

VAN TEXEL ..... VAN TASSEL

THE DESCENDANTS OF

JAN CORNELISSEN VAN TEXEL

1625 ----- 1704.

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The original form of the family name "Van Texel of Texel," indicates that the general ancestor was born, or at any rate lived for a time, on the well known Island of that name.

Among the very early settlers in the New Netherlands from Holland was a member of the Van Texel family. He was generally known as Cornelis Jansen, that is, Cornelis, son of Jan or John.

He is the first American Ancestor. The year of his coming is not known. Though it is thought he must have come over in one of the Dutch vessels which commenced trading with the Indians, shortly after Hendrick Hudson, in 1609 sailed up the Hudson River and could not have arrived in the country later than 1624; probably he came earlier. It is believed he came here from the province of North Holland, in the Netherlands.

This agreement, the original of which was contained in Vol 1 of the Dutch Colonial Manuscripts, on file in the Archives Room of the New York State Library in the Capitol, Albany, New York, until it was burned in the great fire of Mar. 29, 1911 - which partially destroyed the Library, read as follows: - "This day (no date), in the presence of the under written witnesses, have amicably agreed and covenanted in manner as follows: - "Cornelis Jansen Van Texel binds his son, Jan Cornelissen to Hendrick Harmensen, and for the term of seven consecutive years; who also acknowledged to have accepted the above named Jan Cornelissen for the above mentioned term, with the express promise that he, Hendrick Harmensen shall take care of the boy, as if he were his own son, during the seven years aforesaid.

"Also Cornelis Jansen shall not have power to take his son from the above named Hendrick Harmensen, but only whenever the above mentioned time shall be expired.

"For all that is aforesaid, parties on either side shall, at the expiration of the aforesaid years, have no claim the one against the other, nor any manner of demand.

"These presents are signed by parties in good faith, without guile or deceit. Done the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of Aug 1639 in Fort Amsterdam in New Netherlands.

Marrits Jansen  
Adriaen Van Mienhoven  
Witnesses.

Cornelis Jansen Van Texel  
his  
Hendrick Harmensen  
mark.

The volumn containing the original contract was burned, a copy of it made by Dr. F.B.O'Callagan, for the state, is now on file in the manuscript section of the state Library.

When Cornelis Jansen Van Texel came to the New Netherlands he went to Long Island, where he lived the rest of his life, so far as is known.

Jansen married an Indian maid named "Catoneras" the daughter of the Sachem or Chief Wyandance, of the Montauk Tribe, who then lived on, and claimed ownership to that portion of Long Island

situated along the north shore or Sound about Naton's Neck in Suffolk CO.

The exact birth of Jan Cornelissen Van Texel, who is the first American ancestor, is unknown, but judging by the apprentice paper he was probably 21 when the seven years was up; which would make him be born about 1625; and his father was probably born in Holland about 1600.

Jan Cornelissen lived at Midwont (Flatbush), Long Island. It was there he married Annetje Abletts (now Alberts) and his children were born there. On the 12<sup>th</sup> of Mar 1661, he got a grant of 120 acres of land, at that place and on the 26<sup>th</sup> Oct 1664, his orchard is mentioned.

He was later allotted 46 acres of land at Flatbush on the south side of the bowery of Bastel Clesse, with plain land and salt meadow. He sold it the 20<sup>th</sup> of Jan 1670 to Aucke Janse Van Myse. On the 14<sup>th</sup> of Mar 1670, he was allotted a building lot at Flatbush, which he sold the 15<sup>th</sup> of May 1670 to Hendrick Kip. Not long after this sale he removed with his family to Westchester Co. New York and settled on the east bank of the Hudson River, in that portion of the present town of Cortlandt, which the Indians called "Meehagh".

Jan Cornelissen was for a time collector of taxes for the town of "Apponaepoe", which were the lands east of "Meehagh". In 1685 Jan Cornelissen presented a petition to Governor Dongan which will be found in Vol 2, page 69 of Land Papers Office of the Sec'y of State, Albany, New York. Dated 1685.

The petition of Cornelissen sheweth: -

That your petitioner is a native of this Province, his father a Christian, his mother an Indian of Long Island.

That he hath married a Christian in this Province, and by her hath nine children, now living --

And whereas the Indians, his kindred, are willing to divide, set out, and allot that share of land, which according to their wisdom is his right, and inheritance at a certain place called Tersarge, being to the east of the town of Huntington, on the north side of Long Island --- which for the better support of himself and family he is intended to cultivate and improve. He therefore humbly prays that your Honorable will be pleased to order him a warrant for the same, upon which he may obtain a patent, or grant, and confirmation from your Honorable, under His Majesty, for the same.

And your petitioner will ever pray etc.,

Upon the side of the paper is written, "John Cornelissen."

As action was not taken upon this petition during the life of Jan Cornelissen, which ended in 1704; a new petition was prepared and presented to Lord Cornbury, Governor of the Province of New York.

It is dated 30 July 1705 and is on file in Vol 4 of Land Papers, page 56, Office of New York's Sec'y of State and reads : -

"The humble petition of Cornelis Van Texel, Jacob Van Texel, Jan Van Texel, William Van Texel sons of Jan Corneliszen Van Texel, late deceased, and Hendrick Lent, husband of Catrina, one of the daughters of said John; Barent de Witt husband of Sarah, another daughter of said John, and Peter Storm, husband of Margaret, also a daughter of the said John Van Tassel; Humbly sheweth that whereas your petitioner's father as heir to his mother, Catoneras, a native Indian of the Island Massamo (Long Island), who in her life time was seized of a certain tract or parcel of land, lying and being in the Island aforesaid, now in the County of Suffolk, next the town of Huntington, called by the Indians Anendesack, in English, Vader's Neck beach and so along the Sound, for four miles or thereabouts, until the Fresh Pond called by the natives Assawanama, where a creek runs into the Sound, and from the Sound running into the woods six miles or thereabouts.

And your petitioners being all Christians and professing that the Heathen never were disturbed in the peaceful possession of their lands, or inheritance in the Government. Your petitioners, as Christians, also would very willingly hold the same by his Majesty's Letters Patent under the seal of this Province.

Your petitioners therefore pray, etc.

Cornelis Van Texel  
the mark of Jacob Van Texel  
the mark of Hendrick Lent  
Barent De Witt  
the mark of Peter Storm.

As the Governor and his Council did not act upon the foregoing petition, another petition dated May 15' 1713 was presented to Governor Cornbury. It is recorded in Vol 6 of Land Papers.

It most humbly sheweth that your petitioners said father's mother was an Indian, native Sachem in this Province, called Catoneras, the petitioner's grand-mother in part of her father's inheritance, a certain tract of land called "Crop Meadows" situated on the island aforesaid, in Suffolk Co., running along the Sound four miles and six miles into the woods or thereabouts.

And your said petitioners, being all Christians and members of the Protestant Church, and being willing to enjoy their inheritance by Patent under the Crown, as all other his Majesty's subjects of this Province do enjoy and hold theirs, and your petitioners will ever pray, etc.

Cornelius Van Texel  
Jacob Van Texel  
Johannis Van Texel.

This petition was referred to the Council which after due consideration, reported in its favor and recommended the granting of a warrant of survey. A deed and survey of the lands in question was granted 22<sup>nd</sup> of Apr 1714.

By this time the property which the family sought, had been settled by people from New England. In action was brought to oust the intruders, who altho- they might have purchased the lands from the Indians had no legal title as their purchases had not been approved by the Governor and Council of the Province of New York.

