

HISTORY  
OF THE  
COUNTIES OF  
GLOUCESTER, SALEM, AND CUMBERLAND  
NEW JERSEY,  
WITH  
BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES  
OF THEIR  
PROMINENT CITIZENS.

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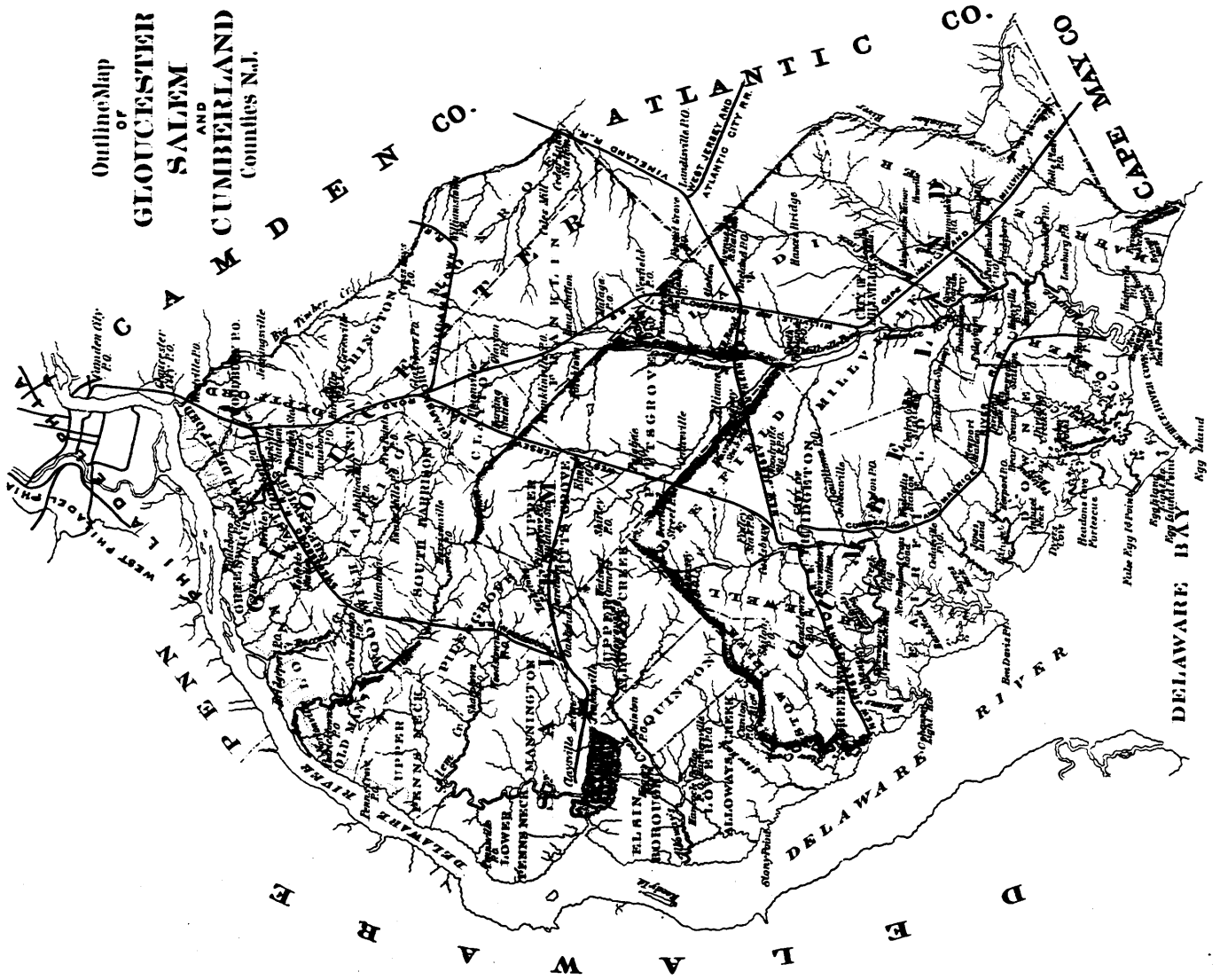
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AND  
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Counties N.J.



affiliated with the Republican party, which he for six years represented as freeholder of Deptford township. He is a member of Woodbury Lodge, No. 54, of Independent Order of Odd-Fellows, and of Provident Conclave, No. 47, of Independent Order of Heptasophs. He has in religion maintained the Quaker faith of his parents.

#### WEST JESSUP.

John Jessup was a farmer in Deptford township, and the grandfather of the subject of this biographical sketch. He was married, and had children,—James, John, and Sarah (Mrs. Joshua Lord). His son James was born in Deptford, at the house of his father, and later followed farming occupations in Greenwich township. He possessed fine business qualifications, engaged largely in lumbering, and was an extensive holder of real estate. His political affiliations were early with the Old-Line Whig party, after which he became a Republican, and filled the offices of freeholder, assessor, etc., in his township. He married Sarah, daughter of John West, of Greenwich, and had sons,—John and James (deceased); George, who died in infancy; Joseph; West; and one daughter, Mary (deceased). All these children were residents of Gloucester County. Mr. Jessup paid little heed to matters apart from the private business which absorbed his closest attention. His death occurred at the homestead, June 7, 1852, in his eighty-third year; and that of his wife, Sarah, Feb. 7, 1865, aged eighty-eight years. His son West was born Dec. 1, 1806, at the paternal home, where he remained during his youth, and in the spring of 1837 settled upon a farm belonging to his father in Deptford township. He, however, soon returned to the homestead, and for a number of years superintended its cultivation. This property eventually became his by inheritance and purchase, and continued to be the family home until his removal to Woodbury in 1869, his present residence. He also embarked in the lumber business, and engaged largely in the purchase of real estate, holding at the present time three thousand acres in Salem and Gloucester Counties. Mr. Jessup was, March 3, 1837, united in marriage to Miss Martha, daughter of David Cooper, of Deptford township. Their children are John W., who resides on the homestead; Cooper, of Mantua township; Sally (Mrs. Thomas M. Pancoast, deceased); Hannah C. (Mrs. George W. Brick); David C., of East Deptford; James (deceased); James (2d); and Lewis R., both of Mantua township. Mr. Jessup, on his removal to Woodbury, retired from active business, though still supervising his various landed interests. He is not actively interested in the political arena, but adheres to the principles of the Republican party. Both Mr. and Mrs. Jessup were educated in the Quaker faith, and worship with the Hicksite Quakers of Woodbury.

## CHAPTER XXXVIII.

### TOWNSHIP OF DEPTFORD.<sup>1</sup>

**Geographical and Descriptive.**—This is one of the northeast border townships of this county, and is bounded on the northeast by Camden County, on the southeast by Washington township, on the southwest by Mantua, and northwest by West Deptford township.

The old township of Deptford (including what is now West Deptford, Washington, and Monroe townships, and Woodbury City) was among the original municipal districts of New Jersey. It was first named Bethlehem, and received its present appellation from the old English seaport town of Deptford, made famous in history as the place where Peter the Great served an apprenticeship at ship-building. After several alterations of the original lines of the township, made by the organization of new townships, a division of the remaining portion was effected March 1, 1871, when the township of West Deptford was organized, leaving an area of twelve thousand six hundred and sixty-five acres to Deptford.

The surface of the township is generally level or slightly undulating. In the northern portion, which is a sandy-loam soil, the cultivation for many years has been such that at present large crops of grass, vegetables, and fruit are raised. The southern portion was covered, until within a few years, with a heavy growth of pine timber, of which the land has been cleared, and is now occupied by successful "truck farmers."

The township is drained on the northeast by Timber Creek and its tributaries, of which Almonesson is the largest, rising in the southeast quarter of the township, running northerly through the hamlet of Clements' Bridge, or Almonesson post-office. The southwest portion of the township is drained by Mantua Creek and tributaries.

**Another Change of Boundary Line.**—In 1878 the boundary line of this township was changed by act of the State Legislature as follows:

"SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey, That the present western boundary line of the township of Deptford, in the county of Gloucester, be, and the same is hereby, changed, so as to make the line of the West Jersey Railroad the western boundary line of said township, from Big Timber Creek at Westville to the junction of the Gloucester and Woodbury turnpike and West Jersey Railroad at North Woodbury."

Approved Feb. 20, 1878.

**Pioneer Settlers.**—Just who the pioneer of what is now Deptford township was, or the exact farm upon which he located, is a difficult matter to determine at this date, as more than two centuries have passed into eternity since the advent of the first adventurer into this then wilderness. Therefore we can only give the names of those found in old records covering all the

<sup>1</sup> By W. H. Shaw.



West Jersey

territory embraced in the old township, as originally bounded, and leave the locating of the pioneers by their descendants, whose family names still cover the same territory. Many will be found in the lists of township officers from 1733, the earliest list we could obtain, to 1782, the latest we could find in the last century. Among others found in the few imperfect leaves of records are the following, which will no doubt be looked upon with interest:

John Jasop, John Sanders, William Sharp, George Morgan, Acquilla Downs, Joseph Langler, Levi Peaze, John Brown, John Carter, David Ward, Phebe Ward, John Whittle, James Cooper, John Downs, Joseph Tatum, Habacuk Ward, John Sparks, Jonathan Morgan, John Fish, Henry Treadway, Andrew Jones, Jonathan Reeves, David Cooper, Constantine Jefferis, James Dilks, John Jones, Arthur Reeves, Israel Williams, Allen Suarp, William Clark, John Watson, James Budd, Lucas Gibbs, Samuel Shreve, Cornelius Dewart, Samuel Ladd, John Erwine, Samuel Brown, Samuel Moffett, Moses Cox, Thomas West. He West, owned a large portion of the land upon which the village of Westville is located, and from him the village took its name. He lived there in 1758. Jonathan Carter, Edward Andrews, John Pidgeon, Constantine Lord, Levi Pierce, William Hooten, Thomas Denny, Joseph Eastlack, Jonathan Brown, Phineas Lord, Thomas Wilson, William Bates, Israel Williams, Arthur Hamilton, Levi Hopper, John Rodes, Michael Engleton, Isaiah Stratton, Joseph Cowgill, Walter Swob, Thomas Barker, John Watson, Paul Cooper, Edward Andrews, Aaron Hewes, Isaac Dilks, Caleb Gibson, Reuben Smith, Joshua Ward, Levi Clark.

The above list of persons were land-owners or land-holders between 1733 and 1782, and reported estrays in their possession. There were many more that made similar reports, but their names appear elsewhere between the dates named.

**Pioneer Records, 1733/4.**—The earliest records that have, by courtesy or otherwise, fallen into our hands relating to the early business interests of this township bear the above date, and read as follows:

at meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town Ship of Deptford the 12 day March anod 1733/4 the following officers were chosen viz

Thomas Wilkins, Town Clerk; John Brown, mantas creek, George Wood, Senor, freeholders; Con Stantine Wood, John Wood, John Ladd, Inunor, Joseph Gibson, Surveyors of y<sup>e</sup> Roads; Con Stantine Wood, Assessor; Thomas Wilkins, Collector; Richard Bickham, Robert Downs, overseers of y<sup>e</sup> poor; Moses Word, michel fisher, overseers of y<sup>e</sup> high-ways; William Herrill, Edward Richardson, constables.

*Officers for 1735-6.*

Thomas Wilkins, Town Clerk; Abraham Chattin, George Wood, Senor, Freeholders; George Wood, Inunor, Benjamin Waitt, Robert Downs, Edward Richardson, Surveyors of y<sup>e</sup> Roads; Michael Fisher, Assessor; Moses Wood, Collector; Obadiah Gibson, William Wilkins, over Seers of y<sup>e</sup> poor; Gabriel Rambo, William Jagord, Senor, over Seers of y<sup>e</sup> Roads; George Eaves, John Jones, constables.

*Officers for 1736/7.*

Thomas Wilkins, Town Clerk; George Wood, John Wood, Freeholders; Abraham Chattin, Edward Richardson, Luke Gibson, William

Wilkins, Surveyor of y<sup>e</sup> Roads; Michael Fisher, Assessor; Thomas Wilkins, Collector; John Snowdon, Robert Downs, Overseers of y<sup>e</sup> poor; John Wilkins, Michael Chew, Overseers of y<sup>e</sup> Roads; John Dickermanor, Richard Clark, Con Stables.

