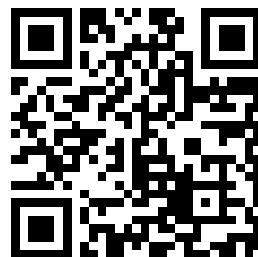

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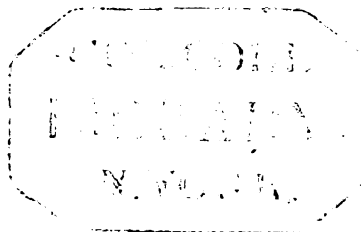
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In Dr. Berrian's Historical Sketch of Trinity Church (p. 197) is a brief memoir of the Rt. Rev. Bishop Samuel Provoost, taken from the Churchman ; from it we extract the following: "The family from which Bishop Provoost was descended, from the earliest period to which it can be traced (1550), was French. In some of the old books which came down to him, there is the Provoost coat of arms, with the motto, *Pro libertate*. It has sometimes been supposed that the Bishop adopted the motto at the time when he took a decided part in favor of the liberties of this country; but this is a mistake, as it was undoubtedly borne by the family in remote times.

"The first of the name of whom any trace can be found, was a William Provoost, who resided in Paris at the time of the massacre of St. Bartholomew [Aug. 24, 1572]. The family were Huguenots, and this William Provoost, with another member of the same, made their escape from the murderers employed on that occasion. He married a lady by the name of Tam Waart, with whom, in 1634, he came to New York, then New Amsterdam." *

The foregoing statement, so far as it relates to the antiquity of the coat of arms and the Huguenot origin of the family, is doubtless correct ; † but

* Since the publication of this sketch in the *New York Genealogical and Biographical Record*, we have received from Mr. Benjamin Provoost, a grandson of the Bishop, copies of the family papers now in his possession which modifies the above statement in several important particulars. From these papers we extract the following, which certainly has the merit of being more consistent in the account given of William Provoost, than that taken from the Churchman.

After the massacre of St. Bartholomew, William Provoost (originally Prevot) with another member of his family, fled from Paris to Amsterdam, in Holland. William married here a French lady, also a fugitive from Paris, by whom he had five sons. Johannes Provoost, the eldest son of William, married a Dutch lady, and had issue three sons. David Provoost, the youngest son of Johannes, came to New Amsterdam in 1624, but soon after returned to Holland, where he married a lady by the name of Van Waart, with whom, in 1634, he returned to New Netherland.

† Some of the early settlers at Quebec, bearing the name of *Prevost* and *Provost*, were from St. Aubin in Bretagne, Rouen in Normandy, and from Paris.—(Tanguay's *Dict. Généalogique des Familles Canadiennes*. Quebec: 1871.)

we have no evidence that the William Provoost, here spoken of, and his wife Tam Waart, ever came to New Amsterdam.

Two of the name, David and Johannes Provoost, were here at an early date; the first settled here, while the second was for many years a resident of Fort Orange (Albany). (See Note *a*.)

1. DAVID PROVOOST¹ came from Holland to New Amsterdam before April, 1639, perhaps with Gov. Kieft and his company in March, 1638. The first notice we find of him is on the 28th of April, 1639, at which date he brings suit against Harmen Dircksen, "for loss of service as an indented laborer; judgment is given the defendant for his wages, and for plaintiff for amount expended on defendant's account in Holland, and on board ship." In 1639 he was an original grantee of a parcel of land on the present west side of Pearl near Fulton Street, and where, for some time, he resided.² The same year he was engaged in trade, which was his principal occupation, when not in the service of the government. He was in the employ of the Dutch West-India Company here for many years, his first official position being that of Commissary of provisions and Tobacco Inspector, in January, 1640. In April, 1642, he was placed in charge of Fort Good Hope, at Hartford, Conn., where the Dutch maintained against the English, for a number of years, a separate and independent government. While here, in Sept., 1646, an Indian captive having become liable to public punishment, fled from her English master at Hartford, and was protected by Provoost in the Dutch Fort. A requisition having been made by her master and the magistrates, for her person, and denied—the Hartford authorities despatched the *Watch* of the town to recover her by force. This invasion, of what he deemed his just jurisdiction, was successfully resisted by Provoost, "*who drawes and breakes his rapier vpon their weapons,*" and then withdrew into the fort, where he "*defended himself with impunity.*" "*Had he bene slaine,*" writes the Connecticut Commissioners, in complaining of the occurrence to Gov. Kieft, "*in this proude affront, his bloud had bene vpon his owne head.*" Kieft, however, warmly approved the spirited conduct of his agent, telling the Commissioners of the Connecticut and New Haven colonies, then met at the Red Mounte, or New Haven, "*that watches are appointed for the defence of townes against the violence of enemies, and not for the hinderinge of friends returne to their owne houses,*" and to prevent mischief, "*it were good to commit such a trust to skilfull men, and not to ignorant boyes.*"

It is apparent that he was both an able and resolute defender of the rights of his superiors, for, upon another occasion while here, with four of his men, he forcibly seized some of the Dutch horses, which had been impounded "for damage done in the English corne," assaulting and striking the Connecticut man, "who legally sought justice, and, in a hostile way, took away his teame and laden."³

In June, 1647, he was succeeded by Gysbert Opdyck—former commissary at Fort Good Hope in 1638,—and returned to New Amsterdam, his name appearing in the list of school-masters, in November of that year.⁴ In May, 1648, the General Court at Hartford having been informed that he and other Dutchmen had sold powder and shot to the Indians, they ordered, that if upon examination of witnesses [ex-parte] this should appear,

¹ *Cal. of Hist. MSS. Dutch*, 1630, 1664, p. 67.

² *Valentine's Hist. N. Y.*, p. 143.

³ *Coll. N. Y. Hist. Soc.*, vol. 1, p. 192-5, 6, 8.

⁴ *O'Callaghan's Register of N. Netherland*, p. 49, 130.

the penalties of the laws of the Commonwealth should be enforced against them, to which, in case of not subjecting themselves, "they shall be shipped for England and sent to the Parliament."¹ Whether guilty or not, Provoost, unawed by the court, and fearless of personal danger, continued to visit the Connecticut settlements.

He was the bearer of a letter, dated at Wight [Gardiner's Island, L. I.], April 14, 1649, from Lion Gardiner to John Winthrop, Jr., at *Nameag* [New London, Conn.]. Gardiner sent with his letter a *bushel of hay-seed* to Winthrop, and says: "*This bearers, beinge our frends, desired me to write to you that they might leave their canow with you in safety, whilst they goe to Mohegan, which I desier, and you shall command me as much in the like respect, etc.*" He was, doubtless, at this time on a trading expedition, as at *Mohegan* [subsequently in the town of Norwich, Conn.] Jonathan Brewster had then set up a trading house on his farm there, and on what is still called *Brewster's Neck*.² His name is at the head of the list, Feb. 2, 1652, of the last board of "*Nine Men*," "who were," says Dr. O'Callaghan, "the immediate precursors of the Burgomasters and Schepens, and of a municipal form of government in the city of New Amsterdam." They were the chosen representatives of the entire commonalty, and it was declared in their commissions that what "they did should be the act of the whole people;"³ they held their sessions in David Provoost's school-room. He was the second notary in the city, Sept. 16, 1652, and was succeeded, April 13, 1655, by Johannes de Decker. To these different vocations, he added that of attorney and counsellor, in which capacity we frequently find him attending to suits before the Burgomasters and Schepens. On the 23d May, 1653, Gov. Stuyvesant and Council appointed him, with Johannes De La Montagne and Govert Loockermans, commissioner, to attend the investigation of an alleged conspiracy of the Dutch and Indians against the English. The New England Commissioners—with whom it was intended they should act—were informed by Gov. Stuyvesant, that these gentlemen "*all joyntly in some measure vnderstand the Dutch, English, ana Indian speeches, encase any Duchman, Englishman, or natiue, might be found that would stand to the accusation,*" and who could be particularly examined by them, in reference thereto, according to the custom and laws of New Netherland.⁴ He was sergeant in one of the companies of the Burgher Corps of New Amsterdam in 1653, and April, 1654, was made the first separate schout or sheriff of Breuckelen, and removed to Long Island. In May, 1655, he is styled "Schout, or temporary Secretary" to the three Dutch towns, Breuckelen, Amersfoort [Flatlands], and Midwout [Flatbush], all of which were included in the Breuckelen District. This position he held until his death, and was succeeded by Peter Tonneman, Jan. 25, 1656.⁵ He died Jan., 1656, leaving widow Grietje or Margaret Gillis; her name is variously written in the *Records*, Jellis, Jelisen, Yilüs, and Yelsij. She was probably married in Holland, and came here with her husband; was the daughter of Gillis Jansen Verbrugge and Barbara Schut. In March, 1643, David Provoost gave to Gillis Jansen Verbrugge a power of attorney, to receive an inheritance accruing to his wife by the decease of

¹ *Colonial Rec. Conn.*, 1636, 1665, p. 163.

² *Coll. Mass. Hist. Soc.*, 4th series, vol. 7, p. 58, 71.

³ *Remonstrance of N. Netherland*, p. 42.

⁴ *Coll. N. Y. Hist. Soc.*, vol. 1, p. 252.

⁵ Brodhead's *Hist. N. Y.*, vol. 1, p. 580. *Reg. New Netherland*, p. 42; Stiles' *Hist. Brooklyn*, vol. 2, p. 110-111.

her uncle in France,¹ of which country she was probably a native. She was living July 29, 1701; at that date acknowledged the execution of a deed given Jonathan Provoost, her son, of a house and lot "on the east side of the great street, formerly called the Princes Graft" (Broad St.); these premises she purchased Aug. 12, 1662, from Douw Hermesen, "inhabitant of the village of Bergen."—*Issue*:

2. i. MARGARET,² bap. Feb. 24, 1641; a patent for 25 morgens (about 50 acres) land, located in Amersfoort, was issued to her June 1, 1657, and another, May 9, 1660, for 20 Morgens in Midwout; ³ m. Nov. 26, 1661, Pieter Janszen Scholt, from Hage.
—*Issue*:

1. ANNETIE SCHOLT, bap. July 16, 1662; m. July 18, 1680. Hendr. Jil-liszen de Mandeville from Gelderland.

2. GRIETIE SCHOLT, bap. Sept. 24, 1664.

3. JOHANNES SCHOLT, bap. Oct. 15, 1666.

4. DAVID SCHOLT, bap. Aug. 13, 1671.

3. ii. DAVID,² (11) b. in Conn.; bap. Sept. 31 [sic], 1645.
4. iii. BENJAMIN,² (23) twin; b. at Hartford; bap. June 17, 1646.
5. iv. ELIAS,² (32) twin; b. at Hartford; bap. June 17, 1646.
6. v. BARBARA,² bap. Aug. 15, 1647; d. young.
7. vi. SAMUEL,² bap. Nov. 22, 1648; prob. d. s. p.
8. vii. JONATHAN,² (39) bap. March 26, 1651.
9. viii. BARBARA,² bap. Nov. 30, 1653; m. July 29, 1673, Jan Auker-sze Nuys from Amsterdam; resided in Flatbush, L. I.; he m. 2d, April 4, 1680, Eva Janse, dau. of Jan and Gurtje Jacobse.⁴
10. ix. GILLIS,² [Giles] bap. March 26, 1656; m. June 9, 1680, Maria [Mary] Hibon from New Brecklen. Jan Hibon, prob. her father, with wife Geertruyd Barents, were early settlers in New Amsterdam; he was living in Brooklyn in March, 1663.⁴ A Gyles or Guyles Provoost, a cooper, was on trial with other coopers of New York, "for combination," in 1680.⁵ Gillis Provoost was engaged in trade as a merchant in New York, Nov. 19, 1700. Jan. 10, 1700, Margaret Jellise, widow and relict of David Provoost,¹ conveys to Julius Provoost (prob. Gillis²) a house and lot in the Princes Graft. Will of Julius Provoost dated Jan. 1, 1706; proven July 7, 1709; styles himself "of Brookland, Kings County, Island of Nassau, Mer-chant;" names wife Mary (no children), to whom he be-queaths his whole estate. Is it not probable that John Pro-voost, of New York, cooper, who m. June 25, 1718, Sarah, dau. of Josiah and Sarah (Wright) Latting, was a son of the above? (See *N. Y. G. and Biog. RECORD*, vol. 2, p. 13.)
11. DAVID,² (3) b. in Conn.; bap. Sept. 31, 1645, so says the record; m. July 29, 1668, Tryntje [Catharine] Laurens from Amsterdam. In 1674, he lived in *The Smith Street*, now William between Hanover Square and Wall Street; his estimated wealth then was \$3000. He was chosen Asses-

¹ *Our Home*, vol. 1, p. 472; *Cal. Hist. MSS. Dutch*, p. 16, 21, 41.