This suit dragged along in the courts until the Revolution when with the change of Government, it died. The last references to it are found in the will of John Van Tassel, dated 23<sup>rd</sup> Dec 1771-recorded in the office of the Surrogate of New York County, who directs how "Crop Meadows" then in litigation shall be divided if recorded; and the will of Hendrick Van Tassel, dated 1 Mar 1771- also recorded in the Surrogate's Office, New York County, which mentions "an estate depending upon Long Island, of some land now in dispute of the law"; and directs how it shall be divided, if recovered.

The fact that the family was "Part Indian" was well known in Revolutionary times; and in a few instances the story had come down to descendants, who were living a few years ago.

The British also were familiar with the family story of its past Indian origin; and mention was made of it in at least one of the issues of Rivington's Gazette, a paper published in New York, during the Revolution, while the city was in the possession of the British. It appears in the issue of July 7<sup>th</sup> 1779 and in the account of a raid made by Lieut Colo Banastre Tarleton of the British Legion into the upper part of Westchester Co. The editor in his account said; "Amongst the prisoners is one of the Van Tassels from near Tarrytown, of a pedigree, partly Indian, partly Batavian."

Jan Cornelissen Van Texel and Annetje Ablette, his wife, became members of the Old Dutch Church of Sleepy Hollow when it was organized; and so continued until their death. He was at one time a Deacon and at another time and Elder of the Church. Just when his wife died is not known, but Jan died during 1704.

In his petition he said he had nine children, but only 8 appear. The other must have died un-married-- shortly after his death. Jan Cornelissen, alone, represents his generation, as American born, and his children form the second American born generation.

Second Generation, born in America (their names)

1. Catrine, born about 1664; married Hendrick Abrahamsen.
2. Cornelis " " 1667; " Antje Storm
3. Sara " " 1670; " Barent De Witt
4. Grietje " " 1672; also called Margaret, married Peter Storm.

5. Jacob, baptized 25 July 1676 married Aeltje Storm
6. Jan " 1 May 1678 " Catharina Springsteen
7. William " 6 Oct 1681 " Weyntje Kraukheyt
8. Annetje, " 9 Oct 1683 "
9. -----

Almost all the children of Jan Cornelissen were baptized in the old Dutch Church of Sleepy Hollow at Tarrytown; where their folks attended church.

Catrina, oldest child of Jan Cornelissen and Annetje (Abletts) Van Tassel married Hendrick Abramsen, son of Abraham and Catrina (Rucken) Abramsen; Hendrick was born 1662. Hendrick and Catrina (Van Tassel) Abramsen had : -

1. John Abramsen ..... Lent
2. Ann " ..... Lent
3. Margaret " ..... Lent
4. Hendrick " ..... Lent
5. Cornelia " ..... Lent

As is well known by those who have studied the subject Hendrick adopted the family name of Lent and continued the rest of his years to reside in the town of Cortlandt, Westchester Co., New York. His descendants bearing the name of Lent for further information see Riker's Annals of Newton page 316 etc.

Cornelis, second child of Jan Cornelissen and Annetje (Abletts) Van Tassel married twice; (1) Antje Storm, daughter of Dirck and Maria Peters (Montfoort) Storm and md. (2) Weyntje Kraukheyt. He settled in the New Mill River Valley, on a farm about a mile south of the present village of Elmsford, Westchester Co. New York.

### 3<sup>rd</sup> generation

Children of Cornelis and Antje (Storm) Van Tassel.

1. Maria Van Tassel born 2 Aug 1698 married Frank de Pew.
2. Dirck " " baptized 24 Aug 1699 " Crestena Boys
3. Antje " " ..... 1702 "
4. Hendrick " " 20 Mar 1704 " Mettje Kraukheyt
5. Hester Van Tassel " 25 Mar 1706
6. Aeltje " " 25 Mar 1706

Children of Cornelis and Weyntje Kraukheyt, the second wife.

1. Abraham Van Tassel baptized 25 May 1714 married Cornelia La Meter
2. Jacobus (James) " " 18 Apr 1716 " Elizabeth Foshay
3. Weyntje Van Tassel " 18 June 1717 " John Conklin
4. Catrina " " 21 Apr 1719 " John Hemmen
5. Jacob " " 31 Aug 1720
6. Teunis " " 24 Apr 1722 " Mrs. Sophia Foshay
7. Sara " " 25 Apr 1724 " (1) Johannis Gardenier  
" (2) Jonathan Eldin.

Sara, 3<sup>rd</sup> child of Jan Cornelissen and Annetje (Abletts) Van Tassel, who was born 1670 and married Parent De Witt. They lived in the upper part of the Manor of Philipsburgh. The territory is now divided into the modern towns of Greenburgh, Mount Pleasant, and Ossining.

Barent De Witt was Tax Collector of the district in which he lived in 1693 and 1694 and six of the receipts given him for money collected and paid in to Chidley Brooke, the Treasurer, are recorded in Liber 8 of Deeds page 232 Westchester Co Regiment's office. In them he is first called Barnes White, then Barent Witt and finally Barent De Witt. The first three receipts designate the place as Weckersqueek and the other three call it Philipsburgh. Their children as baptized in Sleepy Hollow Church were : -

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|--------------|---------|----------|--------------|
| 1. Paulus    | De Witt | baptized | 21 Apr. 1697 |
| 2. Petrus    | "       | "        | 21 Apr 1697  |
| 3. Catharina | "       | "        | 24 Apr 1699  |
| 4. Barent    | "       | "        | 1706         |
| 5. Sara      | "       | "        | 31 Mar 1708  |

Shortly after the baptism of Sara, the family must have moved away. More of him may be found in Brodhead's Colonial Documents, published by the State of New York Vol 3, page 659.

Grietje (Margaret), the 4<sup>th</sup> child of Jan Cornelissen and Annetje (Abletts) Van Tassel was baptized 1670 and she married Peter Storm, who was born 1658, was the son of Dirck Storm and Maria Peters (Van Montfoort) Storm.

Peter had 2 brothers, Gregory and David, they were born in Holland. The parents came to America in the "Fox", arriving at New Amsterdam Aug 1662. After the birth of Peter's children he moved from the Manor of Philipsburgh to Dutchess Co New York, (See Documentary History of New York, Vol 3, page 60 for more of the family). His children were : -

- |               |       |          |                        |
|---------------|-------|----------|------------------------|
| 1. Dirck      | Storm | baptized | 1695                   |
| 2. Antje      | "     | "        | 24 Apr 1699            |
| 3. Maria      | "     | "        | 20 Apr 1700            |
| 4. Catharine  | "     | "        | 18 Aug 1702            |
| 5. Johannis   | "     | "        | 28 Mar 1705            |
| 6. Sara       | "     | "        | 25 Mar 1706            |
| 7. Petronella | "     | "        | 1 June 1709            |
| 8. David      | "     | "        | 21 Mar 1710 died young |
| 9. Gregorius  | "     | "        | 24 Mar 1713            |
| 10. Margaret  | "     | "        | 21 Aug 1716            |

Jacob, the 5<sup>th</sup> child of Jan Cornelissen and Annetje (Abletts) Van Tassel was baptized 25 July 1676 married Aeltje Storm and daughter of Dirck and Maria (Peters) Storm; born in Brooklyn, baptized 31 Oct 1680, their children were : -

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|--------------|------------|----------|-------------|------------------------|
| 1. Johannis  | Van Tassel | baptized | 24 Apr 1699 | married Catharine Buys |
| 2. Annetje   | "          | "        | 10 Mar 1704 | "                      |
| 3. Hendrick  | "          | "        | 25 Mar 1706 | Beeltje Buys           |
| 4. Maritje   | "          | "        | 30 Mar 1708 | "                      |
| 5. Cornelis  | "          | "        | 8 Nov 1710  | Antje Williams         |
| 6. William   | "          | "        | 24 Mar 1713 | Susanna Williams       |
| 7. Theodorus | "          | "        | ... .. 1718 | Maritje Boen           |
| 8. Catharine | "          | "        | 31 Aug 1720 | "                      |

Jacob lived in the upper part of the Manor of Philipsburgh, Westchester Co. New York.



