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FOREWORD



THIS now nearly half a century since the publication of a history of Middlesex, one of the most historic and progressive counties of New Jersey. The present work is designed to be at once a well digested resumé of its former history, but more particularly a continuation down to the present time, and covering a period of phenomenal development along all the many lines which go to make up the complex community of to-day.

The value of the work rests in larger degree upon the intelligent labors of Messrs. John P. Wall and Harold E. Pickersgill, who out of their abundant local knowledge have not only provided much of the matter assembled upon its pages, but have otherwise abundantly aided the field editors, Messrs. Frank R. Holmes and Peter K. Edgar, in pointing out most useful sources of information. Of especial value are various historical papers contributed by residents who are recognized as entire masters of the subjects upon which they treat, and among whom may be named Mr. H. Brewster Willis, on Public Education; Mr. Adrian Lyon, on the Board of Proprietors; President W. H. S. Demarest, on Rutgers College; Dr. D. C. English, on the Medical Fraternity; Dr. Fred B. Kilmer, on Christ Church.

The genealogical and personal memoirs have been prepared with all due care from such data as were accessible, and in each case has been submitted to the immediate subject or to his proper representative for verification as to fact. It is believed that the work, in all its features, will prove a real addition to the mass of annals concerning the people of the historic region under consideration, and that without it, much valuable information therein contained would be irretrievably lost, owing to the passing away of many custodians of records and the disappearance of such material.

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CHAPTER I.

THE LENI-LENAPES.

When Henry Hudson, in the employ of the Dutch East India Company, sailed up the broad waters of what was then known as the Great North River, now named for its discoverer, he found on its banks Aborigines occupants. They were members of the Algonquin family, and by writers on Indian antiquities have been considered as branches of the general Delaware nation known as the Leni-Lenapes, which in the Red Men's language means "original people," a title they had adopted under the claim that they were descended from the most ancient of Indian ancestry. This claim was admitted by other tribal organizations, who accorded to the Leni-Lenapes the title of "grandfather," or a people whose ancestry antedated their own.

Among the numerous traditions, the leading one of their origin was that their ancestors lived in a country far to the westward of the rising sun, and in the hopes of finding a red man's paradise, land of deer and beaver and salmon, they left their western home and journeying across great rivers and mountains, at last came to the western banks of the Namisi Sipu (Mississippi), where they met another nation migrating like themselves. This adversary for a settlement in the east was the Mengwes, and for centuries these two aboriginal nations became rivals and enemies. Their explorations, however, were to receive a check, for beyond the great river lay the domain of a nation named Allegewi, who disputed their passage. This opposing nation, while not strong in numbers, was skilled in the arts of war and had reared great defenses of earth enclosing their village and strongholds. An alliance, offensive and defensive, was formed by the Lenapes and Mengwes, and after a severe struggle for supremacy the Allegewis were humiliated and exterminated and their country occupied by the victors.

The two victorious nations then journeyed eastward. The Mengwes taking a northern route, finally reached the Mahicannick, "River of the Mountains" (Hudson river), while the Lenapes, traveling more in a southerly direction, rested on the banks of the Lenapi Wihittuck, the beautiful river, now known as the Delaware, and here they thought they had found their long-wished-for elysium of an Indian paradise for which they had left their far western home. This tradition may have some truthful foundation; the unfortunate Allegewis may have been the mound builders of the Mississippi Valley, but this is only one of the many profitless conjectures which have been indulged in by historical researchers. Indian tribes were fond of narrating long journeys and great deeds of their ancestors, tracing their ancestors for centuries, but

their traditions are so clouded and involved in improbabilities and interwoven with superstition that it is simply speculative on the part of antiquarian writers to form a decided opinion of the origin of the American aborigines.

On the arrival of the emigrants from Netherlands at the Isle of Manhattan, they found dwelling there the fierce Manhattans whom De Laet calls "a wicked nation and enemies of the Dutch." In the adjacent territory the Minsie and Mohican nations were located. The Manhattans, who were members of the Mohican nation, occupied the range of country on the east side of the Hudson river to its mouth. On Long Island, called by the natives Sewanhacky, "the land of shells," were the savage Metonwacks, divided into tribes of which names of thirteen have been preserved; the Canaise and Nyack were settled at the Narrows; the Mantinecoes in Queens county; and the Nissaquage, Setauket, Corchaug, Secataug, Patachogue, Shinnecoc and Montauk, in Suffolk county.

The Minsies, who received Hudson with peaceful overtures and came daily on board his vessel to barter furs, oysters, Indian corn, beans, pumpkins, squashes and apples, in exchange for gewgaws and trifles, inhabited the country from the Minisink (a place named after them, where they had their council seat and fire), to Staten Island, and from the Hudson to the Raritan Valley. They were members of the Leni-Lenape, or Delaware nation, which occupied a domain extending along the seacoast from Chesapeake Bay to the country bordering Long Island Sound. Back from the east it reached beyond the Susquehanna Valley to the foothills of the Allegheny Mountains, and on the north joined the southern frontier of the hated and dreaded Iroquois. In this vast domain was included all of the present State of New Jersey.

The principal tribes of the Delawares were the Unamis or Turtle, Unalachtgo or Turkey, and Minsi or Wolf. The latter was the most powerful and warlike of these tribes, and occupied the most northerly portion of the Delaware's country, keeping guard along the Iroquois border; their territory extended southward to the northern boundary of the present county of Hunterdon. The Unamis and Unalachtgo branches comprising the Assanpinks, Matas, Schackamaxons, Chichequaas, Raritans, Nanticokes, Tatelos, and many others, inhabited all that part of New Jersey south of the northern boundaries of the present Hunterdon and Somerset counties. Statisticians have computed that the Indian population at the time of the settlement of the Dutch at New Amsterdam was probably not more than two thousand souls in the territory comprising the present State of New Jersey.

Before the arrival of the European explorers, the country of the Leni-Lenape had been invaded by the Iroquois, who had reduced the former nation to the condition of vassals. The Iroquois attitude, however, was not wholly of conquerors, it was more of the character of

protectors or masters. Their overlordship was tempered with paternal regard for the interests of the Leni-Lenapes in their negotiations with the whites, care being taken that no trespasses should be committed on their rights and that they should be justly dealt with. This anxious solicitude on the part of the Iroquois was simply to see that no others than themselves should be permitted to despoil the Lenapes. They exacted from them an annual tribute, an acknowledgment of their state of vassalage, and on these conditions they were permitted to occupy their former hunting grounds. Bands of the Five Nations were interspersed among the Delawares to keep a watchful eye upon them and their movements.

The Delawares regarded their conquerors with feelings of inextinguishable hatred, though held in abeyance by fear. They had, however, a feeling of superiority on account of their ancient lineage and their removal from original barbarism. The Iroquois maintained an air of haughty superiority towards their vassals, and no longer spoke of them as men and warriors, but as *women*. This opprobrium was removed from the Delawares by the Iroquois through the exertions of their most noted chief, Teedyuscung, who by his masterly oratory and diplomatic shrewdness defeated the schemes of the Proprietaries of Pennsylvania in their attempts to defraud the Delawares of their rights in that province.

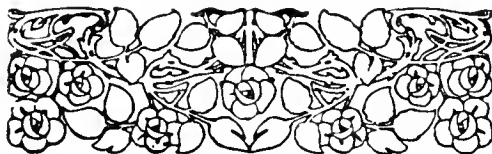
The Indians were tenacious of the common right in which they claimed the ownership of the soil. They did not recognize even in their chiefs any right to convey lands without the general consent of the tribe, and often refused to submit to treaties unless they were made by their representatives chosen by popular vote, who met the whites in council and for their respective tribes ratified the deeds disposing of their lands. The New Jersey settlers at all times were conciliatory of their rights, dealing with them in a justifiable and legal way, hence there was no occasion for hostilities on the part of the Indians. The white settlers of New Jersey, however, suffered on account of the outrageous management of Indian affairs by the Dutch authorities at New Amsterdam. The Mohawks in 1643 were at war with the Weekquacsgecks, Tankitekes, and Tappeans. Director Kieft espoused the cause of the Mohawks, and on the night of February 23, 1643, he dispatched a force of eighty men to attack the Hackensacks, who were bivouacked one thousand strong at Pavonia, New Jersey. The unsuspecting Indians, unaware of the Director's secret league with their enemy, were suddenly aroused from their sleep by a murderous attack by the Dutch soldiers, who spared neither babies nor women in their inhuman massacre. This kind of warfare could not fail to exasperate the natives, and in retaliation seven tribes entered into an alliance for a relentless war. They killed all the men they could find, dragged the women and children into captivity, burned houses, barns, grain and haystacks, and laid waste the farms and

plantations. From the Raritan to the Connecticut not a white person was safe from the murderous tomahawk and scalping knife, except those that clustered around Fort Amsterdam. The war continued in all its fury for several months, when a peace was concluded which lasted only until October, 1643, when the Indians again went on the warpath and peace was not permanently secured until 1645.

There were no further Indian troubles of any magnitude until 1655, when during an absence of Governor Stuyvesant to expel the Swedes from Delaware, five hundred warriors on the night of September 15 landed at New Amsterdam. They were repulsed by the garrison and driven to their canoes. In retaliation they landed at Pavonia, which they laid in ashes. From thence they passed down Staten Island, where one hundred persons were killed, one hundred and fifty carried into captivity, and over three hundred deprived of their homes. The savages of the tribes of Hackensack, Tappaen, Ahasimus and others, were present and took part in this fearful devastation, and perpetrated inhuman barbarities, notwithstanding their solemn pledge to adhere to the terms of the treaty. Governor Stuyvesant made a treaty with the Indians which proved a final settlement of all difficulties as far as the Dutch were concerned. During these Indian troubles the inhabitants of the ancient territory of Bergen county were the greatest sufferers.

The Pomptons and Mennes having sold their lands, removed from New Jersey about 1737. They became engaged in the Indian war of 1755 in Northampton county, Pennsylvania, which was carried across the Delaware river into New Jersey. The Indians raided the settlers on the east bank of the Delaware in the winter of 1757-58, and twenty-seven murders were committed by them in Sussex county. Governor Bernard in June, 1758, took measures to put a stop to this hideous warfare; through Teedyuscung, king of the Delawares, he obtained a conference with the Minisink and Pompton Indians on August 7, 1758, at Burlington, New Jersey. This resulted in a time being fixed for a conference at Easton, Pennsylvania, and a treaty was finally signed, the Indians relinquishing all their claims to lands in New Jersey, reserving the right to fish in all the rivers and bays south of the Raritan and to hunt in all unenclosed lands. A tract of land comprising three thousand acres was purchased in Burlington county by the province, and on this the few remaining Delawares of New Jersey, about sixty in number, were collected and settled. They remained there until 1802, when they joined their grandsons, the Stockbridge tribe, at New Stockbridge, near Oneida Lake, in the State of New York. Several years after, they again removed and settled on a large tract of land at Fox River, Wisconsin, which had been purchased from the Menominee Indians. Here they engaged in conjunction with the Stockbridge Indians in agricultural pursuits and

formed a settlement named Statsburg. There were alive in 1832 at this settlement about forty of the Delawares, who still kept alive the tradition that they were owners of fishing and hunting privileges in New Jersey. They resolved to lay their claim before the legislature of the State, requesting that \$2,000 be paid them for the relinquishing of their rights. The Legislature referred the petition to a committee who reported favorably upon the request, whereupon the Legislature voted the amount asked for, in consideration of their relinquishment of their last rights and claims in the State of New Jersey.



CHAPTER II.

EARLY OCCUPATION OF THE PROVINCE BY THE DUTCH.

The Dutch East India Company of the United Netherlands, who employed Hudson on his voyage of discovery, combined military with commercial operations, and was divided into five chambers established in five of the principal Dutch cities. Its attention was devoted more especially to making reprisals on Spanish commerce, purchasing slaves, the conquest of Brazil, etc. New Netherland was committed to the charge of the Amsterdam chamber.

Five years after Hudson's voyage, a company of merchants under the title of the United Company of New Netherland, procured from the States-General of Holland a patent for the exclusive trade on the Hudson river. They established a trading post at New Amsterdam, on the present site of the Battery. A small redoubt on the site of what is now a part of the city of Kingston, New York, was also built; it was known as the Ronduit, from whence comes the name of Rondout. In the upper valley of the Hudson a fort was erected upon Castle Island, near and below the present city of Albany. One of their navigators, Adriaen Block, extended the sphere of discovery by the way of the East river, tracing the shores of Long Island and Connecticut as far as Cape Cod. He sailed up the Connecticut, named by him the Fresh river, and built a trading post to which he gave the name of "The House of Good Hope," on the present site of the city of Hartford. It was more than probable as early as 1618 that another trading post was erected in the territory now comprising the State of New Jersey, which the Dutch called Achter Kull (or Kill); the spelling of the second name of this title by some historians is *Coll*.

The Dutch also claimed as a part of New Netherland by right of discovery, the territory adjacent to the Delaware river, which they named the South river. This claim was based on Hudson having sailed a short distance up the waters of that river prior to his entering New York Bay. As early as 1623 a ship under the command of Cornelius Jacobse May was dispatched to take possession of this territory and effect a settlement. May entered the Delaware Bay and gave his name to the northern cape—Cape May. After exploring the river he landed and erected a fort which he named Fort Nassau, situated on the banks of a small stream called by the Indians Sassacknow, below the present city of Camden, New Jersey.

The States-General, on the expiration of the grant of the United Company of New Netherland, refused to renew it, but they continued to trade in the territory until 1623, when the Dutch West India Company, a powerful mercantile association, chartered in 1621, took possession of

the lands temporarily granted to their predecessors. The following year Peter Minuit was appointed director of New Netherland; he built Fort Amsterdam, and brought over new colonists who settled on Long Island. Staten Island and Manhattan were purchased from the Indians, but the settlements for the next five years were merely trading posts.

It was in 1629 or 1630 that the council of the Dutch West India Company adopted plans for a more extensive colonization of New Netherland. They granted to certain individuals extensive seigniories or tracts of land, with federal rights over the lives and persons of their subjects. These tracts of land were granted, provided that a settlement should be effected within a specified time, besides other conditions. Under these provinces Kiliaen Van Rensselaer, a pearl merchant of Amsterdam, secured in 1630 and subsequently, a tract of land twenty-four by forty-eight miles in extent, comprising the present counties of Albany, Rensselaer and part of Columbia. Other wealthy patroons obtained larger grants for similar seigniories in other portions of New Netherland.

The first Indian deed to territory along the west side of New York Bay and the Hudson river is dated July 12, 1630. It was for a purchase made by the Director-General and Council of New Netherland for Michael Pauw, Burgomaster of Amsterdam and Lord of Achtrehoven, near Utrecht, Holland. The burgomaster also in the same year obtained a deed for Staten Island. The purchase on the Jersey shore of the Hudson was named Pavonia. The colony established by Pauw was not a success, and his interests were purchased by the directors of the West India Company, and it became known as the West India Company's Farms.

David Pieterse de Vries, who had made two unsuccessful attempts to establish Dutch settlements on the shores of the Delaware in 1640, turned his attention to New Netherland. He purchased in that year of the Indians a tract of about five hundred acres at Tappan, on the Acker Kull shore of the Hudson, and gave it the name of Vriesendall. Located along the riverside, sheltered by high hills, with a stream to supply mill sites winding its course through its center, it had all the charms of nature, and with the erection of buildings became an ideal home, where the energetic owner lived for several years. Settlements were also made at Communapaw, Hoboken, Ahasamus, Paulus Hoeck, and throughout the territory were individual settlements, many of which were, however, destroyed in the Indian War of 1644.

The policy of the Dutch government was to encourage the settlement of colonies or manors similar to lordships and seigniories of the Old World, by men of large fortunes, known as patroons, to whom peculiar privileges of trade and government were accorded. These tracts were sixteen miles in extent along the seashore or banks of some navigable river, or eight miles when both banks were occupied with an indefinite extent inland, the company, however, reserving the island of Manhattan

and the fur trade with the Indians. These patroons were within four years from the granting of the tract to settle them with fifty persons upwards of fifteen years of age, and upon all trade carried on by them were to pay five per cent. to the company. They were also to extinguish the Indian titles to the land; their tenants were not to acquire a free tenure to the lands, and were prohibited from making any woolen, linen or cotton cloth or to weave any other material, under a penalty of banishment. This restriction was to keep them dependent on the mother country for the most necessary manufactures, which was in spirit with the colonial system adopted by all the nations of Europe. This scheme of colonization met with favor, and several members of the Dutch West India Company selected and purchased the most desirable tracts both on the North and South rivers, as well as the whole neck opposite New Amsterdam as far as the Kills and Newark Bay, together with Staten Island.

Directly west of these tracts stretched for miles along the waters of Achter Kull and to the estuary west of Staten Island, one of the most inviting regions in New Netherland. To these lands, in 1651, Cornelius Van Werckhoven, one of the schepens of Utrecht in Holland, directed his attention. He duly notified the Amsterdam chamber of his intention to plant colonies or manors in New Netherland. A commission was thereupon given to Augustine Heermans, who resided in New Amsterdam, to open negotiations with the Indians to purchase these lands. After negotiations with the resident proprietors, Heermans purchased for Van Werckhoven the tract extending from the mouth of the Raritan creek westerly to a creek known by the name of Mankackkewacky, running in a northwest direction, and then from the Raritan creek northerly along the river into the creek, namely, from Raritan Point, called Ompage, now the city of Perth Amboy, and following the line of a creek named Pechelesse to its head, where it met the Mankackkewacky before named. The land thus described included the region west of Staten Island from the Raritan to the Passaic rivers, and extended back into the country indefinitely. Three other tracts, one to the south of the Raritan and two on Long Island, were acquired by this enterprising Dutchman. This wholesale grab of territory aroused objections on the part of other greedy speculators, who contended it was too much territory in the hands of one owner, and on its being referred to the Amsterdam chamber it was decided that Van Werckhoven could retain but one of the tracts in question, and he chose to locate himself on Long Island, and the title to the land described above reverted therefore to the original owners.

Thus was the colonization of New Jersey again deferred; the ravages of the Indians also was a check to making any permanent settlement. Treaties, however, were consummated with them and the territory repurchased by Governor Stuyvesant, with the intention of erecting a

fortified town. There had, however, been no village located prior to 1660, but in the month of August of that year the right to establish a village in Achter Kull was granted to several inhabitants. It was named Bergen, from a small village in Holland. The village, located on a hill, now known as Jersey City Heights, grew rapidly, and in May, 1761, there was not a vacant lot inside of the fortifications. This was the first permanent settlement on the soil of New Jersey.

At the time of dismemberment of New Netherland by the English, in what was known afterwards as West Jersey, in the present counties of Gloucester and Burlington, there were a few Swedish farmers and not to exceed three Dutch families established at Burlington; it contained not even a hamlet. In East Jersey, whose hills had been praised by Verrazzani and the soil trodden by the mariners of Hudson, there were in its trackless and forest depths extending from the seacoast to the waters of the Raritan and Delaware outside of the settlement at Bergen, savages who roamed at will, undisturbed by the white man.

The emigrants from Holland were of various lineage, for that country had long been the gathering place of the unfortunate. Refugees from persecution flocked to her boundaries from England and continental Europe. She housed from the heart of Bohemia those who were swayed by the voice of Huss, the Separatists from England, the Huguenots from France, the Protestants from the Reformation, the Walloons from Belgium—all came to her hospitable soil, and from there emigrated to the New Eldorado in the Western Continent. These early Dutch settlers were generally persons of deep religious feeling, honest and conscientious, adding to these qualities industry and frugality, and the majority were prosperous. Their buildings followed the Holland style of architecture, being one story, with a low ceiling, with nothing more than the heavy and thick boards that constructed the upper floor laid on monstrous broad and heavy beams; this portion of their dwelling they utilized to store their grain, and for spinning of wool, sometimes being divided into sleeping apartments. The fireplaces in these abodes were unusually large, sufficient to accommodate the whole family with a comfortable seat around the fire. The buildings were built large enough to admit of hanging within them meat to smoke. The settlers were reluctant to form acquaintance with strangers, lest they should be imposed upon, but when a friendship was formed it proved lasting. They were clannish in their relations to each other; when one of the community was wrongly involved or in trouble, especially in litigation, they were as one man.

At the time of the subjection of New Netherland by the English, the colonists were satisfied; very few embarked for Holland; it seemed rather that English liberties were to be added to security of property. The capitulation of the Dutch and Swedes early in October, 1664, placed the Atlantic seacoast of the thirteen original colonies in possession of England. The country had become a geographical unity.





DUKE OF YORK AND ALBANY
Afterward James II., King of England

CHAPTER III.

COMING OF THE ENGLISH.

The English claim to the territory occupied by the Dutch had never been relinquished, and in 1664 Charles II. determined to remove from the heart of his American colonies the Dutch supremacy. The Duke of York had purchased in March, 1664, the claims of Lord Stirling under grants which he had received from the extinct council of New England, and had received from the King, his brother, a charter for the valuable tract between the Connecticut and Delaware rivers, which was New Netherland's territorial limits. New York was the name bestowed on this province. Energetic measures were promptly taken for the seizure of New Netherland, three ships being dispatched with six hundred soldiers, having on board Colonel Richard Nicolls, Colonel George Carteret, Sir Robert Carr and Samuel Maverick, as commissioners. On Friday, August 19th, the fleet cast anchor in the outer bay of New Amsterdam. The surrender of Manhattan was demanded the following day, but Stuyvesant retorted by a spirited protest, doubting if His Majesty of Great Britain was well informed, and asking if in time of peace it was judicious to demand a capitulation that would offend Holland. His argument or threats produced no effect upon the English commander, who refused to protract negotiations and threatened an immediate attack. Mortifying as it was for the doughty old soldier to surrender without a struggle, Stuyvesant was compelled to submit to circumstances; the majority of the inhabitants were unwilling to run the risk of an assault to which they could not hope to offer any effectual resistance in defense of a government with which they were discontented, and against another which many among them were secretly disposed to welcome. A liberal capitulation was arranged, and upon Monday, August 29th, the Dutch authorities surrendered the town and fort to the English, who immediately took possession. Colonel Nicolls was proclaimed deputy governor, and the people quietly submitted to the sway of the conquerors.

The Duke of York conveyed the country between the Hudson and Delaware rivers to John Lord Berkeley and Sir George Carteret. As the extensive tract was thinly inhabited, the proprietaries offered favorable propositions to settlers. Absolute freedom of worship, and a Colonial Assembly, having sole power of taxation and a share of the legislation of the province, were among the principal inducements. The new grant was named Nova Caesarea, or New Jersey, from the island home of Sir George Carteret; the first name, however, was finally dropped, as it was not popular with the settlers.

The two proprietors were ardent sympathizers of the royal cause, and had been in the service of Charles I. Berkeley was the youngest

son of Sir Maurice Berkeley and joined the royal army in operations against the Scots in 1638. In the Parliamentary war he was commissary-general for the King, governor of Exeter, and general of the forces in Devon. After the death of the King he went abroad with the royal family, and was made governor of the Duke of York's household. Having been created Baron Berkeley of Stratton at the time of the Restoration, he became a member of the Privy Council. Carteret was a son of Heller Carteret, deputy governor of the Isle of Jersey. The family was of French extraction, descended from the Lords of Carteret in the Duchy of Normandy, and had been connected with English history since the time of William the Conqueror. George Carteret entered the royal navy at an early age and for great services rendered the King he was knighted. At the time of the Civil War he withdrew to his home in Jersey, which he bravely defended as the last stronghold of the monarchy, and it became an asylum for the Prince of Wales and others of the royal party. He followed Charles II. to France and at the instigation of Cromwell was imprisoned in the Bastille and subsequently banished from the kingdom. Charles II. being in Brussels in 1659, he repaired thence and was one of his escort when the King was received by the city of London the following year. Sir George after the Restoration was appointed vice-chamberlain and treasurer of the navy; also a member of the Privy Council, and represented Portsmouth in Parliament.

The trials through which these two lords had passed during the Civil War had brought them into intimate familiarity with the royal brothers and gave them great influence at court, lucrative offices were provided for them, and opportunities given them to promote their wealth and aggrandizement. The gifted Winthrop, who visited England after the Restoration to procure a new charter for Connecticut, by his representations of the colonies had unwittingly excited the greed of the corrupt and wily parasites of the royal court.

Berkeley and Carteret having received information of the territory west of the Hudson river, became eager to secure an investment in western lands. The Duke of York having by his patent the right of sale as well as that of possession and rule, on June 24, 1664, conveyed to them for a competent sum of money the territory now known as New Jersey, which was then considered the most valuable of the Duke's territory. The concessions and agreements of the Lord Proprietors of New Jersey having been completed and signed Feb. 10, 1665, Captain Philip Carteret, a distant relative of Sir George, was commissioned governor of the new province. Robert Vauquelin (Sieur des Prairie) of the city of Caen in France, was appointed surveyor-general.

Philip Carteret was born on the Isle of Jersey in 1639. He was the eldest son of Helier de Carteret, attorney-general of Jersey, and Rachel, his wife; and a grandson of Peter De Carteret, jurat of the Royal Court

of Jersey. By inheritance he was Seigneur of the Manor of La Huigue, Parish of Saint Peter, Jersey, but these honors did not prevent him leaving his native land to assume the government of a province in the New World. His early training on the Isle of Jersey, which retained the spirit of feudalism longer than more travelled parts, hardly fitted him to govern a people in whom the seeds of liberty and self-government seemed already sown.

The people of New England had viewed with longing eyes the lands located about the Achter Kull and on the Raritan. They had crossed the Sound from the colony of New Haven, invading Long Island, where they could scarcely gain a subsistence on its poor and barren soil, and were desirous of locating on the more fertile lands. They may have been, however, actuated by political reasons; the people of New England under the Protectorate had enjoyed the utmost freedom in the administration of civil affairs, and it was natural that on the restoration of Charles II. they should feel some misgivings as to the security of their rights and liberties. The colonists of New Haven were strongly imbued with republican sentiments, and it was with the greatest reluctance that they consented to proclaim the new monarch and to congratulate him on his accession to the throne.

The thoughts of the people of Connecticut at this time turned to the more liberal government of New Netherland, and negotiations were entered into with Governor Stuyvesant by those who had settled on Long Island, for lands at Achter Kull on Newark Bay. The first of those applicants was John Strickland, a resident of Huntington, Long Island, in behalf of himself and other New England people. This application was received by the Director-General at an opportune time, as the Dutch rulers had decided upon the policy of inviting republicans disaffected on account of the restoration of the English monarchy, to settle in their dominions, where they could enjoy civil and religious freedom. The Dutch West India Company had also adopted a charter of "Conditions and Privileges" of a very liberal character. Mr. Strickland, therefore, received a favorable answer to his application, but no settlement was effected.

The people of New Haven Colony were also further disturbed by the action of the General Court of Connecticut, which sent its governor, John Winthrop, to England to procure a charter for the colony to embrace the territory "eastward from the line of Plymouth colony, northward to the limits of Massachusetts colony, and westward to the Bay of Delaware, and also the islands contiguous." It was not strange that the liberal proposals of the Dutch government should meet with favorable reception in the towns of the New Haven Colony. A deputation was sent to New Amsterdam to make further inquiry and ascertain the character of the lands to be settled. This deputation was courteously entertained

by the governor and council, and made so favorable a report that a second deputation visited New Amsterdam, with power to negotiate with Governor Stuyvesant for the settlement of a plantation near the Raritan river.

This attempt to effect a settlement failed on account of one condition which the Director-General and the Council of New Amsterdam were unwilling to concede. The New Haven people wanted absolutely an independent community with all the rights of self-government. They were to gather a church in the congregational way; the right of calling a Synod by the English churches that might be gathered in New Netherland for regulation of their ecclesiastical affairs; the right to administer justice in civil matters within themselves by magistrates of their own selection, without appeal to other authorities; the purchase of the lands by the Dutch government from the natives and a full conveyance thereof to the associates forever; none to be allowed to settle among them except by their own consent; the right to collect debts—and a written charter stipulating these rights in full. All these conditions were freely granted except the concession of self-government without appeal, which would give the proposed colony greater liberty than was enjoyed by the other towns and settlements of New Netherland. The delegation insisting upon the fullest concession of popular rights, the conference was broken off. Although the negotiations were renewed at subsequent times, no satisfactory results were arrived at during the continuance of the jurisdiction of the Dutch. Later, in 1663, occurred the revolt against the Dutch government by the English people of Long Island, who placed themselves under the jurisdiction of Connecticut. An attempt made by a party of twenty Englishmen from Long Island to land at the mouth of the Raritan river with the intention of purchasing a plantation from the Indians, was frustrated by an armed party sent for that purpose by Governor Stuyvesant.

Immediately upon the assumption of the government by Colonel Nicolls, the attention of those settlers who several years before sought removal to Achter Kull, was directed again to this inviting region. An association was formed, and several of their number were dispatched to New York to secure from the governor liberty to purchase and settle a plantation. Four weeks after the surrender of New Amsterdam, Governor Nicolls granted the petition of John Ballies, Daniel Denton, Thomas Benydick, Nathaniel Denton, John Foster and Luke Watson, for the settlement of a plantation of New Jersey. A tract of land was purchased of the Indians; in a deed given by them the names of John Bayley, Daniel Denton and Luke Watson appear, while in the official confirmation given by Governor Nicolls the names of John Ogden of Northampton and Captain John Baker of New York are added. The tract is described as bounded "on the south by the Raritan river, east

to the sea which divides Staten Island from the main land, to run northwards up the bay until you come to the first river, and to run westward twice the length of the breadth of the tract from north to south." This tract contained 500,000 acres upland and meadows, in fair proportions, well watered, diversified with level plains and ranges of hill of considerable elevation, the soil of the uplands being mostly of clay loam and shale susceptible of a high state of cultivation. It extended from the mouth of the Raritan on the south to the mouth of the Passaic on the north, a distance of seventeen miles, and running back into the country thirty-four miles, embracing the towns of Woodbridge, Piscataway, Union county, parts of the towns of Newark and Clinton, a small part of Morris county, and a considerable portion of Somerset county.

Having secured absolute proprietorship, measures were taken for a speedy and effective occupation of the domain. The precise date when the settlement of what was to become Elizabethtown, was actually commenced is not known. When, on July 29, 1665, Governor Carteret arrived on the good ship "Philip" at New York, with a party of thirty settlers, including eighteen male servants, a number of whom were French, he allowed but a few days to elapse before taking possession of the new province. Arriving at the Point, the entrance of the creek, where the Connecticut settlers had laid out their town, he was met by the settlers gathered about the landing to receive the newcomers. Governor Carteret submitted his credentials to Ogden and his townsmen. The enterprising settlers had unwittingly prepared a capital for the new governor in the primitive wilderness, and made a promising beginning in the way of improvements.

The settlers of the first two or three years were mainly of one class and of the same origin, almost wholly New Englanders from Long Island and Connecticut. Very few of the planters for the first five years came over directly from the Mother Country. Governor Carteret, anxious for the growth of the new province, confirmed the grants of Governor Nicolls; although they were repudiated by the Duke of York, he was lenient in forcing the terms of the concessions, and allowed the Hempstead Code of Laws to stand. He purchased a lot from one of the associates and established a residence, and, with a hoe carried on his shoulder, thereby intimated his intention to become a planter. He sent word far and wide through the colonies that New Jersey was open for settlement under the protection of a governor. Two years passed, the province commenced to grow, ships came and went, bringing settlers and merchandise; the Puritans of Connecticut obtained a grant on the Passaic river. In April, 1668, the governor issued his first call for a General Assembly to meet at Elizabethtown, May 25, 1668. It was in session five days, and enacted the Elizabethtown Code of Laws. This code differed but slightly from the Hempstead Code of Laws formulated

in 1664 at Hempstead, Long Island. Differences, however, arose between the governor and delegates; the former dissolved the Assembly, and for two years refused to call another, carrying on the government with the aid of his council.

In the meantime the Lord Proprietors were involved in financial troubles in England; Berkeley had been detected in the basest corruption and had been deprived of office; Carteret was accused of being a defaulter of the funds of the navy. These circumstances led to a renewal of a scheme to annex New Jersey to the province of New York, in which Colonel Nicolls had always been interested. Measures were accordingly taken by the Duke of York to further this scheme, which was nearly consummated, but by some turn of the political wheels, the two proprietors regained royal favors, received appointments in Ireland, retained possession of their charter, and Elizabethtown remained the seat of government, the residence of the governor and his officials.

Between the governor and the popular branch of the government had grown up an irreconcilable difference. The Assembly, though the governor refused to convene it, met in 1670, again March 26, 1671, adjourning to May 14, 1671. It was then called the Assembly, or the House of Burgesses, and deputies were present from Elizabethtown, Newark, Bergen, Woodbridge and Piscataway. The governor refusing to preside over the Assembly either in person or by deputy, the members appointed Captain James Carteret, a son of Sir George, who was then residing in Elizabethtown, presiding officer. The occasion of Captain Carteret being in Elizabethtown was that he was on his way to North Carolina to take possession of his newly acquired domain as landgrave. He had been requested by his father to call upon Governor Carteret to confer with him in respect to the affairs of the province. The captain seems, in order to conciliate the aggrieved planters, to have taken their side, as on his elevation as presiding officer of the Assembly he issued a warrant for the arrest of William Pardon, the secretary of the House, for refusing to deliver the acts and proceedings of the Assembly, which had been destroyed by the order of the governor. Pardon was arrested, but made his escape, fleeing to Bergen, where Governor Carteret and his council were in session. The executive and his council issued a document at Bergen, May 28, 1671, declaring his purpose that unless the people would declare their submission in ten days he should proceed against them as mutineers and enemies of the government. Pardon was appointed to read this proclamation before a town meeting; an order was issued for his arrest, his house was broken into, and all his movables carried away. The governor, by the advice of his council, determined to lay the grievances of the province before the Lord Proprietors. Thereupon he sailed for England with some of his officials, appointing John Berry deputy governor in his place. Captain James





SIR EDMUND ANDROS

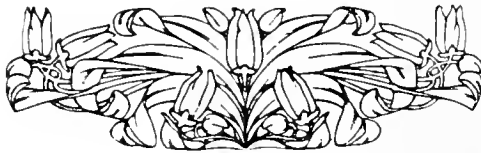
Carteret occupied the government house at Elizabethtown, making frequent visits to New York, and on April 15, 1673, married Frances, daughter of Captain Thomas Delavall, merchant and mayor of that city. He had hardly completed his honeymoon when he received dispatches and instructions from his aged father requiring him to retire from the scene of conflict and look after his patrimony in Carolina. Just at this juncture, in July, 1673, New York surrendered to the Dutch rule. By the treaty of Westminster, concluded the following year between England and Holland, all conquests were mutually restored; New Jersey consequently again passed into the hands of the English.

Governor Carteret returned from England in November, 1674, Berkeley had sold his half of the province, and Sir George Carteret had become sole proprietor of East Jersey under a new patent from the Duke of York, who had received a new charter from Charles II. Time had softened the animosity of the people, and Governor Carteret was warmly welcomed. Life at the court of the Stuarts had confirmed Carteret in his opinions, and the Dutch rule had strengthened the spirit of freedom in the people, and the same disagreement arose almost at once. Not content to let old grievances drop, Carteret revived the old questions of land patents and other matters of former dissensions. The people offered to compromise, but the governor refused to recede from his position, and the people were obliged to yield. A season of comparative peace followed, and the province developed under Carteret's rule.

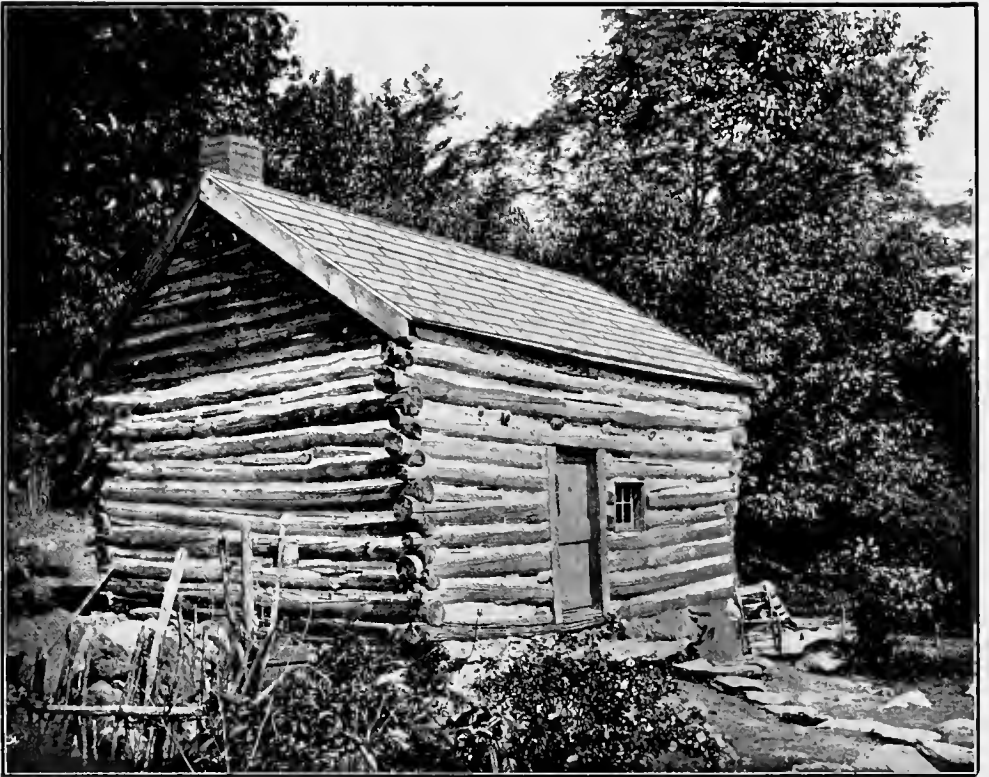
The same ship in which Carteret sailed from England brought as a passenger Sir Edmund Andros, a kinsman, the newly appointed governor of New York. Later he became governor of all the colonies, and in his attempt to extend his jurisdiction over New Jersey came in conflict with the government of Carteret, and also with the desires and interests of the people, who united in common cause against a formidable enemy, and all former animosities were forgotten. In March, 1680, Andros notified Carteret that he intended to take military possession of the province and to erect a fort at Sandy Point. Carteret was decided in his opposition, but the dogmatic Andros in a cowardly way effected the capture of the governor, confining him in prison. Carteret was brought to trial for presuming to exercise jurisdiction within the bounds of His Majesty's letters-patent granted to the Duke of York. The jury, however, declared him not guilty, and he was acquitted, but an order was appended to the judgment of the court requiring him to give security that he would not exercise jurisdiction either civil or military in the province of New Jersey. Upon his release on parole, Carteret appealed to the new government, and occupied his leisure in leading the life of a private citizen at Elizabethtown, improving his estate, the erection of a new house, and in getting married. In March, 1681, on receipt of letters from England, Governor Carteret resumed office by proclamation

and took up the controversy with the people, which remained a matter of litigation until the Revolution intervened. The heirs of Sir George Carteret having sold their interests in East Jersey, the governor was superseded in November, 1682, by Deputy Governor Thomas Rudyard. His death occurred soon afterwards, December 10, 1682, in his forty-fourth year, undoubtedly hastened by the exposure and ill treatment at the time of his arrest by Andros.

Carteret was an honorable man of good character, and sincerely tried to govern his people well, according to his lights. Unfortunately he was a Royalist, believing in the divine rights of kings, and could have had little sympathy with the Puritan religion and Roundhead politics. Taken as a whole, his governorship cannot be considered a failure. He was a man of good moral character, firmness, even temper, and simplicity. East Jersey developed under his rule without check or failure. He showed possibly a lack of adaptability, but he came to the colonies to rule, not to be ruled by those under his authority.



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CHAPTER IV.

THE SETTLEMENT OF THE RARITAN VALLEY.

The colonization of Elizabethtown stimulated and encouraged the settlement of the country laying west in the Valley of the Raritan. Daniel Pierce, with other associates residing in Newbury, Massachusetts, on May 21, 1666, entered into an agreement with Governor Carteret, John Ogden and Luke Watson, to settle two townships. The tract specified was known as Arthur Kull, or Amboyle, originally granted by Governor Nicolls to John Bailey, Daniel Denton and Luke Watson, extending from the Raritan river to the Rawack river and running back into the country, according to the Indian deed. In consideration of £80 sterling, one-half of this tract was transferred to Pierce, December 11, 1666. A week later he transferred to John Martin, Charles Gilman, Hugh Dunn and Hopewell Hull a third part of the land he had thus acquired. On December 3, 1667, Pierce was commissioned deputy-surveyor to lay out the bounds of a town to be known as Woodbridge, and to apportion the land belonging to each individual. On June 11, 1669, he and his associates received a charter which created the tract of land therein described (said to contain six miles square) into a township to consist of not less than sixty families. By a resolution adopted on that day, this number of families was not to be exceeded unless by special order of the town.

The nine original associates were John Bishop, Robert Dennis, Henry Jacques, Stephen Kent, Hugh March, John Pike, Daniel Pierce, Joshua Pierce, and John Smith, wheelwright, to designate him from another of the same name, who was a Scotchman. These associates were allowed to retain two hundred and forty acres of upland and forty of meadow in addition to the regular allotment to each freeholder. The Pikes, Pierces, Bishops, Jacques, Kents and Marches were from Newbury, Massachusetts; Dennis, another of the associates, was from Yarmouth, in the same colony. John Smith was honored immediately after the organization of the town with the post of constable, later promoted to a deputy to the Assembly and an assistant judge. The town meetings were at first held at his house, he acting as moderator, and he appears to have been an esteemed citizen. There is no mention made in the records of his family, and his identity and his descendants become lost in the numerous Smiths in the vicinity.

John Pike seems to have become the prominent man of the town immediately after settlement; he was elected president of Woodbridge, became one of Governor Carteret's councillors, and was appointed captain of the militia. Major Zebulon Pike, of the Revolutionary War, and General Zebulon Montgomery Pike, who distinguished himself in

the War of 1812, were of this family. Daniel Pierce was a blacksmith, whose father first settled at Watertown, Massachusetts, in 1637. He returned to Newbury, Massachusetts, soon after the settlement of Woodbridge; Joshua, his son, died in the latter part of 1670. Robert Dennis, though he held many offices in the township and was highly respected, owing to infirmities of body ceases to be mentioned after 1675. John Bishop was a carpenter, and though he held several prominent offices in the town there is no mention in any way to throw light upon his character. Henry Jacques was also a carpenter. Stephen Kent, one of the earliest settlers of Newbury, was an old man on his arrival in New Jersey. Hugh March subsequently returned to Newbury.

The majority of the first settlers came from New England, and most of them were descendants from the Puritans. The inhabitants of Woodbridge pursued the even tenor of their ways amidst the quietness and sobriety of a secluded agricultural people. Woodbridge had ten thousand acres for the town and twenty thousand for adjoining plantations, several of these being highly improved. A court house and prison were there, and the possession of a charter gave to the town a peculiar consideration in the province. At the time of the transfer of East Jersey to the twenty-four Proprietors, March 14, 1682, Woodbridge's population was estimated at six hundred. The inhabitants were loyal to the Dutch and English governors, to the proprietaries' interests or royal prerogatives, whichever had the ascendancy. Plain Samuel Dennis, justice under English rule, became Samuel Dennis, schepen, when the Hollanders temporarily gained the supremacy. The town with equal facility was transferred from the province of New Jersey to the schoutship of Achter Kull in the New Netherland.

Among the early settlers of Woodbridge were the Bloomfields; Thomas and his son Thomas became freeholders in 1670. The elder Bloomfield was a carpenter by trade, and his grandson, Captain John Bloomfield, was in Colonel Dayton's Third Continental Regiment in 1776. The Comptons came to Woodbridge when it was a vast forest, William being the pioneer settler, and he was the first white man to cut down the timber. His daughter Mary was the first white child born in the township. John French worked at his trade of mason and builder at an early date. The Gannitt and Gracie families were of Huguenot descent who settled upon Staten Island and subsequently came to New Jersey. Samuel Hale came from Newbury, Massachusetts, was a surgeon, held official relation in the Assembly, and in framing the charter of the township. Samuel Morse was the first town clerk and held the office for a score of years. He and his brother Matthew made New Jersey their permanent abode from the time of their arrival. Benjamin and Elisha Parker were not relatives, but they came about the same time to Woodbridge; Benjamin was a freeholder in 1670; Elisha first settled

in Woodbridge in 1675, was appointed high sheriff of the county of Middlesex in 1694, represented the county in the Provincial Assembly and was a member of Governor Hunter's council. Richard, the ancestor of the Connerly family, was of Scotch descent, and came to Woodbridge in 1680. He settled near the "Blazing Star Ferry," on the Kill Von Kull, and probably kept the ferry, near which he lived. He was a joiner by trade. George Lockhart, a practitioner of physic, is mentioned in 1679 as residing in Woodbridge. Peter Dessigny was another practitioner of physic, or "chirurgeon," and was living in the township in 1692. The Rev. Archibald Riddell was a passenger on the ill-fated ship "Henry and Francis" that brought Scot's cargo of Scottish Covenanters to America; he officiated as pastor to the people of Woodbridge during his enforced residence in America. Another passenger on Scot's vessel, Robert McLellan, bought a plantation in Woodbridge, having as an inmate of his family Rev. Mr. Riddell. They sailed for Europe together in 1689, but McLellan subsequently returned and took possession of his lands in Woodbridge. Adam Hood or Hude was also a passenger in the "Henry and Francis;" he is styled in the old records as a weaver; he purchased in 1695 lands in Woodbridge, and became in 1718 one of the judges of the Court of Common Pleas for Middlesex county, and soon after the presiding judge, acting in that capacity until 1733.

The affairs of Woodbridge were managed as in New England at town meetings, and in January, 1699, it became necessary to make it obligatory to attend these meetings under a penalty of nine pence for non-attendance, and upon refusal to pay the fine the delinquent was to be turned out of the meeting house. The early residents deemed it necessary to prepare against Indian attacks, and a rate was levied to provide ten pounds of powder and twenty pounds of lead; the prison was ordered to be fortified by stockades of a half or whole tree of nine feet long at least, to provide a place of safety for the women and children, but it was never occupied. A ranger of the woods was appointed to prevent danger threatened by the French and Indians. These are the only occurrences on record intimating the existence of any apprehended difficulty with the natives. The first grist mill in the township was erected in 1670-71 by Jonathan Dunham, and a saw mill was built on Rahawack river by James Bishop in 1682. In February, 1703, John Clake (or Cleak) was encouraged to put up a fulling mill by a grant of twenty acres of land on the Rahawack. The first tavern was established by Samuel Moore in 1683, where rum could be had for three shillings per gallon. The killer of wolves was allowed from ten to twenty-five shillings for each head.

The early associates of Piscataway came principally from the region watered by the Piscataqua river, which now is a portion of the boundary line of Maine and New Hampshire. It is the Indian name of one of the

eastern tribes, and the orthography of the town's name was changed soon after its settlement to its present form. The original grantees were Hugh Dunn, Hopewell Hull, John Martin, Charles Gilman, Robert Dennis, John Smith, John Gilman and Benjamin Hull. The names first mentioned in the contracts and assignments of lands in this township were the Gilmans in 1675; the Blackshaws, Drakes, Hands and Hendricks in 1677; the Dotys (Doughtys) and Wolfs in 1678; the Smalleys, Hulls and Trothers in 1679; the Hansworths, Martins and Higgins in 1680; the Dunhams, Laflores (Laforge) and Fitz Randolphs in 1681; the Suttons, Brindleys, Bounds (Bound) and Fords in 1682; the Grubs and Adams in 1683; the Pregmores in 1684; the Davises and Slaughters in 1685; the Chandlers and Smiths in 1689.

In the southeastern portion of the township lived members of the Fields family, whose ancestor came from England and settled at Newport, Rhode Island, in an early day. He removed to Flushing, Long Island, from whence John Field passed into New Jersey, purchasing 1,050 acres lying between Bound Brook and New Brunswick, along the Raritan river. The Garretsons were of Dutch stock, the first of the family emigrating from Holland in 1658. A descendant, Hendrick Garretson, was at Richmond, Staten Island, and in 1698 purchased of Jacques Poillion a farm upon the Raritan river. John Smalley is named as a freeholder in 1691. The Martins and Dunhams were from Dover, New Hampshire, and of the latter family Rev. Edward Dunham was the first clergyman of the Seventh Day Baptist church in Piscataway. Among the first members of this church were Thomas and John Fitz Randolph, who resided in the center of the township. They were descendants of Edward Fitz Randolph, a scion of an ancient family of Yorkshire who traced their ancestry to Count Herald Fitz Randolph, who accompanied William the Conqueror to England and upon whom he settled various estates. The American ancestor, in company with his widowed mother, came to New England in 1630; he married at Barnstable, Massachusetts, Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas Blossom, and with his wife and their unmarried children: John, Joseph, Elizabeth, Thomas, Benjamin and perhaps Hope, removed from Massachusetts to Piscataway in 1668. Edward Fitz Randolph was a man of note and is mentioned in the records of Barnstable, Massachusetts, as one of the earliest settlers of that town; he died shortly after coming to New Jersey. Edward Slater was a freeholder in the township in 1683, and owned a large number of acres; he was the first clerk of the courts of the county. Vincent Ruginion, the name afterwards becoming Runyon, was of Huguenot descent; he removed to Piscataway in 1677, and was allotted land on the Raritan river. Therefore, by a cursory examination it can be readily seen that the first settlers of Piscataway were of more mixed nationality than the New England settlers of Woodbridge.

The original settlers in the vicinity of New Brunswick were Dutch and French Protestants. There were, however, in 1683, some English and Dutch plantations on the Raritan above and below the present city of New Brunswick, while the central part was only a swamp. In June, 1681, John Inian and company purchased from the Indians a tract of land embracing ten thousand acres on the south side of the Raritan river opposite the township of Piscataway. This tract afterwards became known as the Raritan lots, and is now the lower edge of New Brunswick, running along the river to near Bound Brook. The tract was soon afterwards surveyed and laid out into nineteen lots having in general less than a half of mile of river front and about two miles deep, aggregating about six hundred and forty acres. John Inian purchased two of these lots in what is now New Brunswick; to the north of his purchase, lots were sold to Gibbons, Inian, Bainbridge, Bridgeman, Miller, Jones, Clements, Antill and Dockwra. South of Inian's purchase, Thomas Lawrence bought three thousand acres; this tract subsequently came into the possession of Cornelius Longfield and Governor Barclay, while that of Inian was purchased by Philip French, who laid out streets upon it and cut it up into building lots and farms.

⟨The first Dutch on the Raritan came about 1683, principally from Long Island.⟩ The condition of affairs cannot be better illustrated than giving extracts from a Scotchman's letter to his brother in Edinburgh. He writes that the Indians are nothing to fear, the country being as peaceable as anywhere else. There are no bears, nor ravenous beasts except wolves, which are harmless; snakes are not to be noticed, as they give timely warning of an attack by the rattling of their tails. Oxen are so well taught they go sometimes in a plough or cart without horse or without a gad-man. Horses and cattle are as cheap as in Scotland. The air, he writes, is healthful, the soil fruitful, Indian corn yielding commonly two or three hundred fold and oats twenty fold. He informs his brother that there were several reasonably good towns in the province of more than eighty families each, that they were no poor people, and the liquor they used was cider, as there was a great store of fruit. The old inhabitants, he states, are a most careful and infrugal people, their profession most part Protestants, a few Quakers, and some Anabaptists, but there was a lack of preachers and he hoped his brother would be instrumental in filling this want.

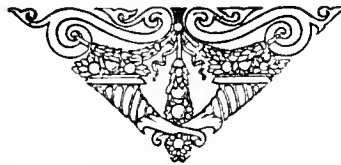
The point at the mouth of the Raritan river is first mentioned in the deed of Augustine Heermans by the name of Ompage. In the subsequent deed to Bailey, Denton and Watson, no particular name is given to either the point or country, but the next year, Bailey transferring his rights to Philip Carteret, calls the country, Arthur Cull or *Emboyle*, which was written *Amboyle*; from these names *Ambo* was derived and conferred upon the point. In granting the charter of Woodbridge, it

was specified that one thousand acres should be reserved in and about Ambo Point, one hundred acres of which were to be laid out in the most convenient place adjacent to the point. This reservation is a proof of sound discrimination and judgment of Governor Carteret, as it was a most eligible site for the situation of a city. He most likely had in mind the opposition to his authority shown at Elizabethtown, which induced him to recommend the removal of the seat of government to some place where the interests of the proprietaries would be more regarded. The transfer of the province into other hands and the death of Carteret prevented the realization of his plans. The new proprietaries also were interested in establishing a city at the point, and contributed £1,200 in furtherance of the project, but their deputy governors were slow in making progress, and it was not until 1684 that any effective steps were taken. In that year, Lawrie, the then deputy governor, received positive orders to remove the offices of government from Elizabethtown to what was then called the new town of Perth.

In the month of December, 1685, an arrival of more than ordinary interest occurred at the Point. A vessel freighted with Scotchmen upon whom persecution had wrought the work of purification and whose souls had been tempered for patient endurance by sore trials and misfortunes, anchored in the harbor. They were Scotch Covenanters, members of the Cameronians, a sect of Scotch Presbyterian dissenters. James I. had enforced on his Scottish subjects a liturgy which the people abhorred. This exercise of the royal prerogative led in 1638 to the formation of a covenant in behalf of the true religion and freedom of the Kirkdom. The organization of the Scottish Presbytery was still further completed in the adoption of the Presbyterian form of church government, a Calvinistic confession of faith, and the two catechisms, which documents are still the standard of the Scottish Kirk. The act of English and Scottish parliaments against conventicles, the legalized persecutions, with other irritating matters, exasperated the Covenanters to a point where they thought forbearance ceased to be a duty. They therefore took up arms against the royal power and were disastrously beaten, and many executed and imprisoned. They largely were inhabitants of the Lowlands of Scotland, the Highlanders being generally adherents of the Roman Catholic religion or the Church of England. To these people America offered a refuge, and through the exertions of George Scot, Laird of Pitlochrie, early in May, 1685, a ship of three hundred and fifty tons named the "Henry and Francis" of Newcastle, England, was chartered. On September 5, 1685, the vessel left the harbor of Leith, Scotland, having on board nearly two hundred passengers, some of whom had been on board since the previous summer. The voyage was long and disastrous, fifteen weeks being consumed in crossing the ocean. A fever of a malignant type broke out, and the meat, owing probably to the

length of time which had elapsed since the vessel was chartered, became offensive and uneatable. As many as seventy died at sea, among whom was George Scot, Laird of Pitlochrie, his wife also, her sister-in-law, Lady Althernie, and her two children.

The charge for transportation as publicly announced was £5 sterling for each adult, and to each of those who were unable to pay for their passage was promised twenty-five acres of land and a suit of new clothes on the completion of four years' service to those who advanced the requisite amount. After their arrival, considerable difficulty took place on account of those that had come over without paying their passage money. An attempt was made to have them serve their four years' indenture in consideration of the expense incurred by Scot for their transportation. This they would not agree to, and suits were brought. The jury returned a verdict for the plaintiff of £5 sterling and costs. It is a difficult matter to determine how many of these Scotch Covenanters became permanent residents of Perth Amboy. A large number of them returned to England; others, on the accession of William and Mary to the throne of England, returned to their native land. A more detailed account of those that remained in Perth Amboy will be given in the history of that city in this work.



CHAPTER V. THE EAST JERSEY PROPRIETORS.

The following with relation to the East Jersey Proprietors, by Adrian Lyon, registrar of the Board of Proprietors of East Jersey, was read at the meeting of the Woman's Branch of the New Jersey Historical Society at Newark, May 10, 1916:

On June 24, 1497, John and Sebastian Cabot, sailing under the authority of Henry VII. of England, reached North America, unfurled the royal banner and took possession in the name of the King. From this is derived the English title. On March 12, in the sixteenth year of the reign of Charles II., 1664, he granted to his brother James, Duke of York, the lands from the west side of Connecticut river to the east side of Delaware bay, together with the right of government.

On June 24, 1664, James, Duke of York, granted to John Lord Berkeley, Baron of Stratton, and Sir George Carteret, of Saltrum, Knight, two of His Majesty's most Honorable Privy Council, "all that tract of land adjacent to New England and lying and being to the westward of Long Island and Manhitas Island, and bounded on the east part by the main sea, and part by Hudson river, and hath upon the west Delaware bay or river, and extendeth southward to the main ocean as far as Cape May at the mouth of Delaware bay; and to the northward as far as the northermost branch of the said bay or river of Delaware, which is $41^{\circ} 40'$ of latitude, and crosseth over thence in a straight line to Hudson's river in 41 degrees of latitude; which said tract of land is hereafter to be called by the name or names of New Cæserea or New Jersey." This conveyance was by the common form of lease and release, and conveyed the soil only, but did not transfer the right of government.

On July 30, 1673, New York and New Jersey were taken by the Dutch. On Feb. 9, 1674, a treaty of peace restored the country to the English, and they continued in undisturbed possession until the war of Independence.

Because the country was conquered by the Dutch and afterwards restored to the English, Charles II., on June 29, 1674, gave a new grant to James, Duke of York, similar to the former grant, and on July 29, 1674, James, Duke of York, gave another grant to Sir George Carteret for that part of New Jersey as far southward as Barnegat creek.

On July 1, 1676, the quintipartite deed was executed between Sir George Carteret, William Penn, Gawen Lawry, Nicholas Lucas, and Edward Billinge, by which East New Jersey was confirmed to Sir George Carteret, and the partition line between East Jersey and West Jersey was described. This division line ran from the east side of Little Egg

Harbour to a point on the Delaware river where it was intersected by the old partition line between New York and New Jersey as intended by the original grant from the Duke of York to Berkley and Carteret. This point was at $41^{\circ} 40'$ latitude, and was some distance above the point where the river curves sharply to the west. This results in throwing the division line farther to the west than can be readily understood by those who have in mind the most northerly point of the State as it now exists. The situation can readily be seen by reference to the map in Smith's "History of New Jersey." This line is commonly known as the Lawrence line, because it was run by John Lawrence, a surveyor, in 1743.

Sir George Carteret died in 1680. By his will he left his widow, Lady Elizabeth, executrix of his estate and guardian of his grandson and heir and devised to six persons all his property in East Jersey, in trust for the benefit of his creditors. These trustees were Right Hon. John Earl of Bath, Thomas Lord Creive, the Hon. Barnard Greenville, Esqr., brother of the said Earl of Bath, Sr. Robert Atkins, Knight of the Bath, Sr. Edward Atkins, Knight, one of the Barons of His Majesty's Court of Exchequer. On March 16, 1680, by a writing, they declared "that all Pattents of any Lands in the said Province granted or to be granted to any Person or Persons whatsoever shall hereafter be made in the name only of the Right Honble the Lady Elizabeth Carteret, widdow, the Relict and sole Executrix of the said Sr. George Carteret, deceased, and grandmother and gardian to Sr. George Carteret Baronet Grandson and heir of the said Sr. George Carteret deceased." These trustees offered said property in East Jersey at public sale to the highest bidder. William Penn and eleven associates purchased it for £3,400, and it was conveyed to them on Feb. 2, 1682. Each of these twelve proprietors subsequently sold one-half of his respective right to a new associate, making twenty-four in all.

On March 14, 1682, the Duke of York confirmed the title of the twenty-four proprietors to East Jersey by name as follows: Right Hon. James Earl of Perth, the Hon. John Drummond, Esq., of Lundy; Robert Barclay, Esq., and David Barclay, Junior, Esq., of Eury; Robert Gordon, Esq., of Cluny; Arent Sonmans, Esq., of Wallingford, all in the Kingdom of Scotland; William Penn, Esq., of Worminghurst in the county of Sussex; Robert West, Esq., of the Middle Temple, London; Thomas Rudyard, gentleman, of London; Samuel Groom, mariner, of the parish of Stepney in the county of Middlesex; Thomas Hart, merchant, of Enfield, in the county of Middlesex; Richard Mew, merchant, of Stepney, aforesaid; Ambrose Rigg, gentleman, of Gatton Place in the county of Surry; Thomas Cooper, citizen and merchant-taylor, of London; Gawen Lawry, merchant, of London; Edward Billing, gentleman, of the city of Westminster, in the county of Middlesex; James Braine, merchant, of

London; William Gibson, citizen and haberdasher, of London; John Haywood, citizen and skinner, of London; Hugh Hartshorne, citizen and skinner, of London; Clement Plunsted, citizen and draper, of London; Thomas Barker, merchant, of London; Robert Turner, merchant, and Thomas Warne, merchant, both of the city of Dublin, in the Kingdom of Ireland. These included the twelve original proprietors with the exception of Thomas Wilcox, who had sold his entire interest to David Barclay. This grant is recorded in the office of the East Jersey Proprietors in Book A, page 53.

By a letter under date of Nov. 23, 1683, addressed to the Governor and Council of East New Jersey, and to the planters, inhabitants, and all others concerned in the Province, Charles II. recognized the title of the twenty-four proprietors to the soil and the right of government. In Whitehead's "History of East Jersey under the Proprietors" he states that:

"The greater number of the proprietaries being in England and Scotland, all orders and instructions, however minute, emanated at first from their councils there; but emigration and a transfer of proprietary rights soon brought to the province such a number of those directly interested in the soil, that on the first August, 1684, a board of commissioners was established, comprising all the proprietaries that might be from time to time in the province, to act with the deputy governor in the temporary approval of laws passed by the Assembly—the settlement of all disputes with the planters—the purchase and laying out of lands, and other matters. This soon after became known as the 'Board of Proprietors,' and continued to have the chief management within the province, of those concerns which were connected with the proprietary titles to the government and soil. To this board was also intrusted the adoption of such measures as might best conduce to the advancement and improvement of a new town to be called 'Perth,' in honor of the Earl of Perth, one of the proprietaries, standing on what was then known as Ambo Point."

The earliest minutes of the meetings of the proprietors are found in book A. B., No. 1. This is entitled: "The Journall of the procedure of the proprietors and proxies to proprietors of this province of East New Jersey from and after the 9th day of Aprill Anno dm 1685." The writing is hard to decipher by those not familiar with it. It soon yields to diligence and attention, however, and can be read with little trouble. This volume is interesting by reason of the fact that it contains the minutes to the year 1705, and thus includes the whole period during which the proprietors had the government of the province as well as the title to the soil.

The first item is a record of a deputation of power dated Aug. 1, 1684, from Robert Barclay, Governor, and other proprietors of the province to Gawen Lawrie, the deputy governor, to do sundry things, among which was to approve and confirm such acts of Assembly as

shall be found necessary to establish before copies could be sent to them for confirmation. The limitation as to the acts to be approved and the temporary nature of the power was shown by the concluding words: "But when the fundamentall Constitutions are passed in Assembly then to proceed according to them."

Other powers given by this and another similar deputation of power dated Nov. 13, 1684, also recorded in this book, were to end all matters in debate between the proprietors and the former planters; to "order, settle, sell, or dispose of by Pattend, the Lotts for building and other Lands of Perth so as may best conduce to the advance and improvement of that towne;" to purchase and take lands in the Proprietors' names from the Indians; to rent lands to those who may desire to settle, and this was to be without limit "until we see what further prospect there may be of sending over people enough from England, Scotland and other nations for that end;" to run the several lines of division between the province and New York and West Jersey; to raise out of the sale of lands or quit rents £180 to pay to Thomas Rudyard for his services while Governor; to end all controversies and differences with men of Neversinks and Elizabeth Towne or any other planters, expressly stating that they would "not enter into any treaty on this side with any of those people who claim by Collonell Nicholl's pattend nor with any other that claims land by pretenses from the late Governor Carteret as being both an affront to the Government And of Evill Consequence to make things to be put of by delays and thereby hinder the settlement of our affairs in the province;" to remove restrictions in favor of those who have purchased shares and sent over stores; to set off twenty-five acres to each servant that may come into the province; to grant warrants and patents, on the signature of three members of the council until the passage of the fundamental laws; to fill vacancies in the offices of secretary, surveyor general, or registrar; to lay a tax of £5 on each propriety and collect the same.

The first meeting, of which the minutes are recorded in this book, was held at Elizabeth Towne on April 9, 1685. There were present at this meeting Gawen Lawrie, deputy governor; Thomas Rudyard, secretary; Thomas Warne, John Campbell, David Mudy, John Barclay, Thomas Fullerton, Robert Fullerton, Thomas Gordon, and James Johnson.

At this first meeting the deputation to Gawen Lawrie was received and ordered to be put on record in a book to contain a journal of the procedure of the Proprietors. George Keith also produced his commission to be surveyor general, which was subscribed in Scotland July 31, 1684, and in London, Aug. 8, 1684, by a major part of the proprietors. William Haige also produced a commission dated July 27, 1683, for the surveyor general's place which was still in force. Upon the production

of these commissions a resolution was passed that George Keith should have a warrant for five hundred acres and also a town lot to be laid out to him by the governor and that further consideration of the commission for the surveyor general be deferred until the next meeting of the council. Pursuant to the foregoing order it was agreed that George Keith should have one of the proprietors' houses, namely, "that wherein Thomas Warne now inhabits."

The consideration of the laying out of Amboy was suggested and was deferred until the next meeting. It was brought up at the next meeting and an order was made by the council that a map of Perth Amboy be prepared. There is to be found in the office a map made on parchment bearing no date but entitled "A Mapp of Perth Amboy East New Jersey containing 1,100 Acres Subtract 30 for the Waste Ground Remains 1,070 Acres." This map shows plots to various persons, among them being Peter Sonmons, Governor Lawrie, 20 acres, William Haige, 13 acres, Governor Robert Barclay, 25 acres, Thomas Warne, Benjamin Clark, George Wilcox, John Campbell, 12 acres, Thomas Gordon, 6 acres. Many of the streets are laid out as they exist at present in Perth Amboy, and the roads from Perth Amboy to Piscataway and Woodbridge are distinctly marked. Whether or not this is the map that was made pursuant to this first action of the council of course cannot be definitely determined, but its appearance and the names inscribed thereon very clearly connect it with the earliest times.

The function of government at this time was of very little importance in this sparsely settled community. The greater part, therefore, of the action of the council of proprietors had to do with the laying out of lands, the granting of patents, the collection of quit rents and the purchasing of lands from the Indians.

At the meeting held on April 10, 1685, the board resolved to hold meetings of the council monthly at Elizabethtown. At a meeting held at Elizabethtown on Friday, June 12, 1685, George Keith was made surveyor general in the absence of Mr. Haige. In November, 1685, a confirmation from Governor Barclay and several others of the proprietors in England to George Keith for the office of surveyor general was received and it was ordered that Keith be installed in the office. On page 24 of this first book of minutes there are what appear to be the original signatures of Gawen Lawrie, Jno. Campbell, Tho. Fulertoun, David Mudie, Jr., John Barclay, Geo. Willoks, Thomas Warne, R. Fulertoune, Thomas Gordon, John Rudyard. These signatures are made under date of Aug. 14, 1685. Among the places for which lands were granted at this early time were Amboy, Elizabethtown, Newark, Woodbridge and Piscataway.

In the midst of this celebration of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the founding of Newark, it is fitting to refer to some of the actions of the board concerning this town.

At the meeting held on April 10, 1685, a petition was presented from Thomas Johnson, John Ward and several other inhabitants of Newark requesting a patent for the corporation of Newark. Upon consideration of the matter in the petition it was agreed and resolved that as there were patents for lands made by the former governor to several of the petitioners and others, it was not safe for the board and governor to treat upon anything in the petition until all the patents of the inhabitants of Newark be delivered up and surrendered to the board for the use of the Lords Proprietors.

At a meeting held at Elizabethtown on Oct. 15, 1685, a petition of Thomas Johnson, John Ward and others to the number of eleven, calling themselves a committee in behalf of the inhabitants of the town of Newark, therein desiring the council to grant them a patent for their town and a confirmation of their just rights to their purchased bounds, as the same is expressed in their Indian deed of sale, they being willing to pay the annual rent of £10, being read, it was "agreed and ordered that when the inhabitants of the town of Newark shall pay all the arrears of quit rent for the land they already hold by patent that then this council will treat with them concerning the subject matter in the petition."

On February 28, 1692, John Curtice, Edward Ball, Thomas Richards and George Harrieson came before the board and represented that they were:

"A committee chosen by the town of Newark to discourse the board about an amicable and friendly accommodation concerning their lands which they hold of the proprietors, to have all the lands which they possess by legall purchase from the Indians, for a yearly acknowledgement, &c. After a long conference between the board and the aforesaid persons in behalf of the said town of Newark the governor with the consent of the members of the council proposed to the said persons that if the people of the inhabitants of Newark would (such of them as yet had not) take out patents forthwith for the lands which they possess and pay their arrears of quit rent for the time passed and in time coming that then all the old settlers and first adventurers with their associates should have one hundred acres of land per piece at six pence per annum quit rent within the bounds of the said town of Newark. The committee for the town of Newark aforesaid taking the premises into consideration desired fourteen days' time to acquaint their town herewith and to give their answer, which was agreed to by this board."

At the meeting held at Perth Amboy on April 20, 1693, it was reported in reference to the foregoing matter:

"That several of the old settlers of Newark had already agreed and complied, and some others had offered to comply, and had petitioned to have the same terms granted to them as others of the province and the rest of their neighbors have had. After a full debate and deliberate consideration of this board it was put to the vote whether it be for the

interest of the proprietors or not that the inhabitants of Newark who are old settlers of the said town should have one hundred acres of land each granted them at six pence per annum quit rent. It was the unanimous opinion of the board in the affirmative that it was for the interest of the proprietors to grant the request, except George Willocks who differs."

The names of the persons to whom the one hundred acres of land each were granted were then given, but they are too numerous to repeat here. From time to time there were further petitions from the inhabitants of Newark as old settlers for one hundred acres of land at six pence per annum. The patents were granted upon condition that such of them as had old patents take out new ones and resign the old ones. Their names were given.

On April 10, 1696, a petition was presented by John Curtice and Robert Yong, both of Newark, in behalf of the rest of the freeholders of said town for a patent for their streets, market places, training places, burial places, landing places, watering places, &c., and also two hundred acres for a parsonage. It was agreed and ordered they have a patent granted to the freeholders in common.

The proprietors were interested in the propagation of religion, because it appears that they frequently granted lands for meeting houses and parsonages. In addition to the grants to Newark it appears that on Dec. 10, 1698, it was agreed and ordered that one of the old houses at the point and the lot on which it stands be given and allowed by the proprietors to be a church, for the use of the town of Perth Amboy. This was doubtless the beginning of St. Peter's parish, one of the oldest in the State.

In the minutes of a meeting held at Amboy in November of 1685, a reference is made to the arrival of Lord Neal Campbell and other gentlemen to view the province.

On Sept. 16, 1692, Colonel Andrew Hamilton produced a commission to be chief governor of the province, dated at London, March 25, 1692.

The foregoing references to the minutes of the board of proprietors are given as examples to show the activities of the board in those early days. Further references cannot be made in the limited time at my disposal.

There seems to be a break in the records of the meetings of the board from 1705 to 1725; but beginning on March 25, 1725, the records of the meetings of the council of proprietors continue with regularity until the present time. There is no record of any meeting, however, between Aug. 14, 1778, and an attempted meeting on April 23, 1782, owing doubtless to the Revolutionary War. On this latter date a number of the members of the board convened at the house of Jacob Arnold, Esq., of Morristown. There not being a sufficient number to form a board they agreed to hold another meeting at Princeton on June 3, 1782. The

minutes from 1725 to 1764 are found in minute book A; from 1764 to 1794 in minute book B; from 1794 to 1867 in minute book C; and from 1867 to date in minute book D.

On August 11, 1725, the proprietors entered into an agreement by which it was agreed that each owner of propriety should have one vote for each quarter held, provided that no one proprietor should have more than twelve votes; no person should be a proxy but a proprietor or agent for a proprietor; that a general council of proprietors at their two yearly meetings should consist of ten persons (afterwards changed to seven persons) at least, whose interests or those they represent computed together should make up eight whole proprieties; and that the president should be chosen annually and all other officers continued during good behavior. The minutes of these meetings instead of being signed by the clerk or secretary were signed by all of the members present. This would now be a very unusual proceeding, but it adds much to the interest and appearance of this early record. Many of the signatures are exceedingly original and some of them have the appearance as if the writer were trying to picture a bird's nest for the adornment of the record.

The Hon. Cortlandt Parker in an address delivered upon the occasion of the Bi-centennial Celebration of the Board of Proprietors on Nov. 25, 1884, makes the following reference to the minutes just referred to:

"And first of all I mention, because of his absorbing interest in proprietary rights, the distinguished James Alexander. The minutes of the Council of Proprietors from 1725 to 1756 are a monument of the devotion, zeal, intelligence and unremitting and absorbing care of this gentleman for the interests of this Association. How much earlier he bestowed this attention I am not able from the material furnished me to say. But during this period it might be said of him that he well-nigh embodied the Board. If he did not with his own hand pen the minutes, they must have received his particular and most scrupulous supervision. They recount his history and the employment of his time. They refer to incidents now historical and most valuable to the general public."

Reference is made in the minutes of August 24, 1743, to the agreement with John Lawrence to run the division line. His compensation was to be the sum of £140 proclamation money. A copy of the instructions are recorded on page 231 of minute book A and the following pages.

Space here will not suffice to refer in particular to all of the records in the office of the board at Perth Amboy. There are about a dozen books of miscellaneous records containing copies of deeds, wills, grants, agreements and other documents. There are twelve books of conveyances of proprietary rights. There are books of warrants which are the records of the action of the board authorizing surveys of lands to be made for the proprietors entitled thereto. There are books containing the

accounts of the proprietors as to the state of their holdings and the charges against the same when lands have been taken up by them. The records of surveys will be hereinafter referred to.

Book C of Laws purports to be copies certified by Elisha Dobree and John Hyndshaw, made under the authority of King George the Second, under date of Dec. 13, 1743, and to which the great seal of the Province is affixed, of all "the Entries of the Public Commissions from all The Lords Proprietors of the said Province to other the Proprietors resident in the said Province, And Also the Entries of the Public Commissions, Writts, Warrants and Acts of General Assembly Granted, made and passed under the Seal of the said Province from and after the thirteenth day of November Anno Dom 1682."

The first entry is a proclamation to the planters and inhabitants of the province by Robert Barclay, governor and proprietor, and the other proprietors of the province. It set forth that the proprietors hold themselves obliged by the law of God and just laws of men to use all honest means to make the plantation prosperous, and that the interest of the inhabitants was so bound up with their own that they could not suffer if the inhabitants prospered nor prosper where the inhabitants were injured. This proclamation was expressed in the most friendly terms.

These commissions ran to officers of the Board, public officials, such as justices of the peace, constables, judges of the courts for the determination of small causes, members or justices of the court of common right and such other officials as had been provided for by the Acts of the General Assembly. I may be pardoned for stating that it here appears that under date of March 20, 1683, Henry Lyon, who was the direct ancestor of the writer of this paper, with two others were appointed commissioners to hear and determine small causes in Elizabethtown. He came to Newark with the Fairfield settlers, of which town he was the first treasurer, went to Elizabethtown for a time and afterwards returned to Newark, where he died. His was the eighth name on the agreement of the New Milford settlers of June 21, 1667, on which the name of Robert Treat was the first.

Among the Acts passed by the General Assembly were: A Bill to make Void the Proceedings of some late Courts, a Bill to Settle the Court of Common Right; a Bill of General Laws; a Bill against Fugitive Servants; a Bill for the Orderly Keeping of Swine; An Act against Trading with Negroes; An Act to Encourage the Killing of Wolves; an Act to Regulate Treaties with the Indians; an Act for Dividing the County of Middlesex into two counties; An Act Prohibiting Selling of Strong Drink or Liquor to the Indians; and many other like subjects. An Act was passed as early as 1695 for regulating schools. An early act provided a fine of five shillings for being drunk. Another provided for restraining and punishing of privateers and pirates.

But these references must suffice in order to give some time to the consideration of the most important function of the Board, namely, the granting of land to the Proprietors and others.

By a document bearing date April 15, 1702, the proprietors surrendered to Queen Anne the powers of government, retaining in themselves the title to the soil. This document refers at length to the original grant and states that her Majesty had been advised that the proprietors had no right to nor could legally execute any of the powers of government, but that it belonged to her in right of her Crown of England, and that the proprietors were desirous to submit themselves to her and surrender all their pretences of the said powers of government. Reference is made in the minutes of the meeting of December 1, 1702, to a report of Lewis Morris of his negotiations in England concerning this surrender. Upon this event, to use the language of Mr. Parker, in the address above referred to, the board "became what it ought to have been from the beginning, merely an association of landowners."

Thus the twenty-four proprietors, each owning an undivided twenty-fourth interest, became the owners as tenants in common of all the land in East New Jersey. Back to them all the titles must be traced to be good according to the rules of law.

Chief Justice Kirkpatrick, in the case of *Arnold vs. Mundy*, 1 Halstead's Reports, at page 67, has stated the rights of the proprietors, in the following language:

"The Proprietors of East Jersey are tenants in common of the soil; their mode of severing this common estate is by issuing warrants, from time to time, to the several proprietors, according to their respective rights, authorizing them to survey and appropriate in severalty, the quantities therein contained. Such warrant does not convey a title to the proprietor, he had that before; it only authorizes him to sever so much from the common stock, and when so severed, by the proper officer, it operates as a release to him for so much. This is the case when the proprietor locates for himself. When he sells his warrant to another, that other becomes a tenant in common with all the proprietors *pro tanto*, and, in the same manner, he proceeds to convert his common, into a several, right. Regularly there is a deed of conveyance upon the transfer of this warrant for so much of the common property, and that deed of conveyance, and the survey upon the warrant, is the title of the transferee. It is true, that the survey must be inspected and approved by the board of proprietors, and must be carefully entered and kept in the secretary's office, or in the office of the surveyor general of the division, but this is for the sake of security, order and regularity only, and is, by no means, the passing of the title. It proves that the title has already passed, but it is not the means of passing it."

In the case of the Board of Proprietors against the Estate of William M. Force, 72 New Jersey Equity Reports, page 56, in a very exhaustive opinion by Vice Chancellor Pitney, he refers to the method of passing title by the Proprietors by a warrant of location and says:

"These warrants of location which came to be called simply 'warrants' or 'rights' were usually issued by way of dividends to each of the proprietors according to the amount of his holding, and when issued, were credited to the proprietor on a book called the warrant book, and as often as any land was located under them the party who had credit for so many acres was charged with the amount actually located. The fact that the most usual occasion of issuing these warrants was by way of dividends among the proprietors resulted in the process being termed by the courts a mode of partition among the proprietors."

He also refers to the custom of the proprietors in later years of issuing warrants of location to outside parties who were not proprietors by sales with or without auction, and criticised the opinion of the court in the case of *Jennings vs. Burnham*, 27 *Vroom's Reports*, page 289, which held that the proprietors could not transfer title to their lands to a stranger by the use of a warrant and survey. The Vice Chancellor refers to the case of *Cornelius vs. Giberson*, 1 *Dutcher's Reports*, page 1, where such a mode of transfer had been approved by the Supreme Court, and states that if the attention of the court in the case of *Jennings vs. Burnham* had been called to this custom of the proprietors, and to the case of *Cornelius vs. Giberson*, the court would have come to a different conclusion. "For it must be observed," said he, "that the mode of severing titles by partition is one resting entirely in the custom of the proprietors, and is not in accordance with the course of the common law."

Since the surrender of the powers of government in 1702, therefore, the activities of the Board have been confined to the granting of lands, and the greater part of the records in the office at Perth Amboy are records of such actions.

The most usual method of making such grants was upon a warrant issued by the board directing that a survey be made for a certain number of acres. By the authority of this warrant a survey was made by a deputy surveyor who sent his brief certificate and description and computation thereof to the office of the board, or of the surveyor general, as it is commonly called. Thereupon the surveyor general made a certificate, called a "return," stating that the deputy surveyor had surveyed for the person entitled to it a tract of land as described. This "return" was recorded in the office in the book of "Surveys" and thereby became the muniment or evidence of title of the proprietor or purchaser.

There are in the office three very old books of Warrants and Surveys between the years 1673 and 1738. They are valuable from an historical point of view, but, by reason of our laws concerning the limitation of time in which actions for the possession of land may be brought, would be seldom referred to for the purpose of making title. In addition to these is the regular series of record books in which "surveys" or "returns" are recorded, beginning with 1719 and continuing in twenty-three books to date.

The General Proprietors of the Eastern Division of New Jersey is a corporation. It is the oldest private corporation in this State doing business at the present time, and doubtless the oldest in this country. It was never incorporated under the authority of any law. Its legal status in this respect, however, has been before the courts, and in the case of the Proprietors against the Force Estate, above mentioned, Vice Chancellor Pitney held it to be a corporation by prescription, and his holding was affirmed on appeal.

Its relation to the State of New Jersey and especially to the titles to the soil is anomalous. It had its origin in the grant of a King to his "dearest Brother," of a land far away beyond the seas, over two hundred and fifty years ago. Then it was a new land, roamed by wild beasts and inhabited by the Indians. Its attractions were a goodly land, a fertile soil, the allurements of adventure, and the freedom of the vast unpeopled domain. Its hardships were the privations of the primeval forests, and the separation from the ties of the mother land. This corporation still exists and is still doing business. It is a link between the present and the past. Through it we are reminded of the sacrifices of the men in the days that have gone, and of the rewards of their labors which we in this busy, prosperous, civilized land, are enjoying to the full.



CHAPTER VI.

THE PROPRIETARY AND COLONIAL GOVERNORS.

The Proprietaries chose Robert Barclay, one of their members, to succeed Governor Carteret. He was a native of Scotland, having been born in 1648 at Gordonstown in Morayshire. After finishing his education in Paris he was inclined to accept the Roman Catholic faith, but eventually followed in the footsteps of his father, Colonel Barclay of Urie, and joined the recently formed Society of Friends. An ardent theological student, a man of warm feelings, and considerable mental powers, he soon became known as the leading apologist of the new doctrine. His greatest literary production was published in Latin in 1676 under the title of "An Apology for the True Christian Divinity," which is still the most important manifesto of the Quaker Society. His death at the age of forty-two years, October 3, 1690, robbed the Society of Friends of one of the most able exponents of its doctrines. Governor Barclay never visited New Jersey. His two brothers, John and David, however, became identified with the province. The former resided first at Elizabethtown, subsequently at Plainfield, and became a permanent resident of Perth Amboy about 1688, where he died in the spring of 1731 at an advanced age, with the character of a good neighbor and useful citizen. David, the other brother, came to the province in 1684, returned to Scotland, and sailed from Aberdeen in the summer of 1685 for America, but died at sea.

Thomas Rudyard, a lawyer and attorney of London, who had gained notoriety for his assistance in the trial of William Penn in that city, having received the appointment of deputy governor, arrived in the province in the early part of 1683. In his letters to parties in England he writes of making Elizabethtown his place of residence and of journeying to Philadelphia, stating that while there were salt marshes, the country was free from mosquitoes. He also writes that provisions were plentiful, there being vast oyster beds and fresh fish in abundance. The soil he pronounces as rich, and in his judgment without help it could be ploughed fifty years without decaying and could produce multitudes of winter corn.

The stay of Governor Rudyard in the province was but short, as his successor, Gawen Lawrie, was appointed deputy governor in July, 1683, but did not reach the province until the early part of the following year. Governor Lawrie was another Londoner, engaged in mercantile pursuits in that city. As his name indicates, he was of Scotch descent, a staunch Quaker. He settled many colonies of Friends in his domain, of which he was one of the twenty-two proprietaries. He took up his

residence at Elizabethtown, and though strenuously urged to remove to Perth Amboy, of which town he was regarded as one of the founders, he steadfastly refused, as Elizabethtown, having grown to a place of some pretensions, could offer to his family, who accompanied him, more of the comforts of life than Perth Amboy, which was just entering upon its existence. His administration of affairs not only gave satisfaction to the other proprietaries but to those he ruled over. He was succeeded in 1686 by Lord Niel Campbell. This scion of nobility was a member of the Scotch clan of Campbells, a brother of the Earl of Argyle. He became identified with Argyle's expedition in connection with the Duke of Monmouth's unsuccessful attempt to prevent the accession of James II. to the throne of Scotland, and became obnoxious to the government, being subjected to much severity and persecution. He was arrested and gave a bond of £5,000 to confine himself to a radius of six miles around Edinburgh. The animosity against the Campbells became so universal, besides all Protestant heritors being required to take the oath of allegiance and supremacy, that Lord Campbell's only resource was in flight. Leaving his wife and family, he embarked for East Jersey in the autumn of 1685, having purchased a proprietary right, bringing with him or causing to be sent out afterwards a large number of settlers. The precise date of Lord Campbell's arrival in the province is not known, but he is mentioned in the proprietaries' minutes of November 27, 1685, as having "newly come out." His presence in the province led the proprietaries to avail themselves of his services as their deputy governor, and he was commissioned June 4, 1686, and entered upon his duties the ensuing October. A change in the political conditions of Scotland enabled him to return to his family, and he left East Jersey in March, 1687.

At the time of the departure of Lord Campbell for Scotland, Andrew Hamilton was a member of the governor's council and became acting governor of the province. A native of Scotland, while he was engaged in mercantile pursuits in Edinburgh he was sent to East Jersey as a special agent for the proprietaries. He was continued in office after the consolidation of the Jerseys, New York and New England, under the control of Sir Edmund Andros, but when the latter was seized at Boston, Massachusetts, in April, 1689, Governor Hamilton sailed for England to consult with the proprietaries. He was appointed governor of both Jerseys, March 16, 1692, retaining this office until 1697, when he was superseded by Jeremiah Basse, notwithstanding that his rule was satisfactory to the colonies and proprietaries. So great was the disorder and maladministration under his successor that he was reappointed deputy governor August 19, 1699, holding the office until 1701, when he became deputy governor of Pennsylvania. His death occurred at Perth Amboy, while on a visit to his family, April 20, 1703. During his term

as governor he resided in the Brighton house at Perth Amboy, which had been erected on grounds near the public square as the first government house by the proprietaries in 1684. Hamilton was the last of the proprietaries' governors; wearied out with struggling with the settlers in 1702, they ceded to the crown their rights of jurisdiction, whereupon Queen Anne joined New Jersey to New York under the government of Lord Cornbury. Edward Hyde (Lord Cornbury) was one of the first officers to desert the cause of James II., his uncle by marriage, to join the standard of William of Orange, in 1688. He afterwards became a member of Parliament, but being harassed by creditors and desirous of leaving England, he eagerly accepted the appointment of governor of New York, tendered to him by Queen Anne. Of an arrogant, despotic disposition, also dishonest and grasping, incessant in his demands upon the legislatures of the two provinces, especially New Jersey, the cries of discontent of the oppressed colonies reached Queen Anne's ears. He was superseded in the spring of 1708 by Lord Lovelace, who did not reach New York until the close of the year. Lord Lovelace's administration of affairs was of short duration, as he died early in the year of 1709.

Robert Hunter, known as Brigadier Hunter, was appointed Lord Lovelace's successor. A Scotchman by birth, he had risen from a humble station to high military rank. He was the first of the royal governors of New Jersey who regarded the province with sufficient favor to secure upon its soil anything like a permanent home. Governor Hunter arrived at New York in September, 1709. It was an inauspicious period for his own comfort, immediately succeeding the unpopular and disorganizing administration of Lord Cornbury, his immediate predecessor, not living long enough to effect any radical change. Governor Hunter's endeavors were spent in harmonizing the discordant elements around him. His first message to the Assembly is pregnant with good common sense: "If honesty is the best policy, plainness must be the best oratory; so to deal plainly with you, as long as these unchristian diversions, which Her Majesty has thought to deserve her repeated notice, reign amongst you, I shall have small hopes of a happy issue to our meeting * * *. Let every man begin at home and weed the rancor out of his mind, and the work is done at once. Leave disputes of property to the laws, and injuries to the avenger of them, and, like good subjects and good Christians, join hearts and hands for the common good." Such and similar pregnant sentences had effect in inducing more cordial feelings between the executive and representatives of the people, but it was a work of time. Governor Hunter's home in Perth Amboy was on a knoll south of St. Peter's Church, commanding a fine view of the harbor, bay and ocean. Here he often retired to obtain rest from the weighty cares which his administration of the affairs of New York brought upon him. His wife, the widow of Lord John Hay and daughter of Sir Thomas Orby,

accompanied him to America. Her death in 1716, supplemented by failing health and his private interests requiring his presence in London, he left his government in 1719, never to return. On his arrival in England he effected an exchange with William Burnet, taking an office held by him in customs, and resigning in his favor the governments of New York and New Jersey. The post in the customs he retained for several years, but in 1727 was appointed governor of Jamaica. Age began to wear on the governor, and in 1732 he retired from public life; his death occurred in 1734. He had failings common to all mankind, but there is abundant evidence of his possessing high integrity and other qualities characterizing the gentleman; the success which attended his administration, despite the unfavorable circumstances under which it was carried on, is ample proof that he was intelligent, able and persevering.

The successor of Governor Hunter derived his Christian name from William, Prince of Orange, who stood sponsor for him at his baptism. His education had been under the supervision of his father, the celebrated Gilbert Burnet, Bishop of Salisbury, and author of the "History of His Own Times," and Sir Isaac Newton. Young Burnet's education was improved by travel and other advantages which had resulted in a combination of studiousness and affability. The knowledge of men and books made him a pleasant conversationalist, with a remarkable degree of assimilation among those he was thrown in contact with. An inordinate lover of books, he spent large sums in their acquisition, and this, coupled with unfortunate investments in South Sea schemes, crippled his income.

Governor Burnet received his appointment April 19, 1720, and assumed the government of New York on September 17. A few days afterwards he visited New Jersey and went through the usual forms of proclamations at Perth Amboy and Burlington. The governor was of large stature, combining with frank manners a dignified demeanor, his countenance expressed intelligence, amiability and humor combined. Governor Hunter, before the departure of his successor to America, informed him of the acquaintance he had made with leading men of New Jersey, which was extremely advantageous to him, as he entered society in the colony with some knowledge of the character as well as the social and political relations of the individuals composing it. The impressions thus derived led him to look forward to frequent and longer visits to New Jersey, and with that in view he purchased Hunter's residence in Perth Amboy.

Governor Burnet was averse to leaving the middle colonies, but on the accession of George II., a place had to be made for a court sycophant. He was appointed governor of Massachusetts, but, independent of all private considerations, the habits and customs of the people of Massa-

chusetts Bay were not so consonant with his own as those he had been familiar with for eight years. The mandate had, however, gone forth and he gracefully retired. He reached Boston on July 12, 1728, but his administration of affairs was of short duration, his death occurring September 7, 1729.

The new governor of New York and New Jersey was John Montgomerie, a native of Scotland. He was bred a soldier, but after being a member of Parliament decided to enter upon the career of a courtier. He became groom of the bedchamber to then Prince of Wales, afterwards George II. On the accession of his patron to the throne, he received, April 15, 1728, the appointment of the governorship of New York and New Jersey. Governor Montgomerie, though a person of good character, was dull intellectually, and was modestly conscious of his deficiencies, therefore he had no controversies with the legislatures. They reciprocated by granting him supplies which they persistently refused to do for several of his predecessors. His administration was evidently cut short by his death, July 1, 1731, by smallpox, then raging in New York.

Lewis Morris became acting governor of New Jersey *ad interim*, serving until the arrival of the newly appointed governor, William Cosby. There were prospects of a popular administration at the outset of the new executive's government. Governor Cosby was a strict military disciplinarian, a colonel in the British army, of an arbitrary and haughty disposition, and his act of keeping the same Assembly for six years without dissolution made him very unpopular. His death occurred May 10, 1736, while still an incumbent of the executive chair.

At the death of Governor Cosby, the government of New Jersey devolved on John Anderson, the president of the council, but he too died in less than three weeks and was succeeded by the next eldest councillor, John Hamilton. The new executive was a son of Andrew Hamilton, governor under the proprietaries, and was born in Scotland. He first appeared in public life as one of Governor Hunter's council in 1713, and also served in the same position during the administrations of Governors Burnet, Montgomerie and Cosby. He continued to administer the government until the summer of 1738, when he was relieved by the appointment of Lewis Morris as governor of New Jersey, independent of New York. Colonel Hamilton, by which title he was known, tradition states possessed a high and overbearing temper, which in connection with domestic trials rendered his declining years, invalid as he was, a period of great distress and unhappiness. He resided at Perth Amboy in a spacious dwelling overlooking the broad bay formed by the junction of the Raritan river and the Sound with Sandy Hook inlet. His administration of the affairs of the colony was notable for two events—the granting of the first charter to the College of New Jersey,

and the aid the colony gave towards the Canadian Expedition in the French and Indian Wars.

Lewis Morris, the first royal governor of New Jersey independent of New York, was an American product. He was the son of Richard Morris, an officer in Cromwell's army, who emigrated from England to the West Indies and afterwards came to New York, purchasing three thousand acres, a part of which became Morrisania. Here the governor was born in 1671; he studied law, and at the age of twenty-one became a judge of the Superior Court of New York and New Jersey. He became a member of the governor's council, and bitterly opposed Lord Cornbury. As a member of the Assembly he was the author of the complaint against his lordship which was formulated by that body, and he in person presented it to Queen Anne. It was mainly through his endeavors that the division was effected between New York and New Jersey in 1738, and he became governor of the latter, holding the office until his death at Kingsbury, New Jersey, May 21, 1746. Colonel Hamilton again became invested with the chief authority, occasioned by the vacancy due to the death of Governor Morris, but he had for a long time been very infirm, and before the close of the year he also died, and was succeeded by the next oldest councillor, John Reading.

The vacancy caused by the death of Governor Morris was filled by the appointment of Jonathan Belcher. His predecessor in office resided in Trenton, New Jersey, Governor Belcher chose Elizabethtown as his place of abode, it offering more attractions than Perth Amboy. The newly appointed executive by birth was a New Englander, his grandfather, Andrew Belcher, being on record as early as 1646 at Cambridge, Massachusetts. His father, a second Andrew, was a provincial counselor, a man of wealth. At Cambridge, on January 8, 1682, the governor was born, spending his early life among surroundings of wealth and culture. A graduate of Harvard College, he sailed for Europe and spent six years amidst the court life of the Electorate of Hanover, where he made the acquaintance of the future George I. of England. Retiring to New England, he became engaged in mercantile trade, and in 1729 was sent to England as the agent of the Massachusetts Colony. He returned to Boston the following year with a commission appointing him governor of Massachusetts and New Hampshire.

Governor Belcher in his early life was not bred to the ways of economy, therefore in his manhood days he spent money with a prodigal hand and an elegant liberality. A man of society and of the world, he loved intrigue, and he attempted to instill into politics some of the methods of trade. This brought him into contention with the Legislature of Massachusetts; his insistence for a fixed salary as governor was opposed by the people. This difference of opinion was submitted to the British courts and the governor was fully vindicated. He then was

ffered the appointment of governor for New Jersey, which he accepted in 1747, landing at Perth Amboy from the British man-of-war "Scarborough" on the morning of August 8 of that year. Governor Belcher maintained a successful administration for a decade of years, which was terminated by his death at Elizabethtown, August 31, 1757. He was a benevolent patron of the College of New Jersey, and to that institution he left his extensive library.

The next governor of New Jersey was Sir Francis Bernard, educated at Oxford University. At the time of his appointment he was engaged in the profession of law in London. He landed at Perth Amboy from His Majesty's ship "Terrible," June 14, 1758. His administration was of short duration, but received the warm approbation of the people of New Jersey. He was transferred to become governor of Massachusetts, and left Perth Amboy, where he had resided during the term of his office, in the month of July, 1760, for his new assignment.

Thomas Boone, appointed to succeed Governor Bernard, reached Perth Amboy by land from New York, July 3, 1760. The ensuing day the oath of office was administered and his commission was published with the usual formalities. There was nothing important in the matter of legislation during Governor Boone's brief term. On June 18, 1761, it was announced in New York that Governor Boone had been on April 14, 1761, appointed to the chief authority in the province of South Carolina.

His successor, Josiah Hardy, arrived at New York on His Majesty's ship "Alcide," October 22, 1761, and he was met seven days later on his landing at Elizabethtown Point on his way to Perth Amboy by Governor Booth, Lord Stirling, the members of the council, gentlemen and magistrates of the borough of Elizabethtown, with a military escort commanded by Captains Terrill and Parker. Though the governor met the legislature at four different sessions, but little of any important legislation was passed. Owing to some differences arising between his superiors in England relative to the appointment of judges, he was recalled in 1763 and gave place to William Franklin, the last of the colonial governors of New Jersey.

The birth of this last royal governor of New Jersey is shrouded in mystery; that it took place somewhere in the province of Pennsylvania is undisputable. The year is commonly acknowledged to be 1731, and that he was the only son, and illegitimate at that, of the noted patriot, Benjamin Franklin, is an established fact. Of his maternal parentage nothing is known; whether he received a mother's care and love is not a matter of record. The sage philosopher in writing of his son in 1750 says, "Will is now nineteen years of age, a tall, proper youth, and much of a beau. He acquired a habit of idleness in the expedition, but begins of late to apply himself to business, and I hope will become an indus-

trious man. He imagined his father had got enough for him, but I assured him that I intend to spend what little I have for myself, if it please God that I live long enough; and as he by no means wants acuteness, he can see by my going on that I mean to be as good as my word." The expedition alluded to was one or more campaigns in which the younger Franklin served in the Pennsylvania forces on the northern frontiers before he was of age, rising from a subordinate position to the rank of captain. On his return to Philadelphia from his military exploits, he became in a great degree a companion and assistant of his father in his various scientific and professional pursuits, and subsequently himself entered into official life. He acted as comptroller of the General Post Office, also was clerk of the Provincial Assembly, and when his father was sent to the frontiers of Pennsylvania to build forts accompanied him. Dr. Franklin was appointed in June, 1757, colonial agent at London, and his son sailed with him for Europe.

Young Franklin on his arrival in London entered upon the study of law in the Middle Temple, and was called to the bar in 1758. His travels with his father through England, Scotland, Flanders and Holland, gave him the opportunity of improving his mental and personal attainments which such favorable circumstances naturally afforded. Like his father, his society was courted by men of the highest literary and scientific acquirements, therefore he could not help to imbibe in such environments a taste for similar pursuits, and we find that when the University of Oxford conferred upon his talented father the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws for great proficiency in the natural sciences, the son was thought worthy of that of Master of Arts for having distinguished himself in the same branches of knowledge.

It was in August, 1762, that he was appointed through the influence of Lord Bute, without any solicitation on the part of his father, governor of New Jersey. He had previously undergone a close examination by Lord Halifax, Minister of American Affairs, who deemed it advisable on account of his colonial birth and youth, he at that time being only thirty years of age. Governor Franklin arrived with his bride, Miss Elizabeth Downs, at the Delaware river, in February, 1763, and arrived at Perth Amboy on the 24th. He first took lodgings at Burlington, and finally took up his permanent residence there until October, 1774, when he removed to Perth Amboy. Almost immediately after his entrance upon his duties in New Jersey, the attitude of the British ministry towards the colonies began to excite the people. Governor Franklin was favorably disposed towards the colonies as long as no direct opposition to the authority of Parliament was manifested. He was visited by his father in 1775, who zealously strove to draw him over to the side of the colonies; their conversations at times exhibited a degree of warmth not favorable to continued harmonious intercourse, but each failed to convince the other of the impropriety of the course he was pursuing.

The son, however, followed his father's advice in avoiding duplicity, for he did not hesitate to give manifest tokens of his determination to rise or fall with the royal cause.

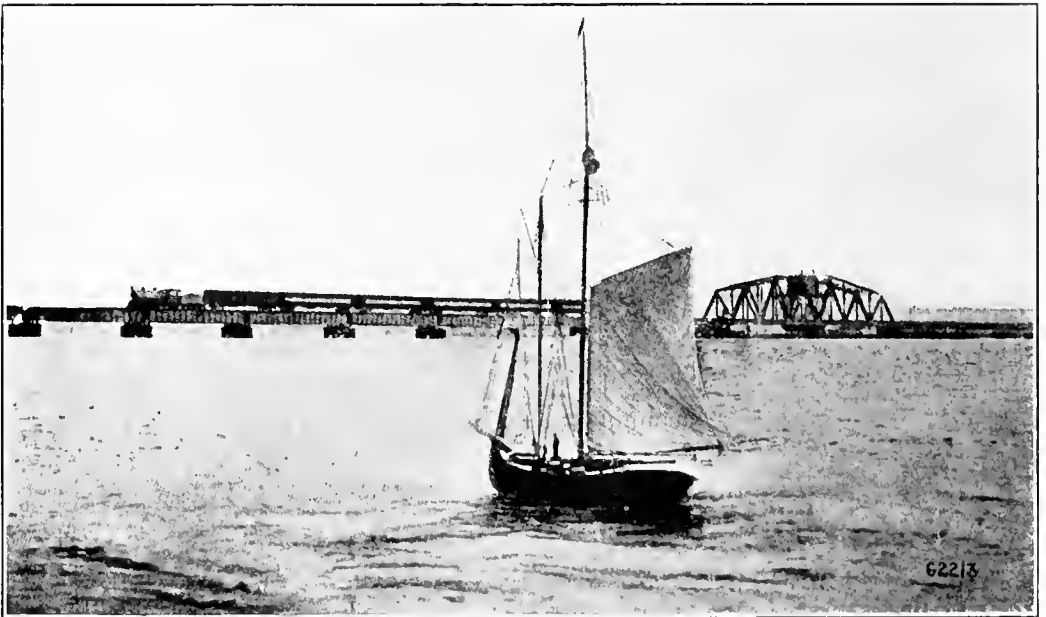
The contentions between the royal governor and provincial convention or congress continued with exasperating bitterness until finally that body decreed that no further payments should be made on account of salary to the governor, and an order was issued for his arrest. A detachment of militia under the command of Colonel (afterwards General) Heard made the arrest at Perth Amboy, June 17, 1776, Governor Franklin being presented with a parole which he indignantly refused to sign: a guard of sixty men was placed around the executive's residence until communication could be had with the convention. That body informed the Continental Congress of the arrest, asking what disposition to make of the offender. Under date of June 24, 1776, the Continental Congress placed William Franklin under charge of Governor Trumbull of Connecticut, to be treated agreeable to the resolutions of Congress respecting prisoners. Governor Trumbull accepted the charge, and Franklin was quartered in the house of Captain Ebenezer Grant, at East Windsor. Here he remained a prisoner two years and four months, an exchange being at that time effected, and he arrived in New York, November 1, 1778. He was a resident of New York until in August, 1782, he sailed for England. In consideration of the losses he had been subjected to, £1,800 was granted to him by the British government, and he was allowed in addition a yearly pension of £800. His death occurred November 17, 1813.