² O'Callaghan's *Hist. New Netherland*, vol. 2, p. 590, 591.

³ *Genealogy of Bergen Family*, p. 158.

⁴ *Stiles' Hist. Brooklyn*, vol. 1, p. 120.

⁵ *Valentine's Man.*, 1850, p. 425-6.

sor in the Dock Ward in Sept., 1694, an office he held until 1697-8. About the year 1703 his family and domestic household consisted of one male, two female adults, two female children, and one negress.¹ He was living, Aug. 28, 1720, at which date he was a witness at the baptism of Catharine Provoost.⁴ (74) In the inventory of his son David's estate, taken by said David's children, July, 1725, appears this item: "Dividend of Estate of Grandfather Provoost, £45. 19s., 5½d." A fac-simile of his signature is in Valentine's *Manual* for 1858, p. 642.—*Issue* :

12. i. DAVID, Jr.,² (47) bap. Jan. 23, 1670.
13. ii. ELSJE,³ [Alice] bap. March 22, 1671; m. July 2, 1693, Gerrit, son of Corn. Janszen and Anna Maria (Jans) Van Hoorn; bap. Dec. 17, 1671; was a prominent merchant and, for many years, a member of the New York Colonial Assembly. Will dated Dec. 28, 1730; proven Feb. 1, 1737.—*Issue* :
 1. CORNELIUS VAN HORNE, bap. April 1, 1694.
 2. DAVID VAN HORNE, bap. Oct. 20, 1695, d. s. p.
 3. ANNA MARIA VAN HORNE, bap. Dec. 4, 1696; m. Oct. 12, 1718, GERARD BEEKMAN; she was not living at date of her father's will; he married 2d Catharine,⁴ (55) dau. of William Provoost.⁵ (See p. 17.)
 4. CATHARINE VAN HORNE, bap. June 30, 1700; d. young.
 5. CATHARINE VAN HORNE, bap. April 26, 1702; m. Dec. 19, 1723, Dr. Archibald Fisher, vestryman of Trinity Church in 1746, and for more than thirty years engaged in the practice of medicine in New York and vicinity; will proven Nov. 2, 1759; names wife Catharine, and children Gerrit Van Horne, Cornelius, Archibald, and dau. Catharine Goddard.
 6. ELIZABETH VAN HORNE, bap. Dec. 5, 1703; m. Jan. 14, 1725, Domine Henry Boel of the Ref. Dutch Church of New York; he d. 1754.—*Issue* :
 1. HENRICUS BOEL, b. May 31, 1729; bap. June 4, 1729; d. May, 1730.
 2. ELIZABETH BOEL, b. Feb. 16, 1731; bap. March 5, 1731; d. Oct. 3, 1752; N. S.
 3. HENRICUS BOEL, b. Nov. 4, 1733; bap. Nov. 18, 1733.
 4. GERRIT BOEL, b. Feb. 14, 1735; bap. March 2, 1735; d. March 7, 1735.
 5. HESTER BOEL, b. June 15, 1737; bap. June 23; d. Oct. 19, 1737.
 6. TOBIAS BOEL, b. Sept. 18; bap. Oct. 8, 1738; d. Dec. 29, 1739.
 7. ANNA VAN HORNE, bap. Jan. 27, 1706; m.— Jno. DeWitt; she d. before Feb. 1, 1737.
 8. MARGARET VAN HORNE, bap. Jan. 18, 1708; d. young.
 9. MARGARET VAN HORNE, bap. Aug. 31, 1712.
14. iii. WILLIAM,² bap. Aug. 4, 1672; d. young.
15. iv. MARGARET,³ bap. Oct. 29, 1673; m. July 9, 1696, Johannes Van Brugh, son of Johannes Pieterse Van Brugh and Catrina Roeloffse, dau. of the noted Anneke Janse, and widow of Lucas Rodenburgh.³ Will dated Nov. 14, 1705; proven April 27, 1727; styles himself Mariner of the City of New York; names wife Margaret, children Johanna Van Brugh (bap. May 16, 1697; m. Aug. 20, 1720, Gerardus Duyking, and d. Oct., 1789, "aged 92 years")' Johannes Van Brugh (bap. Aug. 6, 1699), and Catharine Van Brugh (bap. Aug.

¹ *M.S.S. Minutes Com. Council N.Y.*, vol. 2, p. 167, 274; *Doc. Hist. N. Y.*, vol. 1, p. 405.

² *Pearson's First Settlers of Albany*, p. 142.

- 16, 1704); appoints his brothers, Peter Van Brugh and David Provoost, Jr., guardians of his children.
16. v. CATHRYNTIE,³ bap. Oct. 14, 1676.
17. vi. CATHARINA,³ bap. Dec. 19, 1677; m. 1st Jan. 19, 1700, Evert Vandewater; will dated Nov. 16, 1710; proven Aug. 31, 1714; styles himself merchant of New York; names wife Katharine, eldest dau. Katharine Vandewater (bap. Jan. 16, 1704; m. Sept. 15, 1722, Andrew Teller, merchant of New York), and dau. Annatie Vandewater (bap. June 16, 1706; m. Feb. 8, 1729, her cousin David, (54) son of William Provoost³); also names his sister Hendrica, wife of Anthony Rutgers (m. Dec. 30, 1698), and brothers-in-law William Provoost and Abraham Van Horne. She m. 2d Nov. 13, 1714, Abraham Boele.
18. vii. WILLIAM,³ (52) bap. Oct. 8, 1679.
19. viii. MARIA,³ [MARY] bap. April 26, 1682; m. Sept. 16, 1700, Abraham VanHorne. He was one of the leading wealthy merchants of New York, and lived in Wall street. In the same street was his Store-house, and Bolting, and Baking house. In June, 1722, Gov. Burnet recommended him to the Lords of Trade as one of the Councillors of New York, and in July, 1723, he was appointed to that office, holding it until his death in January, 1741.¹ Will dated Dec. 27, 1740; proven Jan. 8, 1741; names wife Mary, and following children:

- I. ANNA MARIA VAN HORNE, bap. Jan. 28, 1702; m.—, 1721, Gov. William Burnet, son of Gilbert Burnet, Bishop of Salisbury. He was b. at the Hague, March, 1688, and derived his first name from William, Prince of Orange, who stood sponsor for him in baptism; was Governor of the Colonies of New York and New Jersey from Sept. 17, 1720, to April 15, 1728. The last year of his life he was Governor of the Province of Massachusetts Bay, and died at Boston, Sept. 7, 1729, after a short illness. His death was attributed to his taking cold from the overturning of his carriage upon the causeway at Cambridge, the tide being high, and he falling into the water.² In his will, dated Dec. 6, 1727, he directs that his body "be buried at the Chapel of the Fort of New York, near to my dearest wife Mary and one of my children, in a vault prepared for them, in case I die in the Province of New York. But if I die elsewhere, in the nearest church or burying ground, or in the sea, if I should die there, well knowing that all places are alike to God's All-Seeing Eye;" names his late brother Gilbert; brother-in-law David Mitchel and sister Mary his wife; directs that his son Gilbert (by his first wife) be sent, within six months after his decease, over to England to the care and guardianship of his said brother and sister Mitchel; names also "children William, Mary,* and Thomas by late wife, Mary Van Horne." Appoints Abraham Van Horne and his wife Mary Executors of his will and Guardians of his three youngest children. Only two of these children were living, Dec. 27, 1740, the date of Abraham Van Horne's will; their names are not given. Mrs. Burnet d. late in the year 1727.

¹ *Doc. Rel. Col. Hist. N. Y.*, vol. 5, p. 649-697; vol. 6, p. 209.

² *Drake's Dict. Am. Biog.*, Whitehead's *Early Hist. Perth Amboy*, Hutchinson's *Hist. Mass. Bay*, vol. 2, p. 364.

* Mary Burnet m. William Browne of Beverley Mass. He m. 2d Mary, dau. of Philip French of New Brunswick, N. J. He d. April 27, 1763 (*N. E. Hist. Geneal. Reg.*, vol. 5, p. 49) Duer's *Life of Lord Stirling*, p. 3.

2. CATHARINE VAN HORNE, bap. July 30, 1704; m. Jan. 19, 1738, PETER COCK, merchant at Philadelphia.
 3. DAVID VAN HORNE, bap. July 20, 1715; m. Sep. 25, 1744, ANNA FRENCH.
 4. MARGARET VAN HORNE, bap. March 6, 1717; m. Oct. 4, 1744, William Van der Spiegel.
 5. SAMUEL VAN HORNE, bap. April 6, 1720.
 6. ANNA VAN HORNE, bap. March 6, 1726.
20. ix. ANNETIE,² bap. Feb. 11, 1685; m. Jan. 12, 1707, Henricus, son of Laurens and Sara (Webbers) Van der Spiegel; bap. March 2, 1681.—*Issue*:
1. DAVID VAN DER SPIEGEL, bap. Jan. 11, 1708.
 2. LOUWERENS VAN DER SPIEGEL, bap. July 9, 1710; d. young.
 3. LOUWERENS VAN DER SPIEGEL, bap. April 27, 1712.
 4. JOHANNES VAN DER SPIEGEL, bap. Sep. 12, 1714.
 5. SARA VAN DER SPIEGEL, bap. April 15, 1716.
 6. WILHELMUS VAN DER SPIEGEL, bap. Oct. 15, 1718.
 7. SAMUEL VAN DER SPIEGEL, bap. March 27, 1723; and
 8. HENDRIKUS VAN DER SPIEGEL, bap. June 14, 1727.
21. x. SAMUEL,² (60) bap. Jan. 9, 1687.
22. xi. JANNEKEN² [JANE], bap. Oct. 28, 1668; m. June 25, 1715, William Dugdale. He was sheriff of the city and county of New York from Feb. 1723, to 1728, and a vestryman of Trinity Church from 1721 to 1725.
23. BENJAMIN,² (4) b. at Hartford, Conn; bap. June 17, 1646; m. 1st, June 11, 1670, Sarah Barents of Haerlem (Holland); m. 2d, Nov. 5, 1671, Elsje Alberts of New York. From about 1674 to 1690-1, he was a resident of Ulster Co., N. Y., where some of his children were probably born. He was one of the persons named in a Treaty of Peace renewed with the Indians at Kingston, Feb. 11, 1678-9, and his name appears in the list of inhabitants of Ulster County, that took the oath of allegiance, Sept. 1, 1689.¹ On the 8th May, 1725, Jacob Codeber [Codebeck], Anthony De Mill [De Milt] and David Provoost petitioned for Letters of Administration on his estate.² About the year 1703 his family in New York consisted of one male adult, five male and six female children.³—
- Issue by Sarah Barents* :
24. i. DAVID, bap. March 6, 1671; d. young.
- Issue by Elsje Alberts.*
25. ii. DAVID,² bap. Oct. 6, 1672.
26. iii. MAGDALENA,² bap. Sept. 16, 1673; m. Gerrit Wouterszen.—
- Issue* :
1. BENJAMIN WOUTERSZEN, bap. Jan. 8, 1693; d. young.
 2. ELSJE WOUTERSZEN, bap. May 13, 1694; d. young.
 3. BENJAMIN WOUTERSZEN, bap. Oct. 11, 1696; d. young.
 4. SARA WOUTERSZEN, bap. Jan. 5, 1698.
 5. BENJAMIN WOUTERSZEN, bap. Sept. 11, 1700.
 6. ELSJE WOUTERSZEN, bap. Feb. 23, 1704.
 7. HELENA WOUTERSZEN, bap. Dec. 19, 1705.

¹ *Coll. Ulster Co. Hist. Soc.*, vol. 1, part 1, p. 64; *Doc. Hist. N. Y.*, vol. 1, p. 174.

² *Cal. Hist. MSS. in office of Sec. of State N. Y.*, part 2, p. 492.

³ *Doc. Hist. N. Y.*, vol. 1, p. 400.