Jan or John, the 6<sup>th</sup> child of Jan Cornelissen and Annetje (Abletts) Van Tassel, was baptized 1678 and married the 5<sup>th</sup> Oct 1700, at New York Dutch Church, Catharina Springsteen. From the marriage record we learn that the wife was born on Long Island and that each was living in the Highlands, upon the lands of Steven Van Courtlandt. The children were : -

- |              |            |          |             |                         |
|--------------|------------|----------|-------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Magdalena | Van Tassel | baptized | 20 Mar 1704 |                         |
| 2. Annetje   | "          | "        | 20 Mar 1707 | married Hendrick Davids |
| 3. Johannes  | "          | "        | 1 June 1709 | " Anna Eker             |
| 4. Cornelis  | "          | "        | 6 Nov 1711  | " Leendert Hoff         |
| 5. Alburts   | "          | "        | 25 May 1714 | " Annetje Beselis       |
| 6. Hendrick  | "          | "        | 18 Apr 1716 | "                       |
| 7. Catharina | "          | "        | 21 Apr 1719 | " Johannes de Revere    |
| 8. Jacob     | "          | "        | 23 Apr 1723 | " Susanna Wood          |

William Van Tassel the 7<sup>th</sup> child of Jan Cornelissen and Annetje (Abletts) Van Tassel, was baptized 1678 and married Weyntje Kraukheyt. Thier children were : -

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|----------------|-------------|----------|-------------|------------------------------|
| 1. Maritje     | Van Tassel, | baptized | 1 Apr 1702, | married Jan Gerritsen        |
| 2. Jan or John | "           | "        | 20 Nov 1704 | " Helena Hemmen<br>(Hammond) |
| 3. Abraham     | "           | "        | 20 Aug 1708 | " Cornelia                   |
| 4. Antje       | "           | "        | 21 Mar 1711 | " Thunis Kraukheyt           |
| 5. Sara        | "           | "        | 25 Mar 1712 |                              |
| 6. Rachel      | "           | "        | 25 May 1714 |                              |
| 7. Lea         | "           | "        | 18 Apr 1716 | " Thomas Gerritsen           |
| 8. Cornelia    | "           | "        | 29 Oct 1717 |                              |
| 9. Jacob       | "           | "        | 16 Oct 1719 |                              |

William lived in the Manor of Cortlandt, Westchester Co. New York.

Maria, the oldest child of Cornelis and Antje (Storm) Van Tassel, was baptized in 1698 and married Frank De Pew, son of William and Elizabeth (Weyt) De Pew was baptized 20 Aug 1700; the children were baptized at Sleepy Hollow Church.

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|--------------|--------|----------|-------------|
| 1. Hendrick  | de Pew | baptized | 27 Apr 1728 |
| 2. Anneke    | "      | "        | 9 June 1731 |
| 3. Elizabeth | "      | "        | 23 Apr 1734 |
| 4. Abraham   | "      | "        | 10 Apr 1736 |
| 5. Sara      | "      | "        | 29 Apr 1738 |

Direk, the second child of Cornelis and Antje (Storm) Van Tassel; was baptized 24 Apr 1699, and he married 9 Feb 1723 Crestena Buys, the daughter of Peter and Greertje(-----) Buys was born at Acquakanonk (Passaic, New Jersey). The children were baptized in the Sleepy Hollow Church.

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|-------------|------------|--------------|--------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. Aentje   | Van Tassel | was baptized | 5 Nov. 1723, | married Adrianus Van<br>"former. |
| 2. Geertje  | "          | "            | 12 Aug 1727  | " William Eker                   |
| 3. Lea      | "          | "            | 19 Jun 1731  | " Abraham Storm                  |
| 4. Cornelis | "          | "            | Apr 1735     | " Elizabeth Storm.               |

Dirck lived on a farm leased from Frederick Philipse, situated in the Saw Mill River Valley about one mile south of the present village of Elmsford, Westchester Co. New York.

Hendrick, the 4<sup>th</sup> child of Cornelis and Antje (Storm) Van Tassel, was baptized 20 Mar 1704 and married the 7<sup>th</sup> of Aug 1731, Mettje Krankheyt, who was born in, and lived in, the Manor of Cortlandt. Their children were: -

- |                          |                      |                       |
|--------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Margrietje Van Tassel | baptized 29 Apr 1733 |                       |
| 2. Aeltje                | " " " 6 Apr 1735     | married Daniel Totten |
| 3. Hendrick Van Tassel   | " " " 23 June 1736   | " Maritje Schutt      |
| 4. Metje                 | " " " 28 May 1738    | " Colured Appleje     |
| 5. Johannis              | " " " Jul 1741       | " Abigail Smith       |
| 6. Marya                 | " " " 10 Apr 1743    |                       |
| 7. Jacob                 | " " " 2 Mar 1746     | " Elizabeth Dutcher   |

Shortly after his marriage, Hendrick removed to the neighborhood of Fishkill, Dutchess Co. New York. He and his wife became members of the Fishkill Reformed Church. He at one time was one of its officers and the children were baptized in that church. Hendrick's name appears on a list of Freeholders made 1740. He early owned land -- he left a will, but it was not probated; however reference is made to it in subsequent deeds by his sons. The land seems to have been left to his three sons.

Abraham, the oldest child of Cornelis and Weyntje (Kraukheyt) Van Tassel, was baptized 27 May 1714 and he married Cornelis La Meter (present form Delamaterr) children were baptised at the Sleepy Hollow Church: -

- |             |            |                      |                         |
|-------------|------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Weyntje  | Van Tassel | baptized 23 Jun 1739 | married Isaac Davids    |
| 2. Cornelia | " " "      | 12 Sept 1741         |                         |
| 3. Johannis | " " "      | 26 Jul 1747          |                         |
| 4. Catrina  | " " "      | 25 Oct 1748          |                         |
| 5. Abraham  | " " "      | 7 Oct 1750           | married Elizabeth Yerks |
| 6. Isaac    | " " "      | 2 June 1752          | " Lena Van Tassel       |
| 7. Rebecca  | " " "      | 23 Nov 1755          |                         |

Jacobus (James), the second child of Cornelis and Weyntje (Kraukheyt) Van Tassel was baptized 18 Apr 1716; he married Elizabeth Fosuner (now Foshay), the daughter of Matyas and Magdalena (Ecker) Fosuner. The children were baptized in the Sleepy Hollow Church.

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|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1. Cornelis          | ..... Van Tassel, | bap. 10 Nov 1744. | Died young                         |
| 2. Matyas (Mattheas) | " " "             | 26 Jun 1747       | married Elizabeth Storm            |
| 3. Sara              | ..... Van Tassel  | " 30 Aug 1749     | " (1)--Van Verken<br>(2)--Hamilton |
| 4. Maritje           | ..... " " "       | 8 Oct 1751        | " John Smith                       |
| 5. Cornelis          | ..... " " "       | 26 Aug 1756       | died 3 Jan 1780, unmarried         |

Jacobus (James) was a soldier in the French War; he enlisted 20 Apr 1758, height 5 feet 6 inches, had blue eyes and round visage--was a member of Captain Jonathan Fowler's Westchester Co., Company.