Thus ends a mortal career whose birth placed a bar sinister on the Franklin coat-of-arms. He must have inherited from his maternal ancestor his opposition to the rights of the people, for self-government and independence were advocated by his sire. That he was of American birth and descent makes his professed loyalty to the King more offensive to the average American reader. Benjamin West, in his picture representing the "Reception of the American Royalists by Great Britain in the year 1783," makes Franklin one of the prominent personages at the head of a group of figures, and in a description of the picture he is mentioned as having "preserved his fidelity and loyalty to his sovereign from the commencement to the conclusion of the contest, notwithstanding powerful incitements to the contrary." Thus his disloyalty to American independence is flouted to the world. How different in contrast to that other arch traitor, Benedict Arnold, who a few days before his death, clothing himself in his old Continental uniform, on his bended knees asked God's forgiveness for ever wearing any other. Thus has been imperfectly sketched the career of the proprietaries and colonial governors, from the little that is now known respecting the characters, habits, attainments or adventures of the incumbents of the executive office of the province of New Jersey.





RARITAN BAY



RAILROAD BRIDGE

CHAPTER VII.

THE ORGANIZATION OF THE COUNTY.

The Dutch at New Netherland took the first steps for civil organization of East Jersey. They established in 1661 the jurisdiction of the incorporated town of Bergen over the outlying and contiguous plantations on the west side of the Hudson river. The courts of Bergen under the supreme authority of the director-general and council of Manhattan were sufficient to meet all requirements of local administration over so limited a district of country, and were continued for more than a decade after the English came into possession of the country.

In the meantime a sufficient population had settled about Newark bay, along the Passaic, the Raritan, and southward to the Highlands of the Navesink, to foreshadow in outline at least the necessity for erecting four original counties in East Jersey. The Legislature of 1675 enacted that Elizabethtown and Newark make a county; Bergen and adjacent plantations be a county; Woodbridge and Piscataqua be a county; and that the two towns, Middletown and Shrewsbury at Navesink, make a county. By this act the incipient counties were neither named nor their limits defined. Seven years later a more definite division was made. The General Assembly of East Jersey convened at Elizabethtown in 1682 passed an act erecting the counties of Bergen, Essex, Middlesex and Monmouth. The preamble for the erection of these counties states the following: "Having taken into consideration the necessity of dividing the province into respective counties for the better governing and settling of courts in the same," etc.

Middlesex county by the legislative act of 1682 was to begin from the parting line between Essex county and Woodbridge, containing Woodbridge and Piscataway and all the plantations on both sides of the Raritan river as far as the Delaware river eastward, extending southwest to the division line of the province, and northwest to the utmost bounds of the county.)

By an act of the Assembly in March, 1688, Somerset county was incorporated. The territory thus taken from Middlesex county was its western border lands, the Raritan river forming part of the boundary lines. The reason given for this division was that those engaged in husbandry and manuring of lands in the valley of the uppermost part of the Raritan river were forced by different ways and methods from the other farmers and inhabitants of the county of Middlesex, because of the frequent floods that carry away their fences on their meadows, the only available land they have, and so by consequence their interest is divided from the other inhabitants of the county. This division,

however, was merely nominal, and in 1709-10, by an act of the Assembly, Somerset was continued subjected to the jurisdiction of the courts and officers of Middlesex county for the want of a competent number of inhabitants to hold court and for juries. Courts continued to be held in Middlesex for the two counties as late as 1720, when Somerset county courts were duly organized.

There have been a number of acts passed by the Legislature in reference to regulating the boundary lines of Middlesex county. On January 31, 1709-10, an act was passed determining the boundaries of the several counties. This act was supplemented March 15, 1713, setting the boundaries between Somerset, Middlesex and Monmouth counties, in which the line between Somerset and Middlesex should begin with the road crossing the Raritan at Inian's Ferry, thence to run along a road leading to the falls of the Delaware as far as the partition line between East and West Jersey.

In accordance with this act, Somerset county extended down one side of the present Albany street, New Brunswick. This, however, by an act passed November 24, 1790, was altered, the boundary line between the two counties being established by the lands and tenements northward of the Raritan river to be annexed to Somerset county, while those south of the river were to become a part of Middlesex county. This act made the middle of the main road from New Brunswick to Trenton the boundary line between Middlesex and Somerset counties.

The easterly bounds of Middlesex county, by an act passed November 28, 1822, were declared to be the middle or midway of the waters of the Staten Island Sound, adjoining same, to the middle of the channel of the waters of the Sound, with the waters of Raritan river, thence to the eastward of the flat or shoal which extends from South Amboy to the mouth of Whale creek, the beginning of the bounds of the counties of Middlesex and Monmouth.

A part of Middlesex with a portion of the counties of Hunterdon and Burlington was taken by an act dated February 22, 1838, to form the county of Mercer.

By acts of the Legislature, the western boundary of Middlesex county in the towns of North Brunswick and South Brunswick were made to conform in 1855 and 1858 with a turnpike road extending from Little Rocky Hill to New Brunswick. A part of the township of Woodbridge, by an act of February 16, 1860, within the limits of the city of Rahway, was annexed to Union county, and April 5, 1871, by another act a portion of Plainfield in Union county was annexed to the township of Piscataway in Middlesex county.

The first act dividing the newly organized counties into townships was passed in 1693. The division in Middlesex county was into the incorporated town of Woodbridge, the townships of Perth Amboy, then

known as Perth, and Piscataway. These townships were not definitely defined in relation to their boundaries, and were merely settlements in a wide area of territory. Soon after this, nearly contemporary with the organization of its sister townships, North Brunswick, South Amboy and South Brunswick were invested with township honors. These three townships embraced all of the present area of Middlesex county south of the Raritan river, the township of South Amboy consisting of the eastern portion of that territory which was bounded by the seacoast and Monmouth county; west of the South river, near the geographical center of the present county, was the northeast boundary line of the town of North Brunswick, which extended westward to the division line of Somerset county. Its southerly line, which divided it from the newly erected town of South Brunswick, located in the southwest corner of the present county limits, was very irregular in shape.

The civil divisions of the county, consisting of these five townships and the cities of New Brunswick and Perth Amboy, remained undisturbed until February 23, 1838, when the southernmost portion of the town of South Amboy, about eight miles long and six wide, was erected by the Legislature into the township of Monroe. At this period the county had obtained a population of 21,894 outside of New Brunswick, divided as follows: At Perth Amboy, 1303; in the township of South Amboy, the population was 1,825; the village of the same name, situated on a safe and deep harbor on Raritan bay at the mouth of the Raritan river, twelve miles below New Brunswick, was one of the terminals of the Camden & Amboy railroad. The village contained an academy and about twenty-five dwellings. Seven miles southwest of South Amboy, on the line of the railroad, was Old Bridge, on the South river, a hamlet of about thirty-five dwellings. From this point large quantities of pine and oak wood were shipped to New York City. In the same township was Jacksonville, at the head of Cheesequake creek, where were a Baptist and Methodist church, and about fifteen dwellings.

The township of North Brunswick was about eight miles long and seven miles broad, with a population of 5,860. The city of New Brunswick, which was incorporated in 1784, lay partly in the town of North Brunswick and partly in the township of Franklin in Somerset county. The shores of the Raritan river at this point were connected by a toll-bridge which was built in 1811 at the expense of \$86,687, which had become dilapidated, therefore of little use; and by the railroad bridge of the New Jersey railroad, which passed through the city, forming a part of the chain of railroads from New York to Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington. New Brunswick had a population of 8,693, and was the seat of Rutgers College; it contained eight churches, two female seminaries, one bank, about one hundred and twenty stores, and eight hundred dwellings. Four miles southeast of New Brunswick was the village

of Washington, at the confluence of the South river with the Raritan. It contained about fifty dwellings, and in summer steamers plied between there and New York with produce of the county.

The township of South Brunswick, about eight miles long and seven miles broad, had a population of 2,797. In the northeast corner of the township, at the intersection of the Delaware and Raritan canal with the New York and Philadelphia turnpike, was the village of Kingston. In the stagecoach days, Kingston, being on the great thoroughfare between New York and the South, was a favorite stopping place. In olden times in front of Withington's Inn and the Vantilburgh Tavern, there were seen halted at the same time nearly fifty stages loaded with about four hundred passengers. Vantilburgh's Tavern was long known as a favorite stopping place for Washington and the governors of New Jersey in passing from the eastern towns to the State capital. It was at this village that Washington and his army, the day of the battle of Princeton, eluded the enemy in pursuit by filing off the main road to the left of the church, while the British continued on the New Brunswick road, thinking the American army had gone to that place to destroy their winter stores. Cranbury, partly in Monroe township, was a village built on a single street, containing two Presbyterian churches, two academies, seventy-three dwellings, and about six hundred inhabitants. Crossroads and Plainsborough were hamlets, the former containing two taverns, two stores, and about fifteen dwellings; the latter, a store, a tavern, gristmill and a few dwellings.

Monroe, the newly organized township, was about eight miles long and six miles wide, with a population of 2,453. Spotswood, on the railroad, ten miles from South Amboy, was a village containing three stores, a grist and saw mill, two churches and fifty-two dwellings.

The population of Piscataway was 2,828, and its incorporated limits were about eight miles long and six miles wide. The village of New Market, formerly Quibblestown, situated towards the northwest corner of the township, was a post-town of some fifteen or twenty houses. Piscataway, about three miles east of New Brunswick, was originally an old Indian village; in early days it was a seat of justice for Middlesex and Somerset counties; it contained a church and about a dozen dwellings. The small village of Raritan Landing, two miles above New Brunswick, where there was a bridge across the Raritan river, contained several stores and from twenty-five to thirty dwellings.

The ancient township of Woodbridge had an area of ten miles in breadth east and west and nine miles north and south, having a population of 4,821. Metuchen and Uniontown, on the line of the New Jersey railroad, contained a few dwellings. Rahway, on the border line of Essex county, was a flourishing village. Woodbridge, nine miles north-east from New Brunswick, contained three churches, an academy, a

grist and saw mill, an extensive pottery, and fifty dwellings. Bonhamtown was a small gathering of dwellings.

Thus we review in retrospect a small portion of a vast republic. Four score of years have rolled away. The manners and customs of the descendants of those worthy pioneers who made the forests bloom into cultivated fields, have gone to their last resting place. Their sons and daughters in most cases have strayed away from the old homesteads to the more diverting and alluring life in the busy marts of the country, their places taken by the aliens of other lands who left the vexatious tribulations of their native homes in the Old World for betterment and success in the New World.

In the place of the worthy pioneer traveling the dirt highway with his horse and wagon, is heard the buzz and whiz of the ever-destructive automobile propelled by the refined product of nature's oil, speeding over the macadamized way with lightning rapidity. The humming of a motor is brought to our ears, and as we raise our eyes skyward, instead of viewing and hearing the song and notes of a feathered visitor, we are greeted with the fast-disappearing aeroplane.

There were no further sub-divisions of Middlesex county until February 28, 1860, when East Brunswick was incorporated from parts of the townships North Brunswick and Monroe. On the same day, by an act of the Assembly, New Brunswick was separated from North Brunswick, which had been known since 1803 as the North Ward of New Brunswick. The next township to be organized was Madison, from South Amboy, March 3, 1869. The following year, on March 17, Raritan became a township, its territory being taken from Woodbridge and Piscataway. The township of Cranbury was formed from a part of South Brunswick and Monroe, March 7, 1872, and twelve hundred and fifty acres of the township of South Amboy was incorporated April 6, 1876, as the township of Sayreville.

The first courthouse and jail in Middlesex county was erected at Perth Amboy. In the proprietary minutes under date of May 14, 1685, it was ordered that a town house be built, stipulating it should be erected on a lot owned by one Thomas Warne. The location of this lot is uncertain, but it was probably one running through from High street to Water street, in the new town of Perth. In April, 1696, £20 was voted to Mr. Warne to release this lot again. However, previous to this, Thomas Gordon was directed to fit up one of the old houses of the proprietaries for a courthouse. Whether this was occupied under the royal provincial government is not known.

An act was passed in 1713 for building and repairing jails and courthouses in the province, and Amboy was designated as the site for the jail and courthouse of Middlesex county. The building erected in conformity with this act stood on the northeast corner of High street and

the public square, and served for both tries and tried, the prison being under the same roof with the courthouse. It was also used for legislative purposes from Governor Hunter's to Governor Franklin's administrations inclusive. It was destroyed by fire in 1765-66, accidentally, it is said, in the act providing for the erection of another. The second courthouse was erected June 28, 1766, on land donated by the inhabitants of Perth Amboy. It was a two-story building adorned with a cupola or belfry. This structure was used until the transfer of the county seat to New Brunswick, afterwards became a school house, but eventually passed into private hands. The jail authorized by the same act was finished at an expense of £200 in 1767. It was also a two-story building containing rooms for the keeper's family, in addition to those for prisoners. The city authorities of Perth Amboy ordered its destruction in 1826.

In the early part of January, 1793, a matter of local interest was the question "where shall our new courthouse be situated?" The change of the county seat of Middlesex county had been sanctioned by the Legislature, and the two rivals for the honor and profit were Perth Amboy and New Brunswick. The former claimed for a matter of economy the courthouse should be erected in that city, which already had a suitable building, that it was a free port of entry, and that they were willing to transport officials, witnesses, and those interested in matters brought before the court, free of charge across the ferry, from Perth Amboy to South Amboy. New Brunswick was not behind hand in its offer, claiming to be the largest town, on the line of a stage route, the center of a prosperous agricultural country; that the business done far exceeded Perth Amboy, and on the question of finance they were willing to contribute £300 for the building of a new courthouse in that city. The election was held March 10, 1793, and though there were 2,540 ballots cast, as late as nine days afterwards only 1,900 of these had been counted, of which New Brunswick had 980 and Perth Amboy 900; this seems, however, to have settled the contest, as New Brunswick became the county seat.

The common council of New Brunswick, April 29, 1793, assessed the inhabitants of the city for the £300 promised for the construction of a new courthouse. A number of the citizens who were residents of Somerset county refused to pay the taxes thus levied, and in the case of one delinquent his goods were attached. The case was carried to the Supreme Court, and at a session of this body at the November term, in 1796. Chief Justice Kinsey delivered the opinion of the court. The judgment of the court below was affirmed, that the corporation ordinance and tax were illegal, that its effect was to compel inhabitants of the Somerset side of the city, who had to build and maintain a courthouse of their own, to assist in defraying the expenses of a public building

in another county. The Chief Justice reiterates, "for these reasons alone, without entering into the peculiar circumstances which in the case furnish strong suspicions of intentional and premeditated deceptions in this double-faced transaction, we are of the opinion that the vote of the 2nd of February, 1793, imposing a tax of £300 upon the citizens of New Brunswick for purposes set forth, was illegal and void, and of consequence the assessment of it; the ordinance directing the time of payment, the duplicates and warrants of distress, having no valid foundation, are all likewise void."

The decision of the Supreme Court did not, however, interfere with New Brunswick becoming the county seat. A court of common pleas had been held in that city since 1778, and £100 was expended on the Barracks, situated on the west side of George street near Paterson street, where soldiers were quartered during the Revolution. The barracks were destroyed by fire in 1794, and in that year the "Union" or Old City Hall, corner of Neilson and Bayard streets, was built and used for a courthouse, while a jail was erected on the site of the Bayard street public school. This building was utilized till about 1840, when the present courthouse was built, the sum of \$30,000 being obtained from the State, borrowed from the "Surplus Revenue Fund" to aid in its completion. The present building has been remodeled and renovated at different times, making a commodious and substantial building for the transaction of the official business of the county.



CHAPTER VIII.

EAST AND WEST JERSEY.

Lord Berkeley disposed of his interests in the proprietorship of New Jersey to John Fenwick and Edward Byllinge, both members of the Society of Friends. Fenwick in 1675 established a Quaker settlement at Salem, near the Delaware river, and claimed authority as chief proprietor over all parts of New Jersey southwest of a line drawn from Little Egg Harbor to a point on the Delaware river in the forty-first degree of north latitude. For a number of years the province was divided into East Jersey, with its capital at Perth Amboy; and West Jersey, having as its capital Burlington.

The two Quaker proprietors of West Jersey quarreled about their respective rights; the tenets of their sect forbade them to go to law for an adjustment of their differences, and William Penn, the founder of Pennsylvania, was called into the matter as an arbitrator. This was the first introduction of that prominent member of the Society of Friends in the affairs of America. Byllinge, being burdened with debts, assigned his interests to his creditors, and the greater part of the right and title in West Jersey fell into the hands of William Penn, Gawen Lawrie, and Nicholas Lucas. The matter of ownership of the lands in the province of New Jersey became complicated. Lord Berkeley had sold his individual half of the colony, and negotiations were entered into between Sir George Carteret on the one side, and Penn, Lawrie, Fenwick and Lucas, on the other side, to divide the province into two great portions. Finally on July 1, 1676, (O. S.) a deed was executed. East Jersey was to include all that portion lying northeast of a straight drawn line from Little Egg Harbor to the northernmost boundary of the province on the Delaware river, and West Jersey was to consist of all the rest of the province granted by the Duke of York. West Jersey was divided into one hundred parts, ten of which were set aside for Fenwick, the balance to be disposed of for the benefit of Byllinge's creditors.

Disputes having arisen between Governor Carteret and Governor Andros of New York, who claimed political jurisdiction over the province of New Jersey in the name of the Duke of York, Carteret declined to negotiate with Governor Andros, and the Assembly of New Jersey reluctantly accepted the Duke's laws. Complaints were laid before the Duke and the case was referred to the Duke's commissioners, who on legal advice being taken, decided that the original grant reserved no jurisdiction and that none could be rightfully claimed. Therefore, the Duke signed documents relinquishing all rights over East and West Jersey.

The heirs of Sir George Carteret in 1682 sold their rights in East Jersey to a society of Quakers under the leadership of William Penn,

who had been encouraged by their success in West Jersey. The progress of the province had been rapid, a smelting furnace and forge were in operation making good iron; horses, beef, pork, butter, cheese, pipe staves, breads, flour, wheat, barley, rye, and Indian corn, were exported to Barbados, Jamaica and other adjacent islands, also to Portugal, Spain, the Canaries, etc.; whale oil, whale fins, beaver, mink, raccoon and martin furs were sent to England.

The proprietor interests acquired by the Society of Friends induced members of that sect to emigrate to the province. Monthly meetings were held in East Jersey as early as 1686 at Perth Amboy and Woodbridge. Their meeting houses were, however, demolished about the Revolutionary times, and in their old burying grounds in Woodbridge sleep the first of the sect in East Jersey. This burial ground in 1784 was sold to the Methodist Episcopal church.

Commissioners to determine the direction of the boundary line between East and West Jersey were not appointed until ten years after the deed of partition was drawn up. They were William Emly of Amwell, West Jersey, and John Reid, the deputy surveyor-general of the eastern portion of the province. Reid was a resident of the town of Perth, and was sent to America by the proprietaries in 1683 as a surveyor. It is said he was a gardener in his native country; he was repeatedly a member of the Assembly, and in 1702 was appointed surveyor-general. He subsequently removed to Monmouth county and lived on a tract known as "Hortensia," on the east branch of the Hop river.

The commissioners did not seem to be governed at all by the deed of partition, but determined the direction of the line according to their own arbitrary pleasure. The deputy governor and several of the proprietors of West Jersey, however, acquiesced in their award and placed themselves under bonds in the sum of £5,000 to abide by the final decision. The next step was the actual running out of the line. The East Jersey proprietors and officials became anxious and appointed commissioners to wait upon the authorities of West Jersey to remind them of their contract and hurry their tardy steps so to have the line run as speedily as possible. In 1687 the line as far as a point on the south branch of the Raritan was surveyed to the present boundary line between Somerset and Hunterdon counties, therefore, not to the Delaware river. To meet the conditions of the original agreement, a surveyor, George Keith, was furnished by the East Jersey authorities. Keith was a native of Aberdeen, Scotland, an eminent Quaker, although originally a Scotch Presbyterian. He became acquainted with the leading Scotch proprietaries in his native land by teaching a son of Governor Barclay at Theobalds, Scotland. The proprietaries appointed him in 1684 surveyor-general, and he reached the

province the following year. He was induced by the Quakers of Philadelphia in 1689 to leave Freehold, New Jersey, of which settlement he was the founder, to accept the superintendence of a school at that place. He did not, however, remain in this humble situation, but became among the Quakers a public speaker in their religious assemblies. Possessing quick natural talents improved by considerable literary attainments, he was acute in argument, ready and able in logical disputations and discussions of distinction in theological matters, but having great self-esteem he was apt to indulge in an overbearing disposition. His peculiarities of mind and temperament naturally made him assume the post of leader, and through his talents and energy he gathered around him followers in whom he inculcated an increased attention to plainness of garb and language and other points of discipline. With these religious tenets he connected the political doctrines of the abandonment of all forcible measures to uphold secular or worldly government, and the emancipation of negroes after a reasonable term of service.

These advanced doctrines caused a serious division in the Society of Friends, and as they did not meet with the general acceptance Keith expected, he became captious and indulged in censure and reproach, declaring only those that associated with him were true Quakers. Keith was charged with exercising an overbearing temper, also an unchristian disposition of mind in disparaging many of the Society of Friends, and his conduct was publicly denounced. His appeal to the general meeting of Friends at Burlington, as well as to the yearly meeting at London, where he appeared in person, and where his behavior was such as led to approval of the proceedings against him, brought his authority and influence to an end. Retaining a number of adherents in England, Keith abjured the doctrines of the Quakers and became a zealous clergyman of the Established Church of England. After officiating some time in the mother country, in 1702 he returned to America as a missionary from the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel. He preached in all the colonies from Massachusetts to North Carolina, his labors being very successful in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and New York, where a large number of Quakers became converted to the doctrines and discipline of the Church of England. He returned to England and received a benefice in Sussex, where he continued until his death to write against the doctrines of the Quakers.

The partition line as run by Keith was not approved by some of the West Jersey proprietors, though the award subsequently received the sanction and approval of William Penn. Governor Coxe, of West Jersey, a just and public-spirited man, above the imputation of mere self-interest, claimed that East Jersey was getting the lion's share of the award. He openly repudiated the Emly and Reid award, and soon brought all the West Jersey proprietors to his way of thinking, with the exception

of William Penn. The East Jersey proprietors began to take up lands at various places near the pretended line of partition, which Governor Coxe protested against, and ordered the surveyor of West Jersey to take up in the name of that province all lands west of the Millstone and Raritan rivers. This would include lands within three miles of Perth Amboy, the town of Piscataway, and Inian's Ferry.

The controversy over the lands continued until a compromise was effected by Governor Coxe and Barclay in London, September 5, 1688, each binding himself to fulfill the covenant in the sum of £5,000. The compromise partition line extended from the southwestern terminus of the Keith line to the north branch of the Raritan (called Pepack branch), a distance of about sixty miles; from there up the north branch to near its head, following what is now the boundary line between Somerset and Morris counties and coinciding with that line at the point where it strikes the Passaic river; thence it follows the Passaic, first southward and then northward to the mouth of Pequannock, and after ascending that stream to latitude 41° , turned directly east, running parallel to the Hudson river. The boundary line between New York and New Jersey had not at this time been finally determined, and was not for nearly seventy-five years afterwards.

The compromise line continued to be the accepted partition line between the two provinces until 1743. An act was passed by the Legislature in 1719 appointing a commission to ascertain and determine the northern station point described in the grant of the Duke of York. According to the quintipartite agreement, the divisional line from the east side of Little Egg Harbor was to terminate on the Delaware river in latitude $41^{\circ} 40'$. This commission decided that at the Fishkill, the northernmost branch of the Delaware river, on its east bank, at an Indian village called Casheightouch, was the north partition or division point between the provinces of New York and New Jersey, likewise between the eastern and western division of the latter province. This report and action of the commissioners and surveyors was fully concurred in, and ratified by the proprietors of the two New Jersey provinces. Though the West Jersey proprietors were anxious to run this new partition line, they lacked the necessary funds to pay their share of the expense. After many years of delay the East Jersey proprietors in 1743 assumed the responsibility of the expense and employed John Lawrence to run the division line. In running the partition line, Lawrence started on the east side of Little Egg Harbor and ran a random line to Cocheton; he then found the station point established in 1719, and taking his bearings, returned, making his corrections and marking the true line southward to the place of beginning. The line trees in the random line were marked with three notches on two sides. The side trees were marked with one blaze looking toward the lines. The mile trees were

marked respectively with the number of each mile and with three notches on four sides.

The establishment of the new partition line between the eastern and western divisions of New Jersey was to unsettle many titles of lands given by the respective proprietors. Many grants made by the West Jersey proprietors were found to be in East Jersey and *vice versa*. It was, however, mutually agreed that in such instances the equivalent should be given to the owners of unsurveyed land, on the other side of the partition line.

The quintipartite division, by which name it became known, was accepted and acquiesced in by the proprietors of both the eastern and western sections, until the time of the settlement in 1772 of the boundary line between New Jersey and New York. Three years after the establishment of the New Jersey and New York boundary line, the proprietors of the western division commenced to claim that the tripartite indenture agreed upon by the commissioners of New York and New Jersey expressly stipulated the north station point. The present boundary line between New York and New Jersey established the northwest boundary point at Carpenter's Point on the Delaware, thirty miles south of Cocheton, thereby over two hundred thousand acres of land were taken from New Jersey. Hence they alleged that at whatever point the boundary line between New York and New Jersey terminated on the Delaware river, the partition line should terminate there also. This was the origination of the proposed line of 1775, and in that year the proprietors of West Jersey petitioned the authorities of New Jersey that the partition line might be changed. This on account of the Revolutionary War was never acted upon by the Legislature. A petition of similar import and intent was presented to the Legislature in October, 1782. The proprietors of East Jersey remonstrated against this petition, claiming it would be more consonant to reason and equity, since by the late determination and decree of the boundary line between New York and New Jersey the proprietors of East Jersey should demand of the proprietors of West Jersey one hundred thousand acres, being one-half of the quantity cut off from their territory by the New York boundary line. The quantities of land according to the lines of partition fixed and proposed were as follows: The angle or gore which East Jersey lost in the controversy with New York, amounted to 210,000 acres; this left in what is now the State of New Jersey, 4,375,970 acres, the half of which is 2,187,985 acres. If the Keith line extended to the Delaware river was to be the line of partition, East Jersey would have contained 2,214,930 acres, West Jersey 2,161,040 acres, the average being in favor of East Jersey to the extent of 53,890 acres. By the Lawrence line, West Jersey contained 2,689,680 acres, while East Jersey contained 1,686,290 acres, a difference of

1,003,390 acres in favor of West Jersey. By the proposed line of 1775, West Jersey would have contained 3,119,260 acres, while the number of acres allotted to East Jersey would have been 1,256,710 acres, the difference in favor of West Jersey being 1,862,550 acres. There is no doubt, however, that there was more barren and unprofitable land in West Jersey than in the eastern division. The proprietors of West Jersey had divided their entire holdings amongst themselves except the rights of minors and people abroad, the amount in 1765 being estimated at 2,625,000 acres. East Jersey at this time was supposed to have located nearly 468,000 acres of good land, and 96,000 of pine lands. The rights in East Jersey sold for twenty shillings an acre for lands valuable for cultivation, and ten shillings an acre for pine lands, while in West Jersey the rights for a hundred acres could be obtained for from one hundred to one hundred and twenty shillings.

This closes the history of the partition division lines, which was the important controversy in the province of New Jersey in the eighteenth century. Reconveyance of land titles, the establishment of county and town boundary lines, caused the demarcation between East and West Jersey to become an instance of the past.



CHAPTER IX.

THE EARLY COURTS.

The first County Court of Middlesex county was held at Piscataway, June 19, 1683, Samuel Dennis presiding as president or judge, assisted by five assistants, namely: Edward Slater, James Giles, Captain John Bishop, Samuel Hall and Benjamin Hall. The clerk of the court was John Pike, Jr., and in accordance with the minutes there was but a single case tried at the town.

The second court was held at Woodbridge, September 18, 1683, and thereafter courts were held alternately at Piscataway and Woodbridge, until June 18, 1688, when a session was held for the first time at Amboy. From that time until 1699 the courts were held alternately at these three places. The minutes of the courts between 1699 and 1708 are defective, but in the latter year a Court of Sessions for the counties of Middlesex and Somerset was held at Perth Amboy, and for a long time after this date courts were held at that city only.

Stocks and whipping posts were used for punishment for crimes; criminal cases of theft were punished by fines double the value of the goods stolen. This method of dispensing justice was no doubt due to the fact that there were no jails for incarceration of the prisoners. The first grand jury by the minutes was empanelled September 16, 1684, at Woodbridge. John English, a servant of Hopewell Hull, of Piscataway, having met his death by drowning in the Raritan river, May 25, 1685, the coroner of the county, Samuel Hull, of Woodbridge, empanelled a coroner's jury and held an inquest. The jurors after due deliberation, rendered a verdict that water was the only cause of the late lamented servant's death.

The minutes of the court show that an indictment was presented by the grand jury against Captain John Bishop and Samuel Dennis for being the principals in a duel, but we have no evidence what punishment was inflicted on these disturbers of the peace of the community. Owing to the troubles incident to the close of the proprietary government, the courts appear not to have been regularly held. The last County Court convened at Perth Amboy on the third Tuesday of September, 1699. The first Court of Sessions for the county of Middlesex under the Queen Anne or the provincial government, of which there is any record, though royal commissions had been issued as early as 1703, was held at Perth Amboy on the second Tuesday of September, 1708, Peter Sonmans, Esq., presiding as judge; Cornelius Longfield, John Tuneson and John Drake, justices; and John Bishop Clark, clerk. Scarcely a session of the court was held but suits, petty and vexatious, oftentimes malignant, were brought by neighbors against each other,

while fornication, adultery and rape were a few among the many grosser crimes that were passed upon.

The first Court of Common Pleas to be held in New Brunswick was in January, 1778, and in the minutes of the court July 21, 1778, there is the first mention of a courthouse at that place, the barracks located on King street (now George) between Paterson and Bayard streets inclusive being used as a courthouse and jail for the county. The barrack buildings were built of stone, being one hundred feet front by sixty feet in depth.

Each town was obliged by law as early as 1668 to keep an "ordinary" or tavern for relief and entertainment of strangers, under a penalty of forty shillings for each month's neglect; the innkeepers alone were permitted to retail liquors in quantities less than two gallons. This quantity was however reduced in 1677 to one gallon, and in 1683 the innkeepers were debarred the privilege of recovering debts in excess of five shillings. The Assembly, however, authorized the keepers of "ordinaries" to retail strong liquors by the quart. These laws led to great exorbitances and drunkenness in several of the towns, occasioned by persons selling liquor in private houses. These abuses in 1692 led to the establishment of an excise law by the Legislature, which was, however, repealed the following year, and the licensing of retailers confined to the governor. Fines were inflicted for drunkenness, the penalty being one shilling, two shillings, two shillings and sixpence, for the first three offenses, with corporal punishment should the offender be unable to pay the fines; if unruly, he was put in the stocks until he became sober. The fines not being excessive, did not cause the check of intemperance, and in 1682 offenders were treated more rigorously; each offense incurred a fine of five shillings, and if not paid, the stocks received a tenant for six hours; constables for not performing their duties were fined ten shillings for each offense. The increase of punishment seems to have stimulated the vice, which may have been attributed to the removal of restrictions on the sale of liquors in small quantities.

The tavern rates were fixed by law, and as late as 1748, with the standard of money at eight shillings to the ounce, the following were the established prices:

| | Shillings | Pence |
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| Hot meal of meat, etc..... | | 10 |
| Cold meal of meat, etc. | | 7 |
| Lodging, per night | | 4 |
| Rum by the gill | | 4 |
| Brandy by the gill | | 6 |
| Wine by the quart | 2 | 8 |
| Strong beer by the quart | | 5 |
| Cider by the quart | | 4 |
| Methglin by the quart | 1 | 6 |

The observance of the Lord's Day was strictly enforced; all servile work was to be abstained from, also unlawful recreations and unneces-

sary traveling; disorderly conduct was punishable by confinement in the stocks, fines, imprisonment or whippings. Under the administrations of the royal governors many of these early prohibitions were modified, the use of ardent spirits began to be considered necessary. Keepers of public houses were not to allow "tippling on the Lord's Day, *except for necessary refreshments.*" The taking of God's name in vain was punishable by a shilling fine for each offense. This law was amended by a special act in 1682, the penalty being increased to two shillings and six pence; if not paid, the offender was to be placed in the stocks or whipped.

All prizes, stage-plays, games, masques, revels, bull-baitings, and cock-fights, which excited the people to rudeness, cruelty, looseness and irreligion, were discouraged, and punishable by courts of justice in accordance with the nature of the offense. The curfew laws were enforced; night-walkers or revellers after nine o'clock were to be secured by the constable till morning, and unless excused, to be bound over to appear at court. The resistance to lawful authority, by word or action, or the expression of disrespectful language referring to those in office, was made punishable either by fine, corporal punishment, and, previous to 1682, by banishment from the province. Liars were included as penal offenders; a second offense was punishable by a fine of twenty shillings, and if not paid, the culprit received corporal punishment or was put in the stocks. There was no established Thanksgiving days, like those introduced into New England in an early day. The General Assembly in 1676 designated the second Wednesday of November "a day of thanksgiving for God's mercy in preserving and continuing peace in the midst of wars around and about the province." "In consideration of the great deliverance of our nation from a horrid plot of the Papists to murder the King and destroy all the Protestants," a day of thanksgiving was celebrated November 26, 1679. By a proclamation of the governor, June 11, 1696, a day was appointed to celebrate by prayers the discovery of "an unsuccessful barbarous conspiracy of Papists against the life of William III." These three are all the thanksgiving days on record previous to the surrender of the government by the proprietors. Under the royal governors the first thanksgiving day there is any record of was November 28, 1750; a second one was October 24, 1760, to return thanks for successes in Canada; and a third was proclaimed August 25, 1763. The only fast day of which there is any notice extant previous to the Revolution, was April 25, 1760.

In the early part of the eighteenth century lotteries were prevalent throughout the colonies, schemes were introduced into New Jersey, and the Legislature in 1730 passed an act prohibiting both lotteries and raffling, as their frequency had given opportunity for ill-minded persons to cheat and defraud the honest inhabitants of the province. This act

referred more particularly to lotteries for the disposal of "goods, wares and merchandise." Those who were inimical to its provisions or who were blind to their deleterious influences, appear to have thought lotteries for money not affected by it, and in 1748 there was hardly a town that did not have some scheme on foot. At New Brunswick there was a lottery to relieve one Peter Cochran from imprisonment for debt; another at the same place was to complete a church and build a parsonage, the capital prize being £100. Johannes Ten Brook advertised at Raritan Landing in Piscataway township, a lottery, the prizes being real estate; another of the same kind was advertised by Peter Bodine, the prizes being 195 lots located at Raritan Landing, which was described "as a market for the most plentiful wheat country of its bigness in America." In the estimation of the Legislature "the ends did not sanctify the means," and towards the close of 1748 an act was passed deprecating the increase of lotteries and their attendant vices, "playing of cards and dice and other gaming for lucre or gain," and prohibiting the erection of any lottery within the province under heavy penalties. This act was evaded by having the lotteries drawn outside of the province. In 1758 the provincial government authorized a public lottery to raise money to purchase certain lands from the Indians. This example was immediately seized upon as giving a license to the practice again to an unlimited extent. In the year 1759 a lottery to raise £1,500 for the benefit of a church in New Brunswick was started. This lottery was to be drawn on "Biles Island," and the highest prize was £1,000. The Legislature again interposed in 1760 by an act to prevent "the sale of tickets in lotteries erected outside of the province, and to more effectually prevent gaming;" but with great inconsistency by the same act revived three public lotteries for the same object as that of 1758. Schemes appear to have decreased in some measures for a few years, but notwithstanding legislative enactments, means were found to evade the designs of the law-makers, and lotteries continued to exist more or less numerous until the Revolution.

The introduction of slavery in New Jersey was coeval with its settlement. There were no preventive measures adopted, and it is doubtful with the then prevailing views relative to the slave trade that any legal measures could have been devised for its prohibition. The Concessions of 1664-65 offered as an inducement to each freeman who would emigrate to Nova Cesarea one hundred and fifty acres for himself, and the same quantity of land for each able man-servant, and seventy-five acres for every weaker *servant* or *slave* over fourteen years of age that might accompany him. The quantity of land for the weaker servant or slave decreased in the three ensuing years, and in the third year the emigrant was entitled to only thirty acres of land for such dependents.

Whether any slaves were actually brought into New Jersey under the Concessions is doubtful, but if so they must have been few in

numbers, and after the government passed into the hands of subsequent proprietors it is uncertain if any were introduced. The East Jersey records do not designate any of the servants brought over as slaves, and in all real estate deeds the word is not made use of, which it would have been if there were slaves to receive a less quantity of land than other servants. Thus the proprietors cannot be charged with the encouragement of the importation of slaves at the period of settlement, although there is no doubt of the existence of slavery before the transfer of the province to the Crown. As early as 1696 the Quakers of New Jersey united with those of Pennsylvania to recommend to their own sect the propriety of no longer employing slaves, or at least to cease from further importation of them; this example does not appear to have been followed by other denominations of Christians.

Her Majesty Queen Anne's instructions to the first royal governor of New York and New Jersey, Lord Cornbury, was to stop any movements that interfered with the traffic in slaves, the Royal African Company being particularly brought to the notice of the governor as deserving encouragement, and that the province should have a constant and sufficient supply of merchantable negroes at moderate rates in money or commodities. At Perth Amboy there were barracks in which imported slaves were immured, and in almost every settlement the labor of the families with a very few exceptions was exclusively performed by black slaves. As late as 1776 it is stated there was but one household in Perth Amboy that was served by hired free white domestics.

An act was passed by the Legislature in March, 1714, which provided for the trial of negroes for murder and other capital offenses before three or more justices and five principal freeholders of the country, the pains of death to be suffered in such manner as the aggravation or enormity of their crimes in the judgment of the said justices and freeholders shall merit and require; although the mode of trial was changed in 1768, even then the manner in which death should be inflicted was not specified. There were several executions under this act; a negro man named Prince in 1729 was burned alive at Perth Amboy for the murder of William Cook, a white man. Perth Amboy was again, July 5, 1750, the scene of another of these judicial murders; the victims, two negroes, were burned alive for the murder of their mistress, Mrs. Obadiah Ayres. The execution took place in a ravine on the north side of the town, which became known afterwards as "Negro Gully," and was witnessed by the entire black population of the town, who were summoned from their homes, being obliged to be present in order that they might be deterred from the commission of like offenses. At a later period a negro was hung a short distance out of Perth Amboy for theft.

There were two or three risings amongst the negroes that disturbed the peace of the province. One occurred in the vicinity of the Raritan

in 1734, and as a punishment several of the ringleaders were hung. The design of the insurrection was to obtain their freedom by a general massacre, and then join the Indians in the interest of the French. An insurrection was anticipated in 1772, but was prevented by due precautionary measures.

The number of slaves in New Jersey in 1800 was 12,422, in the next decade the number had decreased to 10,851, and in that year in Woodbridge, with a population of 4,247, there were 230 slaves; Piscataway, with a population of 2,475, had 251 slaves. The Legislature on February 24, 1820, passed an act which gave freedom to every child born of slave parents subsequent to July 4, 1804, the males on arriving at twenty-five years of age, the females at twenty-one years of age. Under this act, slavery entirely disappeared from the State of New Jersey in the towns mentioned above, in Woodbridge, for instance, in 1840, while the free colored persons numbered 351 in a population of 4,821, the slaves enumerated were only seven. In Piscataway in the same year, the census reports record a population of 2,828, of which there were 298 free colored persons and only three slaves; at the taking of the next census a decade later, the slave element of each of these towns had entirely disappeared.



CHAPTER X.

STUDY OF THE SOIL.

The red shale drift in Middlesex county is a part of the great northern drift of the glacial epoch which covers nearly all of the northern territory of New Jersey. This portion is a part of the southern end of the great sheet covering the continent. The city of Perth Amboy stands on the southermost point of this particular drift bank. The red shale material, the predominating and characteristic constituent in the mass of drift, gives character to the surface of the country, the red shale cropping out in places. The soil has that peculiar purplish-red color which forms a marked contrast to the sandy soil towards the west and south. The forests in this drift area are quite different from those grown in the sandy gravelly loam surfaces. There are less chestnut and pine trees, which largely make up the woodlands south of the Raritan river.

The general outline of the drift in the country is from Staten Island Sound on the east to the Raritan river on the south, thence west to near Bonhamtown to the northerly limits of the country. There is no shale or sandstone to be found south of the Raritan river and east of the South river. The former at Perth Amboy divides the two surface formations. This drift is, however, of yellow sand and gravel at Ford's Corner and several points between that place and Perth Amboy. The matrix of this drift consists of red shale in the form of small fragments and a fine red earth. In this are found pebbles, cobblestones, boulders, and other rock masses. Fragments of red and bluish sandstone and trap-rocks are abundant. The surface of much of the area is remarkably uneven. The hills are irregular in outline and of uneven slope, sink-holes and small ponds are numerous. These irregularities of the surface are a prominent feature in the higher grounds west and southwest of Woodbridge. The thickness of the red shale drift does not exceed twenty feet, though in some places it reaches nearly one hundred feet. No organic remains have been discovered in this drift, although it has been largely excavated at several points.

The yellow sand and gravel includes the layers which form the surface materials or superficial covering of the clay district outside the boundaries of the red shale or northern drift which overlays it. The thickness of this surface formation varies from point to point even within the limits of a single clay bank. The materials of this sand and gravel formation are always stratified. The lines or layers of stratification sometimes are horizontal, but frequently they are wavy or gently undulating. The inclination of these layers is not uniform, the prevailing dip being towards the northwest. The sand and gravel generally alter-

nate, but somewhat irregularly, and in some places there are thick beds of sand without any lines of gravel; frequently a thin gravel stratum a few inches thick is seen lying immediately upon the clay. The sand is mostly of a fine white to a yellowish white granular quartz mass, which in some layers is mixed with earthy matter. On the north side of the Raritan there is less sand and a larger proportion of earth and gravel. The yellow sands are largely quartz in the form of grains and pebbles of white to yellowish transparent translucent chalcedonic varieties. Sometimes black grains of hornblende and very small grains of magnetite occur with the quartz; in some places these grains are cemented together by oxide of iron and make a stony mass. There is an absence of any quantities of spar and mica, and in the vicinity of Piscataway angular formation of red shale is quite abundant in the formation. Wherever the white sands of this formation constitute the surface, the soil is light and poor, and the timber is mainly yellow pine, chestnut and scrubby oak. The gravel has more earth in it and makes a firmer and better soil. The whole area of this sand and gravel formation is inferior to the red shale drift north of the Raritan river. This formation has been at times described as a drift, and must not be confounded with a glacial drift, as its origin is due to water. Its stratification, lines and layers indicate that flowing water, not ice, was the moving power.

The tidal meadows constitute the more recent alluvial formation, the red shale drift, sand or gravel, being under the meadow mud. The boundary lines of the meadows are easily traced, the alluvium resting unconformably upon the older formations. At a few points valuable clay has been found a few feet beneath the surface of the tide meadows, but the expense of development has retarded the utilization of only that near the upland border. Investigation has proved that the clay beds are continuous underneath the meadows and the Raritan river, therefore it is evident that they were deposited before the river cut its present channel to the sea.

The clay district of Middlesex county has been a source of great wealth and enterprise, and a factor in the industrial world. This district is confined to the extreme southerly part and ranging easterly, in the township of Woodbridge, to Staten Island Sound, thence it runs west and southwest into the township of Raritan to about a half mile north of Bonhamtown, thence in a southwesterly direction to Lawrence brook in the township of East Brunswick, which is its western limit. The southern boundary is not plainly marked, but runs in the direction of Jacksonville in Madison township to the Monmouth county line. On the northwest the clay district joins that of the red clay and sandstone and the frequent outcrops of the latter mark the location of the northern boundary easy and accurate. Towards the west the boundary is entirely arbitrary, but owing to geological formation is hard to determine, and

it is possible that it extends across the State in the direction of the Delaware river and beyond. In the flat and sandy country south of the South river and stretching east as far as Jacksonville, the yellow sand and gravel drift reaches down to tide level, so this must be considered the limit of the district where clay can be possibly dug, rather than the end of the beds. From Jacksonville to the bay shore the outcropping clay marl defines the southern margin of the clay district. The area of the clay district in Middlesex county which has been developed is in the neighborhood of seventy-five square miles, and it is estimated that in New Jersey and Staten Island the belt of country underlaid by the plastic clays includes an area of three hundred and twenty square miles, with the possibility that much other valuable clay land may in the future be profitably worked.

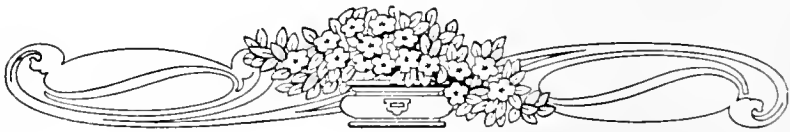
Although the clay district borders on the tide waters of Staten Island Sound and Raritan Bay, and is intersected by the tide waters of the Raritan and South rivers, it is not like the general Atlantic slope of the country, of a flat surface. On the contrary, the surface is uneven; north of the Raritan river the elevation exceeds thirty feet, fully one-third of it is over one hundred feet, and forty feet above tide water level.

The materials of the clay formation are earthy, and no rocky or stony layers or beds are found within it. Sometimes the sand and gravel are cemented with oxide of iron, so as to form a rough building stone; also, concretions of clay and oxide of iron of a stony hardness are found in some of the clay beds, but the layers of sand and clay of which the formation is made are all earthy and so soft that they can be dug with a spade. The whole formation is composed of a series of fire-clay, potter's clay, brick clay, sand and lignite. The thickness of a series of strata is nearly three hundred and fifty feet running parallel to each other, inclining towards the southeast with an average dip of about forty-five feet per mile.

The agricultural district of the country is under a high state of cultivation, the drainage being supplied by extensive waterways that traverse its surface. The soil is good tillable land, abounding in different places in gravel and containing much sandy and clayey loam. The surface is generally rolling and yields abundant crops of hay, cereals and vegetables, interspersed with orchards.

The mineral products of the country, if any, have not been developed. In the year 1748-50 several lumps of virgin copper from five to thirty pounds in weight were plowed up in a field within a quarter of a mile of New Brunswick. This discovery induced Elias Boudinot to take a lease of the land for ninety-nine years. He with several other gentlemen formed a partnership in 1751 and opened a pit about two hundred to three hundred yards from the Raritan. About fifteen feet deep the prospectors came upon a vein of bluish stone about two feet thick,

embedded between two loose bodies of red rock, covered with a sheet of pure virgin copper about the thickness of gold leaf. This bluish stone was filled with sparks of copper resembling filings, and here and there were large lumps of copper from five to thirty pounds in weight. They followed this vein for almost thirty feet, when, the pit filling with water, it became too expensive to work. A stamping mill was erected, the bluish stone was reduced to a powder washed in large tubs, resulting in the securing of tons of purest copper which was sent to England without passing through fire. The cost of labor was, however, too high to make the venture profitable. Sheets of copper three feet square on the average, having a thickness of a sixteenth of an inch, were taken from between the rocks within four feet of the surface. At the depth of fifty or sixty feet a body of solid ore was found in the midst of the bluish vein between rocks of flinty spar, but it was however worked out in a few days. Work on the mine was abandoned, though the vein at that time showed richer developments.



CHAPTER XI.

TRANSPORTATION.

The American Indians were endowed with the instincts of the engineer. The communicating paths they made were direct and skillfully selected for their combination of all the natural advantages that were required. If their paths crossed a stream, it was at the easiest and safest fording place, if they traversed a swamp, it was where there was permanent or solid ground; the hills were crossed at the easiest grade; in fact, they combined economy of labor and perseverance in every essential form. The Indian paths determined the location and course of the roads that were afterwards established by the early colonists.

The most notable path established by the Indians in New Jersey was known as the "Minisink Path." Its starting point was near the Navesink Hills, at the mouth of the Shrewsbury river or inlet in Monmouth county, thence running along the southern shore of Raritan bay in a northerly direction through Middletown to the Raritan river in Middlesex county, crossing at Kent's Neck near Crab Island about three miles above Perth Amboy. After crossing the Raritan, the path ran northwest to the headwaters of the Rahway river, reaching a point about six miles west of Elizabethtown Point, thence it ran a short distance due north, and for the remainder of its route north and northwest, passing over the mountains to the west of Springfield and Newark, traversing the whole of Morris and Essex counties to the Minisink Island in the Delaware river below Port Jervis, New York. The distance thus covered was about seventy-five miles. These were the favorite hunting grounds of the Minisinks. These grounds extended throughout the entire valley lying north of the Blue Mountains in Pennsylvania, stretching from the Wind Gap in that province to near the Hudson river in New York. This path the Indians located, making their periodical visits to the seacoast during the season of the oyster, clam and periwinkles, to obtain their shells for the manufacture of wampum. Besides this extensive path there were many others. One ran from Perth Amboy to New Brunswick, where it crossed the Raritan, proceeding westward through Six-Mile Run. There was also the "Old Burlington Path" from Shrewsbury southerly through Monmouth county, which afterwards became a part of the highway known as the "Lower Road."

The earliest description of a journey between the Raritan and Delaware rivers is obtained from an original Dutch manuscript in the possession of the Long Island Historical Society. Jasper Dankers and Peter Sluyter on December 29, 1679, started from the Falls of the Dela-

ware (now Trenton) to cross the country eastward to Piscataway. There was at this time no settlement between these points. They found the country deluged with water, obliterating the Indian path and overflowing the flats, valleys, morasses, enlarging the waterways, and penetrating even to the high solid ground. They traveled about twenty-five miles the first day, and reaching a large body of water they encountered Indians, and arranged with the chief to row them across the river in a canoe. The river they crossed was a portion of the present Raritan. The voyagers arrived at dusk at the end of their second day's journey at the house of Cornelius Van Langevelt, a Dutch trader, located where the branch united with the Raritan river, and thence flowed to the Achter Kull. This was not far from the present site of New Brunswick. The two travelers on the first day of the year 1680 left Van Langevelt's trading post in a canoe for Elizabethtown Point on their way to New Amsterdam.

The first roads traversing New Jersey made by the European settlers were laid by the Dutch to connect New Amsterdam with Fort Nassau on the Delaware river. They must have been constructed soon after the building of Fort Nassau, as the intercourse between the settlements was principally by letters, they being dispatched across the bay to Elizabethtown, thence carried by runners, generally friendly natives. Old documents state that Peter Jegow kept a house of entertainment for travelers as early as 1668, about eight or nine miles below Delaware Falls, between what is now Burlington, New Jersey, and Bristol, Pennsylvania. The statement is made that at this time there was no settlement at Perth Amboy or near it on Staten Island, nor on the south side of the Raritan; there were no ferries nor were there any roads lower down the Raritan river than where New Brunswick now stands, which was the principal line of travel. Therefore there is no doubt that the first road that traversed New Jersey passed from New Amsterdam through the bays and rivers by means of a ferry to a point afterwards Elizabethtown, thence through the towns afterward known as Woodbridge and Piscataway, finally ending at what afterwards was known as Inian's Ferry. At this latter point two roads were formed. One of these, originally called the "Upper Road," later known as the "King's Highway," passed through the present sites of Kingston and Princeton to Trenton, where it crossed the Delaware river, continuing into the present State of Pennsylvania to Bristol, eventually to Philadelphia. The other road, known in early times as the "Lower Road," diverged from the "Upper Road" several miles west of the present site of New Brunswick. It afterwards was shifted within the present limits of that city. After leaving the "Upper Road" it went southerly and westerly through the township of Cranbury to Burlington, where it crossed the Delaware at Bristol and rejoined the "Upper Road."

In the eighties of the seventeenth century, the only established road of importance in New Jersey was the Dutch thoroughfare established by Governor Stuyvesant. Attempts were made in 1683 to divert the travel from the old route to Perth Amboy. At this time Perth Amboy was a place of great expectations. It was a seaport having a magnificent harbor, the seat of the proprietary government, and it was fondly hoped it would become the great maritime center of America. In response to the wishes and instructions of the proprietors, Governor Gawen Lawrie in 1683 projected a ferry across the Raritan at Radford (now South Amboy) to connect with a road through Spotswood to Burlington, for the purpose of connecting Perth Town and Burlington. A boat was run between Perth and New York. The road thus established was sometimes known as the "Lawrie Road," and was located south of the "Lower Road," and probably intersected it before reaching Burlington.

The effort to divert the travel from the old road proved ineffective, the King's Highway accommodating the bulk of the internal intercourse of the province, and the establishment of Inian's Ferry on the present site of New Brunswick made it the most popular route for travelers; though even as late as 1716, when it had been established a score of years, no provision was made by the Assembly to pass over the ferry anything but "horse and man and foot passengers." From 1684 to 1686 numerous roads were projected and opened, some of them of considerable importance, some of them remaining in use to the present day. During the period from 1705 to 1713 no less than thirty-five different roads were viewed, opened and established within the limits of Middlesex county. The only public conveyance, however, previous to the surrender of the province by the proprietors to the crown, was on the Amboy road, granted to one Dellaman, by the authority of Governor Hamilton, to drive a wagon for the transportation of goods and passengers in connection with a packet boat operated between Perth and New York. There was no set time or fare for the trips, they being made irregularly. The next road of public importance in Middlesex county was what was known as "The Road up the Raritan." It branched from the main highway at Piscataway, running to Bound Brook, thence to Somerset county. It was one of the early factors along the Raritan for pioneer plantations. It did not follow the present highway, but passed from Piscataway in a northwesterly direction west of Metuchen, through Quibbletown (now New Market), thence to Bound Brook, where it proceeded west to what was then known as Howell's Ferry (now Lambertville). The remaining roads that were laid out in the country in the early days and for many years afterwards, were almost entirely local in their character, intending to connect the clustered neighborhoods with the important towns of Woodbridge, Piscataway, Perth Amboy and New Brunswick.

The Legislature of 1716 seems to have given more attention to the condition of public highways. An act was passed, combining all highways that were six rods wide which had been laid out in pursuance of previous laws, and annulling all others. The system of laying out of roads was remodelled, rates of ferriage established, improvements recommended. The ferries in existence at this period were: One from Perth Amboy to Staten Island, opened by Captain Billop; one from Perth Amboy to South Amboy, called Redford's Ferry; the latter place was also connected with Staten Island, and those already mentioned on the Raritan river. The ferries across the Raritan and the Sound at Perth Amboy were granted in 1719 to George Willocks, who erected a house for the accommodation of the traveling public. In 1728 Gabriel Steele received a patent for a ferry from South Amboy to Staten Island, touching at Perth Amboy. These ferries continued to be of essential service until traveling and transportation fell into other and more convenient channels.

In the first decade of the eighteenth century there was a public agitation claiming that a monopoly existed in the transportation of freight and passengers on the road from Burlington to Perth Amboy. Grievances were laid before the Assembly, but nothing was done until 1716, when passenger and freight rates were established. This act of the Legislature stimulated competition, and in 1732-33 Solomon Smith and James Moore, of Burlington, advertised that they intended to run two stage wagons between Burlington and Perth Amboy once every week, and oftener if business warranted it. The following year Arthur Brown operated a boat between New York and South River, New Jersey, freighting goods as well as passengers from the latter point to Bordentown on the Delaware river, where they were transferred to a boat for Philadelphia.

William Atlee and Joseph Yeats operated in 1742 a stage line between Trenton and New Brunswick, which was purchased in 1744 by William Wilson, of New Brunswick, who notified the public he would make trips twice a week, leaving Trenton on Mondays and Thursdays, and New Brunswick on Tuesdays and Fridays. A new line of stages was established in 1750 by Daniel O'Brien, a resident of Perth Amboy. This enterprising Irish citizen informed the public that he had a "stageboat" well fitted for the purpose, which, "wind and weather permitting," would leave New York every Wednesday for the ferry at Perth Amboy. The following day a stage wagon would be ready to take passengers to Bordentown, where his "stageboat" would receive and carry them, and the freight to Philadelphia. The rates of charges were the same as charged *via* New Brunswick and Trenton, and the passage was to be made in forty-eight hours. In March, 1752, trips were made twice a week. The success of this line of stages led to the formation of an opposing line. The passengers by this new line embarked on a boat at Philadelphia for

Burlington, thence by stage wagon through Cranbury to the Perth Amboy ferry. There a palatial passage-boat, equipped with a commodious cabin fitted up with a tea table and sundry other conveniences, was to carry the passengers to New York. A stage line between Philadelphia and New York was instituted *via* Perth Amboy and Trenton in 1756 by John Butler, to cover the distance in three days. This was followed about ten years later by another line that left twice a week from each terminal, using a covered Jersey wagon without springs to cover the distance in three days, at a cost to the passengers of twopence a mile. A third line was established in 1766, the vehicle used having seats on springs. The journey required two days in summer and three days in winter; the cost of transportation to the traveler for a through passage was twenty shillings. This line connected with the Blazing Star ferry on the Sound, below Elizabethtown.

A great improvement was made in stage-coaching in New Jersey when John Mersereau in 1772 established what became known as the "flying machine" route between Philadelphia and New York, the time of passage being fixed at one day and a half. This, however, proved to be too short, and two days became the scheduled time. His machines, which combined all of the improvements known at that date, had some semblance of a coach. Mersereau established another line of stages leaving Paulus Hook every Tuesday and Friday morning at sunrise, proceeding as far as Princeton; there the passengers were exchanged for those that had arrived from Philadelphia. The rates of passage were thirty shillings for inside accommodations, outside twenty shillings, each passenger being allowed fourteen pounds of baggage, in excess of that amount to pay two pence a pound. By these two lines of stages leaving on different days, there was opportunity of leaving the terminal points of the route four times a week. During the Revolution, all regular lines of transportation were broken up, and when reestablished at the close of the war there was a retrograde movement both as to speed and comfort.

The first public packet was established by Governor Lawrie in 1684 to carry freight as well as passengers. These packets supplied the demand of travelers until the establishment of the land-routes between Philadelphia and New York, and when Perth Amboy ceased to be one of the terminals. The packets continued to run for the transportation of merchandise, but became less numerous until about 1775, when there was but one sailing ship making the trip between Perth Amboy and New York.

The use of runners and messengers for sending messages and dispatches dates back many centuries. To Andrew Hamilton, proprietary governor of New Jersey, belongs the honor of devising a scheme by which a postoffice was established. He inaugurated a general post-

office in Philadelphia on which he obtained a patent from the Crown in the year 1694, and which, on receipt of an adequate remuneration, he reconveyed to the government. It is presumed that the mails were carried regularly either by riders or by the wagon already mentioned. Governor Hamilton for some years acted as Postmaster-General over the infant establishment. The progress in extension of the mail routes was, however, slow, there being but few south of Philadelphia as late as 1732. In 1754 the postal affairs of the colonies were placed in the hands of Doctor Franklin, when a marked improvement took place, though for some time the only offices in New Jersey were at Perth Amboy and Burlington, they being on the direct route from New York to Philadelphia. As late as 1791 there were only six offices in New Jersey: Newark, Elizabethtown, Bridgeton (Rahway), New Brunswick, Princeton and Trenton; Perth Amboy and Burlington being then off the mail route. The total receipts of these six offices in that year were \$530, of which sum the postmasters received \$108.20. A postoffice was established at Perth Amboy in 1793; others soon followed throughout the county.

At the opening of the nineteenth century, the agitation for the building of canals was prominent amongst the people; this, with the introduction of steam as to navigation, was to revolutionize transportation facilities. The Legislature of New Jersey in 1800 empowered the governor of the State to incorporate a company to shorten the navigation of Salem creek. The first waterway development of a national character was the proposition to connect the largest cities in the nation by a canal. The agitation for the Delaware and Raritan canal began about 1804, and the New Jersey Legislature of that year chartered the New Jersey Navigation Company, which proposed to join the Delaware river with Raritan bay. This effort, however, led to no direct results, and it was not until 1824 that a private company was authorized to construct the canal. A joint stock company was organized, the State of New Jersey receiving \$100,000 for the privilege of building the canal; the assent of the State of Pennsylvania could not be obtained for the waters of the Delaware river, for the project, and the premium received by the State of New Jersey was returned to the company. The object of the building of the canal was to connect the coal fields of Pennsylvania with the eastern markets. There was, however, a healthy opposition to the canal project, as the building of the railroad between New York and Philadelphia was being agitated. The State Legislature of New Jersey finally on February 4, 1830, passed an act incorporating the Delaware and Raritan Canal Company, and on the same day by another act brought into existence the Camden & Amboy Railroad Transportation Company.

The canal was to commence at the confluence of the Crosswicks creek with the Delaware river at Bordentown, to run northeasterly to Bound Brook, thence southeasterly following the valley of the Raritan

river to New Brunswick, a distance of forty-three and one-half miles. It was to be fifty feet in width and five feet deep, which was amended in 1831 to seventy-five feet in width and a depth of seven feet. In lieu of a premium, the company was to pay the State eight cents for each passenger and the same amount for each ton of freight transported. The traffic was largely drawn from the coal regions of Pennsylvania, but its usefulness as a competitor against railroad transportation became negligible in 1871, when the Pennsylvania Railroad Company acquired a 999-year lease of the property.

The era of steamboat transportation in Middlesex county was of short duration. On the completion of the Camden & Amboy railroad, Robert L. Stevens built three steamboats, the "Swan," "Thistle" and "Independence," to connect with the railroad at the eastern terminus at South Amboy, to convey passengers to and from New York. In connection with his brothers, John L. and Edwin, they placed on the Raritan many fine boats, among them the well known "Raritan," "John Nelson," and others. The regular fare between New Brunswick and Perth Amboy was twenty-five cents, but as soon as a competing line was built by James Bishop, who placed in commission the steamboat "Antelope," a rivalry between the two lines reduced the fare to six and one-quarter cents.

The multiplying of the railroads soon brought the outmost limits of Middlesex county in touch with a common center; within its area the lines of two great railroad systems traversed its surface. This, with the development of the interurban lines of trolleys and jitneys, brings the citizens of any portion of its limits within ready communication with each other. The days of steamboating and coaching are at an end, the whirling steam and electric conveyances annihilate space; intercourse of communication travels with lightning rapidity, by the use of the electricity of the air, the telegraph key, and the word of the human mouth transmitted by telephonic connections.



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GILBERT STUART'S PORTRAIT OF WASHINGTON

CHAPTER XII.

REVOLUTIONARY DAYS.

In the days antecedent to the Revolution, the inhabitants of Middlesex county were enjoying an era of prosperity and happiness. The hardships of the pioneer settlers of the county had been overcome, and their succeeding generations were living in a flourishing agricultural district, dotted here and there with small villages.

The modes of transportation were limited, the country roads were few and rugged. Journeys were mostly undertaken on horseback, vehicles being confined to heavy lumbering wagons, chaises, and gigs whose bodies sank down between two high wheels on wooden springs. Their homes were furnished with simple taste, the principal articles of furniture even in the best ordered household were not numerous. Many of the most costly were made of mahogany, white pine, walnut, cherry, or red cedar, the latter being a prime favorite, were used in the construction of the high-backed bedsteads, chests, drawers, stands, tables and buffets. A slawbank or slabank, a name derived from the Dutch, signifying "sloop banck" or sleeping bench, took the place of our modern folding-bed. It was simply a cupboard with folding doors, and contained a bed, or more commonly a box attached to the wall by hinges holding the bedding, which was folded up against the wall by day and let down at night to serve as a bed. Occasionally it took the shape of a bench or sofa to sit on during the day, opening on hinges to form a bed by night. The housewife had her wheel for spinning wool, linen and cotton, also her loom for weaving these into cloth for the varied uses of the household. The people were respectably and comfortably clad, the men adorning themselves in breeches of leather, buckskin, worsted, homespun, stockinett, black and brown broadcloth, plush and velvet, for the winter, and for summer, linen, cotton, nankin, white dimity and drilling. Dress-coats, surtouts and great-coats were made of bearskins, buckskins, homespun, denim, wilton, camlet, broadcloth, velvet and sagatha, and a kind of serge. Cloaks and vests were made of these different woven materials; gloves were usually of leather, cotton, homespun and tow; the stockings were knit of woolen, cotton and linen yarn. Boots and shoes were made of calfskin, with durable soles.

The apparel of women was still more varied, exhibiting their characteristic love of gay colors and beautiful fabrics. The assortment was endless, combining the useful with the ornamental. Bonnets and hoods of beaver, satin and bright colored silks and velvets, cloaks of broadcloth, white and black satin, black and blue velvet, and brilliant scarlet cloth; dresses and gowns made of boundless variety of material—

gloves knit of silk, also of leather; stockings of linen, worsted and silk; with shoes of cloth, silk and leather. In table service, china was rare as gold; plates, platters, spoons, tea and coffee pots and tankards were made of pewter, but so brilliantly polished as to rival the richest silver in lustre. Pewter and copper were largely used in ornamentation, and from them were made basins, ewers, pint and quart mugs, porringers, ladles, tea and coffee kettles. There was but little white glassware in use; wine glasses, salt-cellars, tumblers and punch goblets, as well as china cups and saucers, were highly prized. Looking glasses and clocks were only found in the homes of the wealthy. Stoves were not in general use, wood, charcoal and turf being the only fuel, but there were always fireplaces provided with dogs and andirons. In the kitchens the huge caverns were garnished with a forest of chains and hooks, pots and trammels swinging on iron cranes, the fires being fed with great logs from four to six feet in length.

The comforts of life were not forgotten. The men of these days were liberal providers as far as the creature comforts of food and drink were concerned. In the cellars were stored barrels of pork and beef, sides of bacon, carcasses of venison and mutton. Roasting pigs, ducks, fowls, turkeys and geese, were raised in great abundance, while the menu was often supplied with wild fowl, corn and beans. The water course furnished shad and herring plentifully in their season, and were laid down by the barrel and hogshead for winter use.

The farms produced wheat, rye, buckwheat, Indian corn, potatoes, beans, turnips and other vegetables. From the orchards came a great wealth of apples, cherries, peaches and pears. Every household was supplied with butter, lard, eggs, molasses, sugar and honey, the last being common, as every farmer had his hive or more of bees. The common beverages were tea, coffee, cocoa and chocolate; the apples furnished cider, while metheglin was made from the honey. Nor were the stronger alcoholic drinks lacking; the hospitable host could offer from his wine cellar to his guest or a tired traveler brandy, gin and rum, in all their variety, besides cordials and wines of all kinds. Tobacco smoked in pipe, and chewed, was a daily solace, while the gentility generally used snuff. Books were rare as rubies, but the Bible or a psalm book was found in the most of families, and commonly constituted the entire library. Thus we have briefly sketched the elysium of contentment that prevailed in Middlesex county, and that was soon to be visited by the grim visage of war.

By the treaty of Paris, France surrendered Canada, and Spain Florida, to England, who thereby obtained sole control of the entire territory in North America from the Atlantic ocean westward to the Mississippi river. George III., who Green, in his "History of the English People," says "had a smaller mind than any English King before him save James

II.," was seated on the throne of Great Britain. The Mother Country thought she had gained preëminence in renown and as the acknowledged mistress of the seas. This success had been attained by vast expenditure of moneys, and had saddled upon the country a debt amounting to £140,000,000. It was but natural that the suggestion of Pitt, the then prime minister, that some steps should be taken to obtain a revenue from the colonies, was popular with the Crown and the people of England. The colonies had also made sacrifices to rid themselves of the French invaders and the scalping knife and tomahawk of the Indians; £16,000,000 had been spent, of which five millions had been reimbursed by Parliament, and thirty thousand of their soldiers had fallen in the struggle, either in battle or by disease. The colonies, however, were no longer weak and inexperienced; they had grown from childhood to a vigorous youth, able and willing to manifest the fact whenever it might become necessary. Though Parliament had exercised its power in regulating colonial trade for the exclusive benefit of the Mother Country, and to which the colonists had submitted, it never had attempted the levying of taxes for revenue. The English populace, heavily burdened with taxation, was in sympathy with the ministry and Parliament to tax the colonists, thinking thus to relieve themselves. This enmity was further enhanced by reports that were circulated in England that the Americans were indulging in gaiety and luxury, that the planters lived like princes, while the inhabitants of Britain labored hard for a subsistence. The returning officers represented the colonists as rich, wealthy, and overgrown in fortune. These statements were caused on account of the generous and hospitable people who since the wars were terminated, and having no further apprehension of danger, the power of their late foe in the country being totally broken, indulged themselves in many uncommon expenses to honor those who had contributed to this security. The plenty and variety of provisions and liquors, with the borrowed use of their neighbors' silver plate, enabled them to make a parade of riches in their several entertainments. Sir Robert Walpole, prime minister of England, when it was suggested to levy a direct tax upon the colonies, declined making so dangerous an experiment, saying: "I shall leave this operation to some one of my successors who may possess more courage than I, and have less regard for the commercial interests of England. My opinion is that, if by favoring the trade of the colonies with foreign nations, they gain £500,000 at the end of two years, fully one-half of it will have come into the royal exchequer by the increased demand for English manufactures. This is a mode of taxing them more agreeable to their own constitution and laws, as well as our own."

Walpole's successor, George Grenville, while he doubted the propriety of taxing the colonies without allowing them representation, loved power

and the favor of Parliament, and contemplating the immense debt of England with a degree of horror, was ready to insist upon the colonies helping to bear the burden, bringing forth the famous Stamp Act. The act proposed to impose upon the colonists the payment of a stamp tax on all bills, bonds, notes, leases, policies of insurance, legal papers, etc., and afterwards by resolutions, additional duties on imports into the colonies from foreign countries on sugar, indigo, coffee, etc., it being openly avowed that the object in view was to raise a revenue for defraying the expenses of defending, protecting and securing His Majesty's dominions in America. To enforce the provisions of the act, penalties for violating it and all other revenue laws, might be recovered in the admiralty courts presided over by judges dependent solely on the King, without the intervention of a jury. The act and resolutions passed the House without a division, it being resolved "that Parliament had the right to tax the colonies." The colonial agents in London forwarded the resolutions to their respective colonies. When the intelligence reached America, it was regarded as the commencement of a system of oppression which if not vigorously resisted would eventually deprive them of the liberty of British subjects. The colonial Houses of Representatives openly defied the right of Parliament to pass unjust tax laws, and they were vigorously denounced by Samuel Adams and James Otis in Massachusetts, and the prophetic words of Patrick Henry resounded throughout the colonies. The agitation in America increased; private citizens, members of public and corporate bodies, asserted that Parliament had no right to tax the colonies. Political circles and clubs were formed; the subject of all conversations was the fatal tax. On October 7, 1765, committees from nine of the colonies assembled in New York, and in the course of a three weeks' session a declaration was made as a birthright of the colonists—among the rest, the right of being taxed only by their own consent. A petition to the King and memorials to each house of Parliament was prepared, in which the cause of the colonists was eloquently pleaded. Robert Ogden, one of the New Jersey delegates, withheld his signature on the plea that the petition and memorials should first be approved by the several colonial assemblies, and he was afterwards buried in effigy by the people of New Jersey for this action.

November 1, 1765, was the day appointed for the Stamp Act to go into operation. Ten boxes of stamps in New York were committed to the flames. An organization known as the Sons of Liberty was organized, who entered into an agreement to march at their own expense to the relief of those who put themselves in danger from the Stamp Act. Collectors were mobbed and maltreated, and the Act, as far as becoming operative, became inactive. A change occurred in the English ministry, the Marquis of Rockingham became the new prime minister, and Parliament at its session in January, 1766, turned its attention to colonial

affairs. The Stamp Act was repealed by a vote of one hundred and five against seventy-one, and the King, who was opposed to the repeal, but loath to proceed to force, gave his consent March 19, 1766. Thus the colonists scored the first victory for American independence.

The contumacy of the colonists greatly annoyed the King and ministry. Charles Townshend, Chancellor of the Exchequer, of a new ministry under the nominal leadership of William Pitt, Earl of Chatham, introduced to Parliament a new scheme of taxation based upon his chief's distinction between a direct tax and commercial imposts for regulating trade; thence he proposed to lay a duty upon teas imported into America, together with paints, paper, glass and lead, which were articles of British production, the alleged object being to raise a revenue for the support of civil government, for expenses of a standing army, and for a permanent salary to the royal governor. This bill passed Parliament with little opposition and received the royal assent. These acts were received with no favor in America, and excitement was rekindled. A party sprang into existence to resist in the name of right and national honor. The taxes were light and imposed no burden upon the colonists, but they felt more keenly the wrongs which affected the mind, and could feel no repose while honor was unsatisfied. The English ministry dreaded any step which seemed to encourage a prospect of a cause of action on the part of the colonies. The presence of the newly appointed officers for collecting the custom house duties did not tend to allay the excitement of the public mind. The excitement was enhanced at Boston by the quartering of two British regiments in their midst, which finally led to the Boston Massacre. Lord North, on becoming prime minister, forwarded a motion to Parliament to repeal the whole of the Townshend Act, except the duty on tea. This was retained in order to let it be seen that the right of taxation was never to be given up.

The excitement among the colonists was maintained by popular meetings and discussions. The trouble was augmented by making the governors and judges independent of the provinces, the injustices and insults heaped upon Franklin by Parliament, and the irritating course of the English ministry. These grievances all tended to urge on the Americans to proceed to extremities. The attempt to force upon the colonists cargoes of tea brought matters to a crisis. Vessels were loaded with the commodity and dispatched to various colonial seaports. Public meetings were held protesting against this action, in which it was resolved that "whosoever shall aid or abet in unloading, receiving or vending tea" was an enemy of his country. The cargo destined for Boston was thrown overboard in Boston harbor; that for New York was dumped into the river, and the captain of the vessel was sent back to England. The captain of a vessel with a cargo destined for Philadelphia stopped four miles below the city, and deeming it most prudent, returned

with his cargo to England. At Charleston the teas were landed, but were stored in damp cellars, where they soon spoiled.

These acts of the colonists aroused the indignation of Lord North and on the assembling of Parliament, March 7, 1774, he presented a message from the King advocating the adoption of resolutions for punishment of the unwarrantable practices carried on in North America. This was the cause of the passing of a bill for the immediate removal of the custom house officials at Boston, and to discontinue the landing and discharging, loading and shipping of goods, wares and merchandise, at that town or within its harbor, commonly known as the Boston Port Bill. Another bill for the better regulating of the government of Massachusetts Bay was practically a complete abrogation of its charter. A third bill provided that any person indicted for murder or any other capital offense committed in aiding the magistracy, the offender could by the governor be sent to another colony or to Great Britain for trial. The fourth bill provided for the quartering of troops in America; and the fifth, known as the Quebec Act, placed the Roman Catholics and Protestants on an equality, that confirmed to Roman Catholic clergy their extensive landed property, allowed the administration of justice to be carried on by the old French law, created a legislative council to be named by the Crown, and enlarged the boundaries of the province as far as the Ohio river. It was most likely owing to these judicious measures that the Canadians declined taking part subsequently in the open resistance which the other colonies organized against England.

These acts of Parliament were received by the colonists with strong expressions of determined opposition. Boston naturally became the head center of the revolt, and addresses assuring their support were sent by the other colonies to its committee appointed for that purpose. The subject of a General Congress of the colonies was agitated, and town meetings were held advocating the organization of such a body. The first held in New Jersey was a county meeting at Newark, June 11, 1774. This was followed on July 21 of that year by a political convention which met at New Brunswick. The session lasted three days, and among the resolutions adopted was a recommendation for the appointment of a General Committee of Correspondence for the whole colony, with authority to call a Provincial Congress when in its judgment it should become necessary.

The first Continental Congress met at Philadelphia, September 5, 1774. It consisted of fifty-three delegates, and all the colonies were represented with the exception of Georgia. The delegates had generally been elected by the authority of the provincial legislatures, but in New Jersey they were chosen by a committee chosen in the several counties for that purpose. The New Jersey members to the First Continental Congress were James Kensey, Stephen Crane, William Livingston, John

De Hart, and Richard Smith. It was not a constitutional body; many of its members had been chosen irregularly; its authority was limited to the willingness of the people to respect and obey its suggestions and mandates. It was less a congress than a national committee, an advisory council of continental magnitude. A declaration of rights, mild but deeply sincere; an address to the King, disavowing a desire for independence; another to the people of England, also to the people of Canada, were adopted. They approved of the policy of non-intercourse with Great Britain, and formed an association to carry it out. The forming of this association, which at first constituted the revolutionary machinery, was an act of great importance. Its object was to secure the redress of grievances by peaceful methods, by enforcing the non-importation and non-consumption agreement. To carry out this purpose, committees were formed in every county or township of the colonies, who worked under guidance of the Committee of Correspondence. The local committees marked out for persecution every loyalist who refused to comply with the recommendation of Congress. It was not until the following year that the colonists formed associations pledged to oppose the aggressions of the King by force of arms. This Congress sat for fifty-one days, when it adjourned, after having made provision for another Congress to meet the following May, in case it was needed. The proceedings of the Congress were very generally and heartily approved. The course pursued in Middlesex county was a type of what was done in other counties. The inhabitants met in public town and township meetings in their several localities during the fall and winter of 1774-75, and committees of observation were chosen as follows:

Woodbridge—Ebenezer Foster, Henry Freeman, Nathaniel Heard, Reuben Potter, William Smith, Jeremiah Manning, Matthew Baker, Charles Jackson, Samuel Force, John Pain, James Manning, John Heard, Daniel Moores, John Ross, Ellis Barron, William Cutter, Reuben Evans, James Randolph, Timothy Bloomfield, John Noe and John Conway.

Piscataway—John Gilman, Henry Sutton, John Langstaff, William Manning, Benjamin Manning, Jacob Martin, Charles Suydam, Jeremiah Field, Daniel Bray, Jacob Titsworth, Micajah Dunn, Melanethan Freeman and John Dunn.

South Amboy—Stephen Pangburn, John Lloyd, Luke Schenck, Matthew Rue, William Vance and Joseph Potter.

New Brunswick—Azariah Dunham, J. Schureman, John Dennis, John Lyle, Jr., Abraham Schuyler, George Hance, Jacobus Van Huys, John Slight, John Voorhees, Barent Stryker, William Williamson, Peter Farmer, Ferdinand Schureman, Abraham Buckalew and Jonathan Roeff.

South Brunswick—David Williamson, William Scudder, Isaac Van Dyck, John Wetherill, Jr., Abraham Terhune, Jacob Van Dyck, Charles Barclay.

Windsor—James Hebron, Samuel Minor, Jonathan Coombs, Andrew Davison, Isaac Rogers, Ezekiel Smith and Jonathan Baldwin.

At a meeting of this general committee assembled at New Brunswick, January 16, 1775, James Neilson, William Oake, Ebenezer Foster, Azariah Dunham, John Wetherill, Jonathan Coombs, Stephen Pangburn, William Smith, Ebenezer Foster, Matthias Balker, Jacob Titsworth, John Dunn, David Williamson, Jonathan Baldwin and Jacob Schenck were appointed a Committee of Correspondence to confer with like committees in the several counties of the province.

In response to a call of the Committee on Correspondence, a Provincial Congress was held at New Brunswick, January 14, 1775, but little business of importance took place. The stage was set in the colonies, the chessmen placed upon the board, and the movement of the first pawn was awaiting the opening of actual hostilities. The first demonstration was to be made in Massachusetts. General Gage, then governor of that province, issued a proclamation offering full pardon to all the people except Samuel Adams and John Hancock, whom he was ordered to take and send to England for trial. These two patriots, fearing arrest, fled to Lexington. The British general, learning their hiding place, on the night of April 18 dispatched a body of eight hundred men to make the arrest and destroy the military stores collected by the Americans at Concord. The news of the approaching enemy spread throughout the country, and when the enemy reached the greensward of Lexington Common at sunrise the following morning, a body of forty minute-men, armed with their hunting guns, now to be used as weapons of defense, barred their passage. They were commanded by Captain John Parker, grandfather of the great New England preacher and abolitionist, Theodore Parker. His command to his men was, "Don't fire unless you are fired on; but if they want war, it may as well begin here." The British met with feeble resistance and continued on to Concord, destroyed the little they found there, cut down the liberty pole, and burned the courthouse. Hancock and Adams, having been notified in advance, of the coming of the enemy, escaped and quietly proceeded on their way to Philadelphia to attend the meeting of the Continental Congress to which they had been elected delegates.

The news of the battle soon spread beyond the confines of New England. New Jersey, rejecting overtures of reconciliation, began to train her militia. The news reached Middlesex county, April 24, and on May 2 following, a meeting of the General Committee of Correspondence was held at New Brunswick, who directed their chairman to call a Provincial Congress to meet on May 23. In response to this call, the second convention of the province met at Trenton, under the title of the Provincial Congress of New Jersey. There were eighty-seven delegates in attendance, Middlesex county being represented by Nathaniel Heard, William Smith, John Dunn, John Lloyd, Azariah Dunham, John Schuremen, John Wetherill, David Williamson, Jonathan Sergeant, Jonathan

Baldwin and Jonathan Deare. The Congress, though it declared its allegiance to the rightful authority of His Sacred Majesty, George III., deemed its assembling was absolutely necessary for the security of the province. They did not hesitate, notwithstanding this seeming loyalty, to assume and exercise the functions of an independent and supreme governing and legislative body, regardless of the authority of the royal governor, and unrestrained by the check of any other power than the will of the people. They promptly gave assuring evidence of their voluntary subordination to the General Congress, and their disposition to coöperate with it in securing the general welfare. It was ordered that each county should have one vote. A committee was appointed to open correspondence with the recently organized Provincial Congress of New York. Articles of Association were adopted to be sent to the Committee of Observation and Correspondence, with instructions to them to secure the signatures of the freeholders and inhabitants to support and carry into execution the measures recommended by Continental and Provincial Congresses, and pledging themselves to support all existing magistrates and civil officers in the execution of their duties. The most decided revolutionary step taken was the adoption of a bill regulating the militia of the colony—that one or more companies of eighty men each should be formed in each township or corporation, of the inhabitants between the ages of sixteen and fifty years, capable of bearing arms; and an ordinance to raise £10,000 by taxation for the use of the province for the expenses of this militia. The tax was apportioned to the several counties the amount for Middlesex being £872 6s. 6d. The Congress also provided for a Committee of Safety of fourteen members, three of whom, with the president or vice-president, could convene Congress. The members of this committee from Middlesex county were Azariah Dunham, John Schureman, Jonathan Deare, Jonathan Baldwin and Nathaniel Heard.

The second session of the Provincial Congress was also held at Trenton, convening August 5, 1775, continuing until August 17, 1775. The object of the session was to prepare for the dreaded alternative, and to take efficient measures for the collection of the taxes levied at a former session; to provide for the government of the province, and for the perpetuation of the Provincial Congress as the successor to and substitute for the overthrown royal governor and Colonial Legislature; to perfect the organization of the Friends of Liberty by the election of county and township committees of observation and correspondence; to perfect the bill for regulation of the militia. The only change in the Middlesex county delegation was the substitution of Lucas Schenck for David Williamson. The first business which occupied the attention of the Congress was to provide for the tax already levied, which was required to be paid before September 10, 1775. Delinquents and those refusing to sign the

articles of association were to be reported to the next Provincial Congress. An ordinance was adopted ordering a new election of deputies by those qualified to vote for representatives to the General Assembly to convene at Trenton on October 3, 1775.

Having thus provided for the perpetuation of the civil government of the colony, the Congress turned its attention to more effective organization of the military strength of the province. It was thereby ordered that the militia should consist of twenty-three regiments, of which number Middlesex county was to furnish two. Those inhabitants between the ages of sixteen and fifty that refused to enroll should be required to pay four shillings a month as an equivalent, and those signers of the enrollment list refusing to attend on mustering day were to be fined two shillings for each absence, not to exceed two fines a month. Each private soldier was to be equipped with good arms. Besides these twenty-three regiments of militia, four thousand able-bodied men were to be enlisted and enrolled to be known as "minute-men," and were to hold themselves in readiness to march at the shortest notice to any place where their assistance might be required in the province or any neighboring colony, these minute-men to be mustered into companies of sixty-four men. The quota for Middlesex county was six companies. The Congress appointed a Committee of Safety of eleven members, the Middlesex county representatives being Azariah Dunham and John Dennis.

The Provincial Congress up to this time had been purely provisional. Its deputies had not been elected in conformity with any law that had been enacted by a representative or authorized body, but were chosen on the informal call of self-constituted or spontaneous meetings or conventions. The preamble providing for a new election of deputies by the people now demanded a formal resort to the people as the source of power and authority, for choice of those who were to represent them. The Provincial Congress that assembled at Trenton, October 3, 1775, and continued its session until October 25 of that year, was composed of deputies elected by the people. Middlesex county had sent Azariah Dunham and John Dennis. This Congress was flooded with petitions on a multitude of subjects, from every county and from nearly every township. These petitions received due consideration, but the Congress was more materially engaged in scrutinizing the reports of the "association" and committees corresponding with the Continental Congress for the raising, organizing, and equipping and forwarding of troops; in examining the state of finances of the province, estimating the expenditures required for the maintenance of the militia, and carrying on the government. Their attention was largely occupied in deciding complaints denouncing loyalists and sympathizers with Great Britain. The amount required for the defense of the colony was estimated at £30,000, and proclamation money was ordered printed for that amount, to be paid

out of a sinking fund to be derived from a tax levied annually in 1784, 1785 and 1786. Middlesex county's apportionment of the £10,000 tax was £827 6s. 9d. One of the most important matters connected with the public defense was a resolution of the Continental Congress recommending to the convention of New Jersey the raising of two battalions of eight companies, each consisting of sixty-eight privates, officered by one captain, one lieutenant, one ensign, four sergeants and four corporals. The privates were to be enlisted for one year at £5 a month. These battalions became known as the Eastern and Western Battalions, and on November 10, 1775, six companies of the Eastern were ordered to garrison the fort in the Highlands on the Hudson; the remainder of the battalion on November 27, 1775, was ordered into barracks near New York, and were mustered into the Continental army at New York, December 26, 1775, under command of Lord Stirling.

The people of Middlesex county were familiar with the sight of British troops before the commencement of hostilities, the English having erected barracks at both New Brunswick and Perth Amboy. British troops were in New Jersey as early as 1758, and in December, 1759, a battalion of Royal Scotch over four hundred strong, was quartered at New Brunswick. The first regular garrison was probably composed of the 29th Regiment of Foot, who garrisoned Perth Amboy, New Brunswick, and other towns, for a considerable period, and became very popular in the province. It was withdrawn in November, 1771, the next regular garrison being a part of the 60th Regiment, that sailed in November, 1772, for Jamaica, and was succeeded by the 47th Regiment. These troops were called to New York in July, 1774, and partook of the dangers of Bunker Hill and Saratoga. The Barracks in Perth Amboy and New Brunswick were then taken possession of by the New Jersey provincial regiments.

The determined stand of the Americans at Bunker Hill, the acceptance of the office of commander of the American forces by Washington, with the success of Ethan Allen at Ticonderoga, and the American victories in the South, caused the British government to evolve new plans for the conquest of the colonies. The secret policy of the government was to gain possession of New York and the Hudson river, thereby opening up communication between Canada and New York, and expose Massachusetts and the eastern colonies to the inroads of the Indians in the pay of the government. The opening of the second year of the War for Independence found Washington waiting impatiently before Boston. His successful fortification of Dorchester Heights led to the evacuation of that city and the embarkation of the English troops and royalists for Halifax, Nova Scotia, at 4 o'clock on the morning of March 17, 1776.

General Washington, leaving a force for the protection of Boston, with his main body of troops marched to defend New York. Sir William

Howe, finding his quarters at Halifax not comfortable, at the close of June arrived at Staten Island with a large body of troops to prevent intercourse between the eastern and middle States, thinking thereby to frustrate any common plan of operation. Washington had not felt himself able to occupy this island, but deemed it expedient to form a camp in its immediate region, and selected Perth Amboy, placing General Hugh Mercer in command. Troops were in consequence marched towards Perth Amboy, one thousand strong, among the first being four hundred and fifty of the Middlesex militia, commanded by Major John Duyckinck. It was about this time that a British brig-of-war mounting twelve guns entered the harbor at Perth Amboy. The Americans that night procured from the town of Woodbridge an eighteen-pounder gun, placed it behind breastworks, and at dawn opened fire upon the vessel. Though the latter made brisk reply, her commander retired from the conflict, otherwise his ship would have been sunk.

The Committee of Safety met during the recess of the Provincial Congress, at Princeton, New Jersey, January 9, 1776, and established posts at proper distances to carry intelligence to the different parts of the colony. A man and horse was to be in readiness at Newark, Elizabethtown, Woodbridge, New Brunswick, Princeton and Trenton, who was to forward all expresses to and from the Continental Congress. This established the first express company in New Jersey.

The first election that gave the right of franchise to all male freeholders twenty-one years of age who had lived in the province one year, who was worth fifty pounds and had signed the articles of association, took place the fourth Monday in May, 1776. The deputies elected from Middlesex county were Moses Bloomfield, John Wetherill, John Dunn, Jonathan D. Sergeant and John Coombs. This congress or convention deposed Governor Franklin and ordered his arrest; it also received the Declaration of Independence, and declared that they would support the freedom and independence of the united colonies with their lives and fortunes and with the whole force of New Jersey.

General Washington and his army were at the Heights of Brooklyn, at York Island and Paulus Hook, where the new entrenched batteries of the Americans were located. The citizens of New York awaited the conflict between the opposing armies. The British force landed on Long Island August 26, gave battle and obtained a complete victory. This led to the occupation of New York City, September 15, 1776. The American forces continued to lose ground around New York, and though on the night of October 16, 1776, General Mercer passed over to Staten Island from Perth Amboy to capture a force of British Hessians stationed at Richmond, the enemy having been warned in advance, but little was accomplished.

In November, 1776, Washington's retreat through New Jersey commenced. His headquarters were at Hackensack from 19th to 21st of

November; at Acquackanonck on the 21st; at Newark, 23rd-27th; at New Brunswick, November 30th to December 1st; and at Trenton, December 3rd-12th; the army crossing the Delaware the 7th. By this retreat New Jersey was left in the undisturbed possession of the enemy, the English taking possession of Perth Amboy, December 1, 1776. Washington, however, having received reinforcements, crossed the Delaware on the night of December 25th, and by the battles of Trenton and Princeton reestablished the supremacy of the American arms south and west of New Brunswick, and went into winter quarters at Morristown.

This was the darkest hour of the War of the Revolution. No aid had been received from France. A portion of the people sympathizing with the invaders, the patriots were everywhere exposed to their bitter hatred, cupidity and treachery. Trade and industry were paralyzed, the husbandman only planted for the bare subsistence of his family. Precious metals had vanished from the land, paper money had little value, the means of the patriots were almost exhausted, and their hopes wellnigh extinguished. The numerous responses for volunteers for the army had left only old men and women and children at home; their houses and garners were gleaned of every superfluity and even of the necessities of life.

The British occupied New Brunswick, Perth Amboy, and their vicinity, including Six-Mile Run, Middlebrush, Piscataway, Woodbridge and Bonhamtown, from December 2, 1776, till June 22, 1777. It was during this occupation that the true character of the enemy was divulged. The soil was deluged with blood, they plundered friends and foes, suffered prisoners to perish for want of sustenance, violated the chastity of women, disfigured private dwellings and churches. There were also active hostilities, skirmishes being frequent, with varied results. The Jersey militia on January 5, 1777, attacked a regiment of British troops in the neighborhood of Spanktown (Rahway). The object of the attack was to secure possession of a thousand bushels of salt. The skirmish continued two hours, when the enemy being reinforced, the Americans retired from the conflict. The Sixth Virginia Regiment attacked a detachment of the enemy on its way to Perth Amboy from New Brunswick, causing a loss of sixty-five killed and wounded, their commander, Colonel Preston, being killed, and his second in command being dangerously wounded. The Americans sustained no loss in this engagement.

There was a skirmish at Piscataway between seven hundred Americans and about one thousand British. The latter were at first defeated, but returned and renewed the conflict, obliging the Americans to retire. The foraging and scouting parties of the Americans cut off all communication between Perth Amboy and New Brunswick excepting by the Raritan river. Lord Cornwallis' headquarters were at New Brunswick, and his detachment becoming short of provisions, a fleet of boats

coming up the Raritan with the needed supplies, four or five of them were sunk, the others were obliged to return to New York, by the operation of a battery of six thirty-two pounders placed in position on a bluff overlooking the river by the vigilant provincials. General Howe subsequently attempted to open communication on March 8, in the neighborhood of Bonhamtown, but failed, narrowly escaping capture, and New Brunswick continued shut up until late in March. There were several skirmishes between the opposing armies near Bonhamtown. On the night of April 15, a detachment of Americans under Captain Alexander Paterson, of the Pennsylvania 12th Regiment, attacked the picket guard of the enemy, capturing it entire, twenty-five in number. On May 10 there was a skirmish at Piscataway between portions of Colonels Cork's and Hendrick's regiments and the 71st Regiment of Scotch Regulars. The latter was forced to retire, but a reinforcement arriving from Bonhamtown, the Highlanders were reinstated, although with considerable loss.

The British did nothing against Washington. Towards the end of May, 1777, he advanced upon New Brunswick, from which place General Howe marched June 14th to take the field against him. The first division under Lord Cornwallis advanced to Hillsborough; the second, commanded by General De Hiester, marched to Middlebrush, with a view of drawing on an action if the enemy should remove from the mountains toward the Delaware. The Americans, however, retained their position, and General Howe decided to withdraw the British army from New Jersey, returning his troops to the camp at New Brunswick. On June 22 the road was taken for Perth Amboy, intending to cross to Staten Island from thence to embark for New York. The British army crossed over to Staten Island, the rearguard passing Perth Amboy at two o'clock on the afternoon of June 30, without the least appearance of an enemy. This movement was a matter of great perplexity to Washington; Burgoyne was in command of a large force in Canada, advancing upon Ticonderoga; in New York, preparations were under way for a sea expedition against either New England or Philadelphia to create a diversion in favor of Burgoyne. Washington moved his forces slowly, thinking the real intention of all these measures was that the British might attempt to ascend the Hudson river, endeavoring to form a junction with Burgoyne. The British fleet went to sea, and Washington prepared to guard Philadelphia. The battles of Brandywine and Germantown decided the issue; the British occupied Philadelphia, and Washington and his army went into winter quarters at Valley Forge.

The two momentous events in the history of the American cause for independence were the massacre at Wyoming, and the surrender of Burgoyne. Thus at the close of 1777, by the first the patriots had gained the sympathy of foreign nations, who were dumbfounded and disgusted by the use of depraved Indians bought by English gold to murder and

scalp not only men of fighting age, but defenseless men, women and children. In the latter event, Americans had displayed to the world their fearless courage, the ability of their commanders and soldiers to meet experienced troops and obtain a victory, when the odds were to their disadvantage. These two events were to bring to the American cause not only the gold and soldiers of France, but the coöperation of the entire civilized world outside of their inveterate enemies.

The opening of 1778 found the British army in the east, quartered in Philadelphia, New York and Rhode Island, totaling about 33,000 men, while Washington had only about 15,000 to 20,000 men. Sir Henry Clinton, then in supreme command of the British forces, decided in June, 1778, to evacuate Philadelphia, and remove his army to New York. Proceeding leisurely through Haddonfield and Mount Holly, he reached Crosswicks and Allentown, June 24th, having in seven days marched less than forty miles. This slow progress was looked upon by the Americans as if Sir Henry desired an engagement, but it was undoubtedly due for the protection of his wagon train, which was twelve miles long. Washington, leaving Valley Forge, encamped on high grounds at Hope-well on June 23.

From Allentown there were two roads to New York—one through South Amboy to the Hudson river, the other leading to Monmouth and Sandy Hook. The first was the shorter route, but Sir Henry resolved to take the road to Sandy Hook, as he judged it would be difficult to cross the Raritan river in the face of the enemy. Washington, anticipating a battle, dispatched one thousand men towards Monmouth Court House, the whole army following at a proper distance. The armies came together near the present site of Freehold, where two or three brief skirmishes were fought, but the final pitched battle took place about two miles from that county seat. The day was one of excessive heat, nearly one hundred soldiers were found dead on the battlefield without even a mark of a bullet. The British soldiers suffered worse in this respect, as the clothing of the American was much lighter in weight. At the approach of night, both armies occupied the field of battle, and the intention of Washington was to continue the fight the following day. The British, however, when darkness flooded the land at about ten o'clock, silently took up their march, and to the surprise of the Americans the morning sun showed no enemies in view. Clinton marched his army twenty-four miles that day, protected his immense wagon train, arrived at Perth Amboy, and embarked his troops for New York. General Washington declined to follow the retreating army in the morning. The battle of Monmouth was the last conflict of any importance to take place in the eastern colonies; the seat of war was henceforth to be in the southern colonies.

Several minor events took place in Middlesex county. A detachment of the New Jersey Royal Volunteers, consisting of sixty men, on August 19, 1777, crossed Staten Island Sound, marched twenty-seven miles into the interior, captured fourteen prisoners, sixty-two head of cattle, nine horses, destroyed property, and successfully transported their booty in safety to the island. Commissioners appointed by General Washington and Sir Henry Clinton met at Perth Amboy, April 12, 1779, to make arrangements for a general exchange of prisoners. Another invasion was made by about fifty of the "Greens" who crossed from Staten Island in the early morning of October 12, 1779, and secured upwards of a hundred cattle and horses, but a company of American troops obliged them to retreat, leaving most of their booty behind. The raid of Lieutenant-Colonel Simcoe, of the Queen's Rangers, on the night of October 25, 1779, in which the gallant leader lost his life, was one of the most notable events of the success of the New Jersey militia. A band of thirty refugees on June 1, 1780, captured ten prisoners at Woodbridge, whom they conveyed to New York.

Captain Adam Hyler and Captain Marrison were enterprising privateers of New Brunswick. They cruised between Egg Harbor and Staten Island, and many of their exploits read like a romance. They levied their contributions on the New York fishermen on the fishing banks, and annoyed the enemy so much that an armed force of three hundred men was sent January 4, 1782, to destroy their boats. Hyler, the most successful of the two, died at New Brunswick in 1782; Marrison lived at Harlem, New York, several years after the war. There is scarcely a town or village in the State that has not its local traditions or veritable accounts of valiant doings in the country's cause, waiting for the patient chronicler to gather and preserve them.



CHAPTER XIII.

MIDDLESEX MEN IN THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR.

Two citizens of Middlesex county, Nathaniel Heard and John Neilson, received the military rank of brigadier-general in the New Jersey State troops furnished during the Revolutionary War. General Heard was a native of Woodbridge, and was one of the first to take the field against the enemy. He raised in 1775 a body of troops which he placed at the disposition of the Provincial Congress and the Committee of Safety. He was colonel of the First Middlesex Regiment, afterwards colonel of a battalion of Minute-men, later was in command of a battalion named in his honor Heard's Battalion, then was made a brigadier-general and finally held that rank in the militia. He suffered a heavy penalty for his patriotism; his dwelling with the outside buildings were destroyed by fire by the British, who also appropriated to their use a thousand bushels of grain, seventy tons of hay, one thousand panels of fence, twenty-two hogsheads of cider, and two horses; he lost by these depredations over £2,000. After the Revolution, he held several offices under the National and State governments, being marshal of New Jersey and collector of revenue at Amboy under the former, and surrogate under the latter.

General Neilson was of Scotch and Dutch descent, though the founders of his family in America came from Belfast, Ireland. James Neilson, with his brother John Neilson, a doctor, arrived in Perth Amboy in 1716. The former became a resident of New Brunswick before 1730, as he was one of the patentees for a charter obtained in that year. The mail for Somerset county was left at his residence, as Perth Amboy was the nearest post office. James Neilson engaged in the shipping and mercantile business, was one of the first trustees of Princeton College (then the College of New Jersey), was alderman in New Brunswick, judge of the Court of Common Pleas, and a member of the Revolutionary Committee of Correspondence. He died at New Brunswick, March 4, 1783, in the eighty-third year of his age. Though far advanced in life at the commencement of the Revolutionary War, he was exceeded by no one in patriotism, believing that the injustice aimed at the colonies was clear and unveiled. He was a true friend to religion, and a liberal contributor to its support. He died childless, but owing to the early death of General Neilson's father, he adopted his brother's son as his own and left him his heir by his will.

Doctor John Neilson, a native of Belfast, Ireland, the father of the General, married Joanna, daughter of Andrew Cojeman, who came from

Holland with his mother, the widow of Andreas Cojeman. The family settled on the banks of the Hudson river on the Cojeman's patent, afterwards removed to Raritan Landing. Dr. Neilson died March 19, 1745, in consequence of an accident and while a young man.

The only son of Doctor John and Joanna (Cojeman) Neilson was born at Raritan Landing, March 11, 1745, and given the name of his father. At the outbreak of the Revolution he was engaged in the shipping business with his uncle James Neilson. Fired with patriotism for his native country, young Neilson made a strong speech to the citizens of New Brunswick, in which to use his own words, he "bitterly resented the attempt of a venal Parliament fought by an oppressive ministry to tax his country, stating that the only alternative was victory or slavery." He threw himself with energy into the struggle, raised a company of militia, and was appointed its captain. The company was called into service and placed under command of General Heard at the east end of Long Island. Captain Neilson on August 31, 1775, was commissioned colonel of a battalion of minute-men from Middlesex county by the Provincial Congress of New Jersey.

Such was the public appreciation of Colonel Neilson's ability and patriotism that he was urged early in 1776 to take a seat in the Continental Congress of that year, which was to take under consideration the grave measure of the Declaration of Independence. His presence in his native State being deemed so necessary, he was led to decline the honor. A copy of the Declaration of Independence, however, was forwarded to him by Congress, and he was solicited to use his efforts for it to receive a favorable reception in his part of New Jersey. A meeting consisting of a large portion of the inhabitants of New Brunswick was held in the public streets to hear the document read, and a violent opposition was feared. Colonel Neilson, fearless of personal danger, read the instrument to the people, and at its conclusion was greeted with loud cheers by so great a majority that the opponents of the measure did not dare to avow themselves.

In the dark and gloomy days of 1776, when Washington's army was reduced to a mere handful and the country's cause was trembling in the balance, Colonel Neilson, in command of the Second Regiment Middlesex County Militia, during September and October, was stationed in Bergen and Essex counties. His command in December retired with Washington's army to the west bank of the Delaware river. On the last day of that gloomy year, under orders of General Washington, Colonel Neilson with other New Jersey militia officers was directed to proceed to New Jersey to use their exertions to call together and embody the militia of the State. The efforts of these and a few other brave men at this critical time, and the patriotic response of the State militia, made

possible the victories of Trenton, Princeton and Monmouth, which turned the scale from deep despondency and finally resulted in the establishment of American independence.

Colonel Neilson with a detachment of his regiment surprised and captured every man of an outpost of refugees stockaded on an island in the river about three miles below New Brunswick, without firing a gun. In acknowledgment of his services he was appointed, February 21, 1777, brigadier-general of militia. During the winter of 1777 the British troops were quartered at New Brunswick, their commander, Lord Howe, making his headquarters at Colonel Neilson's residence on Burnet street. In the months of September, October and November, 1777, the colonel was in service in the lines at Elizabethtown with the militia of Middlesex and Somerset counties. He served in Monmouth county in June and July, 1778, being a part of the time under command of General Dickerson, and a part holding a separate command. The Assembly and Council, November 6, 1778, elected him a delegate to the Continental Congress, but he never took his seat, as his services could not be spared from the State.