27. iv. AGNIETJE³ [Agnes], bap. Feb. 27, 1691; (her parents are named at the baptism, Benjamin Provoost and Elsje Grim).¹
28. v. CORNELIA,³ bap. June 20, 1692; (her parents are named Benjamin Provoost and Elsje Alberts).
29. vi. ELSJE,³ bap. April 8, 1694; (her parents are named Benjamin and Elsje Provoost); m. Sep. 24, 1718, William Kear [Carr] from England; had issue, Elizabeth Carr, bap. July 12, 1719.
30. vii. CORNELIA,³ bap. Sept. 6, 1696; (parents named Benjamin Provoost and Elsje Alberts).
31. viii. DAVID,³ bap. May 14, 1699; (parents named Benjamin and Elsje Provoost).—To this family should probably be added, 1st. MARGARETA PROVOOST *van Kingstounne de Euste (the groom) Woonende in Esopus, en twede alhier, who m. Oct. 21, 1695, in N. Y., Jacob Codebeck from Normandy, and had issue:*
1. WILLEM CODEBECK, bap. June 21, 1704.
 2. JACOB CODEBECK, bap. July 7, 1706.
- 2d. MARIA PROVOOST of Esopus, who m. April 26, 1706, Anthony De Milt [De Mill] of New York; they had issue:
1. ELSJE DE MILL, bap. Jan. 5, 1707; d. young.
 2. ISAAC DE MILL, bap. Dec. 25, 1707.
 3. BENJAMIN DE MILL, bap. Feb. 5, 1710.
 4. ANTHONY DE MILL, bap. Sept. 30, 1711; d. young.
 5. SARA DE MILL, bap. Jan. 3, 1714.
 6. ELSJE DE MILL, bap. April 1, 1716.
 7. ELIZABETH DE MILL, bap. May 12, 1717.
 8. MARYTJE DE MILL, bap. July 29, 1719.
 9. ANTHONY DE MILL, bap. Oct. 11, 1721.
 10. JOHANNES DE MILL, bap. March 18, 1724.
- 3d. BARBARA PROVOOST of Esopus, who m. Sept. 22, 1705, Adrian Govertsz from Copenhagen, and had issue: Adrian Govertsz, bap. July 3, 1706.
32. ELIAS,³ (5) b. at Hartford; bap. June 17, 1646; m. Nov. 3, 1672, Cornelia, dau. of Garret Janse Roos, carpenter of New York; she was a widow in 1686; she m. 2d, Nov. 27, 1692, Jacob De Maree from "Rochel;" the name is here given as found in her father's will; in the marriage record it is written *Jacques Merie*.—*Issue:*
33. i. DAVID,³ bap. July 23, 1673.
 34. ii. JAN³ [JOHN], bap. July 7, 1675.
 35. iii. JOHANNES³ [JOHN], (64) bap. Sept. 27, 1676.
 36. iv. GERRIT³ [GERARD], bap. Feb. 12, 1679; m. Altie Roos; m. 1. dated Sept. 21, 1704; ² will dated May 9, 1722; proven Aug. 12, 1726; styles himself shopkeeper of N. Y.; names wife Altie, only son Tegidius [Ægidius]; dau. Margaret (bap. Feb. 4, 1705) and Elizabeth (bap. Oct. 1, 1710), who m. Jan. 14, 1737, Cornelius Vonck, and had issue Hendrick Vonck, bap. April 27, 1737.
 37. v. AELTIE,³ bap. May 22, 1681; m. May 5, 1711, Albertus, son of Laurens and Hilletie (Gerrits) Holst; bap. April 17, 1679.—*Issue:*

¹ Otto Grim, young man from the city of Bremen, m. Sept. 28, 1664, Elsje Jans, widow of Elbert Jans. In October, 1661, he was "Captain-at-Arms" in New Amsterdam. (*Dutch Ch. Rec. Doc. Rel. to Col. Hist. N. Y.*, vol. 2, p. 461.)

² *N. Y. Gen. and Biog. Record*, vol. 2, p. 27.

1. HILLEJETE Holst, bap. April 13, 1712; d. young.
 2. HILLEJETE HOLST, bap. Feb. 22, 1713.
 3. CORNELIA HOLST, bap. May 8, 1715.
 4. MARTYJE HOLST, bap. May 10, 1719.
38. vi. EMMERENS^s (EMMERENTIA), bap. March 7, 1683; m. 1st, Dec. 7, 1711, Isaac Verplanck, and prob. had son Isaac; m. 2d, July 17, 1725, Gerrit Roos; had issue Pieter Roos, bap. May 8, 1726.
39. JONATHAN,^s (8) bap. March 26, 1651; m. Dec. 26, 1679, Catharine Van der Veen, widow of Frans Van der Meulen; and dau. of Pieter Cornelisen Van der Veen and Elsje Tymens; she bap. June 29, 1659; her mother became a widow, and April 11, 1663, m. Capt. Jacob Leisler. Will dated March 3, 170 $\frac{1}{2}$; names wife Catharine, and children Margaret, Catharine, David, Maria, and Lysbeth; also Jan Van der Meulen, son of wife Catharine by her former husband.* Will proven Dec. 30, 1702.—*Issue*:
40. i. LYSBETH,^s bap. Sept. 29, 1680; d. young.
 41. ii. DAVID,^s bap. June 20, 1682; d. young.
 42. iii. MARGARET,^s bap. Aug. 1, 1683; m. Jan. 23, 1704, Johannes Kerfbyl (frequently written Carbile, Carfbyle and Korfbyle), merchant of New York; probably son of Dr. Johannes and Catharina (Hug or Rugh) Kerfbyl (see Note *b*).—*Issue*:
1. CATHARINA KERFBYL, bap. March 4, 1705.
 2. ANNA VALENTINA KERFBYL, bap. Sept. 29, 1706.
 3. MARGRETA KERFBYL, bap. June 11, 1710; d. young.
 4. JOHANNES KERFBYL, bap. Oct. 15, 1712.
 5. SUSANNA KERFBYL, b. Feb. 9, 1715; d. young.
 6. SUSANNA KERFBYL, bap. June 17, 1716.
 7. JOANNES KERFBYL, bap. Dec. 28, 1718.
 8. JOHANNES KERFBYL, bap. June 23, 1721.
 9. MARIA KERFBYL, bap. Sept. 8, 1723.
 10. MARGRETA KERFBYL, bap. Sept. 27, 1726.
43. iv. CATHARINA,^s bap. Jan. 12, 1687; m. Jan. 10, 1706, Mathew Benson, *Mason* of New York; his will proven Dec. 9, 1755, at which time Catharine (bap. May 21, 1716) wife of Thomas Moore, of the city of New York, *Weaver*, and Caroline (Catlyntje, bap. Jan. 4, 1719) Benson of the same city, *spinster*, were "the surviving children."
44. v. DAVID,^s (70) bap. Sept. 24, 1689.
45. vi. MARIA,^s bap. April 17, 1692; m. Dec. 7, 1711, Frederick Sebring, merchant of N. Y., son of Cornelius and Aeltie (dau. of Frederick and Tryntie (Hendricks) Lubbertszen) Sebring, of "Brookland, Kings Co., N. Y."—*Issue*:
1. CATHARINA SEBRING, bap. Oct. 4, 1713.
 2. AALTJE SEBRING, bap. Oct. 5, 1715.
 3. MARIA SEBRING, bap. Dec. 29, 1717.
 4. CORNELIA SEBRING, bap. April 17, 1720.
 5. CORNELIUS SEBRING, bap. March 25, 1722.
 6. MARGRETA SEBRING, bap. Oct. 25, 1724.
 7. ELIZABETH SEBRING, bap. March 29, 1729; d. young.
 8. FREDERICK SEBRING, bap. Feb. 14, 1730.
 9. ELIZABETH SEBRING, bap. March 18, 1733.

* This Jan Van der Meulen m. Catharine—— and had issue, Richard, Francis and Catharine Van der Meulen. He d. before March 22, 1726, at which date his widow was the wife of John Kelly, of New York.—*N. Y. Conveyances, Liber 31, p. 96.*

46. vii. LYSBETH,³ bap. Dec. 23, 1694; m. Jan. 15, 1719, Johannes Beekman, of New York, *Turner*, son of Johannes and Aeltje (Thomas) Beekman, "*Mariner*;" bap. July 21, 1695.—*Issue*:

1. CATHARINE BEEKMAN, bap. Oct. 18, 1719; d. young.
2. JOHANNES BEEKMAN, bap. Nov. 16, 1720.
3. and 4. CATHARINA and AELTJE, 2 *linger*, bap. Sept. 29, 1723.
5. WILHEMUS BEEKMAN, bap. Dec. 18, 1726.

46^a. viii. ANGENIETJE,³ bap. Feb. 10, 1697.

47. DAVID, JR.³ (12) bap. Jan. 23, 1670. He was engaged in trade as a merchant and was prominent for many years in the public service of the city and province of New York. On the 29th of Sept., 1697, he was returned Alderman of the Dock Ward, and on the 29th Sept., 1698, was elected by the Board of Aldermen, Chamberlain and Treasurer of the city. He took the oath of office as Mayor of New York, Oct. 14, 1699; while Mayor he acted as Deputy Recorder from Sept. 18 to Sept. 29, 1700, and was succeeded in the Mayoralty by Capt. Isaac De Reimer. He was Alderman again from 1700-1 to 1708 inclusive.¹ In 1700 he was Captain of the 2d Company of Foot, in the Regiment of which Abraham De Peyster was Colonel. He was a member of the General Assembly—to which he was elected in place of [Dr.] John Kerfbyl deceased—from May, 1699, to May 3, 1702, and from July 2, 1711 (when he is styled Major), to Dec. 12, 1712. He next appears June 5, 1716, in the Assembly (then as "Lieut. Col. David Provoost"), and remained a member of that body until his death; he is first noticed as "Colonel" Dec. 1, 1718.² He was a member of the Council, 1709-10, Lord Lovelace, Lieut. Gov. Ingoldesby, and Gov. Hunter, then being at the head of the government.

In July, 1710, "having unwarily confessed judgement for four thousand pounds," though the real debt was not above four hundred, at the suit of Abraham De Peyster, one of the Trustees of his step-children, he was detained a close prisoner, for nearly two years, in custody of the Sheriff. On the 2d of July 1711, he addressed a letter to the Speaker of the Assembly, reciting the fact of his election as one of the Representatives for the city and county of New York, and praying the privileges of the House for his enlargement—which was read on the second day following; at the same time, a petition was presented to the House from Cornelia, John and Mary Spratt, children of John Spratt deceased, setting forth that David Provoost, Esq., their father-in-law, was detained in custody on their behalf, "he having not paid their portions," and praying the House would consider their case, "they being orphans." This matter is referred to by Gov. Hunter in a message to the Assembly, Nov. 2, 1711, as a dispute between Provoost and the De Peysters, and in his letter to the Lords of Trade, May 7, 1711, as a case requiring the intervention of a Court of Chancery, "there being no relief at common law." The difficulty, however, was adjusted before April 30, 1712, on which day the Assembly ordered "*That Col. Cortlandt and Lieut. John Schuyler do wait on his Excellency, with Major Provoost, and desire he may take the Oaths and sign the Test appointed by Law; which was done accordingly.*"

Col. Provoost was selected, July 22, 1724, to examine and compare with Dr. Colden (who had been appointed by the Council) the Acts of the

¹ *MSS. Minutes Com. Council, and Valentine's Manual, 1864.*

² *Journal, etc., Genl. Assembly, N. Y., Ed. 1764, vol. 1, 92, 289, 381, 512-13; Jour. Leg. Council, N. Y., vol. 1, 142 N. Y. Conveyances, Liber 28, 454.*

Province passed since the arrival of Gov. Burnet, which was among the last important duties imposed upon him by the General Assembly. He was Collector of the Duties of Tonnage and Negroes, from June 15, 1714, to Dec. 16, 1724, the last date being within a few days of his decease.¹ His will was proven Jan. 27, 1724.