Weyntje, the 3<sup>rd</sup> child of Cornelis and Weyntje (Kraukheyt) Van Tassel, was bap. (either 22 Apr 1717 or 18 Jun 1717) was married 17 Apr 1742 to Jan (John) Cankelie (now Conklin) son of Elias and Crestena (-----) Cankelie, born 1718. Children born in Sleepy

## Hollow Church

1. Cornelis Conklin, bap. 20 Apr 1745
2. Weyntje " " 3 May 1747
3. John " " 25 Oct 1750
4. Abraham " " 24 Oct 1752

Think they removed to Columbia Co. New York. They were sponsors 20" of Oct 1771 at a baptismal in the Veeder's Church of that County.

Catrina, 4" child of Cornelis and Weyntje (Kraukheyt) Van Tassel, was baptized 21 Apr 1719; married 18 May 1734 to Jan (John) Hemmen (Hammond) son of William and Maritje (Walgraf) Hemmen (Hammond) he was baptized in New York City Church 23 Mar 1712. Their children were : -

1. William Hemmen (Hammond) bap. 3 Aug 1733
2. Weyntje " " 7 Aug 1739
3. Staats " " 14 Nov 1744
4. Jan (John) " " 21 Aug 1746

Tennis (Tunis), 6" child of Cornelis and Weyntje (Kraukheyt) Van Tassel, was baptized 24 Apr. 1722; she died before 1789 and was married 15 Nov 1746 to Mrs. Sophia (Jacoba) Fosuney -- now Foshay, widow of Jacob Fosuney-Foshay, who was born at West Farms, New York; but she lived at Harlem. Their children were : -

1. Cornelis Van Tassel, bap. 1 May 1748 married Elsie Brewern
2. Aeltje ... (Alida) " " 25 Apr 1749 " John Shaw
3. Jacob .... " " 12 June 1751
4. Hendrick ... " " 2 Mar 1755
5. Hester or Ester " " 10 Oct 1756 " John Morral
6. Abraham ... " " 18 Oct 1758 m(1. Annetje Lansing;  
2. Sarah Hammond

Tennis (Tunis) removed to New York City 1750, freeman 1751. He early purchased city lots and remained there till about the beginning of the Revolution, when he settled at Cambridge, Albany Co. New York. On May 1" 1761, Tunis Van Tassel and wife, Sophia, conveyed by deed Lot #42 Day Street, New York City to Dirck Day; and on Mar 5" 1789, Cornelius, Hendrick and Abraham Van Tassel: John Shaw and Alida, his wife: John Morral and Esther, his wife, all of Albany Co, and heirs of Tunis Van Tassel, late of Cambridge, New York, confirmed by deed to Dirck Day his title to Lot 43 Day Street, which lot was intended to be conveyed to him on May 1-1761, instead of lot 42.

Sara, 7" child of Cornelis and Weyntje (Kraukheyt) Van Tassel, was baptized Apr 1724 and married 25 Apr 1747 to Johannis Gardenier, son of Jacob and Sarah (---) Gardenier, who was bap. 5" of Sep 1724 and died before 1755. She married (2) Jonathan Eldin, Children were bap. Sleepy Hollow Church.

1. Weyntje Gardenier baptized 1748
2. Sara " " 1751

Johannis, oldest child of Jacob and Aeltje (Storm) Van Tassel was bap 24 Apr 1699 and died 1784; he married 21 Nov 1724

Tryntje (Catharine) (Buys) Van Tassel who was daughter of Peter and Geertje (---) Buys; born at Acquakanonk (now Passaic, New Jersey). Their children were: -

1. Annatje (Anna) Van Tassel baptized 4 Dec 1725, married Jacob Van Vorner
2. John ..... " " " 1726 " Leah Acker
3. Peter ..... " " " 15 May 1728 " Catharine Acker
4. Catharine ..... " " " 1733 " Abraham Acker
5. Rachel ..... " " " 24 June 1733 " John Van Tassel
6. Jacob ..... " " " 1 Sep 1744 " Esther Van Tassel

The will of Johannis dated 23 Dec 1771 was offered for probate 23 Jan 1785 and recorded Liber 37 of wills, page 378, New York Surrogate's office. It mentions his wife, Trynje, (Cathrine), his sons Peter and Jacob; his daughter Rachel, wife of John Van Tassel; and Cathrine, wife of Abraham Acker (or Baker) son of Abraham, Anna wife of Jacob Van Vorner; Alty and Catharine, children of his eldest son, John, deceased. He refers in his will to property at Cross or Crop Meadow, then in litigation and directs how it shall be divided, if re-covered.

Hendrick, 3<sup>rd</sup> child of Jacob and Aeltje (Storm) Van Tassel was bap. 7 Aug. 1706 (born 25 Mar 1706) and died Mar 1771; he married 24 Oct 1730, Beeltje Buys, daughter of Peter and Geertje (-----) Buys, who was born 1706 and died 1 Mar 1771.

1. Rachel Van Tassel baptized 25 Apr 1732 married Abraham Stymus
2. Johannis " " " 23 Apr 1734 " Janntje Banker (Bancker)
3. Maritje " " " 1736 " Harmen Williams
4. Annatje " " " 29 Apr 1738 " Peter Bout, Anna " 10 Jan 1830
5. Geertje " " " 20 Apr 1740
6. Hendricus " " " 26 Jul 1747, mentioned 1771 in his Father's will

The will of Hendricus dated 1 Mar 1771 and recorded in Liber 27 of wills, page 523; New York Co. Surrogate's office. It mentions his wife, his sons, John and Hendrick; his daughter Mary and a granddaughter Balithy Stymes; also speaks of "an estate depending upon Long Island of some land now in dispute of the law. If in case it should prove successful, then it is to be equally divided" etc.

Cornelis, 5<sup>th</sup> child of Jacob and Aeltje (Storm) Van Tassel, was bap 8 Nov 1710 he married 26 Aug 1732 Antje Williams, daughter of Robert and Maritje (Yorks) Williams. Their children were: -

1. Jacob Van Tassel bap 26 June 1733
2. Maritje " " 1 Apr 1735
3. William " " 18 Oct 1737 married Hester... Will died 1781
4. John " " 23 Jun 1739 " Catharine .....
5. Abraham " " 31 Oct 1745
6. Cornelia " " 30 Aug 1749

William 6<sup>th</sup> child of Jacob and Aeltje (Storm) Van Tassel, was bap. 24 Mar. 1713 married 1 November Susanna Williams, daughter of Cornelis and Maria (Storm) Williams, was

baptized 25 Apr 1723. Their children were : -

- |             |            |                                 |                                       |
|-------------|------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1. Jacob    | Van Tassel | bap. 22 June 1748               | married Annatje ----                  |
| 2. Cornelis | "          | 17 Apr 1750                     | " Crestena ----                       |
| 3. Johannis | "          | 8 Oct 1751                      | " Weyntje Davids, John d. 15 Apr 1810 |
| 4. Maria    | "          | 16 Jul 1753                     |                                       |
| 5. Aeltje   | "          | 17 Jun 1755                     | died young                            |
| 6. Aeltje   | "          | 5 Nov 1756                      |                                       |
| 7. Catrina  | "          | 25 <del>Nov 1756</del> Apr 1759 |                                       |
| 8. Benjamin | "          | 3 Apr 1761                      | married Jane -----                    |
| 9. William  | "          | 30 Apr 1763                     | " Elizabeth Van Wart                  |
| 10. Susanna | "          | 21 Apr 1767                     | " Jeremiah Cypher                     |
| 11. Abraham | "          | 1769                            | " Elizabeth Oakley                    |