In the spring and summer of 1779 he commanded the militia on the lines of Elizabeth and Newark. He was appointed September 20, 1780, deputy quartermaster-general for the State of New Jersey. This position threw upon him great responsibility, as the State failed either by taxes or loans to provide for the support of the army. The currency was depreciated, and forage, food, clothing and transportation were hard to obtain. He continued in this position until the close of the war. His useful and honorable Revolutionary career was terminated by his appointment, June 28, 1782, as one of the commissioners to settle the remaining accounts caused by the depreciation in the money value of their pay with the New Jersey troops.

After the war he succeeded to the property and business of his uncle, and carried on an extensive trade with Lisbon, Maderia, and the West Indies. He was still, however, called upon for services to the public; he was delegate to the State Convention called to consider the adoption of the Federal Constitution, and of its forty members was the last survivor; he was one of the commissioners to build bridges over the Hackensack, Passaic and Raritan rivers; and was a prominent member of the Assembly in 1800 and 1801. General Washington never passed through New Brunswick without calling on General Neilson, and Lafayette at the time of his visit to this country in 1824 presented him with a sword, and evinced the warmest pleasure in seeing him again. General Neilson was an elder in the New Brunswick Presbyterian church, clerk of the session fifty years, and a member of the board of trustees of Rutgers College from 1782, until his death March 3, 1833.

The colonels of the New Jersey Line were: Jacob Hyer, John Taylor, Robert Taylor, John Webster and John Wetherill. Hyer was from

Princeton, and was first lieutenant-colonel of the Third Middlesex Regiment; afterwards became its colonel. He was a "fine old gentleman of the olden times," and was at one time an innkeeper, but was also engaged in his trade of hatter. Of John and Robert Taylor there is little known. Colonel Webster was a resident of Piscataway, where he was a farmer on a large scale. He was first a captain in the First Middlesex Regiment, afterwards successively its lieutenant-colonel and colonel. Colonel Wetherill was from South Brunswick, and at the commencement of the war was colonel of the Second Middlesex Regiment.

Two other citizens of New Brunswick ranked as colonel in the Revolutionary War. Anthony Walton White was born near New Brunswick, July 7, 1750, the only son of Anthony White and Elizabeth Morris, a daughter of Governor Lewis Morris. His ancestors were of a martial strain of blood. The progenitor of the family, Anthony White, a royalist, left England shortly after the execution of Charles I., settling in Bermuda. His son, also named Anthony, served with the army in Ireland until the Battle of the Boyne. Leonard, the latter's eldest son, was an officer in the British navy; and his eldest son, Anthony White, lived in New York in 1715; son of the latter and father of the subject of this narrative was a lieutenant-colonel in the British army during the French and Indian War in 1753.

As early as 1761, Anthony Walton White, although only eleven years of age, was owing to paternal influence in possession of several official sinecures. He continued a nominal holder of these offices, pursuing his studies in the meantime under his father, whom he in turn assisted in care of his estate, until the outbreak of the Revolution. In October, 1775, he also was appointed an aide to General Washington, and the following February was commissioned by Congress lieutenant-colonel of the Third Battalion of New Jersey troops, and as such commanded the outposts of the army under Washington, continuing in service in the army of the North until 1780, when he was appointed a colonel.

In July, 1780, Colonel White fitted out on his own credit two regiments with which the following spring he joined General Gates' army in the South. His command was engaged in skirmishes with General Tarleton's troops until the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown. Between 1781 and 1783 he was with General Wayne in the Carolinas and Georgia. He unfortunately, however, became security for the debts of officers and men of his command, which he was obliged to pay, thereby depleting his fortune. In the spring of 1783 he married Miss Margaret Ellis, a young lady possessing great beauty and wealth, who resided in Charleston, South Carolina. He resided from 1783 to 1793 in New York, but after that lived in New Brunswick, where he died February 10, 1803. In his late life his fortunes were again impoverished, and the fortune of his

wife was wrecked through the improvidence of a friend who had been intrusted with its care, and his efforts to obtain relief from Congress on account of his expenditures for men in the service of the government proved unavailing.

The ancestors of Colonel John Bayard were of French and Dutch extraction. Samuel Bayard, a son of Rev. Balthazar Bayard, a French Protestant divine and professor, died in his native country before his widow and children emigrated to America. The widow was a daughter of Rev. Balthazar Stuyvesant, and a sister of Peter Stuyvesant, the famous director-general of New Netherlands, whose wife was a sister of Samuel Bayard, his brother-in-law. The widow with her four children accompanied her brother to New Amsterdam. She was a person of imposing presence, highly educated, with great business capacity, and, like her brother, had an imperious temper. Petrus, her son, a native of Alphen, South Holland, engaged in mercantile pursuits, also in real estate transactions. Among his many purchases of the latter was in connection with a party of Labodists of lands in Cecil county, Maryland, known as the Labodie Tract of Bohemia Manor. Petrus died in New Amsterdam in 1699. His son Samuel, with his brother-in-law, Hendrick Sluyter, in 1698 removed from New Amsterdam to Bohemia Manor, where he built a substantial brick mansion. James, his son, came into possession of the "Great House" in Bohemia Manor at the time of his mother's death in 1750. Here he spent his life, one of the most influential and active citizens of Eastern Maryland. In the "Great House" were born, August 11, 1738, John Bubenheim and James Asheton Bayard, twins. They attended the famous Nottingham Institution in Maryland, then under the supervision of Rev. Samuel Finley; subsequently they were placed under the private tutelage of Rev. George Duffield, the famous Presbyterian theologian. The brothers at the age of eighteen years went to Philadelphia, John, dropping his middle name of Bubenheim, entered the counting-house of John Rhea, while his brother took up the study of medicine. John Bayard later engaged in mercantile pursuits, becoming one of the leading importers and merchants of the Quaker City. He was amongst the first to protest against the exactions of the British government, and his name heads the list that signed the non-importation agreement of October 25, 1765. When the period of aggression took place, he was found at the forefront of the struggle. He was appointed a member of the Committee of Correspondence, a delegate to the Provincial Convention, and early identified himself with the Sons of Liberty.

In 1775 three battalions of Associators were organized in Philadelphia, and Bayard was commissioned major of the second, subsequently promoted to the colonelcy, and saw active service during the next two years. He was in camp with his command at Bristol, Pennsylvania,

shortly before Washington's crossing of the Delaware. For his services at the battle of Princeton he received the personal thanks of Washington. During the year 1777, Colonel Bayard divided his time between his military and civil duties. He was appointed March 13 of that year a member of the State Board of War, and four days later was elected speaker of the Assembly. When Lord Howe and the British army approached Philadelphia, Colonel Bayard resumed his military duties and participated in the battles of Brandywine and Germantown. Later, when hostilities were discontinued for the winter, he again returned to the performance of his executive duties. In 1780 he served as a member of a committee to report the causes of the falling off of the State revenues. He was chosen October 13, 1781, to a seat in the Supreme Executive Council, serving until November 4, 1782; soon after he was commissioned a judge of the High Court of Appeals. He took his seat as a member of the Continental Congress, November 22, 1785. His retirement from active business took place in 1788, when he removed from Philadelphia to New Brunswick, where he built a handsome residence in which he entertained many distinguished guests. In 1790 he was made mayor of his adopted residential city, and afterwards commissioned a judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Somerset county. His death took place at New Brunswick, January 7, 1807.

Prominent in the medical history of the American army was Charles McKnight. He was the eldest son of Rev. Charles McKnight, for nearly forty years a much esteemed and highly respected clergyman of the Presbyterian church, and one of the early trustees of the College of New Jersey. Of Scotch descent, his forbears emigrated to Ireland at the time of the "Ulster Plantation," which took place at the beginning of the seventeenth century. The reverend gentleman was of such pronounced patriotism for the American cause that he became obnoxious to the Tories, and at an advanced age in 1777 was imprisoned by the British, who treated him with great cruelty. Upon his release from captivity he survived but a short time, his death occurring January 1, 1778. A younger son of the worthy clergyman, an officer in the New Jersey Line, was also confined to the prison ships in Wallabout bay, Long Island, now the present site of the Brooklyn Navy Yard; he perished during his imprisonment, thus joining the great army of martyrs to the cause of independence. The future surgeon-general of the American army was born at Cranbury, October 10, 1750; after receiving an excellent education he graduated in the class of 1771 from Princeton College. He subsequently studied medicine with the celebrated surgeon, Dr. Shippen, of Philadelphia, and owing to his marked abilities was appointed, April 11, 1777, senior surgeon of the Flying Hospital, Middle Department; at the age of thirty years he was made surgeon-general of the American army,

serving until January 1, 1782. Dr. McKnight then became Professor of Surgery and Anatomy in Columbia College, New York. He gained distinction as a practitioner and teacher, not only in his native country, but also in Europe. A life of constant activity was, however, relinquished in his forty-first year, owing to a pulmonary affection, the result of an injury received during the war, and which caused his death. Dr. McKnight, although an eminent physician, was particularly distinguished at home and abroad as a practical surgeon, and at the time of his death was without a rival in this branch of the medical profession. Dr. McKnight's only son, John M. Scott McKnight, was a prominent physician of New York City. A grandson, Charles McKnight Smith, though a native of Haverstraw, New York, soon after obtaining his medical degree located at Perth Amboy, where he continued practice until his death in 1874, being at that time one of the oldest physicians in practice in the State. He was for many years health officer of Perth Amboy, a vestryman of St. Peter's Church in that city, and collector of the port in 1841 and at intermediate periods till his death.

A noted early physician of New Brunswick who gained military fame in the Revolutionary War was Moses Scott. A native of Neshaminy, Bucks county, Pennsylvania, he early became infatuated with military life, and at the age of seventeen years joined the unfortunate expedition of General Braddock. At the capture of Fort Duquesne, then a commissioned officer, he resigned and entered upon the study of medicine. He removed to New Brunswick before the commencement of the Revolutionary War, and on February 14, 1776, was commissioned surgeon in the general hospital of the Continental army. He supplied himself with medicines and surgical instruments which he obtained from Europe chiefly upon his own credit; but on the enemy invading New Brunswick he narrowly made his escape and the outfit of medical supplies was emptied into the streets by the British soldiers. Congress took the entire direction of the medical staff of the army in 1777, and Dr. Scott was commissioned as senior physician and surgeon of the hospitals and assistant director-general. He was present at the battles of Trenton, Princeton, Brandywine and Germantown. At the restoration of peace he resumed his medical duties at New Brunswick, where he continued to reside until his death, December 28, 1821.

Among the line officers of the regiments of the New Jersey State troops ranking as lieutenant-colonel was Samuel Crow, of Woodbridge, who was successively a captain in the First Regiment of Middlesex, then a major, and subsequently lieutenant-colonel of that regiment. Jonathan Deare was originally from Princeton, New Jersey, but must have removed before the commencement of hostilities to Amboy, as at a meeting held to discuss measures for the relief of the country, April 28,

1775, he was appointed one of the standing committee of correspondence for the north ward of that city. He attended the Provincial Congress held May 5, 1775, taking his seat as a member from Middlesex county, and not especially from Amboy. He was also a vestryman of St. Peter's Church of Perth Amboy from 1770 to 1774. His name appears first with rank of major, to a pledge signed by officers of the First Regiment of Militia in the county of Middlesex, dated February 24, 1776. Having been promoted to lieutenant-colonel, he resigned in March, 1778, to become collector of customs for the eastern district of New Jersey. His fee book while naval officer at Amboy from June 8, 1784, to February 8, 1788, in possession of the New Jersey Historical Society, shows the entrance of fifty-two sailing vessels and the clearance of fifty during that period.

Azariah Dunham was the son of Rev. Jonathan Dunham, a resident of Piscataway. He was a civil engineer, residing before the opening of the war at New Brunswick. He was a member of the Colonial Assembly in May, 1775, and during the preceding year a member of the conference held in the city of New York, of delegates from the sister colonies to adopt measures to protect the menaced liberties of the people. He was a member of the first Provincial Congress of New Jersey, also of the Committee of Safety. Colonel Dunham was lieutenant-colonel of the Second Battalion Middlesex Militia, but resigned to devote his attention to the duties of superintendent of purchases, also to raise troops and sign bills of credit for the Eastern Department of New Jersey, a position to which he had been elected by the Provincial Congress and which he filled until the close of the war. There is little known of Micajah Dunn and Richard Lott. Thomas Hadden, a resident of Woodbridge, was first a captain, then major, and afterwards lieutenant-colonel in the First Middlesex Regiment. William Scudder was from a family of millers, and his grist and fulling mill at Scudder's mills was totally destroyed by the British. He was first major and afterwards lieutenant-colonel of the Third Middlesex Regiment.

Amongst those line officers who held the rank of major was John Dunn. He was a member of the family of that name largely identified with the township of Piscataway, who furnished not less than fifteen officers and privates of the name of Dunn to the American army. Major Dunn was first a major in Colonel Heard's battalion of minute-men, and afterwards held the same rank in Colonel Samuel Forman's battalion of detached militia, and subsequently was first major of the First Middlesex Regiment. John Lyle, a tanner, of New Brunswick, was first a captain and then a major in the Third Middlesex Regiment. Another patriotic tanner was Robert Nixon, of South Brunswick, who was first a captain in a troop of light-horse, was brevetted major, and finally was first major of

the Third Middlesex Regiment. Samuel F. Parker, a son of the pioneer printer, James Parker, of Woodbridge, was first a captain in Colonel Forman's battalion of Heard's brigade, and afterwards a major in same. Samuel Randolph, of Piscataway, was first a captain and then a major in the First Middlesex Regiment. John Van Emburgh, a resident of New Brunswick, was successively second and first major of the Second Middlesex Regiment. He was taken prisoner by the enemy at Tom's River, New Jersey, May 14, 1780, but soon effected his escape. He was prominently identified with the Presbyterian church at New Brunswick, serving as one of its trustees. There is little known of Edgar Clarkson. Thomas Egbert and Reuben Potter held the rank of major in the New Jersey militia. Thomas Stelle or Steele, from the town of Piscataway, was a captain and afterwards paymaster of the Middlesex Militia. John Van Kirk held the rank of quartermaster.

We append the names of the company officers and privates of the Middlesex men in the Revolutionary War :

ROSTER OF STATE TROOPS.

CAPTAINS.

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| Addis, Simon. | Hulick, ———. | Schuyler, Abram. |
| Anderson, Andrew. | Jaquish, ———. | Scudder, ———. |
| Barron, Ellis. | Johnston, Heathcote. | Sebring, Jacob. |
| Barr, ———. | Lupardus, Christian. | Shearer, ———. |
| Bonny, James. | Lupp, ———. | Skinner, Richard. |
| Chambers, David. | Manning, Jeremiah. | Smalley, David. |
| Combs, Thomas. | Manning, William. | Stators, John. |
| Conover, William. | McCullough, Benjamin | Stelle, Thompson. |
| Curtis, ———. | Moore, James. | Stout, Samuel. |
| De Bow, James. | Morgan, James. | Ten Eyck, Jeremiah. |
| Dey, John. | Nevis, Peter. | Van Deventer, Jacob. |
| Dunn, Hugh. | Pain, John. | Van Nest, Peter. |
| Ferguson, Josiah. | Perrine, Peter. | Van Winkle, Simeon. |
| Frazier, David. | Piatt, Jacob. | Voorhees, John, Jr. |
| Freeman, Matthew. | Piatt, ———. | Wentzel, ———. |
| Guest, Moses. | Piatt, ———. | Wetherill, ———. |
| Guest, William. | Randolph, Asher Fitz. | Wetherill, ———. |
| Gulick, Joakim. | Randolph, Nathaniel Fitz. | Williamson, William. |
| Harnott, George. | Randolph, Reuben. | Wood, ———. |
| Hartipee, William. | Ross, Robert. | Woolsey, ———. |
| Hope, ———. | Schenck, John. — | |

LIEUTENANTS.

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| Barricklo, Farrington. | McDowell, Andrew. | Mersurall, Jacob. ✓ |
| Cape, John. | Morgan, Nicholas. | Schureman, James. |
| Dean, Stephen. | Mount, John. | Skilton, Joseph. |
| De Groot, William. | Persall, John. | Terhune, Abram. |
| Drake, John. | Van Pelt, ———. | Thompson, George. |
| Field, Jeremiah. | Voorhees, Daniel. | Thompson, John. |
| Fisher, Charles. | Voorhees, John L. | Thompson, John. |
| Gilliland, David. | Edgar, David. | |
| Lott, George. | Marsh, Ralph. | |

ENSIGNS.

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| Bareford, Lewis. | Grove, Samuel. | Phares, John. |
| Carman, Stephen. | Hampton, John. | Randolph, Lewis F. |
| Dunn, Ephraim. | Morford, ———. | Suydam, Hendrick. |
| Gordon, Archibald. | Morgan, James, Jr. | |

CORNET.

Lott, Daniel.

Buckalew, Josiah.
 Burlew, Josiah.
 Covenhoven, Peter.
 Dalley, John.
 Davison, William.
 De Hart, William.
 Disbrow, Daniel.

SERGEANTS.

Flinn, Benjamin.
 Griggs, John.
 Lyle, Moses.
 Marsh, Joshua.
 Messler, Simon.
 Morgan, Abraham.
 Nevius, Peter.

Nefies, Peter.
 Ohert, Henry.
 Sutton, Joseph.
 Thompson, James.
 Voorhees, William.
 Williamson, Isaac.

CORPORALS.

Ball, William.
 Crow, Garret.
 Dunn, John.

Green, John.
 Height, David.
 Isleton, Jonathan.

Letts, Francis.
 Toms, Michael.

FIFERS.

Coddington, Robert.

Hortrick, Barent.

Van Derventer, John.

PRIVATES.

Adams, John.
 Addis, Simeon.
 Alger, Archibald.
 Allen, Henry.
 Allen, Jonathan.
 Allison, Seth.
 Anderson, John.
 Anderson, Joseph.
 Appleby, Ambrose.
 Applegate, Andrew.
 Applegate, Charles.
 Applegate, Nathaniel.
 Applegate, Noah.
 Applegate, Robert (1).
 Applegate, Robert (2).
 Applegate, Thomas.
 Applegate, William.
 Applegate, Zebulon.
 Armstrong, Robert.
 Armstrong, William.
 Arnold, James.
 Arnold, John.
 Arnold, Lewis.
 Arvin, James.
 Arvin, John.
 Arvin, Peter.
 Asbondon, William.
 Ashton, Robert.
 Atten, Evert.
 Attenger, John.
 Ayres, Benjamin.
 Ayers, Ezekiel.
 Ayers, Jacob.
 Ayers, Jedah.
 Ayers, Nathan.
 Ayers, Reuben.
 Ayers, Samuel.
 Ayres, Elic.
 Ayres, Lewis.
 Ayres, Obadiah.
 Ayres, Isaac.
 Ayres, Phineas.
 Badcock, Joseph.
 Bailey, Daniel.
 Bailey, Richard.
 Baker, Cornelius.

Baker, John.
 Baldwin, Caleb.
 Baldwin, Enos.
 Baldwin, Woolsey.
 Bale, John.
 Barclay, Lewis.
 Barkelow, Coonrod.
 Barkelow, Henry.
 Barkels, Farronton.
 Barkels, John.
 Bastedo, Leo.
 Bateman, Daniel.
 Bayles, Daniel.
 Bayles, Richard.
 Bayles, Samuel.
 Bennet, Abraham.
 Bennet, Hendrick.
 Bennet, William.
 Bennington, Israel.
 Bercount, Daniel.
 Bergen, Christian.
 Berlew, Abraham.
 Bicknel, John.
 Bigner, Michael.
 Bingle, James.
 Bishop, Aaron.
 Bishop, James.
 Bishop, John.
 Bishop, Richard.
 Bishop, Shotwell.
 Bishop, William.
 Bisset, Andrew.
 Black, Alexander.
 Black, Benjamin.
 Blackford, David.
 Blackford, Nathan.
 Blackford, Phineas.
 Blanchard, Clark.
 Blanchard, Isaac.
 Blanc, Robert.
 Bloodgood, John.
 Bloomfield, Elias.
 Bloomfield, Ezekiel.
 Bloomfield, John.
 Bloomfield, Jonathan.
 Bloomfield, Moses.

Bloomfield, Nathan.
 Bloomfield, Thomas, Jr.
 Bloomfield, Thomas, Sr.
 Bloomfield, William.
 Boice, George.
 Bonger, John.
 Boorum, Hendrick.
 Boorum, John.
 Boorum, Nicholas.
 Borhies, James.
 Bowers, John.
 Bowman, Andrew.
 Bowman, Peter.
 Bowne, John.
 Bradbury, Hezekiah.
 Bradbury, Hosea.
 Bradley, Robert.
 Brecourt, Solomon.
 Brewer, Thomas.
 Brickcourt, Daniel.
 Briggs, John.
 Britton, Joseph (1).
 Britton, Joseph (2).
 Broockes, John.
 Brotherton, David.
 Brotherton, William.
 Brower, Thomas.
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 Brown, James.
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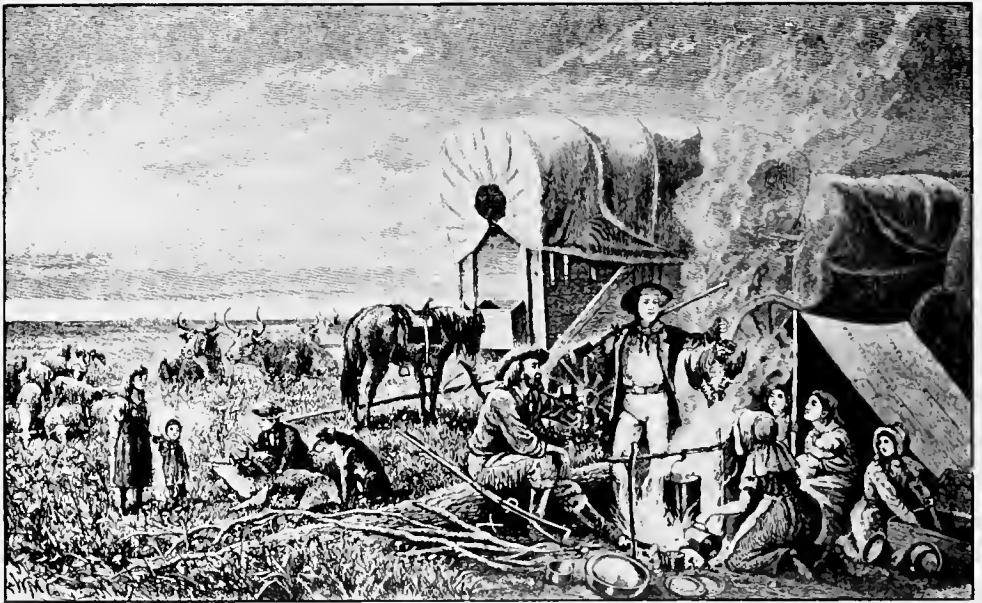
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CHAPTER XIV. AFTER THE WAR.

The long and arduous struggle for liberty and independence was at last ended. Freed from all foreign domination, with a vast territory in possession, with a prospect of advancement in wealth and population, the momentous question to be settled was a unity of action amongst the former colonies. The days of reconstruction had come, and the next step in national greatness was the welding of the various sectional difficulties into a form of universal government that would maintain the prestige of a nation. In the southern tier of colonies now operating under State governments, the important issue was the preservation of slavery, while those of the northern tier in many cases had promulgated laws leading to the abolishment of this evil. The long and destructive war had exhausted the resources of the country, trade and commerce were destroyed, the mechanics were ruined, agriculture was withered, and the relations of man to man, hardly defined by law, were not recognized and acted upon on the principles of justice and equity. A mountain of debt pressed upon the people, and they were on the very brink of anarchy and political destruction. Here was a crisis to be met, as the Articles of Confederation under which the war had been prosecuted in the latter years of the Revolution possessed no power to effect and maintain a permanent union of the States.

The Continental Congress, while it had the power to make and conclude treaties, could only recommend the observance of them. It could appoint ambassadors, but could not defray their expenses; could borrow money on the faith of the Union, but they could not pay a dollar; could make war and determine on the number of troops necessary, but could not raise a single soldier. For years efforts were made by those most interested in a State government to enlarge the powers of the Continental Congress, but their efforts failed on account of State jealousies and interests. Therefore the Confederation was fast expiring of its own debility. Difficulties arose with foreign nations, a commercial treaty could not be effected with Great Britain, and Spain would not allow the free navigation of the Mississippi river until the limits of Louisiana and the Floridas were definitely settled. Meanwhile the Valley of the West was filling up with great rapidity, and the people of that region were fearful that their interests would be sacrificed to the commercial policy of the Atlantic States. Many amongst the most prominent characters of the country advocated a monarchical form of government.

The first concessions made by the States, which was the forerunner of the formation of a republican form of government, was made by Vir-

ginia, which in March, 1784, ceded all her claims to the Northwestern Territory to Congress. This act was followed by New York, Massachusetts, Connecticut and South Carolina, making like concessions of their northwest territories, which culminated in the celebrated Ordinance for the Government of the Northwestern Territory passed by Congress, July 12, 1787, and its principles were the foundation of the civil polity of a considerable portion of the country.

In the older States, two great parties were formed which pursued distinct objects with systematic arrangement, which have been described by the eminent jurist, John Marshall, in the following words:

The one struggled for the exact observance of public and private contracts. Those who composed it were the uniform friends of the regular administration of justice and of a vigorous course of taxation which would enable the State to comply with its engagements. By a natural association of ideas they were also in favor of enlarging the powers of the federal government, and of enabling it to protect the dignity and the character of the nation abroad and its interest at home. The other party marked out for themselves a more indulgent course. They were uniformly in favor of relaxing the administration of justice, of affording facilities for the payment of debts, and of suspending their collection and of remitting taxes. The same course of opinion led them to resist every attempt to transfer from their own hands into those of Congress, powers which others deemed essential to the preservation of the Union. Wherever this party was predominant, the emission of paper money, the delay of legal proceedings and the suspension of taxes, were the fruits of their rule. Even where they failed to carry their measures, their strength was such as to encourage the hope of succeeding in a future attempt. Throughout the Union, the contests between these parties were annually revived, and the public mind was perpetually agitated with hopes and fears on subjects which affected essentially the fortunes of a considerable portion of society. This instability in principles which ought to be rendered immutable, produced a long train of ills; and is believed to have been among the operating causes of those pecuniary embarrassments which influenced the legislation of almost every State. The wise and thinking part of the community who could trace evils to their source, labored unceasingly to inculcate opinions favorable to the incorporation of some principles into the political system, which might correct its obvious vices, without endangering its free spirit.

In this deplorable state of affairs, an initiating step was taken by the Assembly of Virginia, which appointed commissioners to consider the state of the trade of the United States, and to meet with commissioners from the other States at Annapolis, Maryland, in September, 1786. This meeting was held, the convention consisting of only two commissioners from New York, three from New Jersey, one from Pennsylvania, three from Delaware, and three from Virginia. Nothing was done with reference to the especial object of the meeting, but a second convention was recommended to meet at Philadelphia in the following May for the

revision of the Constitution of the Federal Government to render it adequate to the exigencies of the Union.

Congress did not at first view the resolution of this convention favorably, being in doubt whether it was constitutional on account of its not originating in that body as provided by the Articles of Confederation. Their views, owing to the acts of armed insurgents against the laws of some of the States, tended to produce a reaction in their decision; accordingly, they passed a resolution recommending the States to elect delegates to the convention. Acting under the authority, the several States except Rhode Island proceeded to the appointment of delegates to the Federal Convention.

A number of the deputies to the Federal Convention appeared on May 14, 1787, at the State House, in the city of Philadelphia. A majority of the States, however, were not represented, and an adjournment was taken until May 25th, when nine States were represented and the convention was duly organized. The New Jersey delegation was headed by William Livingston, who had succeeded the renegade governor William Franklin, and had been the able executive head of the State government during the period of the Revolution. The Middlesex county representatives in the delegation were John Neilson and William Paterson; the former, however, failed to attend the convention.

In the proceedings of the convention, William Paterson took an important part. He introduced on June 15th a set of nine resolutions which became known as the New Jersey Plan. They differed from the Virginia Plan, as they favored only one branch of the Legislature, whose powers were derived from the States; instead of one executive head, it favored several. This became known as the State Sovereignty Plan. Although this failed to meet the endorsement of a majority of the delegates, it formed the basis of a compromise.

William Paterson, the introducer of the New Jersey Plan, was a native of Ireland, and in 1747, then being only two years of age, came to America with his parents. The elder Paterson located at Trenton, afterwards at Princeton, finally at Raritan (now Somerville). Young Paterson graduated from the College of New Jersey in 1763, read law under Richard Stockton, and was admitted to the bar in 1769. He first practiced in Bromley, Hunterdon county; removing to Princeton, he was associated with his father and brother in a mercantile business. The year 1775 marked the commencement of his public career, when he was chosen delegate to the Provincial Congress; he was secretary of that body at its two sessions, also of the Congress that met at Burlington in 1776. On the organization of the State government, he became attorney-general, which was a hazardous position, as in performance of his duties he was obliged to attend the courts in the various counties, thus exposing himself to capture by British soldiers. On the restoration of

peace, he took up his residence in New Brunswick and resumed his law practice. On the formation of the Federal Constitution he became one of two senators from New Jersey. This seat he resigned after performing its duties for a single year, to become governor of New Jersey. During his leisure time for the next six years he codified the statutes of Great Britain, which prior to the Revolution were in force in New Jersey, together with those enacted by the State Legislature before and after separation from the Mother Country. While engaged in this task he was appointed by President Washington as associate justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. His last judicial act was to preside in the United States Circuit Court in New York in April, 1806; his health was now visibly declining, and he withdrew from all active concerns, and died September 9, 1806.

The Federal Constitution was unanimously ratified by the convention of New Jersey, December 17, 1787, this action being only preceded by the conventions of Delaware and Pennsylvania. Thus New Jersey became an integral part of a constituted federal government, and the inhabitants of Middlesex county, as one of the units of the State, became a progressive and prosperous community, and, as the future years flowed on, to increase in wealth and enterprise due to the stability of her industries and the loyal, energetic efforts of her citizens.



CHAPTER XV.

FIRST HALF OF THE NINETEENTH CENTURY.

In the days of Washington, the people's adoration for the Nation's defender and a successful termination of their war troubles precluded any political division or the formation of rival political parties. The leaders of the then so-called Federalist party in many cases were well known to the citizens of Middlesex county. Washington during his Revolutionary career had often been seen by the people within its limits. Hamilton in his early youth was a student at an academy in Elizabethtown, and in the military movements later in New Jersey took an active part.

The New England aristocrat Adams in his frequent official visits to the Continental Congress and while Vice-President, passed through New Brunswick on his journey to the national capital. At the expiration of Washington's second term as President, Adams became his logical successor, and it was not until towards the end of his presidential term, when he naturally was a candidate for reëlection, that any decided opposition to his continuance in office commenced to be demonstrated. Thomas Jefferson, who was the first to fill the office of Secretary of State in Washington's administration, resigned in 1793. The following year, on being offered an appointment, he replied, "No circumstances will ever more tempt me to engage in anything public." But notwithstanding this determination, he became a candidate in 1800 for the presidency of the country.

The administration of Adams had been turbulent and in no way harmonious for the country. Though the second President of the United States was a man of ability and purity of character, he was also quick, inflammable, sanguine, impatient of opposition, and desirous of popular applause. The attitude of affairs with respect to France on his accession to office was by no means free from difficulty and danger. Many of the members of Congress advocated open hostilities with that country. Washington was persuaded to become the commander of an army to operate against France. The Naval Department was formed, and authority was given to the President to borrow \$5,000,000 for the public service. While these arbitrary actions were popular with the masses, the Federal party by the passage of the alien and sedition laws by Congress in 1798 received a setback that hastened and ultimately caused its downfall. The opposition party in Congress at this time was known as the Republican party, and, being in the minority, retired from active duty, waited their time for a favorable opportunity to bring their views of State power and

influence to bear upon the people. The year 1799 opened with extensive military preparations for war: the elections held that year had resulted in favor of the Federalists, this being especially the case in the South, where considerable changes had taken place in favor of the government.

Jefferson and his colleagues were energetically placing the doctrines of the Republican party before the people, and the opposition of Hamilton and his followers to Adams' reëlection, the latter boldly denouncing that portion of the Federal party who did not favor his measures, as a British faction, were the forerunners of an exciting presidential election in 1800. In the election in the State of New York for members of the Legislature in the early part of that year, the political parties were nearly equally balanced. Hamilton, as the leader of the Federalists, was opposed by Aaron Burr, who devoted himself to harmonizing the differences amongst the Republicans, and by his political astuteness and ability succeeded in electing the candidates of that party to the State Legislature. Though this was a decided victory, this defeat of the Federal party in national politics was not lessened by the results of the New York election. There was a decided opposition to the nomination of Adams for President, but the Federal members of Congress held a caucus in May, 1800, which resulted in the selection of John Adams and Charles Cotesworth Pickney as their candidates. The Republicans placed their dependence for success on Thomas Jefferson and Aaron Burr.

The political parties were known as the Anglo-Federal, the Simple Federalists, and Republican parties. In Middlesex county, Jefferson was denounced as an atheist and an enemy to all revealed religion. By his election to the office of President, the claims were made that he would become a hereditary president with unlimited power and a permanent autocracy. The Republican candidate for the council was James Morgan, who was opposed on the Federal ticket by Ephraim Martin. The nominees of the Republicans for the Assembly were: John Heard, Phineas Manning, John Morgan, and Joseph Randolph. Those named for that office on the Federal ticket were John Neilson, Gershom Dunn, William Edgar and Benjamin Manning. The Federalists were triumphant in New Jersey, and their candidates for the Council and Assembly were elected in Middlesex county.

The counting of the electoral votes by the United States Senate resulted in Jackson and Burr receiving each a total of seventy-three votes, which was a clear majority of the whole number. This resulted in carrying the choice for President to the House, each State to be entitled to one vote, which on the thirty-sixth ballot resulted in favor of Thomas Jefferson for President and Aaron Burr for Vice-President. In this election, Hamilton and the Federalist leaders were actively engaged, as they considered Jefferson a far less dangerous man than Burr. Hamilton

claimed that Jefferson had some pretensions to character, while Burr was devoid of any principles whatsoever only for his own aggrandizement, comparing and naming him as the "Cataline of America." Hamilton was thus able by his severe denunciations of Burr to overcome the bitter repugnance of the Federalists to Jefferson, which resulted in his choice for President. The Republican press was jubilant over the final election of Jefferson and Burr, and their encomiums were of an extravagant nature, as follows: "Resplendently Glorious, a complete victory obtained by virtue over vice, republicanism over autocracy, and the consequent downfall of Hamiltonians, Pickeronians, British agents and old Tories."

In the election for Governor following the inauguration of Jefferson as President, the Republicans succeeded in electing a native of Middlesex county to that office. Joseph Bloomfield was esteemed as a sound legislator and a judicious leader. As a presidential elector in 1792, he voted for Washington and Adams, but soon afterwards became an avowed opponent of Adams and, becoming friendly with Jefferson, he became a leader of the Republicans in New Jersey. In 1801 he was elected Governor, and was reëlected each succeeding election until 1812, excepting in 1802, when there was a tie for the office between himself and Richard Stockton, and for a year the duties of that office was performed by the vice-president of the council. Governor Bloomfield was born in Woodbridge, in 1755, attended a classical school, studied law, and was admitted to the bar. He resigned from the Continental army in 1778, having been commissioned a major. His political and official life commenced with his discharge from the army, continuing until near the time of his death at Burlington, New Jersey, October 3, 1825.

In the fifth presidential election, while the Republicans carried New Jersey for Jefferson and Clinton, the Federalists in Middlesex county were successful in electing their candidates to the Assembly by an average majority of one hundred and fifty votes. The Assembly was, however, controlled by the Republicans, the only other counties in the State represented by Federalists being Bergen, Burlington and Cape May counties, the Assembly standing thirty-eight Republicans to fifteen Federalists.

Toward the close of Jefferson's second administration, the embargo question with all its perplexing ramifications not only occupied the attention of Congress, but was a vital factor in the political life of the country. The mooted question whether Jefferson would be a candidate for a third term was finally settled by his fixed determination to retire to private life. He allowed his mantle to fall upon his favorite, James Madison, who with George Clinton became the Republican candidates. The Federalists, divided as a party, with hardly any chance of success, selected General C. C. Pinckney and Rufus King as their candidates. Middlesex county

still remained true to her Federalist attachments, the electors of that party receiving 1551 votes to 1216 cast for the Republican candidates. James Voorhees, James Parker, and George Boice were elected on the Federalist ticket to the Assembly, with majorities averaging 331.

James Parker, mentioned above, was a leader in public affairs. He was a descendant of Elisha Parker, a pioneer of Woodbridge, from Massachusetts, and a son of James Parker, a leading citizen of Perth Amboy, a captain in the French and Indian War, who afterwards was engaged as a merchant in New York and was for many years mayor of his native city. A man of large landed property and vigorous intellect, he was one of the founders of the American Episcopal church in New Jersey.

James the younger was a man of great ability and public note. He graduated from Columbia College, New York, in 1793, but on account of the death of his father when he was only twenty-one years of age he became the virtual head of his family. He managed the large landed interests left by his father, which his intimately practical knowledge of law and sagacious mind fitted him to perform. His entrance into public life was in 1806. A thorough Federalist, he was, nevertheless, not a partisan, and this with his independence, integrity and remarkable capacity made him exceedingly influential. He was a statesman as well as a speaker, one of the originators of the fund for free schools, a leader in the prohibition of the domestic slave trade. In 1790 one-twelfth of the population of the United States were slaves. The gradual emancipation act in the early part of the nineteenth century was adopted in the Northern States. In New Jersey there was an organized movement to abolish slavery as early as 1786, when the New Jersey Abolition Society, composed mostly of Quakers, received a charter from the Legislature.

Mr. Parker, both as a member of the Legislature and as foreman of the Middlesex grand jury, protected the negro and did much to save his State from the disgrace of slavery. Like his father, he was for many years mayor of Perth Amboy, also an originator and director of the Delaware and Raritan canal and a commissioner to settle the boundary line between New Jersey and New York. He served with distinction in the National House of Representatives, winning from his colleagues the cognomen of "Honest James Parker," and distinguishing himself as a champion of the right of petition and as a guardian of the finances of the Union. After leaving Congress and until his death, April 1, 1868, he was first a Whig and then a Republican, a staunch supporter of the Union and of emancipation.

The presidential contest in 1812 was enlivened by the war with Great Britain. Madison had acceded to the views of the war party, which caused a split in the Republican party. The regular party nominees were Madison and Gerry, while those in opposition named Clinton and Inger-

soil. The Federalists, hoping to profit by the division in the ranks of their opponents, mostly voted for Clinton and Ingersoll. The voters of Middlesex county, therefore, deprived of a regular Federalist nomination, cast their ballots for electors for President and Vice-President for Clinton and Ingersoll, though they elected to the Assembly a solid delegation consisting of James Parker, James Voorhees and Ercuries Beatty, the first mentioned receiving 1,780 votes to 1,427 cast for the highest candidate on the opposition ticket. James Schureman, a Federalist, was elected over John James, a Republican, to the council by a majority of 343.

The War of 1812 played no important part in the history of Middlesex county. Her soil was not invaded by a foreign foe, and her seacoast was ably defended by the United States navy from any inroads or attacks of the enemy's battleships. President Madison commissioned Governor Bloomfield a brigadier-general in the army, and early in 1813 his brigade reached Sacketts Harbor, New York, but soon after their commander was transferred to take command of a military district with headquarters at Philadelphia, where he remained until peace was restored. Middlesex county furnished sailors and soldiers for the navy and army, but there were no detailed companies from the county in active service.

In the autumn of 1816, the war having closed, the popular agitation was as to candidates for the presidential nomination, Madison, following the example of his predecessor, decided to retire to private life. The predominance of Virginia was still in evidence when James Monroe became an avowed candidate. There was some opposition to his nomination from those who disliked the rule of the "Old Dominion," but on balloting in senatorial caucus on the respective claims of the candidates, James Monroe and Daniel D. Tompkins were selected by the Republicans. The Federalists, with no hope of success, selected as their candidate Rufus King, leaving to the electors the choice for Vice-President. Though the Republicans carried New Jersey for their candidates, electing their Representatives to Congress, Middlesex county still stood faithful to the Federalists, choosing Ercuries Beatty to the council and James Parker, Allison Ely, Jr., and Hezekiah Smith to the Assembly.

There was no opposition to the reelection of Monroe and Tompkins in 1820. This period in American history became known as "The era of good feeling," when the Republican, afterwards known as the Democratic party, was the only political organization. Monroe received all the electoral votes of the States excepting one that was cast in Massachusetts for John Quincy Adams. Internal improvements and tariff legislation was the cause of the breaking up of the harmony in the political affairs of the nation. These harmonious times were, however, to cause a break in the political aspect of Middlesex county; while the Republicans elected Andrew Kirkpatrick to the council, James Cook, also a Republi-

can, defeated David E. Paten for the Assembly by a vote of 925 to 793. Ercueries Beatty and John T. McDowell, Federalist candidates, defeated their opponents by a vote 866 to 859. The Republicans had a majority in the Assembly of thirty-four.

The contest for the presidency in 1824 presented new names for candidates. The success of Andrew Jackson in the War of 1812 and Indian wars in the South made him a popular candidate, while John Quincy Adams, William H. Crawford and Henry Clay had an army of admirers. This was the first appearance of the Whig party in a presidential election, and it had selected for its candidate the "Great Commoner" from Kentucky, Henry Clay. The political excitement was intensified by the visit of the illustrious Lafayette, "the hero of two worlds." New Jersey showed her preference in the presidential campaign by choosing electors favorable to Andrew Jackson. Middlesex county, however, gave John Quincy Adams a plurality of eighty votes; Robert M. Chesney was elected to the council; and J. T. McDowell, David Schenck, and J. F. Randolph to the Assembly. The electoral college failed to cast a majority for a presidential candidate, and the matter, in accordance with laws governing such cases, came before the House of Representatives, which elected John Quincy Adams as President.

The presidential campaign of 1828 was one of shameless abuse of private character, and slanderous imputations of everything unworthy and disgraceful. On the wave of this sea of scandal the Democratic party was successful in electing "Old Hickory," otherwise known as Andrew Jackson; Middlesex county still stood true to her Federalist instincts, though that name as a political party had been dropped, but in the embers of its dying fires had arisen an organization known as the People's party, which was dubbed by the press as the Administration party. New Jersey as a State gave its vote to John Quincy Adams, the counties carried by Jackson being Sussex, Warren, Morris and Hunterdon. The majority for the Administration party in Middlesex county was 598; while its candidates for the council and Assembly received majorities from 132 to 355, James Fitz Randolph was elected to Congress to fill a vacancy caused by death. This gentleman was a native of Middlesex county, who after receiving a common school education served an apprenticeship in the printing business. He became editor in 1812 of a weekly paper published in New Brunswick called "Fredonia," in which capacity he continued thirty years. He was a collector of internal revenue, clerk of the Common Pleas Court, and was representative in Congress from 1828 to 1833, and after his retirement was president of a bank in New Brunswick for ten years. He was the father of Theodore Frelinghuysen Randolph, the twenty-fourth Governor of New Jersey.

Middlesex county was visited in the summer of 1832 by the Asiatic cholera; it commenced its ravages about the close of June, continuing until about October first, leaving in its path desolation and death. With a battle-cry of protection to the school fund and no monopolies, the National Republican party was launched in 1832 against the Jackson Administration party. Middlesex county swung into line underneath its banners and elected their candidates on that ticket to the Assembly. This body was composed of forty-two members of the National Republican party to twenty-two Jacksonians, thus was the New Jersey Assembly added to the hotbed of Federalism. The State, however, cast its electoral votes for Jackson and Van Buren; the Middlesex county electoral vote was for Henry Clay, he having a majority of eighty votes. The changing of the complexion of the New Jersey Assembly was a great reaction. In the House of 1830 there were eighteen National Republicans to forty-six Jacksonians. The following year this had been changed to thirty-one Jacksonians to thirty-three National Republicans, and in two years from 1830 the Jacksonians' majority of twenty-eight had been changed to twenty for the National Republicans.

In the presidential election of 1836 the electoral vote of New Jersey was in the hands of the Legislature, for the reason that by an Act of Congress the election of the electors of the several States should take place thirty-four days prior to the meeting of the electoral college, which was fixed in 1836 on December 7th. The New Jersey State Legislature by an act passed in 1807 required the presidential election to be held the first Tuesday in November, this being in 1836 thirty-six days before the meeting of the electoral college. This difficulty also occurred in 1808, when the responsibility devolved on the Legislature. The New Jersey electoral vote in the thirteenth presidential election was cast for Harrison and Granger, the candidates of the Whig ticket. The Whig nominee for council, George T. McDowell, received a majority of only twenty votes. Three of the Van Buren candidates, William C. Alexander, Thomas Edgar and Samuel C. Johns, with George P. Molleson, an anti-Jacksonite, were elected to the Assembly. The county went for Harrison and Granger by a majority of two hundred and fifty.

In the presidential election of 1820 the Democratic party strived to elect Van Buren for a second term. The Whigs presented their defeated presidential candidate of 1836. There was unprecedented excitement during the campaign, and more attention was bestowed upon politics and the numerous questions at issue than had ever been the case at any previous time. There was hardly a definable limit to the conventions, the speeches, the political pamphlets, the newspaper engineering, on the thousand topics which were brought forward and debated at the time. The "hard cider" campaign with its log cabins fully supplied with barrels

of cider all over the country, in hamlets, villages and cities, marked an important epoch in the political history of the United States. Van Buren as candidate of the Democratic party carried only seven States—New Hampshire, Virginia, South Carolina, Illinois, Alabama, Missouri and Arkansas, the Whigs being triumphant in every State north of the Mason and Dixon line with the exception of those mentioned above, and gaining victories in some of the Southern and border States. In Middlesex county, though prodigious efforts were made by the Administration party, a full Whig delegation was elected to the Assembly. Harrison and Tyler received a majority of 310 votes, which was a gain of 159 over the majority given Harrison and Granger.

In the campaign for the fifteenth election for President, the Whigs were handicapped by the administration of affairs by President Tyler, who by the death of General Harrison filled the executive chair. They presented as their candidate Henry Clay, who received the cognomen "The Friend of Popular Rights." The war-cry of the Whigs was the purification of the Federal Government, the maintenance of a protective tariff, the distribution of the moneys from the sales of the public lands, the maintenance of the Union. The Democratic party was condemned for the corrupt system of making Federal offices bribes, for the destruction of the existing tariff laws, the increase of taxation, the extension of territory already too vast for safe government.

The nominee on the Whig ticket for Vice-President was Theodore Frelinghuysen, a native of New Jersey, who spent the later years of his life in New Brunswick, where he died April 12, 1861. Mr. Frelinghuysen was a man of great piety, possessed of the deepest religious feelings, and was well known by the sobriquet "The Christian Statesman." He was endowed with a power of quick and determined action and the leadership of men, which secured for himself a success in the affairs of the world. He was equally successful as educator, lawyer and statesman. He had filled the position of United States Senator, and declined a seat on the Supreme Court bench of the State. After the defeat of the Whig ticket, he became chancellor of the University of New York, and in 1850 he resigned this position to become president of Rutgers College, which office he held until his death.

Middlesex county gave the Clay and Frelinghuysen ticket a majority of 304, electing a solid Whig delegation to the Assembly. The Third Congressional District, which combined with Middlesex county, Hunterdon, Mercer and Somerset counties, elected John Runk, a Whig, as Representative, by a majority of only twenty-seven votes.

The Whigs in 1848, passing over the claims of Henry Clay and Daniel Webster for their candidates, selected General Zachary Taylor as their standard-bearer. The Democrats, with a split in their ranks in New York

State, placed in nomination Lewis Cass, his running mate being William O. Butler. The Whig candidate had distinguished himself in the war with Mexico, and the candidate for Vice-President, Millard Fillmore, was a prominent statesman of the Empire State. The split in the Democratic party, mentioned above, consisted mainly of dissatisfied politicians in New York State who met in convention at Utica in that State and nominated Martin Van Buren for President. The Free-soil party, consisting mainly of Abolitionists, in a convention held in Buffalo, New York, endorsed the nomination of Mr. Van Buren, selecting as their candidate for Vice-President Charles Francis Adams.

Previous to 1848 the New Jersey State elections had been held in October, and the polls for voting had been kept open two days. The presidential election in 1848 was the first time the ballots for National and State offices were cast on the same day, and the time of voting was limited to one day. A distinct opposition was made by the Clay Free Soil Whigs to the candidates for President and Vice-President on the Whig ticket, and they were even more antagonistic to their own party than they were to their Democratic opponents. The normal majority of the Whigs in Middlesex county was not, however, materially diminished. A solid Whig delegation was elected to the Council and Assembly, the majority in these bodies on joint ballot being twenty-three in favor of the Whig party. Middlesex was the banner Whig county in the State, every town giving "Old Zack" for President a majority, with the exception of South Amboy, which was carried by Cass by a majority of 211.

The presidential campaign of 1852 was devoid of any political excitement. Both of the great parties set aside their legitimate leaders, and turned for their candidates to those who had distinguished themselves by military exploits in the Mexican War. There was also injected into the campaign the Free-soilers, who met in convention at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, nominating John P. Hale, of New Hampshire, for President, and George W. Julian, of Indiana, for Vice-President. Though General Winfield Scott had gained more distinction than his opponent in the military operations in Mexico, he was badly defeated by General Franklin Pierce, who received the largest electoral vote ever cast for a presidential candidate previous to this period, he receiving in the electoral college the votes of all the States with the exception of Vermont, Massachusetts, Tennessee and Kentucky. The Whigs of Middlesex county, however, gave a majority of one hundred and eighty for their presidential candidate, electing Martin A. Howell in the First Assembly District, Abraham Everett in the Second District, and Josephus Shann, a loco-foco, in the Third District. Samuel Lilly, a Democrat, member of the medical profession, was elected representative to Congress.

To the student of the political history of the country the presidential campaign of 1856 was to see the dissension between the free and slave-holding States that was afterwards to culminate in open hostilities. The waning power of the South in the United States Senate by the creation of free States in the Great West, which they had bitterly fought in the State of Kansas, curtailed the extension of slavery. The Democrats presented as their candidates James Buchanan and John C. Breckinridge. The newly formed Republican party had for their standard-bearers John C. Frémont, "The Great Pathfinder," and William L. Dayton, a prominent citizen of New Jersey. The political situation was further complicated by the introduction of the American party, with Millard Fillmore and Andrew Jackson Donelson as its candidates. This split in the ranks of old Whig party placed Middlesex county for the first time in the Democratic column, her vote for President being for Buchanan 2,468, Frémont 1,200, and Fillmore 1,979. In the Third District, Garnett B. Adrian was elected to the Thirty-fifth Congress. The newly elected member of Congress was of French extraction; his paternal grandfather settled in Ireland, fleeing from his native France, with his two brothers, from religious persecution following the revocation of the Edict of Nantes. He was a man of fine cultivation, remarkable for his brilliant wit and versatile power of conversation. He engaged in his new home in teaching, married, and reared a family of five children. Of these, Robert, the eldest, early developed an aptitude for learning that amounted to genius. The death of his parents when he was fifteen years of age changed his life as a pupil to that of a teacher. In the rebellion of 1798 he commanded an Irish company, but on account of his independent spirit gained the ill will of the government, and a reward was offered for his capture. His having been wounded by one of his men gave rise to a rumor of his death, and he eventually escaped to America disguised as a weaver. Here he became noted for his mathematical talents, and after being in charge of several academies in 1810 was called to the professorship of mathematics and natural philosophy in Queen's (Rutgers) College; subsequently he was elected to the chair of natural philosophy at Columbia College. Returning to Rutgers in 1826, he accepted after three years a professorship in the University of Pennsylvania, of which institution he was also vice-provost. He returned to his home in New Brunswick in 1834, and from that time until his death, August 10, 1843, with the exception of three years, he relinquished teaching. Garnett B., his son, was born in New York City, December 20, 1815. After receiving a collegiate education he entered the law office of his brother, Robert Adrian, at New Brunswick, and remained in continuous legal practice until his death on August 17, 1878. He inherited the genius of his father and a good deal of his independent spirit. He was recognized by the members of the

bar of the State as a legal light of the highest order, a favorable, ready, witty, eloquent speaker, who had few equals in the State. In politics a Democrat of the old school, he was an ardent adherent of Stephen A. Douglas. After his two terms in Congress he retired from active politics.

The campaign for the presidential election in 1860 opened with four political parties in the field. The Republicans, who had nominated Abraham Lincoln and Hannibal Hamlin, declared that freedom was the normal condition of all the territories, and that slavery could exist only by the authority of municipal law. The Democratic party was divided; the radical pro-slavery wing, whose candidates were John C. Breckinridge and Joseph Lane, declared that no power existed that might lawfully control slavery in the territories, and it was the duty of the national government to protect the institution. The other wing of the party, whose platform assumed not to know positively whether slavery might or might not have lawful existence in the territories but expressed a willingness to abide by the decision of the Supreme Court, had for its candidates Stephen A. Douglas and Herschel V. Johnson. The National Constitutional Union party adopted as its platform, "The Union, the Constitution, and the enforcement of the laws," and declined to express any opinion upon any subject. Its candidates were John Bell and Edward Everett. The conflict waged desperately from July to November. New Jersey was the only State in the Union that presented a ticket which combined fusion electors opposed to the Republican nominees. This ticket received a majority of 650 in Middlesex county, but in the electoral college the Republican candidates received four votes, the other three being cast for the ticket headed by Stephen A. Douglas. In the Third Congressional District, William G. Steele, a Democrat, was elected by a majority of 2,115. The State Senate consisted of eleven Republicans to ten Democrats, the Middlesex representative being Abraham Everett, a Republican. Three Democrats—Elias Ross, James T. Crowell and Orlando Perrine, were elected in Middlesex county to the Assembly by a majority of two hundred.

Abraham Lincoln in the electoral college received the combined votes of the State north of the Mason and Dixon line, with the exception of three votes in New Jersey. Breckinridge carried all the Southern States with the exception of Virginia, Kentucky and Tennessee, whose entire vote was received by Bell. Douglas, the idol of the Democratic party, received the three votes of New Jersey and nine from Missouri. The Republican party had won its first national victory, and the seeds were sown that was to cause slavery to be forever removed as a national issue. Grimvisaged war to take place before the consummation of this momentous question, father was to be arrayed against son, brother against brother, and the country was to be plunged into the horrors of civil war.

CHAPTER XVI.

WAR BETWEEN THE STATES.

The smoke from the guns that were fired at Fort Sumter had hardly dissolved in the air when President Lincoln issued his proclamation calling for seventy-five thousand militia to serve in the Union army for three months. The quota of this call for New Jersey was 3,120, or four regiments of 750 men each. The War Department also required that in addition to the regiments called, a reserve militia should be organized as rapidly as possible. Governor Olden, who at this period filled the executive office of the State, issued a proclamation directing all individuals or organizations to report for duty within twenty days. The whole State rose with glorious unanimity to vindicate the majesty of insulted law. The banks pledged a fund of \$451,000 to support the governor in his extraordinary expenses, of which sum the State Bank of New Brunswick subscribed \$25,000. The first regimental offer was made by the First Regiment of the Hunterdon Brigade, under date of April 18, 1861. The first company actually mustered into service was the Olden Guards, a militia organization of Trenton, on April 23, 1861. New Jersey was a carnival of patriotism from one end of the State to the other; volunteers came forward so rapidly that the quota of the State was completed on April 30, 1861, and the regiments stood ready to march to the seat of war.

The four regiments were quickly mustered into a brigade known as the New Jersey Brigade, afterwards as the First Brigade. There was not in this brigade an organized company from Middlesex county.

Governor Olden selected for commander of the First Brigade, Theodore Runyon, a prominent lawyer of Newark, then about thirty-eight years of age, and who had for some years manifested a deep interest in military affairs. General Runyon, though not born in Middlesex county, was a descendant of Vincent Rognion, a native of France, and one of the early settlers of Piscataway township. On May 2, 1861, the brigade embarked by the way of Annapolis for Washington, and on the 6th reported to General Scott. The three thousand Jersey men were thoroughly armed and equipped, and their arrival at the capital city was hailed with pleasure, as they could be depended on to repel all assaults. In the First Brigade of the New Jersey Volunteers, which was mustered into service under the call of the President for three-year volunteers, in the First Regiment of Infantry, Middlesex county had three full companies, C, F and G, while some of the members of companies A, B and E were from that county.

First Regiment—The First Regiment, with other members of the First Brigade of three-year volunteers, left Trenton on June 28, 1861, and immediately on arrival in Virginia formed a part of General Runyon's division of reserves in the battle of Bull Run, aiding materially in covering the retreat of the Union forces on that fatal day. Immediately after the battle, the regiment went into camp near Alexandria, Virginia. Major Philip Kearny, having been commissioned a brigadier-general, was put in command of the New Jersey troops. The fall and winter months were passed in camp duties. On October 15 a detachment of the First Regiment fell in with the enemy cavalry, when a brisk skirmish took place; after emptying a number of saddles, they retired with a loss of three or four killed. In the spring of 1862 the regiment was ordered to Burke's Station, on the Orange & Alexandria railroad, to protect laborers. The First Regiment was finally advanced to Fairfax Court House, and a detachment was sent forward to Centreville, where the remainder of the regiment shortly after joined them. Thus this regiment that was the last to leave Centerville at the first Bull Run, had the honor of being the first to occupy the place in the second advance. The brigade in April, 1862, was attached to the First Division of the First Army Corps, was advanced to Bristow Station, and took a position two miles from Warrenton Junction, at Catlett's Station. This was a strategic movement to engage the attention of the enemy while General McClellan transferred his main body of the army by transports to the Peninsula. The First Regiment, as part of the First Brigade, abandoning their position at Catlett's Station, returned to Alexandria, where it embarked on steamers for the rendezvous at the mouth of the York river, thence proceeding to Yorktown, and finally to West Point, on the York river. Here the regiment was disembarked and deployed as skirmishers, and a sharp engagement took place with some of the best soldiers of the rebel army. A junction was finally effected with McClellan's army near the White House, whence the regiment advanced to Chickahominy, remaining in camp at this point about two weeks.

The fighting for the possession of Richmond had commenced, and on the night of May 21 the First Regiment was detailed to guard a working party. Six days later the regiment, leaving its entrenched camp on the right bank of the Chickahominy, moved down to Woodbury's Bridge, where the brigade was formed into two lines, and though the odds of position and numbers were against them, the Jersey Blues fought steadily on until nightfall. One by one their officers were shot down, and though the day was lost, it was not the fault of the New Jersey Brigade, which went into action with 2,800 stout-hearted men, of whom but 965 wearied, scarred and dark with grime of battle, answered to their names in the solemn midnight when the morning camp was reached. In the First Regiment, Major David Hatfield was wounded, and subse-

quently died of his injuries; Captain E. G. Brewster was killed; while Captains Way, Mount and others were wounded; the total loss of the regiment being 21 killed, 78 wounded and 60 missing. The following morning the First Brigade was withdrawn to the woods in the rear of the battlefield, where it rested until midnight, when it marched towards Savage Station, pausing to take part in the battle of Malvern Hill, and finally reached Harrison's Landing, where it found a brief respite.

In the latter part of July, General John Pope was appointed to command the forces designated as the Army of Virginia, with instructions to make fresh demonstrations against Richmond from the Rappahannock in order to effect a diversion in favor of General McClellan's army. The First Regiment, now numbering about three hundred men, in connection with other regiments of the First Brigade, was sent forward by rail to Bull Run bridge, where it was supposed that there was no more formidable body of enemy than gangs of guerillas. This, however, was found to be a mistake, and the Jersey troops were confronted by the enemy's forces, who gave battle, causing sad havoc amongst their ranks. Stonewall Jackson, who was present on the field of battle, afterwards said he had rarely seen a body of men who stood up so gallantly in the face of overwhelming odds as did the Jersey troops on this occasion. By the official statement the First Regiment casualties in this engagement were, one killed, 47 wounded, 80 taken prisoners.

General Pope, realizing his dangerous position, pushed forward all of his available forces upon Centerville. Here General Kearny's division advanced against General Stonewall Jackson, stationed near Gainesville. At this point a large part of both armies became engaged, victory and repulse following each other in quick succession, and Pope, struggling with a hope of reinforcements that never came, was badly beaten. The army was withdrawn to a position near Centerville, where the First Brigade as a part of Franklin's Corps joined the main army. General Lee determined to harass the right wing of Pope's army, advanced General Jackson's army toward Fairfax Court House, where on the evening of September 1st they were confronted by two divisions of Sumner's Corps, and subsequently by Kearny's Division, the latter closing the fight by driving the enemy from the field. The victory, however, was a costly one. General Kearny being shot dead when almost within the rebel lines, on a reconnoissance.

Here fell on the field of battle a *beau ideal* of an American soldier. General Philip Kearny, though not a native of Middlesex county, was descended from a family that was connected with its history in the eighteenth century. It was in 1716 that Michael Kearny, then residing in Monmouth county, purchased a lot of ground in Perth Amboy and soon after removed thither. He was originally from Ireland, and before coming to Perth Amboy had married for his second wife, Sarah, daughter

of Lewis Morris, governor of the province of New Jersey. Mr. Kearny had not been long a resident of Perth Amboy when various offices were bestowed upon him. He was secretary of the province, surrogate, clerk of the Assembly, also of the Court of Common Pleas. His eldest son, Philip, was eminent as a lawyer, and married (first) Lady Barney Dexter, whose maiden name was Ravaud; the issue of this marriage was Philip, Elizabeth, Susannah and Ravaud. The eldest Philip resided for many years at Perth Amboy, but finally removed to Newark, locating on what was known as the Kearny homestead. There he lived until his death, and his son Philip, who married Susan Watts, succeeded to his father's estate. These were the parents of General Philip Kearny, who was born in New York City, June 2, 1815, while his mother was there visiting relatives. Graduating from Columbia College in 1833, young Kearny visited Europe, and while there was especially impressed by the manœuvring of the armies. Returning to New York, he studied law, but by the death of his grandfather, John Watts, in 1836, he inherited \$1,000,000. He then turned his attention to army life, and was commissioned second lieutenant in the First United States Dragoons. He served through the war with Mexico, and lost his left arm at the battle of Cherubusco, being brevetted major for his gallantry. After the close of the war he built on his property, "Belle Grove," on the Passaic, a French chateau, and on the broad acres of the old homestead exercised his horses, which he had imported from Europe. At the outbreak of the Civil War, after offering his services to the United States and his native State without success, he aided in the organization of the First New Jersey Brigade. He was commissioned brigadier-general, and it was through his superb soldierly qualities and masterly drill that the First Brigade came to be noted for its wonderful efficiency and *esprit de corps*.

The weary and footsore soldiers of the First Regiment were not yet to find rest. General McClellan was again in supreme command, and the regiment was moved towards South Mountain, taking part in the battle of Crampton Pass, Maryland, where three brigades of the rebels under General Howell Cobb were advantageously posted. After a short but severe engagement, the rebels were routed, the First Regiment suffering a loss of seven killed and thirty-four wounded. The battle of Antietam followed in three days, and though this was one of the bloodiest and costliest of the war, the First Regiment was not actually engaged, it being stationed in a woods for forty-two hours, six of which they were exposed to a severe artillery fire. Lee with his bleeding columns, leaving his dead on the field of battle, crossed the Potomac, effecting a lodgment in Virginia and leisurely retreating down the Valley, awaiting the development of McClellan's programme.

The First Regiment remained in Maryland until October 2, when it crossed the Potomac to participate in the movement against Freder-

icksburg. The regiment was formed in line of battle and was also engaged in picket duty. The battle of Fredericksburg terminated the campaign of 1862, and the First Regiment went into winter quarters near Falmouth, Virginia, where it rested for four months in comparative quietness.

In the spring of 1863, General McClellan was succeeded in the command of the Army of the Potomac by General Joseph Hooker. The latter, determined upon a movement against the enemy, crossed with the bulk of his forces the rivers Rappahannock and Rapidan, and took position at Chancellorsville. The First Brigade, now a part of the Sixth Corps, crossed the Rappahannock three miles below Fredericksburg on the morning of April 29, 1863. On the evening of May 2nd, the First Regiment attacked and drove in the enemy's pickets, holding the ground thus obtained. The regiment moving rapidly through Fredericksburg, proceeded some three miles in the direction of Chancellorsville, where it formed in line of battle and advanced until Salem Church was reached. Here the enemy was strongly posted, and the veterans of Longstreet stood resolutely at bay. Though the First Brigade did not write a new victory on its banners, it proved itself once more worthy to march and fight in the van of the battle-beaten Army of the Potomac. The regiment remained on the field during the whole of the following day, but was not engaged except as a support to batteries. On the night of the 4th the entire army withdrew, the First Regiment proceeding by slow marches to its old camping grounds. The First Regiment loss at the battle of Chancellorsville was 7 killed, 71 wounded, and 27 missing.

General Lee having defeated Hooker's movement against Richmond, determined upon an offensive campaign, and early in June again crossed the Potomac, taking position on free soil. General Meade having succeeded General Hooker, came up with the advance of the enemy at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. The First Regiment, prior to this movement, had participated in various aimless marches in Virginia. The regiment crossed the Potomac at Edward's Ferry on the afternoon of June 27 and marched rapidly forward to Manchester, where it arrived July 1. The following day, by a forced march of thirty-six miles, it reached Gettysburg, and at once was sent into position on the left of the line. The fighting being mainly on the right and center, the First did not become engaged on the decisive day of the battle except on the picket line. After the defeat of the enemy, the regiment on July 19 crossed the Potomac, went into camp near Warrentown, and on September 15 removed to Culpeper Court House. During the month of October it participated in movements along the Rappahannock, but subsequently went into camp at Warrentown, whence it removed to Rappahannock Station, and early in December to near Brandy Station, where it remained in winter quarters until late in April, 1864.

On May 4, 1864, having fully matured his plans, General Grant, who was in supreme command, set all his columns in motion. The First Regiment as a unit in these decisive attacks on the enemy which were terminated by Lee's surrender at Appomattox, valiantly performed its part. It was present at all the important engagements with the enemy on the Peninsula in Virginia and in the Shenandoah Valley. It took part in the battles of the Wilderness, Spottsylvania, Spottsylvania Court House; North and South Anna River, Hanover Court House, Tolopotomy Creek, Cold Harbor, before Petersburg, Snicker's Gap, Strasburg, Winchester, Charlestown, Opequan, Fisher's Hill, New Market, Mount Jackson, Cedar Creek and Middletown, Hatcher's Run, Fort Stedman, capture of Petersburg, Sailor's Creek, Farmville, and Lee's surrender at Appomattox.

On May 24, 1865, the regiment marched through Richmond on its way northward. It encamped four miles from Georgetown, D. C., on June 2, and after a short time the regiment was mustered out of service and proceeded to Trenton, New Jersey, where it was dissolved and ceased to exist.

Ninth Regiment—The Ninth Regiment was raised under authorization from the War Department to recruit a regiment of riflemen. Companies A and B were from Middlesex county. The recruiting for the regiment was begun in September, 1861, and the first muster was made at Camp Olden, Trenton, on October 5. The regiment was soon filled to the maximum, and remained in camp until December 4, when it proceeded to Washington. It was armed with Springfield rifles, and was more fully equipped than any regiment which up to that time had left the State. The regiment went into camp on the Bladensburg turnpike, where it remained until January 4, 1862, when it proceeded to Annapolis to become a portion of Burnside's expedition to North Carolina. It was assigned to the brigade of General Jesse L. Reno, and embarked for Fortress Monroe, January 10. Arriving at its destination, sail was made for some point southward. On February 6 all the vessels arrived off Roanoke Island, which separates the Pamlico and Albemarle sounds, and where the Confederates were in force with entrenchments, batteries and gunboats. The fleet steamed directly up Pamlico Sound led by a dozen gunboats under the command of Commodore Goldsborough. The Ninth Regiment as part of Reno's command was placed in the second line of attack, and remained inactive about a half a mile from the scene of hostilities. The order for advance was soon given, and the regiment entered the swamp and up to hips in water advanced to within one hundred yards of the enemy's fort. Here a vigorous fire was opened on the enemy, which was responded to by the batteries pouring a storm of shot and shell into the regiment. The rebel guns were, however, silenced by the sharpshooters picking off their cannoneers. The Con-

federates retreated about 11 o'clock. The conduct of the Ninth was highly courageous, the enemy admitting after the battle that they did not suppose a body of troops could operate in the swamp, as this operation on the rebel flank made it possible to secure the great success of the day. By order of General Burnside, "Roanoke Island, February 8, 1862," was emblazoned on the Ninth's banners in compliment for their gallantry on that day. The Ninth lost in the battle, 9 killed and 25 wounded. The capture of Roanoke Island gained the key to all the inland waters of North Carolina, thus interrupting communications which at that time were essential to the enemy.

The Ninth remained on the Island until early in March; on the 11th of that month it sailed down the sound to Hatteras Inlet to participate in an attack on Newberne. In the line of battle before that city, the Ninth occupied the extreme left. Discovering a movement on his left flank, Colonel Heckman, in command of the regiment, reversed his left wing in time to repel a fierce attack of the enemy, the regiment then resumed a direct attack, silencing the Confederates' artillery by their sharpshooters. The Federal troops had made several charges, and on the solicitation of Colonel Heckman, General Reno ordered the Ninth to make a charge. Dashing eagerly forward, leaping from ditch to ditch, wading knee-deep in mire, rushing over pitfalls through almost impenetrable abattis, the irresistible assailants swept up to the earthworks, climbed the blood-stained slippery sides and captured the whole line of fortifications in their front, with six guns. The flags of the Ninth waved from two of the enemy's redans, while the right guidon floated from a third. Soon the entire division took complete possession of the Confederate works mounting some sixty-nine cannons. The river batteries in the rear were evacuated, thus leaving the land and water approaches to Newberne open, all that remained being to march in and take possession. The Ninth camped at the junction of the Trent and Neuse rivers about four miles from the captured fortifications, remaining until April 1, when it proceeded to Newport Barracks, where its headquarters remained during the siege of Fort Macon. On July 26, six companies of the regiment took part in an expedition to Young's Cross Roads. The next three months were spent in reconnoitering and guerilla warfare. The regiment on October 30, 1862, joined General Foster's expedition against Tarborough, while two brigades were transported by water to Washington, and the third, which included the Ninth, marched overland. It was on the morning of November 2 the column was first attacked by rebel rangers, and after marching some nineteen miles it became evident that an engagement was imminent. Two Massachusetts regiments having been forced to retire, the Ninth was ordered to the rescue. Running through the ranks of the Massachusetts regiments, the Ninth dashed past the fort of the enemy, halting upon a

high clay bank beyond the swamp. Here parties were detailed to find convenient fords, but on receiving a report that the river could be crossed by infantry, Colonel Heckman placed a battery in position to open fire with canister on the enemy, then ordered the Ninth to cross over the burning bridge into the works of the Confederates. The latter fled precipitately, leaving considerable property behind. Few achievements of the North Carolina campaign were more gallant than this passage of a burning bridge, and the rout of the enemy strongly posted, by a single regiment. The expedition moved forward in the direction of Tarborough, but learning that the enemy had been reinforced, it was determined to return, the Ninth reaching Newport on November 12.

In accordance with an order from the War Department dated November 18, 1862, the regiment was reduced from twelve to ten companies, A and L being disbanded, and the enlisted men transferred to other companies of the regiment. Company M was designated as Company A. In December, 1862, the regiment took part in Colonel Heckman's expedition to destroy railroad junctions in North Carolina, in which it took part in engagements with rebel forces at Deep Creek, Southwest Creek, before Kinston, Whitehall and Goldsborough. On December 24, a beautiful stand of colors costing seven hundred dollars, was presented to the Ninth by the Legislature of New Jersey.

The year 1863 opened with the Ninth in camp in North Carolina, a part of what was known as "The Star Brigade." In the early part of that year it took part in several minor expeditions, but for the greater part of the time was in camp at Morehead City. In July, 1863, an expedition was undertaken into the interior of North Carolina, and the Ninth took part in an engagement near Winton in that State. Many of the Ninth being sick with chills and fever, the regiment was ordered to Carolina City, where it remained unemployed for a month and a half. On October 18, 1863, the regiment broke camp and proceeded to Newport News, Virginia, where it remained during the remainder of the year.

The term for which the Ninth had volunteered having in the early part of 1864 nearly expired, two-thirds of the regiment immediately reënlisted for three years in the war, being designated "Veteran Volunteers." This number entitled them to a veteran furlough, and on February 2, 1864, they sailed for Jersey City, thence proceeding to Trenton, where their arms were stored and the men scattered for their homes. The portion of the regiment that did not reënlist, in a reconnaissance at Deep Creek, Virginia, fell in with a body of rebels who compelled them to retreat.

The gallant Ninth, strengthened by a number of recruits, once more set its face towards the battlefields. Reaching Portsmouth, Virginia, March 17, 1864, it proceeded to Getty's Station, where it reunited with General Heckman's command. This command sailed up Chuckatuck

river, landing April 15 at Cherry Grove, where the enemy were met and engaged by several companies of the Ninth. The command returning to their camp at Getty's Station, was transferred to Yorktown, finally sailing to Fortress Monroe. The Ninth disembarked at Bermuda Hundred, on the south side of James river, being the first to land. Bivouacking about two miles from the river on the morning of May 6, the division moved forward, the Ninth as usual having the post of honor and of danger. Moving steadily forward, the regiment at noon came within sight of Petersburg, and advanced steadily to Port Walthall Junction, where the enemy were strongly posted. Here it met a superior force of the enemy and after two hours' fighting was obliged to retire; the Ninth losing four killed and 30 wounded. The following day the regiment was engaged in fighting, but it was less severe than the preceding day. The morning of the 9th an advance was made southward to Swift Creek, three miles from Petersburg. The enemy was driven two or three miles with heavy loss, the Unionist soldiers tearing up the railroad track between Petersburg and Richmond. Both armies held during the night the ground occupied during the day. The loss of the Ninth was one man killed and nine wounded. The Ninth was not again engaged until the 12th, when the whole army again advanced, encountering the enemy on the Richmond and Petersburg turnpike. Night closed active operations, both armies resting on their arms, skirmishing was resumed at daylight, the enemy being gradually driven at all points of the line. The morning of the 14th the artillery opened vigorously upon the enemy. Companies D and G of the Ninth were deployed as skirmishers and compelled the enemy to fall back to their fortifications. During the 15th while a sharp musketry fire was kept up all day, no general demonstration was made. The extreme right of Heckman's command was held by the Ninth. The commanding general had repeatedly asked for reinforcements which had been denied him. At midnight the rebels moved out of their works strongly massed, and rushed just before daylight upon the pickets; they were forced back, but the 16th was to be a sad day for the "Star Brigade." Under cover of a dense fog, five picked brigades in columns debouched, left the rebel fortifications, drove in the Union pickets, and pressed forward on a run for the main line. Though they were repulsed, the rebels executed a flank movement on the extreme right, and the Ninth, defending that position, having no artillery and being greatly outnumbered, was obliged to give way. The Ninth lost heavily in this battle, which is named in the reports as Drury's Bluff, one hundred and fifty being killed and wounded. The regiment at the commencement of the engagement had nineteen officers, thirteen of whom were killed and wounded and three taken prisoners. Among their dead officers was their commander, Colonel Abram Zabriskie. During the next week the Ninth was more or

less constantly engaged in skirmishing, severe fighting at times, and on being ordered to Cold Harbor on June 3, became engaged with the enemy. While the fighting was continued along the whole line the following day the Ninth was not engaged. On the 12th General Smith's army withdrawing from its position, the Ninth covered his rear and marched directly to White House, where it embarked and sailed to Bermuda Hundred. The total loss of the regiment during the operations at Cold Harbor was five killed and thirty wounded.

After reaching Bermuda Hundred, nine companies of the Ninth, with a part of the Twenty-third Massachusetts, were with other troops united under the title of Provisional Brigade, and attached temporarily to the Tenth Corps; with this organization the Ninth took part in the movements before Petersburg, Virginia, fighting forty days in the rifle pits.

The fighting of the Ninth in Virginia was ended, and on September 17 it proceeded to Bermuda Hundred, embarked for North Carolina, reaching Morehead City and proceeded to its old camp at Caroline City. On October 21, one hundred and eight men whose terms of service had expired, left the camp for Trenton, New Jersey, to be mustered out. The Ninth remained in North Carolina until the close of hostilities, taking part in several engagements—Gardiner's Bridge, Foster's Bridge, Butler's Bridge, Southwest Creek, Wise's Fork, and Goldsborough.

The Ninth during its term of service participated in forty-two battles and engagements. Entering the service with 1,042 men and at various times strengthened by recruits, the mean strength of the regiment when mustered out was only six hundred. The regiment as an organization was mustered out of the United States service at Greensborough, North Carolina, July 12, 1865, and proceeded by rail to Danville, Virginia. On the 15th it embarked at City Point for Baltimore, reaching Trenton the following day, where it was furloughed until the 28th when the final discharge papers were issued, and on the day following the Ninth Regiment, after nearly four years of service, ceased to exist.

Fourteenth Regiment—The Fourteenth Regiment was mustered into the service of the United States, August 25, 1862, leaving Freehold for the seat of war, nine hundred and fifty strong, September 2, 1862. The regiment was composed of excellent material. Companies D, H, I and K were largely from Middlesex county; there were also a number in Companies C and E who were citizens of the county. Reaching Baltimore, the regiment was dispatched to guard Monocacy Bridge. Receiving advice of the advance of General Lee into Maryland, the regiment was transferred to Elysville. The Confederates burned the bridge crossing the Monocacy, and the Fourteenth was ordered to rebuild it. Here for nine months the regiment remained inactive; owing to poor rations during the winter, a great deal of sickness prevailed, seventy-five deaths occurring. This period of inactivity came to an end after the battle of

Chancellorsville, when the Fourteenth was ordered to Harper's Ferry and took position on Maryland Heights. Here it remained two weeks, when General Meade assumed command of the Army of the Potomac and ordered the position abandoned. The regiment then marched to the relief of the Union army at Gettysburg, but did not join the main army until July 9, and on the afternoon of the 17th crossed the Potomac at Edward's Ferry, going into camp at Bealton Station. The Fourteenth at this time numbered eight hundred men, and for five weeks camped along the Rappahannock.

The regiment still was located in Virginia, and on October 30 was engaged in its first active engagement, at Locust Grove, where it suffered a loss of 16 killed and 58 wounded. The enemy retiring on the approach of night, General Meade ordered a withdrawal across the Rapidan, and on December 4 the regiment went into winter quarters at Brandy Station. At this time the regiment had fit for duty six hundred men. The monotony of the winter quarters was not disturbed until February 6, when an unsuccessful attempt was made to cross the Rapidan river. General Grant having been placed in command of the Army of the Potomac, orders were issued May 3, 1864, for a forward movement against the enemy now concentrated in the Wilderness. Here the Fourteenth was engaged for several hours, fighting valiantly and losing heavily. On the second day the enemy retired, and Grant advanced his columns, concentrating around Spottsylvania Court House, and late in the afternoon the Fourteenth again went into action. The six days following were occupied in manoeuvring and skirmishing; on the night of the 21st General Grant commenced a flanking advance to the North Anna, the Fourteenth crossing at Jericho Ford, thence, with the other regiments of the brigade, it proceeded to Nole's Station and destroyed the Virginia Central railroad for a distance of eight miles. During Grant's retrograde movement north of the Chickahominy, the Fourteenth was on the skirmish line. The army resumed its advance on the morning of June 1; after marching fifteen miles the enemy's position at Cold Harbor was reached, the Fourteenth being in front. Here a terrific battle ensued, the Fourteenth losing in two hours 240 killed and wounded. In the second day's fight the Fourteenth also took a part, losing several men. Grant having arrived at the conclusion that General Lee's position was impregnable, wisely decided to pass the Chickahominy far to Lee's right; thence move across the James river, to advance against Richmond from the south. The Fourteenth was carried by transports to Bermuda Hundred, where it was united with Butler's army, then investing Petersburg. It was engaged on the Weldon railroad in tearing up tracks, when a large force of the enemy appeared, and in an action that followed the regiment lost forty men in killed and prisoners.

General Early's successful raid in the Shenandoah region caused General Grant to transfer the Third Division of the Sixth Corps from

the front of Petersburg to that seat of war. The Fourteenth was the first regiment to reach Monocacy. Here on July 9, dispositions were made for battle, the Fourteenth being on the extreme left. The Confederates enveloping the Union lines, forced them to retreat; the Fourteenth in this engagement suffered severely. Every line officer with the exception of Captain J. J. Janeway, of Company K, was either killed or wounded, but happily the regiment extricated itself from its peril and at last found safety six miles distant, at New Market. The whole number of the casualties in the Fourteenth was 10 killed, 69 wounded, and five missing. Of the 950 men that left New Jersey, but ninety-five were left for duty on the night of July 8, 1864, without an officer to command them. Captain Janeway received a wound after taking command that obliged him to leave the battle field.

This engagement, while disastrous to the Union forces, is believed by historians of the war to have retarded the Confederate's advance on Washington. The delay thus occasioned enabled divisions of the Union army to reach the capital before General Early was enabled to accomplish the object of his expedition. The regiment remained at Ellicott's Mills until the 11th, when it proceeded by rail to Baltimore to join in the pursuit of Early, who was now retreating. On the 15th it crossed the Potomac at Edward's Ferry, pushed through Leesburg and Snicker's Gap, eventually reaching Harper's Ferry to take part in Sheridan's campaign in the Shenandoah Valley. This expedition moved against the enemy August 10, 1864, but no general action took place until August 19, when the enemy was attacked at Opequan Creek. The Fourteenth by the means of recruits had augmented its numbers to three hundred men; their loss in this engagement was 7 killed, 62 wounded, and one missing. Its greatest loss, however, was Major Vredenburg, who while at the head of his regiment, ordering a charge upon a rebel battery, was struck by a shell and instantly killed. The following morning, Early having taken position at Fisher's Hill, Sheridan crossed Cedar Creek, and on the 22nd gave battle, which lasted three hours, the casualties of the Fourteenth being ten killed and thirty wounded.

The great battle of the campaign was yet to be fought, that of Cedar Creek. Sheridan had gone to Washington on business, and the wily Early on October 18 moved his entire army across the mountains separating the branches of the Shenandoah. Under cover of fog and darkness, the Eighth Corps was attacked on both flanks, the enemy capturing twelve hundred prisoners, twenty-four guns, and much camp equipage. The Eighth, aroused from its morning slumbers, was unable to make any great resistance. The Sixth Corps, of which the Fourteenth Regiment was a member, had more opportunity to rally, and held the rebels in check for a time. A general retreat was ordered; the Union forces fell back five miles and reformed their line of battle. Then Sheridan appeared

on the scene, having made his famous ride from Winchester. Riding along the lines, he inspired the men by speaking to them, stimulating them to new endeavors, and prepared them for a fresh encounter, saying as last words to them the effective sentence, "We are going to lick them out of their boots." The soldiers, with these words ringing in their ears, assumed the offensive. After considerable manoeuvring, a charge was ordered, the enemy was driven back, the trains, artillery and other trophies recaptured, defeat converted into victory, by the inspiring spirit of Sheridan. The Fourteenth Regiment, which took an active part, lost heavily. It remained in the vicinity of Winchester until December 3, when it proceeded to Washington, thence by transports to City Point, whence it advanced and occupied a position on the Weldon railroad. Here the regiment was reorganized, having received recruits to the number of two hundred, and remained in winter quarters until late in March, when orders were received to join the armies operating against Richmond.

In the last grand advance of the Army of the Potomac, the Fourteenth Regiment, as usual, was in the advance. It participated in the engagement at Hatcher's Run, the assault on Fort Stedman, which resulted in the speedy downfall of Petersburg, and the surrender of Lee at Appomattox. The Fourteenth, now reduced to one hundred men, proceeded to Barksdale, where it remained in camp until April 24, when it moved to Danville to take part in General Sherman's operations against General Johnston. Almost simultaneously news was received of Johnston's surrender, and the war was ended. The regiment remained at Danville until May 16 when it proceeded by rail to Richmond, whence it marched to Washington, and on June 8 was reviewed in that city. It was formally mustered out of service June 19, proceeded to Trenton the following day, and on the 29th received final payment. The men who had shared so many perils together for nearly three years exchanged farewells, and separated to again join the old familiar paths of peace.

Twenty-eighth Regiment—The Twenty-eighth Regiment was recruited in Middlesex, Monmouth, Ocean, Camden and Gloucester counties, and mustered into the United States service for nine months. The regiment might be rightly named "Middlesex's Own," as of its ten companies Company A was recruited in Middlesex and Monmouth counties, while Companies B, C, D, F, I and K were raised wholly in Middlesex county.

The Twenty-eighth was mustered into service at Freehold, September 22, 1862, nine hundred and forty strong. The regiment reached Washington on the night of October 5, encamped on Capitol Hill, and was furnished a few days afterwards with Springfield muskets. On the 13th the regiment marched into Virginia, where after several different camping stations it finally on December 8 proceeded to Falmouth. Here it was attached to the First Brigade, Third Division, Second Army Corps.

The plans for a demonstration against Fredericksburg having been matured, the Twenty-eighth crossed the Rappahannock river, marched into position, and about ten o'clock in the morning of October 12 was ordered into line and at once advanced upon the enemy. The advance was made in the face of a murderous fire, the ranks of the regiment being terribly thinned, not less than one-fifth of the regiment having been wounded or killed. Still, however, the command stood firm, deliberately opening fire upon the enemy from the shelter of a ravine, holding their position tenaciously until night put an end to the conflict. Darkness coming on, the Twenty-eighth withdrew to the town, leaving on the field nearly two hundred of the six hundred who had advanced in the morning. From first to last the men fought with the same heroism, the same cool determination, as the veteran troops around them.

The regiment remained in camp until April 28, when Hooker's movement against the enemy having commenced, it marched to United States Ford, where it was detailed for picket service. Two days later it led the advance in crossing the river, and pushed forward immediately to the Chancellor House. The regiment formed in line of battle May 2, but was not engaged until the following day, when it was detached from the brigade and posted in a woods some three or four hundred yards distant. A reconnaissance was made, and it was discovered that the regiment was close upon the rebel line. The enemy suddenly made an attack in great force on the front and right flank of the regiment, causing the line to give way. The Twenty-eighth, though vastly outnumbered, behaved with characteristic gallantry, delivered a vigorous fire, and retired to its position with the brigade. The loss of the regiment in this action was some thirty killed, wounded and missing. During the 4th and 5th the regiment remained in line of battle but was not engaged, the fighting having shifted to another part of the line. On the 6th the regiment withdrew from its position and returned with the army to the camp near Falmouth. Here it remained until June 14 when Lee having started towards the Upper Potomac, Hooker's army moved in pursuit, the Twenty-eighth marching by way of Stafford Court House and Dumfries to Fairfax Station. Here, its term of service having expired, it was diverted from the route pursued by the army and proceeded to Washington, thence it was sent to Freehold, and on July 6, 1863, was mustered out of service.

Thus has been briefly sketched the part that Middlesex county took in the war between the States. Many of her citizens were connected with other regimental organizations. A number were members of Companies A, B and H of the Sixteenth Regiment, better known as the First Regiment of Cavalry, which was authorized by an order given by President Lincoln, August 4, 1861, to William Halsted, to raise a regiment of volunteer cavalry in the State of New Jersey.

RECORD OF MIDDLESEX COUNTY MEN IN THE CIVIL WAR.

FIRST REGIMENT.

- Non-Commissioned Staff.—Provost, William S., sergt. Co. G, May 18, 1861; sergt.-maj. Sept. 21, 1861; pro. to 2d lieut. Co. K, 11th Regt., July 15, 1862; pro. to 1st lieut. Co. B, May 4, 1863; disch. Oct. 9, 1863, dis.
- Company A.—Dunham, Samuel H., 1st sergt. May 16, 1861; disch. at Gen. Hosp., Fairfax Sem., Va., July 9, 1862, dis.
- Crossan, Cornelius, recruit, Aug. 13, 1861; disch. at Camp Banks, Va., Jan. 22, 1863, dis.
- Company B.—Kelly, Edward, private, April 25, 1861; re-enl. Dec. 28, 1863; served in Co. A, 1st Batt.; must. out July 20, 1865.
- O'Brien, Michael, private, April 25, 1861; must. out, July 23, 1864.
- Wickoff, Peter, private, April 25, 1861; killed in action at Manassas, Va., Aug. 27, 1862.
- Williamson, William H., private, April 25, 1861; taken prisoner at Wilderness, May 6, 1864; died of scurvy at Andersonville, Ga., Nov. 26, 1864; buried at Nat. Cem., Andersonville.
- Whitlock, George W. H., private, June 15, 1861; must. out June 23, 1864.
- Company C.—Roberts, Edward F., sergt., May 22, 1861; 1st sergt. June 8, 1861; 1st lieut. July 2, 1862; pro. capt. Co. H, Nov. 4, 1862; must. out June 23, 1864.
- Phelan, Thomas C., sergt., May 22, 1861; 1st sergt. Aug. 4, 1862; 2d lieut. Oct. 7, 1862; resigned Feb. 12, 1863.
- Smith, J. Kearney, corp., May 22, 1861; sergt. June 7, 1861 pro. adjt. 27th Regt. Oct. 9, 1862; pro. capt. Co. K, Nov. 11, 1862; res. Dec. 22, 1862; bvt. maj. U. S. Vols. March 13, 1865.
- Stumpf, Philip, corp., May 22, 1861; sergt. Sept. 26, 1861; 1st sergt. Jan. 10, 1863; must. out June 23, 1864.
- Benton, William H., 1st sergt., May 22, 1861; disch. at Camp Sem., Va., Sept. 19, 1861, dis.
- Faller, John, corp., May 22, 1861; killed in action at Gaines' Farm, Va., June 27, 1862.
- Hallman, Henry, corp., May 22, 1861; sergt. Aug. 6, 1862; killed in action at Wilderness, Va., May 5, 1864.
- Magnice, Patrick, corp., Jan. 16, 1862; sergt. July 7, 1862; disch. at U. S. Army Hosp., Phila., by order War Dept., Oct. 11, 1864.
- Carrigan, Thomas, private, May 22, 1861; corp. July 2, 1862; paroled prisoner; disch. May 10, 1865.
- Cody, Martin, private, May 22, 1861; deserted at camp near Belle Plain, Va., Dec. 10, 1862.
- Conover, Thomas, private, May 22, 1861; corp. April 2, 1862; killed in action at Spottsylvania C. H., Va., May 12, 1864.
- Cox, James, private, May 22, 1861; killed in action at Crampton's Pass, Md., Sept. 14, 1862.
- Cheesman, George, private, May 22, 1861; deserted July 27, 1861, at Camp Princeton, Va.
- Dilling, Henry, private, May 22, 1861; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps Nov. 15, 1863; disch. therefrom April 27, 1864.
- Disbrow, William H. H., private, May 22, 1862; deserted July 27, 1861, at Camp Princeton, Va.
- Foster, John, recruit, Oct. 13, 1861; deserted April 17, 1862; returned to duty; sentenced by G. C. M. to make good time lost; served in Co. A, 1st Batt.; must. out June 29, 1865.
- Guinot, Jean F., private, May 22, 1861; deserted Jan. 20, 1863, at camp near White Oak Church, Va.
- Hamilton, William, private, May 22, 1861; died at field hosp., May 6, 1864, of wounds received in action at Wilderness, Va.
- Hamilton, Archy, private, May 22, 1861; must. out June 23, 1864.
- Lott, Thomas, private, May 22, 1861; must. out June 23, 1864.
- Mullin, Patrick, private, May 22, 1861; deserted Sept. 20, 1862, near Williamsport, Md.
- Miller, Henry, private, May 22, 1861; must. out June 23, 1864.
- Noe, Adam, private, May 22, 1861; deserted July 9, 1863, at Emmittsburg, Md.
- O'Neil, John, private, May 22, 1861; died of typhoid fever, etc., at hospital near Mechanicsville, Va., June 15, 1862.
- Perry, John J., corp., May 22, 1861; killed in action at Gaines' Farm, Va., June 27, 1862.
- Reilly, Michael, private, May 22, 1861; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps Sept. 1, 1863; returned to company Jan. 28, 1864; corp. Dec. 8, 1862; must. out June 23, 1864.
- Roberts, Charles H., corp. May 22, 1861; died at Master St. Hosp., Philadelphia, Sept. 20, 1862, of wounds received in action at Gaines' Farm, Va.
- Stafford, Joseph, private, May 22, 1861; died at U. S. Army Hosp., Baltimore, Md., May 23, 1864, of wounds received in action at Spottsylvania, Va.
- Stafford, Thomas, private, May 22, 1861; must. out June 23, 1864.
- Sharbock, William, private, May 22, 1861;

- disch. at U. S. Army Gen. Hosp., Philadelphia, Oct. 22, 1862, dis.
- Tappan, David B., private, May 22, 1861; killed in action at Salem Heights, Va., May 3, 1862.
- Welsh, Dennis, private, May 22, 1861; deserted at camp near Belle Plain, Va., Dec. 10, 1862.
- Winchester, Perley F., corp., May 22, 1861; missing in action at Salem Heights, Va., May 3, 1863; supposed dead.
- Wittenburg, Bustav, private, May 22, 1861; must. out June 23, 1864.
- Company E.—Ailt, Joseph, private, May 23, 1861; disch. at U. S. Army Gen. Hosp., Newark, N. J., Oct. 7, 1862, dis.
- Casney, James H., private, May 23, 1861; deserted April 18, 1863; re-enl. Dec. 28, 1863; served in Co. A, 1st Batt.
- Rosser, Warren, recruit, Aug. 28, 1862; trans. to navy April 18, 1864.
- Company F.—Elkin, Isaac L. F., 1st sergt., May 25, 1861; 2d lieut. *vice* Voorhees, resigned, Sept. 21, 1861; pro. to 1st lieut. Co. H, Oct. 7, 1862; trans. to Co. D, March 14, 1863; pro. to adjt. Sept. 20, 1863; disch. as a paroled prisoner March 12, 1865.
- Blue, Albert L., sergt., May 25, 1861; 1st sergt. Sept. 21, 1861; 2d lieut. Oct. 7, 1862; pro. 1st lieut., Co. J, Dec. 25, 1862; must. out June 23, 1864.
- DeHart, James W., sergt., May 25, 1861; 1st sergt. Nov. 1, 1861; must. out June 23, 1864.
- Smith, George, sergt., May 25, 1861; must. out June 23, 1864.
- Taylor, George W., sergt., May 18, 1861; disch. at U. S. A. Gen. Hosp., Philadelphia, June 26, 1862, dis.
- Croken, John H., 1st corp., May 18, 1861; 1st sergt. Dec. 8, 1862; deserted March 1, 1863, while on furlough.
- McElhaney, Thomas, corp., May 25, 1861; sergt. Aug. 1, 1863; re-enl. Dec. 28, 1863; served in Co. B, 1st Batt.; must. out June 20, 1865.
- Garrigan, Miles, corp., May 18, 1861; sergt. Nov. 1, 1862; killed in action at Fredericksburg, Va., May 3, 1863.
- Hughes, William S., private, May 25, 1861; re-enl. Dec. 28, 1863; served in Co. B, 1st Batt.; must. out June 20, 1865.
- Voorhees, Richard B., corp., May 25, 1861; private, April 18, 1863; must. out June 23, 1864.
- Moffett, Benjamin L., corp., May 25, 1861; sergt. Sept. 1, 1862; 2d lieut. March 10, 1863; killed in action at Wilderness, Va., May 8, 1864.
- Souville, Lloyd A., corp., May 18, 1861; disch. at U. S. Army Gen. Hosp., Washington, D. C., Dec. 13, 1862, dis.
- Page, Enoch, corp., May 18, 1861; disch. at U. S. Army Gen. Hosp., Philadelphia, Sept. 20, 1862, dis.
- Croken, James A., musician, June 17, 1861; disch. at Trenton, N. J., July 30, 1864.
- Blake, Price P., wagoner, May 18, 1861; killed in action at Spottsylvania, Va., May 9, 1864; buried at Nat. Cem., Fredericksburg, Va.
- Barry, Richard, private, June 10, 1861; corp. Nov. 1, 1862; died at Fredericksburg, May 6, 1864, of wounds received in action there.
- Britton, Edward M., private, May 18, 1861; corp. July 1, 1863; must. out June 23, 1864.
- Burns, James, private, May 18, 1861; died at U. S. A. Hosp., West Philadelphia, Aug. 7, 1862, of wounds received in action at Gaines' Farm, Va.
- Burke, Peter, private, May 18, 1861; disch. Nov. 4, 1862, to join regular army.
- Boyce, Ambrose, private, June 5, 1861; died July 1, 1862, of wounds received in action at Gaines' Farm, Va.
- Breese, William H. H., private, May 18, 1861; deserted July 31, 1861, at Camp Princeton, Va.
- Cain, Felix V., private, June 10, 1861; disch. at U. S. Army Gen. Hosp., Baltimore, Md., Nov. 6, 1862, dis.
- Currie, Thomas, private, May 18, 1861; disch. at U. S. Army Gen. Hosp., Portsmouth Grove, R. I., March 5, 1863, dis.
- Cook, Samuel, private, May 18, 1861; disch. at U. S. A. Gen. Hosp., Portsmouth Grove, R. I., Jan. 9, 1863, dis.
- Christian, Henry P., private, May 18, 1861; disch. at U. S. A. Gen. Hosp., Annapolis, Md., Feb. 16, 1863, dis.
- Carroll, Thomas, private, May 18, 1861; disch. at White Oak Church, Va., Jan. 3, 1863, dis.
- Cherry, John B., private, May 18, 1861; disch. at Camp Olden, Trenton, N. J., June 20, 1861, dis.
- Churchward, Abraham, private, May 18, 1861; deserted June 10, 1861, at Camp Olden, Trenton.
- Dunn, George A., private, May 18, 1861; taken prisoner at Wilderness, Va., May 6, 1864; died at Andersonville, Ga., Oct. 8, 1864; buried there in Nat. Cem.
- Dunn, Patrick, private, June 5, 1861; trans. to Co. F, 4th Regt., June 4, 1864; re-enl. Dec. 28, 1863; died at Winchester, Va., Sept. 20, 1864, of wounds received in action there, buried there.
- Dobson, Alexander, private, May 18, 1861; killed in action at Wilderness, Va., May 6, 1864.
- Dobson, Henry, private, May 18, 1861; deserted July 18, 1863, on march to Gettysburg, Pa.
- Dinton, James, recruit, Sept. 25, 1861; corp. Nov. 1, 1862; 1st sergt. April 3,

- 1863; re-enl. Dec. 28, 1863; com. 2d lieut. Co. F, 33d Regt., Dec. 1, 1864; not mustered; pro. 1st lieut. Co. A, 1st Batt., Feb. 2, 1865; served in Co. C, 1st Batt.
- Engster, John J., private, June 5, 1861; disch. at U. S. A. Gen. Hosp., Philadelphia, Jan. 16, 1863, dis.
- Finnegan, Edward, private, June 10, 1861; corp. March 1, 1863; sergt. July 1, 1863; must. out June 23, 1864.
- Ferguson, Philip, private, May 18, 1861; deserted July 18, 1863, on march to Gettysburg, Pa.
- Ferguson, Daniel, private, May 18, 1861; re-enl. Dec. 28, 1863; served in Co. C, 1st Batt.; must. out June 29, 1865.
- Ferry, James, private, May 18, 1861; disch. at Camp Banks, Va., Jan. 12, 1863, dis.
- Fank, Charles, private, May 18, 1861; must. out June 23, 1864.
- Fleming, Christopher, private, May 18, 1861; disch. at Camp Seminary, Va., Feb. 3, 1862, dis.
- Gaishbauer, Charles, private, May 18, 1861; deserted Oct. 25, 1862, at West Philadelphia, Pa.
- Gack, Jacob, private, May 18, 1861; disch. at Portsmouth Grove, R. I., Dec. 27, 1862, dis.
- Guernsey, Silas, private, May 18, 1861; re-enl. Feb. 11, 1864; served in Co. B, 1st Batt.; must. out June 29, 1865.
- Haggerty, Bernard, private, May 18, 1861; corp. Sept. 1, 1862; sergt. Nov. 1, 1862; private, Feb. 25, 1864; sergt. March 1, 1864; must. out June 23, 1864.
- Hooker, George W., private, May 18, 1861; sergt. March 1, 1863; died at U. S. A. Hosp., Fredericksburg, Va., May 14, 1864, of wounds received in action at Wilderness, Va.
- Henry, Walter M., private, May 18, 1861; corp. Nov. 1, 1862; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps Nov. 15, 1863; disch. therefrom May 21, 1864.
- Hazard, John N., private, May 18, 1861; corp. Sept. 1, 1862; deserted July 16, 1863; returned to duty Feb. 10, 1864; must. out Dec. 10, 1864.
- Hickey, Thomas, private, May 18, 1861; must. out June 23, 1864.
- Hoagland, Wyckoff V., private, May 18, 1861; re-enl. Dec. 28, 1863; served in Co. C, 1st Batt.; must. out June 29, 1865.
- Hutchinson, John H., private, May 18, 1861; corp. May 25, 1861; must. out June 23, 1864.
- Jackson, Charles C, recruit, Sept. 24, 1863; trans. to Co. K; served in Co. B, 1st Batt.; must. out June 29, 1865.
- Kemp, Thomas, private, May 18, 1861; must. out June 23, 1864.
- Kinney, Daniel, private, May 18, 1861; corp. March 1, 1863; must. out June 23, 1864.
- Klein, John H., private, May 18, 1861; disch. at Camp Seminary, Va., Feb. 7, 1862, dis.
- Lester, John H., private, May 18, 1861; disch. at U. S. A. Hosp., West Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 24, 1863, on account of wounds received in action; leg amputated.
- Lowry, James, private, May 18, 1861; re-enl. Dec. 28, 1863; served in Co. A, 1st Batt.; must. out June 23, 1864.
- McGrath, Morris, private, May 18, 1861; disch. at U. S. A. Hosp., Newark, Jan. 20, 1863, dis.
- McDonald, Martin, private, May 18, 1861; must. out June 23, 1864.
- McGovern, Peter, private, May 18, 1861; disch. at Alexandria, Va., Jan. 15, 1863, dis.
- Meyers, Julius, private, May 18, 1861; must. out June 23, 1864.
- Miller, John, private, May 18, 1861; must. out June 23, 1864.
- Martin, John, private, May 18, 1861; must. out June 23, 1864.
- Morris, John, private, May 18, 1861; killed in action at Gaines' Farm, Va., June 27, 1862.
- McSpaden, James, private, Aug. 13, 1861; disch. at Camp Seminary, Va., March 4, 1862, dis.
- O'Connor, John, private, June 5, 1861; trans. to Mississippi gun-boat "Flotilla" Feb. 22, 1862.
- O'Neil, John, private, May 18, 1861; must. out June 23, 1864.
- Osman, George H., private, May 18, 1861; disch. at Camp Seminary, Va., Oct. 18, 1861, dis.
- Plum, Benijah M., private, May 18, 1861; disch. at U. S. A. Gen. Hosp., Fortress Monroe, Va., Sept. 18, 1862, dis.
- Pixton, Henry A., private, May 18, 1861; must. out June 23, 1864.
- Page, John D., private, May 18, 1861; disch. U. S. A. Gen. Hosp., Fairfax Seminary, Va., Sept. 13, 1862, dis.
- Prall, David B. S., private, June 18, 1861; died at Richmond, Va., July 5, 1862, of wounds received in action at Gaines' Farm; prisoner of war.
- Perdan, Charles A., private, May 18, 1861; deserted May 26, 1861, at Camp Olden, Trenton, N. J.
- Ryno, Joseph, private, May 18, 1861; disch. at Convalescent Camp, Alexandria, Va., Oct. 11, 1862, dis.; sergt. May 25, 1861.
- Reed, Stephen M., private, May 18, 1861; re-enl. Feb. 11, 1864; served in Co. B, 1st Batt.; must. out July 6, 1865.
- Reames, Patrick H., private, May 18, 1861; must. out June 23, 1864.