*Officers for 1737-8.*

Thomas Wilkins, Town Clerk; John Wood, George Wood, Freeholders; Abraham Chattin, George Wood, Inunor, Peter Rambo, William Wilkins, Surveyors of y<sup>e</sup> Roads; Michael Fisher, Assessor; William Tatum, Collector; John Snowdon, Robert Downs, over Seers of y<sup>e</sup> poor; Moses Wood, Loui Pers, overseers of y<sup>e</sup> Roads; William Howe, John Dickermanor, con Stables.

Prior to 1751 some adhered to what was known as "old style," according to which March was the first month, and some adopted the "new style," which made the year to commence January 1st. To avoid ambiguity, the years were frequently written as here, 1733, 1744, or 1741 z. The new style was adopted by an act of Parliament in 1751.

*Officers for 1739-40.*

Abraham Chattin, Town Clerk; John Wood, Obadiah Gibson, freeholders; George Ward, Peter Rambo, John Wilkins, Robert Down, Surveyors of the Roads; William Wood, Assessor; Benjamin Waitt, Collector; Luke Gibson, Isaac Stephens, Overseers of the roads; John Dukamines or George Evis, thought fit for Constables.

*Officers for 1740/1.*

Abraham Chattin, Town Clerk; George Ward, William Wood, freeholders; Michael Fisher, Assessor; Henry Sparks, Collector; amaria Balling, John Wilkins, Michael Chew, Peter Rambo, Surveyors of y<sup>e</sup> Roads; Richard Clark, James Whital, Overseers of y<sup>e</sup> Roads; George Evis, Moses Ward, for Constables.

*Officers for 1741 z.*

Michael Fisher, Town Clerk; John Wood, George Ward, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Freeholders; Michael Fisher, Assessor; Abraham Chattin, Collector; William Wood, Michael Chew, Henry Sparks, Edward Richardson, Surveyors of y<sup>e</sup> Roads; Robert Downs, John Chew, Overseers of y<sup>e</sup> Roads; John Dilks, John Jemup, Constables.

The above mentioned was chosen by Majority of the Voters which was Present.

MICHAEL FISHER, CLK.

*Officers for 1744/5.*

At a meeting for choosing officers for y<sup>e</sup> year 1745 the following persons by Major of votes was chosed, viz.

Michael Fisher, Town Clerk; Edward Richardson, George Ward, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Freeholders; Robert Downs, James Whital, William Wood, Peter Rambo, Surveyors of y<sup>e</sup> Roads; Michael Fisher, Assessor; James Lord, Constable; Amariah Ballinger, James Wood, Overseers of y<sup>e</sup> Roads; John Wilkins, Richard Clark, Overseers of y<sup>e</sup> poor.  
By y<sup>e</sup> count Peter Mattson was chused Constable.

MICHAEL FISHER, CLK.

*Officers for 1756.*

At a Town-meeting of the Inhabitants of the Township of Deptford met at James Woods in Woodbury the 9<sup>th</sup> Day of the 3<sup>d</sup> mo: called March To Chuse Officers for the<sup>th</sup> Year following 1756:

Thomas Kinsey chose Town-Clerk; Free Holders, John Brown, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Lord; Surveyors of the Roads, William Wood, Abraham Chattin, Jun<sup>r</sup>, Samuel Ladd, David Cooper; Over Seers of y<sup>e</sup> Roads, John Carpenter, Joseph Low; Assessor for the County & the Poor, James Cooper; Collector, Savil Willson; Constables, Joseph Seed, John Gagard; Overseers of y<sup>e</sup> Poor, Thomas Rambo, Jun<sup>r</sup> Wilkins.

Money to be raised for the poor is the Sum of £35.

The Young men that Works for Hire is to pay poor Tax the Sum of Five Shillings Each.

The abovesaid Money to be raised upon the Residential Inhabitants upon the pound Value according to y<sup>e</sup> former Act (Including the Residential Young Men) And the Assessor to Return his List to the Over Seers of the Poor By the first Day of May next Ensuing.

Jun<sup>r</sup> Whital is to have 78 6D for Warning in the Town.

*Officers for 1775.*

At a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Township of Deptford the 4<sup>th</sup>

Day of March 1775 The following Persons were Chosen Officers for the ensuing Year, viz.:

Town Clerk, Isaac Stephens; Free Holders, James Whitall, David Cooper; Surveyors of Roads, James Whitall, Jr., Joseph Gibson, Jr.; Overseers of the Road, John Wilkins, Jr., Cozard Andrew, & Randle Morgan; Assessor, Isaac Ballinger; Collector, Charles Fisher; Overseers of Poor, Isaac Inskip, Joseph Clements.

After which David Cooper James Wilkins Samuel Ladd & Joseph Low were Chosen a Committee to Assist the Overseers of Poor and Surveyors of Roads and Such other Services as are Mentioned in a Minit made in this Book in the Year one Thousand Seven hundred and Sixty Nine.

The Town orders the Sum of Thirty Pounds to be Raised for the Use of the Roads this Present Year. To be Sent according to Law and his Duplicate to be Delivered to the Collector within Ten days from the Date hereof who Shall Collect the Same and pay it to the Overseers of the Highways on Order within Six weeks after Receiving a Duplicate and the Clerk is Directed to Serve the Assessor with a Copy of this order.

March ye 14<sup>th</sup> 1775.

PT ISAAC STEPHENS,  
Clerk.

Voted at the 4<sup>th</sup> Town Meeting, that one Constable be Sufficient to Serve for the Township of Deptford.

PT ISAAC STEPHENS,  
Clerk.

This Town Meeting is Adjourned to the School House in Woodbury to be held the ensuing Year the Day the Law Directs, it is further agreed By this Town Meeting that if it should be found Inconvenient to be Continued at School house then the 4<sup>th</sup> Meeting to be Adjourned to the Present House of Jehu Wood.

PT ISAAC STEPHENS,  
Clerk.

Notice of Citizenship, 1775.

I have thought Proper According to an Act of Assembly of this Province of New Jersey to give These Notice, Lucas Gibbs as one of the Overseers of the Poor of the Township of Deptford in the County of Gloucester, that I, Henry Williams Came to Reside in 4<sup>th</sup> Township the 3<sup>d</sup> day of January in the Year 1775 in the family of Joseph Low.

his  
HENRY X WILLIAMS  
mark

Witness Present

Joseph Low Junr—A True Copy.

I Received this Notice Witness my Hand the 9<sup>th</sup> day of February 1775.

LUCAS GIBBS.

Officers for 1760.

At a Town Meeting of the Inhabetance of the Township of Deptford held at the House of Joseph Tatum in the 8<sup>d</sup> Township the Eleventh day of third Month ad 1760 for the Chusing and Recommending Persons fit for offices for the 4<sup>th</sup> Township for the ensuing Year the following Persons was chose and Nominated viz.:

Nixon Chattin, Town Clerk; James Whitall, Joshua Lord, Junr, Freeholders; John Brown, Isaac Ballinge, James Hinchman, Joseph Low, Surveyors of the Rods; Thomas Rambo, Henry Wetherby, Overseers of the Rods; Jonas Cattle, Assesor; Thomas Kinsey, Collector; David Coupper, Savel Wilson, Overseers of the Poor; William Leonard, Haccuck Ward, Recommended for Constable as thought to come to their turn to serve.

Ordered at the above meeting that Alra Chattin Repair the fence of the Public Burying Ground Near Woodbury and return his account to the then Overseers of the Poor.

Officers for 1772.

Town Clerk, Mark Miller; Freeholders, David Cooper & Joshua Lord; Surveyors of the Roads, John Esq. Hopkins & James Whitall, Junr; Overseers of the Roads, Isaac Dilks, William Lennord, Joseph Gibson, & Isaac Hopper; Assessor, Isaac Ballinger; Collector, Aaron Hewes; Overseers of the poor, Benje. Rambo & Aaron Hewes.

The town Orders the Sum of Sixty pounds to be Raised for the use of the poor, and the farther sum of fifty pounds to be Raised for the use of the Roads the ensuing year.

The Town appoints, John Brown David Cooper Joshua Lord Isaac Ballinger James Whitall Junr. Sam<sup>l</sup>. Ladd, John Tatum, Isaac Inskip Benje Herritage, Charles Fisher Randal Martial and Joseph Low, as a Committee, to Inspect Grist Timber Creek Causeway and in Conjunction with the Overseers of the Roads make, or cause such repairs to be

made as they may think necessary and Report to Nex annual Meeting; —The Town appoints David Cooper Ja<sup>r</sup> Brown Joshua Lord and Benje. Herritage a Committee to Represent the Town.

Officers for 1773.

Town Clerk, Isaac Stephens; Freeholders, David Cooper & James Whitall; Surveyors of y<sup>e</sup> Road, Ja<sup>s</sup>. Whitall, Junr, Joseph Gibson, Junr; Overseers of the Road, Isaac Inskip, Arthur Eves, Charles Fisher; Assessor, Ja<sup>s</sup> Wilkins, Junr; Collector, James Wood; Overseers of the poor, Mark Miller, Job Whitall.

The Town Orders the sum of one Hundred pound for the use of the poor to be Raised the present Year And the sum of Forty pounds for the use of the Roads.

Officers for 1775.

Town Clerk, Jeremiah Paul; Free Holders, David Cooper & Joshua Lord; Surveyors of Roads, James Whitall, Jr., & James Wilkins; Overseers of the Roads, Samuel Ladd, Josiah Clerk, John Wood, Farmer; Assessor, Isaac Ballinger; Collector, Aaron Hewes; Overseers of the Poor, Joseph Clements, Job Whitall.

After which David Cooper, Samuel Ladd, Joseph Low and Joshua Lord, were chosen a Committee to Assist the Overseers of the Poor, and Surveyors of the Roads; & such other Services as are mentioned in a Minute made in this Book in the year one Thousand seven Hundred and sixty nine. 1769.

The Town orders Joseph Gibson and Aaron Reeves to inspect the Stranger's Burying Ground Fence, and order Isaac Stephens to repair the same, & Draw an order on the Overseers of the Poor for the same.

Orders that the Overseers of the Poor allow John Bachel seven Pounds, to be paid weekly for the maintenance and of his Mother Sarah Bachel, as a present of the Town, to commence from John's next Turn in keeping his said Mother, with this exception that Alexander Hamilton be paid fifteen shillings out of the Seven Pounds for her keeping two weeks.

The Town meeting is adjourned by Vote to this House to be held the ensuing year on the Day the Law directs, to meet at the 10<sup>th</sup> hour.

JEREMIAH PAUL,  
Clerk.

Officers for 1777.

At a Meeting of the Inhabitants of ye Township of Deptford, held at Woodbury, in Deptford Free School House the 11<sup>th</sup> Day of the 3<sup>d</sup> Month, 1777, the following Persons were chosen officers for the year present, viz. : Town Clerk, Jeremiah Paul; Free Holders, David Cooper, James Whitall, Jr.; Surveyors of the Roads, James Wilkins, Aaron Hewes; Overseers of the Roads, John Turner, Isaac Hopper, Zephaniah Brown; Assessor, Abel Clement; Collector, Joseph Reeves; Overseers of the Poor, Isaac Inskip, Samuel Nicholson; Constable, John Porch; Committee for hearing Appeals, Surveyors, and Overseers of the Poor, Assistants, &c., Samuel Ladd, Joseph Low, James Wilkins.

The Town Orders One hundred & twenty Pounds to be raised for the use of the Poor this Present Year.

Ordered, that Samuel Thompson have the Care of the public Burying Ground.

This Meeting is adjourned to the usual Time next year, to be held at this Place.

1777, 4 Mo. 24.—Abel Clement, Joseph Reeves, & Sam<sup>l</sup>. Nicholson, refusing to act in their respective offices, John Fisher, Assessor; Savel Wilson, Collector; & Jonathan Morgan, Overseer of the Poor, were this Day chosen in their Places, by the Freeholders of this Town, assembled at Richard Eickham's, by an order of the Justices, agreeable to an act of General Assembly in Such Case provided.

Officers for 1778.

Town Clerk, Jeremiah Paul; Freeholders, Charles Fisher, Joseph Low; Surveyors of the Roads, James Wilkins, Benjamin Clark; Overseers of the Roads, Aaron Hewes, Joshua Hopper, Josiah Clark; Assessor, John Fisher; Collector, Randal Morgan; Overseers of the Poor, Jonathan Morgan, Richard Johns; Committee of Assistance, &c., Joseph Low, James Whitall, Junr., James Wilkins, Benjamin Heritage.

