of Descendants. The Tuttle, Morehouse & Taylor Press, New Haven, 1905. (Its page 52).

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SARAH DEWITT SCHOONMAKER AND HER DESCENDANTS

EIGHTH CHILD AND THIRD DAUGHTER OF REV. JOHN DEWITT, D.D.

See Page 291

Sarah DeWitt born January 26, 1824, died September 11, 1894 (monument inscription). She is said to have been of fine mentality and loveliness of character; married November 30, 1844 her first cousin, Tjerck Schoonmaker, Jr., born May 19, 1820, died August 27, 1884 (monument).

Her mother, Sarah Schoonmaker (1788-1824) wife of Rev. John DeWitt, D.D., the elder, and his first cousin was the daughter of Tjerck Schoonmaker (see page 259). Henry Schoonmaker, Jr., (1791-1843) brother of Sarah Schoonmaker DeWitt married November 6, 1819, Alida Wynkoop, born August 14, 1799, died January 1, 1872; husband and wife are buried at Mount Marion. These were the parents of Tjerck Schoonmaker, Jr., (less confusing had he called himself Tjerck Schoonmaker, 2nd).



Sarah DeWitt Schoonmaker



Tjerck Schoonmaker, Jr.

Sarah DeWitt Schoonmaker and Tjerck Schoonmaker, Jr., her husband are buried at Mount Marion Cemetery, Lot 29, the ancestral plot.

Children:

(1) Henry Wynkoop Schoonmaker, born February 6, 1848, died 1891; his Snyder brother-in-law of Saugerties reports that he was yard manager for John C. Provost, dealer in coal and builders' supplies (Brooklyn directories 1884-1900, Franklin Street cor. Vernon Avenue, also Newtown Creek, Long Island City.) He resided at Greenpoint. He married Cornelia Anne Snyder, 1854-1925; daughter of Peter Snyder and Sarah Osterhout, his wife whose home was under the hill at Mount Marion, the next place south of Simeon P. DeWitt (Lowther) farm (page 255). Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Schoonmaker are buried in the Mount Marion cemetery in a plot north of the ancestral lot. His will in the handwriting of John DeWitt Peltz was proved Ulster County Surrogate's Court, September 3, 1895 (Vol. 3 of Wills, Page 424—petition dated Dec. 31, 1894).

Children:

(a) Sarah Grace Schoonmaker, born December 11, 1876, died April 18, 1946, married William A. Hanna of Saugerties, born May 24, 1876, died at Kingston, August 28, 1910 (dates from monument, Mountain View Cemetery, Saugerties). Letters of administration, Ulster County Surrogate's Court granted to his widow January 4, 1911.

William A. Hanna, (son of Aaron Hanna, 1850-1892, and of Elizabeth W. Baker, 1853-1897, his wife, monument) was associated with the local electric lighting company. His home was on Washington Avenue, Saugerties.

Children:

William Cortland Hanna, born 1904, married Myrtle, daughter of Charles Genthner, has a son William; resides (1949) at 22 Partition Street.

Edwin Hanna, born 1908, unmarried; resides with his brother at the above address, formerly the home of his widowed mother and grandmother.

(b) John DeWitt Schoonmaker, born at the Snyder home, Mount Marion April 16, 1878, died at Saugerties January 2, 1934, buried Mountain View Cemetery, married Mame Meyer (born 1878; resides 1949 near Saugerties, daughter of Louis Meyer and Mary Elizabeth Ackerman, his wife, formerly residents of Fishkill);

formerly employed by John L. Butzel Sons, dry goods, Saugerties; he was associated from 1920 until his death with Reed & Reed, department store, 114 Partition Street, Saugerties.

Child:

Mildred DeWitt Schoonmaker (twin sister died at birth) married George Sanford; son Robert, resides at Pine Plains, N. Y.

(2) Mary DeWitt Schoonmaker born November 6, 1853, died 1916, married January 18, 1891 her first cousin Clinton DeWitt (1851-1929, son of Rev. John DeWitt, D.D., the younger, see page 301). No children.

(3) John DeWitt Schoonmaker born July 11, 1855, resided at Littleton, Colorado, married October 27, 1881, Cora E. Wallace of High Woods, Ulster County. No children. Died at Colorado Springs, October 13, 1906. Buried in Colorado. Will proved November 26, 1906 in Arapahoe County, Colorado. Exemplification filed Ulster County Surrogate's Court.

(4) James Clinton Schoonmaker, born June 13, 1857; unmarried, died January 24, 1884; buried at Mount Marion, ancestral plot.

(5) Abram Tjerck Schoonmaker, born February 13, 1862, married November 17, 1890, Mildred Van Etten, born at Kingston, June 9, 1869, daughter of William Gehi Van Etten and Angeline Van Etten, his wife who resided at Katrine, Ulster County; she descended from Jacob Janse, Dutch immigrant from Etten, Holland, who came over prior to 1664. The Van Etten family have lived subsequently for generations in Ulster County.