- Rhodes, Edward, recruit, May 19, 1864; served in Co. B, 1st Batt.; must. out June 29, 1865.
- Riker, Joseph L., private, May 18, 1861; disch. at U. S. A. Gen. Hosp., Philadelphia, Pa., June 2, 1862, dis.
- Royer, Moses H., private, May 18, 1861; disch. at Camp Seminary, Va., Nov. 4, 1861, dis.
- Swan, George W., private, May 18, 1861; disch. at U. S. A. Gen. Hosp., Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 11, 1862, dis.
- Stout, William A., private, May 18, 1861; re-enl. Dec. 28, 1863; served in Co. B, 1st Batt.; must. out June 20, 1865.
- Smith, Edward W., private, May 18, 1861; corp. Oct. 20, 1863; must. out June 23, 1864.
- Soden, James D., private, May 18, 1861; dishonorably disch. Aug. 9, 1863, at Warrenton, Va.; deserted at Camp Princeton, July 28, 1861; returned to duty July 18, 1863.
- Smith, James, private, May 18, 1861; disch. at Camp Olden, June 18, 1861, dis.
- Ten Broeck, Van Renseler, private, Aug. 13, 1861; corp. Nov. 1, 1862; deserted June 28, 1863; returned to duty; disch. by order War Dept., May 17, 1865.
- Van Tillburgh, William, private, May 18, 1861; deserted April 28, 1863; at White Oak Church, Va.
- Voorhees, George W., private, May 18, 1861; disch. Dec. 11, 1862, to join regular army.
- Welsh, Michael, private, May 18, 1861; must. out June 23, 1864.
- Welsh, Patrick, private, May 18, 1861; disch. at U. S. A. Gen. Hosp., Newark, May 14, 1863, dis.
- Welsh, Thomas, private, May 18, 1861; must. out June 23, 1864.
- Wilson, George, private, June 5, 1861; died at U. S. A. Hosp., Washington, D. C., of wounds received in action at Cold Harbor, Va.; buried at Alexandria.
- Company G.—Gilman, Howard M., 1st sergt., May 28, 1861; sergt.-maj. July 20, 1862; 2d lieut. *vice* Wyckoff, pro. Aug. 16, 1862; 1st lieut. Co. E, Nov. 27, 1862, *vice* Taylor res.; must. out June 23, 1864.
- Way, Alexander M., capt., May 28, 1861; pro. maj., July 21, 1863; brev. lieutenant and col. March 13, 1865.
- Meserole, Nicholas W., sergt., May 23, 1861; disch. at Trenton, Oct. 6, 1862, to accept a com. as 1st lieut. Co. G, 133d Regt. N. J. State Vols.
- Van Liew, Augustus D., corp., May 28, 1861; sergt. Sept. 1, 1862; re-enl. Dec. 28, 1863; served in Co. B, 1st Batt.; disch. at hosp., Newark, by order War Dept., Aug. 9, 1865.
- Halstead, Isaac S., private, May 23, 1861; deserted April 28, 1863, at White Oak Church, Va.; corp. May 28, 1861; private April 11, 1862.
- Dansbury, William F., corp., May 23, 1861; disch. at U. S. A. Gen. Hosp., New York City, Dec. 1, 1862, dis.
- Buzzee, Alexander, private, May 23, 1861; must. out June 23, 1864.
- Buzzee, George R., musician, May 23, 1861; taken prisoner at Wilderness, Va., May 5, 1864; died at Florence, S. C., Dec. 16, 1864.
- Abrahams, Austin, recruit, Aug. 15, 1861; served in 4th Regt.; must. out Aug. 26, 1864.
- Buckley, John, private, May 23, 1861; taken prisoner at Wilderness, Va., May 6, 1864; died at Andersonville, Ga., June 27, 1864.
- Bogart, Charles C., private, May 23, 1861; re-enl. Dec. 28, 1863; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps March 25, 1865; disch. therefrom Oct. 25, 1865.
- Clayton, William H., private, May 23, 1861; disch. at U. S. A. Gen. Hosp., Philadelphia, Pa., Sept. 16, 1862; re-enl. Feb. 26, 1864; disch. March 28, 1864, dis.
- Davis, William L., recruit, Aug. 15, 1861; disch. at U. S. A. Gen. Hosp., Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 5, 1863, dis.
- Delhanty, John, recruit, Aug. 15, 1861; re-enl. Dec. 28, 1863; served in Co. B, 1st Batt.; must. out June 29, 1865.
- De Hart, Jacob S., private, May 23, 1861; must. out June 23, 1864.
- Lawrence, John, recruit, Aug. 15, 1861; corp. Jan. 1, 1863; disch. at Strasburg, Va., Aug. 14, 1864; served in Co. D, 4th Regt.
- Lewis, John T., recruit, Aug. 15, 1861; trans. to Co. G, 4th Regt.; must. out Aug. 20, 1864.
- Lewis, William H., private, May 23, 1861; must. out June 23, 1864.
- Long, Edward B., private, May 23, 1861; disch. at U. S. A. Gen. Hosp., Philadelphia, Pa., Sept. 29, 1862, dis.
- Minturn, Edward, Jr., private, May 23, 1861; disch. at New Brunswick, N. J., Oct., 29, 1862, to accept a promotion.
- Minturn, Benjamin G., private, May 23, 1861; disch. at Belle Plain, Va., Dec. 18, 1862, to accept com. as 1st lieut. Co. C, 92d Regt. N. J. State Vols.
- Mesrole, William, private, May 23, 1861; killed in action at Gaines' Farm, Va., June 27, 1862.
- Phillips, Theodore F., sergt., May 23, 1861; killed in action at Wilderness, Va., May 6, 1864; buried at Fredericksburg, Va.
- De Hart, James H., private, May 23, 1861; corp. Oct. 25, 1862; disch. to join the Signal Corps U. S. A.

- Price, George W., Jr., private, May 23, 1861; corp. April 23, 1863; must. out June 23, 1864.
- Peacock, John, private, May 23, 1861; disch. at Trenton, Nov. 2, 1864; paroled prisoner.
- Rausch, Peter, private, May 23, 1861; died of typhoid fever at Regt. Hosp., at Harrison's Landing, Va., July 31, 1862.
- Seibert, George, private, May 23, 1861; disch. at U. S. A. Gen. Hosp., Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 15, 1863; disability.
- Skillman, David, recruit, Aug. 15, 1861; must. out Aug. 19, 1864.
- Smith, Osceola, private, May 23, 1861; disch. at Fairfax Seminary, Va., Sept. 6, 1861, disability.
- Vanderbilt, Cornelius, private, May 23, 1861; must. out June 23, 1864.
- Van Duyne, Isaac, private, May 23, 1861; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps, July 1, 1863.
- Van Fleet, Abraham, private, May 23, 1861; disch. at Convalescent Camp, Alexandria, Va., March 16, 1863; disability.
- Van Liew, John H., fifer, May 28, 1861; corp. Dec. 8, 1862; must. out June 23, 1864.

NINTH REGIMENT.

- Gulick, William A., sergt.-maj., Sept. 23, 1861; disch. at Newberne, N. C., for disability, April 25, 1862.
- Company A.—Grover, Charles, 1st sergt. Sept. 17, 1861; 2d lieutenant. *vice* Muller, must. out; res. Oct. 30, 1864.
- Stillwell, Symmes H., sergt., Sept. 17, 1861; must. out Dec. 8, 1864.
- Applegate, Arunah D., sergt., Sept. 17, 1861; 1st sergt. Jan. 18, 1864; re-enl. Jan. 18, 1864; 2d lieutenant. *vice* Grover, res.; res. May 13, 1865.
- Mount, John G., corp. Sept. 17, 1861; must. out Sept. 22, 1864.
- Clayton, David C., private, Sept. 17, 1861; corp. April 24, 1862; sergt. Sept. 6, 1864; must. out Dec. 8, 1864.
- Messroll, Charles, corp., Sept. 17, 1861; must. out Dec. 7, 1864.
- Wood, Reuben V. P., corp., Sept. 17, 1862; sergt. Sept. 18, 1863; re-enl. Jan. 18, 1864; 1st sergt. Jan. 1, 1865; com. 2d lieutenant, May 22, 1865; not must.; must. out July 12, 1865.
- Applegate, John, private, Sept. 17, 1861; re-enl. Nov. 25, 1863; disch. at New York City by telegraphic instruction War Dept., May 4, 1865.
- Arlow, Robert, private, Sept. 17, 1862; must. out Oct. 15, 1864.
- Hoagland, Cornelius B., private, Sept. 17, 1861; corp. July 1, 1863; re-enl. Nov. 25, 1863; sergt. Nov. 1, 1864; must. out July 12, 1864.
- Clayton, William, private, Sept. 17, 1861; re-enl. Nov. 25, 1863; missing in action at Drury's Bluff, Va., May 16, 1864; died at Florence, S. C., Nov. 18, 1864.
- Cook, James, private, Sept. 17, 1861; re-enl. Jan. 18, 1864; must. out July 12, 1865.
- Carman, Luke K., private, Sept. 5, 1864; must. out June 14, 1865.
- Dugan, Thomas, private, Sept. 17, 1861; died of typhoid fever at Newberne, N. C., April 30, 1865.
- Fisher, Henry C., recruit, Feb. 29, 1864; corp. Dec. 8, 1864; must. out July 12, 1865.
- Garry, John, private, Sept. 17, 1861; re-enl. Jan. 18, 1864; disch. by order War Dept., May 4, 1865.
- Harris, William, private, Sept. 17, 1861; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps Sept. 1, 1863; disch. therefrom Nov. 10, 1865.
- Ives, Milton J., private, Sept. 17, 1861; must. out Dec. 7, 1864.
- Kelley, John E., recruit, Feb. 22, 1864; must. out July 12, 1865.
- Messroll, B. Isaac, private, Sept. 17, 1861; re-enl. Jan. 18, 1864; must. out July 12, 1865.
- McGintay, Michael, private, Sept. 17, 1861; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps Sept. 1, 1863; disch. therefrom March 18, 1864.
- Eonham, Lucius C., corp., Sept. 17, 1861; sergt. June 15, 1863; re-enl. Jan. 18, 1864; 2d lieutenant. Co. H Sept. 10, 1864; 1st lieutenant. March 16, 1865; capt. *vice* Applegate, promoted; must. out July 12, 1865.
- Rolfe, George N., private, Sept. 17, 1861; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps; disch. therefrom Sept. 21, 1864.
- Roxberry, Joseph, private, Sept. 17, 1861; must. out Dec. 7, 1864.
- Stults, Simeon, private, Sept. 17, 1861; must. out Sept. 22, 1864.
- Scully, John, private, Sept. 17, 1861; died at field hosp., July 9, 1864, of wounds received in action at Petersburg, Va.
- Snediker, Howard, private, Sept. 17, 1861; must. out Dec. 7, 1864.
- Stout, William K., private, Sept. 17, 1861; re-enl. Jan. 18, 1864; disch. at hospital, Newark, May 3, 1865.
- Stults, Salter S., private, June 5, 1862; died at Charleston, prisoner of war, October, 1864.
- Silvers, William H., recruit, Feb. 29, 1864; died at field hospital near Petersburg, Va., Aug. 1, 1864.
- Vanhise, Andrew M., private, Sept. 17, 1861; re-enl. Jan. 18, 1864; must. out July 12, 1865.
- Vandervere, David G., private, March 1, 1864; trans. to S. R. S. March 24, 1864.
- Witcraft, Albert, private, Sept. 17, 1861;

- re-enl. Jan. 18, 1864; must. out July 12, 1865.
- Company B.—Blackeny, Moses C., corp., Sept. 18, 1861; sergt. May 28, 1863; re-enl. January, 1864; must. out July 12, 1865.
- Bennett, John, corp., Sept. 18, 1861; sergt. June 11, 1862; re-enl. Nov. 26, 1863; 2d lieutenant. March 16, 1865; 1st lieutenant. *vice* Sheppard, pro. April 10, 1865; must. out July 12, 1865.
- De Hart, Theodore, corp., Sept. 18, 1861; sergt. Oct. 16, 1863; must. out Dec. 7, 1864.
- Hoyes, Eugene M., sergt., Sept. 18, 1861; drowned at foot of Barclay street, New York City, Oct. 24, 1863; while on furlough.
- Vanderhoef, Robert B., private, Sept. 18, 1861; must. out Dec. 8, 1864.
- Lawrence, John, private, Oct. 6, 1861; disch. at Beaufort, N. C., Oct. 18, 1862, dis.
- Currie, Edward, corp., Sept. 28, 1861; deserted Sept. 5, 1863, at New Brunswick, N. J., while on a furlough.
- Acker, Francis, recruit, Feb. 26, 1864; must. out July 12, 1865.
- Butterworth, Jonathan, private, Sept. 18, 1861; disch. at Newberne, N. C., May 30, 1863, dis.
- Buckley, Thomas, private, Sept. 26, 1861; disch. at Morehead City, N. C., Nov. 17, 1862, dis.
- Boudinot, William B., private, Sept. 26, 1861; disch. at Camp Olden, Trenton, Nov. 2, 1861, dis.
- Bloodgood, Phineas F., private, Sept. 26, 1861; disch. at Morehead City, N. C., Oct. 23, 1862; wounded accidentally.
- Boorman, Edgar J., private, Oct. 12, 1861; disch. at Camp Olden, Trenton, N. J., Nov. 2, 1861; dis.
- Breese, Henry, private, Oct. 4, 1861; disch. at Morehead City, N. C., Nov. 17, 1863, dis.
- Carolan, Patrick, recruit, Oct. 6, 1864.
- Cosler, John W., private, Sept. 26, 1861; disch. at Newberne, N. C., May 30, 1863, dis.
- Clerkin, John, private, Sept. 18, 1861; must. out Dec. 7, 1864.
- Church, George W., private, Oct. 8, 1861; re-enl. Nov. 26, 1863; disch. at New York May 4, 1865, by order War Dept.
- Coburn, Charles A., private, Sept. 18, 1861; Deserted April, 1863; returned to duty July 27, 1864; must. out Dec. 8, 1864.
- Cahill, Francis, private, Sept. 18, 1861.
- Crawford, James, private, Sept. 18, 1861.
- Pierson, John L., corp., Sept. 18, 1861; disch. at Helena Island, S. C., March 28, 1863, dis.
- Collins, William, private, Sept. 26, 1861; deserted Oct. 1, 1861, at Camp Olden, Trenton, N. J.
- Dye, Walter J., private, Sept. 18, 1861; deserted Oct. 2, 1861, at Camp Olden, Trenton, N. J.
- Dye, Isaac S., private, Sept. 18, 1861; trans. to Co. C, 4th Regt., Aug. 21, 1861.
- Danberry, Henry M., private, Sept. 26, 1861; disch. at Newberne, N. C., May 30, 1863, dis.
- Danberry, William, private, Sept. 18, 1861; disch. at Annapolis, Md., Jan. 22, 1863; paroled prisoner.
- Dock, Isaac, wagoner, Oct. 2, 1861; re-enl. Jan. 18, 1864; must. out July 12, 1865.
- Deady, John, private, Sept. 18, 1861; disch. at Trenton, N. J.; paroled prisoner.
- Disbrow, Ferdinand, private, Oct. 16, 1861; died at Hosp. Roanoke, N. C., of wounds received in action at Roanoke Island, N. C.
- Dye, Walter, private, Sept. 2, 1861; disch. at Newport News, Va., Nov. 20, 1863, dis.
- Fowler, Joseph W., private, Sept. 26, 1861; disch. at Newberne, N. C., Nov. 17, 1862, dis.
- Gould, Richard N., private, Sept. 18, 1861.
- Gray, David V. D., Sept. 18, 1861; disch. at Norfolk, on detached service Sept. 22, 1864.
- Hall, Reuben, private, Feb. 27, 1862; re-enl.
- Harrison, George W., private, Aug. 15, 1862.
- Hughes, Theodore V., private, Sept. 18, 1861.
- Houghton, Michael, Sept. 18, 1861; trans. to Co. C, 4th Regt.
- Hagerty, Daniel, private, Sept. 18, 1861; must. out Dec. 8, 1864.
- Hopkins, Simon F., private, Sept. 29, 1864.
- Johnson, William, private, Dec. 3, 1861; re-enl. June 18, 1864; must. out July 12, 1865.
- Labone, Wallace W., private, Sept. 20, 1861; disch. at Morehead City, N. C., Nov. 17, 1862, of wounds received in action at Roanoke Island.
- Lally, Patrick, private, Sept. 27, 1861; disch. at Newberne, N. C., March 1, 1863, dis.
- Lawless, Peter, private, Sept. 24, 1861.
- Moore, William H., Sept. 20, 1861.
- Moore, Thomas B., private, Aug. 29, 1861; missing in action at Drury's Bluff, Va., May 16, 1864.
- Murphy, James, private, Sept. 5, 1862.
- Morris, William, private, Oct. 8, 1861; re-enl. Dec. 20, 1863; must. out July 12, 1865.
- Meyers, John, private, Sept. 18, 1861; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps.; disch. Sept. 21, 1864.

- Munslow, Isaac P. H., private, Oct. 1, 1861; deserted at Camp Olden, Trenton, Nov. 2, 1861.
- McClay, James, private, Sept. 18, 1861; disch. at Trenton, N. J., Dec. 31, 1864.
- McAndrew, Allen, recruit, Jan. 12, 1864.
- Montaloo, Frank, recruit, Feb. 11, 1864.
- Nevius, Benjamin F., recruit, Jan. 5, 1862.
- Prall, James, musician, Oct. 2, 1861; re-enl. Jan. 18, 1864; must. out July 12, 1865.
- Pierman, Garret V., recruit, Feb. 27, 1864.
- Reynolds, James, private, Sept. 26, 1861; disch. at Morehead City, N. C., May 7, 1863, dis.
- Silcox, Bergen, private, Sept. 24, 1861.
- Shardlow, William, private, Sept. 18, 1861.
- Skillman, Joakin, private, Sept. 18, 1861; deserted Jan. 8, 1862; returned to duty Aug. 1, 1864; must. out July 12, 1865.
- Sherry, Peter, private, Sept. 18, 1861; disch. at Trenton, N. J., May 10, 1865.
- Sheehan, John, private, Sept. 18, 1861.
- Smith, George, recruit, Sept. 2, 1862.
- Tutenberg, Henry M., private, Sept. 18, 1861.
- Van Deventer, John, private, Sept. 18, 1861; trans. to Co. C, 4th Regt.
- Voorhees, John C., private, Oct. 8, 1861; disch. at Newherne, N. C., June 23, 1862, dis.
- Voorhees, John H., private, Oct. 5, 1864.

FOURTEENTH REGIMENT.

- Company C.—Bonnell, William, recruit, Sept. 13, 1864; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Culver, William, recruit, Feb. 9, 1864; trans. to Co. H. (See Co. H).
- Cheesman, Augustus, recruit, Sept. 9, 1864; trans. to Co. K (see Co. K).
- Christian, Henry P., recruit, Sept. 5, 1864; disch. at draft rendezvous, Trenton, N. J., Oct. 2, 1864; rejected by medical board.
- Dunham, Samuel H., recruit, Sept. 12, 1864; must. out June 15, 1865.
- Timmins, William H., recruit, Sept. 12, 1864; trans. to Co. K (see Co. K).
- Young, Peter R., recruit, Aug. 11, 1864; trans. to Co. I (see Co. I).
- Company D.—Conover, James W., capt., Aug. 15, 1862; died at Frederick City, Md., Aug. 4, 1864, of wounds received at Monocacy, Md., July 9, 1864.
- Bookstover, Henry D., 1st lieut. Co. K, Aug. 25, 1862; capt., *vice* Conover, died; disch. May 22, 1865, disability.
- Conine, Henry J., 1st lieut., Aug. 15, 1862; pro. capt. Co. A, Nov. 21, 1863; killed in action at Monocacy, Md., July 9, 1864.
- Craig, William H., 2d lieut., Aug. 15, 1862; 1st lieu., *vice* Conine, promoted Nov. 21, 1863; capt. Aug. 9, 1864; not mustered; disch. Nov. 8, 1864, on account of wounds received at Monocacy, Md., July 9, 1864.
- Fletcher, James, 1st sergt., Co. I, Aug. 11, 1862; 1st lieut., *vice* Craig; disch. Nov. 9, 1864; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Riddle, James H., 1st sergt., Aug. 13, 1862; 2d lieut., *vice* Craig, pro.; com. 1st lieut. Aug. 9, 1864; not must.; disch. Oct. 17, 1864, dis.
- Lane, Gilbert, sergt., July 28, 1862; 1st sergt. Aug. 31, 1864; com. 2d lieut., Co. E, June 26, 1865; not must.; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Reed, John T., sergt., July 28, 1862; disch. at Trenton by order War Dept., May 3, 1865.
- Winder, Jacob S., corp., July 28, 1862; sergt. July 10, 1863; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Borden, Richard, corp., Aug. 18, 1862; sergt. Dec. 7, 1863; disch. at Trenton by order War Dept. May 15, 1865.
- Conk, Jackson, corp., July 28, 1862; sergt. Aug. 31, 1864; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Emmons, John B., private, Aug. 13, 1862; corp. July 10, 1863; disch. at U. S. A. Gen. Hosp., Newark, May 3, 1865.
- Brown, Joseph, private, July 20, 1862; corp. March 1, 1864; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Duncan, Robert T., corp., Aug. 11, 1862; disch. at Trenton, N. J., by order War Dept. May 3, 1865.
- Jolees, Charles S., corp., Aug. 7, 1862; disch. at U. S. Army Gen. Hosp., Newark, N. J., May 3, 1865.
- Lacore, William, corp., July 28, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Hampton, Grandon, corp., July 28, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Stillwagon, William, private, July 28, 1862; corp. Aug. 31, 1864; disch. at U. S. Army Gen. Hosp., Newark, N. J., May 3, 1865.
- Matthews, John H., private, Aug. 26, 1862; corp. Aug. 31, 1864; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Harvey, Cornelius, musician, July 26, 1862; pro. to principal musician May 1, 1863.
- Anderson, William A., private, July 29, 1863; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Applegate, Asher, private, Aug. 29, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Allen, John, private, Feb. 10, 1865; trans. to Co. D, 2d Regt.; must. out July 11, 1865.
- Addison, William, private, July 28, 1862; died of chronic diarrhoea at Brandy Station, Va., Jan. 9, 1864.
- Armstrong, Jacob J., private, July 30, 1862; died near Petersburg, Va., Dec. 30, 1864, of wounds received in action near that city.
- Anderson, Henry, recruit, March 10, 1864;

- deserted March 20, 1864, at draft rendezvous, Trenton, N. J.
- Bennett, Joseph L., private, Aug. 12, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Bond, William R., private, July 28, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Brewer, Isaac, private, Aug. 12, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Brown, William L., private, Aug. 12, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Brower, Charles A., private, July 28, 1862; disch. June 1, 1865, wounds received in action at Cold Harbor; leg amputated.
- Bowden, Charles J., recruit, Feb. 13, 1865; trans. to Co. D, 2d Regt.; must. out July 11, 1865.
- Brown, Nelson P., private, Aug. 20, 1862; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps Jan. 1, 1865; disch. therefrom June 29, 1865.
- Brown, Matthias, recruit, March 3, 1864; trans. to Co. E, trans. to Co. D, 2d Regt.; must. out July 11, 1865.
- Barker, Robert, private, July 26, 1862; died of chronic diarrhœa at Philadelphia, Pa., April 19, 1865.
- Bills, William H., private, Aug. 13, 1862; killed in action at Cold Harbor, Va., June 1, 1864.
- Brown, Peter, recruit, Feb. 25, 1864; died at Richmond, Va., July 9, 1864, of wounds received in action; prisoner of war.
- Clayton, Edward, private, July 29, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Clayton, William, private, Aug. 7, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Clayton, William H., private, Aug. 12, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Clayton, John V., private, July 29, 1862; disch. at U. S. Army Gen. Hosp., Newark, Jan. 28, 1864, dis.
- Clayton, Thomas, private, Aug. 12, 1862; disch. at Newark, Aug. 19, 1865, dis.
- Caffery, Charles S., private, Aug. 13, 1862; disch. at Newark, Jan. 28, 1864, dis.
- Condit, Charles, recruit, Sept. 20, 1864; trans. to Co. C; disch. at Newark by order War Dept., May 3, 1865.
- Cook, Abram N., private, Aug. 12, 1862; disch. at Newark by order War Dept., May 3, 1865.
- Cook, Andrew J., private, Aug. 12, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Cook, Samuel, private, Aug. 12, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Curtis, Charles H., corp., Aug. 13, 1862; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps Dec. 19, 1864; disch. therefrom June 20, 1865; corp. Oct. 1, 1863.
- Cottrell, Daniel G., recruit, April 4, 1865; trans. to Co. D, 2d Regt., June 18, 1865; trans. to Co. K.
- Church, William, 1st sergt., July 28, 1862; killed in action at Monocacy, Md., July 9, 1864.
- Camp, George H., private, July 28, 1862; died of chronic diarrhœa at Brandy Station, Va., Feb. 9, 1864.
- Dow, Clinton, private, July 30, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Duncan, Joseph P., private, Aug. 11, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Dismond, William, Aug. 13, 1862; deserted Feb. 7, 1863, at Monocacy, Md.
- Emmons, Charles W., private, July 28, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Estell, Andrew J., private, Aug. 13, 1862; died of typhoid fever at Frederick City, Md., Dec. 30, 1862.
- Estell, James, private, Aug. 13, 1862; killed in action at Cold Harbor, Va., June 1, 1864; buried there in Nat. Cem.
- Ford, David, private, Aug. 13, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Gaskin, Benjamin W., private, July 24, 1862; disch. at Newark, Dec. 13, 1864, dis.
- Girard, Frederick, private, July 24, 1862; disch. Nov. 4, 1862, to join regular army.
- Gravatt, John, private, Aug. 12, 1862; disch. at Newark Sept. 30, 1863, dis.
- Gorman, William, private, Aug. 12, 1862; killed in action at Monocacy, Md., July 9, 1864.
- Hagerman, Nicholas, corp., July 28, 1862; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps Jan. 15, 1864; disch. therefrom June 26, 1865.
- Hall, Joseph, recruit, Feb. 1, 1865; trans. to Co. D, 2d Regt.
- Holmes, Edward, private, Aug. 11, 1862; disch. at U. S. Army Hosp., Baltimore, Md., Sept. 26, 1863, dis.
- Hawkins, James, recruit, Feb. 10, 1864; died at Field Hospital, Winchester, Va., of wounds received in action at Cedar Creek, Oct. 19, 1864.
- Havens, Edward, private, Aug. 12, 1862; died of typhoid fever at Frederick City, Md., Dec. 20, 1862; buried at Antietam, Md.
- Imlay (or Emley), Thomas, private, Aug. 12, 1862; trans. as a deserter to Co. L, 1st Cav. Regt., Aug. 29, 1863.
- Imlay, John, private, Aug. 12, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Jamison, Isaac, private, Aug. 13, 1862.
- Jones, James, recruit, Feb. 11, 1865; trans. to Co. D, 2d Regt.
- Lawyer, Joseph J., private, Aug. 12, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Lewis, Joseph O., private, Aug. 12, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Lewis, William H., private, Aug. 5, 1862; died of chronic diarrhœa at Freehold, N. J., Dec. 7, 1863.
- Longstreet, Abraham, private, Aug. 12, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Matthews, Charles T., private, July 30, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.

- Matthews, James H., private, Aug. 13, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- McDermot, Charles V., private, Aug. 13, 1862; disch. at Trenton by order War Dept. May 15, 1865.
- Matthews, Charles J., private, July 28, 1862; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps March 15, 1864; disch. therefrom June 18, 1865.
- Minton, James F., private, Aug. 8, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Minton, William H., private, Aug. 28, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Moore, William S., private, Aug. 13, 1862; disch. at Trenton by order War Dept. May 3, 1865.
- Morton, David W., private, Aug. 13, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Morton, Nicholas P., private, Aug. 13, 1862; disch. at hosp., West Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 11, 1864, dis.
- Martin, Levi, private, Aug. 12, 1862; died of pneumonia at South Amboy, Dec. 11, 1863.
- Patterson, Caleb, private, July 24, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Parker, Jonathan, recruit, Feb. 13, 1865; trans. to Co. D, 2d Regt.
- Pettit, Richard B., private, Aug. 13, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Pullen, Charles, private, Aug. 12, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Pullen, William H. H., private, Aug. 12, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Reed, Joseph, private, Aug. 12, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Reynolds, John T., private, Aug. 13, 1862; disch. at U. S. Army Gen. Hosp., Newark, May 4, 1865.
- Reynolds, William P., private, Aug. 13, 1862; corp. July 10, 1863; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Riddle, Hyers, private, Aug. 13, 1862; trans. to U. S. navy April 10, 1864.
- Runyon, Robert H., private, Aug. 11, 1862; died of chronic diarrhoea at Washington, D. C., Sept. 24, 1863.
- Sherman, Gordon, private, July 24, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Sherman, Benajah, recruit, Aug. 24, 1863; trans. to Co. D, 2d Regt.
- Sherman, James W., private, Aug. 13, 1862; trans. to U. S. navy.
- Shores, William A. N., private, Aug. 12, 1862; killed in action at Monocacy, Md., July 9, 1864; buried at Antietam.
- Soden, Daniel P., private, Aug. 11, 1862; killed in action at Cold Harbor, Va., June 1, 1864.
- Stimax, James, private, July 28, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Strickland, Alexander, private, July 28, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Strickland, Joseph, sergt., July 28, 1862; died of chronic diarrhoea Dec. 3, 1863.
- Sutton, Charles, private, July 24, 1862; trans. to Co. E, Oct. 11, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Sullivan, Daniel, private, Aug. 12, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Truax, John, private, Aug. 13, 1862; disch. at Trenton by order War Dept. May 3, 1865.
- Van Dusen, Jeremiah, private, Aug. 12, 1862; died at Philadelphia, Pa., of wounds accidentally received at Winchester, Va., Oct. 31, 1864.
- Wagoner, Reuben H., private, Aug. 2, 1862; disch. at U. S. Army Hosp., Newark, May 3, 1865.
- Van Kirk, Henry, corp., July 24, 1862; died of chronic diarrhoea at Washington, D. C., Sept. 25, 1863.
- Yard, Alexander, private, Aug. 12, 1862; trans. as a deserter to Co. L, 1st Cav., Aug. 29, 1863.
- Yetman, Tunis, private, July 23, 1862; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps April 17, 1864; disch. therefrom Sept. 9, 1864.
- Company E.—Bayard, Cornelius, private, Aug. 12, 1862; died of pneumonia at Monocacy, Md., April 12, 1863.
- Bodwell, James L., capt., Aug. 25, 1862; disch. Dec. 30, 1864; by order of War Dept.
- Bloth, William, corp., Aug. 12, 1862; sergt. April 1, 1865; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Dunham, John B., private, Aug. 9, 1862; died of chronic diarrhoea at Newark, N. J., Jan. 18, 1864.
- Doll, Joseph, private, Aug. 13, 1862; corp. Feb. 2, 1863; disch. at Trenton by order War Department. May 3, 1865.
- Noe, Elmer, private, Aug. 4, 1862; killed in action at Cold Harbor, Va., June 1, 1864.
- Potter, David J., private, Aug. 1, 1862; deserted April 28, 1863, at Monrovia, Md.
- Struby, Lewis B., corp., Aug. 13, 1862; disch. at Trenton, N. J., May 3, 1865.
- Turner, William F., private, July 25, 1862; trans. to navy April 19, 1864; disch. June 14, 1865.
- Yeteman, Hubbard R., musician, Aug. 20, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Company H.—Wanser, Jarvis, 1st sergt., Aug. 11, 1862; pro. to 2d lieut. Co. F, May 7, 1864; 1st lieut. *vice* Bailey, pro. Aug. 9, 1864; pro. capt. Co. B, Dec. 1, 1864; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Everingham, Alexander L., sergt., Aug. 5, 1862; disch. at Trenton by order War Dept. May 3, 1865.
- Hutchinson, John, sergt., Aug. 12, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Provost, William D., sergt., Aug. 15, 1862; killed in action at Cold Harbor, Va., June 1, 1864.

- Ingraham, William I., sergt., Aug. 5, 1862; 1st sergt. May 18, 1864; com. 2d lieutenant June 26, 1865; not must.; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Fairgrieve, George B., corp., July 28, 1862; disch. at hosp., Newark, N. J., May 3, 1865, by order War Dept.
- Provost, David, sergt., Aug. 12, 1862; killed in action at Monocacy, Md., July 9, 1864.
- Van Dorn, John H., corp., Aug. 14, 1862; killed in action at Cold Harbor, Va., June 1, 1864.
- Carman, Alfred, corp., Aug. 13, 1862; killed in action at Locust Grove, Va., Nov. 27, 1863.
- Lott, Henry, private, Aug. 11, 1862; deserted Sept. 18, 1862; returned duty Feb. 5, 1863; disch. at Trenton, May 3, 1865.
- Higgins, James P., corp., Aug. 16, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Van Hise, George W., corp., Aug. 18, 1862; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps Jan. 1, 1865; disch. therefrom July 21, 1865.
- Bradley, Roderick, musician, Aug. 13, 1862; pro. to prin. musician May 1, 1863.
- McDonnell, John, musician, Aug. 13, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Anderson, Henry A., private, Aug. 4, 1862; drowned near Frederick City, Md., July 3, 1863.
- Applegate, Thomas F., private, Aug. 14, 1862; killed in action at Cedar Creek, Va., Oct. 19, 1864.
- Anderson, Joseph, private, Aug. 4, 1862; killed in action at Monocacy, Md., July 9, 1864.
- Arbuthnot, Charles, private, Oct. 20, 1864; trans. to Co. H, 2d Regt.
- Brewer, William, private, Aug. 2, 1862; died at rebel prison at Richmond, Va., March 22, 1864.
- Boorman, Cornelius, private, Aug. 11, 1862; killed in action at Monocacy, Md., July 9, 1864.
- Burton, Thomas A., private, Aug. 14, 1862; died in rebel prison, Richmond, Va., April 1, 1864.
- Cunningham, William, private, July 29, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Carhart, George W., private, Aug. 9, 1862; killed in action at Cold Harbor, Va., June 1, 1864.
- Camp, Gilbert M., private, Aug. 18, 1862; disch. at Trenton, N. J., May 3, 1865, order War Dept.
- Davidson, James, corp., Aug. 18, 1862; disch. at hosp., at Newark, May 26, 1865, dis.
- Erwin, Joseph W., corp., Aug. 13, 1862; pro. hosp. steward Jan. 31, 1865.
- Emhoff, Frederick, private, July 28, 1862; deserted Aug. 29, 1862, at Freehold, N. J.
- Emmons, James H., private, Aug. 14, 1862; corp. June 1, 1863; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Garigan, Thomas, private, July 31, 1862; deserted Aug. 6, 1862, at Freehold, N. J.
- Griggs, Van Winkle, private, Aug. 15, 1862; died at rebel prison, Danville, Va., Dec. 16, 1864.
- Grover, Samuel, private, Aug. 13, 1862; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps March 15, 1864; disch. therefrom June 26, 1865.
- Hendricks, William, corp., Aug. 4, 1862; killed in action at Monocacy, Md., July 9, 1864.
- Hagle, Frederick, private, Aug. 16, 1862; disch. at Trenton, N. J., May 3, 1865.
- Hoagland, William, private, Aug. 15, 1864; killed in action at Monocacy, Md., July 9, 1864.
- Jolly, Joseph, private, Aug. 7, 1862; died at U. S. A. Gen. Hosp., Alexandria, Va., Dec. 4, 1863, of wounds received at Locust Grove, Va., Nov. 27, 1863.
- Kensell, Kasimer, private, July 28, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Linder, Frederick, private, Aug. 13, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Leggett, John W., corp., Aug. 14, 1862; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps Feb. 1, 1865; disch. therefrom July 24, 1865.
- Little, James, private, Aug. 9, 1862; killed in action at Cold Harbor, Va., June 1, 1864.
- Lott, William F., private, Aug. 15, 1862; sergt. Nov. 1, 1863; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Logan, George, private, Aug. 16, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- McLaughlin, Patrick, private, July 25, 1862; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps June 16, 1864; disch. therefrom July 13, 1865.
- Mehan, Thomas, private, Aug. 20, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Mount, David, private, Aug. 9, 1862; disch. at hosp., Newark, N. J., May 18, 1865; dis.; corp. Dec. 1, 1863.
- Miller, Peter, private, Aug. 4, 1862; disch. at Trenton by order War Dept. May 3, 1865.
- McDermot, Luke, private, Aug. 11, 1862; deserted Feb. 18, 1863, at Monocacy, Md.
- Newton, Thomas, private, Aug. 11, 1862; deserted Sept. 17, 1862, at Monocacy, Md.
- Perrine, William, private, Aug. 18, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Quinn, Michael H., private, Aug. 18, 1862; disch. at Brandy Station, Va., Jan. 24, 1864, dis.
- Ryan, Thomas P., sergt., July 22, 1862; disch. at Frederick City, Md., May 15, 1865, dis.
- Rue, Peter, private, Aug. 4, 1862; killed

- in action at Locust Grove, Va., Nov. 27, 1863.
- Rue, Alfred S., corp., Aug. 11, 1862; disch. at U. S. A. Gen. Hosp., Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 8, 1865, dis.
- Richards, Elias, private, Aug. 9, 1862; deserted Aug. 18, 1862, at Freehold, N. J.
- Silvers, Elwood K., private, Aug. 16, 1862; killed in action at Opequan, Va., Sept. 19, 1864.
- Smith, Thomas, private, Aug. 18, 1862, died of typhoid fever at Brandy Station, Va., April 2, 1864.
- Sickles, Tilton, private, Aug. 11, 1862; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps Sept. 30, 1863; disch. therefrom Jan. 22, 1864.
- Sperling, Daniel D., private, Aug. 11, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Sickles, Solomon, private, Aug. 18, 1862; disch. at hosp., Bristol, Pa., June 6, 1865, dis.
- Snediker, James B., private, July 25, 1862; killed in action at Cold Harbor, Va., June 1, 1864.
- Snediker, Daniel P., corp., Aug. 12, 1862; disch. at hosp., Newark, May 4, 1865, by order War Dept.
- Sherman, Charles, private, Aug. 12, 1862; disch. at Bristol, Pa., May 3, 1865.
- Schultz, John, private, Aug. 13, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Sodan, William H., private, Aug. 11, 1862; died June 11, 1864, at Gen. Hosp., Washington, D. C., of wounds received at Cold Harbor, Va.
- Silvers, John, corp., Aug. 12, 1862, trans. to Vet. Res. Corps; disch. therefrom July 27, 1865.
- Stewart, John J., recruit, Oct. 20, 1864; trans. to Co. H, 2d Regt.
- Thomas, Charles, private, Aug. 9, 1862; deserted Jan. 18, 1863, at Monocacy, Md.
- Van Hise, Thomas, private, Aug. 15, 1862; killed in action at Locust Grove, Va., Nov. 27, 1863.
- Van Pelt, Jacob, private, Aug. 18, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Van Dusen, Robert A., corp., Aug. 14, 1862; pro. to hosp. steward Jan. 31, 1865; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Van Dusen, Elwood R., private, Aug. 14, 1862; corp. June 1, 1863; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Williams, James R., private, Aug. 12, 1862; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps Oct. 17, 1864; disch. therefrom July 6, 1865.
- Walters, William, private, Aug. 13, 1862; disch. at hosp., Newark, N. J., Dec. 19, 1863, dis.
- Whitlock, John, private, Aug. 16, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Company I.—Nolan, Wilson, corp., Aug. 12, 1862; private, Sept. 12, 1862; deserted April 28, 1863; returned to duty Feb. 8, 1865; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Davis, Henry M., corp., June 26, 1862; deserted Aug. 30, 1862, at Freehold, N. J.
- Wilson, Cornelius V., musician, July 24, 1862; deserted June, 1863; returned to duty Aug. 31, 1863; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Weldon, Charles M., private, Aug. 11, 1862; disch. at Alexandria, Va., Nov. 7, 1864, dis.
- Browning, William A., private, July 31, 1862; deserted May 1, 1864, at Washington, D. C.
- Eruce, Garret, private, Aug. 9, 1862; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps Nov. 15, 1863; disch. therefrom July 1, 1865.
- Bruce, Joseph, private, Aug. 9, 1862; died at Camp Parole, Annapolis, Aug. 26, 1864, of wounds received in action at Monocacy; leg amputated.
- Bradford, George H., private, July 26, 1862; trans. to navy April 19, 1864.
- Garrison, Almerain, private, July 24, 1862; must. out June 27, 1865.
- Hoagland, Ralph, private, Aug. 8, 1862; trans. as a deserter to Co. H, 1st Cavalry, Aug. 28, 1863.
- Johnson, Theodore, private, Aug. 9, 1862; deserted Sept. 2, 1862; returned to duty Sept. 29, 1863; disch. May 4, 1865, by order of War Dept.
- Payton, William, private, July 30, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Perdun, Abraham V., private, Aug. 11, 1862; killed in action at Locust Grove, Va., Nov. 27, 1863.
- Rively, George W., private, Aug. 9, 1862; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps March 16, 1864; disch. therefrom July 7, 1865.
- Rogers, Jefferson H., private, Aug. 22, 1862; killed in action at Locust Grove, Va., Nov. 27, 1863.
- States, Samuel B., private, Aug. 12, 1862; killed in action near Petersburg, Va., April 2, 1865.
- Smock, George S., private, Aug. 15, 1862; corp. Sept. 14, 1862; sergt. July 9, 1864; 2d lieut. *vice* Fisher, disch. Jan. 21, 1865; must. out June 27, 1865.
- Stonaker, Charles S., private, Aug. 14, 1862; disch. at Trenton by order War Dept., May 3, 1865.
- Smith, Henry, private, Aug. 11, 1862; died at hosp., Washington, D. C., June 17, 1864, of wounds received in action at Cold Harbor.
- Stroble, John, private, Aug. 11, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Voorhees, Wyckoff, private, July 24, 1862; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps Jan. 1, 1865; disch. therefrom Aug. 7, 1865.
- Ward, John, private, Aug. 31, 1862; deserted Sept. 2, 1862; returned to duty April 17, 1863; must. out June 18, 1865.

- Wright, John, private, July 30, 1862; corp. Jan. 28, 1865; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Wilson, Jacob, private, Aug. 6, 1862; killed in action at Monocacy Bridge, Md., July 9, 1864.
- Young, Peter R., private, Aug. 14, 1862; disch. at hosp., Newark, N. J., Dec. 11, 1863, dis.
- Company K.—Janeway, Jacob J., capt., Aug. 23, 1862; pro. to maj. Sept. 19, 1864; lieut.-col. *vice* Hall, res. Dec. 13, 1864; brev. col. April 2, 1865.
- Manning, John L., sergt., Aug. 6, 1862; 1st sergt. Nov. 12, 1862; 1st lieut. Co. I, Oct. 8, 1864; capt. *vice* Janeway, pro. Dec. 13, 1864; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Fisher, John G., 1st sergt., Aug. 11, 1862; pro. sergt.-maj. Nov. 10, 1862; pro. 2d lieut. Co. I, Jan. 11, 1864; com. 1st lieut. Co. E, June 20, 1864; not must.; disch. Aug. 11, 1864, on account of wounds received in action.
- Danberry, Edgar, sergt., Aug. 6, 1862; private June 30, 1864; disch. by order War Department May 3, 1865.
- Hoaglann, James V., sergt., July 22, 1862; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps March 15, 1865; disch. therefrom July 12, 1865.
- Hoagland, John V., corp., July 12, 1862; deserted June 4, 1863, at Mount Airy, Md.
- Holden, Horatio, sergt., Aug. 11, 1862; trans. to U. S. Signal Corps Feb. 1, 1864; disch. therefrom June 10, 1865.
- Kents, Naum, sergt., Aug. 11, 1864; com. 2d lieut. Co. B, June 26, 1865; not must.; must. out June, 1865.
- Meyers, Isaac W., corp., Aug. 11, 1862; died of scurvy at Raleigh, N. C.; prisoner of war.
- Stout, George H., corp., Aug. 11, 1862; disch. at U. S. A. Gen. Hosp., Washington, D. C., Oct. 20, 1864, disability.
- Ryno, David, corp., July 25, 1862; died of consumption at Monocacy, Md., March 21, 1863.
- Terrill, John N., corp., Aug. 11, 1862; must. out June, 1865.
- Siddles, Abram G., corp., Aug. 6, 1862; deserted March 10, 1863, at Mt. Airy, Md.
- Gardiner, William G., musician, Aug. 4, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Buckalew, Jacob, private, Aug. 14, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Buckalew, Frederick, private, Aug. 12, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Boice, Uriah, private, Aug. 18, 1862; trans. to Co. K, 2d Regt.
- Eritt, George, private, Aug. 13, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Bennett, Hugh M., private, Aug. 4, 1862; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps June 15, 1864; discharged therefrom July 8, 1865.
- Beihl, John, private, July 31, 1862; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps; disch. therefrom July 8, 1865.
- Carver, Daniel, private, Aug. 15, 1862; died of fever at Monocacy, Md., Dec. 7, 1862.
- Culver, Jonathan, private, Aug. 14, 1862; disch. at the U. S. A. Gen. Hosp., Newark, Aug. 12, 1864; disability.
- Culver, William, recruit, Feb. 9, 1864; died at U. S. A. Hosp., Washington, D. C., June 26, 1864, of wounds received in action at Cold Harbor, Va., June 1, 1864.
- Dixon, George T., private, July 31, 1862; deserted April 12, 1864, at Newark, N. J.
- Dishrow, James T., private, Aug. 14, 1862; died of diarrhoea at Andersonville, Ga., April 3, 1864.
- Daly, Henry, recruit, June 1, 1863; killed in action at Cold Harbor, Va., June 1, 1864.
- Freese, George, private, Aug. 15, 1862; disch. at Annapolis Junction, Md., May 4, 1865.
- Geipel, Adam, corp., July 29, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Garrigus, Jacob W., private, Aug. 13, 1862; corp. March 22, 1863; sergt. March 2, 1864; 1st sergt. Nov. 20, 1864; com. 2d lieut. Co. B, June 26, 1865; not must.; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Galligan, David, private, July 29, 1862; killed in action at Locust Grove, Va., Nov. 27, 1863.
- Grogan, William, substitute, Aug. 30, 1864; trans. to Co. E, 7th Regt.
- Hendricks, Isaac, private, Aug. 15, 1862; disch. at Trenton, June 28, 1865.
- Hatfield, William H., private, Aug. 18, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Hardy, Jacob, private, Aug. 12, 1862; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps, June 15, 1864; disch. therefrom July 5, 1865.
- Hagaman, John M., private, Aug. 11, 1862; died of diarrhoea at Andersonville, Ga., July 28, 1864; buried there.
- Hoagland, Henry L., private, July 22, 1862; trans. to Co. A Oct. 11, 1862; disch. Nov. 15, 1862, to join regular army.
- Hustwait, Thomas, recruit, Feb. 22, 1864; trans. to Co. K, 2d Regt.
- Irving, Edward B., recruit, Feb. 15, 1864; trans. to Co. K, 2d Regt.
- Lynch, Peter, private, July 31, 1862; disch. at Frederick City, Md., May 3, 1865, order War Dept.
- Lake, Henry S., recruit, March 11, 1864; disch. at Newark, N. J., June 18, 1865, wounds received in action before Petersburg, Va.
- Marsh, Vincent R., private, Aug. 15, 1862; corp. June 28, 1863; sergt. July 9, 1864; pro. 2d lieut. Co. F, Oct. 11, 1864; pro.

- 1st lieut. Dec. 1, 1864; capt. *vice* Patterson, pro., Jan. 30, 1865; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Messrole, Joseph, private, Aug. 4, 1862; disch. at U. S. A. Hosp., Newark, N. J., Dec. 27, 1862; disability.
- Outcalt, William E., private, Aug. 15, 1862; disch. at Trenton, by order War Dept., May 3, 1865.
- Patterson, Thomas A., corp., July 22, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Riley, James, private, July 26, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Sylvester, John, private, Aug. 20, 1862; disch. at Newark, Aug. 3, 1864, disability.
- Schenck, William H., corp., Aug. 11, 1862; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps Jan. 19, 1864; disch. therefrom July 14, 1865.
- Sperling, Ephraim D., private, Aug. 18, 1862; corp. July 9, 1864; sergt. Nov. 20, 1864; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Smith, George, private, Aug. 13, 1862; deserted Sept. 1, 1862, at Freehold, N. J.
- Schurm, Nicholas, private, Aug. 12, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Stout, Luke, private, Aug. 5, 1862; died of fever at Monocacy, Md., March 31, 1863; buried at Antietam, Md.
- Schenck, Aaron P., private, Aug. 1, 1862; killed in action at Cold Harbor, Va., June 1, 1864; buried there.
- Ten Broeck, Van Rensselaer, private, Aug. 5, 1862; died of consumption at hosp., Newark, N. J., Dec. 24, 1863.
- Ten Eick, Cornelius, private, Aug. 11, 1862; disch. at U. S. A. Hosp., Annapolis, Md., May 4, 1865.
- Ten Eick, John, sergt., Aug. 11, 1862; killed in action at Monocacy, Md., July 9, 1864.
- Thomas, Henry C., private, Aug. 13, 1862; mustered out June 18, 1865.
- Tunison, Cornelius W., Jr., private, Aug. 13, 1862; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps Jan. 15, 1864; disch. therefrom June 29, 1865.
- Taylor, Benjamin F., private, Aug. 18, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Van Deventer, Charles, private, Aug. 8, 1862; deserted Nov. 14, 1862, at Monocacy, Md.
- Voorhees, Stephen, private, Aug. 14, 1862; corp. Feb. 10, 1864; killed in action at Cold Harbor, Va., June 1, 1864.
- Van Duyn, William, private, Aug. 8, 1862; died of disease at New Brunswick, N. J., June 12, 1863.
- Wessel, James, private, Aug. 12, 1862; killed in action at Cold Harbor, June 1, 1864.
- Wilmot, George, corp., Aug. 13, 1862; must. out June 18, 1865.
- Walters, John, private, Aug. 13, 1862; deserted Sept. 1, 1862, at Freehold, N. J.

TWENTY-EIGHTH REGIMENT.

- Wisewell, Moses, col., Sept. 15, 1862; must. out July 6, 1863.
- Roberts, Edward A. L., lieut.-col., Sept. 15, 1862; cashiered Jan. 12, 1863.
- Wildrick, John A., capt., Co. B, 2d Regt., Jan. 21, 1862; lieut.-col. *vice* Roberts, cashiered, Feb. 11, 1863; must. out July 6, 1863.
- Wilson, Samuel K., Jr., maj., Sept. 15, 1862; must. out July 6, 1863.
- Gulick, William A., adjt., Sept. 15, 1862; res. Dec. 3, 1862.
- Robins, Benjamin A., 1st lieut., Co. F, Sept. 15, 1862; adjt. *vice* Gulick, resigned, March 19, 1863.
- Berdine, William, q. m., Sept. 15, 1862; dismissed Feb. 26, 1863.
- Martin, Moses, private, Co. I, Sept. 15, 1862; q. m., *vice* Berdine, dismissed, March 11, 1863; must. out July 6, 1863.
- Newell, William D., surg., Sept. 15, 1862; must. out July 6, 1863.
- Paker, Benjamin N., asst. surg., Oct. 2, 1862; must. out July 6, 1863.
- Berg, Joseph F., Jr., asst. surg., Sept. 29, 1862; must. out July 6, 1863.
- Page, Christian J., chaplain, Sept. 15, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Non-Commissioned Staff.*—Giles, John H., private, Co. F; pro. to sergt.-maj. Sept. 22, 1862; must. out July 6, 1863.
- Ford, Charles P., private, Co. K; pro. to q. m.-sergt. Sept. 22, 1862; must. out July 6, 1863.
- Furness, William T., private, Co. K; pro. to com.-sergt. Sept. 22, 1862; must. out July 6, 1863.
- Murphy, Arthur C., private, Co. I; pro. to hosp. steward Sept. 22, 1862; must. out July 6, 1863.
- Company A.—Dobson, John, 1st sergt., Aug. 25, 1862; 2d lieut. Feb. 11, 1863; 1st lieut. *vice* Appleby, discharged, March 11, 1863; must. out July 6, 1863.
- Lefferts, Henry D. B., sergt., Aug. 25, 1862; 2d lieut. *vice* Dobson, promoted, March 11, 1863; must. out July 6, 1863.
- Barcalow, John L., sergt., Aug. 22, 1862; must. out July 6, 1863.
- Vandevender, Christopher, corp., Aug. 25, 1862; must. out July 6, 1863.
- Dobsons, George, private, Aug. 28, 1862; corp. May 6, 1863; must. out July 6, 1863.
- Floyd, Charles F., musician, Aug. 27, 1862; disch. at Trenton, N. J., March 26, 1863, dis.
- Cozzens, William H., corp., Aug. 27, 1862; sergt. March 1, 1863; must. out July 6, 1863.
- Appleby, William M., corp., Aug. 25, 1862; must. out July 6, 1863.

- Applegate, William, private, Aug. 28, 1862; disch. at U. S. A. Hosp., Washington, D. C., Feb. 22, 1863, dis.
- Buckelew, Frederick C., corp., Aug. 26, 1862; must. out July 6, 1863.
- Bush, George P., private, Aug. 27, 1862; must. out with regiment July 6, 1863.
- Bennett, Issac S., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regiment July 6, 1863.
- Bowne, Edmond C., private, Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Bloodgood, William R., private, Sept. 1, 1862; disch. at Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 5, 1863, dis.
- Craven, John F., private, Sept. 1, 1862; died of sunstroke at camp near Falmouth, Va., May 18, 1863.
- Culver, Augustus, private, Aug. 25, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Compton, James, private, Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Culver, Jonathan, private, Aug. 28, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Cole, George N., private, Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Craven, James L., private, Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Conoly, John, private, Sept. 1, 1862; corp. March 1, 1863; must. out July 6, 1863.
- Dolan, Patrick, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Emmons, Gordon, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- French, William, private, Aug. 28, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Gaston, Forman, private, Aug. 28, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Heardman, John, private, Aug. 27, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Hawkins, Cornelius H., private, Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Imly, William B., private, Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Letts, Isaac, private, Aug. 28, 1862; disch. at U. S. A. Hosp., Newark, April 23, 1863, dis.
- Letts, William, private, Aug. 28, 1862; disch. at U. S. A. Hosp., Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 16, 1863, dis.
- Lisk, Theodore, private, Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- McGee, John L., private, Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- McKeag, Thomas, private, Sept. 1, 1862; killed in action at Fredericksburg, December 13, 1862.
- Pope, John W., private, Aug. 27, 1862; died of typhoid fever at hosp. 3d Div., 2d Corps, March 12, 1863.
- Ferdun, Farmer, private, Aug. 27, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Pearsall, Nelson, private, Aug. 28, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Perdun, Charles A., private, Aug. 28, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Roller, Abraham, private, Aug. 27, 1862; deserted at Washington, D. C., Jan. 14, 1863.
- Richards, Andrew, private, Sept. 1, 1862; disch. at U. S. A. Gen. Hosp., Portsmouth, R. I., March 19, 1863, dis.
- Reynolds, Archibald, private, Sept. 1, 1862; disch. at Baltimore March 8, 1863, dis.
- Snoden, Forman S., private, Aug. 25, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Straley, Jacob, private, Aug. 27, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Smith, Jacob S., private, Aug. 28, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Smith, George, private, Aug. 28, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Service, Theodore, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Smith, Charles, private, Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Smith, Horatio E., private, Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Vandevender, Theodore, private, Aug. 25, 1862; disch. at U. S. A. Gen. Hosp., Washington, D. C., Jan. 22, 1863, dis.
- Ward, Israel, private, Aug. 25, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Wheeler, Samuel, private, Aug. 27, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Yates, Samuel, private, Aug. 28, 1862; disch. at U. S. A. Hosp., Newark, N. J., March 3, 1863, dis.
- Company B.—Chamberlain, Alfred, sergt., Aug. 26, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Davison, John J., Jr., 1st sergt., Aug. 26, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Standford, Jacob T., sergt., Aug. 26, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Eudd, Charles G., sergt., Sept. 10, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Brown, Alfred, sergt., Aug. 26, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Barnes, William E., corp., Aug. 26, 1862; disch. at camp near Falmouth, Va., Dec. 24, 1862, dis.
- Dutcher, George W., corp., Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Herron, William R., corp., Aug. 26, 1862; died at Washington, D. C., of wounds received in action at Fredericksburg, Va., Dec. 13, 1862.
- Ferris, Charles E., corp., Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Rue, Edwin, corp., Aug. 27, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Shann, Peter, corp., Aug. 27, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Gulick, Spencer, corp., Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Henson, Patrick, must. Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Amion, William, private, Aug. 26, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.

- Applegate, Thomas, private, Aug. 27, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Applegate, Jacob S., private, Aug. 27, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Bennett, Martin, private, Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Bennett, Isaac, private, Sept. 1, 1862; disch. at U. S. A. Hosp., Phila., Pa., Feb. 5, 1863, disability.
- Bergen, George D., private, Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Brady, Alexander, private, Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Colby, Allen F. G., private, Aug. 28, 1862; disch. at U. S. A. Hosp., Washington, D. C., of wounds received in action at Fredericksburg, Va., Dec. 13, 1862; leg amputated.
- Crawford, George W., private, Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Conover, Edwin, corp., Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Dean, Aaron, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Davison, William V. P., corp., Aug. 29, 1862; died of diarrhoea at Washington, D. C., Feb. 17, 1863.
- Davison, George, private, Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1862.
- Dey, Alfred W., corp., Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Davidson, David A., private, Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Everingham, Charles, private, Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Erwin, William E., private, Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Fisher, Henry C., private, Aug. 26, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- French, Cornelius V. N., private, Aug. 26, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Fate, Peter, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Fine, John, private, Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Forman Selah G., private, Aug. 28, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Griggs, Reuben, private, Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Graft, John, private, Aug. 26, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Grant, Brazilla, private, Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Gavitt, Ellison P., private, Aug. 26, 1862; died at Washington, D. C., of wounds received in action at Fredericksburg, Dec. 13, 1862.
- Glennings, Daniel F., private, Sept. 5, 1862; disch. at Fort Schuyler Harbor, N. Y., March 31, 1862, on account of wounds received in action at Fredericksburg, Dec. 13, 1862; arm amputated.
- Hart, Noah L., private, Sept. 1, 1862; disch. at Convalescent Camp, Alexandria, Va., Feb. 25, 1863; disability.
- Hammel, John F., private, Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Hart, George S., private, Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Hulse, Samuel, private, Aug. 27, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Hulse, Thomas L., private, Aug. 27, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Hoffman, Solon, private, Sept. 9, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Haggerty, Henry C., private, Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Johnson, David, private, Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Jamison, Joseph J., private, Aug. 27, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Johnson, John N., private, Aug. 27, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Jolly, Thomas, private, Aug. 30, 1862; died at Fredericksburg, Va., Dec. 14, 1862, of wounds received in action there.
- Legitt, Anthony A., private, Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Lake, William C., private, Aug. 26, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Labaw, George F., private, Aug. 26, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Linder, John, private, Aug. 26, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Larkin, Francis E., private, Aug. 26, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- McDougall, Orlando, private, Aug. 26, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- McDougall, Robert, private, Aug. 26, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Moran, Patrick, private, Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Mount, William G., private, Aug. 27, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Morse, Garret S., private, Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Merryott, Samuel, private, Aug. 27, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Merryott, Peter B., private, Aug. 29, 1862; disch. at the U. S. A. Gen. Hosp., Washington, D. C., Jan. 5, 1863, disability.
- McIlvain, William, private, Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Millette, William P., private, Sept. 1, 1862; disch. at army hosp., Washington, D. C., Feb. 17, 1863, on account of wounds received at Fredericksburg.
- Monighan, James, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Newton, William, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Perrine, Charles H., private, Aug. 26, 1862; disch. at hosp., West Philadelphia, Feb. 4, 1863, disability.
- Penson, Henry H., musician, Aug. 26, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Pullen, George E., private, Aug. 28, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Rumphy, Carl, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Rhodes, William D., private, Aug. 26, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Rodgers, William H., private, Aug. 26,

- 1862; died of typhoid fever near Fredericksburg, Va., March 12, 1863.
- Rue, Matthias A., private, Aug. 26, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Reamer, Parker B., private, Aug. 28, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Snediker, James, private, Aug. 28, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Snediker, John, private, Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Snediker, Forman, private, Aug. 26, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Sedam, John L., private, Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Silvers, Isaac, private, Aug. 28, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Silvers, Henry, private, Aug. 28, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Søden, Joseph, private, Aug. 30, 1862; disch. at camp near Falmouth, Va., April 10, 1863, disability.
- Sparlin, Nelson, private, Aug. 29, 1862; disch. at U. S. A. Hosp., Washington, D. C., March 13, 1863, on account of wounds received in action at Fredericksburg, Va.
- Stultz, Lewis D., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Slover, Stephen, private, Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Thompson, John, private, Aug. 26, 1862; died near Fredericksburg, Va., Dec. 25, 1862, of wounds received in action there.
- Taylor, Eugene Z., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Van Lieu, Edwin F., private, Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Vantilburg, John, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Van Arsdale, Peter P., private, Aug. 26, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Wines, John A., private, Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Company C.—Calder, Henry C., 1st sergt., Aug. 30, 1862; must. out July 6, 1865.
- Sofield, Daniel W., sergt., Aug. 30, 1862; must. out July 6, 1865.
- Hillyer, Isaac, sergt., Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Brokaw, Isaac C., sergt., Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Brantingham, Henry, sergt., Aug. 30, 1862; killed in action at Fredericksburg, Va., Dec. 13, 1862.
- Conway, Robert S., sergt., Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Leston, Joseph C., Jr., capt., Sept. 3, 1862; must. out July 6, 1863.
- Stelle, William H., 1st lieutenant, Sept. 3, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Conover, Samuel K., 2d lieutenant, Sept. 3, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Gunther, Gustav, corp., Sept. 6, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Clawson, John V., Jr., corp., Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Dayton, Isaac S., corp., Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Munday, Thomas J., corp., Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Hummer, Adam, Jr., corp., Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Stelle, George D., corp., Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Coulter, William, private, Aug. 30, 1862; corp. April 15, 1863; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Drake, Henry C., musician, Sept. 2, 1862; must. out July 6, 1863.
- Giles, Joel, musician, Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Hummer, Adam, Sr., wagoner, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Field, Jeremiah R., corp., Aug. 30, 1862; killed in action at Fredericksburg, Dec. 13, 1862.
- Adams, Wesley, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Baker, Samuel, private, Aug. 30, 1862; died of typhoid fever at Newark, March 23, 1863.
- Bauchman, Benjamin H., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Blackford, Jeremiah F., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Boice, Cyrus, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Boice, George D., private, Aug. 30, 1862; killed in action at Fredericksburg, Va., Dec. 13, 1862.
- Brundage, Warren, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Car, Andre, private, Aug. 30, 1862; disch. at Camp in field April 1, 1863, dis.
- Clawson, Jonathan F. R., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Compton, Israel, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Conger, Charles, corp., Aug. 30, 1862; disch. at camp in field April 1, 1863, dis.
- Cooper, Joseph, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Corsoff, Rudolph, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Cronk, Munson, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Dayton, Simon R., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Dudling, Benjamin, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Davis, Jeremiah, private, Aug. 30, 1862; disch. at Philadelphia, Pa., Gen. Hosp., April 4, 1863, dis.
- Davis, William B., private, Aug. 30, 1862; disch. at U. S. A. Gen. Hosp., Newark, N. J., March 31, 1863, dis.
- Drake, Calvin, private, Aug. 30, 1862; disch. at U. S. A. Gen. Hosp., Newark, N. J., March 2, 1863, dis.
- Dunham, Daniel V., private, Sept. 4, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.

- Dunham, George A., private, Sept. 4, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Dunham, Samuel S., private, Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Dunlap, James, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Drum, Jeremiah, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Dutlinger, Kasper, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- End, Felix, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Fisher, Charles, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Freeman, James B., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Garretson, Ralph, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Giles, George F., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Giles, John V., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Giles, George, private, Aug. 30, 1862; disch. at Washington, D. C., March 12, 1863, dis.
- Gleason, Michael, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Green, Clarendo D., private, Sept. 4, 1862; killed in action at Fredericksburg, Dec. 13, 1862.
- Harris, Lewis, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Henderson, William W., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Lake, Philip, private, Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Lake, George, private, Sept. 2, 1862; disch. at Washington, D. C., Jan. 15, 1863, dis.
- Lane, Aaron H., private, Aug. 30, 1862; died of diarrhœa, Washington, D. C., Dec. 27, 1863.
- King, Lewis, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Martin, John, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Matchet, Amos, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Merrell, John, private, Aug. 30, 1862; disch. at Falmouth, Va., Jan. 1, 1863, dis.
- Langstaff, Joel F., private, Aug. 30, 1862; killed in action at Fredericksburg, Va., Dec. 13, 1862.
- Merrell, William C., private, Aug. 30, 1862; died at hosp., Washington, D. C., Jan. 1, 1863, of wounds received in action.
- McCray, Martin, private, Aug. 30, 1862; killed in action at Fredericksburg, Va., Dec. 13, 1862.
- Mundy, Phineas, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Pennington, Nathan C., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Richards, Jacob, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Randolph, Joel D. F., private, Aug. 30, 1862; disch. at Newark, N. J., April 8, 1863, dis.
- Robinson, Thomas, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Ryno, Lewis, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Ryno, Augustus, private, Aug. 30, 1862; died of injuries at Washington, D. C., Jan. 22, 1863.
- Runyon, Peter F., private, Sept. 3, 1862; killed in action at Fredericksburg, Va., Dec. 13, 1862.
- Shiney, George H., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Smith, David S., private, Aug. 30, 1862; died of typhoid fever at Washington, D. C., Jan. 13, 1863.
- Soper, Mahlon, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Stelle, Isaac R., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Stelle, John N. private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Straven, William, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Taylor, Gilbert B., private, Sept. 15, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Ten Broeck, John, private, Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Tingley, Charles D., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Titworth, Calvin D., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Toupet, Charles W., private, Aug. 30, 1862; died at Washington, D. C., Jan. 1, 1863, of wounds received in action.
- Van Nest, Thomas, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Van Nest, William, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Wendover, William A., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Wooding, Benjamin, private, Sept. 3, 1862; disch. at hosp., Newark, N. J., March 4, 1863, dis.
- Company D.—Dunham, William H., capt., Sept. 4, 1862; must. out July 6, 1863.
- Hatfield, Augustus, 1st lieutenant, Sept. 4, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Cook, William J., 2d lieutenant, dismissed Feb. 26, 1863.
- Voorhees, John H., 1st sergeant, Aug. 27, 1862; 2d lieutenant *vice* Cook, dismissed, Feb. 27, 1863; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Randolph, Alexander F., corp., Aug. 27, 1862; sergt. Dec. 13, 1862; 1st sergt. March 1, 1863; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Cause, Andrew, Jr., sergt., Sept. 27, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Denton, Charles, sergt., Sept. 27, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Bauer, Morris, sergt., Sept. 27, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.

- Dunn, Isaac E., sergt., Aug. 27, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Martin, Alexander, corp., Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Bergen, Adrian W., corp., Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Ten Broeck, Gabriel H., corp., Sept. 3, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Alcutt, Howard J., corp., Aug. 28, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Oakey, David V., corp., Aug. 28, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Catheart, Merrit G., corp., Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Hall, Reuben, musician, Aug. 27, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Danberry, Mark, musician, Aug. 27, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Agnew, Robert E., private, Aug. 28, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Applegate, Oscar, corp., Aug. 27, 1862; disch. at Convalescent Camp, Alexandria, Va., Feb. 23, 1863, dis.
- Baird, David S., private, Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Baker, Nicholas, private, Aug. 28, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Balleu, Francis, private, Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Barton, William, private, Aug. 27, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Fass, Phineas, private, Aug. 26, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Reggs, Joseph, private, Aug. 28, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Bergen, John, private, Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Boice, Theodore, private, Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Eowman, Isaac L., private, Aug. 26, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Bradley, William H., private, Aug. 26, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Brannagan, Thomas, private, Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Buzzee, John, private, Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Capes, Reuben, private, Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Carolan, John, private, Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Carrigan, Eugene, private, Aug. 29, 1862; disch. at Convalescent Camp, Alexandria, Va., Feb. 10, 1863, wounds received at Fredericksburg.
- Castner, James J., private, Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Cavilier, Isaac, private, Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Churchward, Geo. W., private, Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Coddington, Martin S., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Combs, Benjamin P., private, Aug. 29, 1862; killed in action at Fredericksburg, Va., Dec. 13, 1862.
- Cummings, George W., private, Aug. 29, 1862; died at hosp., Washington, D. C., Jan. 14, 1863, of wounds received in action at Fredericksburg.
- Davidson, Enos A., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Ferote, Simeon, private, Aug. 28, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Ferote, William, private, Aug. 26, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Finch, James H., private, Aug. 26, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Foster, Francis, private, Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- French, John, private, Sept. 2, 1862; killed in action at Fredericksburg, Dec. 13, 1862.
- Ferguson, Edward, private, Aug. 29, 1862; deserted Dec. 1, 1862, at Washington, D. C.
- Gamble, William, private, Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Gerhardt, Frederick G., private, Aug. 30, 1862; disch. at Convalescent Camp, Alexandria, Va., April 2, 1863, dis.
- Grace, Hubert, private, Aug. 26, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Grogan, William, private, Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Haggerty, James, private, Sept. 3, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Hargrove, James, Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Haviland, Joseph T., private, Aug. 26, 1862; disch. at Falmouth, Va., Feb. 15, 1863, disability.
- Hendrickson, George W., private, Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Hickey, Thomas, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Holman, George, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1862.
- Holcomb, Theophilus M., private, Aug. 28, 1862; died of fever at New Brunswick, N. J., April 1, 1863.
- Jeffries, Joseph C., private, Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Jeffries, John, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Jones, John J., private, Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Kenna, Thomas, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Lally, Martin, private, Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Lovett, Richard, private, Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- McLaughlin, Michael, private, Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Meyers, John, private, Aug. 26, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Miller, Adam, private, Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Marsh, William, private, Sept. 2, 1862; killed in action at Chancellorsville, May 3, 1863.

- McDavitt, Francis, private, Aug. 30, 1862; deserted Oct. 12, 1862, at Washington, D. C.
- Mooney, William, private, Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Morris, Michael, private, Sept. 3, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Oakey, Blanchard, private, Aug. 26, 1862; disch. at Washington, D. C., Feb. 12, 1863, disability.
- Oliver, Francis, private, Aug. 29, 1862; killed in action at Fredericksburg, Va., Dec. 13, 1862.
- Peyton, John, private, Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Quinn, Henry, private, Aug. 29, 1862; died at Washington, D. C., Jan. 11, 1863, of wounds received in action at Fredericksburg.
- Reed, John, private, Aug. 30, 1862; killed in action at Chancellorsville, May 3, 1863.
- Romage, George, private, Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Ross, George W., private, Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Sanderson, Walter E., private, Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Shand, James, private, Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Shellady, George W., wagoner, Sept. 8, 1862; disch. at Falmouth, Va., March 3, 1863; disability.
- Skirm, James, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Smith, Henry G., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Stryker, David S., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Suydam, Peter W., private, Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Tallman, George H., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Taylor, Joseph, private, Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Thompson, Walter, private, Aug. 29, 1862; deserted Sept. 19, 1862, at Freehold, N. J.
- Trout, Garret, private, Aug. 27, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Van Arsdale, James C., private, Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Van Natta, Aaron, private, Sept. 3, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Van Nortwick, Henry W., private, Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Van Syckel, Jacob, private, Aug. 28, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Watson, John, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Wilson, Cornelius B., private, Aug. 26, 1862 killed in action at Fredericksburg, Va., Dec. 13, 1862.
- Wright, Lewis, private, Aug. 31, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Company F.—Inslee, Isaac, Jr., capt., Sept. 15, 1862; must. out July 6, 1863.
- Robins, Benjamin A., 1st lieut., Sept. 15, 1862; pro. adjt. March 19, 1863; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Westerfield, John W., 2d lieut., Sept. 15, 1862; resigned Oct. 31, 1862.
- Marsh, Seymour, private, Aug. 30, 1862; 2d lieut. *vice* Westerfield, resigned, Feb. 11, 1863; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Barton, John, sergt., Aug. 30, 1862; 1st sergt. May 1, 1863; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Coats, Charles, sergt., Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- McClarence, John S., sergt., Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Harriott, David H., sergt., Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Stroud, William F., sergt., Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Martin, Augustus, corp., Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Grace, Thomas, corp., Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Giles, David S., corp., Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Munn, John, corp., Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Bloodgood, William H. H., corp., Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Payne, Jeremiah F., corp., Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Baldwin, William R., corp., Sept. 26, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Baldwin, Alfred, corp., Sept. 3, 1863; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Bogart, John H., musician, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Bessler, John, musician, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Barton, Augustus, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Bedam, Charles, private, Sept. 3, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Bergen, Charles W., Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Blair, David, private, Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Bloomfield, Edwin A., private, Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Bones, John, private, Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Bowman, Henry, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Brobell, Ulrich, private, Aug. 30, 1862; died at Fredericksburg, Va., Dec. 14, 1862, of wounds received the previous day in action.
- Burns, Christopher, private, Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Cahill, Dennis, private, Aug. 28, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Challhepp, John, private, Aug. 28, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.

- Claus, James, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Clayton, Asher M., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Collins, Arthur, private, Aug. 26, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Connolly, Edward, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Conners, Patrick, private, Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Coddington, William K., 1st sergt., Sept. 2, 1862; disch. at Washington, D. C., April 17, 1863, on account of wounds received in action at Fredericksburg, Va.
- Cook, Henry, private, Sept. 3, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Cushing, Patrick, private, Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Cutter, Joseph, private, Aug. 30, 1862; killed in action at Fredericksburg, Dec. 13, 1862.
- Debold, Peter, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- DeWitt, John C., private, Aug. 30, 1862; died of measles near Falmouth, Va., Jan. 15, 1863.
- Doty, William, private, Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Dunning, George C., private, Sept. 3, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Dunnigan, John, private, Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Foley, Dennis, private, Aug. 26, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Fouratt, George E., private, Aug. 26, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Freeman, John J., private, Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Furlong, William, private, Aug. 26, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Frazee, Henry, private, Sept. 2, 1862; disch. at hosp., Phila., Pa., Feb. 9, 1863, dis.
- Gardner, Francis, private, Sept. 3, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Garretson, Albert G., private, Aug. 26, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Giles, John H., private, Aug. 30, 1862; pro. to sergt.-maj. Sept. 22, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Gilman, Charles D., sergt., Aug. 30, 1862; died of typhoid fever near Falmouth, Va., Jan. 24, 1863.
- Grace, Thomas K., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Haggerty, William, private, Sept. 3, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Hauxhurst, Richard F., private, Sept. 3, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Hone, Frederick, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Jackson, John T., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Jaques, Mortimore, private, Sept. 3, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Johnson, James H., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Keller, Christopher, private, Aug. 26, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Kervin, John, private, Aug. 26, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- McElhaney, William, private, Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- McClay, John, private, Aug. 28, 1862; deserted Sept. 25, 1862, at Freehold, N. J.
- McGrail, Patrick, private, Aug. 28, 1862; died at Fredericksburg, Va., Dec. 15, 1862, of wounds received in action there on the 13th.
- Manning, Thomas, private, Aug. 30, 1862; disch. at Point Lookout, Md., April 10, 1863, disability.
- Mott, Samuel, private, Aug. 30, 1862; disch. at hospital, New York Harbor, Feb. 14, 1863, wounds received in action at Fredericksburg, Va., Dec. 13, 1862.
- Moffett, George B., private, Aug. 3, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Morris, George B., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Mulligan, William F., private, Aug. 28, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Munn, David C., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Oliver, Thomas A., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Patterson, William H., private, Aug. 30, 1862.
- Payne, Bethune D., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Pressler, Edward, private, Aug. 28, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Roxbury, Andrew J., private, Aug. 28, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Ruddy, Robert, private, Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Toms, Crowell M., private, Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Temple, Alfred S., private, Aug. 28, 1862; deserted Sept. 25, 1862, at Freehold, N. J.
- Tucker, Patrick, private, Aug. 28, 1862; deserted Sept. 25, 1862, at Freehold, N. J.
- Valentine, Mulford D., private, Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Webber, John, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Welsh, John, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Wright, George A., private, Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Welsh, David G., wagoner, Sept. 2, 1862; died at Washington, D. C., of wounds received at Fredericksburg, Va.
- Young, Henry, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Young, Henry S., private, Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.

- Young, Theodore, private, Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Company K.—Storer, George, capt., Sept. 20, 1862; must. out July 6, 1863.
- Bresnahan, James, 1st lieut., Sept. 20, 1862; dismissed by order War Dept. May 15, 1863.
- Conk, Thomas, 2d lieut., Sept. 20, 1862; disch. Jan. 2, 1863.
- Bolton, John T., 1st sergt., Aug. 30, 1862; 2d lieut. *vice* Conk, disch. March 1, 1863.
- Stillwell, Aaron, sergt., Aug. 30, 1862; 1st sergt. March 1, 1863; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Fowler, Charles S., sergt., Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Thorn, William, Jr., corp., Aug. 30, 1862; sergt. March 1, 1863; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Thomas, David, corp., Aug. 30, 1862; sergt. March 1, 1863; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Van Dusen, David, corp., Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Thorn, Andrew C., corp., Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Hudnet, William, corp., Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Fowler, John C., corp., Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Hulsehart, Peter, corp., Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Barber, Peter, corp., Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Drake, Isaac, corp., March 1, 1863; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Thorn, Timothy S., corp., March 1, 1863; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Buzzee, Aaron, musician, Aug. 29, 1862.
- Laforge, John, wagoner, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Applegate, Noah, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Arose, Elisha, private, Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Arose, Abraham, private, Aug. 30, 1862; died of typhoid fever near Falmouth, Va., March 14, 1863.
- Bloodgood, Peter, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Bloodgood, Michael, private, Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Bogart, Abraham, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Bolton, Thomas O., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Bray, George W., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Brock, William, private, Aug. 30, 1862; deserted Feb. 20, 1863, at Philadelphia, Pa.
- Compton, Henry, private, Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Culver, George, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Dayton, John D., private, Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Dewan, Michael, private, Aug. 30, 1862; deserted Jan. 14, 1863.
- Disbrow, Cortlandt, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Dunn, Thomas, private, Aug. 30, 1862; missing in action at Fredericksburg, Va., Dec. 13, 1862; supposed dead.
- Durham, John, private, Aug. 30, 1862; died at U. S. A. Hosp., at Washington, D. C., of wounds recd. in action at Fredericksburg.
- Ford, Charles P., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Furman, William H., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Furness, William T., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Githens, Joseph M., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Gordon, Embly S., private, Sept. 22, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Hagar, Abraham C., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Hogar, David, private, Sept. 22, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Hansell, Cornelius, private, Aug. 30, 1862; deserted Jan. 14, 1863, at hosp., New York Harbor.
- Hanzev, Charles, private, Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Hoagland, John H., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Hulsehart, Cornelius, Jr., private, Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Hunt, Robert, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Jackson, Robert, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- King, Robert, private, Aug. 28, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Keough, Thomas, private, Aug. 30, 1862; deserted Sept. 23, 1862, at Camp Vredcnburgh, Freehold, N. J.
- Lester, Francis W., private, Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Letts, George V., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Martin, James, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- McGraw, Isaac, private, Aug. 30, 1862; killed in action at Fredericksburg, Va., Dec. 13, 1862.
- McGrath, John, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- McNally, James, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Miller, Charles, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Mullenfels, William, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- O'Brien, William, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Prink, Jacob, private, Sept. 1, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.

- Rightmire, William H., private, Sept. 2, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Rogers, Henry A., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Seward, George H., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Seward, John A., Jr., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Shaffer, Philip, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Smith, Charles, private, Aug. 30, 1862; missing in action at Fredericksburg, Dec. 13, 1862.
- Soden, James, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Stephens, Miller, private, Aug. 29, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Stolt, John, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Van Nest, Jacob M., private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.
- Voorhees, Peter P., private, Aug. 30, 1862; disch. at Convalescent Camp, Alexandria, Va., Feb. 17, 1863, dis.
- Roberts, Jonathan R., private, Aug. 30, 1862; disch. for disability in camp, Virginia, Nov. 10, 1862.
- Robert, Isaac, private, Aug. 30, 1862; disch. for disability near Washington, D. C., Jan. 3, 1863.
- Passell, John V., musician, Aug. 30, 1862; disch. at Portsmouth Grove, R. I., March 8, 1863, dis.
- Heenan, Martin, private, Aug. 30, 1862; disch. at Baltimore, Md., March 3, 1863, dis.
- White, Lewis A., sergt., Sept. 1, 1862; disch. at Convalescent Camp, Alexandria, Va., June 6, 1863, dis.
- Warner, Benjamin, private, Aug. 30, 1862; must. out with regt. July 6, 1863.

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- Company A.—Smith, John, private, March 11, 1864; trans. to Co. M.
- Clifford, James, private.
- Company B.—Page, Charles W., sergt., Aug. 5, 1861; re-enl. Jan. 1, 1864; killed by accident Nov. 3, 1864.
- Pomeroy, Christopher F., private, Aug. 7, 1861; disch. at Washington, D. C., May 29, 1862, dis.
- Van Derveer, Arnold H., private, Aug. 31, 1861; sergt. May 5, 1862; re-enl. Feb. 1, 1864; sergt. May 20, 1864; must. out July 24, 1865.
- Wilson, William H., private, Aug. 26, 1861; re-enl. Jan. 1, 1864; sergt. Jan. 15, 1864; 2d lieut. Co. G Jan. 30, 1865.
- Company H.—Stewart, Alexander, 1st sergt., Aug. 22, 1861; 2d lieut. Co. E May 4, 1862; res. Dec. 22, 1862; paroled prisoner.
- Marks, Charles W., private, Oct. 4, 1862; in hosp. at Washington May 31, 1865.
- Lawrence, James, Jr., sergt., Aug. 21, 1861; disch. at Convalescent Camp, Alexandria, Va., April 14, 1863.
- Bailey, Cornelius.
- Cause, Robert B., corp., Aug. 27, 1861; sergt. June 15, 1862; pro. sergt.-maj. Feb. 4, 1863; pro. 2d lieut. Co. G, Aug. 12, 1863; 1st lieut. Co. E, March 29, 1864;
- capt. *vice* Robins, pro. Nov. 1, 1864; must. out July 24, 1865.
- Senker, Henry, private, Aug. 21, 1861; corp. Aug. 22, 1861; trans. to Vet. Res. Corps. Aug. 1, 1863; disch. therefrom Jan. 30, 1864.
- Suydam, Peter H., saddler, Sept. 7, 1861; pro. saddler sergt., 3d Batt., Feb. 19, 1862.
- Shulthise, Jacob; Alston, William; Andrews, Edward; Anderson, Garret T.; Applegate, George; Auld, James M.; Bohn, James; Bush, John; Collhip, John; Christ, Leonard; Corridan, James; Cochran, John; Cone, Daniel; Ectil, John; Foster, John; Foller, Michael; Gray, D. Eugene; Glenn, William; Hunt, Jonathan; Hart, David; Hinckly, Charles; Hinckle, Theodore; Hudson, William; Hardy, Pyatt; Jackson, William; Kelly, Walter; Kohler, John; Labar, Henry B.; Letts, George; Letts, John; Messroll, Jonathan; McClellan, James; McLaughlin, James; Norman, Benjamin; Oaks, John; Oliver, John; Plum, John; Porter, William; Pardon, Charles A.; Rappleyea, William; Reeder, George; Suydam, Stephen; Snyder, John; Snyder, Stephen; Stevens, William; Telus, Charles; Van Note, Peter; Van Heise, Anthony; Van Derveer, Arnold; Voorhees, Christopher.



CHAPTER XVII.

FINALE.

In the words of the immortal Shakespeare, "Grim visaged war had smoothed her wrinkled front," and the veterans of the grand armies of the Republic had returned to their peaceful vocations; the banker to attend to his financial obligations; the lawyer to his clients; the doctor to his patients; the farmer to his agricultural pursuits; the mechanic to engage in the industrial enterprises of the country.

While Grant was hammering at the gates of Richmond, the nineteenth presidential election was held. Lincoln, the "Great Emancipator," was a candidate for reëlection; associated with him was Andrew Johnson, who had been Senator from Tennessee and military governor of that State. Johnson, while he was of southern nativity and a strong adherent of the Democratic party, having supported Breckinridge and Lane in 1860, was, however, a pronounced Unionist. The substituting of another candidate by the Republicans for the New Englander holding the office of Vice-President (Hamlin) for one of southern birth, was to conciliate the Border States, and thereby weaken the geographical lines dividing the combatants. The Democrats placed in nomination General George B. McClellan and George H. Pendleton. The campaign was enlivened by torchlight processions carried on by an organization amongst the Republicans called the "Wide Awakes," and stump orators who harangued the crowds upon the necessity and advisability of Lincoln's reëlection; while their opponents dwelt on the military exploits of their candidate, whose defeats in his attempts to capture Richmond were not laid to the superiority of the enemy's forces, but to political machinations at the National Capital. Though the Democratic candidates received in the electoral college only twenty-one to their Republican opponents' 212 votes, New Jersey, true to her Democratic principles, gave a majority of 7,301 for McClellan and Pendleton, of which Middlesex county contributed seven hundred. This, however, was a distinct gain for the Republicans over the previous State election in 1862, when Joel Parker, the Democratic candidate for governor, received a majority of 14,597. In Middlesex county Amos Robbins, a Democrat, was elected to the Senate, the delegation to the Assembly consisting of one Republican and two Democrats.

The assassination of President Lincoln by a fanatic, and an attempted conspiracy against the lives of other officials, cast a shroud of mourning throughout the land. Johnson, who succeeded to the presidency, antagonized the Republican leaders in his favoritism to the reconstruction of the States that had been in revolt against the Union. The con-

vention of that party in 1868 nominated the strongest logical candidate for the presidency, the conqueror of Richmond, General Ulysses S. Grant; his associate on the ticket was Schuyler Colfax. The Democrats turned to the Empire State for their presidential candidate and selected Horatio Seymour, who had been governor during two years of the Civil War. Associated with him was Francis P. Blair, of Missouri, for Vice-President. New Jersey was carried by the Democrats by a decreased majority; the Middlesex majority was 365. Theodore Frelinghuysen Randolph, a native of New Brunswick, the Democratic nominee for governor, secured a majority of 418 in the county. One Republican and two Democrats were elected to the Assembly. In the Third Congressional District, John Taylor Bird, of Flemington, was elected to the Forty-first Congress.

At the time of the reëlection of General Grant in 1872, there was in New Jersey a landslide for the Republicans, they receiving a majority of 15,200, which was the largest ever given any presidential candidate up to that time. Every ward in the city of New Brunswick went Republican; two of the three members of that party were elected to the Assembly. The Republican electoral ticket received in Middlesex county a majority of seven hundred. Amos Clark, Jr., of Elizabeth, a Republican, in the Third District, was elected to the Forty-third Congress.

The Republican majority obtained in 1872 was overcome in 1876 by the Democrats in New Jersey. With victory floating from their banner, they gave Tilden and Hendricks a plurality of 12,445. This was largely due to the reports circulated by the Democrats that Rutherford B. Hayes, the Republican candidate, was a Sunday man and strongly temperance, which caused many of the German residents of the State to vote the Democratic ticket. Middlesex county not only supported the Democratic ticket by a plurality of 570, but elected George C. Ludlow, a resident of New Brunswick, to the Senate, and a full delegation to the Assembly.

In the memorable State election in 1877, General George B. McClellan, the Democratic candidate for governor, had been a resident of the State since his retirement from the army. New Brunswick gave his Republican opponent, William E. Newell, a majority of 534; the other districts of Middlesex county favored McClellan the second, giving a majority of 170; the third, 210—thus reducing Newell's majority in the county to 154.

In the presidential election of 1880, Middlesex county was still strongly Democratic, the first district, which consisted of New Brunswick, gave a majority of 652; the second, 156; the third, 559. James H. Van Cleef, of New Brunswick; Manning Freeman, of Metuchen, and Stephen Martin, of South Amboy, were elected to the Assembly. George C. Ludlow, a resident of New Brunswick, was elected governor by a plurality of 651.

In the three succeeding presidential elections, Middlesex county loyally supported the Democratic candidate, Grover Cleveland, a son of New Jersey. His majority in the county in 1884 was 171, notwithstanding that the Republican candidate for Assembly, John Carson, in one of the districts received a majority of 784, and John Martin, of South Amboy, and Edward S. Savage, of Woodbridge, on the Democratic ticket, were elected by only fifteen majority. In 1888 the county gave a plurality of 1,148 for Cleveland and Thurman; the Assembly delegation elected consisted of two Democrats and one Republican.

The election in 1892 was a Democratic landslide, the national ticket receiving an increased plurality. In Middlesex county, three Democratic members of the Assembly were elected; also, the congressional district elected John T. Dunn, of Elizabeth, a Democrat, to the Fifty-third Congress.

The State election in 1895 in New Jersey was a forerunner of the Republican landslide that took place the following year; for the first time in thirty years the Republicans elected their candidate for governor by a plurality of 26,900 votes. The adherence of the western Democrats under the leadership of William Jennings Bryan to the fallacy of free silver with an unlimited coinage at a standard of sixteen to one, coupled with the opposition to the McKinley tariff bill for the protection of American industries, was to solidify the people of New Jersey and cause the desertion of many Democrats of that State to the Republican party, which advocated hard money and protection to the American wage earner. Although Bryan, whose oratorical achievements at the Democratic convention in 1896 where he delivered his famous "Cross of Gold" speech made him the candidate of the party for President, and during the campaign he delivered political speeches in the State, the Republicans were triumphant in New Jersey, giving a plurality of 87,692 for the McKinley and Hobart electors. To this plurality Middlesex county contributed 3,328. For the first time in the election of members of the Assembly, instead of voting by districts the three candidates were elected by the entire vote of the county. Their pluralities varied from 2,650 to 2,776, and Alexander Charles Letterst, of Menlo Park; Jacob H. Whitfield, of New Brunswick, and James Fountain, of Browntown, were the successful candidates.

The next notable natural event that the people of Middlesex county were called upon to take part in was the Spanish-American war. It was on February 16, 1898, that the naval disaster at Havana, Cuba, occurred, resulting in the sinking of the battleship "Maine." Throughout the length and breadth of the land the cry went forth, "Remember the 'Maine'." The country's ultimatum was handed the Spanish government April 20, 1898, which was immediately followed by the President's call for 125,000 volunteers. Enrollment officers were opened in the

State and the quota of New Jersey was soon filled. Then came Dewey's victory at Manila Bay, and an additional call by the President for 75,000 volunteers. Middlesex county readily filled her part of the State's quota, which was dispatched to the regimental camps of the newly created army. While these troops took no part in active warfare, they were decimated by diseases contracted in the southern mobilization camps. The destruction of the Spanish fleet and the surrender of the Spanish army at Santiago virtually closed the war.

In the campaign of 1900, the Republican plurality in Middlesex county was 2,156, the members of the Assembly, State senator and governor on that ticket receiving about the same plurality. The vote of the county in the presidential campaign in 1904 was for the Republican electoral ticket 10,116, to 7,005 cast for the Democratic electors; the Republican Assembly candidates were elected by about the same plurality. The presidential election of 1908 was devoid of any great political excitement, and the Republican party maintained its normal majorities. The vote cast for the Republican electors in Middlesex county was 11,261, the Democratic electors receiving 7,941. The same plurality was obtained for members of Congress and members of the Assembly.

In the State election two years later, the Democrats placed at the head of their ticket for governor, Woodrow Wilson. Mr. Wilson was not a native of the State, and though he was a graduate of Princeton College in 1877 his career in the State did not commence until September, 1890, when he entered upon his duties as professor of jurisprudence and political economy in Princeton University. This department of the University was divided in 1895, when he was assigned to the chair of jurisprudence and as the result of a large gift by Cyrus H. McCormick of Chicago two years later he was promoted to the McCormick professorship of jurisprudence and politics. He was elected president of the University in 1902, and resigned both that office and his professorship immediately after his nomination for the office of governor of New Jersey. The nomination of Governor Wilson by the Democrats, though it was his first appearance in the political life of the State, was to turn the tide of Republican supremacy. Middlesex county gave the Democratic nominee a plurality of 1,894, and at the same time elected a Democratic congressman in the district and three members of the Assembly.

The election of Governor Wilson by a plurality of 49,056 made him a prominent candidate for the presidential nomination. His State presented his name at the convention held at Baltimore, Maryland, in 1912, and after the taking of a number of ballots he became the party's nominee. The Republican party was handicapped by the organization within its ranks of a Progressive party, each of whom nominated a candidate for President, thereby making it a triangular fight for the election. Middlesex county divided its allegiance to the Republican party, casting the

following vote: Republican, 4,730; Progressive, 5,050; Democratic, 8,177. The split in the Republican ranks caused the election of a Democratic senator and assemblyman. Four years later, when the Democratic nominee for President was reelected, Middlesex county retained her nominal plurality, giving the Democratic electors 11,851 votes to 9,975 cast for the Republican electors. Joseph S. Frelinghuysen, the Republican candidate for United States senator, received in the county a majority, while Thomas J. Scully, a Democrat, was reelected to Congress after a recount granted by the Supreme Court. His opponent on the first face of the returns receiving a plurality of fourteen, the recount gave Mr. Scully a plurality of 203. A Republican delegation was elected to the Assembly.

The nation again made a peremptory call to arms in the spring of 1917. The Continental War, better known as the World War, had been raging for over two years, and had reached such a condition of affairs that threatened the peace and happiness of the citizens of the country, and it became evident that the United States must take her place in the defense of the rights of humanity. Middlesex county was thus called upon again to give of her population and wealth for the upholding of those principles which are the foundation and soul of every republic. To every call made upon her citizens, the responses were patriotically and bravely met. Many of her sons made the supreme sacrifice, while others were maimed for life; her citizens responded liberally to the financial aid of the government. The war between the Allies and the Central Powers is of so recent occurrence that it does not become the part at present of local history; in the township histories, however, will be found a record of the Roll of Honor.

In the State election of 1919, the question of prohibition was the paramount issue, the political parties becoming known as "wet" or "dry." The governor elected was Edward I. Edwards, on a Democratic "wet" platform, though the Republicans carried Middlesex county by a plurality of 376. The Democrats, however, elected one of the members of the Assembly, who beat the lowest candidate for that office on the Republican ticket by two hundred plurality.

In the radical wave that swept over the political landscape in 1920, the immediate cause in which was woman suffrage and the high cost of living, Middlesex county was not backward in doing her part. For member of Congress she gave the Republican candidate 23,380 votes, while his Democratic opponent received 13,714. With this as an example, it is needless to say that State, district and county were carried by overwhelming pluralities for the Republican candidates.

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CHAPTER XVIII.

VISITORS, NATIVES AND RESIDENTS.

The bays and rivers of the Atlantic coast of New Jersey in the early part of the eighteenth century were visited by the buccaneers that infested the ocean. The harbor of Amboy and the Raritan river were amongst their places of rendezvous. Famous amongst this gentry was Captain William Kidd, a Scotchman by birth. He entered the merchant marine service in his youth and distinguished himself as a privateersman against the French in the West Indies. He became actively engaged against the pirates that infested the waters near New York, out of which port he sailed. A company was formed in England to suppress piracy, and amongst its shareholders were King William III., the Earl of Bellemont (afterwards governor of Massachusetts and New York), and Robert Livingston, of New York, and other men of wealth and influence. The "Adventure Galley," a ship of 287 tonnage, was purchased, and Kidd was appointed commander. Of the booty obtained from privateering, the King was to receive one-tenth, the balance to be divided amongst the other shareholders. The "Adventure Galley" arrived at New York July 4, 1696, and was well provisioned; its crew numbered one hundred and fifty-four. The ship sailed for Madagascar, the chief rendezvous of the pirates who infested the India seas. A year passed, rumors reached England that Kidd had turned pirate, and the royal shareholder and his associates perceiving the necessity of taking action, orders were issued to the colonial governors to arrest their erstwhile piratical partner. In the spring of 1699, Kidd appeared in the West Indies in a vessel loaded with treasure. Leaving this ship in the bay on the coast of Hayti, he sailed in a sloop with forty men, his objective point being Boston, where the Earl of Bellemont was then located as governor of Massachusetts. On arriving off the coast of Rhode Island, he sent his legal representative to inquire how his partner would receive him. Bellemont's answer was such that Kidd proceeded to Boston, where he was arrested, sent to England, tried on the charge of piracy and murder, and was executed May 24, 1721, protesting his innocence. It is an admitted fact that his trial was grossly unfair, and that he was made a scapegoat to shield the sins of men in higher walks of life. Bellemont received the treasure hid by Kidd on Gardiner Island, also that which was on the sloop, which aggregated over \$70,000, but there is no evidence to show what distribution he made of the plunder secured by piracy. There is little doubt that considerable treasure was buried by Kidd on the shores of Long Island after his return from his piratical expeditions, but that Amboy or part of the Raritan river were favored is scarcely possible. Still, the

residents of that section of the country have made various searches for the hidden gold, though no attempt has resulted in obtaining the least portion of the filthy lucre. A boulder at Perth Amboy known as "the big rock" was overturned, but expectations were not realized. Numerous pits were dug in what was known as the "Cedars," and even the Episcopal church-yard was invaded by a digging expedition, but no financial gains were obtained. Kidd and his buried treasures have long since been forgotten, and the reign of the pirates along the New Jersey Atlantic coast came to an inglorious end about 1725.

It was in the vicinity of Cranbury that the devoted and pious evangelist, David Brainerd, in 1745 labored to make religious converts of the Indians. This self-sacrificing champion of the works and teachings of his Divine Master was at this time in the twenty-seventh year of his age. He had been expelled in 1743 from Yale College for disobeying orders, refusing to acknowledge his error in attending prohibited meetings of those who were attached to the preaching of Whitefield and Tennent. He at that time resolved to become a missionary amongst the Indians, and commenced his theological studies. His first labors were amongst the Stockbridge Indians in the vicinity of Kinderhook, New York. Here, though he was feeble in body and often ill, he lived in a wigwam, sleeping on straw, his food being boiled corn, hastypudding and soup.

Of this itinerancy in Middlesex county we quote extracts from his journal. It was in the afternoon of August 8, 1745. He preached to the Indians, their number being sixty-five men, women and children. The public discourse was from Luke xiv: 16-23; and after the sermon, followed by personal solicitations on the part of the missionary, both the old and the young bowed in mercy and rejoiced in Christ Jesus. The following day another public meeting was held, the evangelist's text being the parable of the sower, his concluding remarks were a few words spoken from Matthew xi:29. The shades of night were falling when the services ended, and there was a deep agitation amongst the Indians; some of them seemed to be in great distress to find and secure an interest in the great Redeemer; almost every one was praying and crying, and on every side was heard *Guttummau kalummeh, Guttummau kalummeh*, i. e. "Have mercy upon me, have mercy upon me!" The assiduous duties of the young missionary caused his health to suffer, compelling him in the summer of 1747 to leave his chosen field of work. He lingered until the autumn of that year, being then only twenty-nine years of age, his spirit passing from earth October 9, 1747.

It was on the heights surrounding New Brunswick that Washington's first meeting with Hamilton took place. In the retreat of the American army through Jersey after the disastrous battle of Long Island, Washington's intentions were to make a stand against the enemy at New

Brunswick, but his rapidly dissolving army was not strong enough to risk an engagement. On the Heights of New Brunswick, near the passage of the Raritan river, Hamilton, then a captain of artillery, with his fieldpieces effectually checked the advance of the enemy, thus giving Washington several hours start of the pursuing British army. From the river bank the commander-in-chief's attention was attracted by the courage and skill displayed by the young officer of artillery. He ordered his aide-de-camp to ascertain who the officer was, and at the first call to the army to bring him to headquarters. In the interview that ensued, Washington quickly discovered in the young patriot and warrior those qualities of head and heart that gained him renown in his after life.

General Washington during the Revolutionary War was frequently in Middlesex county. On his journey to New York to be inaugurated the first President of the United States, accompanied by Charles Thomson, Colonel Humphreys, and his favorite body servant, he was a guest on the night of April 22, 1789, at the Cross and Key Tavern in Woodbridge, now Rahway. He was escorted to the hotel by the Woodbridge cavalry, under command of Captain Ichabod Potter.

The visit of the illustrious Lafayette, "the hero of two worlds," to the United States, was a memorable event in the summer of 1824. He was received with honor and distinction throughout the whole country, and, during the course of his travels, celebrations, processions, dinners, illuminations, bonfires, parties, balls, serenades and rejoicings, attended his way from the moment he set foot on American soil until his embarkation to return to his native France. He visited New Brunswick, and was there entertained by his companion in arms, General John Neilson. At Woodbridge, on September 24, 1824, one of the special features of his reception was the presence of sixteen little girls dressed in white, each bearing on her bosom a letter made of marigolds which together formed the words "Welcome Lafayette."