The Town orders, that the sum of fifty Pounds for procuring Necessaries for Repairing Roads be raised for that Use; The Assessor to Assess it on the Pound Value as the Provincial Tax is Assessed; and to deliver a Duplicate to the Collector by the 1<sup>st</sup> of the 5<sup>th</sup> Month, who is ordered to Collect it in one Month after for the Use of the Overseers of the Roads, as they may have Occasion for that Purpose.

Ordered, that the sum of £120, which was ordered to be raised at last

Meeting for the Use of the Poor, but was not, be raised this Year for that Purpose.

The Meeting is adjourned to the usual Time next year, to be held at this Place.

*Officers for 1779.*

Town Clerk, Jeremiah Paul; Freeholders, Charles Fisher, Savil Willson; Surveyors of the Roads, Joseph Low, James Wilkins; Overseers of the Roads, David Wood, James Gibson, Arthur Hamilton; Assessor, Isaac Stephens; Collector, David Morgan; Overseers of the Poor, Jonathan Morgan, James Wood; Constable, Benjamin Ward; Commissioners of Appeal, James Wilkins, Joseph Low, Randle Morgan.

The Town Orders, That the Strangers Burial Ground be enclosed with Oak Posts and Cedar Rails. Samuel Thompson is appointed to that Service, & to draw upon the Overseers of the Poor for Defraying the Expense thereof. Also to have the Care of it.

Ordered, That the £120, which was ordered at Last Year, together with £180 this Year, amounting to £500, be Raised this Year, for the Use of the Poor immediately.

Ordered, That the £50, which was to have been Raised at last Year, together with £100, in the whole making £150, be raised this Year for the Repairing of Roads and Bridges, the Assessor to Assess it on the Pound Value as the Provincial Tax.

The Meeting is adjourn'd to the usual Time next Year, to be held at this House.

*Officers for 1780.*

Town Clerk, Jeremiah Paul; Freeholders, Randal Morgan, James Wilkins; Surveyors of the Roads, John Ladd Howel, Benjamin Whitall; Overseers of the Roads, Caleb Bickham, Josiah Clark, Phinehas Lord; Assessor, Isaac Stephens; Collector, Isaac Inskip; Overseers of the Poor, Richard Johns, Thomas Wilson; Assessors' Assistants, David Morgan, John Stephens, James Wilkins; Judges of Appeal, Robt. Frt. Price, John Wilkins, Randal Morgan; Constable, Isaac Ballinger.

The town orders, that the Sum of £1000 to be raised for the Repairing of the Roads &c. to be collected with the ensuing General Tax.

The Town orders also, that the Overseers of the Poor provide Cedar Rails and oak Posts, in order to Enclose the Strangers' Burial Ground; and that they get it done as soon as convenient may be. Also that Job Kimsey have the Care thereof when completed.

The Meeting adjourns to meet at this house next Year.

*Special Town-Meeting.*

At a Meeting of the Inhabitants of Deptford Township, Convened the 7th Day of the 2 Mo. 1780, agreeable to an Act of General Assembly, the following persons were chosen Assistants to the Assessors, viz, John Wood, David Morgan, and John Stephens.

*Special Town-Meetings, 1780.*

At a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Township of Deptford held the 22nd Day of the fourth Month, Isaac Ward and Joshua Hopper were chosen Overseers of the Poor, in the Stead of Richard Johns and Thomas Wilson, who refused to serve.

At a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Township of Deptford, held the 1st Day of the 9 Mo. 1780, pursuant to Public Notice given for that Purpose, Ordered, That the Sum of three thousand five Hundred Pounds be immediately raised for the Relief and Benefit of the poor. Also,

Ordered, That the Sum of three thousand Pounds be raised for Repairing the Roads.

*Officers for 1781.*

Town Clerk, Jeremiah Paul; Freeholders, Joseph Low, John Ladd Howel; Surveyors of the Roads, Richard Johns, Samuel Flanningam; Overseers of the Roads, Benjamin Clark, Samuel Mickle, William Carwin; Assessor, James Wilkins; Collector, Biddle Reeves; Overseers of the Poor, Joshua Hopper, Isaac Ballinger; Assessors' Assistants, David Morgan, John Stephens, Isaac Inskip; Judges of Appeals, Robert Friend Price, Joseph Low, James Whitall, Junr; Constable, George Morgan.

*Officers for 1782.*

Town Clerk, Job Kimsey; Freeholders, Joseph Low, John Ladd Howel; Surveyors of the Roads, Samuel Flanningam, Richard Johns; Overseers of the Roads, Jonathan Brown, Edward Andrews, John Dorch; Assessor, James Wilkins; Collector, John Stevens; Overseers of the Poor, Isaac Ballenger, Joseph Gibson; Assessors' Assistants, Biddle Reeves, James Wool, David Morgan; Judges of Appeals, Joseph Low, John Woodfarmer, Aaron Hewz; Constables, George Morgan, Aaron Dilka.

Ordered that Joseph Low and John Wilkins Esquires be appointed as

Commissioners on the part of the Town to agree for and purchase a Convenient House for the ease Reception and Accommodation of the Poor of the Township of Deptford, Vesting them with full and ample power for that Purpose provided always that the Said Joseph Low and John Wilkins give or allow no greater Sum for the Said House than they in their Discretion Shall think proper.

*Pioneer Roads, 1739—1743.*

Gloucester, s. Whereas application hath been Made to us Whose Names are hereunto Subscribed, Surveyors Chosen and appointed for the township of Deptford and Greenwich, Within the County afore sd & province of New Jersey according to the direction of the act of General assembly of the province afore sd as in such Cases is made and provided by divers of the inhabitants of the town Ship of Deptford a for sd, for 2 two Rod Roads to be Laid out from a Road Laid out from the Kings Road to a School house Standing on Wm. Woods Land beginning by y<sup>e</sup> sd School house So a Long the Line betw Wm. Woods and tradways Land to the first Corner thence a Straight Course to a thourafair where the Road now goeth. thence a Stright Course avoiding the Swamps to John Mad Sons orchard and So End: y<sup>e</sup> Second Road beginning att Peter Mad Sons Line att y<sup>e</sup> Side of his feeld; thence a Long the Cooting Road avoiding the brooks to y<sup>e</sup> first Run att the head of John Madsons Land; thence a Long the Said Road avoiding the brooks and Swamps to y<sup>e</sup> Sound Run; thence a direct cors to the Corner of the widow Browns fence avoiding y<sup>e</sup> Swamps & gullies, So down the sd Widow Browns Line to Gabriel Rambus corner; thence to the Kings Road a bvre Gabriel Rambus home place, avoiding the Swamps and So ends: y<sup>e</sup> third begining att y<sup>e</sup> upor corner of y<sup>e</sup> widow browns line, So down the old Bottom Road to the Line of John Rambo and al ford, & So ends. In consideration of the application we have there by Laid out y<sup>e</sup> Roads a bvre mentioned, as witness our hands this twenty-first day of May one thousand Seven hundred thirty and nine 1739.

ROBERT ZANE.  
RICHARD BICKHAM.  
MICHAEL CRUK.  
MOSES WARD.

Entred by my

THOMAS WILKINS, Town Clerk.

Pervevent to an act of assembly made for the purposing of these things we the Subscribers hearof, being the Surveyors of the Roads for y<sup>e</sup> township of Deptford, Gloucester, and Greenwich, answerable to an application made to us by part of ye Inhabitation of the Township of Deptford have laid out a Road four Rod broad from the Kings Road unto Luke Gibsons Mill, begining about one mile from Manto Creek Bridge, at a Hickry saplen Marked With four notches on two sides from the sd Hickery afterward by trees Marked in ye like Mader to a Run called Cricke Run, from ye sd Run Along by ye sd Markd trees to ye head of A branch that putteth into Manto Creek; from thence across ye barrens to a run Calcd Brekback Run; from thence A Strait Course to ye afore sd Luke Gibsons Mill, as Witness our hands this Twenty-fifth Day of ye Twelfth Month, calcd February, 1743 4.

MOSES WARD.  
JAMES COOPER.  
JOSEPH TOMLINSON.  
ROBERT ZAN.  
HAUNCE STEELMAN.

*DEPTFORD TOWNSHIP, March y<sup>e</sup> 12<sup>th</sup>, 1744 5.*

At a Meeting for Choosing Officers for y<sup>e</sup> Year 1745, the following persons by a Majority of Votes was Chose, viz, Michael Fisher, Town Clerk; Freeholders, Edward Richardson & George Ward, Jr.; Surveyors of y<sup>e</sup> Roads, Robert Down, James Whiteal, William Wood, & Peter Rambo; Assessor and Collector, Michael Fisher, Assessor, and James Lord, Collector; Overseers of y<sup>e</sup> Roads, Amariah Ballenger & James Wood; Overseers of y<sup>e</sup> Poor, John Wilkins & Richard Clarke.

Constable by y<sup>e</sup> Court, Peter Mattson was Chose.

MICHAEL FISHER.

*1741 2.—Money for Public Burying Ground.*

By order of a Town Meeting Met at y<sup>e</sup> House of Henry Sparks, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> Mo., 1741 2, George Ward, Junr, is Appointed to Call on Thomas Wilkins for the Subscription for the money for purchasing a public Burying Ground in the Township of Deptford, and also the Money already paid to the sd Thomas Wilkins, and att the paym<sup>t</sup> thereof this to be a sufficient Discharge for the same from the township of Deptford afore sd.

By order afore sd

Meeting. Signed by

ABRAHAM CHATTIN, Clerk.

Ordered at the 1<sup>st</sup> Town Meeting that Isaac Stephens Shall Have the Care of the Publick Burying Ground, and That he Sufficiently Repair the fence Round the same and Carry his Bill of Costs for the same to the Overseers of the poor of the 1<sup>st</sup> Township, who is Hereby directed to Discharge the same out of the publick Stock.

The Town Appoints David Cooper and James White for a Committee to Draw a Petition to Next General Assembly of this Province for the renewal of the Late Road Law.

The town meeting is adjourned to the house of Joseph Tatum, to meet at Ten o'clock the Day the Law Directs.

ISAAC STEPHENS, *Clerk.*

John Tatum Reports their is on his Plantation one Estray yearling Bull of a Dark Brown Colour, with a Black Streak along his Back and no other Mark, Either Natural or Artificial Discovered. Sup. To Be a Last Spring Calf. Entered March y<sup>r</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> 1774.

*Dr. Thomas Hendy vs. Deptford Township, 1796*

GLOUCESTER COUNTY, ss. To Any Constable in said county Greeting: I Summon the Inhabitants of the Township of Deptford to be & Appear before me the Subscriber, One of the Justices of the Peace in & for said County, on Wednesday, the 24 day of October Next, at two O'Clock in the Afternoon of said day, at my Office in Haddonfield, To Answer Thomas Henry in an Action of Debt not exceeding Sixty Dollars, as tis said. Given Under my hand and Seal the 18<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1796.

SAMUEL KENARD, *J. P.*

Whereas Dr. Thomas Hendy has obtained a Judgment against the Inhabitants of the Township of Deptford for a Considerable Sum of

Money, We believe it necessary to call a Town-Meeting, to take into consideration the aforesaid business, and adopt Such Measures as may appear needfull. We therefore request the Town clerk to call a Town-Meeting agreeably to Law, as early as possible. Dated at Woodbury this Twenty-fifth Day of October, 1796.

JOHN S. WHITALL,  
JAMES M. WHITALL,  
DAVID WARD,  
*Town Committee.*

NOTICE.

Whereas Doct Thomas Hendy has obtained a Judgment against the Inhabitants of the Township of Deptford, for a sum of Money exceeding forty Dollars; therefore by an Order from the Committee of the Township afo<sup>r</sup>, I hereby inform the Inhabitants thereof, that there will be a Town meeting held at the Court House in Woodbury on sixth day next, at two o'clock on 1<sup>st</sup> day, in order to take into consideration the afo<sup>r</sup> business, and adopt such measures as may appear needfull.

Dated at Woodbury 10<sup>th</sup> mo 25<sup>th</sup> 1796.

BENJAMIN BULON, *T. Clk.*

Feb'y 19, 1796.

This is to certify that I have settled with Thomas Hendy this day, and thier is a balance due to him of fourteen pounds, eight shillings, and two pence, exclusive of a Note of hand for 20<sup>l</sup> which he holds against me.

JONATHAN WARD.

Witness

ELIZABETH COOPER.  
The above is a Copy.