He m. 1st, May 31, 1691, Helena Byvanck, of Albany; prob. dau. of Johannes and Beletje Evertse (Duyching) Byvanck; m. 2d, Jan. 29, 1699, Maria De Peyster (see Note c.), widow of John Spratt. She d. before July, 1711.—*Issue*:

48. i. BELITIE OR BELETJE⁴ (ISABELLA), bap. July 11, 1692; m. Sept. 1, 1726, Rev. Henry Coens, minister of the Ref. Dutch Church at Acquackanonck and Second River, now Belleville, N. J. from 1725 to 1730; he d. 1735. He came from Holland about 1725; but little is known of him, his ministry and death both antedating the published minutes of the churches where he labored.²

49. ii. CATHARINA⁴, bap. Feb. 14, 1694; m. Oct. 19, 1717, Abraham Van Wyck.—*Issue*:

1. THEODORUS VAN WYCK, bap. Dec. 3, 1718; m. Helena Santford.
2. HELENA VAN WYCK, bap. July 17, 1720.
3. MARGARETA VAN WYCK, bap. Aug. 1, 1722.
4. DAVID VAN WYCK, bap. Aug. 23, 1724.
5. ABRAHAM VAN WYCK, bap. Oct. 5, 1726.
6. CATHARINA VAN WYCK, bap. Aug. 14, 1728.
7. ELIZABETH VAN WYCK, bap. Nov. 29, 1732, m. May 31, 1758, Willem, son of David Provoost (54).
8. ANNA VAN WYCK, bap. Oct. 2, 1737.

50. iii. DAVID,⁴ (78) bap. Oct. 9, 1695.

51. iv. HELENA,⁴ bap. Jan. 30, 1698; m. Aug. 23, 1719, Cornelius, son of Abraham and Vrutje (Van Hoorn) Santford; (see Note d.) she d. before Oct. 2, 1723, the date of her father's will; *Issue*: Helena, bap. Dec. 3, 1721, "sole daughter and heiress of Cornelius Santford;" her fortune was largely augmented by the bequests made her, by her two grandfathers, David Provoost, Jr.,³ and Abraham Santford; she m. her cousin, Theodorus Van Wyck, above mentioned, merchant of New York, and had issue, in the *order* named in his will proven Aug. 18, 1784.

1. ABRAHAM VAN WYCK, bap. Sept. 21, 1748.
2. DAVID VAN WYCK, bap. Oct. 15, 1760.
3. HELENA VAN WYCK, bap. Feb. 15, 1741; m. March, 1771, Henry C., son of Cornelius and Cornelia (Van Duyn) Bogart, a prominent merchant in New York; he d. s. p. May 30, 1774, aged 41 years.
4. CATHARINE VAN WYCK, bap. Dec. 5, 1742; m. Rev. John Mason, from Scotland; came to New York in June, 1761, and became pastor of the Cedar Street Scotch Presbyterian Church; was distinguished for his learning, and regarded as one of the most accomplished preachers of his day. He was banished from the city during the Revolution, the greater part of which time he was Chaplain to the American Garrison at West Point; his first wife, Catharine Van Wyck, "was a woman of solid understanding and

¹ *Cal. of Hist. MSS. English, 1664-1776*, p. 394; *Doc. Rel. to Col. His. N. Y.*, vol. 5, p. 208; *Journal, etc., Genl. Assembly, N. Y.*, Ed. 1764, vol. 1.

² Messler's *Forty Years at Karitan*, p. 254; Taylor's *Classis of Bergen*, p. 177.

solid piety;" she d. June 31, 1784. He m. 2d, Sarah Van Alstyne, by whom he had no issue; she survived him many years. He d. April 19, 1792. *Issue*, nine children, of whom only three lived to maturity, as follows:

1. HELENA MASON, m. Mathew Duncan, merchant of Philadelphia.
2. JOHN MITCHEL MASON, b. March 19, 1770; m. May 13, 1793, Ann, only dau. of Abraham Lefferts, of N. Y.; succeeded his father as pastor of the Cedar Street Church; noted for his learning, unrivalled pulpit eloquence, and immense popularity.
3. MARGARETA MASON, m. Hon. John Browne, U. S. Senator from Kentucky, 1792 to 1805. (Van Vechten's *Memoir of John M. Mason*, D.D., S.T.P., Disosway's *Earliest Churches in N. Y.*)
5. MARGARET VAN WYCK, bap. Nov. 7, 1744.
6. ANNA MARIA VAN WYCK, bap. July 5, 1758.

52. WILLIAM¹ (18) bap. Oct. 8, 1679; m. Nov. 20, 1700, Aefje Van Exveen, bap. Dec. 19, 1683, dau. of Gerrit Cornelisz van Echtsveen and Wynthje Stoutenburg.* He was Assistant Alderman of the North Ward, 1708-9 and 1709-10. In July, 1720, was owner with others of the Privateer Hunter, which was *charged* with taking prizes unlawfully. On the 17th June, 1722, Gov. Burnet recommended him as "an eminent merchant of this city" to a seat in His Majesty's Council in New York, and July, 1723, he was appointed a member of that body, in which he served until August, 1732. About this time he removed to New Jersey, and soon after was appointed a member of the Council of that Province.¹ (His family was there as early as 1726, with the exception of his wife, who was prob. not living.) From this position, for non-attendance, he (on the 7th July), and Cornelius Van Horne, with other of their associates, in the summer of 1740, were suspended by Gov. Lewis Morris. "It was not," writes Gov. Morris to the Lords of Trade, "from any prejudice to me that they [Van Horne and Provoost] did not attend; nor was it to gratify any resentment of mine that they were suspended, they being both my good friends; and the brother of Van Horne being before yt married to my grand-daughter by whom he has several children."²

Will dated April 22, 1745; describes himself, "William Provoost of New Barbadoes, Bergen County, Esq.;" names only son David; daus. Catharine Beekman, widow; Anneke; and Mary, "wife of Rev. Mr. Rynhart Erkson." Appoints children and Abraham Lodge of the city of New York Executors. Witness, Hendrick Lubagh, Francis and Henry Hendrix. Proven August 26, 1746.—*Issue*:

53. i. WYNTJE,⁴ bap. April 27, 1701; d. s. p.
54. ii. DAVID⁴ (sometimes called David W.), bap. Nov. 8, 1702; m.

* Gerrit Cornelisz van Echtsveen *f.m. van Wilnis*, m. Nov. 3, 1680, Wynthje Stoutenburg, *f.d. van New York*, dau. of Pieter and Aefje (Van Tienhoven) Stoutenburg, bap. Oct. 15, 1662.—*Issue*:

1st. CORNELIS VAN EXVEEN, bap. Sept. 22, 1681; m. Catrina, sister of Hendrick Beekman; lived at Kingston, N. Y., but prob. d. in New York; will proved April 9, 1713, d. s. p.

2d. AEFJE, m. William Provoost (52). At the baptism of his son his name is recorded Gerrit Corn Van Westveen; at bap. of dau. Gerrit Corn Van Veen; he was evidently a man of considerable wealth, from the tenor of his will,—a member of the Dutch Church in New York, and lived in Wall Street; will dated April 4, 1690; styles himself Gerrit Cornelis Van Exveen, "inhabitant within this province and city;" names wife and children as above, and brothers-in-law, Tobias and Lucas Stoutenburg. His widow m. in N. Y. May 25, 1693, Evert Byvanck, from Albany, prob. son of Jan and Belitje Everts (Duycking) Byvang. The following may have been parents of above: married March 29, 1658, Cornelis Cornelisz, *van lexmend in t'landt van Vlaen, en Willemtje Gysberts, van Barneveld o d'p volwava*.

¹ Valentine's *Man.*, 1853, p. 338; *Cal. of Hist. MSS. English*, 1664-1776, p. 452-5; *Doc. Rel. to Col. Hist. N. Y.*, vol. 5, p. 649-97, 940; *Analy. Index, Col. Doc. N. Y.*, p. 169.

² *Coll. N. J. Hist. Soc.*, vol. 4, p. 218-19.

Feb. 8, 1729, Anneke, dau. of Evert and Catharine (Provoost) (17) Vandewater. By certificate from church in New York, they joined Feb. 19, 1733, the First Ref. Dutch Church at Hackensack, N. J.¹ He m. 2d, Oct. 14, 1741, Geertruyt Reinders [Rynders], widow of Nicolas Gouverneur, and dau. of Barent Reinders and Hester, dau. of Jacob and Elsje (Tymens) Leisler; bap. Aug. 16, 1702. She joined the church at Hackensack, Nov. 26, 1741; they were both living there May 17, 1763.—*Issue* :

1. WILHELMUS, bap. March 4, 1730.

2. WILLEM, bap. Nov. 10, 1731; m. May 31, 1758, Elisabet Van Wyck.

Prob. had other children born at Hackensack.

55. iii. CATHARINE,⁴ bap. Oct. 8, 1704; m. Gerard Beekman, "merchant of the city of New York," son of Dr. Gerard and Magdalen (Abeel) Beekman; b. at Flatbush, L. I., June 9, 1693. Will dated May 26, 1738; proven August 26, 1746; names wife Catharine, eldest son Gerard, and alludes to "other children," without naming them. Appoints son Gerard, brother William, and brother-in-law David Provoost, Executors. His first wife was Anna Maria, dau. of Garret and Elsje (Provoost) (13) Van Horne, by whom he had issue, named in Garret Van Horne's Will.

1. GERARDUS BEEKMAN, bap. July 29, 1719; m. Oct. 28, 1745, Anna Van Horne.

2. ELIZABETH BEEKMAN, bap. Dec. 14, 1720; m. Luke Van Rantz.

3. CORNELIUS BEEKMAN, bap. Dec. 12, 1722; m. Feb. 18, 1748, Catharine Van Horne.

By wife Catharine Provoost (55) had issue :

4. WILLIAM BEEKMAN, bap. April 3, 1728; m. in Liverpool, and died there.

5. DAVID BEEKMAN, bap. Jan. 17, 1732.

6. MAGDALENA BEEKMAN, bap. March 19, 1735; m. Abraham Lynsen, Jr., of New York; m. l. dated Feb. 25, 1757.

7. EESTJE, or Aefje [Eve] BEEKMAN, bap. Feb. 25, 1737; m. Samuel Verplanck, of Verplanck's Point.²

8. CATARINA BEEKMAN, bap. March 21, 1739.

9. JACOBUS BEEKMAN, bap. Jan. 21, 1741.

56. iv. MARIA,⁴ bap. July 21, 1706; m. May 22, 1726, Rev. Reinhart Erichzon, minister of the Ref. Dutch Church at Hackensack, Schraalenbergh, and Paramus, N. J., from 1725 to 1728, and fourth minister of Dutch Church of Schenectady, N. Y., from 1728 to 1736, and subsequently of Freehold and Middletown, N. J. He was born about 1700; came to America from Groningen, North Holland,³ about the year 1725, with his brother Gerard and sister Hillegonda* [Huldah], in ship *King George*, Capt. Samuel Payton. He m. 2d, at Freehold, Sarah, dau. of Cornelius and Sarah Catharine (Nevius) Luyster, widow of Roelof Bragaw, of Newtown, L. I. Dr. De Witt says he died in 1764, while Corwin gives the year 1771. Issue, all prob. by 1st wife :

¹ Romeyn's *His. Discourse, Hackensack*, 1869, *Appendix*, p. viii.

² Holgate's *Am. Genealogy; N. Y. M. Licenses*.

³ Pearson's *First Settlers of Schenectady*.

* Engelina Erichzon, who m. in Schenectady, Aug. 30, 1734, Peter Van Slyck, was prob. another sister who came later. Gerard and Hillegonda settled in Schenectady, and left numerous descendants. See PEARSON'S *First Settlers of Schenectady*. Albany, 1873.