Abram Tjerck Schoonmaker died December 7, 1947, buried at Mount Marion.

Children:

(a) Bess Van Etten Schoonmaker born at Mount Marion December 3, 1891, resides (1949) with her mother at 522 Prospect Street, Hudson.

(b) James Clinton Schoonmaker, born July 24, 1893, married at Schenectady, August 19, 1922, Edna Neuville, graduate of Barnard College (daughter of John Neuville and Mary, his wife, of Schenectady), draftsman, construction engineering department General Electric Company; resides (1949) 1939 Fairview Avenue, Schenectady.

Children:

Fern Kay Schoonmaker, born August 9, 1927, senior at Wellesley College.

Richard Clinton Schoonmaker, born December 23, 1930, a freshman at Yale.

- (c) Sarah Angeline Schoonmaker, born September 12, 1896, married December 22, 1924, at White Plains, N. Y., Frank Haas, Jr., of New York City, born September 6, 1898, now in the real estate business; residence Elmhurst, Long Island; no children.

Mount Marion is on the Plattekill below its emergence from the clove at West Saugerties and above its confluence with the Esopus. The community was once known as Plattekill, confusing because adjoining the Orange County line is the unrelated Ulster County Town of Plattekill, see pages 44, 257. At Mount Marion is Plattekill Reformed Church; present building erected 1834. Mount Marion cemetery adjoins on the north.

A hill to the northwest is Mount Marion, elevation 719 feet; the winter sunset is screened by the 3150 foot summit of the Overlook, seven miles distant in black bear territory. The West Shore station is Mount Marion; the postoffice was formerly Cockburn, named for William Cockburn a local resident who, an eighteenth century surveyor, did extensive work in the Ulster County area and elsewhere in New York State.

The ancient Schoonmaker house, Town of Saugerties, is on the east edge of the road which contours northward from Dutch Settlement (Ruby), Town and County of Ulster, to its intersection with the Glasco Turnpike, at a point distinguished by a steel span over the Plattekill, three quarters of a mile west of Mount Marion. Sheltered by a wooded hill on the west, it is a picturesque old stone dwelling; its barns and sycamores mentioned in the Reynolds volume have disappeared.

It descended to Tjerck Schoonmaker, Jr., and thereafter to his son Abram T. Schoonmaker through their Wynkoop ancestry. The parents of Tjerck Schoonmaker, Jr., were Henry Schoonmaker, Jr., and his wife Alida, daughter of Hendricus Wynkoop of Saugerties. Henry Schoonmaker, Jr., was a brother of Sarah Schoonmaker who married Rev. John DeWitt, D.D., the elder.

See—"Wynkoop Genealogy in the United States of America," by Richard Wynkoop of Brooklyn, N. Y., Third Edition, The Knickerbocker Press, New York, 1904, page 129.

Alida Wynkoop was born August 14, 1799; she is No. 562, Wynkoop

volume, which links her with the Kaatsbaan Church and Flatbush baptismal records both in Ulster County. Her son Tjerck Schoonmaker, Jr. born May 27, 1820, is its No. 1008.

Her ascending chain of ancestry is as follows in the Wynkoop volume cited above.

Henry (Hendricus) Wynkoop No. 317; Evert No. 132; Hezekiah No. 39; Evert No. 4; Cornelius No. 1.

Title to the stone house may be traced to Hendricus Wynkoop. Whether he built or bought it, and what may have been the date of erection are matters of conjecture.

The will of Hendricus Wynkoop executed by mark is dated May 20, 1828, proved April 23, 1832, and is recorded Ulster County Surrogate's Court Book H of Wills, page 81. "I give and bequeath unto my daughter Aulty (Alida) and her husband Henry Schoonmaker, Jr. and to Aulty's children and their heirs forever, all the old farm and all the real estate which I owned previous to the purchase I lately made of William B. and Henry Myer and Henry Hermon, and on which I formerly lived including all the wood lots and real estate belonging to my said farm, all of which I hereby give to them forever," subject to a list of cash charges. The other farm then recently purchased he gives to sons Evert, Hezekiah and daughter Annaty and charges it with payment of balance of debts. Appoints as executors, Hezekiah Wynkoop, Jr.; William Wynkoop and Henry Schoonmaker, Jr.

No will nor intestacy proceedings is found for Henry Schoonmaker, Jr., Alida Wynkoop Schoonmaker, Tjerck Schoonmaker, Jr., Sarah DeWitt Schoonmaker, Abram T. Schoonmaker.

Evert Wynkoop of Saugerties, father of Hendricus, survived his son briefly. His will, likewise signed by mark, is without mention of the old stone house property. It is dated June 6, 1829, proved April 23, 1832, and recorded Ulster County Surrogate's Court in Book H of Wills, page 84.

Abram T. Schoonmaker lived here until financial adversities necessitated its disposition. Thereafter he removed to Hudson, where he eventually established his household at 522 Prospect Street and where he resided for upwards of thirty years until his death.