*Overseers of Highways' Account, 1797.*

<i>Dr.—Samuel Bennett one of the Overseers of Highways</i>	
1797	March 21. To Cash received of James Davis late Overseer of the Highways.....f 43 10 9
1798	March 9. To ditto of James B. Cooper Collector of Deptford Township..... 75
	£118 10 9
<i>Dr.—Biddle Reeves one of the Overseers of the Highways</i>	
1798	March 14 <sup>th</sup> To Cash received of Sundries.....£157 3 10
	To this sum to Collect from Jonathan Harker 45 3 4
	£202 7 2
<i>Dr.—Isaac Collins one of the Overseers of Highways</i>	
1797	March 7. To balance remaining on account settled this day.....£ 18 8 2
	To this sum received of Jona Harker Collector for 1796, overplus money..... 15 19 11
1796	March 13. To Cash received of James B. Cooper Township Collector..... 75
	£109 8 1
<i>Dr.—James Jaggard one of the Overseers of the Highways</i>	
1797	March 7. To balance of account settled this day.....£ 32 6 6½
1798	March 14. To Cash received of James B. Cooper Collector one fourth of 60 Doll <sup>r</sup> ..... 75
	£107 6 6½

<i>In Account Current with the Town Ship of Deptford.—Cr.</i>	
1798	March 14. By Cash expended on the Roads.....f 42 12 4
	By balance remaining in Samuel Bennett's hands due to the Township..... 75 18 5
	£118 10 9
<i>In Account Current with the Township of Deptford.—Cr.</i>	
1798	March 14. By Sundry expenditures on the Highways.....£145 4 0½
	By balance remaining in Biddle Reeves' hands due the Township..... 57 3 1½
	£202 7 2
<i>In Account Current with the Township of Deptford.—Cr.</i>	
1798	March 14. By sundry expenditures on Roads.....f 53 18 2
	By balance remaining in the hands of Isaac Collins..... 55 9 11
	£109 8 1
<i>In Account Current with the Township of Deptford.—£.</i>	
1798	March 14. By Sundry expenditures on the High Ways amounting to.....f 43 10 1½
	By balance remaining in the hands of James Jaggard..... 63 7 5
	£107 6 6½

We the subscribers having examin'd the Accounts of the several Overseers of the Public Highways—report that there remains the following balances of money unexpended—viz<sup>t</sup> in the hands of Samuel Bennett Seventy five pounds eighteen shillings and five pence; in the hands of Biddle Reeves Fifty seven pounds three shillings and one penny; in the hands of Isaac Collins Fifty five pounds nine shillings and eleven pence; and in the hands of James Jaggard Sixty three pounds seven shillings and five pence;—making altogether the sum of Two hundred and fifty one pounds eighteen shillings and tenpence agreeable to the above Statements. Dated at Woodbury the 14<sup>th</sup> March, 1796.

£ s d  
Whole money Expended in this Year 285 13 8

AMOS COOPER,  
JOHN S. WHITALL,  
MICHAEL C. FISHER.

Samuel Bennett.....f 75 18 5
Biddle Reeves..... 57 3 1½
Isaac Collins..... 55 9 11
James Jaggard..... 63 7 5
Whole balance.....£281 18 10½



*Election Returns, 1797.*

We, the Judge of Elections, Assessor & Collector of the Township of Deptford, in the County of Gloucester, do hereby certify, that having proceeded to receive the Votes of the Electors of said Township of Deptford; the following is a list of all the Persons Voted for, to serve in the fifth Congress of the United States from the fourth of March, 1797, & the number of votes received for each:

- Jonathan Dutton, Sixty-three votes.
- Aaron Ketchel, thirty-two votes.
- James Schnurman, Thirty-seven votes.
- Thomas Sinnickson, forty votes.
- Joseph Bloomfield, Thirty-seven Votes.
- Joseph Couper, forty votes.
- Ebenezer Elmer, Thirty-two votes.
- Jonathan Elmer, Three votes.
- James H. Imley, Thirty-Nine votes.
- Mark Tomson, Thirty-eight votes.
- William Crane, Two votes.

In Testimony whereof we have herewith Subscribed our Names and Affixed our Seals the Eleventh Day of January Dunn: One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety-Seven.

JOHN WILKINS, *Judge.* [L. S.]  
 ISAAC WILKINS, *Assessor.* [L. S.]  
 JONATHAN HARKER, *Colr.* [L. S.]

*Constable's Oath of Office, 1798.*

I, John Johnson, do Solemnly and Sincerely promise and Swear—that I will well and truly Serve the State of New Jersey in the office of Constable for the township of deptford in the County of Gloucester, that I will honestly and impartially Summon, Impanel and return good and lawful men for Juries, able and Sufficient, and not Suspected or procured, as is or Shall be directed by law; that I will to the utmost of my power, faithfully and without delay, Execute all writs, precepts, process, warrants and Executions to me directed, and which Shall Come to my hands, and truly return the Same; that, in the Exercise of my office, I will do no wrong to any, but will do right to all, and take none but lawful fees; that I will truly, diligently and honestly, without fraud, deceit, oppression, favour or partiality, do, Execute and perform all Services, acts and duties of my Said office, to the best of my knowledge, Judgment and ability.

JOHN JOHNSON.

I do hereby Certify that the above oath was taken the 17th day of April, 1798, before me.

WILM. TATEM,  
*Justice of the Peace.*

*Township Collector's Account, 1798.*

Woodbury, 14th March, 1798.

Dr. The Collector (James B. Cooper) of the Township of Deptford	
To . . . the amount of Assessed Tax as per Duplicate.....	£880 2 5
ditto . . . . . Dog Tax . . . . .	23 15
	<hr/>
	£903 17 5

*Special Election, 1798.*

Whereas the Inhabitants of the Township of Deptford at their Annual Meeting held on the 14th of last month did choose two Constables to serve the said Township for the present year—vizt. John Jessup and Benjamin Clark—who have neglected or refused to qualify according to Law—thereby leaving the said Township of Deptford without a constable—and being an Officer that is much wanted,—We the Township Committee request the Town Clerk to advertise the Electors of the Township of Deptford to assemble in Town meeting on Seventh day the fourteenth inst. (April) at One o'clock for the purpose of choosing one or more Constables. Also to Authorize the Town Clerk (or some other person) to receive the fines that delinquent Officers forfeit to the benefit of the Township—agreeable to Law.

Dated at Woodbury the 5th April 1798.

JOHN S. WHITALL.  
 JAMES M. WHITEALL.  
 JOSUA L. HOWELL.

To Benjamin Eulon, Clerk of Deptford Township.

*Oath of Office of Surveyor of Highways, 1798.*

I, Amos Cooper, do Solemnly and Sincerely promise & affirm that I will in all things to the best of my knowledge and understanding, well, Justly & faithfully execute the Office of a Surveyor of the Highways without favour or Partiality.

AMOS COOPER.

I Certify that on the Twenty-second day of March, 1798, appeared before me the Subscriber one of the Justices of the Peace for the County of Gloucester Amos Cooper and was duly qualified to serve as one of the Surveyors of the Highways for the Township of Deptford for the year ensuing according to Law.

JN. BLACKWOOD.

*Oath of Commissioner of Appeals, 1798.*

I, Henry Roe, do Solemnly and Sincerely promise and Swear, that I will well, truly, and faithfully Execute the trust reposed in me, and perform my duty as a Commissioner of appeals in Cases of taxation for the township of deptford, in the County of Gloucester, according to the best of my knowledge and understanding, without favour or partiality.

HENRY ROE.

I do hereby Certify that this day, the above oath was taken by the Said Henry Roe, before me, one of the Justices of the peace in and for the County of Gloucester. Given under my hand this 24th day of October, 1798.

WILM TATEM.

	In Account Current with said Township.	(s)
By . . . this sum paid the County Collector (Joel Westcott), per Receipt for State and County Tax, including his Com <sup>rs</sup> .....		£126 7 2
By . . . this sum the Commissioners of Appeal deducted from the undermentioned assessed Taxes:		
Samuel Pearce.....	£0 4 6	
Mark Brown.....	9 4 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	
Thomas Wilson.....	2 6	16 4 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>
By . . . this sum paid the Overseers of the Publick Highways:		
Isaac Collins.....	£75	
James Jaggard.....	75	
Riddle Reeves.....	75	
Samuel Bennett.....	75	300
By . . . this sum paid the Township assessor (Isaac Wilkins) his fees as per account and Receipt.....		28 3 3
By . . . ditto Township Collector his fees.....		28 3 3
By . . . this sum for Losses on the warrant which the Constable (Henry Tredway), could not recover agreeable to his deposition.....		11 10 4
By . . . this sum allowed the freeholders.....		15
By . . . the balance remaining in the hands of the Township Collector.....		206 2 1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>
Deducted £1 2 6 and there remains	£206 19 6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	£903 17 5

We, the undersigned, chosen Freeholders for the Township of Deptford, having examined the Duplicate and accounts of James B. Cooper, Collector for said township, report that there remains in the hands of the said James B. Cooper the balance of Two hundred and eight pounds Two shillings, agreeable to the above statement, for the account and at the disposal of said Township.

Dated at Woodbury, the 14th March, 1798.

PHILEAS LORD.  
 JOSUA L. HOWELL.

*Township Clerk's Oath of Office, 1798.*

I, Benjamin Eulon, Clerk of the Township of Deptford, in the County of Gloucester, do Solemnly and sincerely affirm, that I will faithfully and honestly keep all the papers, writings, Books & records, by virtue of my office committed, and which from time to time shall be committed to me; and that I will in all things, to the best of my knowledge and understanding, perform the duties of my <sup>s<sup>d</sup></sup> office of Clerk, without favour or partiality.

Affirmed the 14th of March, 1798, before me, Justice of the peace in and for the County of Gloucester.

WILM. TATEM.

*County Collector's Bond, 1798.*

Know all Men by these presents, that we, Joel Westcott, James Stratton, & Samuel P. Paul, of the County of Gloucester and State of New Jersey, are held and firmly bound unto the Board of chosen Freeholders of the County of Gloucester, in the sum of five hundred Pounds in Gold and Silver money, to be paid to the <sup>s<sup>d</sup></sup> Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Gloucester, their certain Attorney, or Successors in office; for which payment well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, and each of us by himself, for & in the whole, our Heirs, Executors and Administrators, and each of us, firmly by these presents; Sealed with our Seals; Dated the eleventh day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety-eight (1798).

The Condition of this obligation is such, that if the above bound Joel Westcott, Collector for the County of Gloucester, shall well and truly perform all the duties of his <sup>s<sup>d</sup></sup> office as County Collector for the County <sup>s<sup>d</sup></sup> agreeably to Law, then this obligation to be void; otherwise to be and remain in full force & virtue.

JOEL WESTCOTT. [L. S.]  
 JAMES STRATTON. [L. S.]  
 SAM'L L. PAUL. [L. S.]

Sealed and done in the presence of  
 F. DAVENPORT,  
 ISRAEL LOCK.

*Township Collector's Oath of Office, 1798.*

I, James Jaggard, do Solemnly and sincerely promise and Swear, that I will in all things to the best of my knowledge and understanding, well, Justly and faithfully Execute the office of Collector of the publick taxes, for the township of deptford, in the County of Gloucester, for the year 1798.

JAMES JAGGARD.

Sworn and Subscribed the 11<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1798, before me.

WILM. TATEM.

One of the Justices of the Peace in and for the County of Gloucester.

*Assessor's Oath of Office, 1799.*

I, Michael C. Fisher, Assessor of the Township of Deptford, do Solemnly and sincerely promise and affirm, that I will truly, faithfully, honestly, and impartially value and assess the rateable estates in the Township of Deptford, in the County of Gloucester, and that, in making such valuations and Assessments, I will, to the best of my knowledge and Judgment, observe the directions of the Law respecting the same.

MICHAEL C. FISHER.

Affirmed before me, March 13<sup>th</sup>, 1799.

JOHN SPARKS.

*Assessor's Oath of Office, 1812.*

I, Thomas Bee, do Solemnly and Sincerely promise and affirm, that I will truly, faithfully, honestly, and impartially value and assess the rateable Estates in the township of Deptford, in the County of Gloucester; and that, in making such valuations and assessments, I will, to the best of my knowledge and Judgment, observe the directions of the Law Respecting the Same.

THOMAS BEE.

March 16th, 1812. Aff<sup>d</sup> & Subscribed before me,

JAS<sup>s</sup> MATLACK, J. Peace.