1. ANNA ERICHZON, bap. at Schenectady, July 13, 1729; m. ———
Van Norden.
 2. WILLIAM ERICHZON, b. 1737.
 3. DAVID ERICHZON, b. 1740.¹
57. v. CORNELIA,⁴ bap. Oct. 20, 1711; she joined the church at Hackensack, June 17, 1729, and prob. d. s. p. before April 22, 1745, the date of her father's will.
58. vi. WYNTJE,⁴ bap. May 13, 1722; d. young.
59. vii. ANNEKE⁴ [Ann], bap. March 11, 1724; she joined church at Hackensack, N. J., Feb. 7, 1743.
60. SAMUEL² (21) bap. Jan. 9, 1687; m. Oct. 15, 1711, Maria, dau. of John Spratt and Maria De Peyster, widow of Paulus Schrick (c). Will dated July 21, 1719, with codicil July 31, 1719; proven Feb. 10, 1719 [O. S.]; styles himself of the city of New York Merchant; names wife Maria, sons John and David, to each of whom bequeaths £750—reciting in same clause that his Houses, Lands, and Tenements are already leased unto his wife, "her heirs and assigns," after his decease, "*according to the Conveyances thereof unto us made by my brother John Spratt*;" names also brothers David and William Provoost; sisters Elsie, wife of Gerrit Van Horne; Margaret, wife of Johannes Van Brugh; Catharine, wife of Abraham Boelen; Maria, wife of Abraham Van Horne; Anneke, wife of Henricus Van der Spiegel; and Jenneke, wife of William Dugdale. His widow was his successor in trade, which she conducted in her own name, and for many years after her second marriage with James Alexander, and in which she amassed a fortune. She was long remembered for her "liberality and intelligence—for her mental vigor, as well as her skill and activity in business." It is said of her that at one period she was "the only person in New York, except the Governor, who kept a coach."³ She d. April, 1760. (See Note c.) *Issue*:
61. i. MARIA,⁴ bap. Aug. 17, 1712; d. young.
 62. ii. JOHN,⁴ (84) bap. Jan. 10, 1714.
 63. iii. DAVID, bap. June 19, 1715; d. s. p. Letters of Administration on his estate were granted in New York, Dec. 15, 1741, to his brother John Provoost.
64. Johannes⁴ (35) bap. Sept. 27, 1676; m. March 25, 1701, Sarah dau. of Nathaniel Beely [Baily] from New Castle (m. Aug. 1, 1677) and Margaret Obee of New York; bap. Aug. 9, 1679. *Issue*:
65. i. ELIAS,⁴ bap. Jan. 14, 1702.
 66. ii. NATHANIEL,⁴ bap. Aug. 29, 1703. Will of Nathaniel Provoost (perhaps the same) of Newtown, L. I., is dated May 12, 1780; proven June 10, 1780; names eldest son John, sons Robert and Nathaniel (prob. m. Rebecca Hallet, m. l. dated July 20, 1763) and dau. Elizabeth. Appoints his uncle Nathaniel Moore, Cornelius Rapalje and Jacobus Ricker, Executors.
67. iii. CORNELIA,⁴ bap. Sept. 23, 1705; one of this name m. Peregrine Vanenburgh, m. l. dated July 23, 1736.
68. iv. JOHANNES,⁴ bap. Dec. 28, 1707. John Provoost (perhaps the same) m. May 23, 1736, Elizabeth Youngs, both of Oysterbay, L. I.

¹ Corwin's *Man. Ref. Dutch Church*; Riker's *Annals Newtown*, p. 360; Romeyn's *Hist. Dis. Hackensack*, p. 47-8, and *Appendix*, vi., vii.

² Duer's *Life of Lord Stirling*, p. 6 and 48.

69. v. MARGRETA,⁴ bap. Aug. 17, 1712.

70. DAVID,⁸ (44) bap. Sept. 24, 1689; m. Christina,¹ dau. of Capt. Peter Praa and Maria dau. of Jacob Hay and widow of Joost [Justus] Molenaer, of Newtown and Bushwick, L. I.; she bap. in Brooklyn, May 1, 1698, was widow of David Provoost, Sept. 15, 1760; m. 2d, Johannes Arundies; m. l. dated April 20, 1769. This notice of her death from N. Y. Paper, Dec. 15, 1795, was kindly furnished by Henry Onderdonk, Jr. "Died at Newtown Catharine [Christina], widow of Johannes Arunderous (formerly Provoost) after a short illness of two days, aged 102 [?] years." She was prob. buried in the old Provoost family burial place, corner of India and Oakland streets, East Brooklyn, used as such prior to the Revolutionary War, but which has recently been converted into a plot for building purposes. In Deed dated March 22, 1726, styles himself of the city of New York, Baker, "only surviving son" of Jonathan Provoost, late of the same place, Yeoman. *Issue*:

71. i. JONATHAN,⁴ bap. March, 27, 1715; d. young.

72. ii. PETER PRAA,⁴ bap. Dec. 23, 1716; admitted Freeman of New York 1739; subsequently removed to Bushwick, L. I., where he was engaged at the date of his will, in farming. M. 1st, Dec. 19, 1739 Gertruy, dau. of Burger and Maritje (Hibon) Sipkins, bap. March 25, 1713; m. 2d, Leah——; will dated July 15, 1776; proved Jan. 18, 1785; d. before Sept. 3, 1781. *Issue* by first wife:

1. DAVID,⁸ bap. Jan. 18, 1741; blacksmith and gunsmith in N. Y.; admitted Freeman there 1765; d. s. p. July, 1798.

2. BURGER⁸ [Citizen], bap. Aug. 22, 1742; blacksmith in N. Y.; m. April 1, 1764, Elizabeth Bates; d. before date of his father's will; *issue* Gertruy, bap. Jan. 24, 1768; m. Abraham Kessee (prob. Keese) Cordwainer of N. Y. Elizabeth who m. John English and Pieter Praa, bap. Nov. 30, 1771, d. young.

3. MARIA,⁸ bap. June 10, 1744; m. Joseph Kodman.

4. PIETER PRAA,⁸ bap. April 27, 1746.

5. CHRISTINA,⁸ bap. April 10, 1748; m. Sept. 6, 1761, Stephen Tippet of New York, Carpenter.

6. JONATHAN,⁸ bap. March 18, 1750; d. young.

7. JOHANNES,⁸ bap. Oct. 11, 1752; d. young.

8. GEERTRUY,⁸ bap. March 15, 1754.

73. iii. DAVID,⁴ bap. Sept. 7, 1718; m. Sept. 23, 1747, Catharina Van Gelder. *Issue*:

1. DAVID,⁸ bap. Aug. 12, 1750.

2. CATHALYNTJE,⁸ bap. April 29, 1753.

3. PAULUS VAN DER BEEK,⁸ bap. Oct. 5, 1755; d. young.

4. CHRISTINA,⁸ bap. Sept. 29, 1756.

5. ELIZABET,⁸ bap. Oct. 4, 1758.

6. PIETER PRAA,⁸ bap. Sept. 15, 1760.

7. PAULUS VAN DER BEEK,⁸ bap. July 31, 1763.

8. JOHANNES,⁸ bap. Feb. 2, 1765.—David and Peter Provoost (prob. of this family) from Morris Co., N. J., were soldiers in the American Army during the Rev. war. (Strycker's *Official Reg. of Officers and men of N. J. in Rev. war.*)

74. iv. CATHARINA,⁴ bap. Aug. 28, 1720; m. 1st, Aug. 28, 1737, Gerrit Brestede; m. 2d, Sept. 20, 1753, Samuel Rue. By 1st husband; *Issue*:

1. CHRISTINA BRESTEDE, bap. Sept. 24, 1740.

* Ricker's *Annals of Newtown*, p. 382; Stiles' *Hist. Brooklyn*, vol. 2, p. 323; *Brooklyn Man.*, 1860.

2. GERARDUS BRESTEDE, bap. Sept. 8th, 1742.

3. REBECCA BRESTEDE, bap. Nov. 2, 1743.

75. v. JONATHAN,* bap. Feb. 18, 1722; m. July 19, 1743, Adriana Spring (Springsteen); will dated Feb. 18, 1802; proved Jan. 11, 1805; of the county of Middlesex, N. J.; names eldest son Jonathan (bap. Dec. 17, 1743) deceased; sons David, Peter (bap. April 24, 1748), Jasper, and John; daus. Antie, wife of Barent Meserole; Christina widow of Vincent Cathaline (Catlin?); Aniantie, wife of Gerrit Snedicker; Catharine, wife of James Robinson (who had son Jonathan Robinson, bap. Feb. 6, 1774), and Mary, wife of Evert Collins. The five sons, all from Middlesex County, were in the American Army during the Rev. war.

76. vi. MARIA,* bap. April 26, 1724.

77. vii. JOHANNES,* bap. Nov. 14, 1725.

78. DAVID,* (50) bap. Oct. 9, 1695; m. Dec. 12, 1723, Johannah (sometimes Hannah) dau. of Barent Rynders [Reinders] and wife Hester, dau. of Jacob Leisler, bap. July 21, 1706, and d. Dec. 8, 1749. The following notice of her death appeared in the New York Gazette, etc., Dec. 11, 1749: "On Friday last departed this Life, Mrs. Johannah Provoost, wife of Mr. David Provoost of this city, merchant, aged 43 years; who is to be interred this day, in the vault of Mr. Nicholas Bayard, at his country place. She was a very loving Wife, tender mother, good mistress, and always charitable to the poor; a pleasant companion, and beloved by every one that knew her. She died a good Christian, worthy of example; has left four children, three sons and one daughter; and this day [?] been married 26 years."—He was for more than half a century an active successful merchant in New York. During the French war he owned with Henry Holland, William Kelly and John Leake the privateer Johnson (Gen'l.?) which captured a number of French vessels with valuable cargoes. In these enterprises, trading, loaning money, and by judicious investments in real estate, he became very wealthy and acquired the name of "*Ready Money Provoost*." In 1742 he purchased ninety acres of land on the east river, known before the revolution as the "Louvre," but in later years as the Jones' Wood Farm. Here he built an elegant country mansion, which was standing in 57th street as late, we believe, as 1857, and erected a substantial family vault, in which the remains of his wife were deposited, and where, upon his death, he was laid by her side; the site of this tomb was on the block between Avenue A and the East River, and 71st and 72d streets. For many years special reservation was made of this spot by his heirs, in conveying the property, but improvements in that part of the city finally swept it away in 1857. When demolished there was found the remains of three or four coffins; the lid of one measured over seven feet in length; the bones of a child, and of an adult female and one or two vertebræ, which must have belonged to a man much above the ordinary size, without doubt to David Provoost. A view of the tomb and mansion with an account of the former, to which we are indebted, will be found in Valentine's *Manual* for 1858.—He d. Oct. 19, 1781, none of his children surviving him.—*Issue*:

79. i. DAVID,* bap. Jan. 10, 1725; d. s. p.

80. ii. BARENT,* bap. Aug. 28, 1726; Gentleman; admitted Freeman of New York, 1756 d. s. p.

- 81 iii. HELENA,* bap. May 24, 1728; m. Jacob Brouenton (Brewerton?), d. s. p.
82. iv. JOHN,* bap. Aug. 28, 1734; resided in New Jersey; m. Mary Ekkeling [Eccleston?].—*Issue*:
1. JAMES,*
 2. JOHN,* a farmer in Monmouth Co., N. J., m. Catharine ———.
 3. DAVID.*
 4. JOHANNA,* m. John Bowne of Dover, Middlesex Co., N. J. Farmer.
83. v. William,* bap. Aug. 26, 1736; m. Elizabeth Torner (Townley?); settled in Rye, Westchester Co., N. Y. (See Baird's *Hist. of Rye*, p. 488); *Issue*:
1. JOHANNES,* bap. April 10, 1763.*
 2. JOHANNA,* bap. April, 5, 1764; m. Samuel Kelly, mariner, of the City of New York; m. l. dated June 25, 1778.
 3. and 4. HELENA* and ELIZABETH,* twins, bap. Dec. 20, 1766; Helena m. 1st, Peter Ysbrand Baumer, and 2d, David Deas, of New York.
 5. CATHARINE,* bap. Jan. 29, 1769; m. Samuel Armour, mariner, of New York.
 6. WILLIAM T.,* mariner of New York, settled on his father's estate in Rye; m. Mary, dau. of Robert Carson; she d. 1844.
84. JOHN,* (62) bap. Jan. 10, 1714; m. about 1741, Eve, dau. of Harmanus and Catharine (Meyer) Rutgers,* bap. Aug. 30, 1719, and d. about 1788. His will is dated Sept. 23, 1767, the day before his death, and witnessed by John Ogilvie (assistant minister of Trinity Church), William Livingston (then practising law in New York), and William Farquhar ("the worthy good Scotchman"), physician; d. Sept. 24, 1767. On Monday, Sept. 28, following, this notice appeared in the *New York Mercury*: "About 7 o'clock, last Thursday evening, departed this life, in the 55th year of his age, Mr. John Provoost of this city, merchant. The same day, and about the same hour, departed this life also, in her 48th year, Mrs. Mary Livingston, the worthy consort of Mr. Peter Van Brugh Livingston, and [half] sister to the above-mentioned Mr. John Provoost; both their deaths are universally lamented. Their remains were decently interred in the family vault in Trinity Church, Saturday evening last."—(*N. Y. Hist. Soc., Coll.* 1870, p. 198.) *Issue*:
85. i. SAMUEL,* (90) b. Feb. 26; bap. Feb. 28, 1742.
 86. ii. JOHN,* bap. Jan. 24, 1753; living July 29, 1789; no further account.
 87. iii. CATHARINE,* bap. May 8, 1755; d. before July 29, 1789, prob. s. p.
 88. iv. DAVID,* merchant, d. 1794, s. p.
 89. v. JAMES ALEXANDER,* merchant, m. Mary ———, living July 29, 1789; no further account.
 90. SAMUEL,* b. Feb. 26, bap. Feb. 28, 1742. He was one of seven of the first graduates of King's College (now Columbia), in the class of 1758; the college then occupied a frame building in Trinity Church-yard. In 1761, he went to England, and the same year entered St. Peter's College, Cambridge, where he graduated and was admitted to orders in the Episco-