Present owner of the Schoonmaker house is Dr. George H. Bentz, formerly of Brooklyn, graduate of P & S, New York, who with Mrs. Bentz continues (1949) to occupy it.

The title after acquisition by Abram T. Schoonmaker passed as follows: to Millie Schoonmaker 1909; to Clinton DeWitt and Mary Schoon-

maker DeWitt, his wife, 155 Harrison Avenue, Jersey City, 1910; to George H. Bentz, 685 Greene Avenue, Borough of Brooklyn, City of New York, 1914. (Intermediate owner omitted—see Ulster County Clerk's Office, 418 Deeds 277; 424 Deeds 259 and 260; 447 Deeds 310).

"All that piece or parcel of land situate in the Town of Saugerties, County of Ulster, State of New York, at the Plattekill neighborhood and on both sides of the public highway leading southerly from the Glasco Turnpike Road to the public highway leading to the Dutch Settlement and bounded and described as follows. On the east by the Plattekill Creek; on the south by lands of William H. Brink, dec'd; on the west by lands now or formerly of James Palmatier, Ferdinand Snyder and lately of John Brink, dec'd, and on the north by lands late of Alfred Anderson, dec'd, and the Plattekill Creek. Containing about 68 acres of land more or less. Being the homestead farm of Tjerck Schoonmaker and of which he died seized intestate."

This "Wynkoop-Schoonmaker House" is described in "Dutch Houses in the Hudson Valley Before 1776" by Helen Wilkinson Reynolds, now deceased, photographs by Margaret de M. Brown, sponsored by the Holland Society, published 1929 by Payson & Clarke, Ltd., New York—page 238, door-way illustrated page 288. This book, now out of print, copies in the New York State Library and Holland Society library, is handsomely fashioned and contains excellent photographs of many of the structures in its field. It makes obeisance to the foreword of His Excellency of Krum Elbow who thereafter gave grace as the Great White Father.

"The house is apparently a mid-eighteenth century structure; it is improbable that Henry Wynkoop, born in 1769, was the builder. In plan the house consists of three rooms with ground floor and a half story above, the latter reached by an enclosed flight of stairs that rises in the middle room at the left of the main door. There are three chimneys and the opening of the fire-place in the kitchen is large and primitive. The wood trim and hardware are all early. The front porch was an addition, perhaps made soon after 1800. The Dutch door should be compared with those of the Bevier-Elting and other houses shown (therein) in plates 58, 60 and 95."

A mile northward of the Schoonmaker house is the John L. DeWitt farm.—See page 255.

There is a readable account of the large Schoonmaker family in "History of Kingston," by Marius Schoonmaker, N. Y., Burr Printing

House, 18 Jacob Street 1888, its page 487. It carries a good account of the career of the patriarch Hendrick Jochemse Schoonmaker, (see its page 272) and of the early generation of his progeny, but omits reference to the more recent strata of the line here discussed.

PAGE 309 — ASHBEL GREEN VERMILYE, JR.
(Not III as stated)

Born October 17, 1875 at Astoria, N. Y. Married November 16, 1904, Mary Belle Breed of Louisville, Kentucky. He was a successful building contractor at Larchmont, New York, where he died January 3, 1926 and where his widow who survives (1950) has been active in and treasurer for many years of the Humane Society. No children.

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Col. John Griffeth Booton's career appears in "Who's Who in the East." Vol 1 (1942-3) Page 425, Larkin Roosevelt & Larkin Ltd., Boston 1943.

His wife has in their Boston home a number of her ancestral Vedder paintings.

PAGE 309 — THOMAS E. VERMILYE, II

Further facts supplied (1949) by his daughter Mrs. Gertrude V. V. Booton.

He was a former member of the Seventh Regiment, N. G. N. Y., of which his kinsman Washington Romeyn Vermilye had been colonel in 1844; member Holland Society of New York; attended (non-graduate) Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy; civil engineer; active in public affairs at East Orange, New Jersey.

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Mary S. Cruickshanks died in the Worcester Memorial Hospital December 13, 1949. She was buried in the Ward lot, Pine Grove Cemetery, Spencer, following a service in the Congregational Church at Spencer conducted by its pastor Rev. Harold Bentley. She was an extraordinary woman of rare refinement, education and public spirit greatly beloved by those of her community.



Rev. James Cruickshanks



Mary S. Cruickshanks
(80th birthday)

More than one of his considerate readers has pounced upon a suspected grammatical splash, page 314, "has swam."

Webster and other lexicographers, indifferent swimmers to the contrary notwithstanding, your startled compiler finds comforting if guarded justification for the use of the participle in this form. He cites Oxford-English Dictionary, 1919, (swim) which in turn quotes

Thomas Carlyle—"German Romances" (Musaeus-Libussa)— - - - -
"the messengers had swam the Elbe and the Moldau."

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