Amongst those who attained distinction in the national and State annals of the country, who were natives of Middlesex county, none deserve a more prominent place in its history than James Schureman. Born in New Brunswick in pre-revolutionary times, his youth fell upon those days that were inflamed with great waves of indignation which wrought momentous changes in the history of the world. On the eve of the hostilities with the mother country, while a private in a militia company, the captain of which was urging his command to volunteer in the colonial army, not one responding, Schureman, stepping from the ranks, addressed his fellow soldiers in such moving and impassioned terms that a sudden reaction took place, the majority of his associates immediately pledging themselves for the war. The company thus formed gave effective services at the battle of Long Island.

Schureman was taken prisoner during the war, near Lawrence

Brook, three miles south of his birthplace. After being confined in a guardhouse in that locality he was removed to a sugar house in New York City. By bribing the guard, he obtained the privilege of the prison yard. One night liquor was given the sentinels, and our youthful adventurer dug through the walls of the prison, making his escape and joining the American army at Morristown. Schureman was a man of parts, and his qualities included statesmanship as well as those of a soldier. He was a member of the Continental Congress, represented his congressional district in the lower house of Congress, and was for two years a member of the Senate. He was at one time mayor of New Brunswick, and a member of the New Jersey Assembly. He died in New Brunswick, January 24, 1824.

The lawyer, soldier and governor, Joseph Bloomfield, was born at Woodbridge, in 1755, the son of Dr. Moses Bloomfield, and a descendant of Thomas Bloomfield, the American pioneer ancestor who settled at Newbury, Massachusetts, in 1638. After receiving a classical education at Deerfield, Cumberland county, New Jersey, he studied law at Perth Amboy under Cortlandt Skinner, and entered upon practice at Bridgton. His legal activities were speedily interrupted by the war, and in February, 1776, he was commissioned captain of the Third New Jersey Regiment, destined to be ordered to take part in the expedition against Canada. The regiment having reached Albany, New York, learned of the Continental repulse at Quebec, and was dispatched to the Mohawk Valley to overawe the Indians. The following November it was marched to Ticonderoga, and there Captain Bloomfield was appointed judge advocate, ranking as major, but resigned his commission in 1778.

His political and official life dates from his resignation from the army. In the fall of 1778 he was chosen clerk of the Assembly, and was for several years register of the Court of Admiralty. In 1783 he became attorney-general of the State, resigning from that office in 1792. As presidential elector in 1792, he voted for Washington and Adams, but, contracting a friendly acquaintance with Thomas Jefferson, he became a prominent leader of the Democratic party. At this period, in point of ability he has been compared with Alexander Hamilton, the great leader of the Federalists. As a general of militia he was called into service to take part in quelling the Whiskey Insurrection in Pennsylvania. He was the first governor of the State elected on the Democratic (then called the Republican) ticket. In the fall of 1801 the State Legislature was for the first time Democratic, and General Bloomfield received thirty votes for governor against twenty cast for Richard Stockton. The following year the parties were equally divided, and though there were attempts to compromise, all propositions were refused by the Democrats, therefore there was no choice for governor and the

vice-president of the Council, John Lambert, performed the duties of the executive office. The next year Governor Bloomfield received thirty-three votes and Richard Stockton seventeen, and in 1804 he had thirty-seven to his opponent's sixteen votes. Afterwards until 1812 he was reëlected without opposition.

At the breaking out of the War of 1812, President Madison commissioned Governor Bloomfield a brigadier-general in the army. His brigade reached Sacketts Harbor in 1813, but its commanding officer was soon transferred to the command of a military district with headquarters at Philadelphia, where he remained until peace was declared. The Democrats of his district elected him to Congress in 1816, and he was reëlected in 1818. He was very appropriately placed at the head of the committee on Revolutionary pensions, and owing to his energy and perseverance introduced and caused to be enacted bills granting pensions to Revolutionary War soldiers and their widows. Governor Bloomfield died at Burlington, New Jersey, October 3, 1825.

Alexander Henry was a man of no common abilities. He was by no means a mere adventurer, but possessed great intellectual curiosity and had a talent for observation. In all his wanderings in the wild Northwest he faithfully kept a journal which even in condensed form aggregated nearly one thousand pages. This journal, which was in manuscript, was utilized by Dr. Eliot Coues as the basis of his "New Lights on the Early History of the Greater Northwest," published in three volumes in 1897. This noted fur trapper and trader was born in New Brunswick in 1739. Arriving at manhood, he joined the army of Sir Jeffrey Amherst, and in 1760 he took part in the expedition against Montreal. The surrender of that important post opened a new market, and our young adventurer was induced to engage in the fur trade. The following year he went to Fort Mackinaw, at that time one of the principal trading posts. Securing the friendship of a Chippewa Indian, he was adopted as his brother, thus his life was saved in the massacre that took place at that post June 4, 1763. Henry thereafter lived with the Indians, wearing their dress and speaking their language. In 1764 he went to Fort Niagara, where he commanded an Indian battalion, and after the defeat of Pontiac he reëngaged in the fur trade, extending his travels to the Rocky Mountains. He organized with David Thompson the Northwest Company, for which he acted as fur trader and business manager, Thompson serving as official geographer and explorer. They extended their journeys to the Pacific ocean, including the Red River of the North, the heart of the Rocky Mountains and the Columbia river. Henry resided at Astoria, or Fort George, and from that post traded in all directions. He was drowned near there, May 22, 1814.

A son of Piscataway, James Manning, was born October 22, 1738. His great-grandfather, Jeffrey Manning, was one of the earliest settlers

in Piscataway township, and on his maternal side he was descended from the Fitz Randolphs, another pioneer family of his native town. He graduated from the College of New Jersey in 1762, and the following year was ordained as an evangelist and traveled throughout the colonies. While at Newport, Rhode Island, in July, 1763, he suggested the establishment of a college to be conducted by the Baptists. He was solicited to draw up a plan, and a rough charter was laid before the General Assembly and was passed by that body after a warm debate, largely through the personal influence of Mr. Manning. Having received a call to Warren, Rhode Island, he organized a church of fifty-eight members and became its pastor. At the second meeting of the corporation for founding and endowing a college or university, held in September, 1765, Mr. Manning was chosen president, and the institution became known as the Rhode Island College. Its name was changed, however, in 1804 to Brown University, in honor of Nicholas Brown, one of its munificent benefactors. In May, 1770, the college was removed to Providence, Rhode Island, and President Manning, resigning his pastorate, devoted his time to the college, filling the chair of professor of languages. During the Revolutionary War the college doors were closed, the students prosecuting their studies at home. The college exercises were resumed May 27, 1782. President Manning was a delegate to the Continental Congress, 1785-86, and it was largely through his endeavors that Rhode Island adopted the Federal Constitution. While at family prayers he died of apoplexy, in Providence, Rhode Island, July 29, 1791.

From old Middlesex county came Luther Martin, born in New Brunswick, February 9, 1748. He graduated from the College of New Jersey in 1766, and studied law at Queenstown, Maryland, supporting himself by teaching. He was admitted to the bar in 1771, and the following year located in Williamsburg, Virginia, where he commenced the practice of his profession. However, he finally settled in Somerset county, Maryland, and in 1778 was appointed attorney-general of his adopted State, and vigorously, almost rigorously, prosecuted the Tories. He was a member of the Continental Congress in 1784-85, also of the Constitutional Convention in 1787, and in the latter body took an active part in opposition to the proposed constitution, finally leaving the hall rather than sign the document. Jefferson a few years later christened him with the sobriquet "the federal bulldog." He also opposed the ratification of the constitution by the State of Maryland, bitterly denouncing the license allowed by that instrument to the African slave trade, and declared that God viewed with an equal eye the poor African slave and his American master. True, however, to the instincts of a lawyer, his next public appearance was as a staunch supporter of the constitution, when he acted as counsel for Judge Samuel Chase, impeached before the United States Senate. This trial is memorable on account of

the excitement it produced, the ability with which it was defended, and the nature of the defendant's acquittal. Mr. Martin resigned his attorney-generalship in 1805, after twenty-seven years of service, and even then had the largest practice of any lawyer in Maryland. Two years later he was one of the counsel for Aaron Burr, on trial for high treason at Richmond, Virginia. He was appointed in 1814 Chief Justice of the Court of Oyer and Terminer for the city and county of Baltimore, but the court was abolished in 1816. In February, 1818, he was again appointed attorney-general of Maryland, but two years later suffered a stroke of paralysis and was thrown entirely upon the charity of his friends. The Maryland Legislature in 1822 passed an act wholly unparalleled in American history, requiring every lawyer in that State to pay annually a license fee of five dollars, the money to be paid over to trustees "for the use of Luther Martin." His abilities as a lawyer were of the very highest order, some authorities regarding him among the best which the country ever produced. He died at the home of Aaron Burr, in New York City, July 10, 1826.

The first limner of whom the American annals of art makes mention, was John Watson, who came to this country from Scotland about the year 1715. After his first visit to America he returned to Europe and brought thence many pictures which, with those of his own composition, formed the first collection of paintings of which there is any knowledge in this country. When he became a resident of Amboy he was in great poverty, but his circumstances improved from the exercise of his artistic talents. What became of his collection of paintings is unknown; only a few of his miniature sketches in India ink are extant, which are tolerably well executed, among them a series of drawings of himself at different ages, original sketches of Governor Burnet, of New Jersey, Governor Keith, of Pennsylvania, Governor Spotswood of Virginia, Judge Bunnell and other distinguished men, showing that some notoriety was enjoyed by the painter. He was unmarried. His penurious habits and love for unlawful interest gained for him the titles of miser and usurer. He died August 22, 1768, aged 83 years; his remains are interred in the rear of St. Peter's Church at Perth Amboy.

In Perth Amboy, February 19, 1766, was born William Dunlap, an American painter and author. He was the only child of Samuel Dunlap, a son of a merchant of Londonderry, Ireland. The elder Dunlap was a soldier in "Wolfe's Own," and was wounded on the "Plains of Abraham." After the French War, then a lieutenant in the 47th Regiment, he was stationed at Perth Amboy, where he married, and retired from military life and became engaged in keeping a general store. The boyhood of the future painter and author was passed amongst the stirring events of the Revolution. His education was limited to a nursery school under an Irish schoolmaster whom he stigmatizes from his own memoirs

as being in the usual acceptance of the word "bad." The martial spirit of his father was evinced in his offspring by the latter becoming in the early part of 1776 a member of a corps of boys, whose caps were adorned with the motto "Liberty or Death!" and were called "The Governor's Guards." These boys proved serviceable auxiliaries to the American officers, by watching the sentinels and guards and reporting any observed failing in duty or discipline. He vividly portrays in his memoirs the pillage of the British soldiers of the houses of Piscataway, and the distress of the men, women and children of that village.

Dunlap in his seventeenth year began to paint portraits, and in the summer of 1783 executed one of Washington. The next spring he went to London, and for several years was a pupil of Benjamin West. After his return to America he tried various pursuits, including painting, literary work, theatrical management, etc., but at the age of fifty-one, after repeated failures, he became permanently a painter. He executed a series of pictures on subjects selected by West and somewhat after his style, which were exhibited in various parts of the United States. He was one of the founders of the New York Academy of Design. His "History of the American Theatre," published in 1832, and "Arts of Design in the United States," are standard works. He also wrote a number of plays, a biography of Charles Brockden Brown, and a posthumous publication, the "History of New Netherlands," in two volumes, in 1840. His death occurred September 28, 1839.

Two noted members of the New Jersey bar, though of different eras, natives of Middlesex county, were Joseph Warren Scott and Cortlandt Parker. The former was born in New Brunswick, November 28, 1778, the son of Dr. Moses Scott, already mentioned in this work. His ancestors were of Scotch extraction, the original American settler, John Scott, grandfather of Joseph Warren Scott, emigrated to America at an early date, settling in Bucks county, Pennsylvania. Prior to the Revolution, Dr. Scott removed to New Brunswick.

Joseph Warren Scott, named for the American patriot, attended the schools of his native town, and graduated at the age of seventeen years from Princeton College. He at first selected the medical profession for his future calling, but disliking his professional studies he decided to become a clergyman; finally, after a short course in theology, he resolved to embrace the legal profession. He therefore became a student in the office of General Frederick Frelinghuysen, in New Brunswick, and was licensed as an attorney in 1801. After his admission to the bar he began practice, from which he retired about 1840, resigning a large and lucrative clientage. A profound lawyer, an able barrister and counsellor, the only official position he held was prosecutor of the pleas for the county of Middlesex. An accomplished gentleman, well versed in the Latin tongue, he corresponded with his friends in that language. He was like-

wise an excellent English scholar and thoroughly acquainted with the old poets. He died in New Brunswick, in May, 1871, having nearly reached the great age of ninety-three years.

Cortlandt Parker was born in the Parker Mansion in Perth Amboy, June 27, 1818. The Parker family was early identified with Perth Amboy. Elisha Parker, under date of April 19, 1675, was granted 182 acres in Woodbridge, on the highway leading to Piscataway. In November, 1694, he was appointed high sheriff of Middlesex county. He was a member of the Provincial Assembly, also of Governor Hunter's council. His notable characteristics were a good father, a kind master, and a sincere Christian. He died June 30, 1717, and by the records he seems to have been married three times, and had several children. John, a son by Hannah Rolph, was born November 11, 1693, and married Janet, a daughter of Dr. John Johnstone. He was engaged in business in New York but always resided at Perth Amboy. He held several minor offices, but was appointed by Governor Burnet in October, 1719, one of his council, and continued a councillor from that time until his death in 1732. James, second son, born in 1725, was the only one that left issue. On his becoming of age he entered the provincial military service and embarked for the northern frontier with the rank of captain. Returning from this campaign, he engaged in mercantile business in New York, his transactions being principally confined to the West Indies. Captain Parker in 1751 took up his abode permanently at Perth Amboy, engrossed in attending to large landed interests possessed by the family. He became a member of Governor Franklin's council, also mayor of Perth Amboy, and a delegate to the Provincial Congress, but did not attend its sessions.

At the time of the Revolution, Captain Parker maintained a strict neutrality, owing to his large landed interests. He removed his family to a farm in Bethlehem, Hunterdon county, where they resided until peace was declared, when they removed to New Brunswick, but later to Perth Amboy. As he took no part in the war, his property escaped confiscation. Captain Parker was a man of tall stature and large frame, possessing a mind of more than ordinary strength and vigor. He died October 4, 1797. Of his children, James, the youngest child, mentioned elsewhere in this work, was the father of Cortlandt Parker. The latter graduated from Rutgers College in 1836 with first honors and as valedictorian of his class. He studied law in the offices of Theodore Frelinghuysen and Amzi Armstrong, both of Newark, and was admitted to the bar in September, 1839. In his political affiliations imbued with the doctrines of Hamilton, derived from his ancestors, he advocated the principles which became the basis of the Republican party, of which he was one of the founders in New Jersey. In his career throughout the changing political conditions, Mr. Parker maintained an active and

patriotic interest, frequently addressing his fellow-citizens on questions of the day, exercising a potent influence by his counsels, and contributing to the press many papers distinguished for dignity and solidity of treatment and argument. Though continuously and intimately identified with politics for sixty-five years, he occupied a unique personal position; with a single exception of a local office, though at various times offered National and State appointments, he repeatedly declined the honors.

As an orator, Mr. Parker enjoyed a reputation for force, scholarship, and the particular type of eloquence appealing to the intelligence of men, which harmonized with the dignity and strength manifested in his public career, his writings, and his well known individual characteristics. In his personality he was remarkable for a physical constitution of great vitality, nurtured throughout life by a vigorous but orderly regime, possessed of a commanding figure and to the end of his life as erect as in youth; with a distinction of manners and address and a nature of warm sensibilities and strong attachments and sympathies. He lived at Newark, with a summer residence at Perth Amboy. His death took place in 1907.

The American capitalist and railroad king, Cornelius Vanderbilt, in 1817 became captain of a steamboat plying between New York and New Brunswick, at a salary of \$1,000 a year. The following year he commanded a larger and much better boat on the same line, and removed his family to New Brunswick. Here his wife managed a hotel, and on May 8, 1821, his eldest son, William H. Vanderbilt, was born, first seeing the light of day amongst the pans and beds of a country hostelry. Thus was New Brunswick introduced into the "Four Hundred" of New York.

A pioneer in the steamboat and railroad history of Middlesex county was James Neilson, a son of General John Neilson. His birth took place in New Brunswick, December 3, 1784. He inherited the enterprise of his north of Ireland ancestry with the persistence of the Holland blood of his mother. His father being engaged in ship building, young Neilson while only a youth of seventeen realized the importance of steam for transportation. We find him as early as 1810 treasurer of the New Brunswick Team Boat and Steam Boat Company. He became amongst the active originators of a canal to connect the waters of the Delaware river with the Raritan river. This enterprise was so hampered by the Legislature of Pennsylvania that it was abandoned. Another charter for a canal was obtained from the New Jersey Legislature, but a consolidation was effected with the parties interested in building a railroad under the title of the Delaware & Raritan Canal and Camden & Amboy Railroad Company. This property was afterwards leased in 1871 to the Pennsylvania Railroad Company for 999 years.

James Neilson continued his interests in transportation, being in 1831 treasurer of the New Brunswick Steamboat and Canal Transportation Company, which was in 1852 absorbed by the Camden & Amboy Railroad Company. In 1835, realizing the shipping business of New Brunswick must be eventually cut off by the canals and railroads, Mr. Neilson, with others, incorporated the New Brunswick Manufacturing Company. A mill was built for the manufacture of printing cloths, which were sold after his death to the Norfolk & New Brunswick Hosiery Company, the whole property having passed into his hands. Mr. Neilson died at New Brunswick, February 21, 1862.

Middlesex county contributed to the gubernatorial chair of New Jersey, Theodore Frelinghuysen Randolph, born in New Brunswick, June 24, 1816. He attended Rutgers Grammar School, but in 1840 removed to Vicksburg, Mississippi, where he engaged in mercantile pursuits. Returning to New Jersey in 1852, he located in Jersey City and became interested in mining and transportation of coal and iron, and was president of the Morris & Essex railroad for many years. He was a representative in the Legislature, a State senator, and elected governor in 1869. He was United States senator from New Jersey, 1875-81, and a member of the Democratic National Committee. He died at Morristown, New Jersey, November 7, 1883.

Amongst those who spent their boyhood days in Middlesex county was Zebulon Montgomery Pike. His parents were natives of Woodbridge, where their son spent his youth. His father was an officer in the army of the United States, and the son having received a common school education, acquiring also some knowledge of advanced mathematics and of the French and Spanish languages, entered as a cadet in a company under his father's command serving on the western frontiers. He was subsequently commissioned ensign and then lieutenant in the First United States Infantry Regiment. His life was uneventful, merely a routine of military duties, until 1805, when the government having acquired the Louisiana Purchase, he was ordered to trace the sources of the Mississippi river. This expedition consumed eight months, marked with much exposure and frequent perils, but was successful. The young commander was then ordered to undertake a second perilous journey of hardship and exposure in exploring the interior of the Territory of Louisiana. It was during this expedition that Captain Pike discovered the great mountain that bears his name. When war was declared between the United States and Great Britain, in 1812, Colonel Pike was commanding his regiment on the northern frontier. The following year he was made a brigadier-general and given the command of the forces dispatched against York (now Toronto) in Canada. The American forces landed near York April 27, 1813, and were led by General Pike in person against the British works. It was expected at any moment

that a flag of surrender would be raised by the enemy, when a tremendous explosion of a British magazine took place, throwing a number of stones with great force in every direction, one of which struck General Pike on the breast, inflicting a mortal wound. The American troops soon reformed, and passing their wounded commander were hailed by the words, "Push on, brave fellows, and avenge your general." While General Pike was being carried from the field, the British struck their colors. The brave general, when informed of the surrender, heaved a heavy sigh and smiled, but he lingered only a few hours, his death taking place on the commodore's ship.

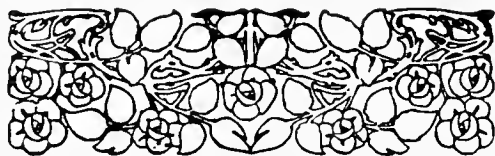
Another distinguished citizen of New Jersey who roamed the streets and lanes of New Brunswick in his youthful days was Jonathan Dixon, for thirty-one years a justice of the Supreme Court of his residential State. Born in Liverpool, England, July 6, 1839, his father, Jonathan Dixon, in 1848 came to America and was followed two years later by his family, settling in New Brunswick. Here young Dixon attended Rutgers College, graduated in 1859, took up the study of law, and on his admission to the bar removed to Jersey City. He was appointed to the Supreme Court in 1875, a position he honorably filled until his death at Englewood, New Jersey, May 21, 1906.

For twenty-one years New Brunswick was the residence of the chief of the Supreme Court of the State—Andrew Kirkpatrick. He was descended from an honorable and noteworthy Scottish lineage, the second son of David Kirkpatrick, the American progenitor of the family. The future chief justice was born at Mine Brook, New Jersey, February 17, 1756, and in 1775 graduated from the College of New Jersey, now Princeton University. His father, who was an ardent Presbyterian, wished him to become a minister, and after his graduation he studied divinity, but his preference was in the direction of the law, and finally he became a student in the office of William Paterson, of New Brunswick. He was admitted to the New Jersey bar in 1785, and for a short time practiced in Morristown, but losing his library and office equipment by fire, he returned to New Brunswick, where he became noted for his great native ability, untiring industry, and stern integrity. In January, 1798, he entered upon the office of Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, which he held for six years, when he became Chief Justice of that court till 1825. His decisions were marked by extensive learning, great acumen, and power of logical analysis; and his strictly logical mind and great personal dignity, coupled with his other qualities, made him one of the great historical characters of the New Jersey bench. Among his many excellent qualities, he was especially esteemed and admired for his keen sense of justice, his consideration and loyalty. He died in New Brunswick in 1831.

The twenty-eighth governor of New Jersey, George C. Ludlow, was

born in Milford, Hunterdon county, New Jersey, April 6, 1830. He entered Rutgers College at the age of sixteen, graduating in the class of 1850, studied law, was admitted to the bar in 1853, and engaged in practice at New Brunswick. He soon won the confidence and esteem of all who came in contact with him, by his undoubted integrity and devotion to the interests of his clients. An intense Democrat, he took a conspicuous part in politics, but never held office until 1876, when he was elected to the State Senate. Declining a renomination, he became in 1880 the Democratic nominee for the governorship, was elected that year, and came into office January 18, 1881, his term expiring January 21, 1884. He died December 18, 1900.

Woodbridge Strong, a son of Professor Theodore Strong, was born in Clinton, Oneida county, New York, February 21, 1827, his father at that time being professor of mathematics and natural philosophy at Hamilton College. Soon after his birth, his father became a member of the faculty of Rutgers College, occupying the same chair, and was one of the most distinguished mathematicians in the country. Young Strong entered Rutgers College in 1847, also commenced the study of law with John Van Dyke, of New Brunswick, afterwards a justice of the Supreme Court. During the gold fever of 1849 he went to California, but returned to New Jersey, where he resumed his studies and was admitted to the bar in 1852. He was judge of the Middlesex County Court of Common Pleas from 1874 to 1879, and again from 1896 to 1906.





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CHAPTER XIX.

INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.

RUTGERS COLLEGE.

Rutgers College, originally called Queen's College in honor of Queen Charlotte, was founded by royal charter November 10, 1766, twenty years after the College of New Jersey, now Princeton University, had been founded on the one side, and twelve years after King's College, now Columbia University, had been founded on the other side. The Dutch people, members of the Reformed Church from the Netherlands, were not quite willing to devote their zeal for learning and their pride of institutions to either existing college. The movement for a foundation of their own had begun early in the century with the Rev. Theodorus Jacobus Frelinghuysen; it was substantially fostered by his son, the Rev. Theodorus Frelinghuysen; and it came to accomplishment especially through the efforts of the Rev. Jacobus Rutsen Hardenbergh, the Rev. Johannes Leydt, and the elder, Hendrick Fisher. The college apparently did not begin work at once, nor was its location at once determined, nor is there extant any copy of the charter of 1766. In 1770, March 20, the second charter was granted, differing in only slight degree from the first. It was granted by George III. through William Franklin, Governor of the Province of New Jersey. A copy of this charter of 1770, printed in the very year of its granting, is in possession of the college. It is very full and explicit in its provisions. It was so wisely and liberally drawn that very few and slight amendments have seemed necessary or desirable in the one hundred and fifty years since. The occasion of its granting is stated to be a petition from the ministers and elders of the Dutch Reformed churches presented to William Franklin, Esq., Governor of the Province of New Jersey, and expressing the need of the churches for an educated ministry and the need of an institution at home to provide the appropriate education. The charter, therefore grants "that there be a College, called Queen's College, erected in our said Province of New Jersey, for the education of youth in the learned languages, liberal and useful arts and sciences." The words thus expressing the original purpose of the College are so broad and far-reaching that, unchanged, they cover the ideals and activities of the twentieth century college. The charter creates a corporate body of forty-one members, twelve of whom shall be a quorum, and makes such board of trustees self-perpetuating, all its members to be elected by the board itself, except the Governor, Chief-Justice and Attorney-General of the Province (later the State) of New Jersey, who shall always be members *ex-officio*. The charter appoints by name the original thirty-

eight other trustees. The Governor, it is provided, shall be president at meetings of the trustees if he is in attendance. Ample powers are given by this admirable charter for all appropriate management of matters of property and instruction, for granting of degrees, and use of the college seal.

In 1781 certain amendments to the charter were ordained by the Legislature of New Jersey. For one thing, an oath of allegiance to the government of New Jersey was substituted for the original oath of allegiance to the crown. For another thing, an original provision restricting the number of ordained ministers among the trustees to one-third of the whole number was repealed. In 1799, by act of the Legislature of New Jersey, the act of 1781 was repealed, but its provisions in effect were reënacted, together with further amendment that oath to support the Constitution of the United States be required of each trustee on his taking office. In 1825, by act of November 30, the charter was amended by the substitution of the name "Rutgers College" for "Queen's College," and the corporate title was ordained to be "The Trustees of Rutgers College in New Jersey." In 1859 the charter received, by act of the Legislature, a further amendment, providing a more liberal property-holding right than that originally conferred. More recent general laws of the State have made such right entirely unlimited. In 1920 an amendment was adopted removing from the charter any aspect of it which might be regarded as sectarian.

The motto of the College is not contained in the charter. It was adopted at a very early time, however, having been suggested, no doubt, by the Rev. John H. Livingston, who returned from the University of Utrecht in 1770 and became at once a leader in church and college affairs. "*Sol Justitiæ Illustra Nos*" is the motto of the University of Utrecht. The motto of Rutgers (Queen's) College was made "*Sol Justitiæ et Occidentem Illustra.*"

1770-1825—The trustees created by the charter, in session at Hackensack, May 17, 1771, decided to locate the College at New Brunswick. Hackensack desired the College, and was strongly advocated as the place for it. New Brunswick was chosen apparently because of a somewhat larger subscription obtained there, and because of its greater convenience to an expected constituency among the German churches in Pennsylvania.

College work, it seems, was actually begun in November, 1771, under Frederick Frelinghuysen, a graduate of Princeton, Class of 1770. Soon associated with him and succeeding him was John Taylor. They were called tutors. Both became colonels in the American army, both were trusted counselors of the American leaders, and yet both held steadfast relation to the College during the troubled years of war. While they were absent in the field or in council, late in the decade, John Bogart,

an earlier graduate of Queen's, maintained the work of instruction. At times the work, driven from New Brunswick by the British occupation, was located at Hillsborough, now Millstone, or at North Branch, now Readington. The students were drilled as a military company, that they might be ready for active service, if called. Probably Dr. Hardenbergh presided in some measure, from the first, over the destinies of the infant College, as he had been forward in its organizing, for the diploma of Simeon De Witt, Class of 1776, bears his name as president.

For more than fifty years the College had little growth, and at times its doors were closed. Yet notable men presided over it and taught in it, and men of later distinction were graduated from it during the period. Dr. Hardenbergh's informal and formal service as president continued until 1790; after him the Rev. William Linn, D. D., was acting president until 1794, and from 1794 to 1810 the Rev. Ira Condict, D. D., served in the same way. Then came the presiding in full office of Dr. John H. Livingston, from 1810 to 1825. A distinguished professor of the early part of the nineteenth century was Robert Adrain, LL. D., the great mathematician. Before the eighteenth century had closed, among the graduates were Peter Kimble, President of the Council of New Jersey; James Schureman, United States Senator; Simeon De Witt, Chief Geographer of the American Army, Surveyor-General and Chancellor of the State of New York; Jeremiah Smith, member of Congress, Governor of New Hampshire, and Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of New Hampshire; Pierre Van Cortlandt, member of Congress; Samuel Kenney Jennings, President of Washington College; John Frelinghuysen, Brigadier-General; and many clergymen of the Reformed Dutch Church and other denominations. In the early part of the nineteenth century some of the distinguished graduates were Jacob Green, Professor at Princeton; Edward Mundy, successively Lieutenant-Governor, Attorney-General, and Justice of the Supreme Court of Michigan; Charles C. Stratton, Governor of New Jersey; Robert B. Croes, D. D., of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and Samuel Judah, Speaker of the House of Representatives of Indiana, and United States District Attorney.

1825-1850—The name of the College was changed by the trustees from Queen's to Rutgers in 1825, in honor of Colonel Henry Rutgers, "as a mark of their respect for his character and in gratitude for his numerous services rendered the Reformed Church." Colonel Rutgers was a resident of New York City, the first president of the Board of Direction of the Church, and a foremost supporter of all good causes. After the College received his name he followed earlier donations to it with a gift of \$5,000. In the same year (1825) the Rev. Philip Milledoler, D. D., became president; he served until 1840, when the Honorable A. Bruyn Hasbrouck, LL. D., succeeded him, to serve until 1850. From

the beginning of this period until the present day Rutgers has never closed its doors. During the period, the second quarter of the nineteenth century, the College naturally had more vigorous growth, gained a larger faculty, added buildings and graduated increased classes. Perhaps most famous among the professors were Theodore Strong, LL. D., the great mathematician, and Alexander McClelland, D. D., the great teacher of languages. The life and service of a college are largely defined by the men it trains, and the list of graduates of this time deserves more rehearsing than space permits. Near the mid-point is the celebrated class of 1836, including Frederick T. Frelinghuysen, United States Senator and Secretary of State; Joseph P. Bradley, Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States; William A. Newell, member of Congress, Governor of New Jersey, and Governor of Washington; Henry Waldron, member of Congress; Cortlandt Parker, president of the American Bar Association; George W. Coakley, Professor in the University of New York, and Alexander Brown, the banker. In other classes we find Peter Vredenburg, Justice of the Supreme Court of New Jersey; John Romeyn Brodhead, the historian; George W. Brown, Chief Justice of the Supreme Bench of Baltimore; Robert H. Pruyn, United States Minister to Japan; Theodor R. Westbrook, Justice of the Supreme Court of New York; Garnet B. Adrain, John W. Ferdon, William S. Kenyon and Augustus A. Hardenbergh, members of Congress; Charles H. Van Wyck, United States Senator; George H. Sharpe, Major-General, U. S. A., and Surveyor of Customs, Port of New York, and Henry R. Baldwin, physician. Well known ministers of denominations other than the Reformed Church are in the list in no small number, such as Hugh Hamill, for thirty-six years principal of Lawrenceville School, and Eugene A. Hoffman, dean of the General Theological Seminary of the Episcopal Church, New York City. Especially noteworthy is the roll of graduates of this time entering the ministry of the Reformed Church—pastors, missionaries, professors. It is a long list; a few names, of most recent memory, perhaps, suggest the part that Rutgers has played in the service and leadership of the "Dutch Church": John Forsyth, Professor at Princeton and Rutgers, Professor and Chaplain at West Point; Talbot W. Chambers, of the Collegiate Church; David D. Demarest and John De Witt, of the New Brunswick Seminary; William H. Steele, James A. H. Cornell and Cornelius E. Crispell; William J. R. Taylor and Abraham R. Van Nest, David Cole, Goyn and John V. N. Talmadge, Paul D. Van Cleef, Charles Scott, president of Hope College; John L. See and J. Romeyn Berry, Ezra W. and Joseph Collier, Samuel D. and Joseph Scudder, T. Romeyn Beck, John Gaston and William H. Ten Eyck. One, the Rev. John F. Mesick, D. D., LL. D., of the class of 1834, died in 1915, at the age of 102, having

been for some years the oldest living graduate of any college or university.

1850-1875—In 1850 the Hon. Theodore Frelinghuysen, LL. D., became president. He was distinguished in the life not only of College, but also of Church and State. He was president of the American Bible Society and he was candidate for Vice-President of the United States with Henry Clay, candidate for President. He served until 1863, and was succeeded by William H. Campbell, D. D., LL. D., who was called from professorship in the Theological Seminary and who served the longest term of any president of the College thus far, nearly twenty years, retiring in 1882. During the third quarter of the nineteenth century there was still marked progress in the College life and usefulness.

It was natural that at this time, as even more in recent years, the study of science should have peculiar advancement and claim a place nearer to that always accorded the classics. The leader in this scientific development, and at the same time a great friend of the classics, was George H. Cook, Ph. D., LL. D., who was professor from 1853 until his death in 1889, and vice-president of the College from 1864, and who as a man and scientist rendered incalculable service to the State of New Jersey.

The marked event in the College history in this connection is the organizing of the Scientific School and the declaring of the Trustees of Rutgers College, maintaining such school, to be the State College for the Benefit of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts. This action of the State was based upon the so-called Morrill act of the Congress of the United States, 1862. Perhaps it did not seem at the time or for some years after to be of very great importance to the College. But as the years have passed, and the national and State emphasis has increased, the relation has proved to be a vital and most valuable one, greatly increasing the College's power and field of usefulness, as like relation has been vastly fruitful in every other State of the Union. A Board of Visitors was created, its members to be appointed by the Governor of the State. Among the professors of the time were Dr. Howard Crosby, Dr. David Murray and DeWitt T. Reiley; also Drs. T. Sandford Doolittle and Jacob Cooper, and Edward A. Bowser, whose service extended far beyond the period. More buildings were erected, and the line of graduates was unbroken. There can be only most moderate suggestion of the men who were sent forth: Judge Richard L. Larremore, Governor George C. Ludlow, Judge Henry W. Bookstaver, Justice Jonathan Dixon, Justice Abram Q. Garretson, Vice-President Garret A. Hobart, various Congressmen, various officers in the Federal army; Edward G. Janeway, the foremost physician of his time; Edward A. Bowser, the mathematician; Alexander Johnston, professor at Princeton; many ministers, among them Rev. Drs. Joachim Elmendorf, Charles

I. Shepard, Edward P. Terhune, William Irvin and John B. Thompson; Edward W. and Samuel E. Appleton, of the Episcopal Church; Cornelius L. Wells, William R. Duryee, Silas D. and John Scudder, John B. Drury, Egbert Winter, Charles W. Fritts, Francis A. Horton, Charles H. Pool, Judges G. D. W. Vroom, William H. Vrendenburg, and Willard P. Voorhees; George William Hill, foremost scholar of his generation in astronomical mathematics. A large proportion of the graduates of the time are, of course, living, among them Albert S. Cook, head of the Department of English at Yale University; Ichizo Hattori, Governor of Hiogo Ken, Japan, and vice-president of the University of Tokio; John C. Smock, the geologist; Dr. J. Preston Searle, dean of the New Brunswick Seminary; and Dr. Graham Taylor, of the Chicago Seminary, besides the many in the pastorate and missionary service of our own and other churches. A remarkable number are in the very successful practice of other professions and in most important legal, commercial and banking relations.

1875-1900—As the last quarter of the nineteenth century began, Dr. Campbell was still serving as president. At his retiring in 1882, Merrill E. Gates, Ph. D., LL. D., succeeded him and served until 1890. In 1891 Austin Scott, Ph. D., LL. D., became president, and his service in the office continued until 1906. Steady growth marked the period, a developing of the corps of instruction and of the students in attendance.

A marked feature of the time was the new emphasis by College, State and Nation on the State relation to the College. The national government entered upon a much larger and more generous scheme of educational work through such State institutions. Great State universities and colleges were springing up, and the State of New Jersey entered into new and enlarged coöperation with its College. The College itself seemed to come to new and clearer and higher conception of the duty and opportunity given it by the relation existing. Among the professors there were: Dr. Cook, until his death in 1889; Dr. Doolittle, until his death in 1893; Dr. Cooper, whose service continued into the twentieth century, until his death in 1904; Dr. Bowser, whose active service also continued until 1904, and emeritus relation until his recent death; Dr. Carl Meyer, from 1869, until his death in 1901; Francis A. Wilber, from 1879, until his death in 1891; Dr. George W. Atherton, whose service was from 1869 to 1882, and Dr. Peter T. Austen, from 1877 to 1890. The graduates of this period are to-day widely scattered in the various professions and industries of our own and other lands. Naturally, out of the increased study of science, characteristic of the time and of colleges and universities in general, the number of those in scientific and industrial vocations has especially increased. While, therefore, we find

among the graduates of these recent years men in political life like Foster M. Voorhees, some time Governor of New Jersey, and M. Linn Bruce, some time Lieutenant-Governor and later Justice of the Supreme Court of New York, and men in the ministry such as Rev. Drs. Paul F. Sutphen, of Cleveland; William R. Taylor, of Rochester; William P. Merrill and Henry E. Cobb, of New York; William I. Chamberlain, of New Brunswick, and Professors John H. Gillespie and John H. Raven, of the New Brunswick Seminary, and a host of our pastors and missionaries, and physicians and lawyers in distinguished practice, the leaders of great enterprises in the scientific and business world are conspicuous, as Leonor F. Loree, president of the Delaware & Hudson Company, and Charles L. Edgar, president of the Edison and other lighting companies of Boston. Men in educational work also are in emphatic evidence, as the late Egbert LeFevre, LL. D., dean of the Medical School of New York University; the late Edward B. Voorhees, D. Sc., director of New Jersey Experimental Stations; John E. Hill, C. E., professor of Civil Engineering in Brown University; J. Livingston R. Morgan, Ph. D., professor of Physical Chemistry in Columbia University; Frank R. Van Horn, Ph. D., professor of Geology in Case School of Applied Science, and many others.

1900-1920—In the twentieth century thus far, Rutgers has had great advancement. Dr. Scott continued as president until 1906, though on leave of absence during 1905-6, and the Rev. W. H. S. Demarest, D. D., LL. D., called from professorship in the New Brunswick Seminary, has been president since 1906, the first graduate of the College in that office. During the twenty years the campus has been extended and the College farm greatly enlarged, seven new buildings have been built, the course of instruction has been broadened and strengthened, the faculty has been enlarged, the number of undergraduates has increased to nearly 700. Short courses in agriculture have been established; a summer session is maintained, and extension courses are widely given. An affiliated college for women was founded in 1918.

The buildings now are: Old Queen's College, whose cornerstone was laid in 1809; the Alumni and Faculty House (formerly the President's House), built in 1841-42; Van Nest Hall (1845), accommodating the English and Oratory, the Y. M. C. A. and the Philoclean Society; Daniel S. Schanck Observatory (1865); Geological Hall (1871), with its museum and departments of Geology and Physics; Kirkpatrick Chapel (1873), with also the Fine Arts room and president's office; New Jersey Hall (1889), with the Experiment Station and Departments of Agriculture, Botany and Biology; Winants Hall (1890), the dormitory; Robert F. Ballantine Gymnasium (1894); the Ceramics Building (1902); Ralph Voorhees Library (1903); the Short Course Building (1906);

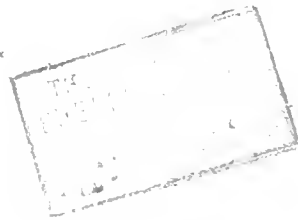
the Engineering Building (1908-9); the Chemistry Building (1910); and the Entomology Building (1911); the Agricultural Building (1914); the John Howard Ford Dormitory (1914).

The courses of instruction lead to the degrees of A. B., Litt. B., and B. Sc. The Bachelor of Arts course includes Greek or Latin among its liberal studies, required and elective. The Bachelor of Letters course includes liberal studies with modern languages. The Bachelor of Science course allows greater privilege in the study of science and offers several distinct groups of study to the choice of the student, a general science group, or a well-developed technical group in agriculture or biology or chemistry or ceramics or civil, electric or mechanical engineering. There are now over seventy men on the teaching staff. The senior professors are Dr. Francis Cuyler Van Dyck, Physics, Emeritus; Dr. Austin Scott, Political Science; Dr. Louis Bevier, Jr., Greek; Dr. Alfred A. Titsworth, Civil Engineering; Dr. John C. Van Dyke, Fine Arts—all so well known, with others of later appointment, throughout all the College constituency.

The number of students now enrolled in degree courses is 700: Students in short courses, 150; in the Women's College, 180; in the summer session, 550; bringing the total registry to nearly 1,600, exclusive of many hundreds in extension work.

The College and the State—The Land Grant Act or Morrill Act of the Congress of the United States in 1862 provided for a grant of land to a College for the Benefit of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts in each State of the Union. The act describes each such college as one "where the leading object shall be, without excluding other scientific and classical studies, and including military tactics, to teach such branches of learning as are related to agriculture and the mechanic arts." The State of New Jersey did not found a new college, but availed itself of the Federal Act by entering into relations with Rutgers. The land assigned to the State realized at its sale \$116,000. This amount is held in trust and the interest is annually paid to the Trustees of Rutgers College in New Jersey. A later Act of Congress, known as the second Morrill Act, and a still later supplement, provide a certain annual amount, known as the Morrill Fund, from the Federal Treasury. Other acts, known as the Hatch Act and Adams Act, create and maintain an Experiment Station at the College, a department of research, not instruction, under the College's administration; and the Smith-Lever Act puts its extension work also in charge of the College.

It was the purpose of the Federal Acts to stimulate and secure in each State similar acts, that each State should coöperate with liberal support. The State of New Jersey entered upon such coöperation when, in 1890, it created certain scholarships for New Jersey students which it annually supports. Since that time it has established a department of





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clay-working and ceramics and short courses in agriculture which it definitely maintains. It has also in more recent years provided equipment for certain scientific departments. It is now beginning to provide buildings at the College Farm for the advancement of the work of instruction and experiment in agriculture which in New Jersey, as well as in all other States, is attaining such remarkable importance and such high academic recognition. The State is fortunate in having a college of old foundation and traditions to administer its higher education, and the College is honored in the charge thus committed to it. The State's Board of Visitors possesses a direct connection with the work. In 1917 by act of the Legislature the State College was also designated the State University of New Jersey.

Property and Endowment—The College Campus, known in part as the Queen's Campus and in part as the Neilson Campus, has been acquired in largest part by gift. Mr. James Parker, of Perth Amboy, was donor of part of the Queen's Campus and the remainder was secured from his estate in 1808. The Neilson Campus has been given by Mr. James Neilson, of New Brunswick, during the last twenty years, in portions sufficient for the erection of buildings from time to time, and in greatest part in 1906, and in final part in 1920. The area of the Neilson Campus is now being extended by purchase. The College Farm, purchased in part nearly fifty years ago, and recently extended to area of about 350 acres by purchase and by gifts, lies at the other end of the town from the College Campus. The Athletic Field, for many years allowed to the College use by its owner, Mr. James Neilson, has now been deeded by him to the College.

Queen's College, the Faculty and Alumni House (formerly the President's House) and Van Nest Hall (named in honor of Abraham Van Nest, Esq., a generous benefactor of the College) were erected by general subscription, the funds being secured chiefly among the people of the Reformed Church parishes in New York and New Jersey. The Observatory was the gift of Mr. Daniel S. Schanck, of New York City. Geological Hall was erected by funds received from general and various sources. Kirkpatrick Chapel carries the name of its donor, Mrs. Sophia Astley Kirkpatrick, of New Brunswick, who made the College a beneficiary of her will. Winants Hall, the Dormitory, was the gift of Mr. Garret E. Winants, of Bergen Point. Ballantine Gymnasium was the gift of Mr. Robert F. Ballantine, of Newark. New Jersey Hall, the Ceramics Building, the Short Course Building, the Agricultural Building, a Horticultural Building now being erected, and a new Ceramics Building now planned, have been provided by the State of New Jersey for special work maintained by it. The Ralph Voorhees Library carries the name of its donor. The Engineering Building and the Chemistry Building have been erected by funds in part at the disposal of the College and

in part borrowed, awaiting the needed donations. The Ford Dormitory is the gift of John Howard Ford.

The Class of 1882, the Class of 1883, and the Class of 1902 have erected College Gates, and many classes have placed windows in the Chapel. The Henry R Baldwin Memorial Gates were the gift of many friends and associates of Dr. Baldwin. In the Library is the Henry Janeway Weston Memorial room; and in the Fine Arts room, Queen's Building, is the Thomas L. Janeway Memorial collection. In the Museum of Geological Hall are many collections bearing the names of their donors, the Lewis C. Beck collection, the George H. Cook collection, the John H. Frazee collection, and the Albert H. Chester collection. In the Library and New Jersey Hall are the George D. Hulst collection and the John B. Smith collection of Lepidoptera. In the Library also is the James B. Laing collection of coins. The value of buildings, equipment and collections now probably reaches nearly \$2,000,000.

The funds of the College have been acquired in varied amounts at various times from many donors. The larger part of the endowment, received from general sources, is included in a general fund. There are many special funds, however, maintenance, beneficiary and prize funds which bear special names, some of them memorial. The Anna Atkins Heckscher Fund, \$200,000, is the gift of August Heckscher, Esq. The Hill Professorship, a foundation of \$75,000, is the gift of Rev. Dr. and Mrs. William Bancroft Hill. The Blair Trust Fund was the gift of Mr. John I. Blair, the Gould Memorial Fund was the gift of Miss Helen M. Gould, the Hobart Memorial Fund was the gift of the Hon. Garret A. Hobart, the Voorhees Professorship Fund was the gift of Mr. Abraham Voorhees, and the Bookstaver Fund was a bequest from the Hon. Henry W. Bookstaver. Beneficiary trust funds bear the names of Brownlee, Hedges, Knox, Mandeville, Smock, VanLiew, Voorhees and Van Benschoten. Prize funds bear the names of Appleton, Brodhead, Cooper, Bussing, Smith, Spader, Quick, Suydam, Upson, Vail, Van Doren and Van Vechten. There are two Fellowship Funds, the gifts respectively of James H. Blodgett and John Arent Vander Poel. Library funds bear the names of their donors, Robert H. Pruyn, P. Vanderbilt Spader and Benjamin Stephens. Mr. Robert F. Ballantine gave a fund to maintain the building which bears his name; and Mr. Garret E. Winants gave a fund to maintain the building which bears his name. A Lectureship Fund has been given by Luther Laffin Kellogg, Esq. Other special funds bear the names of Baldwin, Demarest, Duryee, Elmendorf, Suydam, Weston, Beardslee, Lansing, Raven, Upson, Cook, Halsted, Hardenbergh, Horton, Sleght, Patterson, Taylor, Canfield, Nevius, Van Pelt. The Henry Rutgers Fund is held in trust for the College by the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America. The entire endowment of

the College is now about \$1,500,000, about \$500,000 having been received in 1919-1920, from a successful million-dollar campaign, \$500,000 remaining yet to be paid in.

The Board of Trustees—The Charter of 1766 named as the original Trustees, in addition to the Governor, President of the Council, Chief Justice and Attorney-General, men whose names were familiar in the Provinces and the churches of the time. The Charter of 1770, with only slightest variation, names the same men. Sir William Johnson, Baronet, is first. Then follow the names of ministers, Johannes Henricus Goetschius, Johannes Leydt, David Maurinus, Martinus Van Harlingen, Jacob R. Hardenbergh and William Jackson, of the Colony of New Jersey; Samuel Verbryk, Barent Vrooman, Maurice Goetschius, Eilardus Westerlo, John Schuneman, of the Province of New York; Philip Wyberg and Jonathan Dubois, of the Province of Pennsylvania. The names of laymen conclude the list: Hendrick Fisher, Peter Zabriskie, Peter Hasenclever, Peter Schenck, Tunis Dey, Philip French, John Covenhoven, Henricus Kuyper, of the Colony of New Jersey, Esqrs., and Simon Johnson, Philip Livingston, Johannes Hardenbergh, Abraham Hasbrouck, Theodorus Van Wyck, Abraham Lott, Robert Livingston, Levi Pauling, John Brinckerhoff, Nicholas Stillwill, Martinus Hoffman, Jacob H. Ten Eyck, John Haring, Isaac Vrooman, Barnardus Ryder, of the Province of New York, Esqrs.

During the years since, nearly a century and a half, both State and Church have continued to be represented in the body of Trustees by men of distinction in all professions and in public affairs. Naturally, the States of New Jersey and New York have given most of the members; naturally, ministers and elders of the Reformed Church have always been a large and influential element; and, naturally, the graduates of the College have been increasingly represented.

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THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF THE REFORMED CHURCH.

The Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in America had its origin in the desire to educate young men for the ministry in this country instead of being dependent for supply upon Holland and particularly upon the Classis of Amsterdam. The church had become divided on the difference of opinion of this important question, into the Coetus and Conference parties, the controversy lasting for many years. The Coetus party struggled for independent American judicatories and the establishment of a university with regular advantages for a theological training. With these objects in view, the Rev. Theodore Frelinghuysen was commissioned in May, 1756, to solicit for funds in Holland. His departure, however, was delayed four years, and this, with the unhappy schism in the church, defeated the movement. Eight years after this, J. H. Livingston, who was studying for the ministry

in Holland, proposed to his American friends that both of the contending parties should fix upon a youth and send him to that country to be specially trained for a professor in the American churches, thus ultimately healing the schism and providing for the churches to be supplied with satisfactory ministry.

This plan seems not to have been entertained, and Mr. Livingston forming the acquaintance of Dr. Witherspoon, who had been called from Europe to take the presidency of the college at Princeton, sought to secure arrangements for the education of ministers for the Reformed Church at that institution. This, however, was opposed by the party leaders in America, also that of the Conferentie to establish a divinity professorship in King's College. The subsequent articles of union stipulated that the professors of theology were to be chosen from the Netherlands by the advice of the Classis, and should not have any connection with any English academies, but should deliver lectures on theology in their own houses. They were not intended to be parsons; a fund was to be raised for their support. No endowment, however, was immediately obtained, some of the most influential churches standing aloof from the union; the disturbed political condition of the country was also another factor, and matters were deferred until after the close of the Revolution, the Synod in the meantime advising the students to study at their convenience with Drs. Livingston, Westerlow, Rysdyck, Hardenbergh or Goetchius.

While the subject of a professorship was pending, the trustees of Queen's College sought to carry out the plans of the Coetus party by calling Rev. John Brown, of Haddington, Scotland, to become their professor of divinity; he, however, declined. They subsequently wrote to the Classis of Amsterdam and to the Theological Faculty of Utrecht, to recommend to them a professor of theology to be also president of the college and a member of the ecclesiastical judicatories in America. The Synod endorsed the action of the trustees in 1774, and the following year Dr. Livingston was recommended by the Classis and Faculty, but no action was taken, owing to the outbreak of hostilities.

At the close of the Revolution, the subject of the professorship occupied the attention of the churches. Dr. Livingston was in favor of opening a divinity hall in New Brunswick, stating as his reason that it was the most central point for all portions of the Reformed Church—the Dutch in New York and New Jersey, and the Germans in Pennsylvania. This the Synod opposed, deciding to locate the chair in the city of New York; Dr. J. H. Livingston, in October, 1784, was chosen Professor of Theology, and Dr. H. Meyer, pastor of Totowa and Pompton Plain churches, Professor of Languages. Dr. Livingston entered upon his duties May 19, 1785, and for a number of years was very poorly supported by the Synod. Only the more wealthy of the students were

able to meet the high cost of living in the city, the more indigent class was obliged to pursue their studies with their pastors at home. This induced the Synod to appoint authorized lecturers in theology to accommodate the country students. Dr. H. Meyer, of Pompton, was appointed in 1786, and, six years later, Dr. Solomon Froeligh, of Hackensack, and Dirck Romeyn, of Schenectady.

The Synod in 1791 took active measures towards raising a fund for the endowment of the theological professorship. The work was, however, suspended for two years owing to a proposition from Queen's College, repeating their proposition of 1773. The Synod finally decided that they could not recommend to the college a Professor of Theology for its presidency until that institution was properly endowed. This decision caused an influence to be brought on the General Synod for an independent theological professorship, the Classis of Hackensack urging the establishment of such a school at once, claiming that a professorship connected with Queen's College could only be a subordinate office. A committee appointed by the General Synod in June, 1794, reported that no union could be effected with Queen's College as long as it was situated at New Brunswick, and that it should be removed to Bergen or Hackensack. This committee also reported that the Divinity School could not flourish in New York on account of the expense of living, and its continuance there prevented the raising of a fund, recommending that it be removed to Flatbush, where a classical academy existed, or to some other point.

The Synod accepting the recommendations of its committee, Professor Livingston in the spring of 1796 removed to Flatbush. The number of students at once doubled; everything appeared encouraging. The Synod, however, failed to meet the financial requirements of the school, and, Dr. Livingston's health failing, he deemed it advisable to return to New York. Thereupon the Synod distributed the school into three equal parts, thinking that different localities would become interested by having a professor residing among them. Drs. Forleigh and Romeyn were raised to the rank of professors, and in 1800 two professors of Hebrew were appointed—Revs. John Bassett and Jeremiah Romeyn. Thus matters remained until the year 1806, with every day the prospects of the professoriate growing more dark and dubious. The uncertainty of location seemed to destroy every effort in its behalf.

At this time the trustees of Queen's College made another proposition, which prepared the way for the ultimate success of the institution. The trustees proposed to unite with the theological professoriate, and this was sanctioned by the General Synod with the proviso that all moneys raised in the State of New York should be applied to the endowment of the theological professorship.

In the covenant agreed to between the parties, the trustees of the

college promised to combine the literary interests of the college with a support to evangelical truth, and the promotion of an able and faithful ministry in the Dutch Church; that the funds raised in New York should be appropriated to the support of the theological professorship in the college, and to the assistance of poor and pious young men preparing for the ministry. The trustees were to hold the funds, and should call the Professor of Theology elected by the Synod as soon as the funds would allow. A board of superintendents was to be appointed by the Synod to superintend the theological professorship, to be known by the name of "The Superintendents of the Theological Institution in Queen's College." The Synod was to provide money for a library, and both parties were to unite in erecting the necessary buildings, and the professional fund was to be used for that purpose if needed. Funds were collected in New York; in less than a year Dr. Livingston was called by the college trustees as their Professor of Theology. He did not immediately remove to New Brunswick, but he opened the seminary in October, 1810, with five students.

The Rev. Elias Van Bunschooten donated \$17,000 to the institution, to be used in the support of youths educated for the ministry. Dr. Livingston made his first report to the Synod in 1812, and three years later that body, with contributions received from the church in Albany and New Brunswick, elected Rev. John Schureman as Professor of Pastoral Theology and Ecclesiastical History. After his death in 1818, the second professorship embraced the department of Oriental Literature and Ecclesiastical History. His successor, Rev. John Ludlow, continued in this department five years, when he was succeeded by Rev. John De Witt. The further endowment of the institution now became necessary; Dr. Livingston opened a subscription in 1822 to which nearly \$27,000 was subscribed within a year by the Particular Synod of New York.

The Particular Synod of Albany in the fall of 1825 subscribed \$27,000, for the endowment of third professorship. The death of Dr. Livingston occurred a short time previous to this event, but he lived long enough to see that success was certain, that the institution for which he had sacrificed so much during forty years of his life, was at last established on a firm foundation. It was not, however, until after his death that the theological institution was fully organized by a full complement of professors—De Witt, Millendoler and Woodhull.

The Synod now purchased the college buildings in payment of the obligation of the trustees to them. The trustees had saved the professoriate in 1807 by taking it under their care; the Synod now saved the college from extinction by a similar kindness. The theological professors became professors also in the college, which was reopened under the name of Rutgers College. The theological professors were relieved from further duties in the college about 1861.

The want of a theological hall separate from the college building became a needed want as early as 1851. The students, complaining of the high cost of board in New Brunswick, united in a memorial stating their difficulties and wants, which was presented to the faculty, who transmitted it to the board of superintendents. The board took immediate action and their efforts were crowned with success. At the personal solicitation of Dr. Ludlow, Mrs. Anna Hertzog, of Philadelphia, donated \$30,000 for the erection of a building that should be called "The Peter Hertzog Theological Hall." Colonel James Neilson donated land valued at \$14,000, and other lots were given by David Bishop, Charles P. Dayton, Francis and Wessel Wessels, of Paramus, New Jersey, their properties forming a complete rectangle. The new building was speedily erected, containing dormitories, refectory, lecture rooms, chapel, and library.

The Synod in 1864 transferred the college property back to the trustees, and the next year the covenants of 1807 and 1825 were finally annulled. The money thus accruing was devoted to the erection of professorial residences then in course of erection. In the same year the fourth professorship, that of Sacred Rhetoric and Pastoral Theology, was created, and Dr. David D. Demarest was elected to this position. Subscriptions and moneys were received in 1867 amounting to \$62,233.09; the balance remaining after the establishment of the fourth professorship was to be used in finishing the three professorial residences. A large amount of these subscriptions proved worthless, and the Synod in 1868 appointed an agent to raise \$100,000 to complete the endowment of the seminary and for payment of the debt of the Synod. An endowment of \$60,000 was received from James Suydam for the establishment of a chair of Didactic and Polemic Theology, and the Synod very appropriately attached his name to the professorship. Extensive improvements and repairs were made to the Peter Hertzog Hall, including water and heating by steam. The noble gift of James Suydam Hall, which was erected on one side of Hertzog Hall, was dedicated June 5, 1873. It contained a spacious gymnasium, chapel, museum, and four lecture rooms. In front of it a bronze statue of Mr. Suydam was placed by friends—a well deserved tribute to the memory of a liberal benefactor of the seminary, whose contributions exceeded \$200,000.

On the other side of Peter Hertzog Hall stands the Gardner A. Sage Library, presented by a citizen of New York, Gardner A. Sage, to the General Synod, and dedicated June 6, 1875. In addition to this gift of the building, Colonel Sage paid the salary of the librarian, the services of the janitor, coal, and other incidental expenses. He contributed \$2,500 for the purchase of books, which was augmented by the efforts of Dr. Cornell, who secured \$50,000 for the library, chiefly in subscriptions of \$2,500 each. These moneys were given not for the investment but

to be spent in the purchase of books. The present librarian is John C. Van Dyke, and the collection now amounts to over 56,000 volumes and 10,000 pamphlets. In 1878, Nicholas T. Vedder, of Utica, New York, by the donation of \$10,000, established a course of lectures to be delivered by Reformed (Dutch) Church members to the students of the seminary, and of Rutgers College on "The Present Aspect of Modern Infidelity, Including Its Cause and Cure." The General Synod accepted the gift and established the "Vedder Lectures on Modern Infidelity." This lectureship is not existent now, owing to the failure of the endowment fund—no fault of the donor. Colonel Sage, in connection with Mr. Suydam, presented to the General Synod a professorial residence at the cost of \$18,000. These gentlemen left at their respective deaths, large sums for the endowment of the buildings erected by them, and of the grounds and other buildings. Mr. Sage endowed also the chair now named for him. These two men altogether more than doubled the previous endowment, as they have again been doubled since 1890 by gifts from many donors, such as Mrs. Ann F. Carver, niece of Mrs. Hertzog, John S. Bussing, and Miss Anna M. Sandham.

The faculty of the seminary has at different times consisted of a number of noted educators and scholars. Prominent among these not already mentioned were Revs. James S. Cannon, Alexander McClelland, Samuel A. Van Vranken, William H. Campbell, Samuel M. Woodbridge, Joseph F. Berg, Abraham B. Van Zandt, William V. V. Mabon, John DeWitt, besides many others. The present president of the faculty is the Rev. J. Preston Searle, D. D. The Seminary now has five professorial chairs, three "lectorships," and employs three instructors, making a teaching force of eleven. It has also three endowed lectureships.

ACADEMIES AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS.

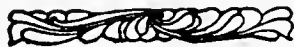
Little is known of the early private schools of New Brunswick previous to the beginning of the nineteenth century. From 1800 to 1850, private schools were taught by Charles Poole, Samuel Seymour, Charles Burnham, John G. Tarbell, Charles Spaulding, Luke Egerton, Aaron Slack, Thomas Hobart, Benjamin Mortimer, Miss McLaughlin, Miss Sally Vickers, Mrs. and Miss Bell, Miss Johnson, Abram Ackerman, Samuel Walker and Professor David Cole. Boys were mostly the pupils, but some of the schools taught boys and girls. As teacher of girls exclusively during this period, mention is made of Miss Hays, Madam McKay, Miss Nancy Drake, Miss Whiting and Miss Hannah Hoyt.

One of the earliest private schools in the city was known as the "Lancasterian." By the will and testament of William Hall in 1803, after various bequests, the remainder of his property was left in trust to be expended in educating poor children in the city of New Brunswick.

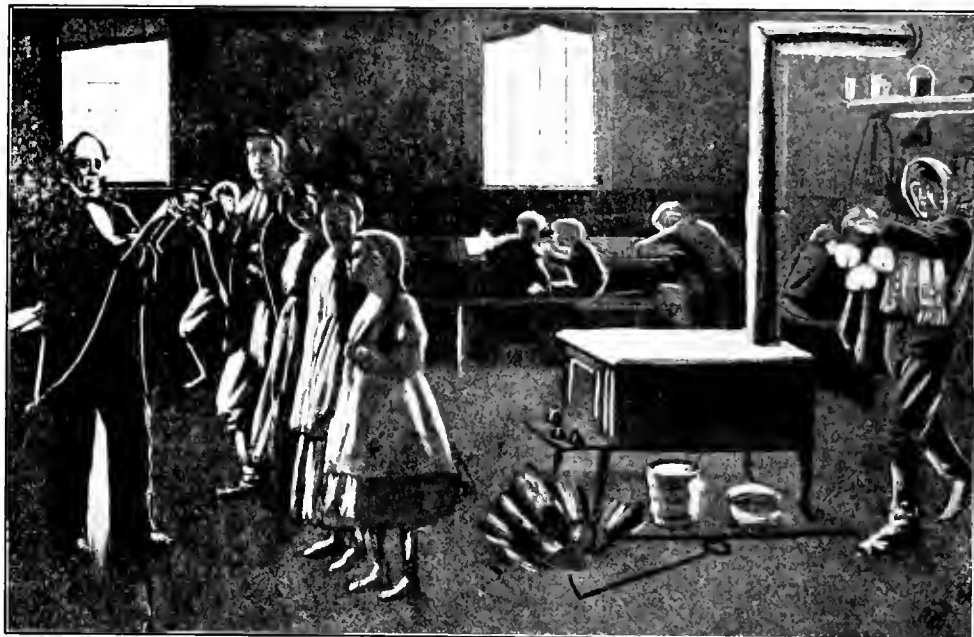
This trust amounted to about \$4,000, and by an act of the Legislature a board of trustees was created. This board had its first meeting June 8, 1809, but it was not until April 16, 1814, that the first teacher, Shephard Johnson, was appointed. A building known as the Queen's College was removed to Schureman street, and on June 1, 1814, the school was opened with thirty-five free and six pay pupils. The school was conducted for many years on the "Lancasterian or Monitorial plan." Mr. Johnson resigned November 20, 1816, and Henry B. Poole was appointed his successor. The latter resigned June 30, 1818, and was succeeded by Zerophon T. Maynard. His successor was Mr. Harrison, who retained the position of principal until the close of 1831, and February 25, 1832, Elihu Cook was appointed to the place. He resigned in 1838 and A. W. Mayo became principal. The school was temporarily suspended in 1853, remaining closed until December 1, 1855, when Mr. Mayo again took charge of the school, which flourished for over a quarter of a century, but finally succumbed to the public school system.

The private schools of to-day consist of the Rice Industrial Literary Institute, conducted by Ellen M. Rice, on Comstock street; the Misses Anable's School on Bayard street; and the Rutgers Preparatory School on College avenue. There are also the parochial schools in charge of Sisters of Charity, connected with the Roman Catholic parishes of St. Peter, Sacred Heart, St. John the Baptist, St. Lanislaus, and St. Agnes Academy.

There were in the other towns of the county in early days, before the introduction of public schools, academies supported by contributions from the inhabitants of the towns. Among these was the Woodbridge Academy, which was built in 1793 and gained a farfamed notoriety. It was built by Jonathan Freeman at a total cost of £342 2s. and 4d. Many of the early residents of the county were educated at this institution. The building was finally sold in 1851, the site being utilized for the erection of a district school. Another noted academy located in Woodbridge was opened as a high school in 1822 by Professor James Schuyler; this school was attended by scholars from neighboring localities. It was first known as Elm Tree Inn, but its name was afterwards changed to Elm Tree Institute.



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CHAPTER XX.

PUBLIC EDUCATION—THIRTY-THREE YEARS GROWTH OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS, MIDDLESEX COUNTY, N. J.

NOTE—For more than a half a century, the Public Schools of Middlesex County have been under the superintendency of father and son, Rev. Ralph Willis and H. Brewster Willis. By reason of this unusual circumstance, I have been induced to write this brief sketch of the Public Schools of Middlesex County, keeping in mind those who have rendered more than ten years of public school service continuously in supervisory, teaching and administrative positions in the same district. It is quite possible that some names of those worthy, and some important facts have been omitted; if so, I trust the omission will be forgiven, as I have sought the fullest information.

School service is a patriotic service. The preservation and continuation of our present form of government depends very largely upon the public schools of our land. It is high time that more public appreciation should be expressed of the service rendered by those working in the Second Line of National Defense.

H. BREWSTER WILLIS.

July 1, 1920, New Brunswick, N. J.

Ralph Willis was appointed Superintendent of Schools of the County of Middlesex more than fifty years ago by Governor Joel Parker, about the time the Legislature discontinued local township school superintendents. For a period of twenty years he continued in office, improving the County Public School System, a record of which may be found in the Annual State School Reports.

In his last report to the State Board of Education the following appears: "I retire from the office with a grateful sense of the honor conferred upon me by so many reappointments; with a consciousness of honest efforts in the performance of my duties; and with pleasant memories of the respect and kindness of all with whom I have been officially connected." His official mantle fell upon the shoulders of his son, H. Brewster Willis, in 1887.

He died March 17, 1895, highly esteemed by all who knew him, as a faithful and successful school official.

In 1897, County Superintendent H. Brewster Willis attempted to have the United States Flag float from every school house in Middlesex county. He discovered that the school law would not permit the Boards of Education to expend public school money for United States Flags. Upon this discovery, a campaign was conducted among the Boards of Education, teachers and pupils, and, through entertainments and donations, the school districts raised the sum of \$3,000, which amount provided United States flags of varied dimensions and quality, to every public school property in the county.

In 1898, the County Superintendent drew an amendment to the school law, which included the purchase of United States Flags among the items which the Board of Education might purchase out of the fund for current expenses. This amendment became a law, and the purchase

of United States Flags was made permissible by Boards of Education out of school funds. In 1900, by a further Act of the Legislature, the Boards of Education were compelled to purchase United States Flags and display the same upon or near each public school property, each school day and at such other times, as said Board of Education deemed proper.

Correspondence with the Secretary of State of the respective States of the Union in 1898, revealed the fact that Middlesex county was the first county to uniformly display the United States Flag over all its school houses, and that the State of New Jersey was the first State to require by law the United States Flag to float upon or near every public school building in the State.

City of New Brunswick—In the very early days there was established a free-school, conducted under the Lancasterian Plan. This famous school was located in the old four-room wooden building on Schureman street. Part of the building was occupied as the living quarters of the teachers.

Under the township act, the New Brunswick schools were known as School District No. 1. In 1890, and since that date, modern ward schools have been erected.

At the present time this city has six large graded elementary schools, well equipped; Junior High, and a most modern Senior High School, comparing favorably with any high school in the State in a city of the same population. The graduates of eight elementary schools in districts immediately surrounding the city, attend this high school. The graduates of the Senior High School are admitted on certificate to the leading colleges and universities. At this date the teaching force numbers 175, exclusive of a number of evening school teachers and those who are teachers in classes for foreign born residents. The total enrollment is about 5,400 pupils. Population 32,779. A large number of the school population attend the excellent Parochial Schools.

Among the City Superintendents who have rendered valuable service in the development of the city school system, might be mentioned Henry B. Pierce, Charles Jacobus, Ellis A. Apgar, George G. Ryan, William Clinton Armstrong, George H. Eckels and the present City Superintendent, Ira T. Chapman.

Among the teachers who have served continuously in the city system for many years are Misses Eleanor S. Lott, Anne Castner, Cecelia Boudinot, Mary Castner, Cornelia Schroeder, Amanda Voorhees, Annie Rastall, Grace E. March, Carolyn Plechner, Emma A. McCoy, Saidee Felter, Josephine Masso, Angie Wray, Blanche Johnston, Mr. Henry Miller, Miss Sarah O. Whitlock, Mr. George W. Wilmot, Misses Susie Crabiell, Saidee A. Smith, Chrissie Bartle, Jessie M. Gray, Selma Erickson, Margaret Wall, Bertha Dewald, Permelia Wray, May U. Bogan,

Maude Hart, Suzanne J. Price, Martha Dewald, Mr. George H. Brooks, Misses Faye Van DeVenter, Helen Morrison, Jessie Morrison, Myra Selover, Katherine Boudinot, Mrs. Kate C. Marsh (formerly Miss Kate C. Garland); Misses Marjorie Deshler, Sadie Leary, Elsie Dunham, Mrs. Josephine de Percin (formerly Miss Josephine Paulus); Misses Edith Richardson and Laura Hughes.

Many of the most distinguished professional and business men have served long and well upon the Board of Education, among those who have served for a period of ten years or more, mention might be made of Garret Conover, John Cheeseman, Thomas N. Doughty, John S. Stewart, Abram R. Provost, Robert L. Hoagland, John Helm, Joseph Eldridge, E. Leon Loblein, Charles E. Tindell, James A. Morrison, Henry G. Parker, Anthony Viehman, A. L. Smith, Otto O. Stillman, George C. Ludlow, Theodore G. Nelson, Henry R. Baldwin, Robert J. Smith and A. W. Winckler. It is worthy of note that H. B. Zimmerman, Nelson Dunham and Henry L. Janeway each served for a period of twenty-two years, and that Morris Bauer has been connected with the Board of Education of the city for a period of twenty-four years.

The sum of \$408,340 has been raised for the next school year, which is an indication of progress. The school system is up-to-date, and with the completion of the school buildings now being erected, the citizens of New Brunswick may justly be proud of its educational privileges.

City of Perth Amboy—While private schools were maintained for the children of the well-to-do, education in the public schools was somewhat delayed. A private school was established in the early days in what was known as the "State House," then the home of the Governor of East Jersey, and later known as The Westminster.

The earliest record of an attempt to found a system of public schools is contained in a minute of a public meeting, bearing date January 9, 1788. The work of the public schools was carried on for many years in the City Hall, or in rented rooms, until 1780, when the first public school building was erected, and in a greatly enlarged capacity still serves, and is known as School No. 1.

In 1895, the city took on a new life, and its growth developed a fine system of schools consisting of thirteen large, well equipped elementary schools and an up-to-date, capacious High School. Pupils from surrounding districts enjoy the privileges of the High School. Graduates of the High School are admitted on certificate to twenty-two colleges and universities. The teaching corps numbers over two hundred, and the total enrollment is thought to be 8,500. Population 41,707.

Charles C. Hommann, James S. White, Adrian Lyon and Samuel E. Shull have rendered valuable service as City Superintendents. Mr. Shull has been City Superintendent continuously for a period of twenty-five years, and his leadership is very generally recognized.

It is worthy of note that the following named have taught for many years: Miss M. Emma MacWilliam, Mr. Edgar H. Kleinhaus, Mr. Charles Dietz, Misses Jennie Pemberton, Anna Joslin, Mary P. Meade, Grace Hawk, Edith L. Sofield, Mr. Joseph F. Walker, Misses Harriet Fraser, Katharine McCormick, Mary Morris, Lillian E. Fretz, Mary E. Hansen, Grace Carman, Anna Major, Agnes Hardiman, Nellie Shean, Ida B. Miller, Mamie B. Miller, Alice Hegstrom, Sue Franke, Rose McCormick, Rose M. Blume, Genevieve Frank, Bertha Oxenford, Blanche Van Syckle, Margaret Connor, Caroline Kimball, Mr. Henry S. Hulse, Mr. Will W. Ramsay, Misses Augusta D. Martin, Wealthy D. Heinzleman, Pauline Philo, Margaret J. Slugg, Ellen M. Ostrye, Lillian M. Canse, Margaret E. Boughton, Ingeborg Oksen, Margaret Martin, Harriet H. Meade, Alice M. Clack, Philomena Martin, Emma Clausen, Bertha Brown, Helena M. Wright, Ruth W. Hancock, Lucy Woglom, Leisa F. Henry, Mabel Lanning, Elsie J. Snyder, Besse R. Hunter, Jetta Stacey, Florence Leathers, Florence Garretson, Virginia Miller, Leila Arnold, Katharine A. Martin, Harriet Webster, Esther Laurey, Mr. Mark R. Lefler, Mr. Glenworth Sturgis, and Miss Mabel E. Treen.

Mr. John K. Sheehy has served as a member of the Board of Education for ten or more years and as president of the Board for a number of years. The sum of \$200,000 for maintenance has been raised for the next school year. The public school system of the city of Perth Amboy has kept pace with its remarkable growth.

City of South Amboy—For many years the town of South Amboy comprised two school districts, each containing one school building, in the township of Sayreville, viz., Park School and Raritan School. One of the original school buildings is still in use, however, very much enlarged and modified.

In 1880 the town of South Amboy became a borough, and in 1908 the borough was incorporated into the city of South Amboy, and recently School No. 1 has been remodeled into a fine high school building, with all modern facilities and containing a junior and a senior high school department. At this date the teaching force includes thirty or more teachers, exclusive of the vocational evening school teachers. The school enrollment has reached about nine hundred. This is exclusive of pupils attending large Parochial Schools. Population 7,897.

In considering the names of those who were in school supervisory positions in this municipality, should be mentioned the names of James Corkery, Miss Kate McCoy, Miss Mary Thomas, R. M. Fitch, and City Superintendent O. O. Barr, who has been in charge of the city schools for the past six years.

Among the teaching corps who have served continuously for many years are Misses Laura Rutan, Kate C. Bogart, Katharine O'Connor, Mary J. Watson, Mary E. Buchanan, Mrs. Florence Matteson (formerly

Miss Florence Coker), Misses Helen Brown, Martha Buchanan, Ruth Campbell, Edna M. Agan, Margaret Gallagher, Cecilia McGonigle, Helen Applegate and Mary Mack.

The two names that stand out conspicuously as school board men who have rendered long and valuable service are Frank E. DeGraw, who served eighteen years; and Alonzo L. Grace, who gave his services for eleven years. The last appropriation for school purposes called for \$42,250. Under the recent administration the school system of this municipality has greatly improved, and the quality of the high school work is recognized in college entrance examinations.

Borough of Dunellen—In the beginning of the last half century, the school district of Dunellen possessed a one-room school on the site of the present Whittier School. In 1880 this building was added to and remodeled into a modern four-room school building, with greatly increased school facilities.

In 1885 the village of Dunellen was formed into a borough from the township of Piscataway.

Quite recently the Lincoln School building was erected, providing eight very desirable school rooms, and at the present time the Whittier School building is being again enlarged at a cost of nearly \$100,000. Upon the completion of this building the borough of Dunellen will have two very excellent elementary school buildings. The school enrollment of the borough is about 700 pupils, and those who complete the eighth year are permitted to attend the Plainfield High School. Population 3,394.

Among the school supervisors of recent years in this borough, we recall E. W. Oley, Lester Meseroll, Guy H. Rentschler and M. Burr Mann, who has been supervising principal for the past two years. The teachers who have served long and well in this district are Misses Imogene Smith, Fannie Smith, Ritie G. Brokaw, E. May Higgins, Ethel C. Rogers and Mary H. Lindsley.

Among the school board men who have given their services for more than ten years are August F. Todd; Arthur J. Hanley and Theodore W. Day, who has just completed his twentieth year of service on the Board of Education.

The appropriation made for the current expenses for the coming school year of this district is \$28,400. The school facilities of this municipality are quite up-to-date, especially with the privilege of sending eighth year pupils to so excellent a high school as Plainfield maintains.

Borough of Helmetta—The growth of the Helmetta school shows a progressive transition from a one-room frame building, erected in 1885, to a new brick building of modern construction containing five rooms, erected in 1912.

The school of Helmetta was one of the first propositions considered

by Mr. George W. Helme when he built the early snuff mills in the village of Helmetta, said to be named after Mr. Helme and one of his daughters. The founder of the village of Helmetta was very greatly interested in public education, and the George W. Helme Company has always befriended the public school interests of the borough and county generally.

Originally, this district was a portion of East Brunswick township, and was known as School No. 74. In 1888 it became a borough. The school facilities are considered among the best in the county. It has approximately 200 school population, and transports its eighth year pupils to the Jamesburg High School, upon the completion of the elementary school course. Population 687.

The school supervision has been in charge of Miss Lizzie F. Straub for the past thirty years, and her faithfulness and usefulness have been recognized and appreciated by the citizens of the borough. The teachers who have served faithfully for a number of years are Mrs. Jessie R. Colburn (formerly Miss Jessie R. Henkel), Misses Alida E. Franklin and F. Lillian Franklin.

Among the School Board men who have given their services for over ten years are Clinton M. Clemmons, Robert J. Franklin, Sr., Walter B. Helme, James Deming, and Chester A. Burt, who served for a period of twenty-one years. The names of Welcome G. Clemmons and William H. Clemmons will always be associated with Helmetta schools.

Appropriation has been made for current expenses for the coming school year of \$6,000. For a borough of its size, its school facilities compare very favorably with others, and is likely to do so as long as the George W. Helme Company officials reside in the borough.

Borough of Highland Park—The first public school in Highland Park was organized in 1885 in a private house, with Miss Chrissie Bartle as the first teacher. In 1886 a one-room school building was erected on the site of the present Lafayette School. From time to time, by reason of the increased school population of the borough, additional rooms and wings were added until at the present time the Lafayette School is a large, well-equipped elementary building with spacious grounds. Quite recently two new buildings of modern type, of four rooms each, known as the Hamilton and Irving Schools, have been erected, and yet the school accommodations are wholly inadequate.

The borough was formed in 1905, since which time a very unusual growth in school population has taken place. The erection of a new up-to-date building with a spacious auditorium and gymnasium is now being contemplated to fill a much needed want. It is quite likely that the school population of the borough of Highland Park has increased in a larger percentage than any other district in the county within the past decade, with the exception of one district. The district furnishes very

excellent elementary school privileges, and sends those leaving the elementary school to the New Brunswick High School, where they have very excellent instruction. The enrollment is nearly 900 school children. Population 4,866. The corps of teachers at present number over thirty.

Among those who have had a leading part in the school supervision of the borough are Thomas G. Van Kirk, J. A. Wilson, Justin Warbasse, Frank E. Spring, and F. Willard Furth, the present supervising principal. Misses Mabel W. Stoothoff, Blendina Smock and Bertha Snediker have served for a number of years faithfully in the school system. Among the School Board men who have rendered faithful and efficient service for a number of years, the name of Condit S. Atkinson is most frequently mentioned.

The sum of \$67,800 has recently been appropriated for current school expenses for the coming school year. The borough is growing in leaps and bounds and its citizens are ambitious to keep pace in educational matters. Considerable community school work is being well directed by school organizations.

Borough of Jamesburg—In 1887 the village of Jamesburg was incorporated into a borough out of a portion of the territory of the township of Monroe.

For more than thirty years pupils attended the one-room school located on the Old Englishtown road. Later a two-room building was erected on a lot adjoining the Presbyterian church. This building was destroyed by fire. A two-room building was erected where the elementary school building now stands. By reason of the growth of the borough and the appreciation of the course of instruction by those living outside of the borough, not only the elementary school facilities have been greatly enlarged, but a modern high school has been erected. The high school diplomas are recognized by the normal schools and colleges. The school population of the municipality is about 700. Population 2,671.

Charles Stout, Forman Coosaboom and Curtis A. Deveney have had charge of the school supervision of the borough for a number of years. Mr. Deveney, the present supervising principal, has been at the helm for the past fifteen years, and his good work is generally recognized. Among the teachers who have rendered a considerable term of service are Charles L. Stout, Misses Maggie Pownall, Blendina Smock and Hilda Baremore. John H. Baremore has been a valuable member of the School Board for more than thirteen years, and John Waddy has rendered efficient service as a School Board man for more than twenty years.

The appropriation for the ensuing year for current school expenses is \$17,843. By reason of the large elementary school population the

Board of Education has decided to build another modern school building at a cost of \$85,000, adjoining the present high school building. Not less than seven borough and township school districts adjoining and surrounding the Jamesburg High School transport in large numbers the graduates from the eighth year. This school under the present efficient management offers very excellent high school facilities.

Borough of Metuchen—Many years ago the present school district of the borough of Metuchen was known as Franklin School District, No. 15, township of Raritan, and the building was known as the Franklin Civic House, a one-story building with one room. This large room was divided into two rooms, one of which was used by the Presbyterian congregation for weekly prayer meetings, and the other for public school purposes. In 1872 a two-story frame building was built on the site of the present high school building, and in 1907 the present high school building was erected. More recently, Mr. Charles S. Edgar, now deceased, donated a plot of ground containing seven acres for school purposes, upon which an up-to-date elementary school has been erected and designated as the "Edgar School." These two buildings, together with a movable two-room building, adjoining the high school, furnish very excellent school accommodations, for a school population of about 800 children. Population 3,334.

The names which stand out the most prominently as school supervisors in this district, are A. T. S. Clark, Henry Anderson, and Thomas G. Van Kirk, the present incumbent, who has occupied the position of supervising principal for more than twenty years, serving the township of Raritan for six years and the borough since its formation in 1904. Misses Anna Cheeseman and Martha C. Vogel, and Mrs. Jasper H. Hogan (formerly Miss Emma Siemons), have been faithful and efficient teachers in this district for a number of years. Prominent among the School Board men, are the names of Thorfin Tait and that "grand old man," Robert Bruce Crowell, recently deceased, who served on the School Board continuously for nearly half a century.

The recent appropriation for current school expenses was \$29,960. The high school graduates are received in the normal schools and colleges upon evidence of graduation. The citizens of Metuchen have always manifested a pride in the work of the public school.

Borough of Middlesex—For many years the district now included in the borough of Middlesex, which was formed in 1913, had but a single one-room school, known as Harris Lane School. This building, which is still standing, was erected over one hundred years ago, and is possibly the oldest existing school building in the county of Middlesex. The land on which the building stands was donated to the community by Mr. Hendrick Smock. The teachers were paid by the parents of the pupils attending, and the money for the erection of the school house was raised by public subscription.

The Pierce, Watchung and Parker schools, all elementary, accommodate the 500 school population with some difficulty. Population 1,852. At a recent meeting the district voted the sum of \$112,000 for an up-to-date, fireproof school building with all modern equipment, much to the credit of the public-spirited citizens of the borough.

Mr. William Love has been in charge of the school supervision since the borough formation, and the results of his work are very commendable. The name of Miss Nora B. Henderson, who taught in the township of Piscataway for a number of years and in the borough of Middlesex since its formation, a total experience of twenty-six years, is a household name in the community.

The men who were most interested in the educational facilities of the new borough were Max F. Wirtz, James V. N. Polhemus, Louis V. Poulson, Stewart C. Crouse, Clinton M. Cary, John L. Douglass, Bayard Naylor, Augustus C. Ramsey, Everett A. Gowdy, John H. Sebring and Joseph White.

The recent appropriation for current school expenses was \$41,483, and this amount, together with the amount appropriated for the new building, makes a total appropriation of \$153,483. The elementary school graduates attend the Plainfield and Bound Brook high schools. For its age, this young borough is exceedingly promising in educational matters.

Borough of Milltown—The village of Milltown was formerly a portion of East Brunswick and North Brunswick townships, separated by a stream known as Lawrence brook. The first school was located somewhere back of the Methodist church. Later a two-room school on Main street, was erected.

Milltown was formed into a borough commission in 1888, and erected a four-room school building. Later, the borough commission became a full-fledged borough, and a fine modern eight-room school was erected on a desirable lot, donated to the borough by Mr. James Ford, a resident of New York City, who for many years was interested in Milltown. Later there were four more rooms added to the building, which at the present time is wholly inadequate for a school population of 600 children. Population 2,573.

The men who have been most prominent in the school supervision of the district are E. W. Merritt, Warren A. Roe, Harry R. B. Meyers, and the present incumbent, Stephen F. Weston, who very recently has taken charge. The teachers who have served for a considerable period in the school are Misses Eva Benham and Annie Merritt. Miss Grace Shaw is now completing her tenth year of faithful service. J. Milton Brindle, Howard S. DeHart and George Heyle have served more than ten years each on the Board of Education. The sum of \$28,750 has been raised for the next school year, and the sum of \$65,000 has recently been

voted for the purchase of a playground and the erection of an additional school building. With these additional school accommodations, Milltown school facilities will be abreast with boroughs of like population.

Borough of Roosevelt—The district known as Roosevelt was formerly known as Blazing Star District, No. 22, and a part of Woodbridge township. The borough of Roosevelt was incorporated in 1906. At that time there was a thirteen-room school in Chrome section of the borough; a four-room school in the Carteret section, and a one-room school at the East Rahway section, which school was later discontinued. So marvelous has been the growth in valuations and population that in order to provide adequate school accommodations, addition after addition to the school buildings became necessary in order to accommodate 2,000 children of school age. Population 11,047.

The borough has a teaching corps of about fifty teachers. Some seventy-five high school children attend the Rahway High School, and many of the high school graduates have attended the New Jersey Normal Schools and Columbia University.

The school supervision has been in charge of Miss Barbara V. Hermann as supervising principal for the past thirteen years. The teachers who have served faithfully for ten years or more in said borough are Miss Catherine Hermann, principal of the Carteret section school; Misses Anna Devereux, Mary Devereux, Mary Connolly and Ethel Keller.

The School Board men who have served faithfully for more than ten years are Edward J. Heil, Matthew A. Hermann, Charles H. Morris, Frank J. Born, Patrick J. Coughlin, George W. Morgan and Valentine Gleckner. Appropriation has been made for current expenses for the coming school year of \$83,862. The school system of the borough of Roosevelt is one of the most complete elementary systems in the county. Its equipment, including its home-making department, will compare favorably with any borough of the State, of the same population.

Borough of Sayreville—Prior to 1871 the village of Sayreville was a part of the township of South Amboy. In this year the town of South Amboy was incorporated into a borough by a special Act of the Legislature. The remaining section of the township was named after James R. Sayre, one of the founders of the Sayre-Fisher Manufacturing Company, which at that time was the only industry in the township, but to-day it is conceded to be one of the largest industries of its kind in the world.

The school trustees of the district, which was then known as District No. 37, advocated and erected a school building at a cost of \$4,000, which was then and still is known as School No. 1 in said district. This district has recently been made the borough of Sayreville. At the present time, the district embraces three school buildings, the school property at Ernston having been taken by the Government during the war. The

school population numbers about 600. The graduates of the elementary school attend high school in South Amboy and New Brunswick. Population 7,181.

Mr. Jesse Selover has been supervising principal of this district for fourteen years, or more, having acted previously as principal of No. 1 School for a period of five years. Among the teachers who have served faithfully and well for the past ten years or more, are Misses Mercy Hillmann, Emma Arleth and Catherine Samsel. Mr. James N. Blew, now deceased, served as a School Board man for a period of twenty years and Mr. George L. Sullivan for more than ten years.

The current expense appropriation for the coming year is about \$25,000, and at a recent meeting an appropriation of \$105,000 was voted for a new school building which has been greatly needed for a number of years. With the completion of the new building, the borough of Sayreville will have reason to be proud of its public school accommodations and instruction.

Borough of South River—The borough of South River was formerly a part of the township of East Brunswick. Later it was made a commission by special Act of the Legislature, and at a comparatively recent date it was made a full fledged borough. Until 1908 the three-room brick building, with several additions, met the school requirements. After that date the growth of the borough necessitated additional school buildings. No. 2 and No. 3, buildings of considerable size, have been erected to meet the demands of the school population, and No. 3 is used for High School purposes. The school population is about 1,300, and the teachers number 36. Population 6,596.

Those most prominently in charge of the school supervision of recent years have been William Campbell, Francis P. O'Brien, Louis J. Kaser, William H. Connors, and T. Frank Tabor, who has been supervising principal for the past three years. Among the teachers who have served long and well in this district are Misses Sarah T. M. Brown, Mary Stadler, Estelle Van Arsdale, Theresa Smith and Jessie Henderson. Their long term of faithful service justifies special mention. Mr. George Allgair has been a member of the School Board for twenty-four continuous years, and Rev. William J. Kern for a period of ten years.

The sum of \$55,998 has been appropriated for the current expenses for the coming school year, and \$155,000 for alterations to School No. 1. School No. 1, while among the most substantially built school buildings of the county, has become antiquated, and the Board of Education is planning to make either substantial alterations or erect a new building. When this has been accomplished, the borough of South River will have provided ample and modern school accommodations for the school population, which is increasing very rapidly.

Borough of Spotswood—The borough of Spotswood was formerly a part of the township of East Brunswick, and became a borough in 1908.

For many years the one-room school taught by Miss Eugenia Dimmick was well known throughout the county for its high grade of work. Later an additional room was added, and Mr. Thomas G. Van Kirk became the principal. In 1901, the old school building was used for a fire department, and an up-to-date four-room brick building was erected across the roadway immediately opposite the old building. This borough has a school population of about 250, and at present necessitates half-day classes in some of the grades. Population 704.

School supervision has been in charge of Miss Anna Fitts, who has taught in the district for a period of twenty-six years, and has been acting as supervising principal for the past eleven years. The names of Roy P. Stillwell and Mark W. Swetland appear prominently as principals of the school, immediately prior to the borough formation. Mr. John O. Cozzens has been a member of the Board of Education continuously for a period of forty-four years, and is the dean of School Board men of the county. Mr. Charles DeVoe has rendered many years of valuable service as a School Board man.

The sum of \$3,027 has been appropriated for the current school expenses during the coming year. This district is in need of additional school accommodations. At least two rooms should be added at once to the present school building. The grounds are ample and well kept. The graduates of this school are transported by automobile to the Jamesburg High School.

Township of Cranbury—The history of the Cranbury schools dates from the organization of the first church in 1738. There is a record of an Indian mission school about 1756, established by David Brainard. Later, two district schools were organized, one known as the South Cranbury School, and the other as the Bunker Hill School. These schools were separated by a considerable lake, and continued to vie with each other until the new grammar school was built in 1896. The Board of Education closed the school at Cranbury Neck and Wycoff's Mills, and transported the pupils to a central grammar school. This transportation necessitated an enlargement of the grammar school building to eight rooms, with a manual training room equipment.

In 1919, that portion of the township of Cranbury commonly known as Plainsboro, was set off by the Legislature into the new township of Plainsboro. This separation leaves one large elementary school building in the township, to which children are transported by a number of conveyances. The graduates of this elementary school are transported by autos to the high school in Hightstown. The school population of Cranbury township is about 250, and the corps of teachers is eight in number. Population 1,083.

Valuable service was rendered during the two-school period by Miss Ella Davis (later Mrs. Amzi Duncan), and Miss Holmes. Miss Laura

Scudder has been a teacher in said district continuously for a period of twenty-two years, and Miss Anna L. Ervin for a period of sixteen years. For the past eight years Mr. Floyd L. Evans has occupied the position of supervising principal of said district.

Mr. William F. Perrine and Howard J. Butcher have been board members continuously for over twenty-five years, and John V. B. Wicoff, R. S. Mason, E. S. Barclay, S. H. Perrine, D. J. Wilson and J. H. Conover have served on the Board of Education for a period of more than ten years. The current expense appropriation for the coming year was \$13,300. This district requires additional school accommodations of at least two rooms and an auditorium. These improvements are now being considered by the Board of Education.

Township of East Brunswick—Some years ago, the township of East Brunswick included what is now known as the borough of South River, borough of Helmetta, borough of Spotswood, and a portion of the borough of Milltown. The oldest building in the district is the Weston's Mills School, No. 2, which is still standing, but abandoned. It is situated near the location of the old tollgate on the New Brunswick and Old Bridge turnpike. There are five school buildings within the district, three of which are graded schools. The graduates from the elementary school are transported to the high school at South River and the high school at New Brunswick. The school population is about 500 and the number of instructors 12. Population 1,857.

The school supervision of this district has been in charge of Mr. John F. D. Heineken for a period of twenty-one years. Misses Kathryn A. Newmyer and Mae A. Newmyer have rendered valuable service as teachers continuously for more than ten years in this district. Nine years of valuable service was rendered by Mr. Harry R. B. Meyers as principal of School No. 7, Dunham's Corner, immediately prior to his election as supervising principal of the borough of Milltown. Dr. I. C. Crandall has served upon the School Board for twenty-one years, and Mr. Henry Warnsdorfer for more than ten years. The current school expense appropriation for the coming year is \$8,500.

The townships of Sayreville and Madison send a considerable number of pupils to the Old Bridge School, in which there is not sufficient room for desirable work, and, unless said townships erect additional school buildings for the accommodation of their pupils, it will be absolutely necessary for the Board of Education to enlarge the present school building at Old Bridge. The township territory remaining, after the formation of four boroughs, presents a difficult problem to the school administrators, the solution of which will ultimately be a consolidation of schools, with transportation.

Township of Madison—Madison township contains seven public schools. The building located in the Morristown section is undoubtedly

the oldest building in the township. The school population in the district is about 400. The graduates of the elementary school attend the high schools at Jamesburg, Matawan and Perth Amboy. Population 1,808.

The school administration of this district was in charge of Mr. Asbury Fountain for more than ten years. He was succeeded three years ago by Mr. Raymond E. Voorhees, the present supervising principal. Miss Marguerite Winter has given twenty-four years of continuous service in the Morristown district, and it would be difficult to overvalue her work in that community. Mrs. Lambertson (formerly Miss Bessie Warne), and Miss Viola Wilson have given more than ten years, respectively, of teaching. The School Board men, who have rendered more than ten years of service, are Edward Barker, John Otto, Michael Schulmeister and D. H. Brown.

Appropriation has been made for current expenses for the coming school year of \$8,802. By reason of the proximity of so many school children living on the Madison township line near the village of Old Bridge, and the establishment of the sections known as Nos. 1 and 2, Brunswick Gardens, a new four-room school building is very much needed and should be located centrally, so as to provide school accommodations for the children of these three sections. The Board of Education realizes the condition, and will undoubtedly meet the requirements of the law.

Township of Monroc—In the early days the township of Monroe had seven schools. The same school locations still exist with improved school buildings. The school population numbers about 300 pupils, and all of the graduates of the elementary schools attend the Jamesburg High School or Hightstown High School. Population 2,006.

The school supervision has been in charge of the following supervising principals: Messrs. William H. Connors, Roy R. Stillwell, Harris A. Jamison and Raymond E. Voorhees, who is the present supervisor. Miss Rebecca T. Allen has rendered faithful service in this district for a period of twenty-nine years continuously. Mr. Daniel W. Clayton, Mr. George Mount and Mr. James H. Tilton have served upon the Board of Education for many years. Mr. Daniel W. Clayton was a charter member of the County School Board Association, and has been its treasurer ever since its organization. The current expense appropriation for the coming school year is \$12,000.

The schools known as Gravel Hill, Dey Grove, Pleasant Grove and Old Church, should be closed, and the pupils transported to a new, up-to-date school building in a central location.

Township of North Brunswick—There are four school buildings in the township of North Brunswick, the oldest of which is Oak Hill, which is known to have been in existence for more than eighty years. The earliest record (1861), reveals the fact that George B. Wight, who later

became the Rev. George B. Wight, was the teacher. Mr. Wight entered the Civil War, and later he became one of the best known Methodist ministers in the State.

The other schools are known as Red Lion, Livingston Park and Adams. The city of New Brunswick has recently taken a portion of North Brunswick township into the city limits, which will to some extent affect the attendance in the Livingston Park School. The graduates from the elementary schools attend the New Brunswick High School. The school population numbers 200. Population 1,399.

Mrs. Anna Williams has given seventeen continuous years of school service in this district, and Mrs. Ruckman (formerly Miss Mamie F. Tracy), has taught in this district for fourteen years. Miss Bessie M. Schoenly, the supervising principal, has been in charge for the past five years. Mr. Thomas W. Buckelew has been a member of the School Board for thirty years, and Mr. Edward W. Suydam has served for a period of over ten years.

The appropriation for this district for current expenses is \$11,480. The board is wisely transporting the children from the Oak Hill school to the graded school at Milltown. It has purchased a valuable lot upon which to erect a new school building at or near Berdine's Corner. A new one-room school building has just been completed at Adams Station, which is known as an Italian settlement. This new building will give much needed relief to the Red Lion Graded School, which was greatly overcrowded.

Township of Piscataway—Fifty years ago, the township of Piscataway included within its borders what are now known as the borough of Duncellen and the borough of Middlesex. There were seven small ungraded schools, with seven teachers. Now there are three large graded schools and one ungraded school, with a corps of twenty-four teachers. The school building at New Market, South Plainfield and Brunswick avenue, are large and well equipped schools. The school population is about 1,000 pupils. The graduates of the elementary schools attend the high school at Plainfield, New Brunswick and Bound Brook. Population 5,385.

The school supervision has been in charge of Mr. Alfred Wilson (now principal of one of the largest schools in Newark), and Mr. William F. Mets, who has occupied the position of supervising principal of the township for the past fifteen years. Misses Meta F. Soper, Carolyn Van Pelt, Harriet I. Gregory and Mabel A. Bowers, and Mr. Frank Meskill, have taught successfully and continuously for many years in the district. Among the men who have served more than ten years upon the School Board are: Everett Marshall, A. G. Nelson, John Geary, J. F. Ten Eyck and F. O. Nelson. The appropriation for the approaching year is \$47,141. By reason of the increase of school population in South

Plainfield, another graded school building is required to provide the school accommodations demanded by law. The Board of Education is already considering such a building, and when it shall have been erected, Piscataway school district will have reason to feel proud of its public school facilities.

Township of Plainsboro—What is now known as the township of Plainsboro has had only one school building in its territory for many many years. The rapid growth of the community required buildings providing four school-rooms. The people of the district have voted \$50,000 for the purpose of erecting an up-to-date four-room school, of Princeton stone, with spacious auditorium, home-making department, shower baths, electric light, with ample recreation grounds. School population of this district is 125. Population 800.

The school supervision has been in charge of Mr. Floyd L. Evans, who has acted in the capacity of supervising principal for the past ten years. Miss Luella Hulst has taught in this community for a period of ten years. Mr. John V. B. Wicoff, who as a young man attended the old one-room school, has for many years been the firm and progressive friend of the public school interests of Plainsboro, and together with Mr. H. W. Jeffers, was largely instrumental in the formation of the district.

Appropriation has been made for current expenses for the coming year of \$4,000. Since the recent formation of this new district, which includes a portion of the territory of Cranbury and South Brunswick townships, a number of prominent men have become interested in the character of the school facilities and the government of the township; among them are Mr. Henry W. Jeffers, superintendent of the Walker-Gordon Dairy Farms, and a number of officials from the Rockefeller Institute. This locality catches the educational echo from old Princeton College. Graduates from the elementary department are transported to the Princeton High School. The school facilities of this new township are full of promise.

Township of Raritan—The township of Raritan, prior to 1904, contained ten school districts, nearly all one-room school buildings. In 1904, the borough of Metuchen was formed, and in 1906 the borough of Highland Park was organized out of the territory of Raritan township, thus removing from the township all the graded school buildings. In 1908, a movement for larger and better schools was begun, which resulted in the building of two four-room school buildings in the following year. The population in the Piscatawaytown-Lindenau section grew so rapidly as to necessitate an up-to-date eight-room brick building, which at the present time is inadequate. The school population is about 1,100, and is distributed so widely over the district that transportation is required in several directions. Population 5,419.

For a number of years, Mr. Thomas G. Van Kirk was supervising principal of the district. He was succeeded by Mr. Charles Runyon, who has acted in the capacity of supervising principal for the past sixteen years. The names of Wilfred R. Woodward, Miss Dillie F. Thornall, Miss Susan M. Phillips, Mrs. Charles Runyon (formerly Miss Jennie E. Serviss), Mrs. Elizabeth L. Swackhamer, Mrs. Charlotte R. Haas, Miss Clara E. Runyon, Mrs. George Carman (formerly Miss Josephine Flanagan), and Samuel R. Brash, are worthy of notice for long terms of service, especially Misses Susan M. Phillips and Dillie F. Thornall, who have taught in the district continuously for twenty-eight years; and Mrs. George Carman and Mr. Wilfred R. Woodward, for a period of twenty-four years. The administrative line of work has been largely controlled by William T. Woerner, who has been a member of the board continuously for thirty-six years, William Carman, 35 years, and Jerry W. Letson, who served on the board for a period of more than ten years.

The appropriation for the coming year is \$60,000. The district has recently raised for new buildings \$250,000. It is proposed to purchase a desirable lot of considerable size on the trolley line between Metuchen and Fords, and erect an up-to-date eight-room building, and to add six or eight rooms to the Piscatawaytown building. When these improvements shall have been made, the district will have excellent school facilities, considering the awkward territory left in the township after taking away the borough territory of Metuchen and Highland Park.

Township of South Brunswick—Some years ago the school system of the township of South Brunswick consisted of thirteen schools, twelve of which were one-room rural school buildings, Kingston being the only two-room school building in the district. Three new buildings have more recently been erected—one single room building at the Ridge, two four-room buildings, one at Dayton, and one at Monmouth Junction. The old school buildings at Mapleton, Scott's Corner, Little Rocky Hill have been abandoned. The school population of the township is about 650, and the graduates of the elementary schools attend the high school at Jamesburg, Princeton and New Brunswick. Population 2,666.

For a number of years the Rev. J. N. Folwell occupied the position of supervising principal. His successor, Mr. Floyd L. Evans, has been in supervisory control for the past thirteen years. The teachers who have taught in this district for a number of years are Misses Margaret Terhune, Mary A. Green, Henrietta M. Osborne and Gertrude W. Shann. Among those who have served on the Board of Education are Mr. Salter S. Selover, thirty-two years; Mr. Frank W. Stout, twenty-nine years; Mr. William Perkins, ten years.

The sum of \$27,000 has been appropriated for current expenses for the coming year. From present indications, it would appear that within the near future a large graded school of eight or more rooms should be

erected at or near Dayton, to which the children from Pleasant Hill, Road Hall, Fresh Ponds and Deans could be transported. Great difficulty has already been experienced in securing teachers for these one-room rural schools. The remedy is consolidation of one-room schools, which would also be a blessing to the children.