* Harmanus Rutgers (son of Harmen Rutgers, and grandson of Ruth Jacobszen of Rensselaerswyck, and his wife, Tryntje Janszen, J. D. (young woman or maid) Van Breestede, m. in New Amsterdam, June 3, 1646), was from Albany, became a Freeman of New York City in 1696; m. Dec. 25, 1706, Catharina Meyer; was "a very eminent brewer, and a worthy, honest man." He d. "at an advanced age," Aug. 9, 1753. His wife died suddenly, Feb. 28, 1737.—Valentine's *Manuals*, 1865, p. 726, and 1868, p. 894.

pal Church in 1766. He m. at Cambridge, June 8, 1766, Maria, dau. of Thomas Bousfield, Esq.,* of Lake Lands, near Cork, Ireland. Returned to New York, and became assistant minister of Trinity Church in December, 1766, a connection which was dissolved in 1770. The reasons given for the severance of this connection were: First, that a portion of his hearers charged him with not being sufficiently evangelical in his preaching; and second, his views of the contest then just opening between the Colonies and Mother Country were not in accordance with those of the majority of his parish; the last probably was the correct reason for his withdrawal. In the latter part of 1770, or early the next year, he removed to a small farm he purchased at East Camp, now in Columbia Co., N. Y. While here he was proposed as a delegate to the Provincial Congress, which he declined, as also an invitation to become chaplain of the Convention which met at Kingston in 1777, and formed the first Constitution of the State of New York. He deemed it nowise derogatory to his clerical profession to bear arms (though not very successfully) against the enemies of his country, and after the British had burned Esopus, in October, 1777, he joined his neighbors in pursuit of the English soldiers. They found themselves, however, in a situation where concealment became necessary for the safety of their lives, or at least security from capture, and discretion prevailing, they escaped the peril. He was also offered while here, the rectorship of several parishes, among them, St. Michael's Church, at Charleston, and King's Chapel, Boston, where his politics were rather a recommendation; but these were uniformly declined "on the ground that he was unwilling to appear to avail himself of his politics for acting towards his brethren, who differed from him, in a manner that might be imputed to mercenary views, and an ungenerous desire of rising on their ruin." After the close of the war, a new vestry of Trinity Church was chosen, who, early in 1784, unanimously elected Mr. Provoost their Rector, which he accepted, and soon after removed to the city. On the 13th of June, 1786, he was elected Bishop of New York, and three weeks after had the degree of Doctor of Divinity conferred upon him by the University of Pennsylvania. In November following, he proceeded to England in company with Dr. William White, Bishop of Pennsylvania, where, on the 4th Feb., 1787, at Lambeth Palace, both were consecrated to the Episcopate, and returned to New York on the 8th April. He was appointed a Regent of the University of the State in Nov., 1784; elected Chaplain of Congress in Nov., 1785, and of the United States Senate in 1789; and was one of the Trustees of Columbia College, appointed by Act of the Legislature, April 13, 1787, reviving the original charter, etc., of that institution. His wife died after a lingering illness, in August, 1799, which, with other domestic bereavements, and impaired health, induced him, on the 8th of Sept., 1800, to resign the Rectorship of Trinity, and his Bishopric, Sept. 3, 1801. He was subject to apoplectic attacks, in one of which he died suddenly, Sept. 6, 1815.

In person, he was above medium height, somewhat inclined to corpulency, and had a fine imposing appearance. His face was round and full, with a strong intelligent cast, well fitted to command attention and respect; his manners were graceful, social, and self-possessed; a fine classical scholar and thoroughly versed in ecclesiastical history and church polity.

* This name is incorrectly given Benjamin Bousfield in Alden's *Epitaphs*, vol. 5, p. 272, and in *N. Y. Gen. and Biog. Record*, vol. 4, p. 180.

He was distinguished for his public spirit and patriotism, and the liberality with which he dispensed his means to the poor. His death was a marked event in the intellectual and social circles of New York.—(Berrian's *Hist. Sketch of Trinity Church*; Sprague's *Annals of the Am. Epis. Pulpit.*)—*Issue*:

91. i. SUSANNA ELIZABETH,* m. 1st, July 19, 1798, George, son of Rem. and Ellen (Hardenbrook) Rapalje; he was b. in New York Aug. 9, 1771; grad. Columbia College 1791, a lawyer, wealthy and somewhat noted for eccentricity of character; d. 1835, s. p.; m. 2d, Dr. Julian Xavier Charbet, the *Fire King*; he d. 1859.
92. ii. MARIA,* m. April 8, 1793, Cadwallader D. son of David and Ann (Willet) Colden; and d. May 10, 1837. (See *N. Y. Geneal. and Biog. Record*, vol. 4, p. 179.)
93. iii. BENJAMIN BOUSFIELD,* b. Dec. 22, 1776; m. Jan. 19, 1803, Nellie French of Middle Brook, N. J., and settled at Cherry Valley, N. Y., where he d. Sept. 16, 1841, leaving numerous children. She d. at Springfield, N. Y., Nov. 30, 1863. (e).
94. iv. JOHN,* d. suddenly July 9, 1800, s. p.

NOTES.

(a) I. JOHANNES PROVOOST was probably the eldest son * of David,¹ by first wife, and born in Holland; Assistant Commissary of Provisions, etc., at New Amsterdam in 1653; went to Fort Orange in 1656, was Notary Public there from that time to Nov., 1664, when he became Secretary of Albany until August, 1665, and again from Oct., 1673, to Aug., 1675, and Sheriff in 1678. In July, 1668, he conveys to his brother-in-law Harmen Veelder, who proposed to return to Holland, a sum of money due him from the West India Company in Holland, "earned here in the character of assistant in their honors' service." He m. Sara Staets [Staats], who was prob. his first wife, and dau. prob. of Maj. Abram Staets,† Surgeon 1642, and Trader at Rensselaerswyck, 1657, "had also a considerable bouwery, besides pursuing the practice of his profession," and was for many years a skipper on the North River. He m. again in New York, June 25, 1685, Sara Webbers, widow of Laurens Van der Spiegel; they made a joint will Sept. 3, 1685; Letters of Administration were granted on her estate, Dec. 23, 1685. He m. again, July 18, 1687, Anna Mauritz, widow of Domine Wilhelmus Van Nieuwenhuysen.

After leaving Albany he was engaged in trade as a merchant in New York. He was an active supporter of Leisler's government, a member of his council, and commissioned in March, 1690, with Johannes De Bruyn and Jacob Milborne, to take command of the forces raised in New York and adjacent counties, and proceed to Albany, to take control of affairs there, and possession of the fort.

He suffered imprisonment in jail, for his connection with Leisler, as well as loss of a portion of his estate; upon his release, in 1691, he went to the Hague with his brother-in-law, Jacob Mauritz, from which place with others, on the 15th of Oct., 1691, they addressed a memorial to their Majesties William and Mary, in behalf of the adherents of Leisler, then imprisoned in New York. He returned to New York before 1695, and dying intestate, "having while he lived and at the time of his death, Goods, Chatels and Credits in divers places within this Province,"—Letters of Administration on his estate were granted March 28, 1706, to Maurice and William Newenhusen [Van Nieuwenhuysen], his "principal creditors."¹—He was a member of the Dutch Church at Albany, and had son

* April 15, 1661, he writes from Fort Orange to Director Stuyvesant, concerning accounts between his father [perhaps father-in-law] and Philip Pietersen Schuyler.—*Cal. Hist. MSS. Dutch.* 1630, 1664, p. 295.

† Will of Major Abraham Staets [Staats] dated in Albany April 21, 1683; approved before Robert Livingston, Secy. of Albany, etc.; entered of record in New York, Oct. 24, 1694; names wife Tryntie Joachems, and children in following order:—Sarah Staets; Isaac Bruyn, son of his deceased dau. Catharine Staets, "in whose room he succeeds in ye inheritance;" Jacob, Joachim, Samuel, Elizabeth and Abraham Staets, Jr. Done at the house of the Secretary of the Province, Mr. Adrian Garretsen Van Papendorp and Pieter Meese Vrooman, witnesses.

¹ O'Callaghan's *Res. New Netherland*, p. 32; Pearson's *First Settlers of Albany, also Early Rec. of Albany*, p. 5, 448; *Doc. Rel. to Col. Hist. N. Y.*, vol. 3, p. 809, vol. 4, p. 212; *Doc. Hist. N. Y.*, vol. 2, p. 239; *N. Y. Wills and Conveyances*.

Isaac bap. there Sept. 23, 1683; prior to 1683 there is no record of the baptisms in this church; he prob. had by wife Sara Staats issue as follows:

2. i. DAVID PROVOOST; master of sloop *Elizabeth*, trading on Hudson River about the year 1701-2. (Valentine's *Manual*, 1860, p. 577.)
3. ii. ABRAHAM PROVOOST, from Albany; m. in N. Y., May 27, 1701, Janneken Meyer of New York, both living there. In August, 1704, was Captain of Sloop *Elizabeth*, and carried a detachment of militia from New York to Albany. (*Cal. N. Y. Hist. MSS. English*, p. 329-30.) Will dated Jan. 30, 1740, then of Claverack, N. Y.; proven Jan. 31, 1766, in Albany, and June 26, 1767, in New York; names no wife, only following children, except Elizabeth:
 1. ELIZABETH, bap. in N. Y., Oct. 24, 1703.
 2. JOHANNES, bap. in N. Y., March 21, 1705; will dated at Lonenburgh (now Athens, N. Y.), Nov. 15, 1751; proven Jan. 14, 1771, in N. Y. and Albany; names wife Catarina; brothers Hendrick, Samuel, Jacob and Isaac.
 3. HENDRICK, bap. in N. Y., Sept. 28, 1707.
 4. SAMUEL, bap. in N. Y., May 24, 1710.
 5. ABRAHAM, bap. in N. Y., May 10, 1714.
 6. JACOB, bap. in N. Y., Aug. 28, 1715.
 7. ISAAC, bap. in Albany, Oct. 10, 1718; all these brothers, except Hendrick, were living at Coxsackie, N. Y., in July, 1747.
4. iii. JACOBUS PROVOOST, from Albany, Physician and "Chirurgion" in New York; admitted Freeman there 1698; m., June 1, 1699, Maria Vanderpoel of Albany; d. 1732, prob. in New Jersey; had issue: Samuel, Sarah, Abraham (bap. in N. Y. Dec. 19, 1711) and Jacob (bap. in N. Y. Aug. 30, 1713), all of whom d. s. p. before their father's decease, except Sarah, who m. Jan. 30, 1724, Johannes, son of Cornelius and Margaret (Van Borsum) Low; he bap. in N. Y. Sept. 9, 1702. Will dated March 15, 1774; proven Sept. 27, 1774; styles himself John Low late of Newark, N. J., now of the county of Albany, N. Y.; names wife Sarah; grand-children Peter, John and Elizabeth, children of his deceased son Cornelius (bap. Nov. 29, 1724; m. Jan. 3, 1748, Margareta Low) and Margaret now his widow; John Farrend and Jacob Farrend, sons of Nicholas Low; daus. Mary Van Rensselaer (d. July 11, 1807, aged 82 years), Johanna Franklin, Margaret Hedden, and Elizabeth, wife of James Gray; also his sons-in-law Kilian Van Rensselaer (m. Mary Low; m. l. dated Sept. 18, 1769), Nicholas Low and Hendrick Andrise Franklin, Esqrs., who he appoints with his wife, Executors.
5. iv. AGNIETJE [AGNES] PROVOOST, from Albany, m. in N. Y. Nov. 12, 1696, Johannes Nerbery, from Amsterdam.—*Issue*:
 1. JOHANNES NERBERY, bap. March 30, 1699.
 2. SARA NERBERY, bap. May 1, 1700; m. Nov. 1, 1718, Jacob, son of Jacobus and Anna (Booms) Kierstede.
 3. JOHANNES NERBERY, bap. Oct. 25, 1702.
 4. PIETER NERBERY, bap. April 29, 1705.
 5. SAMUEL NERBERY, bap. April 13, 1707.
 6. ANNATJE NERBERY, bap. March 20, 1709.