*Overseer of Poor's Account, 1803.*

*DR.—The Overseer of the Poor, Biddle Reeves,*

1803,		
March 12.	To Balance remaining in his Hand, as per Settlement made this Day.....	\$138.77    \$138.77
	" Cash rec <sup>d</sup> of Mark Brown, late Collector..	200.00    200.00
	" a fine rec <sup>d</sup> .....	2.00    2.00
	" amount of Strays.....	2.77    2.77
	" Cash rec <sup>d</sup> of Isaiah Ward, Lydia Ward's third.....	6.67    6.67
	" Cash rec <sup>d</sup> of Thomas Cox's Dividend.....	6.52    6.52
	" Cash rec <sup>d</sup> of Richard Clark, Hannah Gibson's third.....	23.11    23.11
		<u>\$379.84    \$379.84</u>

*In Account Current with the Township of Deptford.—CR.*

1804,		
March.	By the following Sums expended for the use of the Poor:	
	" Thomas Needs.....	\$14.00
	" Peter Osbeck.....	18.67
	" Thomas Cox.....	14.00
	" Margaret Tate.....	14.00
	" Hannah Gibbet.....	10.37
	" Mary Hendrickson.....	28.00
	" Joseph Gibson.....	28.00
	" Joanne Steers.....	28.00
	" Mary Micklebury.....	7.00
	" Julian Jackson.....	8.00
	" Margaret Birch.....	14.00
	" Ann Langley.....	14.00
	" Lydia Ward.....	8.67
	" Margaret Hall.....	18.67
	" Martha Clark.....	28.00
	" Doct William N. Lummis.....	1.25
	" Doct Thomas Hendry.....	.75
	" Mary Leeman.....	16.00
	" Moving Poor, &c.....	5.00
	" Clothing & medicine.....	20.57
	" Wm Carl's Infant Child.....	10.00
	" Elizabeth Carathers.....	2.00
	" Compensation for his Services.....	5.00
		<u>\$109.97</u>
	Balance remaining in Biddle Reeves' Hands.....	09.87
		<u>\$119.84</u>

We, the undersigned (Township Committee), having examined and settled the Account of the Overseer of the Poor, Find a Balance of Sixty nine Dollars and Eighty seven Cents remaining in his Hands unexpended.  
 Done at Woodberry, 12<sup>th</sup> March, 1804.

DAVID WARD,  
 JOHN TATEM, JUN<sup>r</sup>,  
 WILLIAM COOPER,  
 HENRY EULON, JUN<sup>r</sup>,  
 JEREMIAH WOOD,  
 Township Committee.

*Election Returns, 1804.*

We, the Judge and Inspectors of Election of the Township of Deptford, in the County of Gloucester and State of New Jersey, do hereby certify, that having proceeded to receive the Votes of the Voters of the said Township, the following is a List of all the Candidates Voted for, for Electors, of President and Vice-President of the United States, and of the number of Votes for each.

- Solomon Freleigh, One Hundred and forty-three Votes.
- Alexander Carmichael, One Hundred & forty-three Votes.
- Phineas Manning, One Hundred and forty-two Votes.
- William Russell, One Hundred and forty-two Votes.
- Thomas Newbold, One Hundred and forty-three Votes.
- Mose Furman, One Hundred and forty-three Votes.
- Jacob Husly, One Hundred and forty-two Votes.
- Abijah Smith, One Hundred and forty-two Votes.

The whole number of Votes receiv'd one Hundred & forty-three. In Testimony whereof, we have herewith Subscribed our Names and affixed our Seals, this Seventh day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight Hundred and four (1804).

JOEL WESTCOTT, Judge. [L.S.]  
 JAMES MATLACK, Assr. [L.S.]  
 EPHRAIM MILLER, Collect. [L.S.]

*Ordinance Relating to Swine in Woodbury, 1804.*

At an Annual Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Township of Deptford held at Woodbury the 14<sup>th</sup> day of the 3<sup>d</sup> mo (March), 1804. Said meeting taking into consideration the damage done by Swine in the Streets of Woodbury, by their rooting therein, and on unimproved Lots, and particularly, their distraction of ornamental trees in tearing up the roots thereof, Do Resolve,

That after the first day of April next, every Swine of six months old & upwards, found in the street, without two twisted wire rings in his Snout, may be taken up by any person living in said Town & impounded, and the owner be subject to a penalty of twenty-five Cents, and every Pig of three months old, or younger, if weaned from its mother, without one twisted ring, may be impounded, and the owner be subject to the penalty of twelve and a half cents, and if no owner appears within three days after impounding, the person who has impounded said swine shall put rings in his, or their noses, for which he shall receive twelve and a half cents for each ring, to be paid for by the owner of said swine; but if no owner appears within said time, the person who has impounded said swine may, with the approbation in writing of any two Freeholders in the town of Woodbury, sell said swine, and the money arising therefrom to be appropriated to the payment of damages done by swine in the town of Woodbury aforesaid.

BENJAMIN RULON, Clk.

*Election Returns, 1806.*

A true List of the Names of all the Candidates nominated in the County of Gloucester in the State of New Jersey to be Voted for at the annual Election in October next, with the Offices proposed for each of them respectively:

For members of the Legislative Council: Joseph Rogers, Samuel W. Harrison, Joseph Cooper, John Brick.

For members of the General Assembly: Robert Newell, Benjamin Rulon, Japhet Ireland, Junr, John Brick, John Gill, Reuben Clark, Enoch Risley, Thomas Clark, Junr, Abraham Inskoop, Amos Cooper, Richard Higbee, Matthew Gill, Senr, Samuel Clement, Michael C. Fisher, Samuel W. Harrison, Jos. C. Swett, Samuel French (farmer), Richard M. Cooper, Abel Clement.

For Sheriff: Richard Matlack, Ephraim Miller, Micajah Clement, Josiah Eldredge, Joseph V. Clark, Isaac Pine.

For Coroners: Joseph Sloan, James Miller, Daniel Lake, Enoch Risley, John Clark, Jacob Stokes, John Piesant, Daniel Carrell, Jonathan Steelman, Mark Brown, Isaac Hughes, Aaron Wood, Joseph Collins, Cooper Paul.

In testimony whereof I have herewith set my hand this first Day of September, A.D. One Thousand eight Hundred and Six.

C. OGDEN, Clk.

For AMOS CAMPBELL, Clerk of the Township of Deptford.

*Election Returns, 1808.*

We, the Judge and Inspectors of Election of the Township of Deptford in the County of Gloucester do hereby certify, that having proceeded to receive the votes of the voters of the said Township the following is a list of all the candidates voted for, of the offices proposed for them, and of the number of votes of each.

For members of the tenth congress of the United States:

Alam Boyd hath Ninety votes.....	90
Ebenezer Elmer hath Fifty two votes.....	52
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The whole number of votes received is one hundred and forty-two votes.

In testimony whereof, we have herewith subscribed our names and affixed our seals this ninth day of March in the year of our LORD one thousand eight hundred and eight (1808).

JAMES B. CALDWELL, Judge of Election. [L.S.]  
 AARON WOOD, Assessor. [L.S.]  
 THOMAS WOOD, Collector. [L.S.]

*Accounts for Coffin Furnished.*

1809, August 22th. Dr. to John Sizemerman.	
To Making a Ridg Lin Coffin for Benj <sup>m</sup> Smalwood Son of James Smalwood.....	\$9.00
1810, January 15th. Dr. to John Simmerman.	
To Making a Ridg Lin Coffin for Motherinlaw of Benjamin Haina.....	\$9.00
1811, March 3th. Dr. to John Simmerman.	
To Making Coffin for Clarura Stewart Died at Margaret Fitzpatrick's.....	\$9.00

*Names of Voters at special Election for Congress, 1810.*

A pole list of the Votes taken in the Township of Deptford in One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ten at the Election for a Congress Man to Suply the Place of Genl James Cox (who has deceased) in the Eleventh Congress of the United States as per the Governor's Proclamation, 1810, held on the Thertyeth day of October at the House of Ebenezer Witney Inkeeper and on the Therty first day of the aforesaid Month at the Court House in Woodbury.

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|--|-------------------------------------|
| 1. Henry Balon.  | 14. John Cade.                      |
| 2. William Tatum, J <sup>r</sup> .   | 15. Josiah Clark, J <sup>r</sup> .  |
| 3. Ephraim Miller.   | 16. Henakiah Heyppard.              |
| 4. Isaac Collins, Senr.  | 17. Abel Rulon.                     |
| 5. Steaven Simes.  | 18. Richard French.                 |
| Fifteen minutes Past three O'clock P. M. then the Pole ajord to the Court House in Woodbury unto Eleven O'clock A. M., and there appears to be five Votes Taken. | 19. Peter Wbenton, J <sup>r</sup> . |
| 6. William Tatum, Esqr.  | 20. John M. Gibson.                 |
| 7. Samuel Ladd.  | 21. John Woodard.                   |
| 8. Henry Roe, Senr.  | 22. Aaron Lewis.                    |
| 9. Tuctor Thomas Hendry.   | 23. Wm. Lawrence.                   |
| 10. Charis Ogden, Esqr.  | 24. Wm. Brick.                      |
| 11. Amos Cooper, Esqr.   | 25. Mark Brown.                     |
| Twenty minutes past 12 o'clock the Pole ajord until Two oclo A.M. and there appears Next Day to be Eleven Votes taken.   | 26. Cpt. John Zane, Esqr.           |
| 12. Samuel Clark.  | 27. William Hopper.                 |
| 13. Isaac Wilkins.   | 28. Job Brown.                      |
| At seven o'clock the pole then closed after taking thirty four votes. Woodbury October 31st 1810.  | 29. Samuel C. Wood.                 |
|  | 30. William Bennet.                 |
|  | 31. Cpt. Randall Sparks.            |
|  | 32. Thomas Sandrows.                |
|  | 33. Thomas Scott, J <sup>r</sup> .  |
|  | 34. Calob Siester.                  |

WILLIAM TATUM, J<sup>R</sup>, Judge.  
 EPHRAIM MILLER, Assessor.  
 JOSIAH CLARK, Clk.  
 ABEL RULON, Clk. P. Tem.

*Ye Old Time Account against the Township.*

1812. Deptford Township Dr. to Jesse Smith.	
March 12.	
To 1/2 Gill Gin.....	\$0.6
To Point of Lisbon Wine.....	.50
To 3/4 Point Gin.....	.25
To 1 Ditto, Ditto.....	.25
To 1/2 Gill Ditto, Ditto.....	.25
To 6 Dinera.....	.06 1/4
To 1/2 Point Brandy at Diner.....	3.00
To 2 Mugs Beer at Ditto.....	.25
To 1/2 Point Spirit at Ditto.....	.25
To 1/2 Point Gin.....	.25
To Segars.....	.18 1/2
To 1/2 Point Gin.....	.25
To 1 Ditto, Ditto.....	.25
To 8 Suppers a ST 1/2 Cents.....	1.00
	\$4.11

The following indorsement was written on the back of the above bill of liquid items:

"At an Annual Town meeting of the Inhabitants of the Township of Deptford held at the Court-House the 11<sup>th</sup> day of March, 1812.  
 "It was agreed that the Committee nominally appointed to Count the Votes for officers of said Township should have their expenses paid by said Township while engaged therein. And the within being the bill of said expenses—The Collector is hereby authorized to discharge the same, it being eight dollars and 81 cents.

"SAML. WEBSTER, Junr. Clk."

*Transfer of Township Books, 1812.*

I Henry Rulon do Solemnly Sincerely and Truly declare and affirm that I have Given up all the Books and Papers with the Election Box, that belongs to the Township of Deptfor in the County of Gloucester unto Samuel Webster Jr my Successor in office.

HENRY RULON late Town Clk.

Woodbury 3 mo 14<sup>th</sup> 1812, Aft<sup>d</sup> & subscribed Before me

JAS MATLACK.

*Suppression of Vice and Immorality.*

At a town-meeting of the citizens of Deptford, held at the Court-House, March 3, 1813, the following resolution was adopted:

As vice and immorality prevail at the present day to a considerable degree among us—when the appearances of Divine Judgement are marked by recent calamitous events—the pestilence which walketh in darkness in our vicinity are indications of guilt and danger too visible to be mistaken, and too alarming not to be felt. The portentous and diverse visitations of the Justice of the Supreme being, together with state of Religion, and the prevalence of iniquity in various forms and degrees, give us great reason to use our best endeavors for the promotion of Morality and Virtue.