Township of Woodbridge—Previous to the year 1876, the only schools outside of Woodbridge proper were Iselin, Locust Grove, Six Roads and Fords, Rahway Neck and Blazing Star. About this time the Woodbridge grammar school was constructed, which was the most noticeable school building in this section of the county. In 1906 the borough of Roosevelt was formed, leaving within the district of Woodbridge eight school buildings, most of which are up-to-date school buildings with most modern appointments.

The district maintains a central high school, a central grammar school and six elementary schools which prepare the children for the grammar school previous to their attendance at the high school. The special teachers of the high school faculty supervise the drawing, music, manual training, the manual arts, penmanship and physical training, in these outlying elementary schools. The school population approaches 3,000 children. Population 13,423.

Mr. John H. Love has been the supervisory officer of the district for a period of twenty-five years, being the dean of supervisors in Middlesex county. The following are the names of teachers who have rendered valuable service in this district: Misses Annie Richards, Viola E. Dunham, Ethel A. Inslee, Jennie D. Garthwaite, Grace C. Huber, Mr. Isaac H. Gilhuly, Misses Margaret Lockwood, Helen V. Ensign, Helen Lorch, Louise A. Huber, Rena Allen, Mrs. Ruth K. Green, Misses Orpah Harvey, Beatrice L. Meyer, Stella J. Wright, Grace A. E. Bayliss, Julia E. M. Bayliss, Sophie K. Johnson, Edith G. Hinsdale, Mrs. Mary La-Forge (formerly Miss Mary S. Clark), Mrs. Adelaide Noble (formerly Miss Adelaide Paxton), Mrs. Jeanne Travis (formerly Miss J. Jeanne Adams), and Mrs. Hazel Matthews (formerly Miss Hazel Gilhuly). Mr. Everett C. Ensign has been a member of the Board of Education for a period of twenty-four years, and Mr. Howard A. Tappen, Mr. Howard R. Valentine, Mr. Charles Farrell and Mr. Melvin Clum for more than ten years.

The school appropriation for next year is \$196,997. The school facilities of Woodbridge township will bear a favorable comparison, from the standpoint of school buildings, equipment and supervision, with any township school district in the State, with a similar population and valuation. Woodbridge has always been a leader in educational matters.

The following is a table of comparison of thirty-three years of growth:

| School Phases. | 1887. | 1920. | Increase. |
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| Number of Male Teachers Employed..... | 20 | 83 | 63 |
| Number of Female Teachers Employed..... | 160 | 783 | 623 |

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| Average Salary Paid to Male Teachers | 800 | 1,600 | 800 |
| Average Salary Paid to Female Teachers | 550 | 1,100 | 550 |
| Total Number of Pupils Enrolled..... | 8,850 | 30,000 | 21,150 |
| Average Daily Attendance..... | 6,000 | 22,317 | 16,317 |
| Value of School Property..... | 270,000 | 3,454,100 | 3,184,100 |
| Total District School Appropriation..... | 60,000 | 958,046 | 808,046 |
| Total State School Appropriation..... | 70,000 | 454,673 | 384,673 |
| Total Amount Received from all Sources..... | 130,000 | 1,412,719 | 1,282,719 |

Honor Roll—So many of the residents of the county have rendered such long and valuable public school service in Middlesex county that I take pleasure in mentioning the names of those who have served successfully and continuously for many years, hoping that the public will appreciate these faithful workers upon whom depend Business Enterprise; Good Citizenship; Public Security; State Pride; National Prosperity—aye, the very perpetuity of our institutions depend upon our Public School Teachers, Public School Officials, Public School Facilities.

The following named have been supervising principals, with an active service for more than ten years; years of service:

Samuel E. Shull (Supt.) Perth Amboy, 25; John H. Love, Woodbridge, 25; Miss Lizzie F. Straub, South Amboy, 20; John F. D. Heinenken, Milltown, 19; Thomas G. Van Kirk, Metuchen, 19; Charles Runyon, New Brunswick, 17; William F. Mets, New Market, 15; Curtis A. Deveney, Jamesburg, 15; Jesse Selover, South River, 14; Floyd L. Evans, Dayton, 13; Barbara V. Hermann, Chrome, 13; Anna Fitts, Spotswood, 13.

The following named have served as teachers, in active service for more than twenty years; years of service:

Fifty Years—Eleanor S. Lott, New Brunswick.

Thirty to Forty Years—Mary Castner, New Brunswick, 35; Cecelia Boudinot, New Brunswick, 35; Cornelia Schroeder, New Brunswick, 34; Annie Richards, Woodbridge, 34; M. Emma MacWilliam, Perth Amboy, 33; Katharine O'Connor, South Amboy, 33; Mary Stadler, South River, 33; Sarah T. M. Brown, South River, 33; Gertrude W. Shann, Kingston, 33; Amanda Voorhees, New Brunswick, 31; Viola E. Dunham, Woodbridge, 30; Miss Meta F. Soper, Metuchen, 30; Mr. Charles Dietz, Perth Amboy, 30.

Twenty to Thirty Years—Jennie Pemberton, Perth Amboy, 29; Mary J. Watson, South Amboy, 29; Carolyn Plechner, New Brunswick, 28; Dillie F. Thornall, Metuchen, 28; Susan M. Phillips, Metuchen, 28; Marguerite Winter, Cliffwood, 27; Susie B. Felter, New Brunswick, 26; Sarah O. Witlock, New Brunswick, 25; Margaret Terhune, New Brunswick, 25; Emma A. McCoy, New Brunswick, 24; Anna Joslin, Perth Amboy 24; Wilfred R. Woodward, New Brunswick, 24; Mrs. Josephine F. Carman, Metuchen, 24; Josephine Masso, New Brunswick, 23; Angie Wray, New Brunswick, 23; Edith L. Sofield, New Brunswick, 23; Katharine McCormick, Perth Amboy, 23; Edgar H. Kleinhans, Perth Amboy, 23; Mrs. Florence C. Matteson, South Amboy, 23; Blanche Johnston, New Brunswick, 22; Joseph F. Walker, Perth Amboy, 22; Mary P. Meade, Perth Amboy, 22; Grace Hawk, Perth Amboy, 22; Mary E. Buchanan, South Amboy, 22; Laura Scudder, Cranbury, 22; Henry

Miller, New Brunswick, 21; Adelle Williams, Perth Amboy, 21; Frank Meskill, South Plainfield, 21; Henrietta M. Osborne, Dayton, 21; Ethel A. Inslee, Woodbridge, 21; George W. Wilmot, New Brunswick, 20; Susan Crabel, Milltown, 20; Harriet Fraser, Perth Amboy, 20; Helen Brown, Perth Amboy, 20; Estelle Van Arsdale, South River, 20; Mercy Hillmann, South Amboy, 20.

Names of those who have rendered unusually long term of service but not on the Honor Roll by reason of change of district:

Blendina Smock, New Brunswick, 36 years; Nora B. Henderson, Freehold, 35; Chrissie Bartle, New Brunswick, 35; Anna Cheeseman, Metuchen, 29.

Names of those who have rendered unusually long term of service, but have retired with pension:

Amanda E. Van Nuis, Perth Amboy; *Anne Caster, New Brunswick; Rebecca T. Allen, Hightstown; Louise H. Connell, Emma Gilman, Ella Kent, Frances Kent, Perth Amboy; Laura Rutan, Kate C. Bogart, South Amboy; Mary Wakeham, Laura Wilson, New Brunswick; *Isabelle Huff, *Mary E. Vaughan, Perth Amboy; *Sarah J. Price, *Elizabeth Heward, New Brunswick.

*Deceased.

Names of School Board members, with address and years of service:

Forty to Fifty Years—John O. Cozzens, Spotswood, 42.

Thirty to Forty Years—William T. Woerner, New Brunswick, 36; William Carman, Metuchen, 35; Salter S. Selover, Jamesburg, 32; Thomas W. Buckelew, New Brunswick, 30.

Twenty to Thirty Years—Frank W. Stout, Monmouth Junction, 29; William F. Perrine, Cranbury, 26; Howard J. Butcher, Cranbury, 25; Everett C. Ensign, Woodbridge, 24; George Allgair, South River, 24; Chester A. Burt, Helmetta, 21; I. C. Crandall, Old Bridge, 21; Theodore W. Day, Dunellen, 20.

Note—Mr. R. Bruce Crowell, of Metuchen, N. J., who recently died, had served as a member of the Board of Education for fifty years.

Realizing that there would be a much greater proportional return from combined effort than from individual effort, the following organizations have been established for a number of years and have been very helpful from the viewpoint of better preparation, unity of purpose, sociability and community interests:

Teachers' Library—Twenty-five years ago there was organized a Teachers' Library, composed of one hundred and fifty professional works, established in the third story of the old Free Circulating Library, corner of George and Paterson streets, New Brunswick, New Jersey. The object of this library was to provide the most recent professional publications for the use and benefit of the teachers of the county. The board of managers consisted of H. Brewster Willis, County Superintendent, president; George G. Ryan, Superintendent of Schools of the

City of New Brunswick, vice-president; Alfred J. Wilson, Supervising Principal of Piscataway Township, secretary; Samuel E. Shull, Superintendent of Schools of the City of Perth Amboy; Harry Cathers, John F. D. Heineken, R. M. Fitch, librarians; Thomas G. Van Kirk, recorder.

This library is now established in desirable rooms in the Free Public Library on Livingston avenue, New Brunswick, containing over 3,000 volumes, with a librarian in attendance. New works are added yearly. This library is considered one of the best teachers' libraries in the State of New Jersey. The management of the library at present is as follows: H. Brewster Willis, president; Ira T. Chapman, Oscar O. Barr, vice-presidents; Thomas G. Van Kirk, secretary; Samuel E. Shull, treasurer; John F. D. Heineken and Miss Kathryn A. Newmyer, librarian.

School Board Association—The Middlesex County School Board Association was organized twenty-four years ago; H. Brewster Willis was elected president; John H. Wade, vice-president; William Carman, secretary; and Daniel W. Clayton, treasurer. The following persons were present and became charter members of the Association, in addition to the officers: Brognard Betts, Edward S. Hammell, John Evans, Ferdinand E. Riva, William H. Clemmons, Welcome G. Clemmons, John H. Kuhlthau, Manning Freeman, William Fitz Randolph, Aaron W. Deane, George P. Smith, Charles W. Fisher, D. E. Lowrie, John C. Morris, Rev. J. A. Trimmer and Wilson S. Frederick. The object of the Association was to meet the State and county school officials, consider public school interests generally, and exchange views upon the administrative and professional lines of school work. Several of the governors of the State, all of the officers of the State Department, a considerable number of State Senators and Assemblymen, together with the leading educators of the State and from other States, have appeared before this organization on important school matters.

This is the first organization of its kind in the State, and it is believed the first of the kind in the country; its direct object being to prepare School Board men for their responsible duties. At present the membership of this Association numbers two hundred, and the management is under H. Brewster Willis, president; Samuel E. Shull, Ira T. Chapman, Oscar O. Barr, vice-presidents; Daniel W. Clayton, treasurer; William Carman, secretary, and Thomas G. Van Kirk, assistant secretary. It is rather noticeable that County Superintendent Willis, County Surrogate Daniel W. Clayton and ex-Sheriff William Carman have continued for a period of twenty-four years officials in this Association.

Supervising Principals' Association—The Supervising Principals' Association was organized eighteen years ago with H. Brewster Willis, County Superintendent, president; John F. D. Heineken, secretary; Asbury Fountain, treasurer, together with Harry Cathers, Thomas G. Van Kirk, J. N. Folwell, William Campbell, John H. Love, Russel M.

Fitch and others, at the Sewaren House, Woodbridge, in 1902. The object of this organization was to prepare and enforce uniform courses of study, rules and regulations for the government of schools, distribute printed matter to pupils, teachers and parents, secure from the boards of education the necessary district school stationery, and hear the leading school men of the State on important school problems.

This organization at present has a membership of thirty supervising principals, and has been an educational force in the school matters of the county. The present officials of the Association are: H. Brewster Willis, president; Samuel E. Shull, Ira T. Chapman, Oscar O. Barr, vice-presidents; John F. D. Heineken, secretary; Floyd L. Evans, assistant secretary. This organization is the first of its kind to be established in the State. Nearly all of the counties have now fallen in line.

District Teachers' Association—In 1902 each of the borough and township school districts of the county organized a monthly teachers' meeting. Each district was organized by a president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer, with a distinct yearly program approved by the County Superintendent, and usually included special papers to be prepared by one or more of the members, the review of a pedagogical work which had previously been assigned, an address from an outside school man, and a class demonstration. The pedagogical works used by these associations were secured at the Teachers' Library from the large number of writers on theory and practice, history of education, school administration, psychology, physical training, agriculture, manual arts, domestic science, moral education, ethics and miscellaneous works.

At the close of the school year a report has been made by the president and secretary of the work accomplished and filed the same in the office of the County Superintendent. These monthly meetings have afforded an opportunity for a demonstration of the best teaching in the county, and created a sociability among the teachers, especially in the rural sections. The high school commencement exercises, the elementary school closing exercises and the annual field day demonstrations and exercises are under the control of these district organizations.

Parent-Teachers' Association—For some years Middlesex county has had the benefit of the active work of a County Council Parent-Teachers' Association, with local district associations. Very many of the substantial improvements to school buildings and the ornamentation to the school grounds are the result of the activity of the Parent-Teachers' Association.

The officers of the County Council of Parent-Teachers' Association are as follows: Mrs. Charles A. DeRussy, of Woodbridge, president; Mrs. W. O. Whitney, of Highland Park, vice-president; Mrs. A. N. Mullin, of Highland Park, secretary; Mrs. G. H. Boynton, of Woodbridge, corresponding secretary; Mrs. George G. Johnson, of New Brunswick, treasurer.

There is not a county in the State, where there is more professional help for teachers than in Middlesex.

County Vocational Schools—At the regular meeting of the County School Board Association held in the city of Perth Amboy, on the 31st day of January, 1914, a resolution was passed instructing the president of the Association, Mr. H. Brewster Willis, to appoint a committee of five, of whom the County Superintendent should be one, to investigate the necessity for and to consider the advisability of County Vocational Schools, and to submit the findings of the committee in a report to this Association, at an early date.

Mr. Willis appointed as members of this committee, Mr. A. Clayton Clark, superintendent of the Raritan Copper Works, Perth Amboy; Mr. Howard V. Buttler, president of the Buttler-Howell Co., New Brunswick; Mr. Douglas J. Fisher, of the Sayre & Fisher Co., Sayreville; Mr. John V. B. Wicoff, counsellor-at-law, Plainsboro. The committee made a thorough investigation of school and industrial conditions in the county, and visited a number of vocational schools in this and other States. This committee reported that 1,113 pupils had left the schools of the county during the previous year, before they had completed the eighth year of work; that these children were not prepared for life work; that out of sixty representative manufacturing industries in the county, fifty-four were favorable to the establishment of vocational schools. A definite recommendation was made to the effect that County Vocational Schools should be established in Middlesex county.

The report of this committee was submitted to Hon. Peter F. Daly, judge of the Court of Common Pleas, who appointed the same gentlemen who had so ably served as an investigating committee, as members of the Board of Education of the Vocational Schools. The members of the newly appointed board organized as follows: Mr. A. Clayton Clark, Perth Amboy, president; Mr. Howard V. Buttler, New Brunswick, vice-president; Mr. Douglas J. Fisher, Sayreville; Mr. John V. B. Wicoff, Plainsboro; Mr. H. Brewster Willis, New Brunswick, secretary; Mr. Thorfin Tait, Metuchen, treasurer, (all college men), on November 2, 1914.

The board made a very careful search throughout this State and other states for a suitable man, in education and vocational experience, to act as a County Director of Vocational Schools. Clifford E. Parsil, assistant to James E. Dougan, headmaster of the Newark Boys' Vocational School, was the unanimous choice of the county board, and his successful administration for the past five years is the best evidence of the fact that the board acted wisely in its selection.

Vocational School No. 1, at New Brunswick, was opened in September, 1915. A building on Guilden street, which had formerly been used for public school purposes, was equipped with woodworking machinery

and benches, a drafting room, and a room where the related academic subjects could be taught. On opening day about thirty-five boys reported for work, but before the first term was well under way there were but two or three vacancies. The school at that time was equipped to accommodate fifty-four boys. In September, 1916, a printing department was added to School No. 1, and this increased the capacity to seventy-two boys.

Within the past year the board has erected an up-to-date strictly vocational school building, at an approximate cost of \$120,000, with a capacity for the industrial instruction to 150 boys. This building is located on a very desirable site on Easton avenue, in the city of New Brunswick, directly opposite to Buccleuh Park, where the boys have the privilege of enjoying all the facilities of the park and the athletic grounds. The building is equipped with most modern facilities, including a spacious and well furnished auditorium, named after Hon. Peter F. Daly, judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Middlesex county, who has been such a staunch advocate of the County Vocational Schools, and furnished by the donation of \$1,500 from Mr. Joseph Hayden, of Omaha, Nebraska, a friend to the school. Mr. Floyd S. Stein, principal, is the head of the woodworking department; Mr. Frank M. Tomer, head of the drafting; Mr. Alfred J. Cardinal and Mrs. Bertha L. Schaeffer in charge of the academic subjects; Mr. Morton H. Roby, head of the printing, and Mr. William F. Van Pelt, head of the auto repair department. The foundry and electrical departments will be opened in due time.

The Guilden Street School property, since the opening of the new school building in October, 1919, has been used as a County Vocational School for Girls, in which is taught practical dressmaking, practical cooking, food values, food selection and purchasing, household accounts, hygiene, home nursing, together with the academic branches. The direct object of the school is to teach young girls all phases of American home making. Miss Carolyn Argast, of Columbia College (principal), is head of the practical dressmaking department; Mrs. Alice B. Rose is in charge of all phases of the cooking and food department, and Miss Elizabeth Wallack is in charge of the academic department.

In September, 1916, County Vocational School for Boys, No. 2, was opened in the city of Perth Amboy. The building was made of brick, and especially constructed for the purpose. At this center a very large and well equipped machine shop was established; mechanical drafting and related academic subjects are taught, and instruction given in industrial chemistry, requested by and generously supported by the large industries of the city maintaining chemical laboratories. This property has recently been purchased by the board for \$20,500. Mr. John M. Shoe (principal), is at the head of the machine shop department; Mr.

Albert Gardner, drafting; Mr. Otto B. Durholtz, related academic subjects; Mr. Joseph Tatton, head of the department of industrial chemistry.

Plans and specifications have been prepared for an additional building on the five unoccupied lots, adjoining the present school, at a cost not to exceed \$135,000. The County Board of Estimate has acted favorably upon this building proposition.

In addition to the day courses for boys, the board has maintained since 1915 evening schools in three centers—the city of New Brunswick, the city of Perth Amboy, and the city of South Amboy, in which about 800 men and women received instructions in carpentry, pattern making, mechanical drafting, architectural drafting, show card writing, machine shop practice, automobile repairing, shop mathematics, agriculture, dressmaking, millinery and cooking.

The County Vocational Schools have graduated about fifty boys who are holding their own in the industrial world.

In view of the critical condition of industry, Middlesex county may justly feel proud of the vocational schools she owns and maintains for the boys and the girls who have received elementary academic instruction and desire to prepare themselves for the industries. The demand for vocational education is a widespread one, and is rooted in the social and economic changes of the times.

The Boards of Chosen Freeholders have given substantial help in the establishment of the County Vocational School system. The members of the Board of Chosen Freeholders who made the appropriation which made possible the organization of County Vocational Schools were: A. J. Gebhardt, director, New Brunswick; Andrew Ely, Dayton; William D. Casey, Roosevelt; Alfred Kerr, South Amboy, and Theodore Cohn, New Brunswick.

The members of the Board of Chosen Freeholders who voted the appropriation to provide permanent buildings for the County Vocational School in the city of Perth Amboy and in the city of New Brunswick are: William S. Dey, director, South Amboy; Clarence M. Haight, Dunellen; E. Leon Loblein, New Brunswick; Frederick Gebhardt, Sr., New Brunswick; Louis J. Belloff, New Brunswick; F. William Hilker, Perth Amboy, and Christian Jorgensen, Perth Amboy.

For friendly help in the public school work during the past thirty-three years, I am pleased to mention the State Department of Public Instruction; the County Press; Rutgers College; the several school organizations, and in the preparation of this brief sketch I am pleased to acknowledge the aid of Mr. Clifford E. Parssil, Middlesex County Director of Vocational Schools; the Supervising Principals; and Miss Anna J. Lagerstedt, who has been the efficient secretary of the County Superintendent for the past fourteen years.

CHAPTER XXI.

THE PRESS.

It was to be expected that the first periodical published in Middlesex county would be issued from its first printing office, and this occurred in 1758, when James Parker, who had established the first office in the State, near what is now the corner of Perth Amboy avenue and Grove street, in Woodbridge, issued the first number of "The New American Magazine," published monthly for years and edited by Samuel Nevill, of Perth Amboy, who wrote under the *nom de plume* of "Sylvanus Americanus." Each number was of forty pages octavo, and contained a variety of instructive and entertaining matter. Mr. Parker, to whom further and more complete reference is made in the chapter on Woodbridge township, was a remarkable man, and, with Governor Joseph Bloomfield and General Zebulon Montgomery Pike, were the most prominent men in the history of the township of Woodbridge. He published the second volume of "Nevill's Laws of New Jersey," and established "The Gazette," in New Haven, the first newspaper in Connecticut. His most important contribution to history was made in 1765, when he printed at Burlington, for Samuel Smith, the historian, the first issue of the "History of New Jersey."

In 1866, James E. Berry commenced the publication of the weekly "Woodbridge Gazette," and continued it for about two years, at the end of which time he engaged in mercantile business in New York, and discontinued the publication. In the spring of 1876, Colonel Alfred W. Jones, of Virginia, who had formerly been interested with Henry Farmer in the publication of the "Middlesex County Democrat," at Perth Amboy, established the weekly "Independent Hour" at Woodbridge, and continued its publication until 1879, when he removed to Virginia, and Peter K. Edgar, who had been the local editor, purchased the paper and published it until 1900, when he disposed of the property and the plant was removed to Gloucester county.

Henry B. Rollinson, of the "Rahway Advocate," commenced the publication of the "Woodbridge Register" in 1896, which was finally merged in the "Woodbridge Leader," a weekly, owned by a syndicate, and which is still published. Maxwell W. Logan, who had been operating a printing office for several years, issued the "Weekly Independent" in 1919, and is still publishing it in connection with "The Mosquito," which he purchased from H. E. Pickersgill, of Perth Amboy.

The first newspaper published in New Brunswick, of which there is any record, was the "Political Intelligencer and New Jersey Advertiser," edited by Shepard Kollock, of Delaware, in 1783. In 1779, Kol-

lock, a lieutenant in Colonel John Lamb's artillery regiment, of the Revolutionary army, started the "New Jersey Journal" at Chatham, Morris county. Like many of his successors, Kollock had much trouble in collecting from his subscribers, and offered to take in payment anything from firewood to needles, and fresh country produce of every description. He carried on a general store at Chatham, selling tea and negro boys and girls, Bibles and rum, calicoes and hoes, "chocolat" and turnips. At the close of the war in 1783, he removed to New Brunswick, where until 1785 he published the above-mentioned paper in one of the buildings belonging to Queen's (now Rutgers) College. He died in Elizabeth in 1839, aged eighty-eight, after having acceptably filled many offices of profit and trust in Union county. The paper was succeeded in 1792 by "The Guardian and New Brunswick Advertiser," published by Abraham Blauvelt, of Tappan, New York, and circulated for many years in Middlesex, Somerset and Monmouth counties.

The "New Brunswick Fredonian" was established April 10, 1811, by James and David F. Randolph, brothers, of Piscataway township. They were experienced printers, having served an apprenticeship in the office of the "Alexandria (Virginia) Gazette." They were active in all social, religious and political movements in the city, county and State. From 1828 to 1832 James was a member of Congress and was the father of Governor and United States Senator Theodore F. Randolph. In 1854, John F. Babcock, of New York, who had been foreman of the paper for two years, purchased the plant and added a daily edition. Mr. Babcock was probably the most aggressive and influential editor the county has ever known. A forcible and interesting writer, absolutely fearless and progressive, his editorials always commanded respect and caused comment, and were of the greatest value to his party. From the first he became a prominent leader of the Republican party, was for years secretary of the State Senate, and was one of the founders and successively secretary and president of the State Editorial Association. He disposed of the paper in 1886 to a syndicate, who renamed it "The Press." After retiring from the editorship of "The Fredonian," Mr. Babcock was for several years manager and instructor in the printing office connected with the State School for Boys at Jamesburg.

The "New Brunswick Times and General Advertiser" was established June 1, 1815, by Deare & Myer, and a number of years later purchased by Albert Speer, a prominent Democrat, and conducted by him until his death in 1869. For a brief period, subsequent to 1846, he advocated the Free-Soil principles, which induced Alphonso E. Gordon, of Philadelphia, to start the "New Jersey Union" as a regular Democratic organ in 1847, and the "Daily News" in 1851. In 1855, Mr. Speer returned to the Democratic fold, and Mr. Gordon sold him his daily and weekly and removed to Grand Rapids, Michigan. In 1871 Mr. Gordon

purchased "The Times" and published it until 1890, when it passed into the hands of a syndicate composed of Millard F. Ross, Judge J. Kearney Rice, William H. Price, Oliver Kelly, W. Parker Runyon and Edwin W. Furman.

In 1880, Hugh Boyd, a native of Bangor, Ireland, who for a number of years was a compositor, reporter and city editor of "The Times," purchased from Albert L. Blue and Joseph Fischer, the "Home News," which had been established by them a few months before. Mr. Boyd's success was rapid, and has been continuous. A man of untiring energy and a born journalist, he soon built up a flourishing printing business in addition to the increased circulation of his daily and weekly papers. He now publishes the daily and weekly "Home News," and the daily (on Sundays) "Times." He also acquired the plants of both "The Freedomian" and "Times." His career is a bright example to all ambitious editors and printers.

Other publications which had an ephemeral existence in New Brunswick were, with their editors and publishers, as follows: "The Mail," William H. Fiske; "The Mosquito," J. Morgan Macom; "Catholic Record," E. J. McMurtry and Eugene A. Morris; "Watkin's Weekly," Charles A. Banks; and the "Jeffersonian Magazine."

The "Perth Amboy Times" was published in 1858-59 by Augustus Watters, of Newark, a poet of considerable reputation, who is still living. This was antedated by "The Mirror," which existed for about one year. In 1868 Colonel Alfred W. Jones and Henry Farmer, of Orange, founded the "Middlesex County Democrat," which, after several changes, passed about 1884 into the control of St. George Kempson, who also in 1892 began the publication of the "Middlesex County Herald," the first daily published in the city.

In 1879, James L. and William H. Tooker, of Port Jefferson, New York, issued the first number of the "Perth Amboy Republican," and published it for many years until it passed into the control of Misses Louise and Georgia Boynton, of Sewaren, and eventually was disposed of to the present owners, Messrs. Runyon, Olmstead and Clevenger, who changed the name to the "Evening News," and have recently erected a large and handsome brick building on the corner of Madison avenue and Jefferson street. Cortlandt L. Parker published "The Gazette," and Wilbur La Roe and the late James L. Wight "The Chronicle," both weeklies, for several years. Recorder H. E. Pickersgill, among his multifarious duties, still finds time to publish "The Jersey Mosquito."

George W. Burroughs began the publication of the "Cranbury Press" in 1885. He has had much newspaper experience, and for several years managed the "New Brunswick Freedomian." He publishes a neat and interesting weekly, and has established a good printing business.

J. Fraser Kempson, a brother of St. George, published the "Metuchen Inquirer" for a number of years, and was succeeded by "The Recorder," still published by Charles A. Prickitt.

Other journals published in the county are: The "Roosevelt News," Thomas Yorke; the "South Amboy Citizen," M. N. Roll, and the "Dunellen Call," Publishing Company.

In preparing this brief sketch of "The Fourth Estate" in Middlesex county, much of the data has been very difficult, and in some cases almost impossible, to obtain, and we are much indebted in this regard to Recorder H. E. Pickersgill and Mr. James L. Tooker, of Perth Amboy, and Mr. John P. Wall, and Librarians Osborne and Graham, of the Rutgers College Library, New Brunswick.

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COURT HOUSE, NEW BRUNSWICK,
Showing the "Maine" Monument.



MASONIC TEMPLE, NEW BRUNSWICK



SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' MONUMENT, NEW BRUNSWICK

CHAPTER XXII.

THE BENCH AND BAR.

Lawyers were in regular practice in this county at an earlier period than in any other county in East Jersey, except Bergen. This may be due to the fact that Perth Amboy, being intended as the capital of the county, drew thither soon after its founding many men who had studied law and politics in the schools of England and Scotland.

The first records of counselors being called in the county courts was at the General Quarter Sessions of the Peace, held in Perth Amboy in September, 1708, when the names of Francis Sites, John Lofton and Corse Froam, "counselors," were called. Thomas Gordon, of Pitlurg, Scotland, who came to Perth Amboy with the first settlers in 1684, was Chief Justice of the Province in 1709, Attorney-General in 1719, and became a very prominent and useful citizen. In 1692 he was made Judge of Probate, and in 1694 an officer of the customs, Perth Amboy having been made a port of entry. He was the representative of the county in the General Assembly from 1703 to 1709, and a portion of the time speaker of the House. From 1710 to 1719 he was Receiver-General and Treasurer of the Province.

Thomas Farmer came to Perth Amboy from Staten Island in 1711, and was made Chief Justice in 1728. Philip Kearny, born in Monmouth county, settled in Perth Amboy in 1716, and was made secretary of the Province, clerk of the Assembly and of the Court of Common Pleas in 1720. He practiced law in this and other counties for thirty-four years. Cortlandt Skinner, of Perth Amboy, practiced in this and other counties from 1742 until he left the country at the commencement of the Revolution. He was Attorney-General of the Province and speaker of the General Assembly under the Crown, which position he continued to occupy until 1775. He was a strong loyalist; but disapproved of the arbitrary measures of the British ministry toward the Colonies, as calculated to force them into an effort to secure their independence. In consequence of a letter written to his brother in January, 1776, the latter being an officer in the British army, the Continental Congress ordered that he be arrested and kept in safe custody. He had, however, taken refuge on an English man-of-war, and after the war went to England, where he remained until the end of his life.

The first county court was held in Piscataway, June 19, 1683, by act of the General Assembly, and by virtue of a commission published under the seal of the Province and signed, by order of the Council, by Governor Thomas Rudyard, dated March 28, 1683, the officers being as follows: Samuel Dennis, president, or judge; assistants—Edward Slater, James

Giles, Captain John Bishop, Samuel Hall and Benjamin Hull. John Pike, Jr., of Woodbridge, was made clerk, and Geoffrey Manning, marshal, or crier. A single case was tried at the session, in which Slater, one of the assistant judges, acted as bail for the defendant. We wonder what our lawyers would say now if one of our judges should attempt to follow the example of his predecessor in 1683.

The second court was held at Woodbridge on September 18 of the same year; and thereafter it continued to be held alternately at Piscataway and Woodbridge until June 28, 1688, when it is recorded to have been held for the first time at Perth Amboy. From that time until 1699 the courts were held alternately at the three above-mentioned places.

There is a break in the records from 1699 till 1708, when it appears that a "Court of Sessions for the County *Middlesex and Somerset*" was held at Perth Amboy. For a long time after this date, courts were held at Perth Amboy only, and the now separate counties were always named conjointly in the record as one county, as in the above instance. The above record is taken from a venerable parchment-bound manuscript in the county clerk's office, containing the minutes of the county court from its first session, June 19, 1683, to February 22, 1720. It is in the original handwriting of the several county clerks—John Pike, Edward Slater, and others. The last eleven pages of the book is an original record of the acts of the road commissioners appointed by the General Assembly in 1704, and comprises a period from June 14, 1705, to July 13, 1713.

New Brunswick is first mentioned in the records of our county courts April 7, 1724, when two surveyors of roads and two constables were appointed for it. Courts of Common Pleas for the county were first held in New Brunswick in January, 1778, and a courthouse is first mentioned in connection with the city on July 2, 1778, when "the Barracks," on George street, near Paterson, where the soldiers of the Revolution were quartered, were granted by the Legislature, to be used until a suitable building could be erected. Prior to this, and as early as May 21, 1717, there was a courthouse and jail at Perth Amboy. In 1794 the Barracks were burned, and the "Union," or Old City Hall, was built and used as a courthouse until about 1840, when the present building was erected at a cost of about \$30,000, with money obtained from the State.

Lewis Morris, whose name appears as a lawyer at the county bar in 1742, was at that time Governor of the Province and resided in the gubernatorial mansion at Perth Amboy. He was an eminent jurist, and the first Governor appointed who was a native of the Province, and was very popular with the people. He was also the first Governor who was not also Governor of New York. In 1738 a royal commission arrived from England for him as Governor of New Jersey, separate from New York; he served until his death in 1746.

Richard Stockton, of Princeton, then a part of this county, was a judge of the Supreme Court before the Revolution, and a signer of the Declaration of Independence. He was the ancestor of the famous family of that name in the State. Robert Hunter Morris was Chief Justice from 1738 until his death in 1764. His son Robert also resided in New Brunswick, and was the first Chief Justice under the Constitution, having been elected by the joint meeting of the Legislature in 1777. In 1790 President Washington appointed him judge of the United States District Court for New Jersey, a position he occupied until his death in 1815.

Governor Joseph Bloomfield was born at Woodbridge, in 1755, read law with Cortlandt Skinner, and was admitted to the bar in 1776. In 1783 he was elected by the joint meeting Attorney-General, in 1801 was elected Governor and for eight years thereafter reelected without opposition. He was also a gallant soldier in the Revolution.

Andrew Kirkpatrick was born in Somerset county, in 1756, but spent the greater part of his life in New Brunswick. He studied law with Governor William Paterson, and was admitted in 1785. In 1803 he was appointed Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, and served for twenty-seven years, a longer period than any other judge except Isaac Smith. James S. Nevius was born in Somerset county, but practiced his profession in New Brunswick. He served as a justice of the Supreme Court for fourteen years, and at the end of his second term removed to Jersey City, where he died in 1859. George Wood was born in Burlington county, read law with Judge Stockton, was admitted in 1812, and commenced to practice in New Brunswick. He was probably one of the ablest lawyers at the bar; but his reputation is not confined to this county and State. He removed to New York after a few years, and was considered the equal of the best practitioners of the metropolis. Joseph Warren Scott, son of Dr. Moses Scott, of New Brunswick, was born in 1779. He was a profound student of the law and an eloquent advocate. He served in the war of 1812, and retired with a colonel's commission. From 1844 until his death in 1871, he was president of the New Jersey Society of the Cincinnati.

George P. Molleson was born in New Brunswick in 1805, and was prosecutor for one year, and Attorney-General from 1841-44.

Cortlandt Parker, son of James Parker, was born in Perth Amboy, in 1818. He graduated at Rutgers College in 1836, read law with Hon. Theodore Frelinghuysen, and was admitted to the bar in 1839. He began practice in Newark, being associated with Joseph P. Bradley, afterward justice of the United States Supreme Court, and Frederick F. Frelinghuysen, later United States Senator and Secretary of State. In 1857 Governor Newell appointed him prosecutor for Essex county, a position he filled for ten years, and was the only public office he ever accepted. He was generally acknowledged for many years to be the

head, and at his death was the oldest and most distinguished active representative of the New Jersey bar. He declined nominations to Congress, a judgeship in a court to adjust the Alabama Claims, and the ambassadorships to Russia and Austria. In connection with Chief Justice Beasley and Judge Depue of the Supreme Court, he revised the laws of the State. He received the degree of Doctor of Laws from Princeton University and Rutgers College, and was president of the American Bar Association for several years. He was a prominent member of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and was one of their most trusted and active legal advisers. His sons are: Major-General James Parker, of the United States army; Congressman R. Wayne Parker; Supreme Court Justice Charles W. Parker; Chauncey and Cortlandt Parker.

William H. Leupp was born in this county, and admitted to the bar in 1827. He distinguished himself as an able advocate and lawyer, and died after a successful career of nearly a half century. Henry V. Speer was born in New Brunswick, graduated from Rutgers College, was admitted to the bar in 1834, and up to the time of his death, in 1869, was an active and brilliant advocate. He was Senator from 1856-58. Joseph F. Randolph was admitted to the bar in 1825, and made a justice of the Supreme Court in 1845. At the expiration of his term he returned to New Brunswick and formed a partnership with ex-Mayor McDowell. He died in Jersey City, in 1870.

The first trial held in the present courthouse was that of the State *vs.* Peter Robinson for the murder of Abraham Suydam, president of the Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank of New Brunswick. John Van Dyke was the prosecutor, assisted by Attorney-General Molleson, a brilliant orator. Van Dyke was an eloquent and able advocate, especially in presenting a case before a jury. He was the law partner of A. V. Schenck for eight years, removed to Trenton in 1855, and later was appointed a justice of the Supreme Court. David Graham, the celebrated criminal lawyer of New York, was counsel for the defense, and moved to quash the indictment on the ground that it did not specify the degree of murder, and cited a number of cases in the courts of the Southern States. Chief Justice Hornblower overruled the motion, remarking that he did not think it necessary to go south of Mason and Dixon's line to ascertain the law to settle the degrees of murder in New Jersey.

William B. Paterson, grandson of ex-Governor Paterson, was admitted to the bar in 1806, was a member of the Constitutional Convention of 1844, and the father of the late William Paterson, of Perth Amboy. His son William was born in Perth Amboy in 1817, graduated from Princeton, and admitted to the bar in 1838. Between 1845 and 1878 he was mayor of Perth Amboy for twelve years. In 1882 he was a judge of the Court of Errors and Appeals and served from 1883-89. He published a number of works, among which were "Poems of Twin-

Graduates of Princeton," which were deservedly popular. John C. Elmendorf was born near Somerville in 1814. He read law with Judge Nevius, and in 1839 removed to New Brunswick, where he resided for the remainder of his life. He was prosecutor for fifteen years, after which he became a register in bankruptcy. Robert and Garnett B. Adrain were sons of Professor Robert Adrain, a distinguished scholar and mathematician, who came from Ireland in 1798 and was connected successively with Columbia and Rutgers colleges. Robert was a successful lawyer, and served a term as surrogate. Garnett read law with his brother, was admitted to the bar in 1836, and became eminently successful both as an advocate and counselor. He was recognized by the bar as a legal light of the highest order, and a forcible, ready, witty and eloquent speaker who had few equals in the State. He was a member of Congress from 1857-61.

Abraham V. Schenck was born in New Brunswick, in 1821, read law with Henry V. Speer, was admitted to the bar in 1843 and took part in many of the most important causes in the county. He had the distinction, in the case of the State *vs.* Hart Moore, county collector, of obtaining a favorable decision from the Court of Errors, reversing the action of the lower courts. In this case the question arose whether the act of the Legislature which extended the time of the prosecution of public officers in the State from two to five years was an *ex post facto* law. Mr. Schenck maintained that it was, and that it impaired the defendant's vested rights under the Constitution. Supreme Court Justice Scudder overruled him, and he carried the judgment of conviction, by writ of error, to the Supreme Court, where Chief Justice Beasley affirmed the judgment of the court below; but the Court of Errors and Appeals reversed the judgments of the lower courts, and fully sustained Mr. Schenck. This was one of the most important decisions in the State, and attracted the attention of the leading journals of the country. The "Central Law Journal," July 29, 1881, declared that Mr. Schenck's argument before the Court of Errors was the ablest ever made in that court. He was prosecutor of the pleas from 1871 to 1877, and during that time not a single indictment was quashed, nor one of his convictions reversed, or carried to a higher court for review.

Woodbridge Strong was born in Clinton, New York, and came to New Brunswick when quite young. He graduated from Rutgers College, read law with John Van Dyke, and practiced his profession in the city during his entire life, except during 1849-1850, when he was in the West, and from 1874-1879 and 1896-1905, when he was law judge. He was an excellent lawyer, and made a very acceptable judge. A genial and cultured gentleman, he was deservedly popular with the profession and with the people. His sons, Alan H. and Theodore, became lawyers, and were partners until the former was made general counsel for the

Pennsylvania Railroad Company, and removed to Philadelphia. Theodore remained in New Brunswick and succeeded his brother as local counsel to the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. He was Senator from 1901-3.

George Craig Ludlow, Governor from 1881-84, was born in Milford, Hunterdon county, in 1830. At the age of five years his parents removed to New Brunswick, where he resided until his death. He read law with William H. Leupp, and was a careful, able lawyer, and enjoyed a lucrative practice. He was Senator from 1877-79, and president in 1878. He was a Supreme Court justice from 1895-1901. James M. Chapman was born in Perth Amboy in 1822 and read law with Judge Elias Ogden. He practiced principally in New York. He was mayor of Perth Amboy in 1869-70. Willard T. Voorhees was born in New Brunswick in 1851, read law with Judge Strong, and had a large practice until appointed Supreme Court Justice in 1908; he died in office in 1914. Captain James Parker, a nephew of Cortlandt Parker, was born in Newark, Ohio, and graduated at the United States Naval Academy in 1852, but resigned, studied law, and was admitted to the Ohio bar in 1857. In 1861 he rejoined the navy, served throughout the Civil War, and retired with the rank of lieutenant-commander. In 1891 he became a member of the county bar, made his residence in Perth Amboy, and practiced during the remainder of his life. John W. Beekman was born in Somerset county in 1846, and admitted to the bar in 1875. He was city attorney of Perth Amboy from 1877-95 and made District Court judge in 1909. He was an Assemblyman from 1891-93, and appointed United States District Attorney for New Jersey in 1894, and resigned in 1896. James H. Van Cleef was born in Somerset county in 1841, and admitted to the bar in 1867. He was for several years counsel to the Board of Freeholders, and corporation attorney for New Brunswick. From 1898-1900 he was Senator, and for several terms mayor of the city.

Charles T. Cowenhoven was born in New Brunswick, read law with A. V. Schenck, and was admitted to the bar in 1865. He was the first law judge of the Common Pleas, and was appointed in 1869 and again in 1885. His successors have been Woodbridge Strong, Andrew Cogswell, J. Kearny Rice, Theodore B. Booraem, Adrian Lyon and Peter F. Daly. The records previous to 1862, as to the prosecutors, have been kept in such manner that it is difficult to obtain accurate information. John C. Elmendorf served from 1847 to 1857; George A. Vroom, 1857-62; and Elmendorf, 1862-67. Since then the appointees have been Charles B. Herbert, Abraham V. Schenck, C. T. Cowenhoven, J. Kearny Rice, Robert Adrain, John S. Voorhees, George Berdine, Theodore B. Booraem, George S. Silzer, William E. Florence and Joseph E. Stricker.

J. Kearny was born in Washington, D. C., in 1849, read law with Judge Strong and was admitted in 1876. From 1882-90 he was prose-

ctor, was made law judge in 1890 and United States District Attorney in 1896. Theodore B. Booraem was born in New Brunswick in 1861, read law with A. V. Schenck, was law judge from 1901 to 1909, and prosecutor from 1909-12. Adrian Lyon was born in Pluckamin in 1869, read law with James S. Wight, and was admitted to the bar in 1892. He was assemblyman 1899-1900, law judge 1909-1910, judge of District Court of Perth Amboy 1901-10. Since 1899 he has been president of the Perth Amboy Savings Institution, and for many years registrar of the Board of Proprietors of East Jersey. Robert Adrain, son of Garnett B. Adrain, was born in New Brunswick in 1853, read law with his father, and was admitted to the bar in 1876. He was prosecutor from 1890-1896, and appointed other years *ad interim*. He was Senator from 1889-94, and president 1891-93. John S. Voorhees was born in Somerset county in 1855, read law with his uncle, Frederick Voorhees, and admitted to the bar in 1879; he was prosecutor from 1896 to 1904. Peter F. Daly was born in New York, in 1867, and the family removed to New Brunswick in his boyhood. He read law with James H. Van Cleef, and was admitted to the bar in 1888. He was deputy surrogate from 1892-1902, and surrogate from 1902-12. He was appointed law judge in 1911, and reappointed in 1916. George S. Silzer was born in New Brunswick, in 1870, read law with Judge Rice, was admitted to the bar in 1892, was made prosecutor in 1912, and Circuit Court judge in 1914. He was Senator from 1907-13. His circuit consists of Passaic, Union, Somerset, Sussex and Warren counties. William E. Florence was born in New Brunswick in 1865, read law with Judge Willard Voorhees, was admitted to the bar in 1887, was prosecutor from 1914-16, and Senator from 1917-1919. Joseph E. Stricker was born in Wittingau, Bohemia, in 1870, read law with Wallis, Bumsted & Edwards, attended the New York Law School, and was admitted to the bar in 1897. He was made assistant prosecutor in 1912, and appointed prosecutor in 1916.

Charles C. Hommann was born in Wisconsin, in 1851, read law with Charles Morgan, of South Amboy, and was admitted to the bar in 1880. He was corporation attorney of Perth Amboy for several years, and was appointed District Court judge for Perth Amboy in 1915, and reappointed in 1920. H. Brewster Willis was born in this county, and was admitted to the bar in 1881. He has been counsel to the Board of Freeholders, and for over thirty years county superintendent of the Board of Education. Ephraim Cutler was born in Woodbridge in 1854, graduated from Rutgers College, read law with Andrew Dutcher and Magie & Cross, and was admitted to the bar in 1877. He was a member of the township committee from 1884-89, and for three years its chairman; assemblyman 1888-89, counsel for several years of the township committee, and president of the Board of Education. Frederick Weigel was born in New Brunswick, in 1859, read law with Senator Adrain, and

was admitted to the bar in 1883. He has been corporation attorney for many years. James S. Wight was born in Warren county in 1859, read law with Bedle, Muirheid & McGee, and was admitted to the bar in 1883. He was city clerk and attorney for Perth Amboy for many years. His son, Andrew J., was born in Perth Amboy in 1886, studied with his father, and was admitted to the bar in 1907; he was an Assemblyman in 1918. Joseph H. Thayer Martin was born in Woodbridge, graduated from Harvard University and its Law School, and was admitted to the bar in 1899. He is a partner of ex-Judge Guild, of Newark: he was an Assemblyman in 1904-1905, and is counsel for the Woodbridge Township Committee.

Freeman Woodbridge was born in Saratoga, New York, in 1866, read law with Judge Strong & Sons, and was admitted to the bar in 1892. He was appointed judge of the District Court of New Brunswick in 1911 and still holds that position. For many years he has been a member of the Board of Managers of the New Jersey Reformatory. Edward W. Hicks was born in New Brunswick in 1868, read law with John S. Voorhees, and was admitted to the bar in 1890. He was an Assemblyman in 1894-5, and judge of the District Court of New Brunswick from 1901-11. Alfred S. March was born in New Brunswick in 1876, read law with Van Cleef, Daly & Woodbridge, and was admitted to the bar in 1900. In 1907 he formed a partnership with his brother-in-law, Judge Freeman Woodbridge, which continued until 1911, when the latter was made District Court judge. He has been a member of the Board of Aldermen, and in 1917 was appointed a member of the Public Utility Commissioners, from which he resigned last year. Schuyler C. Van Cleef was born in New Brunswick in 1873, read law with his father, Senator Van Cleef, and was admitted to the bar in 1900. Thomas Brown was born in England, in 1877, while his parents were sojourning in that country. He was brought to this country, and has always resided in this county. He graduated from the New York Law School in 1905, and was admitted to the bar in 1907. He was elected Senator in 1918 by a plurality of 1,378 over James A. Edgar. Last year he served on the committees on highways, municipal corporations, riparian rights, taxation, New Jersey Reformatory, Soldiers' Home, Epileptic Village, and Industrial School for Colored Youths.

Frederick W. De Voe was born at Old Bridge, in 1889, attended the New York Law School, and was admitted to the bar in 1915. He resides at Milltown, with an office in New Brunswick. He was elected to the Assembly 1918-19. C. Raymond Lyons was born in New Brunswick in 1894, graduated from Fordham University in 1916, and was admitted to the bar 1917; he was elected to the Assembly in 1919.

A number of eminent jurists have presided in the Middlesex Circuit, and none more so than Judge Vredenbergh, of Freehold, of

whom it was said that his charge to the jury in criminal cases was more dreaded by the counsel for the defense than the arguments of their opponents. An amusing story is told of one of our circuit judges in the old days, who was very arbitrary in his rulings, and often aroused the ire of the lawyers. Upon one occasion a counselor, being much exasperated by the judge's course, suddenly seized his books and papers, strode wrathfully toward the door and had just reached it, when the judge loudly exclaimed: "Stop, sir!" The counselor obeyed, and His Honor continued: "Are you trying to show your contempt for this court?" Sweeping him a low bow, the lawyer replied: "Oh, no, sir; I am only trying to conceal it."



CHAPTER XXIII.

THE MEDICAL FRATERNITY.

As the smoke of the battle is disappearing and the echoes of the terrible World War are dying out, men are looking backward, reviewing the past and drawing helpful lessons for a better and more prosperous future. We are taking great pride in the part America played in the war and we are not ashamed of the record the medical profession played. We are conscious of the fact that New Jersey and Middlesex County were not slack in making full contributions to the vast amount of sacrifice of time, money and life that resulted in the achievement of victory. But we take no superficial view by confining our thought and investigation to the recent past as we estimate the valor of our troops and the devotion and efficiency of our surgeons and set high estimates on their bravery and their persistency. It is not a matter of mere coincidence that as we are contemplating and drawing lessons from the recent war, that following that war so closely our minds have been occupied, stirred and thrilled by the contemplation of the Landing of the Pilgrim Fathers on our shores three hundred years ago. As we have thought of their heroic deeds and sacrifices that demonstrated the nobility of their characters and their sublime and persistent devotion to truth and righteousness, we are led irresistibly to that wider, fuller, more comprehensive view that takes in the three centuries of the past and to give proper consideration to the influences of bygone generations that have given to the American manhood of today the stamp of character that has made possible noble living and great achievements. The Pilgrim Fathers laid the foundation for America's greatness. We feel justified in taking a very brief portion of the allotted small space to query whether the medical profession does not owe much to one member of that noble band, as will further appear.

Dr. Charles Howard Bangs, in the "Boston Medical and Surgical Journal" of December, 1920, gives an interesting account of Samuel Fuller, the Pilgrims' Doctor—the first doctor in the Colonies of whom we have any record—who came with the Pilgrims in the *Mayflower*. Dr. Bangs says: "He ministered not only to the Pilgrims and the natives, but was also called upon to render medical assistance among the Puritans as well. At the call of humanity, wherever his services were needed, he performed the duties of his profession from Cape Cod to Cape Ann, serving from 1620 until his death in 1633. * * He earned the title of First Resident Physician of New England, ministering to the spiritual as well as the bodily needs of all the colonists, endearing himself to all by his professional ability and by his upright life. Governor Endicott of the Massachusetts Bay Colony wrote to Governor Bradford highly

commending Dr. Fuller for the great services he had rendered. He was a man of decided usefulness in the business affairs of the Colony; was the eighth signer of the Mayflower Compact. He was an ideal physician." We have digressed from our subject to cite his life and work because the early physicians of Middlesex County—like McKean, Cochran, Bloomfield, Scott and others had much of his character and devotion to duty.

No attempt will be made to give a lengthy detailed account of the conditions existing in East Jersey in the seventeenth and early eighteenth centuries. Quacks abounded in the Colonies and Middlesex County had its full share of them.

Dr. Shradly, in his "History of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, of New York City," refers to barbers as surgeons in New York—then New Amsterdam—says that in February, 1652: "On the petition of the Chirurgeons of New Amsterdam, none but they be allowed to shave, the Director General and Council understanding that shaving doth not appertain exclusively to Chirurgery, but is an appendix thereunto; that no man can be prevented operating upon himself, nor to do another this friendly act provided it be through courtesy, and not for gain, which is hereby forbidden." It was added, "Ship Barbers shall not be allowed to dress wounds nor administer any potions on shore without the previous knowledge and special consent of the Petitioners, or at least of Johannes La Montagne." Dr. Shradly refers that those petitioners were Hans Kierstede, Jacob H. Verrevanger and Jacob L'Oragne—the only surgeons then known to be in New Amsterdam. It is an interesting fact Dr. Shradly records—that a descendant of Hans Kierstede, Christopher Kierstede, graduated from the Albany Medical College in 1846, practiced in New York and vicinity over half a century and died at his home in Jersey City, N. J., January 23, 1903, aged 81 years.

Whitehead in his contributions to the "History of Amboy," cites the following: "Charles Gordon of Woodbridge, writing to his brother, Dr. John Gordon, March 7, 1685, after describing the salubrity of the climate, said: 'If you design to come hither yourself, you may come as a planter, or as a merchant, or as a doctor of medicine. I cannot advise you, as I can hear of no diseases here to cure, but some agues, and some cutted fingers and legs, but there are no want of empiricks for these already abound. I confess that you could do more than any yet in America, being versed in Chirurgery and Pharmacie, for here are abundance of herbs, shrubs and trees and no doubt medicinell ones for making drugs, but there is no Employment this way.'" Yet there is definite record of the prevalence of malarial fevers, smallpox, venereal disease, yellow fever and epidemics of "Throat Distemper," at different times from 1638 to 1736.

Again, in the "New York Gazette," January 18, 1732, it is stated "The smallpox spreads very much in this Province and in New Jersey,

also at Amboy, New Brunswick and Thereaway. Many have been inoculated and not one of them have died, but have had the distemper very easy." That was true of smallpox a little later when Dr. John Cochran, one of the most eminent physicians of New Brunswick, rented a house there—three miles from the center of the town—in which during the winter and spring of 1774-5 he inoculated 400 persons, without a death occurring. Kaim in 1748 and Winterbottom in 1796 say that women constituted the greater number that administered medicine. Smith, in his "History of New York," says: "Few physicians are eminent for their skill. Quacks abound like the locusts of Egypt. * * The profession is under no kind of regulation."

Doubtless an advance in medicine in New Jersey occurred during the French and English War, 1758-1766. Dr. Toner's "Medical Progress" says: "The war gave, perhaps the first material improvement to the condition of medicine in America. The English army was accompanied by a highly respectable medical staff, most of whom landed in New York and continued for some years in the neighboring territory, affording to many young Americans opportunity of attending military hospitals and receiving professional instruction." That was the case in New Jersey and notably in Middlesex County. The Port of Perth Amboy was one of the best in the country and that city was one of the favorite gathering places of medical men, as Dr. John Lawrence, referred to elsewhere, used to say, that his residence in Amboy in those early days "was the happiest part of his life, for the reason that the officers of the Crown, resident there, formed a social circle superior to that of New York or Philadelphia." New Brunswick had a reputation somewhat similar, especially during the years 1774-79 when the Barracks built there housed many hundreds of the English troops. The earliest physicians in Middlesex county of whom our records speak were:

1. Henry Greenland, of New Brunswick, was the first physician in Middlesex County of which there is any reliable record. He lived in Newbury, Massachusetts, in 1662 and in Kittery from 1665-1672. He had a good education and was an able physician, but passionate and being a Royalist he became involved in many quarrels with the Puritans, which caused him to leave the Province and he came to East Jersey about 1675 and settled at "The River," as New Brunswick was then called. He practiced here to a very limited extent; kept a tavern on or about the site of the R. W. Johnson residence on the east bank of the Raritan; he was the captain of the Piscataway military company organized for protection against the Indians.

2. John Johnstone was born in Edinburgh in 1661; came to this country about 1685; first practiced in New York; removed to Perth Amboy in 1706. In 1709-10 he was a member of the Provincial Assembly of New Jersey. Soon after he returned to New York and served as Mayor of the city from 1714-1718; but he returned to Amboy and thereafter resided there. He represented Middlesex County in the General Assembly of the Province thirteen years, during ten of which he held the office of

Speaker. He was one of the Commissioners appointed to settle the boundary line between New York and New Jersey. He died September 7, 1732. The Philadelphia Weekly Mercury in an obituary notice of him said that "he died very much lamented by all who knew him, and to the unexpressible loss of the poor who were always his particular care." He was a very skilled physician and a man of estimable character and abounding charity.

3. Lewis Johnstone, a son of John, was born in 1704; he adopted his father's profession; went to Leyden, Holland, for his medical education; returned to this country and practiced medicine in Perth Amboy. He was "a physician of highest reputation by all who knew him. He held a high place in the respect and confidence of his associates in the profession." He died November 22, 1773; left a very large estate. He had immense tracts of land in New Jersey.

4. George Lockhart, of whom there is little known. He was a resident of Woodbridge; a "practitioner of physic," in 1689. Dr. Wickes in his History of Medicine says that in 1683, he then being in England "the Proprietaries mention him as possessing, according to his own statement, a considerable plantation in the Province, and 'desirous of having the Marshall's place,' he offering in case they would grant him the commission and a lot of ten acres in 'Perthtown,' to build them a prison and town house." There is no record of the commission.

5. Adam Hay was a resident of Woodbridge as early as 1737, of whom little is known. In 1739 he was one of the vestrymen of St. Peter's Episcopal Church at Perth Amboy. His will—Adam Hay "Doctor of Physick" of Woodbridge, was dated November 12, 1739.

6. William Farquhar, moved from New York to New Brunswick, where he is known to have resided before 1740, for about ten years. He then returned to New York. He married here a daughter of Thomas Farmer, who was one of the Provincial Justices of the Supreme Court and who represented Middlesex in the General Assembly from 1740-43. After the death of his wife, Dr. Farquhar married a daughter of Governor Colden of New York.

7. John Van Beuren is known to have lived in New Brunswick as early as 1741 as in that year it is on record that Philip French leased to "John Van Beuren of the said city—Chirurgion," some property.

8. Hezekiah Stites of Cranbury, and—

9. Robert McKean, of Perth Amboy, biographical notes of both will appear later.

10. Henry Dongan, was a Surgeon's Mate; he had charge of 300 or 400 of the English Troops, quartered in the Barracks that were built in New Brunswick in 1758. When the troops left New Brunswick, he remained and practiced medicine. In his advertisement announcing his practice he stated that he had had thirteen years practice in the army. He joined the Medical Society of New Jersey, May 10, 1774.

11. Alexander Ross, practiced medicine in New Brunswick, he was originally from Scotland; later from the Island of Jamaica. He resided at "Ross Hall" on the east bank of the Raritan; probably actively engaged in his profession, as he had at least one student who subsequently practiced in that city, Dr. C. A. Howard, referred to later, who subsequent to Dr. Ross' death married his widow, who was a daughter of Thomas Farmer, one of New Brunswick's most prominent justices and Assembly representatives.

12. Nehemiah Ludlum was one of the earliest physicians in Cranbury. He graduated in Princeton in 1762. In 1768 he joined the Medical Society of New Jersey, but died on October 28 of that year. The inscription on his tomb says he was 29 years of age at death.

13. John Griffith of Rahway, and—

14. Thomas Wiggins of Princeton, referred to later—Rahway and Princeton were then in Middlesex County.

These men, and doubtless others of whom we have no record were able, conscientious devoted practitioners, most of whom had lofty conceptions of their profession's future possibilities in the service of humanity that led them to consider how they could best unite the profession and thereby become better qualified to practice their high and holy calling. Thomas F. Gordon, in his "Gazetteer and History of New Jersey," published in 1834 says: "No portion of the history of this great country is more filled with cause for grateful exaltation than the State of New Jersey—none can boast greater purity in its organization—none more wisdom, more happiness in its growth." That is true, and when the medical part of that history is considered, there is abundant cause to be proud of the contribution that the members of the medical profession within the bounds of Middlesex County made in initiating and establishing a State-wide organization of the medical profession thereby making possible the development and wonderful growth of the science and art of medicine, as other States have followed New Jersey's example until all the States and territories have now their organizations, and has led in these later years and made vast progress in the development of that great branch of its activities which is the profession's glory—Preventive Medicine—which has for its object the eradication of all preventable disease—the profession sacrificing its material interests in the blessing of humanity.

The organization of the Medical Society of New Jersey was conceived by the physicians of Middlesex County—Drs. Kean, Cochran and Bloomfield—who enlisting a dozen others in that and the adjoining counties issued the call for the memorable meeting at New Brunswick on July 23, 1766. That call was inserted in the "New York Mercury" and was as follows:

A certain number of practitioners of physic and surgery in East New Jersey, having agreed to form a Society for their mutual improvement, the advancement of the profession and promotion of the public good, and desirous of extending as much as possible the usefulness of their scheme, and cultivating the utmost harmony and friendship with their brethren, hereby request and invite every gentleman of the profession in the Province, that may approve of their design, to attend their first meeting, which will be held at Mr. Duff's, in the City of New Brunswick, on Wednesday, the 23d of July, at which time and place the Constitution and Regulations of the Society are to be settled and subscribed. East New Jersey, June 27, 1766.

Seventeen practitioners, mainly of Middlesex, Somerset and what is now Union counties, met on the appointed day and adopted "Instruments of Association and Constitutions of the New Jersey Medical Society," which was a model document showing the need of such united association and the methods of securing efficiency for attaining its three-fold object—Mutual Improvement, Advancement of the Profession, Promotion of the Public Good. This document was signed by: Bern Budd, John Griffith, John Cochran, James Gilliland, Thomas Wiggins, Robt. McKean, Chris. Manlove, Moses Bloomfield, Wm. Burnet, Lawrence V. Derveer, Isaac Harris, Joseph Sackett, Jr., Jona. Dayton, William Adams.

On the same day the Society elected Dr. Robert McKean president; Chris. Manlove, secretary, and John Cochran, treasurer—the first and last named were Middlesex county physicians. In addition to the 14 above signers appear as present Drs. Pezant, Blatchley and Camp.

Then began the history of one of the greatest events that has occurred in Middlesex county or in the State of New Jersey. It is impossible to rehearse even briefly the record of that Society, the results of its work on the State and Nation. To do so would require the tracing of all the influence that has flowed from that one day's meeting if we would know all. All that the Society enabled its originators and those who came after them to do, or the better to do, in saving human life and in relieving the sufferings of men never can be fully estimated. The facts that should be stated are: (1) That the Society's records show that the last one of the three objects for which it was created—The Public Good—has been its chief concern and that the other two objects have been largely contributory thereto; (2) That the Middlesex County Society's members have contributed their full share in its work and have been honored with official positions in its management to an unusual degree, serving in office as follows:

President—Robert McKean, 1766; John Cochran, 1768; Thomas Wiggins,¹ 1774; Hezekiah Stites, 1775; John Beatty,¹ 1782; Moses Bloomfield, 1785; Moses Scott, 1789; John Griffith, 1790; Lewis Dunham, 1791, 1816; Isaac Harris, 1792; Lewis Morgan,² 1809; Charles Smith, 1811; John Van Cleve, 1815, 1818; Augustus R. Taylor, 1822, 1830; E. F. R. Smith, 1832; J. T. B. Skillman, 1847; Ezra M. Hunt, 1864; Henry R. Baldwin, 1878; David C. English, 1897.

Vice-President—Enoch Wilson, 1816; Jacob Dunham, 1826; George McLean,¹ 1839; Ezra M. Hunt, 1861-63; Henry R. Baldwin, 1875-77; D. C. English, 1894-96.

Corresponding Secretary—William Van Deursen, 1822-26; Aug. R. Taylor, 1844-5.

Recording Secretary—John Van Cleve,¹ 1820-23; William Van Deursen, 1827.

Treasurer—Ephraim F. R. Smith, 1818-30; Henry R. Baldwin, 1865-1873.

Standing Committee—Chairmen—Aug. R. Taylor, 1824, 1827; Charles Smith, 1826, 1834; William Van Deursen, 1830; J. T. B. Skillman, 1842; D. C. English, 1891-93. Three years, all three members of it were Middlesex men; and members from that county have served on it for more than 134 years of its existence; it was instituted at the May 9, 1820, meeting.

The Monthly Journal of the Society was begun in 1904; since 1906, Dr. D. C. English of Middlesex has been and still is its editor. There is one example of many that might be cited of the work of Middlesex County members—that of Ezra M. Hunt, who for six years led the fight before Governors and legislators for a State Board of Health until in 1877 victory crowned his, his fellow workers' and the Society's earnest efforts.

About one quarter of the State Society's ninety-one members up to the year 1796, and of the additional fifty-five members from 1796 to 1818 were Middlesex County physicians, so that while the practitioners of that county were not organized as a county society until 1816, it is a question whether they might not claim that they were organized in 1766 in a far wider sphere of activity than they could have exerted if their field had been confined to the limits of that county. But in 1816 the Society secured the passage of a new Act to Incorporate the Medical Society of New Jersey, passed at Trenton, February 16, 1816, which authorized the reorganization of the State Society and provided that its annual meeting thereafter should be constituted by delegations from the District or County Societies which were to be formed, under the provisions of that Act.

A meeting of the State Society was held May 7, 1816, when Dr. John Van Cleve was chosen chairman and a Board of Fifteen Managers was elected—ten of whom were from Middlesex County and they elected the Society's officers as follows: President, Lewis Dunham; vice-president, Enoch Wilson; treasurer, E. F. R. Smith; corresponding secretary, Aug. R. Taylor; recording secretary, Wm. McKissack—four of the five Middlesex physicians. Five County or District Societies ordered to be formed and Drs. Jacob and Lewis Dunham, E. Wilson, M. Freeman, Charles Smith, Nath. Manning, R. T. Lott and John Van Cleve were appointed to organize Middlesex, which they did in New Brunswick on June 13, 1816, and at the State Society meeting May 12, 1818, its first delegation was received. The splendid history of this County Society cannot be rehearsed in any detail, its early records are reported lost or mislaid, nor is it necessary; the fact should be emphasized that the all-important, essential basis of a medical society's value, its greatness and its influence is not because of its perfect, well-oiled machinery, but in the character and devotion of the *men* who compose its membership. The major part of the balance of this will refer to some of the societies and organiza-

tions they founded for the public good, and also a few brief biographical sketches of the men.

It should be observed, however, that the effect of the new law organizing county societies was remarkably beneficial to the State and County Societies' growth and prosperity. The State Society's membership increased from a few scores to 400 in the sixties, to 898 in 1900 and in 1921 to over 2,200, the County Society from about a dozen members when organized, to 40 in 1904 and 86 in 1921. It is believed that the publishing of the monthly Journal by the State Society—in place of the annual volume of "Transactions," contributed largely to the increase. Another fact is to be noted—members were received by both societies with great care. The proper preliminary as well as medical education as essential qualifications for licensure was insisted on. The creation of the State Board of Medical Examiners by the legislature in 1890 has been of service, as they are specifically required by the law to license only those who have the prescribed educational qualifications. Since the creation of that Board 2,730 applicants have taken the examination and 440 were rejected. During the year 1920, 43 were examined, one of whom failed and one was expelled. It should be remembered that there were no medical colleges in the United States until 1769 when King's College established one and about the same time there was one in Philadelphia, and it is a matter of special interest that Middlesex County came very near to having two medical colleges. Queen's, now Rutgers, did have one, and Princeton, then within the bounds of Middlesex County, made two attempts and in the second would probably have succeeded had not the eminent Dr. John Van Cleve—on whom they depended, died. Queen's did organize three times under the efforts of Dr. Nicholas Romayne, with its school located in New York City, but because of opposition from New York finally abandoned the medical school. It actually granted 79 degrees as follows: 1792 three of Med. Bac.—one of them being Dr. Charles Smith of New Brunswick—and four honorary degrees of M. D.; in 1793, six degrees of M. D. and two honorary degrees; then in the second attempt, in 1812, five degrees of M. D.; in 1813, one degree of M. D.; 1814, two M. D.'s; 1815, seven M. D.'s; 1816, six M. D.'s. On the third attempt—in 1827, were conferred 27 M. D.'s and nine honorary M. D.'s; 1830, honorary degree of M. D. on two and in 1831 two more honorary M. D.'s; in 1832 two M. D.'s and in 1835 one honorary M. D. Solomon Andrews of Perth Amboy was one of the number who received the degree of M. D. in 1827.

The loss or misplacement of records by their custodians has compelled the author of this article to give an utterly inadequate report of the work of the Middlesex physicians of the past. The data that follows of organized work, mainly of the recent past and the brief biographical notes concerning many of the workers, will give some slight

conception of the magnitude of that work. The biographies will partially show that the Middlesex physicians were not only able men devoted to the profession, but they were also patriots serving their country in times of war, in the Revolutionary War, the Civil War and the great World War especially. (General Washington had no abler surgeons whom he more appreciated than Drs. Moses Scott and John Cochran of New Brunswick). In civic life the same devotion was manifested by service as mayors (New Brunswick had four of the best in her city's record), in City Councils, in educational institutions, in various public health, public welfare and civic righteousness movements. And their contributions in the promotion of the religious life in their various communities was marked by service as elders, deacons, trustees and otherwise that showed them to be mindful of the fact that they were worthy members of a high and holy calling—worthy followers of the Pilgrims' "Good Doctor Fuller," as he was called.

It is impossible for the mind to conceive, certainly of the pen to describe, the full results of the two meetings held in New Brunswick on July 23, 1766 and June 13, 1816. We refer in brief outline without comment, to a few of the results following those meetings: The organization of County and City medical societies, insane asylums, hospitals, dispensaries, infirmaries, sanitary associations, the State Board of Health and the various local boards, now in every city, town and township, with their health officers, medical school inspectors, clinics, etc., doing an immense amount of charity work for the public good; then, as we glance beyond the confines of the State, New Jersey appears as the Parent Society, leading other States in the establishment of such societies until now every State and Territory has its society, and from these have come the American Medical Association, the Pan-American Association, the Educational Medical Congress, the American Public Health Association, the College of Surgeons and other societies scattered throughout the land, whose members are devoting their time and efforts, as specialists in the various departments of medical, surgical, obstetrical and other branches of science, in the advancement of the profession. It should be remembered when speaking of the science, art and literature of the profession, that there was no true science in those early years. The dawn of true science really began in the middle of the nineteenth century; the art was very slow in its development and progress and the literature would about fill the "five-foot shelf." It should also be remembered that the wonderful discoveries that caused the profession's great advancement have been made since the middle of the nineteenth century, e. g., the telegraph, telephone, improved methods of travel, the microscope, the x-ray and other instruments for precession in diagnosis, the laboratories with their various scientific tests, the antitoxins, vaccines, sera, and the institutions like the Rockefeller and other research

organizations for the promotion of scientific knowledge and the art that applies it.

It is not strange that, in view of the above facts and the importance of maintaining and advancing the profession's standing and the promotion of its greatest efficiency in the service of humanity, that the State and County Societies in 1920 were compelled to take action and the following committees were appointed:

Members of the Middlesex County Medical Society, February 1, 1921, and their residences:

President, George W. Fithian, Perth Amboy; vice-president, Barth M. Howley, New Brunswick; secretary and reporter, Matthew F. Urbanski, Perth Amboy; treasurer, David C. English, New Brunswick.

New Brunswick—John F. Anderson, Grover T. Applegate, James O'Carrington, William J. Condon, E. Irving Cronk, Thomas A. Devan, James L. Fagan, Ralph J. Faulkingham, Anthony Gruessner, Benjamin Gutmann, Florentine M. Hoffman, Charles V. Halst, William Klein, George F. Leonard, Mortimer H. Linden, Pauline A. Long, John F. McGovern, Robert L. McKiernan, Charles F. Merrill, Daniel L. Morrison, Herbert W. Nafey, J. Warren Rice, Laurence P. Runyon, Charles E. Saulsberry, James P. Schureman, Fred W. Scott, Arthur L. Smith, Charles J. Sullivan, Howard C. Voorhees.

Perth Amboy—Morris S. Coble, Judson G. Cottrell, Edward W. Hanson, Joseph E. Hay, Frank C. Henry, John L. Lund, William London, William H. McCormick, John L. MacDowall, Jacob J. Mann, Martin S. Meinzer, Charles W. Naulty, William E. Ramsay, J. Virgil Shull, Isadore Seigel, Charles I. Silk, Bern. H. Sirott, Benjamin F. Slobodien, John V. Smith, George W. Tyrrell, John G. Wilson.

Woodbridge—Ira T. Spencer.
Carteret—Herbert L. Strandberg.
Chrome—Samuel Messinger.
Roosevelt—John J. Reason.
Metuchen—Stanley Eiss, Alfred L. Ellis, Clarence A. Hofer, A. Clark Hunt, Lansing Y. Lippincott.
Dunellen—George W. Longbothum, Thomas H. Platt, Jr.
New Market—William J. Nelson.
Milltown—Norman N. Forney, Ferd E. Riva.

Dayton—Edgar Carroll.
Cranbury—Benjamin S. Van Dyke.
Franklin Park—James C. Dunn.
Sayreville—Jesse H. Beekman.
South River—Charles B. Burnett, Melvin M. Hunt, Sarah Evans Selover, A. Lincoln Woods.
South Amboy—Selden T. Kinney, Eugene A. Meacham, J. Francis Weber.
Belmar—Clarence M. Slack.
Jamesburg—John L. Suydam.
New York City—A. Schuyler Clark, Henry H. Janeway.*

*Dr. Janeway died February 1, 1921.

Dr. Bonn W. Hoagland is also in Woodbridge, but his membership is in the Union County Society.

Permanent Delegates to the State Society. Nominated by the County Society and Elected by the State Society: Drs. C. H. Andrus,* John Helm,* Edw. B. Dana,* A. Treganowan,* C. H. Voorhees,* F. M. Donahue.* David Stephens,* John G. Wilson, Edgar Carroll, A. Clark Hunt, Arthur L. Smith, Frank C. Henry.

Physicians practicing in Middlesex county not members of the County Society at present: Drs. Ira C. Crandall, Old Bridge; J. J. Collins, Woodbridge; George S. Dudley, C. T. Maas, New Brunswick; E. H. Eulner, South Amboy, Joseph S. Marks, Chrome; Jacob C. Shinn, H. D. Zandt, Jamesburg; Myron J. Whitford, Dunellen.

Middlesex Physicians in World War Service: Drs. Judson G. Cottrell, George W. Fithian, Edward K. Hanson,* John L. Lund, Benj. F. Slo-

*Deceased.

bodein, of Perth Amboy; Drs. William J. Condon,* James L. Fagan, Anthony Gruessner, Charles F. Merrill, John F. McGovern,‡ Robert L. McKeernan,* Herbert W. Nafey,‡ James P. Schureman, of New Brunswick; J. Francis Weber,‡ of South Amboy.

A number of others served on the Local Exemption Boards: Drs. E. I. Cronk, G. W. Fithian, I. C. Crandall, B. S. Van Dyke, Edgar Carroll.

The following served on the County Advisory Exemption Board: Drs. J. G. Wilson, chairman; John F. Anderson, F. M. Donohue, Benj. Gutmann, G. T. Applegate, B. M. Howley, L. Y. Lippincott, C. W. Naulty, Jr., C. I. Silk, A. L. Smith, C. J. Sullivan.

Several Middlesex physicians were enrolled in the Medical Reserve Corps, U. S. Army, and also in the Volunteer Medical Service Corps, authorized by the Council of National Defense and approved by the President of the United States.

The following have been officers of the Society since its organization in 1816:

Presidents—Charles Smith, 1816, 1822, 1826-28, 1836-37; Matthias Freeman, 1817; Nathaniel Manning, 1818; Jacob Dunham, 1819, 1825, 1829; William Van Deursen, 1820; Josiah B. Andrews, 1821; Lewis A. Hall, 1830; Jacob T. B. Skillman, 1831; James Clark, 1834; E. F. R. Smith, 1835, 1840; Samuel Abernethy, 1841; Ellis B. Freeman, 1842, 1846; John H. Van Deursen, 1843; Azariah D. Newell, 1844-45. (No meetings were held from 1845-1857). Augustus F. Taylor, 1857; Clifford Morrough, 1858, 1881; J. T. B. Skillman, 1860; Henry M. Stone, 1861; Henry R. Baldwin, 1862-64, 1882; Ezra M. Hunt, 1865; Ambrose Treganowan, 1866, 1871, 1887; Charles Dunham, Jr., 1867; Charles H. Voorhees, 1868; Samuel St. John Smith, 1870; David C. English, 1872; Rush Van Dyke, 1873; Clarence M. Slack, 1874, 1808; William E. Mattison, 1875; Nicholas Williamson, 1876; Thomas T. Devan, 1877; P. A. Shannon, 1878; Charles H. Andrus, 1879, 1890; J. Warren Rice, 1880, 1894; Thomas L. Janeway, 1884; Frank M. Donohue, 1885, 1904, 1916; A. Van Nest Baldwin, 1888; David Davis, 1889; John Helm, 1891; Edward B. Dana, 1892; Staats Van Deursen Clark, 1895; Arthur L. Smith, 1896; John G. Wilson, 1897; John L. Suydam, 1899; William M. Moore, 1900; A. Clark Hunt, 1901; Edward E. Haines, 1902; William E. Ramsey, 1903; William V. McKenzie, 1905; Henry H. Janeway, 1906; Edgar Carroll, 1907; Ferd E. Riva, 1908; John C. Albright, 1909; Benjamin Gutmann, 1911; John L. Lund, 1912; Howard C. Voorhees, 1913; Frank

C. Henry, 1914; Martin S. Meinzer, 1915; Clarence A. Hofer, 1917; Eugene A. Meacham, 1918; Norman N. Forney, 1919; Lawrence P. Runyon, 1920; George W. Fithian, 1921.

Secretaries—John Van Cleve, 1816; William Van Deursen, 1817-1836; Jacob T. B. Skillman, 1836-1846; Henry R. Baldwin, 1857; Charles Dunham, Jr., 1858; L. Fred. Baker, 1859; Joseph S. Martin, 1860; Samuel E. Freeman, 1861-1864; George W. Stout, 1865; James W. Mecker, 1866-1868; David Stephens, 1868-1874, 1888-1889; Rush Van Dyke, 1874-1876; William E. Mattison, 1876-1880; George G. Clark, 1880-1882; William Mabon, 1884; A. Van Nest Baldwin, 1885; Frank M. Donohue, 1886; John Helm, 1887; William M. Moore, 1903-1904; Alfred L. Ellis, 1905-1907; Benjamin Gutmann, 1908-1909; Howard C. Voorhees, 1910-1911; Martin S. Meinzer, 1912-1913; Fred L. Brown, 1914-1917; William H. McCormick, 1918; Charles J. Sullivan, 1919; Herbert W. Nafey, 1920; Matt. N. Urbanski, 1921.

Treasurers—Jacob Dunham, 1816-1818; William Van Deursen, 1818; Nathaniel Manning, 1819-1825; John Adams Pool, 1825-1838, 1839; Garret P. Voorhees, 1838; Ellis B. Freeman, 1840-1844; E. F. R. Smith, 1844-1846; Henry M. Stone, 1857-1860; John C. Thompson, 1860; J. S. Martin, 1861-1866; F. S. Barbarin, 1866-1868; Charles Dunham, Jr., 1868-1875; Thomas T. Devan, 1875; David C. English, 1876 to date.

Reporters to the State Society—Ezra M. Hunt, 1862-1864, 1868-1869, 1882; Ambrose

*In U. S. Navy.

‡In U. S. Army.

‡Dr. Weber received a medal for meritorious service from General McRae.

Treganowan, 1865, 1890-1891; Henry R. Nest Baldwin, 1892-1896; Arthur L. Smith, Baldwin, 1870-1873; David C. English, 1897-1910; Benjamin Gutmann, 1911-1914; 1874-1877; Charles H. Andrus, 1878-1879, Anthony Gruessner, 1915-1916; Fred L. 1889; Thomas L. Janeway, 1880-1881; Brown, 1917-1919; Herbert W. Nafey, Frank M. Donohue, 1883-1888; A. Van 1919-1920; Matthew F. Urbanski, 1921.

Societies Organized by Middlesex County Physicians:

The Medical Section of the Rutgers Club was practically the New Brunswick Medical Society as its membership was composed entirely of physicians of that city and Milltown. It was organized February 14, 1917, when Drs. L. P. Runyon, A. L. Smith, B. Gutmann, H. C. Voorhees, F. E. Riva, C. E. Saulsberry, D. C. English, B. M. Howley, F. L. Brown, F. W. Scott, I. E. Cronk, C. J. Sullivan, G. Merrill, J. F. Anderson, J. P. Schureman, N. N. Forney, F. M. Hoffman and H. W. Nafey met in the Alumni Hall of Rutgers College, and received an offer from the Rutgers Alumni Club of the use of their club house, which was accepted, an organization was effected, Constitution and By-laws adopted constituting as members physicians who were alumni of the College and other physicians of New Brunswick becoming members of the Rutgers Club by election and payment to the club of annual dues. Dr. Runyon was elected chairman of the organization; Dr. Smith vice-chairman; Dr. Nafey, secretary and treasurer; Dr. Brown, reporter.

The officers for 1920-21 are: Dr. D. C. English, chairman; Dr. Hoffman, vice-chairman; Dr. C. W. Merrill, secretary and treasurer. The Society meets monthly except in July and August. One meeting, held at the residence of Dr. English, should have special notice. It was held in September, 1920, to do honor to the New Brunswick young men who had studied medicine and achieved great success in practice in Newark and New York—Drs. L. F. Bishop, A. S. Clark, J. F. Hagerty, H. H. Janeway, J. L. Trainor, E. H. Pool and Bernard Daly, the latter having sacrificed his own life in the saving of another's life.

Perth Amboy Medical Society was organized May 26, 1919. The present officers are: President, Dr. William E. Ramsay; vice-president, Dr. M. F. Urbanski; secretary, Dr. Charles W. Naulty, Jr.; treasurer, Dr. Martin S. Meinzer. The Society meets every second month except in July and August.

The New Jersey State Microscopical Society. Organized by Dr. J. W. Meeker, in 1871. He had bought a fine microscope a few years before and Prof. G. H. Cook and Prof. F. C. Van Dyck had been meeting at Dr. Meeker's residence experimenting with it. In 1871 most of the following doctors of the city met and organized this Society: Drs. J. W. Meeker, C. Morrogh, C. Dunham, H. R. Baldwin, D. C. English, C. H. Voorhees, N. Williamson, with Prof. Van Dyck, Rev. Samuel Lockwood and Julius Bloom, all New Brunswick men. They held frequent meetings, three of them public; at one Liquid Air was exhibited and discussed; at another a symposium on the Microscope, its uses in medical science. In 1880 the Society was incorporated and in 1881 its enrollment was 59 active and corresponding members. February 18, 1914, the name was changed to "The New Brunswick Scientific Society;" its membership embracing men of all scientific professions.

The New Jersey Sanitary Association was formed to create a strong public sentiment in favor of the earnest efforts to create a State Board of Health as Governors and Legislators had been indifferent. It was not a Middlesex organization, but Dr. Ezra M. Hunt was the originator and

inspirer of doctors and prominent laymen of our County and State. It had a powerful effect in securing the State Board in 1877 and Dr. Hunt became the leader in establishing and conducting the work for many years. His son, Dr. A. Clark Hunt, of Metuchen, is Chief of the Bureau of Medical Supervision and is the editor of the Bulletin published by the Board. He was president of the New Jersey Sanitary Association last year.

The Board of Health in New Brunswick was instituted in 1879 with Dr. H. R. Baldwin as president. The Health Officers have been in succession as follows: Drs. Edward A. Reiley, Thomas L. Janeway, A. Van Nest Baldwin, Staats V. D. Clark, Benjamin Gutmann and E. Irving Cronk, the last named was elected in 1910 and is still serving.

There were 520 deaths in 1920 in the city, the death rate was 1.5 per 1,000 of population.

The Board of Health in Perth Amboy was instituted in 1879. Dr. Matthew F. Urbanski is president of the Board. Charles S. Thompson, D. V. S., is the Health Officer. There were 498 deaths in Perth Amboy in 1920, the death rate was 11.46 per 1,000 of population.

Dr. J. V. Smith is Health Officer of the Port of Perth Amboy, appointed by the Governor of the State. Dr. Charles W. Naulty, Jr., has been Medical Officer in charge of the Perth Amboy Quarantine since 1907. The Medical Inspectors of Schools are Drs. Jacob J. Mann and William H. McCormick.

Welfare Committees—During the year 1920 Welfare Committees were appointed in the various counties to guard against legislation tending to destroy the efficiency of the profession in serving the public. The Middlesex County Committee is: Drs. B. M. Howley, F. M. Hoffman, C. I. Silk, F. L. Brown and B. S. Van Dyke.

Professional Guilds—There were also established in each of the counties Professional Guilds to oppose harmful legislation, in which physicians, dentists, druggists and nurses have been deeply interested.

The Middlesex County Guild's officers are: President, Dr. B. F. Howley; vice-president, Henry H. Petz, druggist; treasurer, Dr. P. L. Schwartz, dentist; secretary, Miss Marie Nielson, nurse; chairman executive council, Dr. D. C. English. A State Professional Guild has also been formed.

The writer calls the reader's attention to what he regards as the best and most important part of this article—that which sets forth the lives and activities of those who made the State and County Societies what they were, and the medical profession's record one that is worthy of our pride and of our undying devotion in best efforts to sustain its high standing and greatest efficiency in blessing humanity. We deeply regret our inability to give biographies also of the long list of "Other Deceased Physicians of Middlesex County." Many of them belonged to that grand class known as "Country Doctors," who often denied themselves comfort and needed rest, responding to calls day or night, at any distance, to relieve suffering patients.

Never in the history of our country and the world has there been greater need of contemplating and imitating the lives and service of

such men as Samuel Fuller and the devoted godly men who were founders of our State and County Societies. We need to bear in mind that the greatness and achievements of the founders and deceased members of our County Society came from the facts that they were actuated by the consciousness that they belonged to a high and holy calling and that they were governed by a deep sense of their *personal responsibility* in dealing with the lives and health of those whom they served. The sense of responsibility is ever the foundation principle of all true, manly service, and the *sine qua non* of all great achievements.

After the biographical sketches we will give a brief outline in tabular form, of the present activities of the Middlesex County practitioners. They look forward to the future with no fear, notwithstanding the attempts to drag down scientific medicine, to stop its marvelous progress and destroy its efficiency, as they are sure that the right will triumph over ignorance and prejudice. The added burden that has been laid upon the profession—of educating the public through the Welfare Committee and the Professional Guild, concerning the fact that the profession's position, taken 154 years ago—that the three-fold object of its organization were—Mutual Improvement, Advancement of the Profession and the Public Good, still remain and will ever remain the same. The histories of both State and County Societies prove that the Public Good has been the chief object. We are encouraged in the belief that the efforts to educate the public will succeed, by the results of similar efforts on the Pacific Coast. Two bills were introduced in the California legislature—one to prohibit vaccination in the State; the other for the prevention of vivisection; they were submitted to popular vote in the election last November with the following result: For the anti-vaccination law, 359,987; against it, 468,911. For the anti-vivisection law, 272,288; against it, 527,130. Also in the Oregon legislature a constitutional amendment was introduced against compulsory vaccination; it was submitted to popular vote, with the result: For it, 63,038; against it, 127,200. Surely a good beginning. Medicine is making great advance. The medical research institutions are greatly increasing the knowledge of etiology and diagnoses of diseases and thereby enabling the profession not only to cure but also stamp out preventable diseases. Smallpox, yellow fever, the bubonic plague, have been practically wiped out except where ignorance and prejudice exist; other diseases have been greatly lessened: tuberculosis, syphilis and cancer have been the hardest problems in recent years, but they are beginning to yield. The public should stop and think what this preventive work and what the general public health work, the hospitals, the clinics, etc., mean in cutting down the profession's incomes and mightily promoting the Public Good.

Biographical Sketches of Middlesex Founders of the State Society:

ROBERT MCKEAN, Perth Amboy, was in 1757 ordained to the Mission of New Brunswick, by the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts. He removed to Perth Amboy in 1763. Previous to his settlement in Amboy, his mission embraced the towns of Piscataway and Spotswood. He devoted himself to the conscientious discharge of his duties, as far as a somewhat delicate constitution would permit, and made occasional visits to Readingtown, twenty-five miles distant. He was also a practicing physician. That he was distinguished as such and for his zeal in promoting the science of medicine, is illustrated by the fact that he was one of the original seventeen medical men who organized the New Jersey Medical Society in July, 1766. He was the first signer to its "instruments of Association and Constitutions," and received the honor of being its first president.

In a letter dated October 12, 1767, Rev. Dr. Chandler, of Elizabethtown, informed the Society that "wasted away with tedious disorder, the worthy, the eminently useful and amiable Mr. McKean is judged by his physicians to be at present at the point of death." He adds, "a better man was never in the Society's service." He died October 17, 1767, and he was buried in the graveyard of St. Peter's Church in Amboy. His monument now stands there, erected by Hon. Thomas McKean, an early Governor of Pennsylvania, bearing the inscription:

In memory of Robert McKean, M. A., Practitioner of Physic, etc., and Missionary from the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, to the City of Perth Amboy, who was born July 13, 1732. N. S., and died October 17th, 1767. An unshaken friend, an agreeable companion, a rational Divine, a skillful Physician and in every relation in life a truly benevolent and honest man. Fraternal love hath erected this monument.

Dr. Stephen Wickes, in History of Medicine in New Jersey and of its Medical Men, says: In the early history of the colonies, the practice of the healing art was chiefly in the care of the clergy. Many of them were men of profound minds and highly educated.

JOHN COCHRAN, of Scotch-Irish ancestry, was born in Chester County, Pennsylvania, September, 1730. About the time he completed his medical education, the war of 1758 between England and France began in America. As there were no great hospitals in the Colonies he realized that the army would be a good school for improvement in medicine and surgery. He obtained appointment of surgeon's mate in the hospital department and continued in that office during the war, enjoying the friendship and advice of several English physicians. While lying off Oswego in a British vessel during that war, a shot from the French fleet entered the place where he was operating and carried away the operating table and his instruments. He at last quitted the service with a high reputation as a practitioner, and settled first in Albany, New York, where he married a daughter of General Schuyler. In a short time he removed to New Brunswick, New Jersey, where he continued to practice medicine with great success. He rented and maintained a house, "within three miles of New Brunswick," for the reception of patients who wished to be inoculated for smallpox, and he attended over 400 there during the winter and spring of 1774. He was one of the founders of the State Medical Society in 1766 and in 1769 was elected its president. He became a zealous Whig and when hostilities commenced in the War of

the Revolution, he was driven from New Brunswick by the British, who burned his house. The Doctor offered his services in 1776 as a volunteer in the hospital department. General Washington appreciated his ability and recommended him to Congress in the following words:

I would take the liberty of mentioning a gentleman whom I think highly deserving of notice, not only on account of his ability, but for the very great assistance which he has afforded us in the course of this winter, merely in the nature of a volunteer. This gentleman is Dr. John Cochran, well known to all the faculty. The place for which he is fitted, and which would be most agreeable to him is, Surgeon-General of the Middle Department. In this line he served all the last war in the British Service and has distinguished himself this winter particularly in his attention to the smallpox patients and the wounded.

He was appointed April 10, 1777, Physician and Surgeon General in the Middle Department. In October, 1781, Congress commissioned him Director General of the Hospitals of the United States and he was attached to headquarters, to General Washington's staff. His pay was five dollars per day. After the war the cordial relations formed in the war between General Washington and Dr. Cochran were continued, as appears from a letter from the former which is published in Irving's "Life of Washington," Vol. III, page 477. The historian remarks: "It is almost the only instance of sportive writing in all Washington's correspondence." It was concerning an invitation to a dinner party at headquarters, West Point, 1779, at which Mrs. Cochran and Mrs. Livingston were to dine with him. He was often addressed by Washington and Lafayette as "Dear Doctor Bones." Soon after the war he removed to New York and resumed practice of his profession. Upon the adoption of the new constitution, President Washington, retaining "a cheerful recollection of his past services," nominated him to the office of Commissioner of Loans for the State of New York. A stroke of paralysis subsequently caused him to resign and he went to Schenectady, where he died on April 6, 1807.

MOSES BLOOMFIELD, Woodbridge—He was born December 4, 1729; was for forty years a practitioner of medicine at Woodbridge, New Jersey; he was a man of more than ordinary ability; was considered one of the best physicians of his day. He became a member of the State Society in 1776 and was active and efficient in its service. He was its secretary in 1767; its president in 1785. He was a representative in the Provincial Congress and the General Assembly. He was commissioned surgeon United States Hospital, Continental Army, May 14, 1777; was an upright magistrate; an elder in the Presbyterian Church. He died August 14, 1791. The "New Jersey Journal" of August 31, 1791, in an obituary notice of him, said: "He maintained an eminent character as a scholar, a physician and a Christian. He served in civil offices of trust and honor. * * He was benevolent and liberal to the poor, religious without bigotry. * * In his death the State has lost a worthy citizen and the Presbyterian Church an important member."

JAMES GILLIAND, New Brunswick, was born in that city. Was one of the founders of the State Society in 1766; the following year, as he proposed to embark for Europe, the Society gave him credentials as a member in good standing and well qualified as a practitioner of medicine. We have found no other records of him.

JOHN GRIFFITH was born November 19, 1736. He resided in Rahway—then in Middlesex county, where for many years he practiced medicine

and was highly esteemed as a physician and citizen. He was one of the founders of the State Society, was elected its president in 1790, delivering the following year an able dissertation on pulmonary consumption. He died August 23, 1805. He had a son, Thomas, who practiced medicine many years in Newark, who was a member of the State Society.

ISAAC HARRIS was born and educated in East Jersey in 1741. He settled in Quibbletown—now New Market, where he practiced several years and where he owned an elegant residence and farm. He removed to Salem county in 1771 where he practiced many years. He was one of the founders of the State Society in 1766 and was elected its president in 1792. In the Revolutionary War he was commissioned Surgeon in General Newcomb's Brigade, State Troops. One son—Isaac—practiced in Salem county, another son—Samuel—in Camden, and a grandson—Henry S.—in Belvidere. The doctor died in 1808; on his tombstone it is stated, "He sustained the character of an eminent physician, an upright civil magistrate and a faithful elder and deacon of the Church of Christ."

THOMAS WIGGINS was born in Southold, Long Island, in 1731. Graduated at Yale College in 1752. He removed to New Jersey and settled in the practice of medicine at Princeton, New Jersey, where for many years he was greatly esteemed practitioner of medicine and Christian gentleman. He was one of the founders of the State Medical Society in 1766, was its president in 1774 and its secretary in 1781 and 1782. He was treasurer of the College of New Jersey in 1786-7. He was an elder in the Presbyterian church, to which he bequeathed a house and a tract of land, which for many years was used as the manse. When the Continental Congress was in session in Princeton, he extended the hospitalities of his house to General Washington and his lady. He died in Princeton on November 14, 1801.

Organizers of the Middlesex County Medical Society:

LEWIS DUNHAM was born in New Brunswick in 1754; he was the great-great-grandson of Edmond, who was the first white child born in Middlesex county. His father, Azariah, was an active Revolutionary patriot. In 1775 he was a member of the Colonial Assembly from Middlesex; was a delegate to the Provincial Congress. He commenced practice in New Brunswick and continued it until the breaking out of the war; was commissioned surgeon of the Third Regiment February 21, 1776; surgeon Third Battalion November 28, 1776. He became a member of the State Medical Society in 1783, and was one of its most active members; was secretary in 1883 and 1884; was elected its president in 1791, and again in 1816. He died August 26, 1821.

The inscription on his monument in the Presbyterian graveyard contains these words: "Few men have ever shown greater energy of character wisely and uniformly directed in all the relations of life. Truly a patriot during the whole war of Independence, he was to his country a devoted son. In peace he resumed his profession and during a practice of more than forty years he was indefatigable beyond expression," etc.

JACOB DUNHAM was a brother of Lewis; was born in New Brunswick, September 29, 1767. He attended lectures in Philadelphia when he was twenty years of age; was a classmate of the eminent Dr. W. P. Dewees and there was always a close intimacy between them. The doctor's practice was an extensive one, covering a wide territory. He was

elected a member of the State Society November 6, 1792; was its treasurer from 1808 to 1815. He died August 7, 1832.

ENOCII WILSON—We have not been able to trace Dr. Wilson historically, but we have found in the State Society transactions that he was corresponding secretary of the State Society in 1815; in 1816 and 1817 he was one of the managers; also in 1816 and 1817 he was vice-president of the State Society and one of the censors for Middlesex county. He was very regular in attendance at the State Society meetings.

MATTHIAS FREEMAN was born in Woodbridge, where he practiced many years; he was very highly esteemed; was elected a member of the State Society in 1808; was regular in attendance and served on important committees; was a member of the Board of Managers; a censor for Middlesex county several years.

CHARLES SMITH was born near Princeton 1768; graduated from Princeton College 1786; studied medicine with Dr. Moses Scott; received the degree of M. D. from Queen's (now Rutgers) College in its first class to graduate 1792; became Dr. Scott's partner and married his daughter. He served as surgeon in State troops during the Whiskey Insurrection in 1794; was elected a trustee of Rutgers College 1804. He was a skilled and successful practitioner, one of the most accomplished of his day; was elected a Fellow of the College of P. & S., New York City in 1814. He was corresponding secretary of the State Society 1807 and 1808; vice-president in 1810 and president in 1811. He died May 7, 1848. He left an estate of about \$150,000. Our State Society took action on his death which characterized him "One of the most learned and skillful members of the profession in the State."

NATHANIEL MANNING is said to have belonged to the family that came to Perth Amboy in the "Caledonia" from Scotland in 1715. He received his medical education under the tuition of the "Faculty of Philadelphia;" he presented testimonials from them as to his proficiency in medicine when he joined the State Medical Society in 1767. He first practiced in Metuchen and was considered an able physician. He graduated from the College of New Jersey in 1762, and is noted in its catalogue as a clergyman. In 1771, being about to leave the province, he applied to the State Society for a certificate of character as a physician, which was granted. He went to England in 1771 and was soon afterward ordained by the Bishop of London for Hampton Parish, Virginia. In 1775 he was its incumbent.

RALPH P. LOTT studied medicine with Dr. Hezekiah Stites of Cranbury; he attended lectures in Philadelphia; attended as a delegate from Middlesex county several meetings of the State Society; was one of the committee appointed to organize the Middlesex County District Society. He had a large practice and accumulated considerable property. He died September 17, 1845, in the seventy-fifth year of his age.

JOHN VAN CLEVE was born at Maidenhead, now Lawrence, Mercer county, 1778; graduated from Princeton in 1797; studied medicine with Drs. Stockton and Maclean; graduated from the College of Physicians and Surgeons, New York City, in 1819, was associate in partnership for several years with Dr. Stockton. He was held in great respect as a man of talent and skill in his profession, so much so that at a meeting of the college trustees held September 27, 1825, the following resolution was adopted: "Resolved, That the president and faculty be empowered to make such a temporary arrangement with Dr. Van Cleve

for the introduction of lectures on medicine, or the auxiliary branches of knowledge, as they may think proper, and to make thereon at the next meeting of the board." This was intended to be merely preliminary to the establishment of a medical department in the college, with Dr. Van Cleve as its head. His death the following year put an end to any further action.

Van Cleve joined the society at the time of its reorganization June 23, 1807, and was ever thereafter one of the most active and influential members. He was corresponding secretary 1810-15; president 1815, again in 1818; recording secretary 1820-24. He was for many years a ruling elder of the Presbyterian Church of Princeton, a trustee of the college and a director in the Theological Seminary. He died December 24, 1826.

Prominent Deceased Physicians in Middlesex:

MOSES SCOTT was one of the noblest of the early physicians of Middlesex county. He was born in Bucks county, Pennsylvania, in 1738. At seventeen years of age he went with the unfortunate expedition under Braddock. At the capture of Fort Du Quesne he had risen to be a commissioned officer, but he resigned his position and began the study of medicine and at about 1774 commenced practice at New Brunswick and soon gained a high reputation as a practitioner. But he was a patriot and he entered the service on February 14, 1776, commissioned surgeon of the Second Middlesex Regiment, and subsequently surgeon in the General Hospital, Continental Army. He procured from Europe a large supply of medicines and surgical instruments, but most of it fell into the hands of the enemy on their sudden invasion of New Brunswick when he barely escaped capture, as they entered his house and ate his prepared dinner. In 1777 Congress having taken the entire direction of the medical staff, commissioned Dr. Scott as Senior Physician and Surgeon of the Hospitals and Assistant Director General. He was at the battles of Trenton, Princeton, Brandywine and Germantown and was near General Mercer when he fell at Princeton. On the restoration of peace he resumed practice at New Brunswick. He became a member of the Medical Society of New Jersey in 1782 and was very active in its work; was elected its president in 1789. In 1814 he was made a Fellow of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, New York. In early life he made a profession of religion, was ever loyal to the church and for many years a most efficient elder, as well as treasurer of the Board of Trustees of the Presbyterian Church. He died on December 28, 1821. One daughter married Dr. Charles Smith, another daughter married Dr. Ephraim F. R. Smith, both of New Brunswick.

HEZEKIAH STITES, of Cranbury, was descended from one of the original emigrants to New England who lived to the extraordinary age of 122 years. Little is known concerning the doctor's early years. When the State Medical Society was formed in 1766 he was 40 years of age and had been in practice several years; he became a member of the State Society in 1767 and was elected its president in 1775.

MELANCTHON FREEMAN was born in Piscataway, New Jersey, in 1746. He practiced several years in Metuchen. He was commissioned "Surgeon of State Troops, Colonel Forman's Battalion, Heard's Brigade, June 21, 1776." A son and a grandson, each bearing his name, were physicians.

HENRY DRAKE was born in New Brunswick in 1773. His father was James Drake, the proprietor of the famous Indian Queen Hotel, where

several noted travelers by the stage route between New York and Philadelphia rested en route. The State Medical Society often met "at the house of James Drake." Though a man of some skill, Dr. Drake soon abandoned practice and assumed management of the hotel, doubtless without any regret expressed by the profession as he was not a man of high moral character.

JOHN LAWRENCE was born in Monmouth county, graduated from Princeton College in 1764 and from the University of Pennsylvania in 1768, being one of the first to receive a medical degree in America. He began practice in Perth Amboy in 1776, where he was very successful for a few years when he went to New York, but in 1783 returned to New Jersey and settled in Freehold, where he died April 29, 1830, aged 83 years.

CHARLES A. HOWARD studied medicine with Dr. Alex. Ross in New Brunswick and after the death of his preceptor in 1775, married his widow. Being in sympathy with the British he was under guard of the Council of Safety in New York, upon taking the oath of abjuration and allegiance he returned to New Brunswick, settled at "Ross Hall" and engaged in practice, acquiring reputation as a surgeon and was held in high social position. He joined the State Medical Society in 1786. He was a warden in Christ Church in 1790. He died September 21, 1794.

JOHN GALEN WALL was born at Middletown, December 17, 1759. He joined the State Medical Society in 1783. He practiced for a short time at Perth Amboy, then removed to Woodbridge. He was thirteen years in practice in those places. He died in January, 1798.

ISAAC OGDEN, born in 1764, studied medicine and settled at Six Mile Run, where he had an extensive practice. He became a member of the State Medical Society in 1788. About the year 1820 he removed to New Brunswick, where he died in 1829. "He was a man of purest life, a practical Christian, promoting the interests of religion by every means in his power."