A Johannes Provoost, Jr., appears in a list of people "yt went up to Albany" from New York in October, 1690. —(*Doc. Hist. of N. Y.*, vol. 2, p. 120.) August 25, 1696, a Johannes Provoost was lately deceased there, and the sheriff was ordered to sell his goods and "pay his debts so far as it will goe." In the Inventory made, "there was a gunn left in pawn for fourteen shillings in rume for the army, which ye sheriffe has redeemed and taken in his custody, two old coats, a pr breeches, an old broken axe, a leather strap, to be exposed to sale as above."—(*Munsell's Annals of Albany*, vol. 3., p. 15.) Was not this the son of the Secretary of Albany and the Johannes Provoost, who "was called *Schoonsoon* of Elizabeth Bancker, in her inventory made in 1693?"—See Pearson's *First Settlers of Albany*, p. 88.—One of the same name, in 1684, was master of sloop *Unity*, plying between New York and Albany.—(*Valentine's Manual*, 1866, p. 787.)

(b) DR. JOHANNES KERFBYL, "Physician and Chirurgion," came to New York with wife Catharine Rugh (and prob. son Johannes) from Holland, about 1685. On the 1st of Feb., 1688, they executed a joint will reciprocally making the survivor the only and absolute heir of all the estate of the other; they also confirmed the "Indenture of

contract of marriage," made by them in Amsterdam, Holland, October 28, 1664, before the Public Notary, Jan Hendricksen Van Louven, her cousin and guardian. In 1686 they were members of the Dutch Church in New York, and lived on the west side of Broad street. Dr. Kerfbyl graduated and received his degree at the University of Leyden, and is represented to have been a very learned, honest man. He was appointed member of the Council of New York, October 25, 1698; it does not appear, however, that he ever took part in the deliberations of that body. He was a member, for a brief period, of the General Assembly, that convened March 2, 1699; he died late in April or early in May the same year. His wife survived him, and with Simon Kerfbyl, "*in Amsterdam*," was witness at baptism, Sept. 29, 1706, of Anna Valentina, dau. of Johannes and Margaret (Provoost) Kerfbyl, which is the last account we find of her.

(c) MARIA DE PEYSTER, bap. Sept. 7, 1659, was the dau. of Jan and Cornelia (Lubberts) De Peyster,¹ both born in Haerlem (Holland), and m. in New Amsterdam, Dec. 17, 1651. (For account of De Peyster Family see Valentine's *Manual*, 1861, p. 556.) She m. 1st, May 11, 1686, Paulus Schrick,² born at Hartford, Conn., bap. Sept. 2, 1663, son of Paulus Schrick¹ and Maria Verlet (m. Nov. 29, 1658), widow of Johannes Van Beek. Paulus the elder, styled Honorable, also Free Trader, was a merchant at Hartford, originally from Nourenberg—a man of great wealth and extensively engaged in trade with the Dutch at Fort Orange and New Amsterdam. The son was a prominent merchant in New York.—*No issue*.

She m. 2d, August 26th, 1687, John Spratt,¹ a native of England, from Wigton. He was a Merchant and Alderman of the Dock Ward, 1688, and 1689-90; one of the Representatives from the City and County of New York, and Speaker of the Assembly, which convened under Leisler's authority in April, 1690. On the 11th Jan., 1690, he was commissioned, with others, to hold a Court of Oyer and Terminer and general jail delivery, at New York, and was again a member of the General Assembly from 1693 to 1695, inclusive.—*Issue* :

2. i. CORNELIA SPRATT,² bap. July 12, 1688; prob. d. s. p.
3. ii. JOHN SPRATT,² bap. Feb. 2, 1690; d. s. p. From 1722 to 1732-3, and perhaps for a longer period, he was Captain of a Military Company in New York. Will proven Dec. 18, 1749; styled of the City of N. Y., Gentleman; names nephew, John Provoost, and William Alexander; his brother and sister Alexander; John Spratt Lawrence; Charles Le Roux, Jr., and Isaac Gouverneur, "his god-son at Caracoa;" Lewis Morris, Jr., and Statts Morris, to all of whom he bequeaths a portion of his estate; makes a bequest to all the children of James Alexander, without naming them, and to the three youngest children of Richard Ashfield,³ * he gives all his right in the estate of his grandmother, Cornelia De Peyster; appoints John Provoost and Peter Van Brugh Livingston Executors.
4. iii. MARIA SPRATT,² bap. April 23, 1693; m. 1st, Oct. 15, 1711, Samuel Provoost³ (60); m. 2d, Jan. 1, 1721, † James Alexander, Esq., a native of Scotland, descended from John Alexander, an uncle of the first Earl of Stirling, § who came to New York in 1715; a distinguished lawyer, politician, statesman and man of science; for many years a member of the Council and Assembly of New York, and for some time member of the Council of New Jersey. He d. April 2, 1756. (*See Biog. in Doc. Rel. to Col. Hist. N. Y., vol. 5, p. 982.*) —*Issue* :

* Richard Ashfield,³ son of the Right Hon. Richard Ashfield,¹ a member of Cromwell's Parliament, and Colonel in the army of the Commonwealth (and nephew of Thomas Hart, † of Enfield, Middlesex (Eng.), merchant, one of the twenty-four East Jersey proprietors) came to America soon after the Duke of York had confirmed, in March, 1682-3, the sale of East Jersey to the proprietors. He m. in N. Y., Aug. 5, 1687, Maria, dau. of Warner and Anna Elizabeth (Masschop) Wesselszen, bap. Oct. 24, 1660. He d. about 1701. *Issue* : 1st, Anna Elizabeth Ashfield, bap. May 23, 1688; 2d, Anna Elizabeth Ashfield, bap. Dec. 25, 1691; 3d, Maria Ashfield, bap. May 27, 1694; 4th, Richard Ashfield,³ bap. Dec. 15, 1695; 5th, Patience Ashfield, bap. Sept. 4, 1698; 6th, Maria Ashfield, bap. Dec. 10, 1701. In Sept. 1725, Richard Ashfield³ was appointed Receiver General of the Board of Proprietors of East Jersey; was in business as a merchant in New York in August, 1732; appointed Sheriff of the City by Rip Van Dam, Sept. 29, 1736, for ensuing year, and in 1740 was recommended by Gov. Morris for appointment in the New Jersey Council. Thomas Hart, above-named, dying after 1700, his right in East Jersey descended to his sister and heir, Patience Ashfield, from whom it descended to her grandson and heir, Richard Ashfield.³ He m. Isabella dau. of Gov. Lewis and Isabella (Graham) Morris; will proved July 27, 1742; left surviving him wife Isabella; children, Lewis Morris Ashfield, Richard Morris Ashfield, Vincent Pearce Ashfield, and Mary and Isabella Ashfield.

† Whitehead's *East Jersey under Pro. Govt.*, p. 201.

‡ Whitehead's *Analy. Index Col. Doc. N. J.*, p. 188.

§ Slaters' *Memoir of Sir William Alexander, Pub. of Prince Soc.*, 1873, foot note, p. 114.

1. MARY ALEXANDER, b. 1721; m. Nov. 3, 1739, Peter Van Brugh, son of Philip and Catharine (Van Brugh) Livingston, bap. in Albany, Nov. 3, 1710, and d. 1793; she d. Sept. 24, 1767, and was buried in Family Vault in Trinity Church.
2. WILLIAM ALEXANDER, b. 1726; called Earl of Stirling; eminently distinguished for his bravery and patriotism; a Major General in the Army of the United States during the Revolution; m. March 1, 1748, Sarah, dau. of Philip Livingston, bap. in Albany, Nov. 7, 1725, and d. 1804; he d. in U. S. Service at Albany, Jan. 15, 1783.—*Issue*: 1st. Mary Alexander, bap. April 12, 1749; m. Robert, eldest son of John and Ann (De Lancey) Watts, b. Aug. 23, 1743; grad. Kings Col. 1760, and d. in Phila., Sept. 16, 1814; buried in Trinity Church-yard. 2d. Catharine Alexander, bap. March 18, 1753; m. July 27, 1779, Col. William Duer, b. in England, March 18, 1747; came to New York as early as 1768; filled various public offices in the colony and state; was an active patriot; delegate to the Continental Congress 1777-8; secretary of the Treasury Board until the organization of the department in 1789; and Assistant Sec. of the Treasury under Alexander Hamilton until 1790; d. in N. Y., May 7, 1799. (*See Drake's Dict. Am. Biog. and Knickerbocker Mag.*, xl, 95-103.)
3. ELIZABETH ALEXANDER, m. John Stevens, a merchant in 1756, and prominent citizen of Perth Amboy, N. J. In June, 1763, was appointed one of the New Jersey Council; d. in Hunterdon Co., in 1792; she d. at Clermont, Livingston Manor in 1800.—*Issue*: One son John, and two daughters.—(Whitehead's *Early Hist. of Perth Amboy*, p. 144; *Will of Mary, widow of James Alexander*.) One of the daus. Elizabeth, m. Sept. 9, 1770, Chancellor Robert R. Livingston.
4. CATHARINE ALEXANDER, m. 1st, Elisha, son of Hon. John and Janet (Johnstone) Parker, of Perth Amboy, N. J.; studied law under James Alexander, Esq.; licensed to practice May 3, 1745, and d. of consumption March 14, 1751, in his 47th year; left no issue.—(Whitehead's *Early Hist. Perth Amboy*, p. 130.) She m. 2d, Major Walter Rutherford of the British Army, who served in the French War in the campaign on Lake Ontario, and in Canada,¹ and settled in New Jersey. Will dated April 18, 1801; proven Jan. 18, 1804; describes himself, "son of Sir John Rutherford of that ilk in Roxburghshire, North Britain, being at present in the 78th year of my age;" names wife Catharine and "Major General Mathew Clarkson, the worthy father of my grand daughter, Mary Rutherford Clarkson;" * also son John; nephew John Rutherford of Edgerton, son of his elder brother John; also nephew John Rutherford, of Messburnford; and grandson Robert Walter Rutherford.
5. SUSANNAH ALEXANDER, m. John Reid. (*Duer's Life of Lord Stirling*, p. 6.)
5. iv. CATHARINA SPRATT,² bap. Oct. 25, 1696; d. young.
(d) This name appears in New Amsterdam (though Sanford was common in New England at an earlier date) in the record of a Judgment dated Oct. 20, 1654, "in the case of the fiscal vs. Thomas Hall, for smuggling malt purchased from Thomas Willett, on account of Thomas Santfoort."³ The relationship—if any—between him and the following named, we do not attempt to determine.
Oct. 28, 1676, letters of Administration were granted in New York to Capt. William Sandford, uncle of Mr. Robert Sandford, late of the Island of Barbadoes, merchant, who "by an unhappy accident came to be drowned in the Harbour near this city." This Capt. William Sandford in July, 1668, became the owner of a large tract of land called "New Barbadoes," in present County of Bergen, N. J.; served in the Council of Deputy Gov. Rudyard, in 1682-3, and in that of his successor, Deputy Gov. Lawrie. He m. "on board the *Pink Susannah*, in the River Surinam" [Dutch Guiana], March 27, 1667, Sarah Whartman, and d. in New Jersey in 1692.—*Issue*:
- 1st. NEDIMAH SANDFORD, m. Richard Berry, Constable of Aquackanonck and New Barbadoes, in 1695; 2d. Catharine Sanford, m. Dr. Van Imburgh; 3d. Perigrine Sandford, m. Fytje (bap. Feb. 28, 1680), dau. of Enoch Michiels and Dircksje (Meyers) Vreeland; 4th. William Sandford; 5th. Grace Sandford, m. Barne Cosins, m. l. dated in N. Y., April 28, 1697; 6th. Elizabeth Sandford, m. Capt. James Davis, m. l. dated in N. Y., April 30, 1702. (White-

¹ *Pro. N. Y. Hist. Soc.*, vol. 2., p. 198.