Theodorus, 7<sup>th</sup> child of Jacob and Aeltje (Storm) Van Tassel, was baptized 1718 and he married Maritje Boen. Their children were : -

- |               |            |                 |                                     |
|---------------|------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1. Nicholas   | Van Tassel | bap 23 Dec 1747 | married Mary Whitaker, he died 1832 |
| 2. John       | "          | 15 Mar 1750     | " Charity -- he died 1825           |
| 3. Henry      | "          | 1756            | " Maria Lent " " 1831               |
| 4. Theodore   | "          | 1760            | " Mary Ransom Bush, " 1832          |
| 5. Matthias   | "          | 10 June 1765    | " Charity Lawsen " " 1851           |
| 6. Jacob      | "          | 1767            | " Lucretia Phelps " " 1816          |
| 7. Mary       | "          |                 |                                     |
| 8. Rebecca    | "          |                 |                                     |
| 9. Alcha      | "          |                 |                                     |
| 10. Catharine | "          |                 |                                     |
| 11. Huldah    | "          |                 |                                     |

Theodorus removed early from the Manor of Philipsburgh, in 1752 he was in Orange Co. and his son John was bap 19 July 1752 at Walpeck Church, which was in New Jersey; but not far from Minnesink, New York, where in Revolutionary times his son Nicholas lived. The Walpeck Church Record gives the names of John's parents as Theodorus Van Tassel and Maritje Boen.

Annatje, second child of Jan (or John) and Catharina (Springsteen) Van Tassel was bap 20 Mar 1707 and married 15 Nov 1730, Hendrick Davids was born 1707 and died 1744; he was son of Carl and Antje (Van Lont) Davids. On the 16<sup>th</sup> of June 1744, the widow was sponsor for the daughter of John and Annatje Van Tassel. Their children were bap. in Sleepy Hollow Church, as : -

- |              |         |                 |
|--------------|---------|-----------------|
| 1. Catharine | Davids, | bap 17 Oct 1732 |
| 2. Helena    | "       | 23 Apr 1734     |
| 3. Carl      | "       | 20 Nov 1736     |
| 4. Annatje   | "       | 10 Apr 1739     |
| 5. Maritje   | "       | 6 Jun 1741      |

Johannis, 3<sup>rd</sup> child of Jan (John) and Catharina (Springsteen) Van Tassel was baptized 1 June 1709; was married 24 Feb 1733 to Anna Ecker, who was bap 4 Nov 1714. They lived and died at, or near Tarrytown. Children were bap Sleepy Hollow

- |             |            |                 |                                    |
|-------------|------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| 1. Johannis | Van Tassel | bap 23 Apr 1734 | married Mary Bartine, he died 1813 |
|-------------|------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|

2. Magdalena Van Tassel bap 10 Apr 1736
3. Hendrick " " " 29 Apr 1740
4. Stefanus " " " 20 Apr 1740
5. Catharina " " " 12 Jan 1742
6. Annetje " " " 16 Jun 1744
7. Maritje " " " 26 Jul 1747 died young
8. Rachel " " " 25 Apr 1749 married Hendrick de Revere
9. Elizabeth " " " 8 Oct 1751
10. Maritje " " " 24 Oct 1752
11. Abraham " " " ..... 1754 d. 15 Mar 1825; md 1 Hester Devo  
md 2. Sarah Minnerly

Cornelia, 4<sup>th</sup> child of Jan (John) and Catharina (Springsteen) Van Tassel was bap 21 Apr 1719 and married 17 May 1740, to Johannis de Revere, the son of Abraham de Revere Jr. and Weyntje, daughter of Thunis Herrikiessen Krankheyt. Children were bap. at the Dutch Church.

1. Abraham de Revere, bap. 6 Jun 1741
2. Johannis " " " 25 Sept 1742
3. Sophia " " " 20 Apr 1745
4. Jacobus " " " 1 May 1748
5. Jacob " " " 17 Aug 1752
6. Isaac " " " 17 Aug 1752
7. Cornelis " " " 6 Sept 1757
8. Catharine " " " 1760

Jacob, 8<sup>th</sup> child of Jan (John) and Catharina (Springsteen) Van Tassel, was bap. 23 Apr 1723. Born 1720.. married 28 Nov 1741 Susanna Wood, who was born Long Island, when married she lived on King Street, Westchester Co. New York. Children so far as known were:-

1. Jan (John) Van Tassel, bap 30 Apr 1743, died 1779, md Sara Acker
2. Albartus " " " 23 Jun 1745
3. Thomas " " " 1746, d 8 Sept. 1838, md Jaminia  
Flewelling
4. Abraham " " " 1748 md Geertje Charity Bout

Jacob was a soldier in the French and Indian War. He enlisted 27 Mar 1759. His height is given as 6 feet-1 inch, light hair and light eyes- He was a tenant of Frederick Philipse and leased a farm situated within the limits of the present village of Sing Sing, New York, consisting of 114 acres. At the end of the Revolution the farm was purchased from the Commissioners of Forfeiture by Moses Ward.

Maritje, the oldest child of William and Weyntje Krankheyt, was bap. 1 Apr 1702 married 6 Feb 1732 Jan Gerritsen, who was born in town of Westchester. A child Sara bap in the Sleepy Hollow Church 21 Aug 1733.

Jan (John) second child of William and Weyntje (Krankheyt) Van Tassel was bap 2 Nov 1704, married 26 Sept 1726 Helena Hemmen (Hammond) daughter of William and Maritje (Walgraf) Hemmen or Hammond, who was born in New York City and bap 21 Mar 1708. Their children were :-

1. Jacob Van Tassel bap 19 Aug 1727, married Catrina Boyce
2. Maritje " " " 27 Jul 1729

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|-------------|------------|-----------------|--|
| 3. William  | Van Tassel | bap 26 Jun 1733 |  |
| 4. Esther   | "          | "               | 22 Oct 1734; d.1811;md Jacob Van Tassel        |
| 5. Johannes | "          | "               | 23 Apr 1737;d.11 Apr 1807;md Rachel Van Tassel |
| 6. Abraham  | "          | "               | 10 Apr 1739 md. Maritje Waldron                |
| 7. Samie    | "          | "               | 12 Sept 1741                                   |
| 8. David    | "          | "               | 28 Jun 1743 md. Margaret Brush                 |
| 9. Isaac    | "          | "               | 22 Jun 1745; d.1828;md Leah Dutcher            |

Jan (John) leased a farm of 196 acres Westchester Co. farm, from Frederick Philipse. A part of the farm is now occupied by Sing Sing Prison. The leasehold afterwards went into the possession of his son, David who on 4 May 1786, sold his leasehold interest in the property to Elijah Hunter, who had purchased the fee from the Commissioners of Forfeitures for "550 lbs in gold and silver.