Wherefore, Resolved by the inhabitants of the township of Deptford in Town Meeting legally assembled, that a committee of the said township be and is hereby appointed, consisting of the following persons:

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| John Reeves.        | Levi Hopper.         |
| Joseph Clement.     | James Davis.         |
| James B. Caldwell.  | John G. Whitall.     |
| Richard Snowdon.    | Paul Cooper.         |
| James Matlack, Esq. | Isaac Collins.       |
| James Saunders.     | James Cooper.        |
| Amos Cooper, Esq.   | Andrew Dilks.        |
| Nathaniel Todd.     | Joseph Dilks, Esq.   |
| John Tatum, Jr.     | Edward Turner.       |
| Franklin Davenport. | John Tice, Esq.      |
| Charles Ogden.      | James Hopkins, Esq.  |
| Phineas Lord.       | James Jaggard, Esq.  |
| Jonathan Brown.     | John Rambo.          |
| Edmund Brewer.      | Moreton Stille.      |
| Henry Bee.          | John S. Whitall.     |
| Biddle Reeves.      | Peter String.        |
| Joseph Reeves.      | J. B. Smallwood.     |
| Aaron Wood.         | William Nicholson.   |
| Joshua Lord.        | John Marshall, Esq.  |
| William Cooper.     | John Swope.          |
| Marmaduke Wood.     | George Ward.         |
| William Tatem, Jr.  | Thomas Bee.          |
| Samuel Whitall.     | Benjamin W. Wilkins. |
| William Horvey.     | William Jouse.       |

And that this Committee be requested to present and bring forward agreeably to Law, before any Justice of the Peace in the aforesaid township, all and every person whom they may find guilty of vice and immorality, and that we, the inhabitants above mentioned, will defend all persons who shall convict the guilty within the limits of the said township.

Resolved, That copies of the above preamble and resolution, signed by the presiding officer and clerk of this meeting, be sent to each township in Gloucester County.

JAMES MATLACK,  
*Presiding Officr.*

SAMUEL WEBSTER, Junr., *Clk.*

*Taxes Remitted, 1816.*

The following is a Statement of All the taxes Remitted by us, the Subscribers, Commissioners of Appeal for the Township of Deptford in the year 1816

Josiah Heritage.....	\$6.50	
John G. Williams.....	3.82	
Samuel Porch.....	7.50	
John Watson (weelright).....	4.75	\$34.47
Appulo Woodard.....	.20	
Hers of Isaac Wilkins.....	9.00	
Jacob Park Junr.....	2.00	
Mark Clement.....	4.50 Dog tax	
William Gardiner.....	.50 Dog tax	
David Fignon.....	5.00 Dog tax	
John Down.....	4.50 Dog tax	16.00
Andrew Ware.....	.50 Dog tax	
William Crump.....	.50 Dog tax	
Thomas Rollins.....	.50 Dog tax	
James Jaggard Jr.....	6.00 Exempt fine	12.00
Moses Wilson.....	6.00 Do Do	
Total.....		\$62.47

Woodbury, Nov<sup>r</sup> 12th, 1816.

THOMAS BEE,  
 JAMES JAGGARD.

*Bill for Sheep Killed, 1820.*

Gloucester, ss.  
 Stephen Clark's }  
 Return of Loss on Sheep } on application to receive  
 a Compensation for dam-  
 ages done by Dogs to  
 Sheep.

Whereupon Thomas I. Sparks and Wm C. Dilks Viewers called upon by Stephen Clark to view Sheep killed by Dogs; having made out a return duly executed and affirmed to pursuant to an Act in such case made & provided.

Which return returns of record and Sets forth the damage to be

- two dead valued at.....	175 each,	\$3.50
three mortally wounded.....	200 Do	6.00
two badly wounded.....	100 Do	2.00
eight Slightly wounded.....	50 Do	4.00
Fees for Appraisers.....	75 Do	1.50
Do for Justice of the peace.....	50 Do	.50
		\$17.50

THOMAS I. SPARKS, app<sup>r</sup> aff<sup>d</sup>  
 STEPHEN CLARK owder aff<sup>d</sup>  
 May 3<sup>d</sup> 1820 before me

JAMES MATLACK, J Peace.

In Testimony that the above is truly transacted from my Docket I have set my hand & seal this 3d day of May A.D. 1820.

[SEAL:] JAMES MATLACK,  
*Judice of the Peace.*

TOWN CLERKS, 1809-83.

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|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1809. David C. Wood.            | 1841-45. William D. Scott.         |
| 1810-11. Henry Rulon.           | 1846-47. Samuel E. Tatem.          |
| 1812. Samuel Webster, Jr.       | 1848-49. William R. H. Sailer.     |
| 1813. William Roe.              | 1850, 1852-53. Benjamin F. Carter. |
| 1814. William Sailer.           | 1851. William R. Mankin.           |
| 1815. Thomas Saunders.          | 1854-60. Henry C. Clark.           |
| 1816. James Roe.                | 1861. Josiah S. Franklin.          |
| 1817-19. Jacob Glover.          | 1862-63. James Moore.              |
| 1820. Joseph Saunders.          | 1864-70. George E. Pierson.        |
| 1821-25. John C. Smallwood.     | 1871-77, 1879. Geo. W. Gardiner.   |
| 1826-29, 1832. Chalkley Glover. | 1878. James M. Sailer.             |
| 1830-31. Josiah S. Franklin.    | 1880-81. C. Seldot Johnson.        |
| 1832-38. John B. Harrison.      | 1882-83. John T. Pierson.          |
| 1839-40. George M. Paul.        |                                    |

ASSESSORS, 1809-83.

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| 1809. Joseph Hinchman.             | 1848-50. Samuel E. Tatem.   |
| 1810-11. Ephraim Miller.           | 1851-53. William Rambo.     |
| 1812-14, 1818-21. Thomas Bee.      | 1854-56. Joseph Carter.     |
| 1815. Elijah Porch.                | 1857-58. Charles C. Ford.   |
| 1816. Aaron Wood.                  | 1859-61. James H. Pierson.  |
| 1817. Henry Roe, Jr.               | 1862-64. Thomas P. Mathers. |
| 1822-31, 1839-43. Joseph Saunders. | 1868-70. Adon W. Cattell.   |
| 1832-38. Josiah S. Franklin.       | 1871-73. Edward P. Steward. |
| 1844-45, 1865-67. David B. Leslie. | 1874. Samuel Tatem.         |
| 1846-47. William D. Scott.         | 1875-83. Chalkley Duell.    |

COLLECTORS, 1809-83.

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|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1809, 1815-18. John Rambo. | 1813. Josiah Clark.     |
| 1810. Josiah Clark, Jr.    | 1814. James Hinchman.   |
| 1811. Randal Sharks.       | 1816. Benjamin Wilkins. |
| 1812. Jesse Smith.         | 1817. John D. Scott.    |

1819. Ephraim Miller.  
 1820. Amos Campbell.  
 1821. Joseph Saunders.  
 1822-31. Joseph Curtis.  
 1822-37, 1842-45. Joseph Franklin  
 1828-39. Samuel E. Tatum.  
 1840. Moses W. Mickle.  
 1841, 1846-49. George M. Paul.  
 1850-52. Edwin Stokes.

1853. Robert Brewer.  
 1854-56. William E. Hopkins.  
 1857. Clement Whitall.  
 1858-60. John I. Estell.  
 1861-69. John Clark.  
 1870. Joseph Paul.  
 1871-77. William S. Cattell.  
 1878. Ezekiel C. Mount.  
 1879-83. Michael Hays Perry.

## FREEHOLDERS, 1809-1883.

1809.—Joshua L. Howell and Amos Cooper.  
 1810.—Amos Cooper and Benjamin Eulon.  
 1811.—James Hopkins, Esq., and Randal Sparks.  
 1812.—James Matlack and James Saunders.  
 1813.—Job Brown and William Tatum, Jr.  
 1814.—Job Brown and Savil Wilson.  
 1815.—James Matlack, Esq., and Biddle Reeves.  
 1816-18.—Biddle Reeves and James Matlack.  
 1819.—James Matlack and Job Brown.  
 1820-21.—James Matlack and Henry Osborn.  
 1822.—Benjamin Wilkins and Ephraim Miller.  
 1823.—Jacob Ogden and Benjamin Wilkins.  
 1824-27, 1833-37.—Jacob Glover and Benjamin Wilkins.  
 1828.—James Matlack and Jacob Glover.  
 1829-30, 1832.—Jacob Glover and Joseph Dilks.  
 1831.—Joseph Dilks and Josiah Tatum.  
 1838-39.—John B. Jessup and James Matlack.  
 1840-41, 1843-45.—Michael C. Fisher and John B. Jessup.  
 1842.—M. C. Fisher and Joshua Matlack.  
 1846-50.—Joseph Saunders and Benjamin C. Tatum.  
 1851, 1853-54.—William E. Tatum and Joseph Franklin.  
 1852.—William E. Tatum and William R. Clark.  
 1855-57.—Joseph Tatum and Joseph Clement.  
 1858-60.—William C. Sparks and Carlton P. Stokes.  
 1861-63.—Samuel Hopkins and Nathan S. Abbott.  
 1864.—Samuel Hopkins and Daniel J. Packer.  
 1865-67.—Daniel J. Packer and Ezekiel C. Mount.  
 1868.—E. C. Mount and John L. C. Tatem.  
 1869-70.—J. L. C. Tatem and William Knight.  
 1871-73.—George B. Ward and Caleb C. Ponceast.  
 1874.—C. C. Ponceast and Edward P. Stewart.  
 1875-76.—Edward P. Stewart and Henry M. Leap.  
 1877.—Henry M. Leap and Isaac Jaggard.  
 1878-79.—Isaac F. Jaggard and D. Cooper Cattell.  
 1880.—D. C. Cattell and James A. Porch.  
 1881-82.—James A. Porch and Randall M. Stevenson.  
 1883.—R. M. Stevenson and Phillip A. Mason.

## TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE, 1809-1883.

1809.—Thomas Bee, James Saunders, Savil Wilson, Samuel Ladd, and Biddle Reeves.  
 1810.—James Saunders, Thomas Bee, Randal Sparks, Samuel Ladd, and William Cooper.  
 1811.—James Saunders, Samuel Wood, Esq., James Matlack, Esq., James Stephens, and John Tatum, Jr.  
 1812.—William Cooper, Joshua Lord, Henry Eulon, Jonathan Brown, and James Saunders.  
 1813.—Jonathan Brown, James Matlack, Esq., John Marshall, John Cooper, and Josiah Tatum.  
 1814.—Job Brown, James Stephens, James Saunders, Ward Wilkins, and Joseph B. Snaillwood.  
 1815.—John Tatem, Jr., William Cooper, Aaron Wood, Marmaduke Wood, and John Morrow.  
 1816.—John Morrow, Jonathan Brown, William Cooper, Marmaduke Wood, and Josiah Tatum.  
 1817.—Samuel Wood, Marmaduke Wood, Jacob Glover, Thomas Bee, and Josiah Tatum.  
 1818.—Paul Sears, Mark Brown, Josiah Heritage, Josiah Tatum, and Ephraim Miller.  
 1819.—Joseph Wilson, Benajah Andrus, Moreton Stille, Job Brown, and Josiah Heritage.  
 1820.—James Davis, Jesse Smith, William Sailer, John D. Scott, and Joseph Wilson.  
 1821.—Paul Sears, John Downe, Jesse Smith, Charles Wilkins, and James Davis.