EPHRAIM FITZ-RANDOLPH SMITH was born near New Brunswick in 1786; studied medicine with Dr. Moses Scott; graduated from the University of Pennsylvania Medical School in 1808 and began practice in New Brunswick. He served as treasurer of the State Medical Society from 1817 to 1829; was elected vice-president in 1830 and president in 1832. He was an eminent physician. For many years he was president of the leading banking institution in the city; served as mayor of the city in 1842. He retired from practice in 1854. He was an earnest Christian man who died in the faith of the Gospel of Christ, May 4, 1865.

WILLIAM VAN DEURSEN was born in New Brunswick, May 16, 1791; after graduating from Queen's College in 1809, he studied medicine and graduated from the College of Physicians and Surgeons, New York, in 1814. He first settled in practice at Imlaystown, but very soon removed to New Brunswick, where he secured an extensive practice; was especially distinguished for his skill in surgery. He had many students who entered the profession from his office. For more than fifty years he was the leading physician of the city. He was elected a trustee of Rutgers College, New Brunswick, in 1814. He had a son, Dr. John H., who practiced in New Brunswick, and also a grandson, Dr. D. Clark Van Deursen, who practiced there a short time and then in Somerset county.

JOHN ADAMS POOL was born in New Brunswick—at the Landing—in 1796. He studied medicine and was licensed by the Medical Society of

New Jersey, receiving his diploma from Dr. Lewis Dunham, then president, November 13, 1816. He practiced medicine but to a very limited extent. He was very active in the State and County Medical Societies, often serving in official position. He died May 1, 1860. A grandson, Dr. Eugene H. Pool, is an able practitioner and professor in medical institutions in New York City.

SAMUEL ABERNETHY, of Rahway, was born February 26, 1806; graduated in Medicine from the University of Philadelphia in 1830 and after one year in hospital there settled in Rahway, then in Middlesex county, where he practiced until his death, February 13, 1874; he had an extensive practice and was an eminent physician and surgeon.

SOLOMON ANDREWS—The only information we have been able to get concerning him is that he received the degree of M. D. from Rutgers College in 1827; that he was given his diploma by Dr. Isaac Pearson, president of the State Society that year; that he was Collector of the Port of Perth Amboy in 1844-45 and that he was the inventor of the locks used in the United States mail pouches. He died October 20, 1872.

JACOB T. B. SKILLMAN was born at Three Mile Run, Somerset county, March 10, 1794. He graduated from Union College in 1819 and after spending three years teaching he removed to New Brunswick and began the study of medicine, completing the course under Dr. A. R. Taylor; he was licensed to practice by the State Medical Society, receiving his diploma November 8, 1825. He began practice in Woodbridge, but after three years removed to Rahway and two years later to New Brunswick, where for thirty years he had the respect of all who knew him for his ability, modesty, kindness and strict integrity. For several years he was a faithful office bearer in the First Reformed Church of New Brunswick. He died June 26, 1864.

C. MCKNIGHT SMITH was born at Haverstraw, New York, September 29, 1803, son of Samuel Smith, lawyer and on mother's side grandson of Dr. Charles McKnight, a prominent surgeon in the American army during the Revolutionary War. Dr. Smith studied medicine and graduated from the Medical College, New York, in 1827; commenced practice in St. Mary county, Maryland, and soon after settled in Perth Amboy, where until the time of his death he was recognized as the most prominent physician; few underwent more arduous work and exposure than he. President Harrison appointed him Collector of the Port of Perth Amboy in 1842; President Taylor appointed him to the same office in 1848 and President Grant reappointed him in 1869 and again in 1873. For many years he was health officer of the city. For 30 years he was a vestryman of St. Peter's Church, of which the first president of our State Society was formerly the rector. He was an exceedingly active and efficient member and officer of our State Society. He died at Perth Amboy February 3, 1874.

GEORGE J. JANEWAY was born in Philadelphia, October 14, 1806; graduated from the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania in 1830; in 1831 he went to Paris and studied in the French hospitals; returned to New York in 1832 and practiced there during the cholera outbreak there; he removed to New Brunswick in 1847, where he continued to practice over 40 years. He was of a kind and genial disposition, a benevolent, unselfish man, serving devotedly the poor and needy. He was mayor of New Brunswick in 1869 and 1870. He was long a devoted and beloved elder in the First Presbyterian Church. He died September

16, 1889, aged 83 years. He was the father of Prof. E. G. Janeway, M. D., of New York City.

CLIFFORD MORROGH was born in Ireland in 1821; his father, mother and their ten children came to America in 1834. He studied medicine and graduated from the University of the City of New York in 1847; came to New Brunswick with his brother, Dr. Archibald Morrogh, who practiced here a short time and then went to the West Indies.

Dr. C. Morrogh was called the Irish doctor; he met with some opposition at first, but his skill as a surgeon soon gave him a commanding position and his progress was rapid; his reputation extended far beyond the city and even the State; he was the first to use chloroform in that section of the State, in amputating a leg from each of two colored people at request of Dr. A. F. Taylor, township physician; soon after he operated on a lad for stone in the bladder, the first time it had been done in the city; subsequently he performed that operation thirty-two times. An operation that won him great praise was for carious bone of ankle joint, the first time it was performed in this country, with modifications in operating original with him. With all his great skill he was exceedingly modest, rarely consenting to prepare papers, though two or three are published in the State Society's transactions. He excelled in diagnosis; a man of mechanical genius, if he had not a splint at hand he made one and he devised three or four surgical instruments. He also drew the designs for a sailing yacht that took two prizes. He responded to calls for service after several of the great battles of the Civil War. He was a director of the State Bank; director of the New Brunswick Savings Institution twenty-nine years, and its vice-president a few years. His financial ability was shown in St. Peter's R. C. Church, of which he was treasurer; he issued bonds to the amount of \$60,000 for it which he placed, and when he went to Europe in 1868 but a few thousand dollars were outstanding; he was largely instrumental in securing chimes costing \$4,000 for the church. He was the leading surgeon of the State and his many excellent qualities of mind and heart won for him great respect. He died March 13, 1882.

CHARLES DUNHAM was born in New Brunswick in 1830; he was a grandson of Dr. Jacob Dunham. He studied medicine and graduated from the University of Pennsylvania Medical Department in 1850; began practice at Bordentown but the next year removed to New Brunswick, where he acquired an extensive practice. He served several years as a member of the board of public school trustees and was prominent in Masonic organizations. He died December 9, 1875.

CHARLES H. VOORHEES was born in New Brunswick, August 3, 1824; graduated from the Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, in 1850, and began practice in New Brunswick that year. He was very active in the County and State Medical Societies and often represented the latter in national organizations. He was a member of his city's Board of Health and was county physician for sixteen years. He served as surgeon of New Jersey Volunteers in the Civil War from 1862 to 1865. He died May 13, 1900.

HENRY R. BALDWIN, of New Brunswick, was born in New York City, September 18, 1829. His ancestors were Hollanders on the maternal side; paternally they were among the original settlers of 1639 in Connecticut. In early life he came with his parents to New Brunswick; graduated from Rutgers College in 1849, studied medicine and gradu-

ated from the College of Physicians and Surgeons, New York in 1853; served as resident physician at Bellevue Hospital eighteen months. In December, 1855, he settled in New Brunswick and practiced there until his death on February 3, 1902. His practice was very extensive, so that he was glad to have his son, who graduated in medicine in 1882, associated with him until the son's death in 1897.

He was one of the most faithful members of both County and State Medical Societies; he was treasurer of the State Society from 1866 to 1874, when he was elected third vice-president and in June, 1877, was elected president; he served on the Business Committee as chairman fourteen years and on the Fellows' Prize Essay Committee several years. He was a member of several medical societies; was appointed by Governor Griggs, in 1897, one of the managers of the State Hospital for the Insane; he was surgeon of the Pennsylvania Railroad for this section; was president of the staff of Wells Hospital from its organization in 1889 until his death; also was president of the City Board of Health.

He sought also the public good as a citizen; was for two terms an Alderman; served 12 years on Board of Water Commissioners; and on the Board of Education 17 years; he was elected a trustee of Rutgers College in 1884 and that college conferred on him in 1893 the honorary degree of LL. D. His friends erected beautiful gates at one of the entrances to the college grounds to his memory.

He was an officer of the Second Reformed Church of New Brunswick.

EZRA M. HUNT was born in Metuchen, New Jersey, January 4, 1830; after a preparatory course at Irving Institute, Tarrytown, he entered Princeton College in 1845, graduating in 1849; studied medicine under Dr. Abraham Coles; received the degree of M. D. from the College of Physicians and Surgeons, New York City, in 1852; he began the practice of medicine in his native town in 1853; was appointed lecturer on *Materia Medica* in Vermont Medical College; the next year he was elected Professor of Chemistry in the same institution, but in 1855 he resumed practice in Metuchen, continuing until he joined the army in 1862, as assistant surgeon of the 29th New Jersey Infantry; after two months he was placed in charge of the Calvert Street Hospital, Baltimore, Maryland, and remained there till his term expired, when he returned to Metuchen and again resumed practice.

He was a prominent member of the Middlesex County Medical Society. In 1864 he was elected president of the State Society of which he was a most influential member and frequently represented it in national and international medical societies. He was one of the most influential members of the American Public Health Association and was its president in 1883. To his untiring efforts as our State Society's leader in the movement was largely due the organization of the State Board of Health in 1877, and he was chosen as the one best fitted to conduct its work and he served most efficiently for many years.

The degree of LL. D. was conferred upon him by Lafayette College and that of Sc. D. by Princeton College. In 1888 he was elected an honorary member of the Epidemiological Society of London, England. A prominent writer, in a sketch of his life said: "The secret of Dr. Hunt's life of activity, faithfulness, earnestness and perseverance, is to be found in his deep personal piety and consistent humble Christian life—his firm unwavering trust in God." He died in Metuchen, July 1, 1894.

NICHOLAS WILLIAMSON was born in New Brunswick, March 9, 1845. After an excellent preliminary education he studied medicine with Dr. H. R. Baldwin and graduated from the College of Physicians and Surgeons, New York City, in 1872, and began practice in New Brunswick. He was an able physician and had a large practice, and yet he had time to act the good citizen in the service of his city and also to serve his God in official position in his church. He was twice elected mayor of New Brunswick and served with conspicuous ability.

Universally respected by all, he died August 15, 1902, and his loss was mourned by all.

FRANK M. DONOHUE, New Brunswick, was born in that city, August 17, 1859, after a liberal education, he studied medicine with Dr. Clifford Morrogh; graduated from the New York University Medical College in 1881 and was associated with his preceptor in practice until the death of the latter in 1882, when he assumed entire charge of the very extensive practice they had had, and as the minute adopted by the County Society said—"by the exhibition of similar skill and efficiency he became the worthy successor of that distinguished surgeon." He took a deep interest in the work of the County Medical Society; was three times its president and though a busy practitioner was regular in attendance and contributed largely to the scientific programs. His annual reception of its members at his beautiful summer residence—Cedar Crest—were occasions of greatest pleasure. He served two terms as chairman of the State Society's Business Committee and was reelected for the third term two months before his sudden death, June 28, 1919. His services in the New Brunswick hospitals were very strenuous and remarkable in results. He was a manager several years and for two years chairman of the board of managers of the Boys' Home at Jamesburg; was a director and vice-president of the People's Bank, a director of the New Brunswick Trust Company and a member of the funding committee of the managers of the New Brunswick Savings Institution. He served three years as Sinking Fund Commissioner of the City. As a member of the Advisory Medical Examining Board during the World War he served so actively and faithfully that it is a question if it was one of the factors contributing to his last illness. His death has been universally mourned.

HENRY HARRINGTON JANEWAY was born in New Brunswick in 1873; graduated from the College of Physicians and Surgeons in 1898. He settled in practice in New Brunswick in 1902; removed to New York City in 1907, where he practiced till a few weeks before his death. He was a member of the New Jersey State and also of the New York State Medical Societies; a Fellow of the American Medical Association; a member of the National Society for Cancer Research; the National Radium Society; the National Society for Experimental Medicine; the New York Academy of Medicine and the Harvey Society. He was attending surgeon and chief of the Radium Department of the Memorial Hospital. His specialty was Cancer Therapy, of which disease he died February 1, 1921. He continued his membership in the Middlesex County Medical Society till his death.

BERNARD A. DALY was born in New Brunswick, April 5, 1876; he studied medicine and graduated from the University of Medicine, Richmond, Virginia, in 1899. He located first at Harrison, New Jersey, was president of the local health board during a severe epidemic of smallpox. He

died at Newark from the effects of an infected wound of arm in operating on a patient, whose life was saved at the expense of his own, November 2, 1903.

Other Deceased Physicians of Middlesex County, many of whom were druggists as well as practicing physicians:

Drs. D. C. English, Sr., J. W. Meeker and David Stephens, New Brunswick; J. C. Albright and J. H. Price, South Amboy; P. W. Brakeley, Dunellen. Many had very extensive town and country practice as Drs. Ambrose Treganowan and G. W. Stout, South Amboy; H. S. Clow, J. C. Holmes and H. C. Symmes, Cranbury; R. J. Brumagen and H. B. Garner, Spotswood; A. P. Knappen, Jamesburg; S. M. Disbrow, Old Bridge; C. H. Andrus, Frank Decker, Herman Gross, Metuchen; John C. Thompson and H. B. Poole, South River; Lewis Drake, D. E. Decker and S. P. Harned, Woodbridge; Wallace Coriell, Elias Runyon, A. S. Titsworth and D. P. Vail, New Market and Dunellen; H. Martyn Brace and Henry M. Stone, Perth Amboy.

Besides the above, we have records of:

Drs. Josiah B. Andrews, L. Fred Baker, F. S. Barbarin, John J. Bissett, L. S. Blackwell, Geo. E. Blackham, George W. Britton, Fred W. Buckelew, Charles V. Buttlar, John H. Carman, James Clark, F. F. Corson, J. H. Crawford, Edward B. Dana, David Davis, Ireneas P. Davis, John J. De Mott, Thomas T. Devan (Rev.), Lewis A. Hall, Edward E. Haines, Theodore Hardenberg, John Helm, George J. Howell, W. W. Hubbard, Eugene A. Hulst, D. Brainerd Hunt, Ellsworth E. Hunt, A. C. Hutton, Thomas L. Janeway, Cornelius Johnson, Nich. Kaemerer, W. P. Keasbey, E. B. P. Kelly, A. S. Knight, William Knight, H. D. B. Lefferts, J. W. Leighton, Henry Levy, Samuel Long, William Mabon, J. I. Marcle, Caroline H. Marsh, William Martin, W. V. McKenzie, William M. Moore, Lawrence O. Morgan, J. L. Mulford, Azariah D. Newell, F. B. Norton, Henry T. Pierce, John Pierson, Moses Pierson, Edward A. Reiley, Frederick Richmond, John B. Richmond, H. D. Robinson, George H. Sears, A. Sophian, Clifford M. Stelle, Nelson Stelle, Roland H. Stubbs, Benj. E. Tomlinson, J. L. Van Deventer, Rush Van Dyke, D. Clark Van Deursen, John H. Van Deursen, J. S. Van Marter, Garret I. Voorhees, ——— Van Meulen, James B. Wainright, J. Leon White, W. S. Willis, William V. Wilson, C. E. Woodward, Edwin B. Young.

A few of the above named doctors, after practicing in the county several years, moved to other States where they practiced and died.

The following, among other matter, indicates the activities of members of the Middlesex County Medical Society.

Military Hospital in New Brunswick—The "Pennsylvania Packet," June 17, 1779, had the following: We hear from New Brunswick in New Jersey that out of upwards of 1,500 sick who were admitted in the Military Hospital in that place since November last, only 22 have died. This extraordinary success in the management of the sick (compared with former years) has been justly ascribed, next to the diligence and care of the surgeons, to the plentiful and punctual supplies of stores and neces-

saries of all kinds for the sick, by the present Purveyors of the Hospital.—N. J. Archives, Vol 3, Second Series.

Perth Amboy City Hospital—This Hospital was organized in 1889. It is governed by a Board of Directors of which Mr. S. Riddlestorffer is president; Adrian Lyon is treasurer; I. R. Holt, secretary, and Miss M. P. Blauvelt, R. N., is superintendent. There were 1,425 patients admitted in 1920; free patients, 210; pay patients, 1,215. There were discharged: Cured, 968; improved, 309; unimproved, 53; deaths, 95; remaining January 1, 1921, 47. The cost per patient per day was \$2.38. There were 125 babies born in 1920.

There is a Nurses' Training School from which 10 graduated last year. There are 28 pupil nurses. The members of the Surgical Staff are: Drs. J. G. Wilson, Dean, G. W. Tyrrell, F. C. Henry, M. S. Meinzer. Medical Staff: Drs. J. L. Lund, W. E. Ramsay, C. I. Silk and G. W. Fithian. Specialists: Drs. J. L. MacDowell, Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat; C. I. Silk, Radiographer, and J. V. Shull, Anaesthetizer. There is also a Consulting Staff: Drs. Ill, Lambert, Thompson, Booth, Brewer, Reisman and Dwyer.

The New Brunswick Hospital—During the winter of 1883 the city physicians provided a course of lectures on the subject: "First Aid to the Injured" and as a result the Hospital Aid Association was formed. The necessity of a Hospital was felt and in February, 1884, a number of ladies met and organized an Association, "Whose object and aim was the securing of a hospital for the City of New Brunswick," and in March, 1885, the New Brunswick City Hospital was organized. A cottage was hired in Commercial avenue and in 1887 a larger house was secured and a matron placed in charge. In 1888 the Directors raised \$3,000 to purchase a lot for a new hospital and Mrs. Grace T. Wells erected thereon a fine building in memory of her husband, to be called—

The John Wells Memorial Hospital—The Board of Directors consisted of John N. Carpenter, president; James Neilson, vice-president; Nahum Kent, treasurer, and Miss Alice Campbell, secretary.

The Medical Staff consisted of Drs. H. R. Baldwin, N. Williamson, C. H. Voorhees, D. C. English, F. M. Donohue and S. V. D. Clark, with Dr. A. V. N. Baldwin, Curator.

In 1916 the name of the hospital was changed and is now—

The Middlesex General Hospital—It has had a remarkably successful history under both recent names. A few years ago a large additional building was erected. Two years ago a Victor Radiograph Machine was introduced at a cost of nearly \$2,000, contributed by the Medical Staff. Recently Drs. Smith and Gutmann purchased sixty milligrams of radium which will be used there.

The report for the year ending February 28, 1921, shows: In hospital March 1, 1920, number of patients, 51; admitted to wards during the year 377, and to private rooms 474, a total of 902 treated: births, 131. Discharged: Cured, 699; improved, 104; unimproved, 20; died, 44. Patients remaining in hospital February 28, 35.

The present Medical and Surgical Staff is: Drs. L. P. Runyon, president; B. Gutmann, vice-president; F. L. Brown, secretary; D. C. English, consulting physician, with Drs. A. L. Smith, J. P. Schureman, F. E. Riva, F. M. Hoffman, N. N. Forney, F. W. Scott, H. W. Nafey, D. L. Morrison, B. M. Howley, J. F. Anderson, G. F. Leonard, and as dental surgeons: E. S. Griggs, H. Iredell and F. L. Hindle.

Last year the hospital met with a great loss in the death of the president of the Board of Directors, who had served many years, Mr. C. J. Carpender. Mr. William H. Leupp is now president of the Board, and Miss E. B. Strong is secretary.

St. Peter's General Hospital—This hospital established thirteen years ago has made an excellent record and its success has been due to a considerable extent to the efforts of Monsignor O'Grady and Dr. Frank M. Donohue, whose deaths two years ago have been keenly felt by the hospital authorities and the public. The Thirteenth Annual Report of the work done during the year 1920 has been issued. It shows one of the busiest and most successful of its existence. 3,620 patients were admitted—1,740 males and 1,880 females. In addition there were 2,195 outside patients. There were discharged: Cured, 3,340; improved, 41; unimproved, 21; deaths, 53; besides 57 that were in a dying condition when admitted; 98 remained in the hospital December 31, 1920.

The average cost per day per patient was \$1.96. There were 1,363 free patients, 2,061 pay and 196 half pay patients. There were 1,294 operations—major and minor. There were 249 births, 6 Cesarean sections. There is an excellent Training School for Nurses; 7 graduated in 1920; there are now 7 in the senior class and 9 in the junior. The interior management of the institution is in charge of the far famed Grey Nurses of Montreal. About 21,000 patients have been admitted and treated in this hospital since it was organized.

Gradwohl Laboratories—In order to carry out the American Medical Association requirements, it was found that neither of the hospitals in New Brunswick had an adequate laboratory. The Staff of the Middlesex Hospital suggested that Dr. R. L. McKiernan be made Urologist and that he should obtain the Gradwohl Laboratories of which he should be the Director, which he did. The chief aim and leading work he will do is in assisting the physicians in making diagnoses by means of all the up-to-date methods used in a modern laboratory, and giving every aid by means of bacteriological, biological, chemical, histological and serological analyses, particular stress to be laid on serological work, performing the Wassermann and Hecht tests on every blood specimen, so that no possible mistake will be made. As urologist Dr. McKiernan has rendered good service in the Middlesex Hospital and he will do like service in St. Peter's General Hospital, as well as assist the city physician generally.

Anti-Tuberculosis Clinics in New Brunswick and Perth Amboy were opened in June, 1917, through the efforts of the State Tuberculosis League, coöperating with the County Advisory Committee. In Perth Amboy there are two clinics a week held at the City Hospital with Dr. Charles I. Silk in charge. In New Brunswick the clinic is held once a week at the State Clinic Rooms, adjoining the Middlesex General Hospital, with Drs. F. L. Brown and Benj. Gutmann in charge.

The Perth Amboy Clinic report for the year 1920 is as follows: New patients, 308; Clinic attendance—new, 200; old, 140; total, 340; deaths, 63; sent to Sanatoria: Bonnie Burn, 111; Glen Gardner, 3; total, 114; sputum examinations were: positive, 13; negative, 87; total, 100; also Von Pirquet tests: 48 positive, 8 negative, 5 doubtful, total 61; 15 visits were made to schools. Two Registered Nurses are employed. The Clinic is held at 217 Smith street.

The New Brunswick Clinic report for six months—June to December, 1920, was as follows: Calls from office, 1,013; new patients, 28; deaths,

13; clinic attendance, 73; sent to Sanatoria: Bonnie Burn, 5; White Haven, 1; total, 6. The efficient nurse who was in charge the year before left January 1, 1920, and another could not be obtained until June, the Clinic was thereby closed. From June, 1917, to June, 1920—except the 6 months referred to, had 879 cases, of which 431 were positive, 415 negative and 33 suspicious.

Veneral Clinics—These are conducted under the auspices of the United States Public Health Service, the State Board of Health, coöperating with the local Health Board.

The New Brunswick Clinic was opened January 6, 1920, with Dr. R. L. McKiernan as Director, at the Middlesex General Hospital, and notwithstanding some disfavor, it has steadily advanced, though the need of a more active coöperation on the part of the city government with the Health Officers, has been felt. During the year 1920 the record has been as follows: Total number of cases of syphilis, 197; of gonorrhoea, 233; mixed cases, 12; total, 442; number of visits to the Clinic, 1,965. The results have been: Gonorrhoea cases absolutely cured, 53; syphilis cases rendered non-infectious, 190; Wassermann tests, 112; smears for gonococci examined, 281.

The Perth Amboy Clinic, with Dr. W. H. McCormick as Director, is doing like work, and although the Clinic has had considerable difficulty in perfecting organization, it gives promise of accomplishing a great work. The figures of work done have not yet been published.

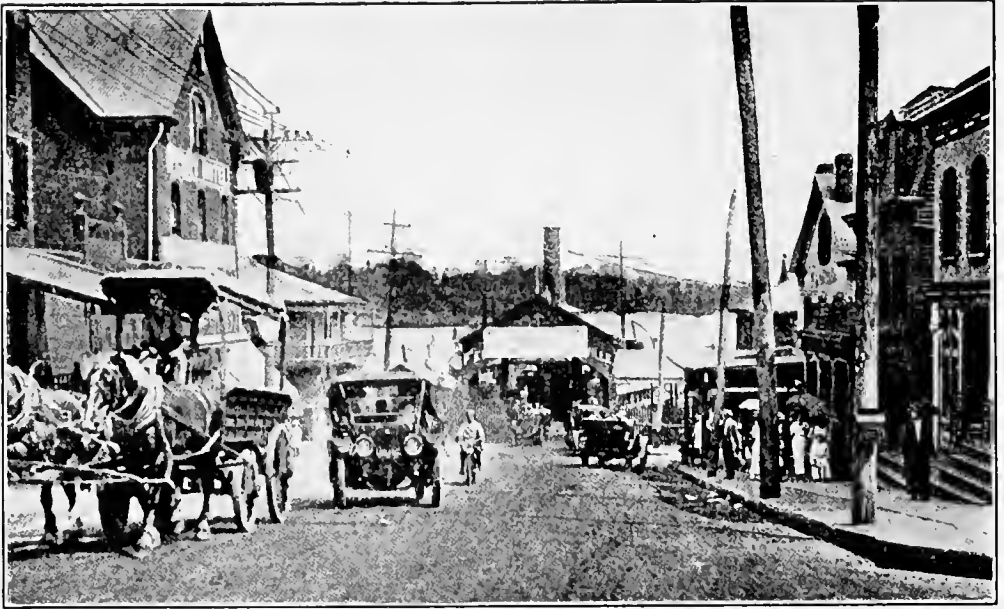
Baby Welfare Clinics—The Perth Amboy Clinic is held weekly, Wednesday, 10 to 12 A. M., at the Public Library. Dr. Wm. London in charge. The report is: Number of babies examined, 150; number of visits to the Clinic, 781.

The New Brunswick Clinic is held weekly in the Washington Public School building. It is in charge of Dr. E. Irving Cronk. There were 1,141 babies cared for during the year 1920 with no deaths. Weights and measurements were taken and helpful advice given to mothers.

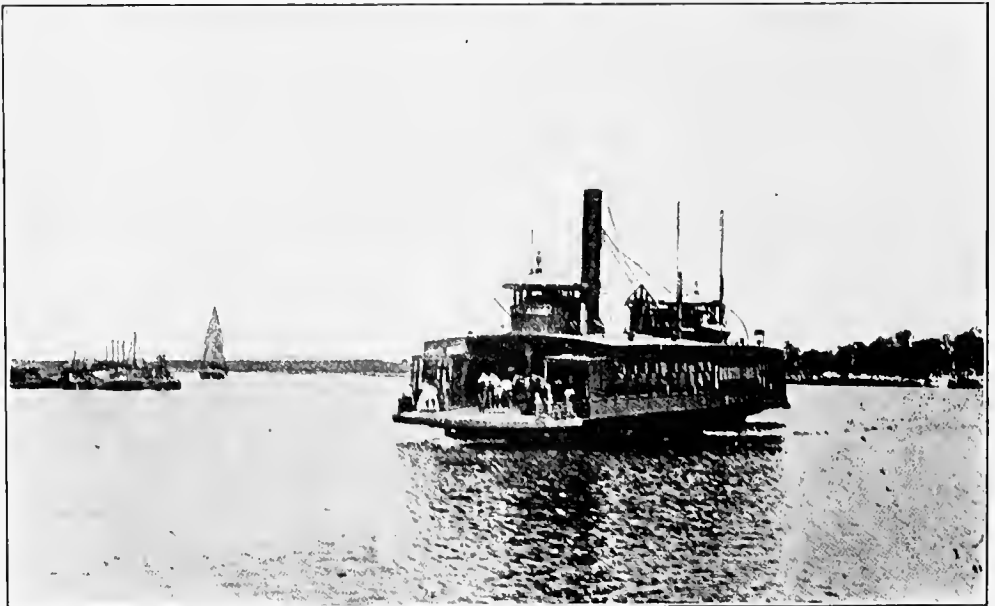
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CHAPTER XXIV. MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.

Perth Amboy and Vicinity—The manufacture of clay products has always been one of the most important industries of the county, and the most prominent figure in that branch of business was the late Alfred Hall, of Perth Amboy, who was born May 22, 1803, in Meriden, Connecticut. At an early age he went to Cleveland, Ohio, and for fifteen years was successfully engaged in the manufacture of brick. During that period, in 1842, he invented and patented a brick-moulding machine, which was adopted generally by the trade and is still universally used throughout the country. In 1845 he located in Perth Amboy and erected a factory for the manufacture of fire-brick. In 1856 a portion of the buildings were destroyed by fire, and were at once replaced by extensive brick buildings containing many improvements. Rockingham and yellow ware and terra cotta were also made later on. In addition to the Perth Amboy works, A. Hall & Sons had a similar plant of about the same capacity, for the manufacture of fire-brick at Buffalo, New York, and one at Towanda, Pennsylvania, for red brick, which produced about 2,250,000 brick annually, one million of which were of the character of Philadelphia front brick. When in full force the three plants produced about 5,000,000 fire-brick and 2,250,000 red brick annually. Edward J., Mr. Hall's eldest son, was in charge of the Buffalo and Towanda works.

Mr. Hall retired from the presidency of the Perth Amboy Terra Cotta Company in 1880, and organized a company to erect new works, which were completed about 1882, and were the most extensive of any in the United States. In a letter to the State Geologist in 1881 he wrote:

“I am doing all I can to develop and bring into use the great varieties of clay, which should be a great source of wealth to the State of New Jersey. We have in our employ men of all nationalities, who are familiar with the working of clay in all parts of the world, and their opinion is unanimous that the red and other colored clays of New Jersey are superior for making terra cotta to any in the world. There are also many clays that are now considered worthless that show qualities that I think will be of great value when applied to the uses for which they are adapted. Perth Amboy is the natural centre for the manufacture of architectural terra cotta, both on account of the abundance of the raw material and the great facilities for shipping, the docks here having been unimpeded by ice all through the last severe frost. The present works cannot supply the increasing demand, the sales of the six months ending December 31st, amounting to \$72,916. January 1st there were orders exceeding \$55,000, and several large works for which terra cotta is specified and for which estimates have been given, aggregate nearly \$200,000 more. Perth Amboy ought to become as noted for terra cotta as Trenton is for pottery.”

Mr. Hall was connected with the Terra Cotta Works until a short time before his death. The manufacture of brick and terra cotta has been benefited to an almost unlimited extent by Mr. Hall's inventions and improvements. He was a broad-minded, public-spirited citizen, and took a great interest in public affairs, having three times been elected mayor of the city, and in 1882 was president of the Fire-Brick Makers' Association of the United States.

Henry Maurer, a native of Germany, came to Perth Amboy in 1875 from New York, where he had been in business for many years, and purchased the fire-brick works of Joseph Forbes, near the mouth of Woodbridge Creek. He expended over \$50,000 in enlarging and improving the plant, and proceeded to manufacture fire-brick, red brick, gas retorts, furnace blocks, tile, hollow brick and French roofing tile. The works are now equal to any of the kind in the country, and contain many of Mr. Maurer's valuable inventions. He died a number of years ago, and the business is conducted by his sons.

About 1883, Edward M. Keasbey, who had been mining clay for several years in what is now known as Keasbey, in connection with his brother, A. Q. Keasbey, of Newark, erected a factory where they manufactured building brick, and later on fire-proofing materials. This was the forerunner of a large plant consisting of three extensive buildings, and a similar one at Lorillard, in Monmouth county, now owned and operated by the National Fire-Proofing Company, of Pittsburgh, of which Henry M. Keasbey, a son of one of the brothers above mentioned, is president. This corporation owns and operates thirty plants and does an immense business.

Adam Weber, of New York, erected large works at Keasbey about thirty years ago, and manufactured fire-brick, gas retorts, etc. In 1905 he sold the plant to the Didier-March Company, who operated it until a few months ago, when it passed into the hands of another company.

The American Encaustic Tiling Company began business in 1913, manufacturing wall tile, and also dealing in decorative tile in colors, employing about ninety men. The officers are: Emil Kohler, president, and H. D. Lillibridge, vice-president and general superintendent.

The C. Pardee Company purchased the Eagleswood property about 1900, and erected Steel and Enameled Tile Works. The former has since passed into the control of other parties, who continue the business and retain the Pardee name.

Abel Hansen does a large business at Fords, manufacturing bath tubs, tanks, basins, toilet fixtures, etc., all of porcelain, using the native clays.

The Roessler & Hasslacher Chemical Company, with offices corner of High and Fayette streets, commenced business in Brooklyn in 1882, and removed to Perth Amboy two years later. The first property the

firm purchased was the old cork factory of William King, at the foot of Commerce street. From that small beginning has arisen the large plant, fronting on Staten Island Sound, and composed of forty buildings. All varieties of chemical goods are manufactured, and about four hundred men and boys are employed. The present large and beautiful office building was erected in 1910. In addition to the large business done in the United States, the firm has a very considerable trade with Mexico and South America. A New York office is maintained at 609 Sixth avenue. The officers are Franz Roessler, president; William H. Hamm, vice-president and treasurer; and P. Schleussner, secretary.

The Standard Underground Cable Company was established on High street in 1898, the cable department being first installed. In 1902 the rod, wire, weather-proof and rubber departments were added. From 1914-1918 the plant was largely employed by the United States government and produced vast quantities of tubes and other war materials. The daily output is from 300,000 to 400,000 pounds of various products. The average number of employes, under normal conditions, is about 1,500. The executive offices are in Pittsburgh, and the present officials are as follows: J. W. Marsh, president (from the foundation of the corporation); P. H. W. Smith, of Pittsburgh, C. J. Marsh, of New York, and C. C. Baldwin, of Perth Amboy, vice-presidents; C. M. Hagen, of Pittsburgh, secretary and treasurer; and H. W. Fisher, assistant secretary.

The Perth Amboy Dry Dock Company, with W. Parker Runyon, president, and Charles D. Snedeker, secretary and treasurer, was incorporated in 1887, and developed from a marine railway established in 1860. Since the incorporation, four dry docks have been installed, with a capacity of 2,500 tons, eight piers, 370 to 400 feet long, floating equipment, electric and air-welding plants, complete power equipment, derricks, blacksmith and machine shops, sawmills, etc. The average number of employes is between three hundred and four hundred. Adjoining frontage, recently purchased, gives the plant a water front of over one thousand feet. The Emergency Fleet Corporation of the United States Government Shipping Board has been building a number of modern drydocks, with a view of placing them with reliable established shipyards for operation, giving the shipyard owners the privilege of purchasing them upon reasonable terms. The Perth Amboy Company was awarded one of these docks, with a capacity of one thousand tons, and it is now installed.

The Raritan Copper Works, on the site of the old John R. Watson fire-brick works, was erected in 1898 by the Lewisohn Brothers, of New York, and the first copper was produced in April of the following year. The business consists of the refining of copper and its by-products—silver, gold, platinum, palladium, selenium and tellurium. Several years later the works passed into the control and became a subsidiary

corporation of the Anaconda Mining Company. The average number of employees is 1,400. Mr. A. C. Clark is the general manager.

The American Smelting and Refining Company established a large plant fronting on the Staten Island Sound in 1895 for the refining of lead and copper ores, and other branches of the business. In consequence of the inability to secure a sufficient number of employees about one-half of the plant is closed at the present writing, the working force being only about seven hundred; formerly 1,800 men and boys were employed. J. F. Austin is the general manager.

New Brunswick—The wall paper business of Janeway & Company, of New Brunswick, was started by John P. Hardenbergh in 1844, in two small buildings on Water street, the wall paper being printed on hand presses. In 1846, Henry L. Janeway, who was born in Philadelphia and came to New Brunswick in 1833, bought an interest in the business, and the firm introduced the first machine for printing wall paper. It was made in the machine shop of Haley Fiske, of the city, and was a very crude affair. Later on an improved machine was made in the locomotive works at Paterson, which printed four colors and worked very satisfactorily. In those early days Mr. Janeway invented the plan for a machine for hanging wall paper while in the drying process, by passing it over ropes on grooved pulleys. It was made in William Waldron's machine works, in the city, and remained a secret for eight years, although it was never patented. Later on a foreman, who had been in the employ of Hardenbergh & Janeway, introduced it into other factories. The plan has been greatly improved since then, but the main idea remains the same. About 1850, William R. Janeway, brother of Henry L., bought Mr. Hardenbergh's interest, the firm became Janeway & Company, and an office was opened in Maiden Lane, New York. Steam power was installed in 1846, and many additions were made to the factory, which were continued from year to year until 1876, when the storehouse on Water street was built, and the plant continually enlarged until it covered the entire block. The works were destroyed by fire, February 7, 1885, the warehouse alone being saved. Rebuilding was immediately commenced, and the new factory was occupied October 1st of the same year. The main building had five floors, 65x315 feet, and the warehouse four floors, 70x160 feet, with a frontage on the Delaware and Raritan canal of 315 feet. The equipment included engines of 120 horsepower, boilers of 240 horsepower, and sixteen printing presses, and employed a working force of over 200. The capacity of the works was from ten to twelve million rolls of paper annually. The paper was sold all over the United States and Canada, and over twenty-five salesmen were employed. Mr. Janeway's generosity to the employees during the winter of the great fire, when the factory was destroyed, was most praiseworthy. Among other benefactions, he replaced the

destroyed tools of the print cutters, which were very valuable. He died in 1909, and the business and factory were sold in 1914. He was a trustee of the First Presbyterian Church for thirty-six years, trustee of Rutgers College since 1862, member of the Board of Education for twenty-two years and its president for seven years, director of the New Brunswick Mutual Fire Insurance Company, charter member of the company who built the City Water Works, member of the Water Board for four years, and a bank and gas company director for forty-two years.

In 1863, Belcher & Nicholson, the latter being a former member of the firm of Janeway & Company, established a wall paper factory in New Brunswick, manufacturing chiefly bronzes and what are technically known as French drawn stripes and mouldings. In 1870, Charles J. Carpender, and in 1872, Colonel Jacob J. Janeway, came into the business, and the firm of Janeway & Carpender was formed. A factory 165x50 feet was erected, fifty employees engaged, and the business greatly enlarged, including the printing of blanks, satins, tints, gold and silver paper. The great specialty is the French drawn stripes and mouldings. The former are used in paneling a room in imitation of fresco, the mouldings being surmounted by caps and corners to complete the panels. The drawn stripes, which are made by but one other firm in the country, are combinations of shades and stripes, which take the place of figures in wall paper. Over seven hundred and fifty styles of paper are kept in stock, and salesmen travel through the United States and Canada, selling a vast amount of goods. Mr. Carpender died several months ago.

United States Rubber Company—In 1839, Christopher Meyer, a native of Hanover, Germany, came to New Brunswick, to put up for Horace H. Day a steam engine and machinery for the first manufacture of rubber goods in the city. Mr. Day was then having carriage and rubber shoes failures. Mr. Meyer made his first essay at manufacturing under the Goodyear patent, inventing and improving machinery, and perfecting the progress of rubber shoe making. He discovered a plan by which the disagreeable odor of the rubber was almost entirely eliminated, and the cloth and shoes rendered more durable, a plan which was only surpassed by the subsequent discovery of the process of vulcanization. Mr. Day refused to recognize the value of this process, and the two parted. For about two years Mr. Meyer operated a small plant at the Landing Bridge, and in 1843 J. C. Ackerman, of New Brunswick, proposed to build for him a factory on the site of the old Milltown grist mill, which was done, James Bishop joining with Mr. Meyer in the management. Shirred goods, carriage cloth and rubber shoes were manufactured, and also rubber pontoon bridges for United States government use in the Mexican War, until 1845, when the factory was destroyed by fire, including Mr. Meyer's residence, leaving him almost penniless. John R. Ford, a New York merchant, came to his aid, and

together they rebuilt the works, and the firm of Ford & Company continued business until 1850, when a joint stock company was organized under the general law under the name of the Ford Rubber Company. Four years later the name was changed to the Meyer Rubber Company, and continued as such, with Mr. Meyer as president and Mr. Ford as treasurer. In 1877 he organized the New Jersey Rubber Shoe Company, erected large buildings in Little Burnet street, and manufactured boots, shoes, canes, etc. He also established the Novelty Rubber Works in Neilson street, above the railroad bridge, for the manufacture of hard rubber. The goods manufactured amounted to about \$600,000 annually, and included every possible variety of hard rubber goods, as follows: Buttons in great variety, smokers' requisites, as pipes, pipe-stems and bowls in great diversity of shapes and sizes; pipe and tobacco boxes, cigar cases, match boxes, etc., crochet hooks, knitting pins and tatting needles, and a variety of articles used in trimming ladies' dresses. Round rulers of all sizes, also hotel, restaurant, billiard, poker and jewelers' checks, elegant canes, and many other goods under the name of Yankee Notions. These articles were shipped to all parts of the world. Germany and England were a large market, also Cape Town, South Africa, Australia, Central and South America, in addition to the large quantities sold to pipe manufacturers and dealers in this country. The rubber business is still continued in New Brunswick under the title of the United States Rubber Company, with James Deshler as president.

Mr. Meyer became interested in the rubber business in New Brunswick when it was in its infancy, and to him alone is largely due its development, which has made such rapid progress among the most important manufactures of the country. This interest increased under his management and superior ability from a business of a few thousand dollars until it reached several millions annually. He may well be classed among the self-made business men, and a shining example of what ambition and a will to succeed under adverse circumstances may achieve.

In 1887 Robert W., James W. and Edward M. Johnson secured the old Parsons Mill property, near the Pennsylvania railroad, and began the manufacture of absorbent and surgical dressing materials. In 1893 the old Novelty Button Works was purchased, and in 1900 the cotton mill was erected. The property of the Norfolk and New Brunswick Hosiery Company was acquired in 1908, and the company has been continually enlarging and improving the plant. In 1897, having had much difficulty in shipping their goods by rail, the company secured two steam freight boats, which from that time to the present have made daily trips to New York during the navigable season. During the late European War the company, under the direction of the Red Cross,

supplied the armies of the United States and the Allies with all the absorbent cotton, gauze bandages and other surgical supplies that were needed. The average number of employes is 2,000. Robert W. Johnson, Sr., the president, died in 1910. The present officers are James W. Johnson, president; Frank Jones and Robert W. Johnson, vice-presidents; Robert C. Nicholas, secretary; and Charles A. McCormick, treasurer.

The Neverslip Manufacturing Company was organized in February, 1896, with Robert W. Johnson, president; James W. Johnson, vice-president; and William J. McCurdy, secretary and treasurer, for the manufacture of horseshoes, calks and tools. On May 29, 1917, the Manufacturers' Iron and Steel Company was incorporated, which included the Neverslip Manufacturing Company, of New Brunswick; the Neverslip Manufacturing Company, of Montreal, Canada; and the Bryden Horseshoe Company, of Catasauqua, Pennsylvania, with the following officers: James W. Johnson, president and general manager; Robert C. Nicholas, vice-president and secretary; George F. McCormick, treasurer; and H. Morley Holton, assistant treasurer; directors: J. W. Johnson, R. C. Nicholas, G. F. McCormick, Paul E. Miller, H. Morley Holton, Sidney B. Carpender and Royal W. Mattice. The average number of employees in the New Brunswick plant is 125, and only adjustable calks and tools are made.

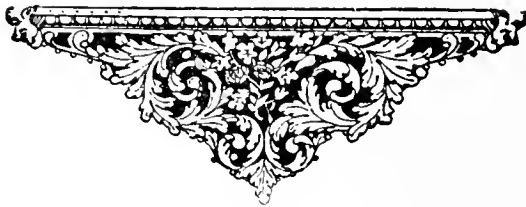
The Consolidated Fruit Jar Company was organized December 14, 1871, in its present building on Water street, by R. W. Booth, of New York, for the manufacture of sheet and cast metal goods, and at first made principally fruit-jar tops and can screws. Later on, bottle caps, collapsible tubes, oil cans and sprinkler tops for toilet waters and perfumes were manufactured. The average number of employees is 330, and the output is disposed of to manufacturers and jobbers. The officers are: Henry B. Kent, president; Charles P. Buckley, vice-president, and Benj. W. Erickson, secretary and treasurer.

In 1852 George Buttler and John Y. Brokaw began to manufacture sash doors, blinds, shelving, stair work, counters, office fixtures, etc., and many years after the firm became the Buttler-Howell Company, with the following officers: Howard V. Buttler, president; Abram S. Howell, vice-president and treasurer; Robert V. Buttler, secretary, and G. Harold Buttler, superintendent. The firm makes a specialty of laying hardwood floors and the interior finishing of houses. A stockroom for the sale of goods is maintained in Elizabeth.

One of the oldest industries in the city was the carriage factory of John Van Nuis, built by him in 1810 on Albany street. The wood-work, blacksmithing, trimming and painting were done in separate buildings, with a repository in front. In 1813 he shipped some carriages to Norfolk, Virginia, and found a ready sale, and finally established

an agency there. His sons made trips through the South and eventually extended the trade to North and South Carolina. In 1840 a repository was opened at Mobile, where carriages were sold over a territory of 500 miles around the city. In 1858, when the Civil War appeared imminent, the Southern business was abandoned. The firm lost much money and was never able to regain its immense business. The factory was closed in 1915.

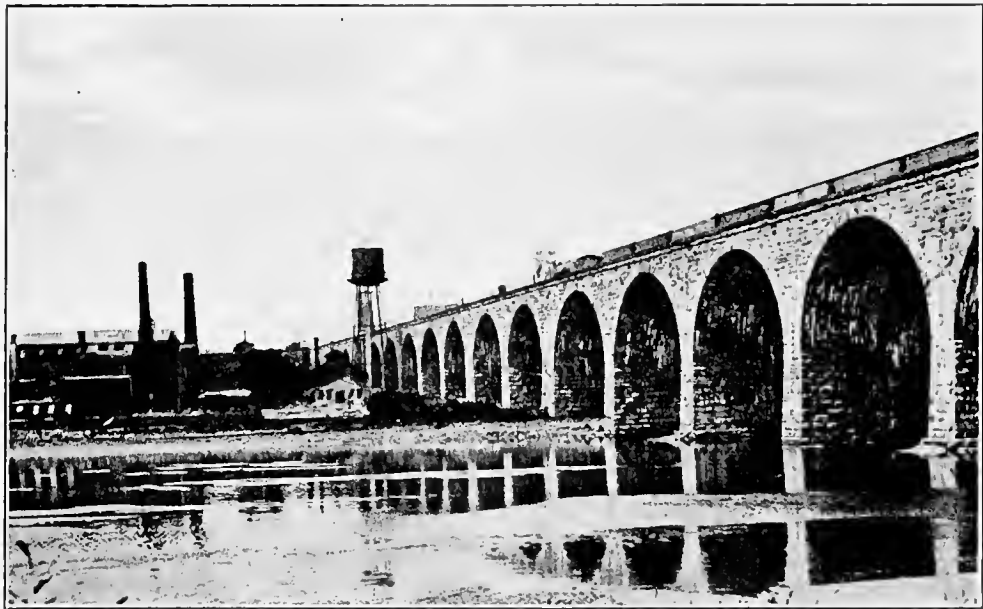
Other manufactures are mentioned in the chapters on Woodbridge, Piscataway, East Brunswick, and the Boroughs of South River, Helmetta, Jamesburg, Sayreville, Roosevelt and Middlesex, and the city of South Amboy.



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FALLS RARITAN RIVER, NEW BRUNSWICK



PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD BRIDGE, NEW BRUNSWICK

CHAPTER XXV.

CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

In the seventeenth century, where New Brunswick now stands there was a dense cedar forest interspersed with a swamp. A mystic tradition which the ancient records do not verify states that the first inhabitant Daniel Cooper, settled where the postroad afterwards crossed the river, and kept a ferry. This Cooper was one of the early purchasers and settlers under the proprietors, and his name appears as such on the schedule to the Elizabethtown Bill. This record states that his tract of land of two thousand acres was on the "Passack" river, and therefore the conclusion is drawn that it did not extend as far west as the Raritan river, therefore he had no connection with the early settlement of New Brunswick.

In Watson's "Annals of Philadelphia" is preserved an item from William Edmundson's Journal. An early traveler in East Jersey in 1675, he made a journey southward from New York, and in going from Middletown to the Delaware river, accompanied by an Indian guide, they lost their way in the wilderness, and were obliged to return to the Raritan river to enable them to discover the proper course. He tells of coming to a "small landing from New York," which was no doubt the crossing of the path where afterwards Inian's Ferry was established. These early travelers wended their way along a small path, with no tame animal in sight, kindling in the wilderness a fire by the side of which they slept, and finally reaching Delaware Falls, now the site of the city of Trenton.

It was on November 10, 1681, John Inian and company bought two lots which form the principal site of the city of New Brunswick. The tract thus purchased had a mile of river front and was two miles in depth. Inian, in connection with Joseph Benbridge and others, petitioned the Governor and Council on March 1, 1682, for a patent of the lands they had purchased from the Indians. The warrant was for six thousand acres but it appears that the surveyor had laid out 7,680 acres without the reservation of the seventh that was the proportion of the proprietors. The Council, however, determined that the petitioners should have patents for the land, John Inian to receive one thousand acres, and all others five hundred acres each on payment of one half-penny an acre, the overplus of the tract to be appropriated to the proprietors in lieu of their seventh. A map made in 1685 by John Reid, at that time first deputy surveyor under the proprietors, gives the situation and outlines of nineteen lots designated as the "Raritan Lots," lying on the mouth of South river, past the present site of New Bruns-

wick to Bound Brook, seventeen of which have each about a half a mile of river front by about two miles in depth, and extending in a south-westerly direction inland. Beginning at the mouth of South river, the first of these lots is marked to "Law Baker, and contains 1,300 acres; the next to "C. P. Sommans," 1,000 acres; the next to "Governor Barclay," 500 acres; the next to C. Longfield, 500 acres; the two next to "John Inians," each 640 acres. This last is shown on the map to be the "fording place," designated by a hand pointing towards it, also by the word "falles" written opposite. This was the original site of New Brunswick; the falles were a rocky rift extending across the river, making the stream so shallow it could be easily crossed at low water in a wagon or on horseback.

Soon after Inian's settlement, he operated a ferry, and on April 19, 1686, he addressed a communication to the Governor and Council of East Jersey, stating that at considerable expense he had made a road to Delaware Falls from his house on the Raritan, which was six miles shorter than a former road, and had furnished himself with all accommodations as boats, canoes, etc., for ferrying over the Raritan river all those traveling with horses and cattle. He desired the board to settle the rates to be charged for transportation across the Raritan, but whether it was legally established as a ferry at this time is doubtful. The proprietors, however, on November 2, 1697, granted the ferry for the lives of Inian and his wife and to the survivor at a rental of five shillings sterling per annum.

The place continued to be called Inian's Ferry, though it was variously corrupted into Inions, Innions, Onions and Inyance, in the public acts and records as late as 1723. In that year, there being only one street in the hamlet, called Broad street and now Burnet street, the county court was petitioned by Henry Freeman, William Harris, Timothy Bloomfield and Dirck Van Aersdalen, asking to lay out a road and two streets.

John Inian was unquestionably a man of some consequence in the community. Besides being an associate justice of the court, he was a member of Governors Hamilton's and Basse's councils, and was often designated in the records as "Captain John Inians."

The earliest use of the name New Brunswick is found in the minutes of the county court, April 7, 1724, when two surveyors of the roads and two constables were appointed. After this date it ceased to be called by the name of Inian's. Though this was ten years after the accession of the House of Brunswick to the throne of Great Britain, it is presumable that the future city was named in its honor. At this early period of settlement the population was very small, although it was beginning to overshadow the older settlements of Woodbridge, Perth Amboy and Piscataway, and its importance as a commercial center was

at least flattering. The adjacent territory was rapidly filling up with settlers, and quoting James Alexander, who settled at Inian's Ferry in 1715, there were at that time only four or five houses in the thirty miles between Inian's Ferry and Falls of the Delaware (Trenton). Fifteen years later there was almost a continuous line of fences and houses of farmers engaged in raising wheat, and as New Brunswick was the nearest landing, it became the store house for their produce. This caused the embryo town to increase in population, and a plot of ground in the center of the village commanded as high a price as the same size lot in the heart of New York City.

About this period several Dutch families immigrated from Albany, New York, bringing with them building material and locating along the public road. They were men of considerable property and enterprise; prominent amongst them were Dirck Schuyler, Hendrick Van Deursen, Dirck Van Veghten, Abraham Schuyler, John Ten Broeck, Nicholas Van Dyke, and Dirck Van Alen. The arrival of these Dutch settlers gave a fresh impulse to trade. The principal streets were Burnet, Water and Albany, with a few buildings on Church, the inhabitants living along the river as far south as Sonman's Hill, extending north a short distance above the ferry; the increased population and activity resulted in the incorporation in 1730 of the township of New Brunswick.

Peter Kalm, a professor of the University of Abo in Swedish Finland, who visited North America in 1748 as a naturalist, under the auspices of the Swedish Royal Academy of Science, gives this description of New Brunswick:

About noon we arrived at New Brunswick, a pretty little town in a valley on the west side of the river Raritan. On account of its low situation it cannot be seen coming from Pennsylvania before arriving at the top of the hill which is close to it. The town extends north and south along the river. The town-house makes a pretty good appearance. The town has only one street lengthwise, and at its northern extremity there is a street across. Both of these are of considerable length. One of the streets is almost entirely inhabited by Dutchmen who came hither from Albany, and for that reason they call it Albany street. On the road from Trenton to New Brunswick I never saw any place in America, the towns excepted, so well peopled.

The greater part of New Brunswick's trade is to New York, which is about forty English miles distant. To that place they send corn, flour in great quantities, bread, several other necessaries, a great quantity of linseed, boards, timber, wooden vessels, and all sorts of carpenter's work. Several small yachts are every day going backward and forward between these two towns. The inhabitants likewise get a considerable profit from the travelers who every hour pass through on the high road.

Notwithstanding all this, the embryo town must have been of very diminutive proportions, for a little over a quarter of a century later, in fact a year before the opening of the Revolutionary War, John Adams, afterwards President of the United States, describes it as follows: "Went to view the village of New Brunswick. There is a Church of England, a Dutch church and a Presbyterian church in this town. There is some little trade here; small craft can come up to this town. We saw a few small sloops. The river is very beautiful. There is a store build-

ing for barracks,* which is tolerably handsome; it is about the size of Boston jail. Some of the streets are paved, and there are three or four handsome houses; only about one hundred and fifty families in the town."

The granting of a Royal city charter to New Brunswick, December 30, 1730, established two cities in Middlesex county, which was at that time the only county in America to embrace within its limits chartered municipalities. It was not for the growing density of population that there was a demand for the forming of cities, it was not a result of a necessity, the real movement being for an essential unity, which was evidenced by the fact that a greater part of these cities were in the middle of the colonies, the only notable exceptions being Annapolis and Albany. The first corporation seal of the new city is described as follows: On the right side of the seal, the goddess of agricultural bounty is represented by a sheaf of wheat alongside a pair of scales; the motto reads *Alma sed Alequa*, signifying "kindly but just." On the left side appears a ship riding at anchor in the Raritan, typifying commerce. The words *Laeta revertor* may be freely translated "I am glad to return home."

The petitioners for the Royal Charter were Thomas Farmar, Jacob Okey, James Hude, Dolin Hegerman, Lawrence Williamson, Duncan Hutchinson, Derrick Schuyler, William Okey, Paul Miller, William Williamson, Abraham Bennet, Cort Voorhees, James Neilson, John Balding, besides others. The boundaries were described as all that tract of land beginning at the mouth of South river upon the bounds of the city and precincts of Perth Amboy, and from thence following the said bounds up the said river unto the post road that leads from Perth Amboy to Burlington, and along said road to Milston brook or river from thence down the same brook or river as it runs into the country road that leads from Trenton to Inian's Ferry, thence easterly along the said road unto a brook called the Mile run about a mile distant from said ferry, thence down the said brook as it runs (including the same) unto the mouth thereof where it empties itself into Raritan river, thence on a line to the north side of the said river, thence down the said river as it runs (including the same to high water mark on the northeasterly side thereof) unto the bounds of Perth Amboy aforesaid, and from thence along the said bounds to the point of beginning.

The charter appointed Thomas Farmar mayor, and a board of aldermen, consisting of William Cox, Jacob Okey, Dolin Hegeman, William Cheesman, Josiah Davison and Law Williamson. There was another incorporated body called in the charter "*assistants*," but known as the Common Council. The members appointed for this board were John Thomson, Cort Voorhees, Minne Voorhees, Henry Longfield, William Williamson and John Van Dyck; James Neilson was made clerk: Evan

*The barracks were located on George street, between Bayard and Paterson streets.

Drummond, sheriff; Alexander Moore, treasurer; Thomas Marshall, coroner; John Dally^e to be sergeant of the mace, the mayor to have the honor of having a mace borne before him. The overseers of the poor were John Van Nuys, Daniel Fitch and John Stevens. David Lee and Michael Moore were made constables. Elections were to be held annually on the second Thursday in April, although it reads in original document the second Tuesday. The first meeting held under the city charter was on March 16, 1730-1. Among the early ordinances passed in the first score of years of the city government was a curfew law forbidding a negro, mulatto or Indian slave above the age of fourteen in the streets after ten o'clock, unless with a certificate from master or mistress, or carrying a lantern with a lighted candle; a market place was appointed under the court room; hucksters were not to sell until the first two hours of the market had expired. Viewers of chimneys were appointed to prevent fire; no hay, straw, shingles or shavings of wood were to be within six inches of any chimney. Constables were to make strict search and inquiries about strangers, and furnish the mayor with a list of their names. Children and servants were forbidden to play on the Lord's Day.

The paving of streets early engaged the attention of city government, the firing of guns and throwing of squibs or other fireworks in the streets was strictly prohibited; citizens were required to provide leather buckets to be used in case of fire. The curfew law for slaves was amended in 1738, fixing the hour at nine instead of ten o'clock. Citizens were forbidden to entertain or lodge any stranger for the space of twenty-four hours unless they notified the authorities; every violation of this ordinance was subject to a fine of twenty shillings. The taverns were prohibited from selling liquid refreshments on the Lord's Day. A market house, thirty feet in length and fourteen feet in width, was built in 1743 by subscriptions. Tuesdays and Saturdays were designated as market days. The following year a night watch was established from nine o'clock in the evening until daybreak. The venerable Thomas Farmar continued to occupy the mayoralty chair until 1747, when he was succeeded by James Hude. The city at about this time provided a fire engine which had been purchased in New York City. James Hude continued in the office of mayor until 1762. A new charter was granted the city by George III. on February 12, 1763, but devoid of its legal verbiage there is little difference in its importance from the one secured from George II., thirty-three years before. The third occupant of the mayoralty chair was William Ouke or Oake, who administered the duties of the office until his death in 1778. The next executive officer of the city was William Harrison, who served as mayor until the adoption of the new charter.

At the outbreak of the Revolution, the citizens of New Jersey assembled at New Brunswick for the purpose of formulating plans for the

protection and support of the new-born Republic. The old town on the Raritan was honored by being the meeting place of the first Provincial Council of the colony. After this meeting the name of New Brunswick hardly appears on the pages of the country's history. The city, however, played its part in the stirring events of the time. It harbored within its walls an element, wealthy and aristocratic, who exerted so overshadowing an influence over their less fortunate neighbors that it was impossible to tell who were for or against the patriotic cause. There were many who were avowed Tories, and a number of citizens who took the oath of allegiance proved treacherous to the cause they had sworn to support. Laying as it did in the path of the two armies crossing and recrossing New Jersey, with the varying fortunes of war, it suffered to an extent which few cities were subjected. The winter of 1776-77 found it in possession of a large force of the British army, with Lord Howe, its commander-in-chief, his headquarters being on Burnet street, in the Neilson house, while the Hessian commander, DeHeister, occupied the Van Nuise house on Queen street. The hill beyond the Theological Seminary was fortified; a post erected at Raritan Landing; another two miles below the city on Bennet's Island. The British officers were quartered upon the inhabitants; citizens compelled to abandon their residences; business was suspended; schools and churches broken up—the whole town being under the sway of the enemy. The British remained in possession about six months, Lord Cornwallis having command of the post. In the winter of 1777 the British were cut off from the base of their supplies at Amboy, and a fleet was started up the Raritan to relieve their necessities. The Americans planted a battery of six guns below New Brunswick that destroyed five of the boats, the remainder returning in a crippled condition to Amboy. General Howe at this time made an unsuccessful attempt to open communication by land. The farmers throughout the neighborhood were compelled to deliver over their stores to the enemy; buildings were fired, and barns torn down to supply lumber for the construction of a temporary bridge over the Raritan; and most wanton cruelties were inflicted. The British were not, however, allowed to remain in undisturbed possession of the city. Colonels Neilson and Taylor continually harrassed them. The former organized a secret expedition against Bennett's Island. With a picked command of two hundred men, sometime before daybreak on February 18, 1777, he surprised the British garrison, capturing one captain, several subordinate officers, and fifty-five privates, besides a quantity of munitions of war. The British finally in the summer of 1777 evacuated New Brunswick.

The romantic exploits of those who have been named by a historian as the "Commanders of New Brunswick's Navy in the War of the Revolution," had their effect on the British forces. Prominent among these

was William Marriner, a shoemaker by trade, who at the outbreak of hostilities joined Lord Stirling's regiment. Being of a daring and adventurous spirit, he was given full swing in his operations to harrass the British. His success was phenomenal on June 11, 1777, when with twenty-six picked men he crossed from New Brunswick to Flatbush in two flat bottom boats and made a night attack, capturing Sherbrooke and Bache, two noted Tories. Numerous other sorties were made by Marriner on Flatbush, and captures of noted Tories, specie, and other property. He kept up this method of warfare until he was captured and paroled, his exchange being effected by Colonel Simcoe, who explained to General Clinton, the British commander, that Marriner had once saved his life when a soldier was about to bayonet him as he lay senseless on the field of battle. The capture and parole of Marriner removed him from all active participation in any more raids. He lived to a green old age, and in his later years kept a public house on John street, near Nassau street, New York City, where he died in 1814, aged eighty-five years, from injuries by being thrown from his wagon.

Worthy successors of Captain Marriner were one of his associates, Captain Dickie, and Captain Adam Hyler. The latter was one of the most daring American officers in this part of the country, having the rare faculty of inspiring his men with his own spirit of venture and daring. His usual plan was to glide out of his hiding place, pass quickly down the river, make his captures, and return. The enemy, having heavier vessels, did not dare to follow him, owing to the shallow and treacherous channel of the river. Amongst his many exploits mention is made of the following: On the night of April 15, 1781, he brought the Hessian Major Moncreif and an ensign, with their servants, from Long Island. The following week he captured the pilot boat of Captain David Morris, and two other boats between Robin's Reef and Yellow Hook. Two of his whale boats visited Nicholas Schenck, a Tory, living three miles south of Flatbush, carrying off plate and money. Two months later he again visited Long Island, capturing Colonel Lott and two slaves; the former was supposed to be rich, and though his cupboards were searched, little silver was obtained, but two bags were taken supposed to contain about \$3,000, but on opening them they yielded only half pennies belonging to a church at Flatbush. The British were determined to capture Huyler, and on January 7, 1782, dispatched a command in six boats under Captain Beckwith. They landed at New Brunswick at five o'clock the following morning and captured all of Hyler's boats. This was a hard blow to the venturesome captain, but he immediately rebuilt his little navy, and early in June he was back at his old tricks. He captured two fishing boats near the Narrows, and on July 21, with Captain Dickie and three twenty-four oared boats, attempted to capture a British galley at Princess Bay. This proved

unsuccessful, and was his last raid, as his death occurred September 6, 1782, after a tedious and painful illness, the cause of which was an accidental wound in the knee received while cleaning his gun. His death removed the principal leader of this band of free lances. His place was taken by Captain Storer, who promised to become a genuine successor of Hyler, but the spirit of venture in the men seemed to have died out with the death of their leader; they either went into the regular service or drifted to other scenes of excitement; it was not long before New Brunswick's small but active and destructive navy became a matter of unrecorded history.

In the first charter obtained from the State Assembly in 1784, New Brunswick was raised to the dignity of a city. Within its limits were the present city and townships of North and East Brunswick. From 1784 to 1801, New Brunswick was governed by a president, register, four directors and six assistants, all twelve of whom constituted a single chamber known as the common council. They were elected by the people, but by a new charter obtained in 1801, the governor and legislature appointed a mayor, recorder and three aldermen, holding office for five years, and meeting together in common council, with six councilmen elected annually by popular vote. The mayor had some judicial authority, presiding over the mayor's court; the recorder had about the same jurisdiction as at the present time; the aldermen until 1838 had the criminal authority of the present justice of the peace.

At the opening of the nineteenth century the city of New Brunswick was noted as a shipping and commercial point. Among the early ship-owners was John Dennis, whose place of business was on Little Burnet street; his sloops were named "Cluster Valle," "May," "Elizabeth," and "General Lee." We find also the "Polly," owned by Barnet D. Kline; the "Catherine," a sloop of forty-five tons burthen, whose master was James Richardson. The "Sally" of forty tons had as master John Voorhees. A larger sloop was the "Maria," Simon Hillyer, master; one of thirty-four tons burthen, the "Ranger," was in charge of Caleb Anthony. The names of some of the other sloops were Duy Knick's boat, "Gernatia," "The Hope for Peace," and "Independence." "The Neptune," a schooner, Andrew Brown, master, was succeeded in 1784 by the "Poet Moses Guest." In 1799 the "Hannah," a sloop of forty-five tons, had for master John Brush; the "Eliza," commanded by James Richmond, was a sloop of fifty-nine tons burthen. During the early part of the century the "Lawrence," owned by Peter I. Nevius, was in the carrying trade; she was too large to navigate the Raritan above the city. These vessels made voyages to the Bermudas, Bahamas, Jamaica, and Hispaniola in the West Indies; also to Charleston, South Carolina; Wilmington, Delaware; Newberne, North Carolina; Savannah, Georgia; Newport, Rhode Island; besides other ports. Among the cargoes shipped

from New Brunswick in the last two years of the eighteenth century were thirty-four tons of iron ore to New Bedford, Massachusetts; 1,800 bushels of grain; twenty-six barrels of pork; twenty-two sides of leather, to Boston, Massachusetts; to Wareham, Massachusetts, thirty-five tons of iron ore; also another shipment of fifty tons of iron ore was made at the same time. Carriages were shipped to the South, and the vessels brought back sweet potatoes and other products. The sloops and schooners varied from thirty to eighty tons burthen, and used lateral boards for centre boards.

With the restoration of peace came a revival of business and consequent increase of travel between New York and Philadelphia. The highways were in a deplorable condition, and travelers gladly availed themselves of the water routes, which were less tiresome and much more comfortable than the bolstered wagons, the stage coaches of that period.

The first civil magistrate under the new charter was Azariah Dunham, who served until 1796, when Abraham Schuyler became his successor. After five years' service, Mayor Schuyler retired, and his successor, James Schureman, was inaugurated in 1801. At the opening of the nineteenth century the population of New Brunswick was about two thousand souls. Among its principal merchants were Robert Eastburn, Jacob R. Hardenbergh, Samuel Clarkson, Samuel Barker, all located on Church street; William Lawson, Jr., near the Market; Perez Rowley, S. J. and H. Rudderow, on Albany street; and George Young, Jr., on Peace street, who dealt in dry goods, groceries, medicines, etc. The hardware merchant was Willett Warne, on Albany street. Builders could purchase lumber from James Richmond or William Forman, the former could also supply plaster, grass seeds, etc.; John Dennis, Jr., carried on a varied business—lumber, plaster, paints, etc., could rent a house, or sell a ticket or arrange for freight by the packets and sailing vessels; Michael Pool, on Queen street, dealt in hats and furs; while Williams & Leslie were watch and clock makers, dealing also in plated ware, silver knee buckles, etc., with a branch store at Trenton. Thomas Brush conducted a land and intelligence office, was also an auctioneer, and could sell houses, lots, plantations, negro men, wenches and children, let or hire them for service. Miss (?) Burnet at her Young Ladies' High School taught French, music, dancing, etc. The letters for Somerset, Scotch Plains, Raritan Landing, Amboy, North, South and Middle Branches, Cranbury, Bonhamtown, Millstone, Stony Hill, Piscataway, Basking Ridge, Spotswood, Bridgewater, Six Mile Run, etc., all came to New Brunswick on account of its being the nearest post-office. The office was located on Albany street, below Neilson street. John Voorhees was appointed the first postmaster, November 16, 1790; he was succeeded by Peter Keenan, March 20, 1793, who on December

31 of that year gave way to Robert Hude, who after serving only six months was replaced on July 1, 1794, by Jacob Tallman. News from Europe, six weeks in transit to the city, when it arrived was eagerly read, as the citizens were deeply interested in the war of France and England then in progress. On business trips to New York, the city's merchants generally proceeded by private conveyances to what is now Jersey City and Hoboken, where they crossed New York harbor either in a sail or row boat, the journey taking the better part of three days. Stray negroes were occasionally put in jail; if no owners appeared, they were sold to pay the expense of arrest and jail fees.

In the first decade of the nineteenth century, the population of New Brunswick increased 1,017, making the total 3,042, of which 2,826 were free white males and females, 53 blacks, 164 slaves. The number of families was 469 inhabiting 375 dwellings. Internal communications were by stage coach to Elizabeth and New York, also to Trenton and Philadelphia, and by water a line of sloops carried freight and passengers to New York, Albany, Troy and other points. The two newspapers of the day were "The Fredonian," a staunch supporter of Jeffersonian policies, and "The Guardian, or New Brunswick Advertiser," a Federalist sheet in opposition to the national administration. The religious denominations were Reform, Episcopal, Presbyterian and Baptist; a Methodist Episcopal church was organized in 1811. The New Brunswick Bank was chartered in 1807, the State Bank in 1812. Mail facilities depended on the roads—if they were dry, mail arrived; if muddy, there was delay. William Ten Broeck was appointed postmaster April 1, 1801, and filled the office until April 28, 1810, when Bernard Smith succeeded him and removed the office to the south side of Albany street, below George street, where it remained until it was removed to the corner of Church and Dennis streets.

In mercantile trade, the leading men conducting general stores were Ayers & Freeman, Dennis & Kinnan, Peter Buckelew, on Queen street; R. S. Garretson on Church street; Van Dorn, Beekman & Company, and Dunham Brothers, also kept a general supply of merchandise; James Richmond offered pine boards for sale; Israel Freeman had two establishments where he carried on coach and sign painting; Peter Perrine had a cut nail factory opposite the Dutch church; L. Deare traded in wall paper; while K. Newell & Company kept a fine assortment of dry goods, also selling good brandy and raisins, at their store, corner of Church and Queen streets. Schureman, Perrine & Company dealt in Delaware river shad. John C. Davie, Samuel Hunt and James Seabrook were tailors. The hostelry opposite the public market, known as "Sign of the Paddock," had for landlord Marinus W. Warne; Simpson & Bray, on the wharf near the old market house, sold fish. Even those days were employment offices carried on in Church street by Samuel Walker. The

citizens were supplied with white lead and oil by Robert Eastburn, Sr., on Church street; he also dealt in drugs, paints, books on history and divinity; also dye woods and family medicine chests. Benjamin Farner manufactured tobacco, while Stephen Scale was a pump maker, with a shop on Church street. Coaches were made by Thomas McDowell, on Schureman street; Moses Guest carried a stock of shoes and groceries on Burnet street; Mr. Desabaye, a piano dealer, was located on George street, while on the north side of Church street Henry Plum had a brass foundry. Thomas Eastburn was a hardware merchant on Church street; ale and porter were brewed by John Dorey, at the New Brunswick Brewery. On Water street was Henry C. Guest & Company, dry goods and groceries; William Naid was a bookbinder; Samuel H. Day, on Burnet street, catered to the female sex with his stock of millinery and shoes; a sadler was Charles Rarsbeck on Queen street, and the White Hall Tavern was kept by Mr. Degraw. On Burnet street, Bernard S. Judah dealt in oil and window glass; while Edward Sullivan carried a stock of shovels, tongs, copper tea kettles, looking glasses and dry goods. Among the coachmakers were John Van Nuis and Nathaniel McChesney, on Albany street, and William Roland on Schureman street. Joslin & Mulford had their harness shop on Albany street, and Price & Meeker were cabinet makers on Church street. The public were supplied with earthenware by E. J. Mackey, corner of Liberty and George streets, and with wool for spinning and hatters' use by Thomas Letson. Aaron M. Freeman, another harness maker on Peace street, could also supply the infantry caps for soldiers. George White, corner of Burnet and New streets, sold shovels, molasses, jewsharps, muslin, gun-flints, lump sugar, bellows, corkscrews, etc. Next door, liquor could be obtained from Captain Powers. Douwe D. Williamson and David Abeel had an ironmongery and lumber yard on Burnet street. French was taught to the ladies by Mary Ann Guest, and S. C. Aiken taught writing. At the foot of Easton avenue on Albany street was Josiah Simpson's book and stationery store, with a circulating library; this business was purchased in January, 1812, by Charles D. Greene. Dr. Ira Condict also had a private circulating library to which a person could become a member by paying a small annual dues; he died in 1811 and his library was sold. Dancing academies were in evidence. Mr. Kennedy opened one in the early part of January, 1812. Mr. Berault also held dancing school in Keyworth's tavern, and he politely informed the male sex that no gentleman was allowed to dance with boots on, on public evenings.

The Washington Benevolent Society was organized December 2, 1811; it was a patriotic society opposed to President Madison and his foreign policy. A hall was built by Nicholas Van Brunt, for the use of the organization, which was formally dedicated July 4, 1813, with appropriate ceremonies

The ferry across the Raritan river accommodated the public for over a century. The Indian rights were acquired by Thomas Farmer in 1716, by an Act of Assembly, toll rates were fixed for a horse and man, four pence, for a single person two pence. In 1732 Thomas Farmer conveyed his ferry rights to Philip French in consideration of £300. It was not, however, until 1790 that agitations were started to build a bridge; that year James Parker, of Perth Amboy, gave notice that he would apply to the legislature for a toll bridge across the river Raritan. This movement coming from a citizen of Perth Amboy was not entirely for the benefit of New Brunswick. Perth Amboy was then a seaport with considerable foreign commerce, and the object of the people of that city was to shorten the distance of the agricultural districts around New Brunswick so trade could be diverted to their own seaport. The legislature having passed an act to build a bridge at New Brunswick, appointed commissioners to designate a site. They met February 21, 1791, at the tavern of John Lane. Subsequent meetings were held and it was decided to build at the foot of Albany street. The bridge, completed in 1796, was an open structure. The stone for facing the original piers was freighted from Blackwell's Island, the outside casing of stone was filled with shale quarried on the east side of the Raritan river, mixed with cement. The original cost of the bridge was \$86,695.71.

At the commencement of the second war with England, a majority of the citizens of New Brunswick were opposed to the acts of the national administration. On April 15, 1812, a requisition was made by the United States government on the State for 5,000 men, who were furnished and placed under the command of Major-General Ludlow. A company of ninety men of the Fifth Regiment, United States Infantry, encamped at New Brunswick on the night of April 17, 1812, on their way from Ellison's Island to Carlisle, Pennsylvania. Governor Ogden passed through the city November 2, 1812, traveling to Trenton. He was met at Clarkson's Tavern by Captain Veghte's company of Light Dragoons and a large number of citizens on horseback, who accompanied him to the heights, where Captain Neilson's company of artillery and Captain Scott's company of infantry, attended by the artillery band, awaited his arrival. He was officially welcomed at the Queen's Hotel by Mayor Schureman, and after dinner was escorted by the dragoons and a delegation of citizens as far as Princeton. The New Jersey legislature on November 9, 1812, passed an act deprecating the war, but on the 16th a general order was issued requiring all companies whether of cavalry, artillery, light infantry, or riflemen, to hold themselves in readiness to take the field on twenty-four hours' notice. The city companies made all necessary preparations, and reported themselves ready. The patriotism of the citizens was intensified on the receipt of the intelligence of Captain Decatur's victory over the frigate "Macedonian." On December 10,

1812, the day following the battle, seventy of the brave tars of the "Wasp" passed through the city on their way to Washington. As the war progressed, politics grew bitter, a memorable campaign took place in January, 1813, when James Schureman was elected to Congress on a peace ticket. He was succeeded in the mayoralty chair by James Bennett. Party feeling was antagonistic; the city was divided on the war issue, John P. Cowenhoven, Bernard Smith, James Randolph and Jarvis Brewster were the leaders of the war party; and the Schuremans, Neilsons, Hardenberghs and Elmendorfs lined up in favor of peace. The political pot was boiling; meetings were held on one night to denounce the war, and on the next in favor of it. The elections were dominated by the peace party. At this time, the city was partly in Middlesex and partly in Somerset county, the center of Albany street forming the boundary line, to the considerable annoyance of voters. As the war progressed, the citizens did not fail in their patriotism, as New Brunswick was well represented in the army and navy. The citizens dreading an attack by the British, every man by suggestion of the common council, was required to provide himself with a gun and twenty-four rounds of ball cartridges. A code of signals was arranged with Perth Amboy, to be used in case the enemy should enter the river at that place. No definite action was taken looking towards the safety of the city, which was the central meeting place of the militia for surrounding country. The brigade judge advocate for Middlesex county, William Dunham, and the brigade board, met once a month for transaction of business relative to the militia of the county, at Colonel Peter Keenon's tavern in New Brunswick. There was great animosity between the regular troops and the militia. The companies that volunteered from New Brunswick did so with the understanding that they were to defend the river and city in case of an attack. The militia claimed they could not be forced to do garrison duty or any of the other duties required of the standing army, nor could they be compelled to leave their own State to wage a foreign war. The militia were drafted and driven from their homes into camps and placed under regular army officers. To add to their discontent, they were not properly cared for and could not obtain sufficient food. This caused groups of the militia to desert and leave for their homes. A party of these discontented militia reached New Brunswick July 5, 1813, and had hardly entered the town before they were captured by a troop of regular cavalry, and this precipitated a free fight, in which the town people took part. Such disturbances became frequent until Mayor Schureman appointed a special committee to make a protest against any more of the militia being sent out of the State. Robert Boggs was also appointed to call the attention of the governor to the defenseless condition of the city; the executive promised to do what he could, but nothing was accomplished.

It was not until the second presidential call for troops, on July 14, 1814, that New Brunswick's patriotism was thoroughly aroused, and she promptly furnished four fully uniformed and armed companies—the New Brunswick Artillery, Captain Neilson; New Brunswick Horse Artillery Captain Van Dyke; Captain Scott's Light Infantry; and the New Brunswick Rifles under Captain McKay. These companies were ordered to hold themselves in readiness to march under orders from Brigadier-General William Coleman, who was in command at Paulus Hook.

The people were still in fear of an attack, and a committee was appointed by the common council, September 11, 1814, to inquire into the defenses of the city. They reported that the four companies had been ordered outside of the State, and that the three companies still remaining in the city were not armed; they suggested that a demand should be made for the return of the volunteer companies, and a requisition made on the governor for arms for the three companies of militia. While this report was received and adopted, no practical results were obtained. On receipt of the signing of the treaty of peace in February, 1815, in response to a proclamation of the mayor the public buildings were illuminated, flags and banners waved, and cannons boomed. The citizens welcomed the return of peace and relief from the weary days of war.

After the restoration of peace, New Brunswick became the depot for the reception of grain from the counties of Warren, Hunterdon, Sussex, Somerset, also Northampton, Pennsylvania, and the country along the upper Delaware. Large wagons drawn by four and six horses and carrying twenty-eight barrels of flour, sometimes as many as five hundred a day, came down the valley of the Raritan. At Raritan Landing were large store houses which received the grain, the sloops would take on a half a cargo, then drop down to New Brunswick, complete their load, and proceed to their destination. The White Hall tavern was headquarters for news, where the grain merchants could congregate, consult a New York paper, and fix the market prices. The New Brunswick shippers paid cash for merchandise, while at Newark and Philadelphia barter was used.

The successful application of steam for the purpose of navigation was to revolutionize the slower methods of transportation. The State of New York had granted to Livingston and Fulton the exclusive right of steam navigation. Under this right, John R. and Robert James Livingston had purchased the right of navigating the waters of the Raritan to New Brunswick—the head of navigation on that river. They placed on this water route the steamboat "Raritan," but in 1818 Thomas Gibbons placed upon the same route the "Bellona," a steamer of one hundred and sixteen tons, regularly registered at the port of Perth

Amboy for the coasting trade under the United States law. The Livingstons secured an injunction restraining Gibbons from using his boat, claiming the exclusive right of steam navigation on the Raritan. Gibbons denied this right and sued for damages; the ablest legal talent of the period was employed; after elaborate arguments by learned attorneys and exhaustive opinions by the presiding justices, judgment was rendered for the plaintiff, thus establishing an important judicial principle, namely, the right of comity in steam navigation between adjoining States under the Federal Constitution. Competing lines were soon organized, and rivalry became active and exciting, the inhabitants turning out in crowds to welcome the arrival and departure of the steamboats. The region surrounding Bordertown and Burlington was a great peach growing section, and wagon after wagon load of this delicious fruit was sent to the wharfs at New Brunswick for transportation to New York and other eastern points. The Delaware and Raritan canal was completed during the year 1833, and the shipment of products was stimulated; the annual exportation of corn reached 300,000 bushels; rye, 57,000 bushels; and a few years later 1,000,000 bushels passed down the river. Such was the magnitude of trade that the Raritan was rated as one of the three greatest rivers in the country as to tonnage. This increase of business called many other steamboats into requisition.

In 1828 the city's population was about 5,000; there were 750 dwellings, over a hundred stores, and twenty taverns. The city's compact population was bounded by George and New streets; south of New street, houses could be numbered on the fingers of one hand, barring out Burnet street, which led to the steamboat dock. The old stone mansion on the corner of Livingston avenue and Carrol place, was built in 1760 by Henry Guest; here Tom Paine was barricaded by his hosts, the Guests, from the violence of a royal mob, seeking to punish him for his treasonable writings. Here, too, were written those poems of the son of Moses Guest, afterwards published in *Cincinnati*, among which figure that gem, "To Pave or Not to Pave," and the humorous satire, "Toll Bridge." The aristocracy lived on Little Burnet street, in a row of elaborately finished brick houses. The dry goods marts were on Burnet street, the shops on Church street, grain warehouses on Water street, where also were the hotels for traders. The trade was largely wholesale, the northwestern counties of the State and the country along the Delaware forwarding grain, and supplied in turn with fish, salt, dry goods and merchandise. The country south of the city towards Monmouth county was little better than a desert of sand; this was before the mines of marl had been exploited.

The death of Mayor Bennett causing a vacancy, James Schureman was again appointed mayor; he filled the office until 1824, when Dr.

Augustus R. Taylor became his successor for a term of five years. David F. Randolph became postmaster February 15, 1819, succeeded May 12, 1820, by William Meyer, who removed the office to Church street, above Neilson street, afterwards to Albany street, near Neilson street, and finally to what was known as No. 30 Albany street, where it remained until 1841.

In the early part of June, 1817, when President Monroe inaugurated the presidential swing around the circle, he was entertained by the citizens of New Brunswick. In October, 1824, General Lafayette came and was lionized by the common council, who extended him a reception at an expense of two hundred and fifty dollars. The General passed through the city again on July 15, 1825, when he was given another reception by the citizens. The Asiatic cholera in 1832 caused the authorities to create the office of health officer. The first incumbent was Dr. William Van Dursen; the second and last was Dr. A. R. Taylor. The cholera continued forty-seven days, with 174 cases, of which fifty-two proved fatal. Another presidential reception took place in 1833, when General Andrew Jackson was entertained by the common council, June 12, 1833, at an expense of \$500 for a banquet, etc. The city on June 19, 1835, was visited by a tornado. Two dark clouds appeared on the heavens, and joining together a full blown tornado swept on a path of devastation, through Six Mile Run and Middlebush towards the city. It was about five o'clock in the evening when the hurricane with a fearful violence took an easterly course, threatening Albany and Church streets, actually striking at the heads of Paterson, Bayard, Liberty and Schureman streets, whence it took its destructive way across Neilson and Burnet streets, killing several people in its path; thence it proceeded over the Raritan to Piscataway, and on to the seacoast. Schureman, Liberty and Burnet streets were a mass of ruins; over one hundred and twenty dwellings, exclusive of stores and storehouses, were destroyed or greatly damaged. The loss reached \$150,000; the razed parts were speedily rebuilt, and the industry and commerce of the city received no serious check.

The third city charter was obtained in 1838. The Whigs that year had obtained the popular ear in New Jersey, as well as a few years before in New Brunswick. The party wanted to obtain control of the common council, then in possession of their opponents; by the aid of their assemblyman, George P. Molleson, the political cards were shuffled and a new charter granted. It made all the City Fathers elective for one year; though not changing their number or composition, they were to form only a single chamber. The judicial power of the aldermen was sacrificed, justices of the peace being appointed for five years. Though there were remonstrances and attempts by the members of the common council, to thwart the act of the legislature, thus quietly lifted

from official life and patronage, they were obliged to bow to the inevitable. Jacob R. Hardenbergh (1829-30) and Cornelius L. Hardenbergh (1830-38) were the two last occupants of the mayoralty chair by appointment. The first mayor under the new charter was Dr. Augustus Taylor.

On January 3, 1836, a new locomotive named "New Brunswick," with thirteen cars full of guests, and decorated with banners bearing the names of the counties, cities and villages along the route, operated by the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company, was received by a committee of citizens in carriages, who escorted the visitors over Albany street bridge to a hotel, where a sumptuous feast was served. At this time all trains stopped across the river, and passengers were transferred across the bridge in stages at a cost of six and a half cents each. The railroad company built a bridge during the year 1837, the first train crossing the river to the depot on Somerset street, January 1, 1838. The company bought the franchise from the New York and Philadelphia Turnpike Company, rebuilding the bridge and using it until they constructed a wooden railroad and wagon bridge on the site of the present railroad bridge. The advent of a railroad and the competition of the canal practically killed the shipping trade of New Brunswick, as it allowed the farmers to send their products direct to market from stations near their farms, and New Brunswick became a deserted village when the railroad came to town, to be revived, however, in the future, by her manufacturing industries.

At the opening of the fourth decade of the nineteenth century, New Brunswick doffed the swaddling clothes of an infant municipality and assumed the air of a modern city. Though the marshal had been since 1784 a regular official of the city, either elected by the people or chosen by the council, also a night watch established, it was not until 1835 that a police force was organized. In August of that year, Peter V. Spader and John Nafey were duly appointed to protect the citizens from crime and disorder. This primitive force has gradually increased, and in 1857 a chief of the force was for the first time elected.

The second mayor under the new charter was David M. Vail, who held the office one year and was succeeded in 1841 by Littleton Kirkpatrick. The newly elected mayor was a son of Chief Justice Kirkpatrick and his wife Jane, daughter of Colonel John Bayard, a distinguished patriot and soldier of Revolutionary fame. He was a graduate of Princeton College, a lawyer by profession. He afterward became a member of Congress for one term, and had been surrogate of the county for five years. On the appointment of Samuel C. Cook, August 7, 1841, who succeeded as postmaster Ephraim F. Randolph, who held the office six months, the location of the office was changed to No. 217 Neilson street, where it remained for twenty years. Mr. Cook was succeeded March 9, 1843, by John Simpson, and the latter in turn by Henry Sanderson on March 14, 1849.

The destinies of the city were presided over for the next score of years by able citizens who had gained distinction as manufacturers, bankers, or members of the legal and medical professions. The successor of Mayor Kirkpatrick was Fitz Randolph Smith, who served one term; his successor in 1843 was John Acken, who was reëlected. The next mayor was a member of the Middlesex county bar, William H. Leupp, who was succeeded in 1846 by a brother attorney, John Van Dyke. Judge Van Dyke was afterwards a member of Congress (1847-1851), also a judge of the Supreme Court of New Jersey; he was again mayor after his retirement from Congress, from 1852 to 1853. In his later life he removed to Minnesota. The next occupant of the mayoralty chair was Martin A. Howell, and succeeded in 1848 by Dr. Augustus F. Taylor, this being his second election to the office. Dr. Taylor was a son of a medical practitioner, a native of the city who had been New Brunswick's mayor, 1824-29. The elder Taylor was a son of a professor of mathematics and natural philosophy in Queen's College, who removed to Schenectady, New York, to occupy the same chair in Union College. In that city the newly elected mayor was born; graduated from Rutgers College, studied medicine and though he had not been licensed to practice, during the period of the Asiatic cholera in the city he was placed in charge of a hospital devised by the citizens. His successor in 1849 was D. Fitz Randolph, who was reëlected, and was followed in 1851 by Peter N. Wycoff. As stated before, his successor was Judge Van Dyke. For the next two terms John B. Hill occupied the executive chair. He was a descendant of an English family that settled in New Brunswick when it was in its infancy, and at the time of his election was president of the National Bank of New Jersey. His successor, Abraham V. Schenck, was a native of the city, and an attorney of high repute. His successor in 1857 was John Bayard Kirkpatrick, a brother of Littleton Kirkpatrick, who had been an official of the United States Treasury. Mayor Kirkpatrick was elected for two terms but resigned and was succeeded in 1859 by Tunis V. D. Hoagland, who in turn gave place to Peter C. Onderdonk, a prominent manufacturer; he was succeeded in 1860 by Ezekiel M. Paterson. The thirteenth mayor under the new charter was Lyle Van Nuis, who was also mayor for two terms from 1861 to 1863.

New Brunswick in 1845, with a neighborhood of 9,000 inhabitants, presented an enterprising city with its courthouse, jail, eight churches, college buildings, bank, one hundred and twenty stores and eight hundred dwellings. Though the streets immediately on the river were narrow and the ground low, in the upper part of the city the roadways were wide and there were many fine buildings. Two bridges crossed the Raritan, though the Albany street bridge was dilapidated and not much used. The railroad bridge was also used for wagons and foot passengers,

the trains crossing the river overhead on the upper portion of the bridge. This continued to be the mode of travel for several years, until the citizens deeming it unsafe, the New Brunswick Bridge Company was incorporated and a new bridge was constructed at the foot of Albany street. This bridge was conducted by the company until July 3, 1875, when it was purchased by the county for \$58,000 and made free. There had been paid in bridge tolls over \$300,000 from November 1, 1795, to the time of its purchase by the county. The freeing of the bridge was celebrated by a procession, headed by Darrow's Cornet Band, that marched through the streets of the city, the sidewalks lined with people who, to exhibit their joy, waved flags and handkerchiefs. The reason of this demonstration was that the proprietors of the bridge had for several years resisted all attempts for the purchase of the property by the county, thus retarding the growth and prosperity of the city. New Brunswick, which had been partly located in Somerset county, was by an act of legislation in 1854 freed from the Somerset jurisdiction. The custom of having officials under different names to constitute a common council for local legislation over which the mayor presided was persisted in until 1862, when the mayor and recorder were dropped from that body, and a president of the common council was elected. This action dropped the ambiguous title, "The Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen and Common Council," and from a division of four different divisions, all meeting together made a compact body of twelve aldermen.

The office of city physician was established in 1849, on the second approach of the Asiatic cholera. The first to be appointed to the office was Dr. A. D. Newell. The second period of the cholera lasted ninety-seven days, there being two hundred and twenty-one cases, of which one hundred and fifteen proved fatal. The election for the city fathers was first held in the town meetings, then election districts were established, first two, afterwards three; and in 1863 the city was divided into six wards. The town meetings were first held in the old courthouse. This building, known as "Union Hall," was purchased in 1842 by the city and named City Hall. It continued to be used until 1853, when a new city hall was built on Liberty street. It was not until after the consolidation of the city and township of New Brunswick in 1861 that any other officers than the mayor, recorder, members of the council, etc., were elected by the people. After this period there were chosen a mayor, recorder, six aldermen, six common councilmen, an assessor, collector, justices of the peace, chosen freeholders, judges of election, school superintendent, town clerk, surveyors of the highways, constables, commissioners of appeal and overseer of the poor; these from time to time lengthened until in 1877 the citizens were called upon to vote for ninety-nine officials, of whom three were general and ninety-six ward officers. The vote cast had largely increased; there is no record

previous to 1844, when the ballot was taken by "show of hands;" that year the total poll was only 304; this had increased to 3,918 in 1877.

The city in 1850 having about 10,000 inhabitants, a company was formed for the introduction of gas. Owing to circumstances, this company relinquished its franchises, and the following year John W. Stout, E. M. Paterson, Peter Spader, David Bishop, Benjamin D. Steele and Moses F. Webb received a legislative charter for the manufacture of gas. A company being organized, John W. Stout became president, with John B. Hall, secretary, superintendent and engineer. The erection of works was immediately proceeded with, pipes were laid, and a gas holder built on the corner of Water and Washington streets. The water supply for the city is taken from Lawrence's brook, southeast of the city limits. The works were constructed in 1864, the water being raised by steam pumps to a reservoir. The New Brunswick Water Company, the owner of the works, transferred their interests to the city April 30, 1873, which from this time to the adoption of a commission form of government was managed by a board of water commissioners, their term of service being three years.

New Brunswick was to receive her seventh city charter in 1863. Legislation, however, did not greatly affect the provisions of the previous charter. The term of office of the mayor was made two years. The first mayor under the new charter was Richard McDonald; his successors have been as follows: Augustus T. Stout, 1865; John T. Jenkins, 1865-67; Miles Ross, 1867-69; Dr. George J. Janeway, 1869-71; Garret Conover, 1871-73; Thomas DeRussy, 1873-75; Isaiah Rolfe, 1875-77; Dewitt T. Reiley, 1879-81; William S. Strong, 1881-89; James H. Van Cleef, 1889-95; Nicholas Williamson, 1895-1902; George A. Viehmann, 1902-04; William S. Myers, 1904-06; Drury W. Cooper, 1906-08; W. Edwin Florance, 1908-10; John J. Morrison, 1910-14; Austin Scott, 1914-15; Edward F. Farrington, 1915-18; John J. Morrison, 1918. New Brunswick adopted the commission form of government March 7, 1915, under the State law for governing cities, passed by the legislature of 1914.

The location of the postoffice was still of transitory migration. On the appointment in 1861 of John T. Jenkins as postmaster, the office was removed to 40 Dennis street, afterward to No. 202 Neilson street, and later to Burnet street, opposite Commerce square, where it remained during the occupancy of the office of Joseph F. Fisher, appointed April 5, 1869, and his successor, Levi B. Jarrard, October 26, 1881. When John F. Babcock became postmaster, June 7, 1883, he proposed to remove the office to the old Masonic Hall—this raised a storm of protest from the merchants; as the city did not at that time possess a free delivery system, the location was considered too far uptown. Though a petition was circulated and signed by hundreds of citizens, Mr. Babcock was tri-

umphant. Here the office remained during the occupancy of Robert Carson, who was appointed February 27, 1885, and William H. Price, who became postmaster April 4, 1887. On the reappointment of Robert Carson, January 6, 1892, he removed the office in July of that year to the corner of George and Paterson streets, where it continued under Charles D. Deshler, appointed April 4, 1896, and his successor, Charles W. Russell, who took charge in April, 1900; until it was removed to its present permanent home, built by the government at an expense of \$125,000, October 1, 1903. The present incumbent of the office, Peter H. S. Hendricks, succeeded Postmaster Russell, May 29, 1913. Rural delivery was established December 15, 1900; there are now six routes.

New Brunswick's great industrial awakening had its birth in the thirties and forties of the last century. The city at that time was largely college ruled, its streets with a few exceptions unpaved, no gas or sewers, was supplied only with well water for drinking purposes, which was in danger of being contaminated in the lower portion of the city by the drainage from the upper section, thus being menaced with epidemics of typhoid, though science had not at that period taken cognizance of the dangerous properties of drinking water thus exposed.

Though there were industries previous to this period, they were of primitive character. New Brunswick in early days being a seaport, it was natural that a shipbuilding industry would be generated, hence an important industry in that line was carried on by the Orams, the Runyons, the Hoaglands, the Kemptons, and the Waterhouses. Large fleet schooners and sloops, also seagoing craft for coast service, as well as barges, were built. Luke Hoagland constructed several yachts for the New York Yacht Club, notable among them the "Minnie," a prize winner; the "Siren," and "Ibis," then the largest steam yacht of the squadron. He afterwards built launches and torpedo boats for the government. When New Brunswick ceased to be a seaport, these industries died a natural death. An industry of antiquity was the carriage manufactory of John Van Nuis, who as early as 1810-11 built a factory on Albany street, consisting of several frame buildings arranged as a quadrangle. From 1813 to 1840 the Van Nuis carriages were known throughout the Southern States. The business after his death was conducted by his three sons—Lyle, Robert and James, who had been his partners. The death of his two brothers caused a change in the firm name, and Lyle Van Nuis in 1867 became the sole owner. The reputation of their work was second to none, and a line of handsome carriages was always kept in stock; the change to the modern transportation, however, sounded the knell of carriage repositories.

The father of the foundation of the present industrial life of New Brunswick was Martin A. Howell, a native of New Brunswick. He combined the sterling qualities of his paternal grandfather, who was

of Welsh descent, with the craftiness and hardheadedness of his maternal grandfather, who came from the land of the Scots. Young Howell's qualifications were energy, economy, and untiring industry, with which he overcame many youthful disappointments and difficulties. He finally in 1837 erected what was the first manufactory built in the city for the production of wall paper, one of the first erected for that industry in the United States. It was operated on Water street, by canal water-power, and from an annual production of \$8,000 grew and increased in a few years to \$150,000. It was two years later that Horace H. Day, in his little shop on Dennis street, turned out carriage cloth made by spreading over cloth, rubber dissolved in turpentine, and shoes made from rubber uppers fitted on leather bottoms. In the shipping trade of New Brunswick at that time was a young man, James Bishop, whose vessels plied between New York and Para, South America, and through his agent at that point he came to know of the inexhaustible supply of rubber on the banks of the Amazon river and its tributaries. Knowing the value of this Brazilian product, he readily became interested in its exportation and became a pioneer in the rubber industry. The rubber trade antecedent to its development as an industry in the United States was recognized in Europe. The valuable properties of the gum were utilized about 1767, when it was offered in a stationer's store in London in cubes an inch square at three shillings sixpence, as an eraser of pencil marks. Mackintosh, a haberdasher, in 1823 patented a varnish compounded by dissolving rubber gum in coal oil; with this liquid he smeared fabrics, thus rendering them waterproof. Even to this day, Mackintosh is the general term for all waterproof material. Subsequently, other patents were taken out in England for the manufacture of shirred goods, availing of the properties of the elasticity of the gum for that purpose, but beyond that English inventors never ventured, leaving the more important inventions to the Americans. The pioneer in the successful manufacture of rubber goods in America was E. M. Chaffee, a native of Massachusetts. He invented a machine in 1832 that would spread upon cloth a preparation of rubber gum dissolved in turpentine, to which was added lamp black. This made the material waterproof, and was successfully used for goods exposed to the elements, such as covers for life preservers, coaches, storm hats, or sou'westers. Chaffee, to extend his manufacturing, organized a stock company with which Daniel Hayward became identified, but in producing the cloth in large quantities it became uneven and inferior in quality. Charles Goodyear and his brother Nelson also engaged in experimenting, and while they met with some success in elastic goods, in other appliances they produced a material that became sticky when exposed to heat or became hard when exposed to cold. The rubber shoes were a solid piece of unglazed rubber, which fitted closely over the leather shoe and

was ungainly looking, like an ugly black stocking. They also made a shoe with uppers of leather, while between the soles was placed a cloth smeared with a compound of rubber gum. Here in New Brunswick, Horace Day was keeping pace with them, and the interesting spectacle was presented of four young men—Chaffee, Hayward, Goodyear and Day—all penniless, but with an abiding faith in themselves and their own inventive powers. In 1838 there came to New Brunswick to assist Mr. Day, a German, Christopher Meyer. He was of a naturally ingenious turn of mind, with some knowledge of machinery. Mr. Day engaged his services for two years in perfecting patterns and machinery for operating in the manufacture of rubber goods. The Goodyear vulcanization process came out in 1844; Mr. Day claimed the right of using it for the New Jersey Rubber Shoe Company, which he had established in 1839, basing his claim on the plea that it was an unpatented English invention, and began making improved shoes. This resulted in lawsuits in which Mr. Day was finally vanquished. His assistant, however, Mr. Meyers, spent his evenings in making his patterns, and soon had his machinery ready for a beginning. Through the assistance of James Bishop, who granted him financial aid, he started in a small way at Landing Bridge, on the canal, manufacturing rubber shoes and rubber carriage cloth. This undertaking he eventually sold, and in 1845, associated with John R. Ford, he rebuilt his factory that had been destroyed by fire. The Ford & Company in 1850 became a corporation, the Ford Company, and four years later its name was changed to the Meyer Rubber Company. After Mr. Day's unsuccessful litigation, the New Jersey Rubber Shoe Company met with varied changes. They manufactured rubber blankets for the use of the soldiers during the Civil War, but the works finally came into the possession of Mr. Meyers and others who formed the New Jersey Rubber Company in April, 1870. Previous to this Messrs. Meyers and Ford had built in 1858 the Novelty Rubber Company mills on Neilson street, above the railroad bridge for the manufacture of hard rubber articles. Their output soon amounted to \$600,000 annually, an endless variety of articles being manufactured and shipped to all parts of the world. The firm of Onderdonk & Letson had acquired the Goodyear rights for manufacturing rubber boots and shoes, which they disposed of in 1849 to the New Brunswick Rubber Company, who employed three hundred hands, doing an annual business of about \$700,000. All these rubber industries have long since ceased to exist under their former names, the manufacture of rubber boots and shoes in New Brunswick being confined at the present day to the United States Rubber Company, having salesroom in New York City and Chicago, Illinois.

It was some years after the Delaware & Raritan Canal was in operation that Commodore Robert F. Stockton, with the idea of utilizing

to advantage the fall of water between the upper and lower level of the locks in New Brunswick, induced his friend James Neilson to join with him in the erection of a plant for a cotton spinning mill, the power to operate the works to be derived from the canal. This scheme was put into practice and carried on for some years, giving employment to men and women, and is cited as the first organized industry in the city offering employment to either sex. The cotton milling, however, was not remunerative; the buildings remained idle until 1866, when parties interested in Norfolk, Connecticut, in the manufacture of yarn, who had invented a machine to produce knit goods, wishing to obtain another location, bought the works and established in New Brunswick the Norfolk and New Brunswick Hosiery Company. This was one of the enterprising industries of the city, with extensive works located on the corner of Neilson and Hamilton streets until a few years ago, when it discontinued business.

The early endeavors in the manufacture of wall paper have been mentioned. In 1844 John P. Hardenbergh commenced the manufacture of wall paper on Water street. He disposed of his interests in 1849 to William R. Janeway, the firm becoming Janeway & Company. The early factory, measuring forty feet by twenty-five feet, soon gave way to an immense structure facing on Water street, which with other buildings covered two acres of grounds. Here ordinary wall paper was printed from maple rollers, gilt paper and water colors from maple blocks. The printing machines were made by the Waldron Machine Works, established by William Waldron in 1848. These machines were afterwards made by this concern for exportation to Europe, the business being still carried on by descendants of the original founder, on the River road, under the style of the John Waldron Company. The business of Janeway Company extended from Maine to California; the competition became severe, but Janeway & Company with their extensive facilities for business outlived all competition. Wall paper is manufactured at the present day in New Brunswick by Janeway & Carpenter.