Abraham, the 3<sup>rd</sup> child of William and Weyntje (Kraukheyt) Van Tassel, bap 20 Aug 1708, died 1795; married Keyaa (Cornelia)

Children were: -

- |              |            |  |
|--------------|------------|--|
| 1. Catharine | Van Tassel | bap 1729, married John Tice            |
| 2. John      | "          | " 1731 " Rebecca --he died 1792        |
| 3. Mary      | "          | " 1733 " Abraham Males; she lived 1795 |
| 4. Weyntje   | "          | " 1735 " Hercules Lent; she lived 1814 |

Abraham lived in Ryck's Patent (present Peekskill, now New York). His will is recorded 10 Oct 1794. He mentions his daughters, Mary, Males, Vinchy Lent and Catharina Tice; know nothing about Abraham's wife excepting that which is revealed at the bap. of Abraham, son of John Tice and Catharine, his wife, the 24<sup>th</sup> of Jun 1771- when Abraham Van Tassel and his wife Keyaa, his wife were sponsors.

Antje, 4<sup>th</sup> child of William and Weyntje (Kraukheyt) Van Tassel, was bap. 21 Mar 1711; md. 2 Nov 1727 Thunis Kraukheyt, son of Hendrick and Antje (--) Kraukheyt, who was bap. 20 Mar 1708. Their children were bap at Sleepy Hollow Church.

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|-------------|-----------|--------------------|
| 1. Aeltje   | Kraukheyt | was bap 1 Apr 1735 |
| 2. Jacob    | "         | " 23 Apr 1737      |
| 3. Johannes | "         | " 10 Apr 1739      |
| 4. Abraham  | "         | " 20 Oct 1741      |

Lea, 7<sup>th</sup> child of William and Weyntje (Kraukheyt), was bap 18 Apr 1716; married 23 Aug 1735 Thomas Gerritson, who was born at Manor of Fordham, Westchester Co. New York; but was living in the Manor of Philipsburgh.

#### 4<sup>th</sup> generation.

Aentje (Anna), oldest child of Dirck and Crestena (Boys) Van Tassel, was bap 5 Nov 1723; married 26 Sept 1747 in Sleepy Hollow Church to Adrianus or Ary Van Dormer. Their children were: -

- |             |             |                             |
|-------------|-------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Cornelis | Van Dormer, | bap 17 Apr 1750, died young |
| 2. Jacob    | "           | " 4 Apr 1752                |
| 3. Cornelis | "           | " 29 Oct 1753               |
| 4. Adrianus | "           | " 21 Apr 1756               |
| 5. Crestena | "           | " 13 Apr 1761               |

They lived in upper part of the Manor of Philipsburgh, called Philipsburgh.

Geertje, second child of Dirck and Crestena (Buys) Van Tassel, was bap 12 Aug. 1727; died before 1793; she md. 1 Oct 1748 William Ecker, son of Sybout and Beltje (de Ronde) Ecker was bap 25 Apr 1724, died 1813. They lived near Tarrytown, New York. Their children were :-

1. Sybout Ecker bap 6 Aug 1749
2. Crestena " " 24 Jun 1752
3. Jacob " " 3 Nov 1754
4. Abraham " " 6 Feb 1757, died young

Lea, 3<sup>rd</sup> child of Dirck and Crestena (Buys) Van Tassel, was bap 19 Jun 1731; md; 16 Oct 1756 Abraham Storm, son of Dirck and Elizabeth (Mey) Storm, bap 27 Oct 1735. Sleepy Hollow Church Recorded 2 Dec 1754, page 169. Their children : -

1. Nicholas Storm bap 17 June 1755
2. Rebecca " " 6 Sept 1756
3. Abraham " " 11 June 1759

Cornelis, the 4<sup>th</sup> child of Dirck and Crestena (Buys) Van Tassel, was bap. Apr 1735; died 6 Mar 1820; he married 16 Oct 1756, Elizabeth Storms, daughter Nicolas and Rachel (Conkling) Storms, was bap 29 Apr 1738; died 15 Mar 1828. Their children were : -

1. Cornelius Van Tassel bap 24 Apr 1759 died un-married 1785
2. Lea " " 20 May 1775 married John Romer

The above Cornelius lived on the farm which had been previously occupied by his father situated in the Saw Mill River Valley, a mile south of the present Elmsford, New York. During the Revolution he was a soldier on the American side and was 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieut. in the Tarrytown Country, Colo. James Hammond's Westchester Co. Regiment.

In the early days of the Revolution an American guard was kept at the houses of Cornelius and Peter Van Tassel, relatives, whose lands adjoined. For some good reason the guard was with-drawn in the fall of 1777. On the night of Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> 1777, Capt. Emmerick, of the British army, advanced with a strong force up the Saw Mill River Road to Storm's Bridge (now Elmsford) and there set fire to the house of Abraham Storms which was partially burned. Returning Emmerick collected all the cattle he could, and took prisoners Peter and Cornelius Van Tassel, who were found at their homes. He then ordered the families to vacate the houses and set fire to them.

Mrs. Cornelius Van Tassel and her little daughter Lea, were carried out on a bed which was placed on the frozen ground. Afterwards a soldier brought out a feather bed and threw over them, as it was a very cold night. After the soldiers were gone, the wife found shelter in a dirt cellar until she and her child were sought and cared for by friends. Cornelius Van Tassel, the son, then aged 18 years and a soldier in Colo. Hammond's Regiment, was also at home on that fateful night. When the enemy rapped at the door of the house he secreted himself in the garret until driven out by the fire. Throwing a blanket over his head he rushed down stairs and out of the house toward the river, a short distance to the west; a few of the enemy, when the



had recovered from their surprise, gave chase, but they found that in crossing the river he had broken through the ice, they abandoned pursuit.

Young Cornelius only partially dressed and wet, hid in a cave on the side of Beaver Mountain until morning, when he was taken care of by a neighbor. Owing to the exposure he caught cold which led to consumption, of which he died a short time after the termination of the war.

Lieut. Cornelius Van Tassel was confined in the Provost Gaol, New York City. The following is copied from the book of Audited accounts at Albany, New York. The state of New York to Cornelius Van Tassel.

To pay while in captivity from 17 Nov 1777 to Oct 1778 pounds 117-6-8  
To retained rations --- - 13-15-0  
pounds 131-21-8

After his release, Lieut C. Van Tassel continued actively in the service until the end of the war. When the lands of Frederick Philipse were sold by the Commissioners of Forfeitures he purchased the farm which he formerly leased of 170 acres. After his death the farm went to his daughter Lea, who married Capt. John Romer.

Aeltje, 2<sup>d</sup> child of Hendrick and Metje (Krankheyt) Van Tassel, was baptized 1 Apr 1735; she married Daniel Totten, at Sleepy Hollow Church; Their children were : -

- |               |                          |
|---------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Aeltje     | Totten, bap. 12 Jan 1762 |
| 2. Metje      | " " 12 Jan 1762          |
| 3. Margrietje | " " 1767                 |
| 4. Maria      | " " 1772                 |

Hendrick, 3<sup>d</sup> child of Hendrick and Metje (Krankheyt) Van Tassel, was bap. 23 June 1736; died 1827 at Manheim, New York; he married at Poughkeepsie 14 Apr 1759 Maritje Schut, daughter of William and Amelia (Ryer) Schutt, she died before 1827, when she was married she was called "Scott". Their children were : -

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|-------------|--|
| 1. Metje    | Van Tassel, bap 12 Jan 1762              |
| 2. Hendrick | " " 6 Jan 1764                           |
| 3. Amelia   | " " 16 Jan 1766                          |
| 4. Sydtje   | " " 5 Oct 1768                           |
| 5. Lena     | " " 14 Jan 1770 married Isaac Van Tassel |
| 6. William  | " " 5 Feb 1772                           |
| 7. David    | " " ..... 1774                           |
| 8. Anly     | " " ..... 1776                           |
| 9. Mary     | " " ..... 1778                           |
| 10. Abraham | " " ..... 1781                           |

On the 24<sup>th</sup> May 1792, Hendrick sold 126 acres of land at Fishkill, Dutchess Co., New York, to William Jewell, and shortly thereafter the family removed to Manheim, Montgomery Co, New York, then he bought a farm 4 miles from Little Falls, Herkimer Co, New York on the Salisbury Road, 2 Apr 1812- He later deeded it to Henry Griffin for \$100.00 and the care of himself and wife for life. Hendrick's name appears as a member of the 2<sup>d</sup> Regiment of Dutchess

Co. Militia, Colo. Abraham Brinkerhoff.