1822.—Paul Sears, Joseph Dilks, Jesse Smith, Jeremiah J. Fisher, and Josiah Stokes.  
 1823.—Amos Clark, Paul Sears, Charles Wilkins, Jesse Smith, and Josiah Heritage.  
 1824.—Paul Sears, Jesse Smith, J. J. Foster, Charles Wilkins, and Amos Cattell.  
 1825-26.—Jesse Smith, Charles Wilkins, Paul Sears, Randall W. Morgan, and Samuel M. Reeves.  
 1827.—James Matlack, Esq., R. W. Morgan, C. Wilkins, P. Sears, and Jesse Smith.  
 1828.—J. J. Foster, Josiah Tatem, John Wilkins, Jr., Jesse Smith, and Peter Rambo.  
 1829.—J. Smith, Paul Sears, Charles Wilkins, and Josiah Heritage.  
 1830.—J. J. Foster, Charles F. Wilkins, James L. Gibbs, Paul Sears, and John Downe.  
 1831.—Randall W. Morgan, P. Sears, J. L. Gibbs, C. F. Wilkins, and J. J. Foster.  
 1832.—R. W. Morgan, Thomas Bee, Paul Sears, C. F. Wilkins, and J. J. Foster. Michael C. Fisher, appointed.  
 1833.—J. J. Foster, James Matlack, Josiah Heritage, Paul Sears, and Jesse Smith.  
 1834.—Joseph Saunders, Josiah Heritage, P. Sears, Jesse Smith, and Charles Knight.  
 1835.—R. W. Morgan, Charles Knight, Paul Sears, James Matlack, and Joseph Saunders.  
 1836-37.—Joseph Saunders, James Matlack, James Davis, Charles Knight, and Joseph Stokes.  
 1838.—J. Saunders, Ephraim Miller, J. Davis, Charles Knight, and J. Matlack.  
 1839.—J. Saunders, C. Knight, George M. Paul, James Matlack, and J. Davis.  
 1840.—Charles Knight, J. Saunders, Peter Snyder, James Davis, and Daniel Lamb.  
 1841.—Daniel Lamb, David B. Leslie, Joseph Saunders, Charles Hopkins, and Charles Knight.  
 1842.—C. Hopkins, Joseph Saunders, Daniel Lamb, Daniel J. Packer, and James Davis.  
 1843.—Joseph Saunders, John Cattell, J. Davis, Griffith M. Hopkins, and D. J. Packer.  
 1844.—Josiah S. Franklin, James Davis, D. J. Packer, G. M. Hopkins, and John Cattell.  
 1845-46.—Edward H. Saunders, G. M. Hopkins, J. S. Franklin, J. Cattell, and D. J. Packer.  
 1847.—James L. Gibbs, G. M. Hopkins, E. H. Saunders, J. S. Franklin, and D. J. Packer.  
 1848.—D. J. Packer, J. S. Franklin, Henry Braslaw, James L. Gibbs, and Joseph W. Reeves.  
 1849.—William E. Tatum, Joseph Clement, Jr., John M. Saunders, D. J. Packer, and Isaac Lodge.  
 1850.—Joseph Clement, Jr., William C. Sparks, William E. Tatum, John M. Saunders, and D. J. Packer.  
 1851.—George M. Paul, James Cooper, Charles Sterling, Benjamin L. Gibbs, and Joseph Clement, Jr.  
 1852.—Robert Brewer, B. L. Gibbs, Joseph Clement, J. Cooper, and G. M. Paul.  
 1853.—G. M. Paul, James Cooper, Richard M. Wilkins, Harper Davis, and Samuel H. Kirby.  
 1854.—James Cooper, Harper Davis, S. H. Kirby, Edwin Stokes, and Isaac Lodge.  
 1855.—Edwin Stokes, Benjamin P. Howell, Harper Davis, S. H. Kirby, and Josiah Budd.  
 1856.—William C. Sparks, George B. Ward, J. Budd, B. F. Howell, and E. Stokes.  
 1857.—B. P. Howell, J. Budd, W. C. Sparks, George B. Ward, and Joseph Z. Pierson.  
 1858.—George B. Ward, Benjamin C. Tatem, David Fletcher, D. J. Packer, and Samuel Hopkins.  
 1859.—Ezekiel C. Mount, B. C. Tatem, D. Fletcher, D. J. Packer, and Samuel Hopkins.  
 1860.—E. C. Mount, D. Fletcher, B. C. Tatem, D. J. Packer, and Samuel Hopkins.  
 1861-62.—Alfred C. Githens, William Rambo, B. C. Tatem, D. J. Packer, and E. C. Mount.  
 1863.—E. C. Mount, D. J. Packer, Benjamin S. Thackara, W. Rambo, and A. T. Githens.  
 1864.—Isaac C. Stevenson, B. S. Thackara, A. T. Githens, W. Rambo, and E. C. Mount.

- 1865.—W. Rambo, A. T. Githens, B. S. Thackara, Isaac C. Stevenson, and Edward P. Stewart.  
 1866.—James Moore, E. P. Stewart, I. C. Stevenson, B. S. Thackara, and W. Rambo.  
 1867.—Branson L. Ore, William A. Mullen, E. P. Stewart, I. C. Stevenson, and B. S. Thackara.  
 1868.—John C. Budd, Henry M. Leap, Branson L. Ore, William A. Mullen, and E. P. Stewart.  
 1869-70.—William E. Hopkins, J. C. Budd, H. M. Leap, W. A. Mullen, and E. P. Stewart.  
 1871.—E. P. Stewart, H. M. Leap, John C. Turner, Benjamin T. Haines, and Charles T. Malony.  
 1872.—John Stewart, H. M. Leap, John C. Turner, B. T. Haines, and C. T. Malony.  
 1873-74.—Robert S. Muller, John Stewart, C. T. Malony, B. T. Haines, and J. C. Turner.  
 1875.—J. C. Turner, George M. Eastlack, C. T. Malony, John G. Stewart, and Robert Muller.  
 1876-77.—J. C. Turner, I. C. Stevenson, Isaac Carson, G. M. Eastlack, and Robert S. Muller.  
 1878.—Elliott K. Turner, Isaac Carson, I. C. Stevenson, G. M. Eastlack, and J. C. Turner.  
 1879.—E. K. Turner, Isaac Carson, and E. P. Stewart.  
 1880-82.—E. K. Turner, Edward P. Stewart, and C. T. Malony.  
 1883.—Edward P. Stewart, Allison K. Turner, and Benjamin T. Haines.

## CONSTABLES, 1808-1883.

1808-13. Andrew Ware. John Cade.	1831-33. John Cade. Isiah Dill.
1814. John Cade. Thomas Whitecar. <sup>1</sup>	1834-35. Isiah Dill. Samuel Kemble.
1815. John Cade. Job Jennings.	1836. Samuel Kemble.
1816. John Cade. Jacob Dehart.	1837-38. Samuel Coles. Samuel Kemble.
1817-18. Andrew Ware. Ward Wilson.	1839. Josiah Budd. Samuel Coles.
1819. Andrew Ware. Chester Dilkes.	1840. John Cade. Samuel Coles.
1820. Andrew Ware. Jacob Dehart.	1841. Samuel Coles.
1821. Andrew Ware. William Turner.	1842-44. Samuel Coles. Samuel Kemble.
1822. William Turner. Thomas Scott.	1845-46. Samuel Coles.
1823. John Smallwood. John Cade.	1847. Warner Cooper.
1824-27. John Cade. William Turner.	1848-52. John W. Chew.
1828. John Cade.	1853. Josiah Budd.
1829-30. Richard H. Tice. John Cade.	1854. Samuel Kemble.
	1855-66. John Clark.
	1867-70. Edward S. Packer.
	1871. George C. Cattell.
	1872-76. Edward S. Stewart.
	1877-83. Jonathan D. Cunard.

## VILLAGES AND HAMLETS.

**Almonesson** is a small hamlet situated on the eastern border of the township, near the Camden County line. The hamlet derives its name from Almonesson Creek, on which the town is built. Just who the pioneer settler was is unknown to any one now living in this vicinity, but it is positively known that there was a grist-mill here as early as 1800, and that soon thereafter the property was purchased by Daniel Lamb, who, in 1830, removed the grist-mill, and built in its place a cotton-factory, also built several of the dwellings that are now standing in the hamlet for the accommodation of the factory operatives. As soon as this was accomplished the place became known as *Lambtown*, and is so spoken of at

the present time by many of the middle-aged and older inhabitants, and the present name of Almonesson was given to the village in 1872 or 1873, when a post-office was established at this place.

The factory was destroyed by water in 1842, when the property was purchased by Joseph Conrow, who, in 1854 or 1855, built a brick grist mill, and in 1873 a Mr. Carman had become owner of the property, when he removed the brick mill, and erected in its place the present frame grist-mill, now owned by Joseph Rawl, or Roll, and operated by Nathan Jennings, miller.

The pioneer store at this place was kept by Daniel Lamb, who commenced the mercantile business here when he built the cotton-factory. Mr. Lamb has been succeeded in the mercantile business by Samuel Kirby, Joseph Conrow, James A. Porch, John Stewart, Fruth Wood, and George C. Cattell, the present merchant. The store property is owned by Joshua Cunard.

Among the blacksmiths that have worked at this place we find the names of Jonathan Heulings, William H. Carter, George C. Cattell, and Joseph North, the present blacksmith. The wheelwrights have been John Heulings, Robert Morgan, and John Simmerman, who is now the village wheelwright, and William G. Estlack is the village shoemaker. The first postmaster at Almonesson was Fruth Wood, and the present one is George C. Cattell, appointed in 1882. Among the oldest male inhabitants of this vicinity are Amos Cattell and Isaac F. Jaggard, each of whom has known Lambtown and Almonesson since the building of the first house in the place.

**Methodist Episcopal Church of Almonesson.**—Methodism at Lambtown, or Almonesson, owes its existence, no doubt, to Rev. Henry F. Cattell, who was a resident of this vicinity and a local preacher in the Methodist Church. He was in the habit of holding meetings wherever there was an opportunity, and in 1839 or 1840 a new school-house was built at Almonesson, and the deed specified "for school purposes, and meetings occasionally," whereupon Mr. Cattell took every occasion to comply with the terms of the deed, and the school-house was occupied by the Methodists till 1868, when their present neat and commodious little house of worship was erected.

Mr. Cattell not only filled the position of local preacher, but acted as class-leader until after the organization of the society, and among his members we find the following names: H. F. Cattell and wife, Samuel Morgan, James A. Porch and wife, James Springer and wife, Edward Barber, Ocean Westcott and wife, Joseph Estlack and wife, Isaac F. Jaggard, Mary Jaggard, Susan Lord. John P. Curtis was also a local preacher at this place, and had been such for some time previous to the organization of the society.

In the spring of 1868 the question of a new church building, separate from the school building, was discussed, and it was decided to build, when the follow-

<sup>1</sup> Job Jennings and James Hinchman were elected Dec. 28, 1814, to fill vacancy.

ing building committee was appointed: Samuel Peacock, Isaac F. Jaggard, and James A. Porch.

During the summer of 1868 the present frame meeting-house was built, at a cost of fifteen hundred dollars, the lot upon which the church stands being donated by Mr. John Stewart. The corner-stone was laid in August by Rev. Samuel Vanzant, the presiding elder of the district, according to the formula of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and in October of the same year the church was dedicated by Rev. Mr. Whitecar, with the services usual upon such occasions.

This society was placed on the circuit or charge with Blackwoodtown, and its first regular preacher was Rev. Joseph Stout. Among the ministers upon this charge we find the names of Revs. J. J. Sleeper, William Brooks, — Woolston, — Edwards, Samuel Parker, — White, John Stockton. This church was subsequently placed on the Hedding Circuit, where there appears to have been Revs. Johnson, — Thompson, — Lysel, D. Waters, P. Y. Calder, — Edwards, J. P. Conley, and Henry Zeller, the present pastor.

The first trustees of the church were Henry F. Cattell, Jacob F. Davis, James W. Pierce, and James Porch. The present class-leaders are Isaac F. Jaggard, Amos Cattell, and Edward Howey; Stewards, I. F. Jaggard, E. Howey, and George C. Estlack; Trustees, I. F. Jaggard, Amos Cattell, G. C. Estlack, E. Howey, Peter Budd, James A. Porch, and George W. Estlack. Mr. Jaggard is also superintendent of the Sunday-school, with an average attendance of fifty pupils and ten teachers.

**Westville** is located in the extreme northwest point of the township, as well as that of the county, and on the line of the Woodbury and Camden turnpike, as well as on the line of the West Jersey Railroad; also on the left bank of Big Timber Creek.

The little old town takes its name from Thomas West, who lived here as early as 1755, and at the beginning of the present century, and owned the land upon which the town is built. A tavern was kept here during the Revolutionary war, but attained no distinction as the headquarters of either American or British officers; neither was this place a strategic point worth striving for by either of the contending forces. In the early part of the present century Mr. West died, and his large plantation was divided and sold to parties not akin to the West family. That portion of the land lying west or southwest from the turnpike was purchased by Michael Newbold, and that portion now lying west of the railroad is still in possession of the Newbold heirs or descendants.

The old tavern was kept in 1828 by Thomas Knight, an uncle of the senior Thomas Knight, now a wheelwright in the village. As late as 1836 there were but seven houses in what is now the town of Westville.