² She m. Peter Augustus, eldest son of John Jay.

³ *Cal. Hist. MSS. Dutch*, 1630, 1664, p. 142.

head's *East Jersey under Proprietary, Govt.*, p. 47, 187; Winfield's *Hist. Co. Hudson, N. Y.*, p. 300-445; *N. Y. Geneal. and Biog. Record*, vol. 3, p. 93, vol. 2, p. 95.)

Jacob Abrahamsen Santvoort embarked May, 1661, in the *St. Jean Baptist*, for New Netherland, and Lysbet Arens (was she his wife?) and child, Jan., 1664, in the *Faith*, for same place from Amsterdam; ¹ he was a shoemaker, and by wife Sytje Ariaens, had son Isaac, bap. Dec. 29, 1672; he m. again, Dec. 26, 1677, Magdalena Van Vleck from Bremen. June 17, 1685, they conveyed land in New York to Enoch Michealsen [Vreeland] "of Pomripoe in East Jersey." (See p. 29.)

ABRAHAM SANTVOORT, "young man of New York," prob. son of Jacob Abrahamson above named; m. 1st, Feb. 27, 1689, Vrouwtje Van Hoorn; m. 2d, Dec. 31, 1720, Lydia, dau. of Peter and Lydia (Cooly) Masjet or Machett, bap. Nov. 17, 1697; will dated August 3, 1742; proven May 5, 1745; styles himself of the city of New York, merchant; names wife Lydia; granddau. Helena, wife of Theodorus Van Wyck, and dau. of his son Cornelius Santford; son-in-law William Bradford, Jr., and wife Sytie, and dau. Anna Maria, wife of Dirck Schuyler.—*Issue* :

1. JACOB SANTFORD, bap. Nov. 10, 1689; merchant in New York; will dated Aug. 25, 1721; proven Nov. 22, 1721; d. unmarried.
2. ANNA MARIA SANTFORD, bap. Aug. 16, 1691; d. young.
3. CORNELIUS SANTFORD, bap. Jan. 15, 1693; m. 1st, Aug. 23, 1719, Helena, dau. of David Provoost, Jr. (47); m. 2d, Gertie, dau. of Simon De Hart of Gowanus (now a part of Brooklyn, L. I.) and his wife Angenietie, dau. of Jan Jansz Van Dyck.—(*Genealogy of Bergen Family*, p. 91, 108.) Will dated Dec. 21, 1732; then a merchant in New York, but afterwards a resident of Brooklyn, where he prob. died; proven Feb. 3, 1741; his widow m. 2d, Jores Remsen.
4. SYTJE SANTFORD, bap. April 14, 1695; m. Nov. 25, 1716, William, Jr., son of William and Elizabeth (Sowle) Bradford, first printer in New York. (*See N. Y. G. & B. Record*, vol. 4, p. 195.)—*Issue* : 1st. Maria Bradford, bap. Aug. 5, 1719; 2d. William Bradford; 3d. Elizabeth Bradford, bap. Oct. 21, 1722; m. Dr. Jacob Ogden of Jamaica, L. I.; he d. Sept. 3, 1780; they had numerous children; 4th. Abraham Bradford, bap. Feb. 7, 1725; 5th. Cornelis Bradford, bap. Oct. 29, 1729, m. Jan. 19, 1771, Catharine, b. 1742, widow of Capt. Dennis Candy, and dau. of Jacob Kicker and wife Catharine, dau. of Rev. Samuel Pumroy. (*See Ricker's Annals of Newtown*, p. 303.) The following-named persons prob. belonged to this family :
TACE [TACEY] W. BRADFORD (widow Dick), who m. Jan. 8, 1811, Robert Patton.
CATHARINE POMEROY BRADFORD, who m. March 17, 1813, Charles Buck. (*M.S.S. Records of Dr. Miller, pastor 1st Presbyterian Church, N. Y.*)
5. ABRAHAM SANTFORD, JR., bap. Oct. 31, 1697; living Dec. 21, 1732, d. s. p. before Aug. 3, 1742.
6. ANNA MARIA SANTFORD, bap. April 16, 1701; m. Dirck Schuyler, prob. son of Abraham Davidste and Geertruy (Ten Broeck) Schuyler, of Albany, bap. there July 28, 1700. He was a merchant in New York, and admitted a Freeman of the city in 1725; visited London in Dec., 1724, and Feb. 1724, makes affidavit in regard to the Indian Trade carried on by the inhabitants of New York and Albany.² Will proven March 8, 1779, at which date his widow was living; names only, wife Ann Mary, to whom he bequeaths his entire estate.

(e) BENJAMIN BOUSFIELD, and NELLIE (French) PROVOOST, had issue.

1. MARIA COLDEN,¹ b. in Middlesex Co., N. J., Nov. 29, 1803; m. Nov. 27, 1833, Michael B. Field, and d. at Bound Brook, N. J., Nov. 17, 1843.
2. DOROTHY P.,¹ b. in Hamilton, N. Y., Sept. 11, 1805; resides at Franklin Park, Somerset County, N. J.
3. JOHN SAMUEL,¹ b. in Schenectady, Dec. 31, 1807.
4. ELIZA RAPALGE,¹ b. Jan. 11, 1811; m. Oct. 17, 1844, Benjamin Barrett, and d. at Springfield, N. Y., June 14, 1850.
5. BENJAMIN BOUSFIELD,¹ b. in New York, Feb. 18, 1813; m. Feb. 7, 1848, Grace Ann Merwin. He is a civil engineer, and resides at Dubuque, Iowa.
Issue.
1. Mary Pond,² b. in Milford, Conn., Nov. 28, 1848; m. March 9, 1870, Edwin W. Albee.

¹ *Doc. Hist. of N. Y.*, vol. 3, p. 38-42.

² *Doc. Rel. to Col. Hist. of N. Y.*, vol. 4, p. 743.

2. Sarah Merwin,⁶ b. in Cherry Valley, N. Y., April 1, 1851.
 3. Nellie Grace,⁶ b. in Freeport, Illinois, Jan. 8, 1854.
 4. George Bousfield,⁶ b. in Dubuque, Iowa, Nov. 2, 1856.
 6. ELEANOR FRENCH,⁷ b. in Schnectady, N. Y., June 13, 1815.
 7. CATHARINE,⁷ b. in Cherry Valley, N. Y., Nov. 19, 1818; m. June 10, 1845,
 Daniel D. Stelle; resides at Franklin Park, Somerset Co., N. J.
 8. DELIA ANN,⁷ b. in Cherry Valley, Jan. 2, 1821.

The following names we have been unable to trace :

LAURENS ANDRIESZEN PROVOOST was witness, March 22, 1671, at baptism of Elsjé, dau. of David Provoost¹ (3).

In New York, July 24, 1677, the widow of Peter Provoost, was taxed for a vacant lot, next to Capt. Nichols.—(Valentine's *Manual*, 1848, p. 399.)

About the year 1703, Hatie Provoost, living in the North Ward of New York, was the head of a family consisting of two male and four female children, and two male negroes.—(*Doc. Hist. of N. Y.*, vol. 1, p. 401.)

CATRINA PROVOOST was admitted a member of the Ref. Dutch Church of Hackensack, N. J., Jan. 7, 1721.—(Romeyn's *Hist. Dis. at Hackensack, Appendix*, p. vi.)

The household of Aeltje Provoost, living in the township of Brooklyn in March, 1738, consisted of one white male and two white females, above ten years of age, one white female under ten, and one black male under ten.—(*Doc. Hist. of N. Y.*, vol. 4, p. 129.)

ADRIAN PROVOOST, m. Nov. 23, 1706, Antje Aswerns, and had issue, Adrian Aswerns, bap. March 5, 1708; his widow m. Feb. 14, 1720, William Davids from "Barmodes."

ROBERT PROVOOST, m. Dec. 14, 1729, Adriana Paul, dau. of Jan Pouwse and Annatje Huysman, bap. Dec. 31, 1710.—*Issue*: 1st. Johannes, bap. Nov. 22, 1730; 2d. Annatje, bap. June 23, 1734; 3d. Robert, bap. April 3, 1737; 4th. Elizabeth, bap. April 18, 1742; 5th. Margareta, bap. March 20, 1751.

ROBERT PROVOOST and Ariaantje Johnson had dau. Margreta Paulina, bap. July 26, 1747.

ROBERT PROVOOST, mariner of N. Y., and Phœbe Blom [Plumb] had issue, 1st. Margarita, bap. Sept. 21, 1766, in Dutch Church; 2d. Robert, b. March 2, 1770, bap. in Presby. Church, m. Catharine Wilse; 3d. Phebe, b. March 29, 1772, bap. Presby. Church, m. April 18, 1801, Henry Roome.

ROBERT PROVOOST was appointed by Genl. Washington, Paymaster in Rev. Army; was serving in that capacity in Jan., 1777; was Quarter-Master in Third Reg. N. Y. Continentals, commanded by Col. Rudolphus Ritzema in 1780.—(*Cal. Hist. MSS. Rel. to War of Rev. in Sec. States Office, N. Y.*, vol. 2, p. 5, 9, 38.)

CATHARINA PROVOOST, m. July 28, 1761, Lauwrens Horsman.

ANNEKE PROVOOST, m. April 29, 1761, Dirk Lefferts.

ABRAHAM PROVOOST, m. Annatie Staats, m. l. dated July 28, 1775.

ELIZABETH PROVOOST, m. George Cruger, m. l. dated Oct. 21, 1780.

ANNE PROVOOST of New York, "being advanced in age and somewhat infirm in body," makes will dated Sept. 23, 1815; proven May 6, 1816; names grandchildren, the children of Peter Burtzell [m. Mary—]; Anastasia Taylor Burtzell; John Low Burtzell; Ann, Eliza, and Mary Burtzell.

LUCY PROVOOST m. Edward Lambert, m. l. dated Aug. 12, 1777.

WILLIAM PROVOOST d. of Yellow Fever in City Hospital at Philadelphia, Sept. 21, 1798. Isabella Provoost d. of same disease in Philadelphia, 1793. The widow of James Provoost d. in N. Y. of same disease, 1798. Jane Provoost, 41 Catherine st., N. Y., d. of same disease, Aug. 22, 1803, and Catharine Provoost, 1 Theatre Alley, N. Y., d. Oct. 7, 1803.

STEPHEN BISHOP PROVOOST, son of Daniel and Elizabeth (Bishop) Provoost, b. at Stamford, Conn., April 23, 1792; m. April 5, 1821, Catharine, dau. of Christopher and Elizabeth Tillman of New York. (See Huntington's *Hist. Stamford*, p. 406, also Stamford Registration, p. 83).

¹ *Doc. Rel. to Col. Hist. of N. Y.* vol. 4, p. 743.

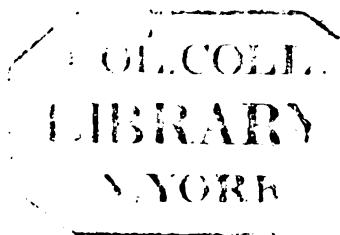
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JACOB ABRAHAMS van Vianen, married Jan. 24, 1666, Sytje Ariaens van Manhatens.
—Issue:

1. ABRAHAM, bap. Jan. 11, 1667.
 2. ADRIAEN, bap. May 30, 1668; d. young.
 3. ADRIAEN, bap. March 13, 1670.
 4. ISAAC, bap. Nov. 5, 1671; d. young.
 5. ISAAC, bap. Dec. 29, 1672; at the baptism of this child the father's name is given Jacob Abrahamszen Santvoort.
 6. AELTJE, bap. Oct. 7, 1674.
 7. JACOB, bap. Sept. 13, 1676.
- 1 JACOB ABRAHAMSZEN SAKTVOORT, wed^e van Zytie Ariaens, married Dec. 26, 1677, Magdaleentje Van Vleck, j. d. Van Bremen.—Issue:
8. MARYKEN, bap. Nov. 27, 1678; at this baptism the father's name is given Jacob Abrahamszen.

This Jacob Abrahams or Abrahamsen is, without doubt, the same person who is named Jacob Abrahamsen Santvoort on page 27, and who embarked May 1661, in the *St. Jean Baptist* for New Netherland.

THE MATERIALS IN THIS SKETCH, NOT OTHERWISE INDICATED, ARE FROM THE RECORDS OF THE REFORMED DUTCH CHURCH IN NEW YORK, AND NEW YORK WILLS AND CONVEYANCES.



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