The manufacture of shoes was at one time a leading factor in the industrial life of the city. The genesis of the industry was in 1856, when one Felter, with a shop at the head of Deleven street, employed two hands in the making of hand-sewed shoes. This grew into an industry, with a factory located on Bayard street between Neilson and George streets, where employment was given to over three hundred hands, nearly half of whom were females. The weekly production was over five thousand pairs of boots and shoes—men's and boys' boots and shoes; ladies' misses' and children's shoes, sewed and nailed, having a yearly production value of over \$400,000. In the old courthouse, John Boundey in the early sixties started a shoe factory employing about fifty hands,

from which he removed, finally locating on Spring street near Albany street. An extensive strike by the Knights of St. Crispin in February, 1871, caused the outgrowth of shoe factories to be operated on the coöperative plan. This caused the formation in New Brunswick of the firms of Motisher & Shyers, and Vosper & Kramer, young men who for a time conducted a thriving business. Mr. Kramer in 1879 purchased the interest of his partner, and established a shoe factory on Hamilton street near Division street, where he for several years carried on an extensive shoe trade. In the year 1877 Frank E. and James T. Kilpatrick formed a firm for the manufacture of leather shoes, styled Kilpatrick & Company. A large brick factory on the corner of Neilson and Hamilton streets was occupied; women's, misses' and children's grain, pebble, goat and kid, also men's, youths' and boys' calf and fine calf splits boots and shoes were manufactured. While the firm did an extensive home trade, they also found a market for their productions in the Eastern and Southern States.

Among the present industries of New Brunswick is the Consolidated Fruit Jar Company, established in 1858 and incorporated in 1871. They commenced operations under the combined patents of three or four former factories, with a paid up capital stock of \$500,000. They are the proprietors and manufacturers of the Mason fruit jar trimmings; Boyd's and Chace's oillers, can screws, spouts, and general white metal goods, making a specialty of collapsible tubes, rectal and nasal tubes, sprinkler tops for perfumes and toilet waters and tooth powders. Their factory is situated on Water street, near Railroad street.

Among other prominent industries was the saw mill of Isaac Rolfe & Son, which was established by Mr. Rolfe in company with G. W. Metlar, on Burnet street, at the foot of New street. The old Neilson mill, which supplied the public with sawed lumber, had for many years been shut down. The new mill measured 180 feet on Burnet street, was 300 feet deep, and had a canal front of 340 feet. Engaged in a kindred enterprise was William S. Van Doren's sash and blind factory midway between Morris and Oliver streets, on Neilson street. The business was started in 1852 by William Wright, but was purchased in 1866 by Mr. Van Doren, who enlarged the works. He suffered considerable loss by fire in November, 1872, which destroyed half of his premises, but within a month the factory was in operation again. There was established in 1856 another sash and blind factory on John street, foot of Morris street, by A. J. Butler, where a large amount of work was produced annually. Mr. Butler was also interested in a pottery located on Burnet street, which was celebrated for its line of terra cotta.

One of the thriving industries of its day was the furniture manufactory of Cornelius Powelson. The business sprang from a small shop on the corner of New and George streets; the trade increased, and in

1847 a four-story brick structure was erected on the corner of George and Schureman streets, where exclusive first-class furniture and upholstery work was made for customers all over the country. Equally unique was the confectionery establishment of William Frank, who opened in 1850 a small place on the east side of Peace street for the sale of candies; to this was afterwards added toys imported from Germany, and the manufacture of French and American candies in over two hundred varieties. His wholesale trade was limited to the various country towns within twenty miles of the city. Three brothers by the name of McCrellis in 1851 established on Somerset street a factory for the manufacture of carriages, wagons and sleighs. A large number of workmen were employed, and it soon became one of the most extensive manufacturing firms in the city. Mention has already been made of the Waldron Machine Works; there was also the National Iron Works, established in 1847 by Elijah Kelly, that specialized in rubber goods machinery, also manufactured a newly patented powder-making machine. The Empire Machine Works made improved knitting machines. The New Brunswick Carpet Company was established in 1871 for the manufacture of tapestry Brussels carpets. They built extensive brick buildings covering some three acres of grounds on Water street near Somerset street. They employed nearly three hundred hands, producing nearly \$1,000,000 worth of goods annually. The business was relinquished in 1877, the company closing their works. In a large substantial brick factory on the corner of Hamilton and Union streets, in 1882, D. McNair & Son were actively engaged in the manufacture of buckram, mosquito netting and light muslin, employing a large number of hands, weaving these materials which had a continual demand in the market. The senior Mr. McNair established the business in the early sixties of the past century. The Home Valley Preserving Company was established in 1884 by Benjamin F. Holmes with a capital stock of \$25,000; the company were growers and packers of all kinds of fruits and vegetables, also conducted a farm of two hundred acres within the city limits, in a high state of cultivation, besides contracting for the products of some three hundred or more acres in the immediate vicinity. The factory purchased and utilized for this industry was originally the old Raritan Steam Mills, a brick structure on Water street. The tin containers were manufactured on the premises; some six hundred thousand cans comprising apples, pears, peaches, plums, grapes, strawberries, raspberries, blackberries, cherries, etc., corn, asparagus and other vegetables, also poultry, beef and mutton, jams and jellies, were preserved and packed annually.

Today the principal manufacturing industries not already mentioned are the laboratory and chemical establishment of Johnson & Johnson, which gives employment to 2,100 hands; the Neverslip Works, manu-

facturing Red Top horse shoe calks, horses' and mules' shoes, soft steel rivets, with branch offices at Catasauqua, Pennsylvania; Montreal, Canada; New York, Chicago and Boston; employment is furnished for about 250 employees. The cigar manufacturing industry is one of the most thriving of New Brunswick; Bayuk Brothers & Company employed in the neighborhood of 300 males and females; the New Brunswick Cigar Company have on their payroll 750 employees; the Forty-four Cigar Company, Incorporated, gives employment to 185; the Gans Brothers have about 85 in their employ; the Tri-State Cigar Company has employment for about 40; and there are other small cigar manufacturers. William Black & Company do an extensive business in supplying these and other manufacturers with cigar boxes.

Besides the United States Rubber Company, previously mentioned, who carry on their payroll 500 employees, there are engaged in the rubber industry the Howe Rubber Company, who manufacture automobile inner tubes, employing 225 hands; and the Indian Tire and Rubber Company, who manufacture hard rubber goods, furnishing employment to 400. The Somerset Rubber Reclaiming Works are situated on George road. There are two machine shops manufacturing knitting machine needles—the Loyal T. Ives Company, employing in that industry about 250 employees, and Fred J. Potter Company, on Somerset and Bethany streets, while knitting machinery is made by the Crawford Manufacturing Company and the Kilbourn Manufacturing Company. The manufacture of aprons is carried on by J. M. Barkelew & Company on the corner of Weldon street and Remsen avenue. Instead of a carpet factory there are two weaving establishments that convert rags into carpets and rugs. The Ringwalt Linoleum Works are also engaged in the manufacturing of floor coverings.

The Brunswick Refrigerating Company at their plant at the end of Jersey avenue, manufactures refrigerating and ice making machinery, employing 175 hands. The National Musical String Company on Georges road, near the city line, gives employment to 125 hands; musical strings and harmonicas are produced. The Janeway Button Company, employing 150 hands, are engaged in producing a vegetable ivory button. The New Brunswick Brass Foundry produces brass, bronze and aluminum castings. The Cronk Manufacturing Company furnishes doors, sashes, mouldings, interior finish, mantels, tiles and packing cases. The Consolidated Fruit Jar Company, already mentioned, employs 325 hands. The Webb Wire Works on Liberty street manufactures musical wire and is the largest factory in the United States for the production of this article of merchandise. The Wright-Martin Aircraft Corporation, of which the celebrated engineer, General George W. Goethals, was president, occupied during the war the plant of the Simplex Automobile Company on Jersey avenue, near Sandford street. Here aviation and

Liberty engines were manufactured, three shifts being employed daily during the duration of the war, employment being given to over 8,000 employees. The works are now operated by International Motor Company, who employed at the present time about 1,500 hands. These industries have been further dealt with in another chapter of this work, devoted to the manufacturing industries of the county.

The introduction of rapid transit marked an important era in the history of New Brunswick's progress and enterprise. The legislature on February 13, 1867, by an act granted a charter for a street railway which included an ordinance of the city for a franchise passed November 30, 1866. The parties interested in this charter never availed themselves of its privileges. Matters laid dormant until in September, 1885, when George W. Ballou and F. M. Delano, residents of New York, came to the city, looking for an opportunity to develop street railway territory. After the investigation of several routes, they employed C. T. Cowenhoven as their counsel to take the necessary steps to procure them a legal status. Judge Cowenhoven discovered the existence of the former charter, and that it was still alive and effective. In February, 1886, he secured from the surviving charter parties a transfer of their rights to the New Brunswick City Railroad Company. This corporation after being duly organized elected C. T. Cowenhoven, president; George C. Tolle, secretary; Carroll Sprigg, treasurer, and Josiah Tice, superintendent. The directors were C. T. Cowenhoven, R. H. Becker, George Berdine, C. W. Kent, all of New Brunswick, and F. M. Delano, Carroll Sprigg, George W. Ballou, all of New York.

While these movements were in progress, Woodbridge Strong, representing New York capitalists, filed a certificate of incorporation under the general incorporation act for the New Brunswick & Suburban Railway Company. The two eminent attorneys, Cowenhoven & Strong, soon locked their legal horns, and a struggle was commenced before the city council as to which company should be granted the city franchise. This rivalry soon assumed a partisan aspect, but was of short duration, it being decided in favor of the Cowenhoven road. The ordinance granting the New Brunswick City Railway Company the franchise was passed by the common council, March 26, 1886. Work on the railroad began on Somerset street, but in a week's time, owing to lack of material, it was suspended until May 26, 1886, when a formal contract was made with Philip Richardson, of New York, to build and equip the road, he agreeing to have it in running order September 15, 1886, which was in compliance with the terms of the ordinance granting the franchise. Mr. Richardson sublet the contract to Thomas B. Conway of New York, who commenced work about July 1, pushing it forward with vigor until September 1, when he stopped and filed a mechanic's lien for the work already done. This trouble was settled in a few days,

George W. Ballou furnishing funds to meet the indebtedness to the contractor. This delay necessitated an application to the city council for an extension for completion to October 15, which was granted.

In the meantime Judge Cowenhoven resigned the presidency. The railroad from its inception has been known as "the Cowenhoven road," to distinguish from "the Strong road." Judge Cowenhoven had been its godfather at its birth and during its sickly infancy; it was to his patience and perseverance that its completion was due; he had fulfilled every pledge given to the public or the city council, and shirked no legal or moral obligation in connection with the enterprise. He resigned the presidency and directorship in the company and was succeeded by F. M. Delano.

The road was opened for public travel October 14, 1886, and in honor of the occasion the city buildings, business blocks and residences were decorated with flags and bunting. Soon after noon, along George street the people began to collect; five cars were promptly lined up, the first carried Union Cornet Band, the second, members of the city council and press, the others being filled with the clergy and citizens. The train started at half past two o'clock and proceeded to the Elmwood Cemetery; on its return trip passed St. Mary's Orphans' Home, finally landing the passengers at the Central Hotel, where the cars were given over to the public for a free ride during the afternoon. The invited guests were entertained with a collation given at the hotel; while salads, both lobster and chicken, with bread sandwiches, cold ham and corned beef, played an important part on the menu, the liquid wants of the invited guests were not neglected, as both brandy punch and claret punch added their charms, to be dispensed to the hungry and thirsty participants. The tracks for this road were laid on College avenue, but later were taken up and the Easton avenue route substituted.

The days of street horse car railroads have long since passed into oblivion; those of the elder generation can recall when they had to leave their comfortable seats to place their shoulders at the front or back of the car to help the overworked equines to proceed on their journey. Electricity in course of time was applied to the street railroad system of New Brunswick, and with its introduction the city became the center of a trolley system diverging north, south, east and west, giving connection with New York, Philadelphia, and neighboring cities and towns.

The oldest fire organization formed in New Brunswick was in 1764, when a bucket company was established; in 1796 two engines were purchased by the city. There had been previous to this several disastrous fires. In the dead of night on February 17, 1741, the home of Philip French, with its entire contents, was destroyed. The residence was one of the largest and most complete in the province of New Jersey,

and had only been built a year. Mr. French and his family hardly escaped with their lives; two of his daughters were forced to jump out a window two stories high. A noted conflagration was that of April 14, 1768, when a fire broke out in the house of Widow Dilldine; the residence of the widow, also the bake shop and house of John Van Nordan, Jr., were a total wreck. A high wind spread the flames across the street to the house of James Neilson, which was destroyed, with cooper shop and bottling establishment. The dwelling house and store of Peter Vandenburg and the residence of Widow Cramer were also burned; with the help of the military and citizens, adjoining buildings were pulled down to stop the progress of the flames. At one o'clock on the morning of February 28, 1771, a fire broke out in the barn of John Dennis, which resulted in the loss amounting to over £1,000. During the occupation of the city by General Howe and the British troops, the house of Brook Farmer, with adjoining residences, was completely destroyed by fire.

The Washington Engine Company was organized October 11, 1795. They were equipped with buckets only; later a hand engine was supplied, and in 1867 the first steam engine was purchased, which was kept in use until 1902, when another engine was purchased from the American Steam Engine Company. The Neptune Engine Company was organized within the same year. Its first home was on the Christ Church grounds, corner of Neilson and Church streets. The company was reorganized and at the time they received their first hand engine became known as the "Red Jackets." Later the company removed to the corner of Bayard and Neilson streets. In 1857 they were housed in the City Hall on Liberty Street, but in December, 1877, they removed to New Street. The first steam engine was purchased in 1865; it was replaced by a La Franc engine in 1888. The Phoenix Engine Company, organized in 1798, had three engines before receiving their first steam engine, an Amoskeag apparatus, March 31, 1866. This was replaced in 1902 by a Metropolitan engine. The first home of the company was on Little Burnet street. Later they were located on the corner of Neilson and Bayard streets. Their third removal was to the old City Hall on Liberty street, and finally to their present quarters on Dennis street.

The first great conflagration took place in 1796, when nearly the entire city was wiped out. The State at that time appropriated \$5,000 for the relief of the sufferers. The Christ Church steeple was struck by lightning on Washington's birthday in 1802, causing the spire to burn to the base of the tower, when a snowstorm put the fire out. In 1813 the city was visited by another disastrous fire; this was of an incendiary origin. A negress nursing a real or fancied grievance against a resident of the city, fired his house in revenge. Five years later there were twenty-five wells in the city to be used for fire protection, and in

1818 fifteen more were added. It was about the year 1820 that the common council named nine citizens to act as "bagman." Their duties were to attend fires, with large leather bags in which to place valuables and remove them to a place of safety. This was one of the first salvage corps organized in the State. A fire broke out October 18, 1821, in a paint shop near Dennis and Church streets. The flames quickly spread to the Schenck homestead; it was thought at first that A. V. Schenck, later a mayor of the city, then an infant of two weeks, had perished, but later developments revealed the fact that the baby had been borrowed by a neighbor before the commencement of the fire. Two hotels and stables on Water street were destroyed by fire July 11, 1832. In that year the Raritan Engine Company was formed with a roll of thirty members. Their first apparatus was the box engine originally used by the Phoenix Company. The company's first home was a frame building on the corner of George and Schureman streets, where it remained for fifty years. After a temporary location of seven years, the company secured quarters on Remsen avenue. Previous to obtaining its Clapp & Jones steam engine in 1881, it had used several hand apparatuses. The company was furnished with a new engine in 1907. The Protection Engine Company's history dates back prior to the year 1830, when it was located on George street. In 1843 it moved to George and Somerset streets, and is now ensconced in a handsome building on Wall street. Like other companies in the city, it started out with a hand engine. After it entered the city department it was supplied with a Hope steamer, which was replaced in 1885 by a Silsby engine. Before the organization in 1835 of a Hook and Ladder Company, ladders were placed in the homes of various citizens for the use of firemen. An up-to-date truck was purchased in 1876. The White Hall Hotel stables were for a second time destroyed by fire July 3, 1834. A large fire took place May 21, 1842, when the Raritan Hotel near the depot was destroyed. The Liberty Hose Company was organized July 31, 1853. It was later equipped with combination wagon with hook and ladder outfit, chemical apparatus and a full supply of fire hose. The Hibernia Engine Company started in 1865 with a hand engine, which was replaced by a Dennison steam engine in 1871.

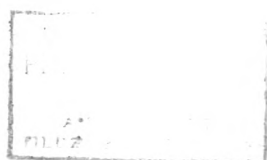
Among the other important fires of the city was that of the Baptist church in 1849; the previous year the steamboat "Raritan" on its passage from New Brunswick to New York was totally destroyed; the machine shop of Randolph & Holmes, July 15, 1850, the rubber factory on the corner of New and Drift streets in 1853 also suffered loss by fire. The fire on Commerce square occurred January 15, 1862; the Star Linseed Oil Works were a total loss November 21, 1871; was rebuilt and burned again in September, 1875. The Canal stables suffered a loss by fire October 24, 1873, and were totally destroyed by another fire March

16, 1874. The grocery stand of Suydam & Nevius succumbed to the flames in November, 1875, and in the same year the old Swan stables near Washington street were destroyed by fire. The Augustus Hyatt Rubber Company's works on Neilson street suffered a complete loss of property and machinery in 1876; the same year fire broke out in Charles Lemon's dwelling on the corner of Suydam and Drift streets, its owner being consumed in the flames.

The Pennsylvania railroad's wooden bridge was burned November 9, 1878. Its successor was an iron structure which in turn was replaced by the present stone bridge, the first train passing over the latter May 11, 1903. The railroad shops on Easton avenue were the scene of a fire November 22, 1879. The next year, June 30, Hammell's store was reduced to ashes and George Rebotham was killed; the same year, November 20, the old ice house at the upper lock was destroyed. The important fire in 1882 was February 28, when the Holmes canning shop, foot of Albany street, was a total loss; the following year, on May 6, Jarrod's cigar factory was burned. The great oil train fire occurred February 7, 1883, Frank Deeman, brakeman, and Patrick Dougherty were burned to death. The fire was caused by two oil trains colliding on the Pennsylvania railroad bridge. The flaming oil ran into the sewer and reaching the buildings of Janeway & Company, completely destroyed the building. The well known landmark "The Rink," was burned July 28, 1891. The steamboat "New Brunswick," when on its regular trip between New Brunswick and New York, was consumed by fire August 7, 1902. It was a total loss, and the remains of the steamboat were towed to Gregory's Graveyard at Perth Amboy. The large factory of Janeway & Carpenter on the corner of Schuyler and Paterson streets was destroyed by fire in 1907; the present factory was then built in Highland Park. Fire swept the plant of the Empire Foundry Company on Jersey avenue, March 19, 1909, causing a loss of \$100,000, the pattern storage house, the engine house and one or two other small buildings were destroyed. The plant was originally built by the New Brunswick Foundry Company in 1897. Gray iron castings, gas and coal stoves and automobile cylinders were manufactured.

The present paid fire department of six companies is equipped with four steamers, one hook and ladder truck, one chemical engine; all of automobile construction.

Free Public Library—The foundation of a public library in New Brunswick was agitated in the latter part of the eighteenth century, when a meeting was called January 15, 1796, for establishing such an institution. The library of Rutgers College, founded thirty years previous to this, was exclusively for the use of the students. The fifteen gentlemen who attended the primary meeting agreed that a share in the new library should be five dollars, subject to an annual tax of one





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dollar and fifty cents. The name chosen was the "Union Library Company." It was located on the northwest corner of Albany and Neilson streets. The librarian was John Hill, who continued to perform the duties until his death in 1811, when he was succeeded by Miss Hannah Scott. During the War of 1812, the library was wholly suspended, but later was revived by a few of the original members.

A second library was incorporated in 1820, but in May of the following year the two libraries were merged into one, under the name of the "New Brunswick Library Company." This company continued in existence for over a quarter of a century, but finally suspended; the books were consigned to the trustees of Rutgers College for safe-keeping. In May, 1868, they were transferred to the Young Men's Christian Association for the foundation of their library, and continued under their control until 1888, when the directors presented about 2,900 volumes to the New Brunswick Free Circulating Library, incorporated March 3, 1883, which was opened to the public March 23, 1883. This was the first free circulation of books in New Jersey; previous to this date, while a number of libraries had free reading rooms, a charge was made for the home use of the books. The library was situated in a small frame house on the corner of George and Church streets; afterwards moved to a building on the northwest corner of Albany and Peace streets.

At the municipal election in 1890, the question whether the library should be supported by taxation was submitted to the people, and resulted in practically a unanimous vote in its favor. The Free Public Library of New Brunswick was incorporated and began its work April 1, 1891. The Free Public Library and Free Circulating Library both moved in 1892 to the southwest corner of George and Paterson streets, which they continued to occupy until November 17, 1903. The city of New Brunswick was presented by Andrew Carnegie in 1902 with \$50,000 for the purpose of erecting a library building, on condition that the city engaged to contribute \$5,000 a year for its maintenance and support, and provide a suitable site for the building. A lot was purchased by the city on Livingston avenue, between Morris and Welton streets, on which was erected the present building. Notable donations of books have been received at various times, among which mention is made of the Ladies' Book Club of 1,141 volumes, and the New Brunswick Book Club of 310 volumes. The Free Circulating Library was disbanded May 8, 1907, and its 10,480 books were given to the Free Library; the cash balance of the former, amounting to \$2,800, was expended for new books, making a total of 26,000 volumes on the shelves of the Free Library, and increased at the present time to 40,462 volumes; the circulation for the year 1920 was over 108,000 volumes. The present librarian is Miss Mary A. Walker, who has been connected with the institution for over a score of years.

There was established by the Board of Education in 1921 a Public School Library Advisory Board of six members, for the purpose of extending and adding the school libraries of the city. The members of the board are: John P. Wall, chairman; Mrs. Robert C. Nicholas, vice-chairman; Miss Susan V. Knox, secretary; Mr. George A. Osborn, Mrs. Ira T. Chapman and Mrs. A. L. Smith.

The "New Brunswick Times," now published at New Brunswick, New Jersey, as "The Sunday Times," is one of the five oldest newspapers in the United States, having first appeared as the "Guardian and New Brunswick Advertiser" in 1792 as a weekly. It has the distinction of having been published in three centuries.

Its founder, Abraham Blauvelt, who was born in Tappan, Rockland county, New York, was one of New Brunswick's leading citizens. Under his direction the "Guardian and New Brunswick Advertiser" was a staunch Federal organ, and had quite a circulation in Central New Jersey. On June 1, 1815, the name was changed to the "New Brunswick Times and General Advertiser." The paper was then published every Thursday by Deare and Myer, at Washington's Head, New Brunswick. The subscription rate was \$2.50 per annum, the same rate at which it is now published, one hundred twenty-nine years later. Then Albert Speer became the publisher and the newspaper became Democratic in principle. Mr. Speer continued the publication until his death in 1869. The "Daily News," started by Alphonso E. Gordon in March, 1851, and a new Democratic paper, the "New Jersey Union," first issued in May, 1847, also by Mr. Gordon, were sold by him to Mr. Speer. He combined all three papers under the name of the "New Brunswick Times." On his death, William B. Guild of Newark bought the paper and in November, 1869, published "The Daily Times." Mr. Gordon returned from Grand Rapids, Michigan, on December 28, 1871, and again became owner of "The Times." He conducted it very successfully for several years, being offered \$35,000 for the business at one time. Mr. Gordon became a United States marshal under the administration of Grover Cleveland, and for a time the paper was run by subordinates. In 1890, former State Senator John Carpenter of Clinton, New Jersey, became its owner.

Two years later the Times Publishing Company bought it out. This stock company was composed of Millard F. Ross, William H. Price, James Deshler, Oliver Kelly, W. Parker Runyon, J. Kearney Rice and Edward Furman. The paper was made an eight-page daily and otherwise improved. It still remained Democratic in politics. J. D. Chandler acted as editor until 1896, when Francis W. Daire succeeded him. On September 11, 1906, he purchased the stock, with the exception of four shares to continue the life of the corporation, and became owner as well as editor. He sold his stock in May, 1908, to Linn E. Wheeler,

who was editor until October 25, 1909, when he resigned. Samuel M. Christie succeeded him.

The control of the paper was purchased on May 15, 1912, by J. David Stern, no change being made in the staff until January 23, 1913, when Mr. Christie resigned as editor and George D. Johnson was elected his successor. In May, 1915, the "New Brunswick Times" was purchased by the Home News Publishing Company, and George C. Ingling was made editor. A year later, on May 16, 1916, it was discontinued as a daily, and has since been published as "The Sunday Times" under the same management and editor. The paper is independent in politics, its chief policy being to boost every movement for the welfare of the city.

Board of Trade—With a clear vision of what might be achieved for the advancement of the city by the coöperation of the merchants, manufacturers and professional men, a conference of public-spirited citizens was held May 10, 1909, to discuss the organization of a Board of Trade in New Brunswick. Those who took an active interest in the movement felt that a time had arrived when the interests of the city could be better advanced by the formation of some civic or commercial body to serve as a clearing house for many of the activities that were likely to develop with the further growth of the community. The list of men interested comprised Henry G. Parker, Charles A. McCormick, George A. Viehmann, William R. Reed, Edward W. Hicks, P. P. Runyon, H. B. Zimmerman, Peter F. Daly, Neilson T. Parker, James Mershon and George Berdine. A committee of twelve was named to submit plans for an organization, with Mr. George A. Viehmann as chairman. Mr. H. G. Parker, president of the National Bank of New Jersey, was the first president. Mr. F. M. Yorston was chosen secretary, and served continuously in that capacity until February 12, 1920. Fresh impetus was given to the work of the Board of Trade on January 12, 1910, when eighty-seven new members were elected, and twenty-six more names were added at the meeting held February 9, 1910.

Each successive year saw an increased membership and a broadening of the activities of the organization with a corresponding benefit to the city. It took the lead in all movements for civic improvement, and in June, 1916, a comprehensive plan for a "city planning" scheme was prepared by Mr. H. J. March under its direction. Although nothing has as yet been accomplished along these lines, the matter was revived several months ago when the Rotary Club had Mr. March outline the details of his plan at a public meeting, and all of the various organizations of the city were asked to name a representative to serve on a committee to take up the matter with the City Commission. Some day New Brunswick will have a definite City Planning Scheme, and it will owe its success to the preliminary work conducted by the Board of Trade.

Good government is a subject in which the organization has displayed great interest. Its members have advocated clean, honest and efficient government in city, county and State affairs throughout its existence. It started the campaign for a Commission Form of Government in June, 1911, when resolutions were adopted committing the Board to that movement, and its members fought valiantly for the change until it was ultimately accomplished.

The interests of the taxpayers, both of the city and county, have always appealed to the Board of Trade. Through its active work in following the affairs of the county, the burden of repairs incident to the two big bridges spanning the Raritan river—the one between Perth Amboy and South Amboy, and the bridge at the foot of Albany street to Highland Park—were both taken over by the State Highway Commission, thereby relieving the taxpayers of Middlesex county of an annual expense for maintenance of approximately \$50,000; and the erection of a new bridge at Perth Amboy at an estimated cost of \$2,500,000, of which \$1,000,000 will be paid by the Federal government, the balance representing an expense the county would have had to bear had the present bridge not been taken over.

The Board took up the matter of the bond issue in connection with the building of the Cranbury turnpike, and the ultimate outcome of the matter was a saving of \$334,000 to the taxpayers. The organization made a fight for the annexation of the Lincoln Gardens Section to the city, which was finally accomplished, and it resulted in adding a progressive community and giving New Brunswick additional railroad siding facilities. Repeatedly, the Board has gone on record in favor of "open specifications" for road work, and the efforts of Mr. S. P. Leeds, president of the Chamber of Commerce of Atlantic City, to free the State from the grip of the patent pavement trust, has had the endorsement of the organization.

When the rate of fare charged for commutation tickets between New Brunswick and New York was increased to twelve dollars in 1911, the Board of Trade championed the cause of the commuters. The fight was won, and approximately from \$10,000 to \$12,000 a year was saved to the commuters until the Federal government took over the big transportation lines and arbitrarily raised the rates.

In civic affairs the Board of Trade has always been found as sponsor for every movement that meant a Bigger and Better New Brunswick. It recommended a Paid Fire Department; appointive School Board; Vocational School System; a filtration plant for the Water System; a Traffic Ordinance; better paved sidewalks and improved streets—and had much to do with the extension of a sewer system to a part of the city which was quickly developed into a residential section.

Much work has been done by the Board of Trade towards better shipping facilities for New Brunswick and vicinity. Just before the

war, the Pennsylvania railroad had agreed to spend nearly \$100,000 for a new freight station and yard facilities. When the railroad is in better shape financially, this will probably be done. The Lehigh Valley railroad industrial siding is now within a mile and a quarter of Highland Park, to which point it will be extended before long. The extension of the express service has been accomplished both in the city and Highland Park.

Through the work of the Board of Trade it is estimated that more than a score of important industries have been located in and near the city, and there has been spent for plants and equipment approximately \$8,000,000. The Simplex Automobile Company was brought here in 1910. Through an agreement whereby the Board of Trade agreed to assume a certain part of the taxes of that concern, the Company remained in the city, enlarged its plant and its payroll was considerably increased. It was followed by the Wright Martin Automobile Company, which in turn was succeeded by the Wright Aeronautical Corporation. When the Armistice was signed, November 11, 1918, there were close to eight thousand war workers employed in this one big essential industry. Many other industries, too, had their share of war work, and the city enjoyed a wave of unparalleled prosperity due to the high wages that were being paid to the workers.

In 1915, when the movement was launched for the establishment of the New Jersey College for Women, it had the endorsement of the Board. The organization has always stood back of Rutgers College, the Rutgers Preparatory School and the school system of New Brunswick, the interests of which the members have always sought in advance.

New Brunswick distinguished itself in all of the Liberty Loan campaigns by always subscribing more than the quotas assigned to it, which was true in the United War Work campaign, and all subsequent benevolent drives. The Board of Trade did its full share in all of these campaigns.

In 1919 the Retail Merchants' Division was formed, and the history of this adjunct of the Board is along the lines of the parent organization. It has conducted various campaigns of all kinds, "dollar day sales," and its cooperation in the work of the Board of Trade advances the interests of the merchants in every respect.

Early in the history of the organization conferences were held with Congressman Benjamin F. Howell regarding the improvement of the Raritan river, the need of which has long been apparent. Many years ago steamers plied between New Brunswick and New York, and it was through one of these lines that Commodore Cornelius Vanderbilt earned the foundation of his great fortune. In November, 1911, Wilfred H. Schoff, secretary of the Atlantic Deeper Waterways Association, addressed the Board. In June, 1913, a committee had a conference with

Congressman Thomas J. Scully. In December, 1916, Hon. J. Spencer Smith, of the State Board of Commerce and Navigation, spoke before the Board. It soon developed that the lack of a terminal at New Brunswick, which would provide a docking place for boats, militated against all efforts for deeper water. The Federal government in 1919 adopted the policy that no waterway would be improved unless the municipality provided adequate terminal facilities.

Then the advocates of deeper water had their attention directed to the need for a better channel when the Eastern Potash Corporation began the erection of its immense potash plant on the banks of the Raritan river, about two miles below the city. The announcement that this company planned to bring tank steamers carrying eight thousand barrels of crude oil from Mexico for fuel purposes, made it apparent that the steamers would not be able to land at the dock of the company until the Raritan river was deepened.

About this time the Raritan Terminal and Waterways Association was projected. It is made up of the affiliated civic and governing bodies of nine municipalities on the Raritan river and bay, and New Brunswick took an active part in its organization, and the Board of Trade has several of its members numbered among the directors. This organization has advocated deeper channels to New Brunswick, and its ultimate object is to make Perth Amboy, South Amboy, Keyport and New Brunswick all seaports. As a result of its work, a hearing on the project was held at New Brunswick in December, 1920, by Colonel J. N. Sanford, the district engineer, for the purpose of determining the need for making the channel fifteen feet in depth to New Brunswick. Also, the chief of engineers recommended \$100,000 for the Raritan river, but the river and harbor bill was reduced from \$36,000,000 to \$12,000,000, and the Raritan river appropriation was cut proportionately. Because of the importance to the commercial growth of New Brunswick, the deepening of the Raritan river will be advocated by the Waterways Association, backed by the Board of Trade, until it is finally accomplished.

The annual banquets of the Board of Trade have been notable affairs throughout its existence, and some of the best after-dinner speakers in the country have spoken before its members. Among them are Hon. J. S. Frelinghuysen, United States Senator from New Jersey; J. Adam Bede, the former humorist of Congress; Dr. Charles A. Eaton, Hon. John H. Fahey, of Chicago; Rev. S. Parkes Cadman, of Brooklyn; Hon. Charles S. Whitman, former Governor of New York; Haley Fiske, president of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company; Dr. Frank Crane, the noted writer; former Governor J. F. Fielder; Mayor J. Hampton Moore, of Philadelphia; Job E. Hedges, of New York, and others.

The Board of Trade of New Brunswick holds membership in the United States Chamber of Commerce, the New Jersey State Chamber

of Commerce, the Atlantic Deeper Waterways Association, and the Raritan Terminal and Waterways Association. The officers are: President, Prof. Ralph G. Wright; first vice-president, William G. Bearman; second vice-president, Harry Weida; third vice-president, Elmer E. Connolly; treasurer, William Van Nuis, Jr.; secretary, C. S. Atkinson. The list of former presidents follows: Henry G. Parker, George A. Viehmann (deceased), Charles A. McCormick, William R. Reed, Leonard S. Webb, E. P. Darrow, Robert Carson, O. O. Stillman, S. B. Carpender, and P. J. Young.

Clubs and Societies—The New Brunswick Historical Club was in existence several years before its complete organization, August 17, 1875. A constitution and by-laws were adopted in 1871, members' names were annexed as soon as they were admitted. The club held annual meetings at Rutgers College until 1878, when a suite of rooms was fitted up in the Booraem House on Church street. The expenses being heavy, after a year the club became inactive, but through the efforts of a few literary citizens, it was revived, becoming one of the leading organizations of its kind in the eastern section of New Jersey. Meetings are held the third Thursday in each month during the college year, in the Fine Arts room, Rutgers College.

Inspired with the spirit of good fellowship and a desire to extend the principles of International Rotary, a group of twenty-three business men met at the Hotel Klein in May, 1920. Subsequent meetings were held, and James Orr, of the Elizabeth Rotary Club, attended the preliminary meetings and explained the scope of the organization and did some excellent work in aiding with the formation of the Rotary Club of New Brunswick.

The Club then adjourned for the summer months, and on September 9, 1920, the charter was presented to the Club, with the following enrolled as charter members: C. S. Atkinson, Lawrence Ballou, William G. Bearman, Harry F. Beldon, Elmer B. Boyd, Charles H. Bruns, G. Harold Buttler, Sydney B. Carpender, Rev. C. J. Culp, Walter B. Flavell, H. J. Long, Alex. Merchant, Henry Moraff, John J. Monigan, Ramon Montalvo, Jr., Dr. R. L. McKiernan, Clifford Parsil, Martin E. Roach, H. R. Segoine, Bert Stowell, F. V. Terrill, Harry Weida, Dr. H. F. Zerfing.

The following officers were elected: President, Ramon Montalvo, Jr.; vice-president, F. V. Terrill; secretary, Dr. R. L. McKiernan; treasurer, Rev. C. J. Culp; sergeant-at-arms, Harry F. Beldon. Directors—Harry F. Beldon, Sydney B. Carpender, Rev. C. J. Culp, Walter B. Flavell, Dr. R. L. McKiernan, Ramon Montalvo, Jr., Martin E. Roach, Frank V. Terrill, Harry Weida.

Twenty boys who had never been on Broadway enjoyed the hospitality of the Club at Christmas, and the Hippodrome, with many other interesting sights, will be pleasant thoughts in years to come. Through

the efforts of the Club a Municipal Christmas Tree was enjoyed at Christmas, and the singing of carols was a rare treat for the citizens.

The Club took an active interest in the Red Cross Campaign, and over \$500 was raised towards the campaign fund. The generosity of the Club was enjoyed by the boys of the Rice Industrial School (colored) when about forty boys were given a Christmas dinner at the Y. M. C. A., and each presented with several toys. A Ladies' Night was enjoyed by the members and their wives, February 23, 1921, at Hotel Klein. The Club was well represented at the Poughkeepsie Conference and at "Jersey Day," held at the McAlpin Hotel, New York, when twenty-six out of thirty-three members were in attendance, which was a remarkable showing for an out-of-town luncheon.

The Club increased in numbers during the first year of its existence, and it became an organization that displayed an active interest in all matters affecting the civic welfare of the city.

Although organized here so recently as March 23rd of the present year (1921), the New Brunswick Den of Lions body has had an auspicious beginning, and has scheduled an array of activities promising of great benefit to the city in all its varied relations. It is one of a multitude of "Dens" throughout the country, whose membership is of the best, representing every profession, but mainly of active business men who are necessarily brought into intimate association with public affairs. Its meetings are at the noon hour, and their declared purpose is "For the promotion of greater efficiency through the exchange of experiences, ideas and methods."

The New Brunswick Den already numbers forty members—citizens of every walk of life—who are interested in the welfare of the city, both materially and morally, and whose patriotism is of the highest order. They realize that the present time is one of the greatest importance, burdened with problems such as have never before been known—with business embarrassments, with conflicting interests, with varied views as to legislation and governmental authority in the community, the State and the Nation. At the base of all this is the individual citizen, whom the Lions seek to bring into intimate association with his fellows, that they may through consultation and united effort exert a potent influence upon society and in all the channels of citizenship duty, upholding and maintaining that which is best for city, State and Nation, and furthering by all that in them lies, all proper movements looking to the betterment of mankind and the establishment of a reign of peace throughout the world.

The organization of the New Brunswick Den of Lions was effected on the date before mentioned, at Hotel Klein, when the following officers were elected: Norman H. Smith, president; John J. Morrison, Edward J. Houghton and Walter C. Sedam, vice-presidents; Edward H. Monaghan, secretary and treasurer; and the following named trustees: Har-

court St. P. Ward, Dr. Edwin I. Cronk, Dr. Philip L. Schwartz, Frederick Gowen, James A. Harkins and Raymond P. Wilson.

Among the clubs organized for athletics and sports are the New Brunswick Boat Club, incorporated in 1892, having a clubhouse at Albany street bridge. The New Brunswick Country Club, organized in 1894, is located on the River road near the New Market road. The New Brunswick Yacht Club, incorporated in 1911, maintains rooms on Albany street, and a station near Albany street bridge. The New Brunswick Gun Club has a house and rifle range on the River road.

Religious associations and clubs are the Young Men's Christian Association, the Young Men's Hebrew Association, and Christ Church Club, whose objects and aims are to foster church life and church work among the males of the parish, to promote Christian and social fellowship among its members. The Catholic Club was organized May 4, 1869. The Love and Brotherhood Hebrew Society meets on Burnet street. There are also miscellaneous associations, societies and clubs, whose members are interested in the social, benevolent or business interests of the city.

The Charity Organization Society of New Brunswick was established in October, 1884, for the promotion of whatever tends to the permanent improvement of the condition of the poor; first, by aiding and directing those who have gifts to bestow; second, by suppressing professional begging by preventing indiscriminate giving. The Children's Industrial Home on Somerset street was established in 1877, for the reception of girls and boys between the ages of three and ten years, instructing and providing for them until old enough to be placed in good homes, or becoming of age, when they can care for themselves. The institution is controlled by a directorate of twenty-seven ladies and gentlemen, and accommodation is given to about seventy inmates, the average being about fifty.

The Humane Society, organized in 1806, distributes coal to the worthy poor during the winter season. The city is divided into thirteen districts under the charge of resident managers. The Middlesex County Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children was incorporated in 1884, and the Middlesex County District Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in 1907. The Dorcas Society and Day Nursery was established in 1813, and holds meetings at No. 14 French street. St. Mary's Orphan Asylum, a Roman Catholic institution under the control of the Diocese of Trenton, was founded in 1883. It is located on Easton avenue, opposite Huntington street, and is under the charge of the Sisters of St. Francis.

Banking and Insurance—The early financial history of New Brunswick seems to have been attended with more or less disaster. The first bank was the Bank of New Brunswick, in 1807, founded by Jacob R.

Hardenbergh and others, and locally known as Hardenbergh's Bank. It was located at the corner of George and Paterson streets, and continued to do business for over a quarter of a century, suspending about 1834.

The State Bank of New Brunswick was chartered under an act of the legislature of 1812, entitled "Act to Establish State Banks." This act also chartered banks in Camden, Trenton, Elizabeth, Newark and Morristown. The directors named in the charter were Robert Lee, Bernard Smith, Phineas Carman, Henry V. Low, John Outcalt, John Bray, Jonathan Hutchings, Jonathan Squire, John Brewster, Daniel Perrine, Robert McChesney, Jacob Snyder and Jacob Van Winckle. The bank did business in the old State Bank building at the corner of Peace and Albany streets. The first cashier was Daniel W. Disbrow, and its presidents were Charles Smith, F. R. Smith, John B. Hill, John R. Ford and Abraham Voorhees. During the money panic of 1873 the bank closed its doors, September 13, but paid all its liabilities and was resuscitated the following October by means of contributions from stockholders and others amounting to \$750,000. It failed a second time, March 31, 1877, when its affairs were placed in the hands of Colonel John W. Newell as receiver.

The third bank to be incorporated and the successor of the Bank of New Brunswick, was the Farmers' and Merchants' Bank of New Brunswick. The act of incorporation passed the legislature February 26, 1834. Its first president was James F. Randolph, who was succeeded by Charles Dunham, who gave way to Abraham Suydam. The first cashier was Lewis Carman. The bank first did business on Burnet street, but subsequently removed to Church street, where it remained until by a special State charter the Bank of New Jersey succeeded to its business and as agent liquidated its affairs. The Bank of New Jersey was chartered June 19, 1854; its first president was John Van Dyke, and its cashier Moses T. Webb, who became president after the resignation of Mr. Van Dyke in 1859. The vacancy thus created was filled by the appointment of John T. Hill as cashier, in which office he remained only a short time, when Isaac H. Voorhees became his successor. Mr. Webb, on receiving an important commission in the army in September, 1861, was succeeded in the presidency by Garrett G. Voorhees. In February, 1864, John B. Hill became president, and November 22, 1864 the Bank of New Jersey took advantage of the new National Bank Act and was re-incorporated as a national bank, with the title of the National Bank of New Jersey. The act of incorporation was for twenty years, and was renewed in 1884 and 1904.

The First National Bank of New Brunswick, under the presidency of Israel H. Hutchings, which had been organized with a capital stock of \$100,000, was merged in 1870 with the National Bank of New Jersey. The capital stock of the National Bank of New Jersey is \$250,000, and



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its banking building was situated on the corner of Church and Neilson streets. Mr. Hill's death occurring in 1874, he was succeeded as president by James Dayton, who died in 1877; his successor was Mahlon Runyon. Mr. Runyon died in 1884, when Lewis T. Howell became president, serving until his death in 1903, when he was succeeded by V. M. W. Suydam, who resigned January 1908, and Henry G. Parker, who had been cashier since January 1, 1894, was elected president, a position which he now fills. The bank remained at the corner of Church and Neilson streets until 1910, when the present eight-story building on the corner of George and Church streets was erected. This seemed at the time an ambitious plan, there being one hundred offices to rent in the building, but its success was immediate, as all rentable space was taken within six months of the completion of the building. The bank shows a continuous existence since the first charter taken in 1808 as the Bank of New Brunswick, which was succeeded by the Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank, and in turn was succeeded by the Bank of New Jersey, the latter becoming the National Bank of New Jersey. Its deposits have grown rapidly; at the time of moving into the new quarters they amounted to \$2,200,000, and at the present time are over \$10,000,000.

The People's National Bank was organized in March, 1887, and opened for business the following May 16. Its first banking office was on the southeast corner of Neilson and Church streets. The growth of this bank was phenomenal. With a capital stock of \$100,000, it soon accumulated undivided profits, and on June 3, 1895, it removed to its present banking building on the corner of George and Church streets. Its first president was George W. Devoe, who died November 20, 1890, and was succeeded by present incumbent, Benjamin F. Howell. The surplus of the bank is \$200,000, with undivided profits amounting to \$25,000.

The New Brunswick Trust Company, located at 352 George street, was chartered in 1902. The company transacts a general banking business, and acts as executor, trustee, guardian, agent for investing personal funds and separate estates, etc. It also acts as trustee under mortgage issued by a municipality or corporation to secure bond issues. Its capital stock is \$100,000, and there is a large undivided surplus.

The Middlesex Title Guarantee and Trust Company was organized in 1907, to do a general trust business and especially to examine and guarantee titles to real estate, and has established a thorough system covering Middlesex county. Much of its success is due to the energy and activity of its first president, George A. Viehmann. Its office is at No. 40 Paterson street, and since the death of Mr. Viehmann in 1918, August C. Streitwolf has filled the office of president.

The New Brunswick Savings Institution was incorporated March

15, 1851, and established its banking house at 17 Albany street. The first president was Garrett G. Voorhees; secretary and treasurer, Neilson Dunham. The present location is the corner of George and Church streets, in a banking building erected in 1888. The bank has always been conducted in a careful and conservative manner. The deposits range over \$3,000,000, and a handsome surplus has been accumulated. The president is Nicholas G. Rutgers; the secretary and treasurer, Charles A. Dunham.

The Dime Savings Bank was incorporated by an act approved February 7, 1871. It commenced business at 137 George street, and deposits were received from ten cents upwards, on which interest was allowed from first of each month. The first directors were: Levi D. Jarrard, Lyle Van Nuis, A. V. Schenck, Henry De Hart, Henry K. Howe, Garrett G. Voorhees, Jehiel K. Hoyt, Robert G. Miller, Peter I. Stryker, Uriah De Hart, John V. H. Van Cleef, Henry N. Marsh, Adrian Vermeule, George C. Ludlow, Amos Robins, Joseph L. Mulford, Jacob E. Stout, Garret Conover, John M. Cornell and Miles Ross. Even with this formidable array of names it failed to be prosperous, and finally suspended in 1886, its depositors receiving a dividend of sixteen cents on the dollar.

The New Brunswick Fire Insurance Company was organized December 27, 1826, and commenced business May 1, 1832. Its original capital stock was \$50,000, and for over seventy years it did purely local business. In 1903 the capital stock was increased to \$200,000, the management being vested in an able directorate consisting of George A. Viehmann, president; D. L. Morrison, vice-president; Charles D. Ross, secretary; and E. B. Wyckoff, assistant secretary; these, with Theodore F. Hicks, William B. Lloyd, W. L. Perrin, W. F. Rollo and M. F. Ross, formed the board of directors. The business was soon extended into twenty-eight States, and in 1908 premiums received amounting to \$460,000. The capital stock has been increased several times, at present being \$500,000. It is represented in most of the States, excepting those generally known as of the Pacific Slope and a few of the Southern and Western States. The death of Mr. Viehmann in 1918 caused the election of Charles D. Ross as president. The vice-presidents are Daniel L. Morrison and I. D. Clark; the secretary and treasurer, E. B. Wyckoff. The general office of the company was formerly at No. 40 Paterson street; in August, 1920, removed to a new building constructed by the company, and devoted exclusively to its business, on Bayard street, opposite the court house.

In the forties and fifties of the past century, there was an epidemic of organizing assessment fire insurance companies under the general laws of the State. Among these in 1846 was formed with a euphonic title, the New Brunswick Mutual Fire Insurance Company. Its busi-

ness was simply local, being confined to writing policies of insurance on real estate risks in Middlesex county. The general office of the company is confined to the legal offices of its president, W. E. Florance, in the National Bank of New Jersey building on George street, who, with J. W. Helm as secretary, are its executive officers.

CHURCH HISTORY.

First Presbyterian Church—The first authentic date in the history of the church is 1726, when Gilbert Tennent became its pastor. Its organization may have preceded this settlement, but the loss of the church records in 1776 places its history for its first half century with no authentic testimony. The old records were supposed to have been destroyed during the Revolution, when the house of Dr. Moses Scott, a prominent elder, was entered and plundered by British troops. A wooden building was erected by the congregation in 1727, small and unpretentious, on Burnet street, just north of Oliver street, in the center of the old Presbyterian burying ground. The accepted tradition is that this building was set on fire and destroyed by the British in their attack on New Brunswick.

The first great controversy in the Presbyterian church in this country was the disruption in 1741, which was not healed until 1758. The question between the elements which were known as "Old" and "New," was, briefly, whether or not revivals were to be encouraged, and whether piety or education was most important in the gospel ministry. Of the "New" side, Gilbert Tennent was the acknowledged leader. The New Brunswick church, which had been first connected with the Presbytery of Philadelphia, was in 1733 transferred to that of East Jersey; subsequently, when the Presbyteries of East Jersey and Long Island were merged in 1738 in that of New York, it was set off with other churches to form the Presbytery of New Brunswick. Here we have the origin of a Presbytery that has exerted in the course of its long history a more commanding influence than any other in the Presbyterian body. In the history of the church at this time, the terms the "New Side" and the "New Brunswick party" are constantly occurring as interchangeable. Between this party and the Synod of Philadelphia, the "Old Side," the Presbytery of New York occupied for a time an intermediate position. It finally came into organic union with the Presbytery of New Brunswick, the united body growing into the Synod of New York, which on the reunion of 1758 outnumbered the "Old Side" three to one, and included within itself the best part of the vigor and piety of the Presbyterian body.

Mr. Tennent removed to Philadelphia in 1745, and the congregation was left without a settled pastor for several years. There is a tradition that Rev. Thomas Arthur was pastor from 1746 to 1751. The minutes of

the Presbytery show that a temporary supply was appointed in 1760, which was repeated from time to time until 1768, when Rev. Israel Reed became pastor. In 1784, solid facts are obtainable. Lots were purchased, and the following year church walls were up and under cover, but the edifice was not actually completed for several years. The structure stood on the corner of George street, fronting on Paterson street. It was built of bricks painted yellow, hence became known as the "Old Yellow Church." An act of incorporation was obtained in 1784; two years later the congregation relinquished its partial claim on Rev. Israel Reed, and Rev. Walter Monteith was called to the pastorate. The congregation being short of funds, in 1786, applied to the Legislature for the questionable aid of a lottery. This scheme was entitled "The Elizabethtown and New Brunswick Church Lottery;" the highest prize was \$2,000, the lowest \$20. The net result to the New Brunswick church was £665 13s. 5d., proclamation money. This amount proved inadequate to discharge all debts, which were stated to be, March 30, 1786, £1,426 3s. 2d., and was not finally liquidated until May 6, 1801. The next pastor, Rev. Joseph Clark, installed January 4, 1797, died suddenly in office, October 20, 1813. He was a most impressive preacher, of commanding influence, and left the church with one hundred and twenty-seven members, nearly double the number at his accession. Rev. Leverett J. F. Huntington was installed pastor December 5, 1815. His services were particularly attractive to the young, and during his pastorate, in the year 1816, the Sabbath school was established. It was the first in the city to be organized, like the original ones in England, for neglected children rather than those of Christian families. Mr. Huntington died May 11, 1820, and Rev. Samuel B. How was installed pastor in 1821. His term of service was brief, as on July 25, 1825, Rev. Joseph H. Jones was installed. Under his pastorate the church immediately entered on a new career. A parsonage was built in 1827; and a new church fronting on George street instead of Paterson street, was dedicated December 15, 1836, at the cost of \$23,328.26. Dr. Jones was a man of rare gifts, both in pulpit and parish. He had the hearts of the congregation with him and its coöperation in all his efforts. He resigned in 1838 to accept a call to the Sixth Presbyterian Church of Philadelphia. The membership of the church when he left was 411 souls. The congregation next enjoyed the ministry of Rev. Robert Birch, who was installed March 4, 1839; his pastorate was short, being terminated by his death, September 12, 1842. Then followed one of the longest pastorates in the history of the church. The Rev. Robert Davidson was installed May 4, 1843. Gas was introduced, and repairs made on the session house in 1852; a year or two later a thorough refurnishing of the church was undertaken. Dr. Davidson's pastoral relations were dissolved in September,

1859, and Dr. Howard Crosby, Professor of Greek in Rutgers College, was elected pastor on February 18, 1861. His occupancy of the office was brief, as Rev. William Beatty was installed as pastor June 2, 1863. He was in charge of the congregation about four years, when he resigned to accept a call to the Shadyside Church of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The installation of Rev. A. D. L. Jewett took place March 2, 1868. The organization of the church was completed in 1871 by the election of deacons; the eldership was increased in 1873. Dr. Jewett's labors during the latter portion of his term were interrupted by continued ill health. He resigned October 16, 1874, and on May 17, 1875, Rev. Thomas Nichols was installed. His successor in 1879 was the Rev. W. J. McKnight, who continued in the pastorate until 1892, and the following year was succeeded by Rev. William W. Knox. Dr. Knox was to serve the congregation for nearly a quarter of a century. He was made pastor emeritus in 1917, and the next year the Rev. Cordie J. Culp, the present incumbent, was chosen his successor.

Hungarian Evangelist Reformed Presbyterian Church—This was organized July 21, 1904. The organization ceremonies were held in the chapel of the First Presbyterian Church, where the congregation commenced holding meetings. It was largely through the assistance of Rev. J. Kozma, of Perth Amboy, that the organization was effected. The rapid growth of the congregation soon required larger accommodations, and a church was procured on the corner of Easton avenue and Hamilton street. The first regularly installed minister was Rev. Paul Hamborsky, who served until he decided to join the ranks of those ministers who were working under the Conventus of the Reformed Church of Hungary. Through his influence the congregation for a time joined this church organization; the original members not being satisfied with this transaction, took the matter before the courts and eventually won the control of the church property. This litigation was the cause of a great unrest and difficulties amongst the congregation, and religious services were suspended. The Easton Avenue Church was exchanged for the present edifice on the corner of Bayard and Schuyler streets, formerly occupied by St. James Methodist Episcopal Church. After the retirement of the Rev. Hamborsky from the ministry, the Rev. Ladislaus Gerenday was called as pastor; he remained in charge until 1916, when he was succeeded by the present pastor, Rev. Sigismund Laky, who resigned the charge of a large congregation at Bridgeport, Connecticut, to accept the position. The church is a member of the New Brunswick Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church of the United States. There is a membership of two hundred, besides a large number of co-believers who attend the regular services. The auxiliary societies of the church are: The Lorantffy Sussannah Ladies'

Aid Society, the Daily Vocation Bible Class, and the People's Christian Association.

*Christ Church**—The Church of England early sent its missionaries into the colony of New Jersey. Along the Raritan there were established churches at Amboy, Spotswood and Piscataway. In 1701, "The Venerable Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts" was formed, and its missionaries were sent out to the churches and formed new parishes. Keith and Talbot, the first missionaries from this society, covered New Jersey, holding services among the English residents of New Brunswick. One of the early historians of Christ Church laments the loss of its early records. The fragments which remain are largely the reports of these missionaries.

In 1745, Skinner, the first missionary to Perth Amboy, reports, "Zeal for God's work among the inhabitants of New Brunswick has stirred them up to the building of a Church." The next year he reports, "the inhabitants of New Brunswick have petitioned to send them a missionary; they have erected a church of stone which may be of great service not only to themselves, but to the well settled country extending many miles, in which many of the inhabitants profess the faith of the Church of England, and others who were formerly dissenters seem well affected towards it."

New Brunswick's Carnegie, Philip French (1745), presented the tract of land on which the church was built. Mr. Skinner's statement, "they have erected a church," was somewhat premature, as the records show that more than ten years later the church was still in the course of construction, and in 1773 the steeple was nearing completion. The land given by Mr. French is that on which the church now stands on the corner of Church and Neilson streets. The size of the original structure, as reported by the Society, was fifty-five feet long, forty-five feet wide and twenty feet high. The first edifice followed closely the lines of the English parish churches which the builders had left behind; a "noble window of small panes of glass covered almost the entire east end." The building was of stone, and tradition has it that it was put together mainly by the hands of the faithful parishioners. The tower as originally constructed remains as a part of the present edifice, a monument of striking beauty, linking the present with the past.

The Society sent as its first stated missionary the Rev. Mr. Wood, characterized as "a gentleman, bred to physic and surgery," as well as theology. Mr. Wood's parish reached from Elizabethtown to Trenton, and his medical practice extended from New York to Philadelphia. He remained two years, and removed to Nova Scotia.

The Society "then thought proper to fix on the Rev. Samuel Seabury

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who arrived happily on the 25th of May, 1754, and was received with a most hearty welcome from the inhabitants, who appeared very susceptible to the Society's goodness in sending a missionary to them, and disposed to do everything in their power to show their encouragement. * * The church is a very handsome stone building which, when finished, will hold a large congregation, and this it is proposed to do the ensuing summer. It is generally well filled. * * As there was no visiting teacher, at the present time, of any sort, he had the satisfaction of having persons of various denominations come to it, and he hoped they would in the course of time, through the grace of God, conform."

Rev. Samuel Seabury was the son of Samuel Seabury, an Episcopalian clergyman, who had formerly been a Congregational minister. After graduation at Yale (1748), he went to Scotland and studied medicine, but turning his attention to theology, took orders in England, and became the Society's missionary at New Brunswick. His is an illustrious figure in the church annals. From New Brunswick, he removed to Grace Church, Hempstead, Long Island (1752), thence to St. Peter's, West Chester, New York, (1766). At the latter place he established a church school. At the breaking out of the Revolutionary War, he adhered to the Crown and became chaplain of the Royal forces. During the strife he was, on one hand, subject to severe handling by the patriots, and on the other hand given the degree of Doctor of Divinity by Oxford University. At the close of the conflict he went to England, bearing the recommendation of some of the clergy of New York and Connecticut, and was consecrated the first American Bishop of the Episcopal Church.

In 1757, the Parish of Christ Church "returned their thanks for the Society's goodness in appointing the Rev. Dr. McKean to succeed their late missionary, Rev. Samuel Seabury. It was with great pleasure they saw the Church of England, by the benevolence of the Society, raising its head in an infant country." Dr. McKean arrived in New Brunswick in 1757, and was kindly received by his congregation. He had friends at court, and the second year of the reign of George II., Christ Church became a body corporate under the name of "The Rector, Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church of the City of New Brunswick." It is under this charter, bearing the great seal of his Majesty, that it still elects its vestrymen and wardens and holds its corporate power.

Dr. McKean was a prominent figure in medical circles. He was active in organizing the New Jersey Medical Society, and was its first president. Upon the removal of Dr. McKean to Pennsylvania (1763), the mantle fell upon Hon. Edward Antill, "a man of most exemplary life and singular piety, who undertook to read prayers and singing every two Sundays in New Brunswick, and every other two Sundays in Piscataway, until the arrival of a missionary."

In 1762, it was agreed to unite Piscataway to the mission at New Brunswick, and the Rev. Leonard Cutting was appointed to the mission. In a report to the Society it is stated "in New Brunswick there are about 150 families, most of them in moderate circumstances. * * In this town there are three churches—the Church of England, the Baptist church, and a Presbyterian meeting house, the members of which live together in a friendly manner without disputes or animosities on account of religion." He reports that "his communicants at present are about twenty-five. He catechises the children of New Brunswick and Piscataway every Sunday. The congregation at New Brunswick has agreed upon £40 per year, and will allow £20 currency for house rental until they can afford to purchase a glebe." In 1769, he reports "with pleasure that in New Brunswick the same catholic spirit prevails, all denominations living together without dispute or animosity." In Piscataway, he states "the church is well filled, and the people appear serious and affected." In removing to Hempstead, a year later, he reports that "the church had increased in numbers, and the communicants had increased to thirty-four."

The next incumbent was the Rev. Abraham Beach, who showed himself to be not only a missionary but a diplomat and leader of no mean order. His report to the Parent Society shows "that his congregation are frequented by serious people of all denominations." He organized the parish, taught catechism to the children and the negroes; the church was repaired and the steeple completed. The Society Proceedings for 1773 state that "The Rev. Dr. Beach's mission is in good state. He endeavoreth by kind and candid treatment to overcome the prejudice of dissenters; and hath experienced the good effects of it in several instances."

In 1774 Dr. Beach wrote the Society "how heartfelt are the American disputes to the clergy;" he assures the Society "that he has endeavored to promote moderation, peace and good order." Then came the storm cloud of the Revolution. The parish was rent asunder, and received a baptism of blood and fire. Mr. Beach has been characterized as "mildly loyal," and as "neutral" he deplored the political agitation which preceded the struggle as "hurtful to the church and to the clergy." He strove "to promote moderation, peace and good order." He "hoped at all times to preserve a conscience void of offense toward God and man."

At the inception of the struggle, the congregation at once divided; the Loyalists fled to the British lines; the Patriots, in fair numbers and of sturdy mien, remained until the British army took possession of New Brunswick. The Church of England and its adherents in this crisis were under the ban. Christ Church has the unique record of being open during the whole of the struggle. Mr. Beach's records show a fairly continuous regularity in church services even in times when

shot and shell broke over the steeple. He went about attending to the sick, baptizing, uniting in marriage, burying the dead. He ministered in neighboring parishes from which the clergy fled. He was ever at his post. His home just without the city was supposed to be neutral ground, but this did not prevent its being pierced with bullets. During the whole time he received no remittance from the Society and no pay from the church. At the close of the Revolution, Mr. Beach accepted the position of assistant minister of Trinity Church, New York, but he still retained a fostering care over Christ Church. He became an important factor in the formation of the Episcopal Church in the United States.

Long prior to the war, efforts had been made to secure the appointment of a Bishop for the Colonies, but strong forces opposed the setting up of a Bishop in America. The controversy waxed strong and became a part of the inciting cause of the Revolution. With the dawn of peace all changed; the Church in the United States had become separated from the Church of England through the acts of war. At the invitation of Dr. Beach, a few of the scattered clergy from New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania gathered in Christ Church to "consider the state of the Church." Among them was the Rev. William White, of Philadelphia (afterwards Bishop). The session continued for two days, and plans were laid to promote a union of the churches in the several States. During the session a document was made out in which the name "The Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States" was used for the first time. At this meeting the right of lay delegates in the councils of the churches was established. The sessions were the beginning of the line of general conventions—the great governing body of the Episcopal Church. Thus within the walls of Christ Church the American Church had its origin and received its name.

Rev. Mr. Beach was active in the formation of the diocese of New Jersey, in 1785; the first convention looking to that end was held in Christ Church. Mr. Beach preached the sermon, and was chosen president and delegate to the General Convention. All during the formation period of the diocese, Mr. Beach attended the conventions, giving wise counsel in the formation of the canons and regulations for the government of the church, and the revision of the Book of Common Prayer. With a record of seventeen years as minister of Christ Church, and twenty-five years in Trinity Parish in New York, he retired to his household at New Brunswick, where he died in 1828. He was buried in Christ Church yard, and a marble tablet to his memory adorns the walls of the edifice.

Hamilton Rowland was elected rector of the parish in 1786; he removed to Nova Scotia at the end of one year; from the time of Mr. Rowland's removal (1787), the church was without a rector until 1791,

Rev. George Ogilvie 1787-1790 and Dr. John

when the Rev. Henry Van Dyke was chosen minister of the parish; he served until 1793 or 1794.

The parish was again vacant until 1799, when the Rev. John Henry Hobart, then a student at Princeton, was "invited to perform divine service for the congregation for one year," and "the sum of \$266.67 was allowed for such services." Rev. Mr. Hobart, apparently much to his disadvantage, fulfilled his contract for the year, and afterwards attained a high place in the church. He became assistant minister of Trinity Parish, New York, succeeding Dr. Moore as Bishop of New York. He was also Bishop of Connecticut for three years. He was instrumental in opening the Theological Seminary in New York, and a member of the faculty. He was a prolific writer and a most energetic Christian gentleman. With Mr. Hobart's departure from Christ Church, "Mr. Beasley was invited to read prayers until a rector could be provided."

The minutes of the wardens and vestrymen beginning with 1790 have been preserved. The first pages of these records are filled with quaint references to the "Church Lottery." This calls to mind the fact that in the colonial days lotteries were the financial fashion, and were considered as legitimate as is today the placing upon the market of authorized financial securities. Colleges, churches, societies and individuals floated lotteries under government license. At least three lotteries were drawn for the benefit of Christ Church, and there is no record that any of them were markedly successful from a monetary point of view. The records of the "settlements" of the last one (issued about 1790) was disastrous. The church was defrauded of money collected by some of its agents, quarrels and lawsuits ensued. Much harm was done with little or no good. In 1800, Mr. Charles Cotton was engaged to take charge of the parish, and remained for one year.

A most auspicious era of the parish history begins with the record of the warden and vestrymen of March, 1801: "Resolved and agreed unanimously that the Rev. John Croes be invited to accept the permanent rectorship of this Church at a salary of \$375 per annum." This call was made in conjunction with the trustees of Queens (Rutgers) College, who desired his services as headmaster of the Grammar School.

Mr. Croes' rectorship was long and eventful. His was the task of reconstruction of a parish which had been scattered and rent by war and by frequent change of ministers since the departure of Mr. Beach. He organized the congregation and established sound systems of finance; the latter included the sale of pews at auction. He inaugurated a Missionary Society and opened a Sunday School. He overcame the long existing prejudice against the "English" Church, and made it a center of religious life in the community.

An interesting incident of his time occurred in February, 1803, when

the spire of the church was struck by lightning and wholly consumed; the building itself was in imminent danger of being destroyed. This was a severe blow to the struggling parish. The spire had only recently been repaired and its restoration was a matter of over \$3,000, a most formidable burden under the conditions. By heroic efforts of the congregation, the citizens of New Brunswick, and friends outside of the parish, the spire was rebuilt within a few months. In 1808, Mr. Croes gave up his position in the College, but for a time he taught in the Young Ladies' Seminary conducted by Miss Hay.

Rev. Mr. Croes took an active part in the work of the diocese, and in 1815 he was chosen as its first Bishop. He did not resign his rectorship, but cared for the parish and diocese conjointly. He was almost simultaneously chosen Bishop of the Diocese of Connecticut, but chose to accept that of New Jersey. A notable event of his rectorship was the remodeling of the interior of the church edifice. In the first construction the chancel was placed at the east end (Neilson street) of the church, but the pulpit and reading desk were on the north or Church street side. In 1814 the whole was changed by placing the pulpit and reading desk and chancel at the east end and turning the pews so as to face that end. A gallery was also installed. In the early days a bass viol and a violin were introduced to furnish music; in 1788 an organ was installed which cost \$100, but in Mr. Croes' time it is recorded that Mr. William Leupp presented the church with a new instrument and became organist. The services of the church under the Bishop would be considered simple in these days of elaborateness. At the time, those not in sympathy with the church made strong objections to their ritualistic formality. The fast and festival days were observed in great regularity, Easter Day and Christmas Day being as now "high" days. Baptisms were mainly held in the church, the first font being a stone bowl carved by hand and set in a log. The present handsome marble font was the gift of Edward Antill, and has been in use since some time before the Revolution. Funerals were held at the homes of the deceased; the bodies were either buried on the land of the departed or in the church yards. Weddings were seldom held in the church. For many years the church was not heated in any manner. In 1800 wood fires were introduced; coal fires came in 1829. The church was lighted with candles and oil, a feature being an elaborate glass chandelier hanging in the center of the nave.

During Bishop Croes' rectorship a Sunday school building was erected on the west side of the church lot. Following the lead of such parishes as Trinity, the church erected buildings on the Church street side of its property and rented them for business purposes. The venture was only moderately successful and later they were torn down.

The Rev. Mr. Croes was of Polish parentage (born 1762). While

yet a lad he entered the Revolutionary army. His education was mainly under private tutors in Newark, New Jersey. He became a tutor in the Newark Academy, meanwhile preparing himself for the University. His first charge was at Swedesboro, New Jersey, and his second at New Brunswick. He was of commanding presence, being over six feet in height. His biographers pay great tribute to his urbanity, strong intellectuality, sound common sense, clear judgment, and general business qualifications.

In 1830, he asked that his son John Croes, Jr., be appointed assistant in the parish, and to this the vestry acceded. Bishop Croes entered into rest, July 30, 1832. He was buried under the chancel of the church wall. His son, Rev. John Croes, Jr., succeeded him as rector. This position he held until 1839, when owing to ill health he resigned, and took up missionary labors at Keyport, New Jersey. He died in 1849.

The year 1839 marks the beginning of a long and successful rectorship of the Rev. Alfred Stubbs, who while still a deacon came into the parish almost directly from the General Theological Seminary. The following year he was elevated to the priesthood by Bishop Doane, and instituted to the rectorship of the parish. Though but twenty-four years of age, he grasped the responsibilities of his office and began a remarkable career. Time after time in reports to the convention appear statements showing an increase in the numbers; "the parish is in a prosperous condition. * * the harmony and peace which prevail encourages the hope that our people are also increasing in spirituality."

Each year marked material progress, there were additions to the church property, new furnishings and adornments for the church. In 1842, Mr. Charles M. Leupp presented a new organ, and in 1846 a rectory was purchased at 100 Bayard street, and the same year a plot of ground next to that of the original tract, known as the "Vickers property," was bequeathed to the parish by Mrs. Mary Leupp. In 1852, the entire church edifice, with the exception of the tower, was taken down and rebuilt. During the rebuilding, services were held in the Presbyterian Session House on George street, which was kindly loaned for the purpose. In rebuilding the edifice, all of the stone of the first structure was utilized, together with a fresh supply taken from the original quarry. The new building consisted of a nave 50x75 feet, with a semicircular chancel 20 feet in depth. The architecture was Norman style, and with only a slight change constitutes the present edifice. It was at this time that the stained glass windows were installed. Out of the original parish, Dr. Stubbs created three new parishes—St. John's, Somerville (1852), St. Luke's, Bound Brook (1862), St. John the Evangelist at New Brunswick (1861). In 1874, a commodious brick Sunday school building was erected on the church grounds.

Some twenty young men who were members of the parish during

Dr. Stubbs' ministry, were admitted to Holy Orders; these included two of the rector's sons, the Rev. Alfred H. Stubbs, the Rev. Francis H. Stubbs, and the Rev. A. B. Baker, Dr. A. B. Carter, Rev. Eugene and Charles Hoffman, Edward and Samuel Appleton, Rev. Guy Leacock, Henry H. Long, Edward B. Boggs and John Cornell.

One incident in Dr. Stubbs' life focused upon him, and incidentally upon the parish, a nation-wide and, at the time, unpleasant notoriety. This was the celebrated controversy with the Rev. Stephen H. Tyng, rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, New York—the trial question as to whether the clergy are bound to obey the laws of the church. In later times he counted among his friends those who had opposed him at the trial, including Dr. Tyng himself. In 1882, failing in health, Dr. E. B. Joyce was called as assistant to Dr. Stubbs.

Dr. Stubbs entered into rest, December 12, 1882. He was buried in a spot selected by himself at the foot of the tower, and a tablet upon the wall of the tower and in the chancel of the church is erected to his memory. Dr. Stubbs had been entrusted with a prominent place in the councils of the church, and was beloved by his fellow-citizens; "the fine ability and excellent scholarship which distinguished him were intensely devoted to Christ and His Church."

The Rev. E. B. Joyce came to Christ Church Parish while yet in deacon's orders, as assistant in 1882; at the death of Dr. Stubbs he was called to the rectorship (1883). Under his guidance the congregation moved forward spiritually and materially, and was marked by an increase in church attendance and interest in the service and work of the parish. He formed many parish organizations and guided their work. The church was renovated throughout, hardwood floors put in, a new pulpit and chancel furniture installed. In 1892 he formed a surpliced choir of male voices under charge of Prof. George W. Wilmot. In the same year a new rectory was purchased at 56 Bayard street; a new and commodious parish house was erected at the corner of Neilson and Paterson streets. An innovation at the time was the organization of young men called Christ Church Club, who gave attention not only to the parish and church affairs, literature and the like, but who installed a bowling alley, gymnasium and poolroom. A week of service commemorating the 150th anniversary of the church was held in 1892.

While all of Mr. Joyce's efforts were far from sensational, one sermon delivered in 1890 attracted widespread attention and was published in pamphlet form by the Central Nationalist Club. This was a sermon on the text, "Am I My Brother's Keeper?" In this sermon the relations between capital and labor and the church's duty therein were discussed in a way that was markedly prophetic of the discussions so abundant in later years. During his rectorship, early celebrations of Holy Communion each Sunday were instituted, and for a time daily services were held in the church.

Mr. Joyce graduated from Yale College and the General Theological Seminary, and in 1916 the degree of Doctor of Divinity was conferred upon him by Rutgers College. Failing health compelled Mr. Joyce to resign his rectorship, and he was made rector emeritus, which position he still holds, beloved and honored by his parish and throughout the diocese.

The Rev. Herbert Parrish, who had supplied the pulpit during Mr. Joyce's illness, was called to the rectorship May 1, 1915, and under his guidance the parish has retained its traditions of progress and vigor which has marked its entire history. In 1917 an important movement toward church unity was started in which Christ Church under Mr. Parrish took an active part. Services were held on Sunday evenings in rotation in Christ Church, the First and Second Reformed Churches, and the First Presbyterian, in which services the choirs and clergy of the respective organizations united. The parish took an active part in the nation-wide campaign of the Episcopal Church in 1919, the rector being campaign chairman for the diocese. Under Mr. Parrish the congregation has made great advancement. It has discharged all indebtedness, some of long standing. It has established an endowment fund. The pews have been made free. It has more than quadrupled contributions for missionary purposes. Mr. Parrish possesses exceptional powers as a preacher and teacher, and is able to gather a goodly congregation even in these times when church attendance is not popular.

Christ Church holds a remarkable record for growth and strength. Of exceptional character have been its rectors and distinguished laymen. After one hundred and eighty-years it can look to the future with trust and confidence.

St. John the Evangelist—A movement was started in 1852 among the congregation of Christ Church to establish another parish in New Brunswick. The mother church was too small to accommodate its congregation, and was not strong enough in finances or numbers to bear the expense of erecting a church edifice in another section of the city. It was at this time decided to build an addition to the church and establish another parish later. Other obstacles interposed; it was not, however, until 1860, under the rectorship of the Rev. Alfred Stubbs, that money was raised for the building of a mission chapel on the present site of St. John the Evangelist. The cornerstone was laid November 28, 1860, and the new chapel was consecrated December 27, 1861, when Rev. Louis Bevier Van Dyke was chosen by the vestry to officiate as deacon in charge. He was succeeded in 1864 by Rev. Alfred B. Baker as assistant in charge.

St. John's drew away from Christ Church and was organized as an independent parish, April 25, 1866. The Rev. Edward B. Boggs became

the first pastor of the new parish. He was succeeded in 1869 by Rev. Charles Edward Phelps. The church building comprised only one room; in 1885 the edifice was considerably enlarged and beautified by the addition of a tower, transept and parish room, these alterations costing over \$10,000.

Rev. Charles E. Phelps resigned in 1898 and was appointed rector-emeritus. The Rev. W. Dutton Dale, after acting as assistant minister for one year, was elected rector, assuming the duties of the incumbency on Easter Day, 1898. He resigned March 31, 1909, to accept a call to Rumsen, New Jersey, and the present rector, Rev. Edward Wheeler Hall, was called by the congregation and was installed as rector in July, 1909. An addition to the rear of the church building was built in 1909 at an expenditure of \$3,000.

The First Reformed Church—This is the oldest church organization in the city of New Brunswick. Its corporate title is, "The Ministers, Elders and Deacons of the Congregation of New Brunswick."

Guillaem Bertholf, a resident of Hackensack, as a lay worker frequently visited this section. As *voorleser* in the Holland church, he rendered invaluable services in a large portion of Northern New Jersey. So acceptable were his services as reader and comforter of the sick that he was sent to Holland in 1693 for ordination. Upon his return he had the spiritual oversight of all the Holland communities in New Jersey. His work resulted in the organization of many Reformed churches, including those in the vicinity of New Brunswick.

A church was erected as early as 1703, about three miles west of the present city limits. The congregation which worshipped there soon divided to form two churches, now known as the Reformed Church of Franklin Park, and the First Reformed Church of New Brunswick. From the early maps and records of the city it appears that the first church was built about 1714, at the corner of Schureman and Burnet streets. The earliest church record is dated April 12, 1717. The archives of the church contain a complete register of baptism and the list of church members and officers from 1717. The second church edifice was erected on the present site in 1767. This was built of stones which were brought up the Raritan on sloops from Hell Gate. When this building was demolished to make way for a new one, these stones were used in the walls of the present structure which was dedicated in 1812.

The first pastor of the church was Rev. Theodorus Jacobus Frelinghuysen. He also served the churches at Raritan (Somerville), Six Mile Run (Franklin Park), and North Branch (Readington). Mr. Frelinghuysen came directly from Holland, bringing with him a schoolmaster, Jacobus Schureman, who was also chorister and *voorleser*. These men were the progenitors of many distinguished citizens who

have rendered signal service to the State. The next three pastors were closely connected with the college also. Rev. Johannes Leydt was a leader in the movement resulting in the founding of Queen's College, later known as Rutgers College. Rev. Jacob Rutsen Hardenbergh, D. D., in 1786 became the pastor of the church and also president of the college. He was a staunch personal friend of General Washington. His successor in the pastorate, Rev. Ira Condict, D. D., was also vice-president of the college and professor of moral philosophy.

During the two hundred years of its history, the church has been served by fifteen pastors. Besides those mentioned, the list includes John Schureman, D. D., Jesse Fonda, John Ludlow, D. D., Isaac Ferris, D. D., James B. Hardenbergh, D. D., Jacob J. Janeway, D. D., Samuel B. How, D. D., Richard H. Steele, D. D., Thomas C. Easton, D. D., P. Theodore Pockman, D. D., and Jasper S. Hogan, D. D.

For many years the "Old First" has been popularly known as the "Town Clock Church," on account of the clock in the steeple, placed there and maintained by the city. Many of the stones in the cemetery around the church mark the resting places of some of the most honored leaders in the Reformed Church in America. Prominent among these is the Scudder monument testifying to the pioneer missionary zeal of the family which has given a total of more than one thousand years to foreign missionary service. The church itself has been greatly admired, and its picture is included with a score of other historic churches which are regarded as the best specimens of ecclesiastical architecture in the country in the colonial days.

Second Reformed Church—This was organized by members of the First Reformed Church in 1843. The first pastor was Rev. David D. Demarest, who was called in 1843 and continued in charge for nearly ten years, when he was succeeded by the Rev. Samuel M. Woodbridge, who continued until 1857, when he resigned to take the chair of ecclesiastical history in the Theological Seminary. The Rev. Hugh N. Wilson became pastor in 1858, and the cornerstone of the present church on the corner of George and Albany streets, was laid October 26, 1857, the building being completed and dedicated April 10, 1861. The next pastor was the Rev. John W. Schenck, who supplied the pulpit from February, 1863, to June 1, 1866. The same year the Rev. Chester D. Hartranft was chosen pastor, continuing until 1878. The long pastorate of the Rev. Mancius H. Hutton commenced October 17, 1879, continuing over thirty years until his death, December 19, 1909. The next pastor was Rev. John A. Ingham, who was installed March 2, 1910, serving till December 1, 1920. The chapel adjoining the church was erected in 1895, as a semi-centennial memorial. The present membership is 312, the church properties being valued at \$200,000.

The Suydam Street Reformed Church—The Suydam Street Reformed Church was organized October 30, 1884, with fourteen members. The Rev. William H. Campbell, D. D., who had just resigned the presidency of Rutgers College, was its first pastor. He was installed January 11, 1885. The cornerstone of the church was laid July 6th the same year. In October, 1889, Dr. Campbell resigned, and his son, the Rev. Alan D. Campbell, was invited to supply the pulpit for three months and then was called to the pastorate of the church. He served it faithfully until his death, April 1, 1913. In 1892 the parsonage was built on Livingston avenue. The present pastor, Rev. George H. Payson, supplied the pulpit for two years, at the same time occupying the Chair of Ethics and Evidences of Christianity in Rutgers College. In 1915 he resigned his professorship and accepted a call to the church and was installed in October.

Other Churches—For the benefit of the German population of the city, the Third Reformed Church was established in 1851. The Rev. Francis M. Serenbets was chosen pastor, continuing until 1854. The following year the Rev. Franz Schneevius was called, remaining until 1858, when he was succeeded by Rev. J. Hones. The Rev. Prof. Carl Meyer took charge in the early sixties of the last century, the congregation worshipping in a small frame building erected in 1857 on Guilden street. On the organization of the St. John's German Reformed Church in 1861, the members of the Third Reformed Church united with that church, making the total membership sixty. The congregation worshipped in a frame building on the corner of Albany and George streets. The first pastor was Rev. A. Hocking, who resigned in 1864, when Rev. I. N. Steiner had charge of the congregation for a year. The third pastor, Rev. Oscar Lohr stayed only a few months; his successor, the Rev. Charles Banks, was installed in 1868, remaining until 1904, when he was succeeded by the Rev. M. H. Qual.

The church property was sold on the corner of Albany and George streets and the congregation built a cement block structure capable of seating five hundred persons, on the corner of Livingston avenue and Suydam street. The name of the congregation was changed to the Livingston Avenue Reformed Church; services are given in both the German and English languages. The present pastor, the Rev. W. H. Bollman, succeeded in 1920 the Rev. Otto B. Moor.

The Suydam Street Reformed Church was organized October 30, 1884, by the Rev. William H. Campbell, who was its first pastor. He was succeeded in 1889 by his son, the Rev. Alan D. Campbell, who remained in charge for over a score of years. The membership of the church is about three hundred souls, and they are comfortably housed in a brick building on the southeast corner of Suydam and Drift streets. The present pastor is the Rev. George H. Payson.

The Magyar Evangelical Reformed Presbyterian Church, known as the Magyar Reformed Church, in 1908 purchased the Second Presbyterian Church, on Somerset, corner of Division streets. The congregation, composed mainly of Hungarian, numbers over five hundred members. It is an intensely earnest and active body under the leadership of the present pastor, the Rev. Paul F. B. Hamborszky, who has had charge for almost twenty years. It is a strong and prosperous society.

Methodist Churches—Methodism was established in America in 1766. Members of the denomination from Ireland settled in New York, among whom were Philip Embury and Barbara Heck, whose names are household words in Methodist circles. It was planted late in the eighteenth century in Trenton and Elizabethtown. The record of its beginnings in New Brunswick dates back to 1798, when Rev. Francis Asbury, the missionary bishop, visited the place. He states in his Journal that on June 15, 1800, he had a meeting in New Brunswick, and that many under his exhortation felt the Word. He again writes that he gave a discourse in the court house in May, 1810.

A charter was granted the church June 13, 1799, and the first minister installed was Rev. J. Totten. The progress of the denomination seems to have laid dormant for over a decade, when a meeting for the election of trustees was held May 27, 1811. It appears that on July 18, 1811, that Jacob Snyder, James Williams, David Oliver, Michael Pool, Joel Conger, Henry Goose and John Viliet took oath severally to faithfully administer the office of trustee of the Shiloh Methodist Episcopal Church of New Brunswick. A lot was purchased in 1811 on Liberty street by the Rev. James Smith, of the Philadelphia Conference, from the trustees of Queen's College, for \$528, and was by him deeded to the trustees April 26, 1817. A brick church was erected in 1811 on this lot. For the following nine years, most of the time the congregation was a part of a circuit. The Rev. Charles Pitman in 1820 became the first settled pastor; he found twenty members, which in two years was increased to sixty. The church building was completely destroyed by a tornado on June 19, 1835; its pastor the Rev. W. H. Bull was so severely injured that he died.

Rev. James Ayars was appointed pastor in 1836; during his ministry the church was rebuilt on the same lot, its construction being of wood. The congregation worshipped in this church until May, 1876. During the pastorate of the Rev. B. S. Sharp, 1869-71, the foundation of a new church was laid on the corner of Liberty and George streets. The church was 70x95 feet, and during the pastorate of the Rev. John S. Phelps, 1875-77, was occupied. Its dedication took place in May, 1876, Bishop Matthew Simpson officiating. For nearly twenty years the building was incomplete, but in June, 1896, when Rev. George C. Stanger



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was pastor, the steeple was raised to the height of 144 feet, the outside brick walls plastered with Portland cement, the interior remodeled, the pews equipped with cushions, and a pipe organ installed. It was during the pastorate of Rev. William P. Davis that the chapel building was commenced. The church in late years has been known as the First Methodist Episcopal Church; its present pastor is Rev. Joseph B. Kulp.

It was during a revival of religion in 1851 that the Rev. James D. Blain, pastor of the mother church, owing to the prosperous condition of Methodism in New Brunswick and the prospective growth of the city, advocated the establishment of another organization. A site was obtained on the corner of George and Oliver streets, and a frame building on brick foundation was erected, and was dedicated by Bishop Edmund S. Jaynes, August 11, 1852. The name of the Pitman Methodist Episcopal Church was given to the congregation in honor of the Rev. Charles Pitman, the first settled minister of the parent church. To constitute the membership of the new organization, it was decided at a meeting of the officers of the mother church, twelve in number, that one-half of their number should be chosen by the pastor, with their families, to constitute the new church. The six persons chosen were David Carel, Robert Miller, John Helm, William Ovens, George W. Price and Staten Jeffries, so that the actual membership of the new church was nearly fifty persons. In April, 1909, during the pastorate of Rev. Herbert J. Belting, a movement was begun looking towards the erection of a new and modern structure. This enterprise was carried to a successful completion, and the building was dedicated December 19, 1909. The present pastor is Rev. Leon Chamberlain.

In the spring of 1856 the Rev. R. A. Chalker was transferred from the New York Conference to the New Jersey Conference, and appointed to the Shiloh Methodist Episcopal Church. There was in that year an extensive revival in the Liberty Street Church; about one hundred and seventy persons were received into the church on probation. The church building becoming too small for the congregation, Christopher Meyers made a proposition to establish a third Methodist congregation in the city. He offered to pay one-third of the cost up to \$20,000 to build another church, on the condition that it should be a pewed church where his family could sit together during devotional services. This proposition was too liberal to be ignored, and with the coöperation of several members of the church, a sufficient amount was realized and a lot on the corner of Bayard and Schuyler streets was purchased. A chapel was first erected, and in 1866, Rev. John McClinlock, afterwards president of Drew Theological Seminary at Madison, New Jersey, was secured as a supply; in this capacity he served the church for one year and six months. Meanwhile, the main building was completed, and dedicated by Bishop Matthew Simpson, November 11, 1866. It was during the pastorate of

Rev. Frederick C. Uhl that the beautiful church on December 13, 1908, was gutted by fire, only the walls and steeple remained standing.

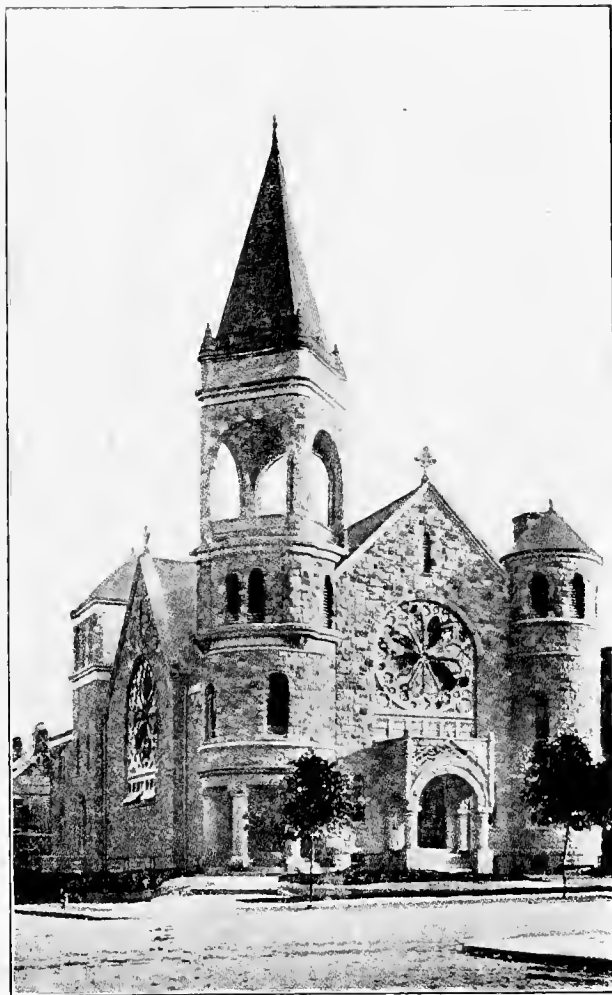
A great social change had been going on in the neighborhood of the church, the Magyars coming into the locality in decided numbers, and it was decided to sell the burned building to them and purchase the edifice they had been using at the junction of Easton avenue and Hamilton street. This was done, the Magyar Hungarian Presbyterian people receiving for their structure and valuable lot the sum of \$13,000, with the old church and parsonage on Schuyler street. The building was remodeled to suit the work of a Methodist Episcopal church; a new parsonage was built facing Easton avenue. Among the early pastors were Revs. John E. Cookman, Frank B. Rose, R. M. Stratton, Robert Laird Collier and Otis H. Tiffany. The present pastor is Rev. Percy R. Comer.

The Mount Zion Methodist Episcopal Church is one of the oldest organizations among the colored people of the city. The congregation commenced to hold religious services in 1827 at different places, finally a church was built on Division street. The congregation is small, but regular services are held. The present pastor is Rev. Samuel L. Sturges.

The Union African Methodist Church was organized with a small membership in 1879. The Rev. E. H. Chippey took charge in 1880, hoping to increase the membership, but his efforts were not attended with much success, and the congregation not being self-supporting, the enterprise was abandoned.

Baptist Churches—Prior to 1816, the Baptists residing in New Brunswick were for the most part members of the Baptist church in Piscataway township, and occasional services were conducted for these people in New Brunswick by the pastor of the Piscataway church. In the year 1813 a commodious church building was erected on Somerset street, near George, on a lot donated for the purpose by Mrs. Gertrude Parker. On September 21, 1816, the First Baptist Church was formally organized with the following named charter members: Asa Runyon, Henry Wright, Richard Lupardus, Sarah Merrill, Joseph Runyon, Hephzibah Walker, Phoebe Runyon, Abigall Coon, Elizabeth Runyon, Squire Martin, Charlotte Lupardus, Sarah Post, Sarah Runyon, Sarah Probasco, Walter M. Henry, Ruth Brenner, Abram Potts, Susannah Martin, Richard E. Runyon, Sarah Ayres, Sarah L. Dunham, Charles E. Hollingshed, Sarah Kent, Esther Potts.

In 1838 the church edifice in use at present, corner of George and Bayard streets, was erected, and the building and grounds formerly occupied was two years later sold to the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company. The church throughout its history of more than one hundred years has been prosperous, aggressive, and profoundly



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missionary in spirit. It has sent out three colonies which have become thriving churches, viz.: The Livingstone Avenue Baptist Church of New Brunswick, the George's Road Baptist Church, and the South River Baptist Church.

In the year 1887 the church secured a lot at the corner of Somerset and High streets, and having erected thereon a substantial structure began missionary work in that locality. This work was carried on with a good degree of success until the Hungarians preëmpted that neighborhood a few years ago, when it was changed from an English speaking mission to a Hungarian, with a Hungarian mission worker in charge. An independent Baptist church composed of the people of that nationality is about to be organized. In 1895 the church, encouraged by its work in High street, erected another chapel at the corner of Raritan and Second avenues, Highland Park, and there carries on Sunday school work on the Sabbath and holds a week night service. The following named pastors have served the church: James McLaughlin, John Johnson, Greenleaf S. Webb, George R. Bliss, Shobal S. Parker, George Kempton, Thomas R. Howlett, Mortimer S. Riddell, Henry F. Smith, Henry C. Applegarth, Mathew H. Pogson, Linn E. Wheeler, Edwin F. Garrett, Newton A. Merritt, Howard A. Bulson, and Linn E. Wheeler again, and for the second time its pastor. The terms of service of Webb, Smith and Wheeler aggregate fifty years. The present membership is 818.

A large number of the members of the First Baptist Church, desirous of having a new organization, organized a Bible school March 17, 1872. A church consisting of ninety-three constituent members, eighty-two of whom were dismissed by letter from the First Baptist Church, was organized April 9, 1872, and recognized by a council of Baptist churches May 9, 1872. Six of these original members are still connected with the church. Before the organization of the church, Deacon S. Van Wickle, of the First Church, donated a site, and members of the First Church contributed \$10,000 for a new building. A church edifice was built on Remsen avenue, corner of Redmond street, at a cost of \$37,000, and dedicated May 29, 1873. The first pastor was Rev. A. E. Waffle, who served from 1873 to 1880. His successor was Rev. W. H. H. Marsh, who after a pastorate of five years was succeeded by Rev. M. V. McDuffie, who continued in charge of the congregation until 1895. It was during his pastorate that the old church building (now the Masonic Temple) was sold, and a new edifice erected on Livingston avenue and Welton street at an expenditure of \$49,500, and the name of the church changed from Remsen Avenue to Livingston Avenue Baptist Church. The value of the church plant has been increased by the addition of a new organ, and the completion of the social rooms at a cost of about \$15,000. Dr. McDuffie was succeeded in May, 1875, by Rev. C. A.

Jenkins, who continued until 1900. In April, 1901, Rev. Albert Bacon Sears became pastor; the membership of the church at this time was 568, and it was entirely free of debt, its pews were free, the amount of expenses being met by subscriptions in advance by the members. No fairs or festivals were ever held, and no contributions ever solicited save from its own members. The present pastor, Rev. Paul Hayne, succeeded Rev. Mr. Sears in 1910. The present membership is 625, and the auditorium has a seating capacity of 600, which can be increased 200 by the opening of the adjoining lecture room.

A number of colored people in 1876 belonging to the First Baptist Church met and organized the Ebenezer Colored Baptist Church. They worshipped in a brick building built for them by the First Baptist Church on Hale street, near Lee avenue. The church accommodated about one hundred. They were supplied with regular services, and Rev. Archie G. Young took charge of the congregation in 1880. The Rev. Mr. Young was succeeded by Rev. R. E. W. Roberts, whose successor was Rev. D. Y. Campbell, who was succeeded by the Rev. A. Parish. The next pastor was Rev. E. E. Jackson, who was called in 1915, and during his ministry, the membership was increased from sixty-five to two hundred and forty, the church building remodeled, a parsonage bought, and the congregation was free of debt. The Rev. Mr. Jackson resigned his charge July 14, 1920, to accept a call to the Mount Calvary Church at Norwich, Connecticut. The present pastor, Rev. J. W. Washington, formerly a resident of the State of Texas, took charge in December, 1920.

There is a Hungarian Baptist church in the city that occupies a small building on Somerset street near Scott street. It has for its pastor the Rev. John Fazekas.

Catholic Churches—The first Catholics who came to New Brunswick were a colony from the province of Ulster, Ireland. They came in two divisions, numbering about fifty souls in all, the first arriving about 1814, the second two years later. Among these emigrants were representatives of the McDede, McConlough, McGrady, McShane, Campbell, Hagerty, Gillen, Kelly, DeVinne, Murphy, Butler and Hasson families. These formed the original stock of the present Catholic population of the city. They met for years in different houses to recite the rosary, on account of the scarcity of priests; also, the difficulty of transit from New York made it impossible to obtain a priest to say Mass. The first priest of whom there is any recollection was Father McDonough, who visited New Brunswick on his way from New York to Philadelphia who remained over night, preaching at the house of one of their number. The Rev. Dr. Powers, from St. Peter's, New York, celebrated in 1825 the first Mass in the city, in a house occupied by Terence Rice, in the



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upper end of Albany street. The first baptism was administered to Sarah Butler in the same year.

Four years later, Father Schneller came in Dr. Powers' place every month. He suggested and urged the building of a church, but while his congregation were enthusiastic with the idea, no one would sell them ground for a Catholic church. A lot was finally obtained on Bayard street, and a plain brick structure was built in 1830, and called St. Patrick's Church, but later the name was changed to Sts. Peter and Paul. The entire population of the city at this time was six thousand, the Catholic portion being some three hundred souls. Father Schneller made monthly visits until 1833, when his place was filled by Father (afterward Bishop) O'Reilly, who was a passenger on the ill-fated steamer "President" when she was wrecked.

Father McArdle took up his residence in New Brunswick in 1833, and remained until 1839, when he was transferred to Paterson, New Jersey. It was during his pastorate that the tornado of 1835 took place, which tore away the rear-end of the church. For some time the congregation were without a resident priest, but Father Medina and after him Father Deniber came every two weeks. Next came Father McGuire, who became a resident of the city and remained until 1845, holding Mass every Sunday in the little brick church.

It was in 1845 that Bishop Hughes sent Father Rogers to administer to this struggling congregation; the year before his arrival the church building had been sold under a foreclosure, and had been bought in for \$600 by the members of the church. Father Rogers' first step was to lift this debt. In two years he tore away the boards that enclosed the back of the church and enlarged the edifice; next, he built a school-house and had about thirty scholars in attendance. Father Rogers, besides attending to the New Brunswick parish, visited Perth Amboy, South Amboy, Woodbridge, Somerville, Millstone, Plainfield and Princeton. He enlarged the church already built at Perth Amboy, also in 1854 the Bayard Street church, which about this time became known by its present title. He built a gallery in the church and installed an organ.

The building of the railroad bridge, the erection of a sawmill, the starting of the rubber industry, brought an increase of population to the city, principally Irish Catholics, and it became necessary to build a larger church. The site on Somerset near George street, where St. Peter's now stands, was purchased, and a church building completed which was a credit to the parish. Father Rogers was succeeded by Father McCosker, followed by Fathers Miles C. Duggan and Patrick Downes. In 1876 Father John A. O'Grady became resident priest; he remained only a short time, going to Boonton, New Jersey, but after a short stay there in 1881 returned to New Brunswick as acting pastor of St. Peter's Church.

John A. O'Grady was born in the hamlet of Montague, in the hills of Sussex county, New Jersey. Of throughbred Celtic origin, both paternally and maternally, he was reared and born a Jerseyman. From boyhood he seemed to have the vocation for the divine ministry, as he assisted the mission priests in serving Mass in the various churches of his native county. After attending the district schools, at the age of sixteen, feeling he had been called to the priesthood, he entered St. Charles' College, Ellicott City, Maryland, and finishing his course at this institution, he took up the study of theology and philosophy at Seton Hall College, South Orange, New Jersey. Upon his ordination May 30, 1874, he was appointed private secretary to Bishop M. A. Corrigan. He was subsequently curate at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Newark, coming thence to New Brunswick. On his assuming charge of St. Peter's parish, though it had grown largely in numbers under the care of his predecessors, he faced an immense debt of \$100,000. This he eventually wiped out; built the parochial school and Columbia Hall at the cost of \$90,000; made acquisitions to the cemetery property to the extent of \$20,000; provided a new \$5,000 church sacristy; made an addition to the handsome Gothic house of the Sisters of Charity at an expense of \$5,000, and also enlarged the rectory, expending \$5,000. As a crowning work of his career in this direction, he built and equipped the non-sectarian institution, St. Peter's General Hospital, at a cost of \$90,000, thus having under his immediate charge and keeping, property of the material value of a half million dollars. Father O'Grady was honored by the church with the title of Monsignor. His thoughts and interests were not limited to his own parish. When he came to New Brunswick, all the English speaking Catholics of the city and its immediate suburbs were his parishioners. One of his first movements was the organization of the parish of the Church of the Sacred Heart. He also assisted in organizing the parishes of St. Ladislaus, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, St. Paul's of Highland Park. He was the rural dean of the northern section of the Diocese of Trenton. His labors only ceased with his death, January 15, 1919. His successor is the present priest of the parish, the Rev. Dr. John W. Norris.

Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church was established in 1883 by members of St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church living in the southern section of the city. The Rev. P. J. Mulligan, the first priest in charge of the parish, built on the present site a basement, the corner-stone being laid October 14, 1883. Services were held in the basement until the church being completed, was dedicated May 26, 1886. The parochial school building was erected on Suydam street, and opened under the tuition of Sisters of Charity, July 26, 1886. Father Mulligan was succeeded in 1895 by Rev. James F. Devine, who remained in charge until his death in 1917, when Rev. Joseph A. Ryan became his successor.

The congregation now numbers 1,500 souls, and the real estate valuation of the church properties is \$150,000.

The German members of the congregation of St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church in 1865 organized St. John the Baptist German Roman Catholic Church. They built their present church on Neilson near Carman street, with a seating capacity of about four hundred persons. The first pastor was Rev. Father Midgeol. The Rev. Horace T. Martens took charge in 1874. The church was ministered to in 1908 by Rev. Joseph F. Keuper. The present pastor is Rev. Linneus E. Schwarze.

Owing to the large and increasing number of Hungarians of the Roman Catholic faith becoming residents of the city, the St. Ladislaus Hungarian Roman Catholic Church was established in 1904. The church is located on Somerset street, with a handsome rectory adjoining, and since the inception of the parish the Rev. Father John N. Szeneczey has been in charge.

The St. Mary of Mt. Virgin Roman Catholic Church was organized in 1905, and a church was built on Remsen avenue, corner of Delevan street, with a seating capacity of three hundred people, for the accommodation of the Italian Roman Catholics of the city. The Rev. Gerardo Christiano is in charge.

The St. Joseph's Greek Catholic Hungarian Church was organized in 1915. They worship in a church located on High street, under the ministry of the Rev. George Hirtz.

Lutheran—Some of the members of the St. John's German Reformed Church in 1878 withdrew, and formed the Evangelical Lutheran Emanuel Church, which was organized July 14, 1878. The congregation was temporarily in charge of Rev. Mr. Berkemeyer, who was succeeded on September 14, 1878, by Rev. John A. Dewald. A place of worship was built in 1879 at the corner of New and Kirkpatrick streets, having a seating capacity of five hundred persons. The society has had a steady growth, and is among the largest of the German speaking churches in the State. Rev. Mr. Dewald after over forty years' service is still in charge of the congregation.

The First Hungarian Evangelical Lutheran Church is situated on Plum street. The present pastor is the Rev. Alexander Sabol.

Jewish—The Jewish families residing in the city, feeling an interest in having a synagogue in New Brunswick, and to avoid the expense of traveling to New York on their Sabbaths, organized in 1861 a congregation that met in a hall on Peace street. They named the congregation "Anshe Emeth"—the "Man of Truth." The first reader was Rev. Isaac Schicklen. They eventually erected a synagogue on the north side

of Albany street between Peace and Neilson streets. There are two other Jewish temples in the city: "The Ahvas Achim," located on Richmond street between Dennis and Neilson streets, of which the Rev. Samuel Ratner is the present rabbi; the other "Paile Sedek" Synagogue on Neilson street.