Metje, 4<sup>th</sup> child of Hendrick and Metje (Kraukheyt) Van Tassel, was bap 26/28 May 1738. married 29 Dec 1771, Coeurad Appleje.

Johannis (John), 5<sup>th</sup> child of Hendrick and Metje (Kraukheyt) Van Tassel, was bap. July 1741, married Abigail Smith. Their children were : -

- |                 |            |     |       |      |
|-----------------|------------|-----|-------|------|
| 1. Henry        | Van Tassel | bap | ..... | 1775 |
| 2. Polly        | "          | "   | ..... | 1778 |
| 3. Martha       | "          | "   | ..... | 1781 |
| 4. Daniel Smith | "          | "   | 1 Mar | 1783 |
| 5. Peggy        | "          | "   | 1 Mar | 1786 |

Johannis (John) mortgaged his land at Fishkill, Dutchess Co. New York, 11 Jan 1786. He recites in the mortgage that his father, Hendrick, had bought the land from Guliam Verplanck. He and his family moved to Canada about 1800. In old age he and his wife lived with their son, Henry, at Messenger's Point, opposite Bellville, Canada. Johannis' (John's) name appears as a member of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Regiment Dutchess Co. Militia, Colo. Abraham Brinkerhoff. (N.Y. in Rev. page 138).

Jacob, 7<sup>th</sup> child of Hendrick and Metje (Kraukheyt) Van Tassel, was bap. 2 Mar 1746, died about 1816; he married Elizabeth Dutcher the 31 of Jan 1767. Their children were : -

- |              |            |     |             |  |
|--------------|------------|-----|-------------|--|
| 1. William   | Van Tassel | bap | .....       | 1768 and died 1769                     |
| 2. Abigail   | "          | "   | ... Apr 14  | 1771                                   |
| 3. Abraham   | "          | "   | ... Aug 9   | 1772                                   |
| 4. Jacob     | "          | "   | Jan 4       | 1774                                   |
| 5. John      | "          | "   |             | 1776                                   |
| 6. Hannah    | "          | "   |             | 1778                                   |
| 7. Elizabeth | "          | "   |             | 1780                                   |
| 8. ....      | "          | "   | born ...    | 1782                                   |
| 9. Philena   | "          | "   | Sep 28 1785 | married Jesse Cary; she d. 29 Mar 1865 |
| 10. Jamima   | "          | "   | bap         | Sept 7 1787                            |

Jacob signed the Dutchess Co. pledge of loyalty 15 Aug 1775; his name appears as a member of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Regiment Dutchess Co. Militia, Colo. Abraham Brinkerhoff (N.Y. in the Rev. 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition, page 138). In 1783 Jacob and others took title to land for a Baptist Church at Wappinger's Falls, Dutchess Co New York.

Wentje, the oldest child of Abraham and Cornelia (La Meter-- present form Delamater ) Van Tassel was bap 23 June 1739, married 27 Jan 1759, Isaac Davids who was bap 31 May 1729; he was son of Carl and Antje (Van Lent) Davids. Their children were baptized at Sleepy Hollow Church : -

- |             |        |     |         |      |
|-------------|--------|-----|---------|------|
| 1. Hannatje | Davids | bap | 28 Oct  | 1759 |
| 2. Cornelia | "      | "   | 14 Apr  | 1761 |
| 3. Rebecca  | "      | "   | 28 Jan  | 1763 |
| 4. Isaac    | "      | "   | 25 June | 1766 |
| 5. Charles  | "      | "   | 13 Oct  | 1769 |
| 6. Peggy    | "      | "   | 19 Jan  | 1779 |

Abraham 5<sup>th</sup> child of Abraham and Cornelia (La Meter-present form Delamater) Van Tassel was bap. 7 Oct 1750, but died before 1837; he married 21 Jan 1776, Elizabeth Yerks, daughter of John and Susan (Foshay) Yerks, born 16 Jan 1753 and died after 1837. Their children were : -

- |              |                                      |
|--------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1. Mary      | Van Tassel, bap 19 Jan 1777          |
| 2. Susan     | " " " .... 1778 died 1864, unmarried |
| 3. Cornelia  | " " " .... 1780                      |
| 4. Jane      | " " " .... 1782                      |
| 5. Fanny     | " " " .... 1784 died 1848, unmarried |
| 6. Abraham   | " " " .... 1786 died young           |
| 7. Catharine | " " " 17 Oct 1788                    |
| 8. John      | " " " 13 Sep 1793                    |
| 9. Elizabeth | " " " 7 Sep 1797                     |

Abraham was a large erect man of dark complexion and was sometimes called "Indian Broom". He lived in the Saw Mill River Valley in the town of Mount Pleasant, not far from the upper corner roads. He later built a house near Brown's Mill at the Bridge, in which he lived until he died. By trade he was a shoe maker; he was a Revolutionary War soldier. His period of service seems to have been 16 months and 11 d ys. A part of this time he served as a member of Capt. Dutcher's Company; Colo James Hammond's Westchester Co Regiment.

Isaac Van Tassel, 6<sup>th</sup> child of Abraham and Cornelia (La Meter, now Delamater) was bap 20 Jun 1752 and died before 1814; he married Lena Van Tassel, daughter of Hendrick and Maritje (Schutt) Van Tassel. Their children were : -

- |             |                             |
|-------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. William  | Van Tassel bap. 24 Mar 1775 |
| 2. Isaac    | " " " 19 Feb 1777           |
| 3. Abraham  | " " " 25 Jan 1780           |
| 4. Henry    | " " " 5 July 1785           |
| 5. Cornelia | " " " 7 June 1789           |

Isaac lived in the town of Mount Pleasant, Westchester Co. a little east of the Upper Cross roads and was a Revolutionary soldier. The story of his capture and imprisonment in the Old Sugar House prison in New York City has come down to living descendants. The old records at Albany, New York show the following in the book of audited accounts.

"To Isaac Van Tassel, member of Colo Hammond's Regiment, Westchester Co. Militia from 2<sup>nd</sup> of July 1779 to Nov 5<sup>th</sup> 1780 (during the time he was a prisoner) 16 months 5 days ... .. pounds 64-10-8"

Matyas (Matthew), 2<sup>nd</sup> child of Jacobus (James) and Elizabeth (Fosner, now Foshay) Van Tassel, was bap 26 July 1747; married 30 Mar 1771, Elisabeth Storm, daughter of Peter and Rachel (Sancher) Storm, a widow of Matthys Cankle Deed. Their children were : -

- |              |                             |
|--------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Maritje   | Van Tassel bap. 11 Mar 1772 |
| 2. Elizabeth | " " " 5 Nov 1774            |
| 3. Catrina   | " " " 6 Jul 1777            |
| 4. Min       | " " " 30 Nov 1778           |

Matyas lived on the road leading from present Elmford to Tarrytown. The home was situated on the north side of the road and about a half a mile W. of Elmford.