In 1836 the old tavern was kept by Thomas Williams. Since then the house has been rebuilt, and

is now owned by the Kendrick estate; also thirty-three acres of land on the east side of the turnpike, and the wheelwright- and blacksmith-shops on the west side of the turnpike, now occupied by Henry Stanley. The Kendrick estate also own a large number of the houses and lots in the village.

The pioneer store at this place was kept by Isaac Doughten, in 1820, in the building now occupied by H. Stanley as a wheelwright-shop. At that time Mr. Doughten owned the land on both sides of the turnpike, and built the old store building. He was succeeded in the mercantile business by Benjamin Brown, and Brown by Joseph Conrow, both in the old Doughten store, the latter being the last merchant in the old store, about 1858.

The next merchant in Westville was E. C. Mount, a carpenter by trade. He built the store house in which his son, Clement C. Mount, is now doing business. Here he continued in trade until his decease. The third store building in this town was that of Charles Bedfield, just south of what is now Pratt's store. Joseph W. Pratt's store, between the turnpike and railroad, was built in 1879, and is now kept by Mr. Pratt.

The pioneer wheelwright in this place was John Chapman, who commenced business here in 1836. David Bowers was also one of the early wheelwrights in this town, as was also a man named Ellis. Thomas Knight commenced the wheelwright business here in 1843, in Doughten's old shop, and subsequently purchased the property he now owns, where he is still carrying on the wheelwright and blacksmith business. Mr. Knight was born in Woodbury in 1820. His father, John Knight, was also a native of this county.

The pioneer postmaster at Westville was Isaac Doughten, who kept the office in his store. He was succeeded by Benjamin Brown, and Brown by Conrow, and Conrow by Mr. Mount. The office is now kept in Mount's store, with Elwood C. Mount as postmaster.

The pioneer blacksmith at this place was Hartley Brick, whose shop was down near the creek, at the old crossing. He commenced business here as early as 1825. Isaac Doughten was the next blacksmith, in his old shop, and was succeeded by Thomas Knight.

In 1883 there was in the village one tavern, kept by R. Dillmore; two stores, C. C. Mount and J. W. Pratt; two wheelwrights, two blacksmith-shops, Methodist Episcopal Church, school-house, post-office, railroad station, and a population of nearly two hundred and fifty.

**Methodist Protestant Church.**—The church edifice, a small frame building, was built by the Presbyterians in 1860, and in 1868 it was purchased by Mr. Thackara, of Woodbury, for the Methodists of Westville, since which time it has been occupied by that denomination. This society is connected with Barnsboro, with Rev. R. B. Waples the present pastor, and has a membership of forty-five, with Barclay Small

and William Patterson as class-leaders. The trustees in 1883 were William Patterson, Alexander Cobden, Zachariah Patterson, David Thompson, and Thomas Knight, Jr.

The Sunday-school connected with this society was organized in 1860, with Josiah Barber as superintendent. The present superintendent is Alexander Cobden, with a school of fifty pupils and teachers.

**Wenonah** is situated on the main line of the West Jersey Railroad,  $11\frac{3}{10}$  miles from Camden ferry, six miles in an air-line from the Delaware River, three miles from Woodbury, the county-seat of Gloucester County, and one mile from the flourishing village of Mantua. It is in the midst of a beautifully rolling country, surrounded on all sides by some of the most highly cultivated and most valuable farm lands, in a State where the average value of land per acre is greater than in any other State in the Union.

The charter of the company, upon whose lands the town is situated, reads as follows:

"AN ACT to Incorporate the Mantua Land and Improvement Company, approved Feb. 21, 1871.

"WHEREAS, Horatio J. Mulford, Samuel A. Whitney, George Wood, John M. Moore, and others, their associates, own and have contracted to purchase certain tracts of land situate in the county of Gloucester, on and near the route of the West Jersey Railroad, which, with other land on and near said railroad, they intend to divide into lots and tracts, with the object, as well of laying out a town, as also of improving the country through which said railroad passes; and it is necessary, for the success of the undertaking, that they shall possess corporate powers, and shall be able to convey from time to time to purchasers, and to do all acts expedient or necessary, notwithstanding the death of any of said associates; therefore,

"1. Be it enacted by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey, That William J. Sewell, Thomas P. Carpenter, George Wood, Samuel A. Whitney, Samuel Hopkins, Horatio J. Mulford, George S. Harris, John F. Starr, John M. Moore, Benjamin F. Lee, and William F. Allen, and their associates, and all other persons who shall become subscribers to the capital stock hereby created, and their successors, shall be, and they hereby are, created a body politic and corporate, by the name of 'The Mantua Land and Improvement Company.'

"2. And be it enacted, That the capital stock of the said company shall be \$150,000, with the liberty to increase the same to \$300,000, to be divided into shares of 50 each."

The above-named incorporators were made the first board of directors of the company.

The tract of land is bounded on the south and west by Mantua Creek (a navigable stream to within half a mile of the property), and has an average elevation of more than fifty feet above its waters, rising to a summit of about one hundred feet, giving a surface of ground than which nothing more desirable for facility of drainage could be required.

The town plot, as now laid out, is about half a mile in length, extending north and south on each side of the railroad, and about one-third of a mile in width, and embraces fourteen squares or blocks of twelve building lots each, not including the hotel square nor those occupied by the parks. All lots are seventy-five feet front by one hundred and fifty feet deep from the side of the street, and selected by purchasers so as to front in any direction desired. All the streets are sixty-six feet in width, except Mantua Avenue,

which is one hundred feet, and West Jersey Avenue, one hundred and fifty feet (or seventy-five feet on each side of the railroad), exclusive of one hundred feet occupied by the track.

The whole tract owned by the company comprises between five hundred and six hundred acres, and extends for a mile along the railroad, the station, consisting of a handsome passenger depot and freight-house, and convenient turnout and wagon-sheds, being nearly in the centre.

The hotel and four cottages were erected in 1872. T. W. Synnott and George W. Bailey were the first to erect cottages for the purpose of occupying them. Mr. Synnott built upon the northeast corner of Clinton and Mantua Avenues, and Mr. Bailey erected his house on the southeast corner of Clinton and Mantua Avenues. There were in 1883 about fifty cottages on the tract, and a population of three hundred. Present officers of the Mantua Land and Improvement Company are: President, H. J. Mulford; Secretary and Treasurer, George W. Bailey; Agent, E. J. Lloyd; Directors, Hon. W. J. Sewell, Hon. Jared Hopkins, T. W. Synnott, George S. Harris, Stephen Greene, W. F. Allen, I. C. Stevenson, Woodward Warwick, Hon. John F. Starr, and John P. Whitney.

The public school-house was built in 1873.

**Borough of Wenonah.**—The village was incorporated under what is known as the "Borough Commission Act," in April, 1883.

**Civil List.**—President, George W. Bailey; Members of Council, T. W. Synnott, A. W. Carey, I. C. Stevenson, J. F. Shull, C. J. Johnston, and M. H. Perry.

The town plot was surveyed in the spring of 1871, and the first building erected thereon was the present hotel, and the first residents as above stated.

The pioneer store was opened in 1872 by B. Packer, who was succeeded by — Perry. This store was on the corner of Mantua Avenue, below the railroad station, and in this building — Bateman opened a grocery- and feed-store in the spring of 1883.

The store house now occupied by Benjamin F. Cole as a store and post-office was built in 1880.

The pioneer post-office in this place was kept in the railroad depot, with Sally Ballinger as postmistress. She was succeeded in 1881 by B. F. Cole, who now keeps the office in his store, on Mantua Avenue, above the railroad station.

The pioneer resident physician was Dr. Finch, who located here in the spring of 1882.

The hotel property was purchased in the spring of 1883 by Mrs. Lynch, the present manager, who has made this a favorite resort for summer boarders.

**Presbyterian Church.**—The Presbyterian Church edifice is a frame structure, built in 1873, at a cost of about four thousand dollars, and dedicated by Rev. Dr. Reed, of Camden. There were but seventeen members at that time, with Rev. John Howard O'Brian as pastor, who remained till the spring of





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1883. The first and only elder for several years was Isaac C. Stevenson, who, with George L. McGill, are the present elders. The church in 1883 numbered fifty members.

The trustees in 1883 were George W. Bailey, T. W. Synnott, Dr. Gilman, G. Green, and I. C. Stevenson.

**Methodist Episcopal Church.**—The Methodist Episcopal Church at this place was built in 1883.

## BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES.

### ELLISON K. TURNER.

John Turner, the grandfather of Ellison K., who came of sturdy English stock, was born in Washington township, Gloucester Co., and was reared in childhood to follow the occupations of his after life, those of a carpenter and farmer. He married Miss Elizabeth Carter, and had children fourteen in number, among whom was Joseph, born on the homestead, which is his present residence. His life has been devoted to farming pursuits, in which success has crowned his many years of industry. Mr. Turner married Miss Achsah, daughter of Samuel Kirby, of Camden Co., N. J., whose children are Mary Ann (deceased), Martha (Mrs. Leap), Sarah (Mrs. Stanger), Robert, Elizabeth (Mrs. B. H. Leap), Burroughs, Anne (Mrs. Wilkins), Abigail (Mrs. Williams), and Ellison K. The latter was born March 26, 1833, on the homestead, and spent his early life in the immediate vicinity. At the age of nine years he removed with his parents to the farm at present owned by him, which was purchased from his father. Limited opportunities of education were offered at this time, the boys of the family having been early required to take a hand in the labor of the farm. Ellison K. remained thus employed until twenty-nine years of age. In 1864 he became owner of his present home, which under his skillful management has increased greatly in value and been rendered very productive, a spacious and attractive residence having taken the place of the former dwelling. He is principally engaged in market gardening, in which success has attended his labors. He was married March 14, 1862, to Miss Mary Ann, daughter of Joseph Leap, of Deptford township, Gloucester Co., and has children.—Josephine, Ellison, and Mary Achsah.

Mr. Turner votes the Republican ticket in politics, and has held one or more township offices, but cares little for such distinctions. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church of Blackwoodtown, and one of its trustees.

### JOHN C. TURNER.

Robert Turner, the grandfather of the subject of this biography, resided in Gloucester County, where he followed agricultural employments. He married and

had children, among whom was John, born in the same county, who spent his boyhood with his stepfather, Andrew Dilks. On reaching the years of manhood he chose the trade of carpenter, and pursued it successfully for many years, but later engaged extensively in farming and lumbering. He exhibited in all his business enterprises a clear head and much financial ability, his energies being devoted entirely to the management of his own interests, with neither leisure nor taste for public life. He resided at Turnerville, Washington, then Deptford, township, Gloucester Co., and married Miss Elizabeth Carter, to whom were born children,—Mary, Joanna, Robert, Abigail, Joseph, John C., Daniel, Jesse, Andrew, Elizabeth, Martha, Martha (2d), Anna, and Elizabeth (2d). John C. was born Feb. 15, 1815, at the family home in Turnerville, where the demands of the farm and the instruction imparted at the neighboring public school alternately claimed his attention. At the age of twenty-one years he engaged in the trade of carpenter, having previously learned it with his father. He, in 1844, rented the farm he now occupies, and two years later purchased the property. Later he became owner of two adjoining farms, and began the business on an extensive scale, making the raising of garden produce a specialty, though also engaged in general farming. This was continued until 1879, when he retired from active labor. He was married on the 11th of January, 1838, to Miss Rebecca, daughter of Ephraim Bee, of Gloucester County, whose children were Sarah, Mary, Rebecca, and Sina Ann. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Turner are Anna (deceased), Catherine (deceased), Elizabeth (Mrs. Thomas Loren, Jr.), John (deceased), and Charles, married to Miss Elizabeth Doren, of Cumberland County. Mr. Turner cares little for the honors of office, though he has served the township in various capacities. In politics he is a Democrat and a strong partisan. He is a member of the Bethel Methodist Episcopal Church, of which he is steward and president of the board of trustees. Mrs. Turner is also a member of the same church.

## CHAPTER XXXIX.

### TOWNSHIP OF EAST GREENWICH.<sup>1</sup>

**Geography and Topography.**—This is one of the interior townships of the county, and was erected by an act of the Legislature, approved Feb. 10, 1881, from the eastern part of old Greenwich and the western part of Mantua townships, and is bounded on the northeast and east by Mantua, on the southeast and south by Harrison and Woolwich townships, on the west by Greenwich, and on the north by West Deptford and Mantua townships.

<sup>1</sup> By W. H. Shaw.