Sara, 3<sup>rd</sup> child of Jacobus (James) and Elizabeth (Fosuner-now Foshay) Van Tassel, bap 30 Aug 1749 married ---- Vander Werken and later must have married a Hamilton, she was living in 1793.

Maritje 4<sup>th</sup> child of Jacobus (James) and Elizabeth (Fosuner-now Foshay) Van Tassel, was bap 8 Oct 1751; she married John Smith; she was alive in 1790.

Cornelius, 5<sup>th</sup> child of Jacobus (James) and Elizabeth (Fosuner-Foshay) Van Tassel, was bap 26 Aug 1756; died 3 Jan 1780, unmarried. He was a Revolutionary soldier; he enlisted 24 Mar 1777, in the 6<sup>th</sup> Company, Capt. Jacob Wright's 2<sup>nd</sup> Regiment of the Line, Colo Philip Van Cortlandt. He died in the service; his sister Sarah Vander Werken on the 10<sup>th</sup> of May 1790, filed a claim for bounty land in the right of her deceased brother, Vol 48 Land Papers, Albany, New York. Lieut Augustus Sackett was appointed administrator of his estate. Extract from Onondage Co. Record; - "Cornelius Van Tassel, intestate, before 3 Jan 1790 - Legatees were John and Mary (Van Tassel) Smith of Mt. Pleasant New York. Isaac Van Tassel deposes that Mary Van Tassel, now Mary Smith, sister and only heir now living of Cornelius Van Tassel transfers her claim. (N.Y. Gen & Bio. Record, Jan 1902)

Cornelius, oldest child of Tannis or Tunis and Sophia (Jacobs) Van Tassel was bap 1 May 1748; died 28 Apr 1830; and married in N.Y. City 30 Jan 1776, Elea or Elsie Brewern who was born 1755 and died 13 July 1839. Their children were: -

- |              |                               |
|--------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Tunis     | Van Tassel, bap 27 Nov 1776   |
| 2. Leah      | " " " 28 Apr 1778, died young |
| 3. Henry     | " " " 2 Apr 1780              |
| 4. Jacob     | " " " 9 Feb 1784              |
| 5. Cornelius | " " " 13 Jul 1786             |
| 6. Leah      | " " " 4 May 1789              |
| 7. John      | " " " 10 Apr 1790             |
| 8. Rachel    | " " " 29 Jan 1792             |
| 9. Abraham   | " " " 12 Nov 1793             |
| 10. Isaac    | " " " 23 Oct 1795             |
| 11. Stephen  | " " " 4 Aug 1797              |

Cornelius was born near Tarrytown and was bap Sleepy Hollow Church. As a young boy he went with his father to N.Y. City. When the Revolution broke out he left the city and and at the end of the war he and his family became residents of Albany Co. He was a soldier during the Revolution and served as a private in Capt. Adiel Sherwood's Company, Colo Morris Graham's Regiment of the Line. He was taken prisoner at Fort Ann, N.Y. 1 Sep 1780 and carried to Canada and detained until 21 May 1783. He lived for a number of years at, or near, Cobleskill, N.Y. and then removed to Manlius, Onondago Co., N.Y. in 1805. He and his wife were buried in the Kimble burial ground one mile east of Manlius Center, N.Y. The children got a United States pension in 1844.

Aeltje, 2<sup>nd</sup> child of Tannis and Sophia (Jacobs--Widow of Jacob Foshay) Van Tassel, was bap 25 Apr 1749; and she married John Shaw,

who during the Revolution was a soldier in Colo Abraham Wemple's Regiment, Albany Co. Militia.

Hendrick, 4<sup>th</sup> child of Teunis or Tunia and Mrs Sophia (Jacobs--widow of Jacob Foshay) Van Tassel, was bap 2 Mar 1755, he was alive in 1789; name of his wife is unknown; the children so far as known were : -

- |                 |             |                |                    |
|-----------------|-------------|----------------|--------------------|
| 1. Robert       | Van Tassel, | bap 4 Mar 1780 |                    |
| 2. Abraham      | " "         | " 8 May 1781   |                    |
| 3. Stephen      | " "         | " 14 Feb 1785  |                    |
| 4. Mary (Polly) | " "         | " ..... 1787   |                    |
| 5. Timothy      | " "         | " ..... 1789   |                    |
| 6. a daughter   | " "         | " .....        | married----Ratnor. |

Hendrick was a Revolutionary soldier and served in Colo Lewis Van Woert's Albany Co Regiment. Abel E Van Tassel, a son of Isaac, himself a resident of Durant, Illinois-- said that "Timothy, my father's cousin used to come to our house when I was a boy. "There also visited us a female cousin who married a Ratnor. They lived in Mohawk Valley.

Hester or Esther, 5<sup>th</sup> child of Teunis and Mrs. Sophia (Jacobs--wid, of Jacob Fosney or Foshay) Van Tassel, was bap 10 Oct 1756 and married John Morral, who during the Revolution was a private in Colo Van Woert's Albany Co Regiment.

Abraham, 6<sup>th</sup> child of Teunis and Mrs. Sophia (Jacobs--wid of Jacob Fosney or Foshay) Van Tassel, was bap 18 Oct 1758 married Annetje Lansing, daughter of Gerrit G. Lansing and Annetje (Cooper) Lansing, his wife was bap 22 Feb 1756. He married 2<sup>nd</sup> in 1805 at Benning, Vermont, Sarah Hammond a daughter of Gideon and ----(Barlow) Hammond, his wife. 2 children of the first wife were :

1. Magdalena Van Tassel bap 16 Sept 1788
2. Maria " " " ... 1790

Childr n of the second wife were : -

1. Abraham Henry Van Tassel bap 1806
2. Sophia " " " 1808

Abraham served during the Revolution in Colo Van Woert's Albany Co Regiment.

Annetje (Anna), oldest child of Johannis (John), and Trytje or Catharine (Buys) Van Tassel, was bap 4 Dec 1725; married 24 Nov 1744 to Jacob Van Wormer, who died before 1788. They lived near Tarrytown. Children as bap. were : -

1. Cornelis Van Wormer bap 19 Apr 1746
2. Catryntje " " " 24 Aug 1748
3. John " " " 11 Feb 1750
4. Tryntje " " " 31 Jul 1751

Annetje is one of the characters in "ashington Irving's "Wolfert's Roost" where she is called "Nochie Van Wormer"

John, 2<sup>nd</sup> child of Johannis and Tryntje or Catharina (Buys) Van

Tassel, was born 1725 and died before 1758; he married 17 June 1753, Leah Acker, daughter of Sybout and Aelije (de Ronde) Acker who was born about 1742. Children were : -

1. Aeltje Van Tassel bap 11 Nov 1753
2. Catryntje " " " 10 Apr 1755

John died before his father, who in his will made provision for his son's children. The widow married 4 Sept 1759 Jacob Van Wart and by him had children.

Peter, 3<sup>rd</sup> child of Johannis and Tryntje or Catharina (Buys) Van Tassel, was bap 15 May 1728 and died 17 Sept 1784; he married 1 May 1765 Catharina Acker, daughter of Sybout and Aelije (De Ronde) Acker, born 10 Nov 1736 died 10 Jan 1793. Their children were : -

1. Peter Van Tassel bap 22 Apr 1766
2. John " " " 1768

Peter, Sr. loaned a farm from Frederick Philipse, situated in Saw Mill River Valley about a mile south of the present village of Elmsford. After his death his sons and widow purchased the farm (150 acres) from the Commissioners of Forfeitures. Peter was a member of the Committee of Safety of Westchester Co. beginning 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday in May 1776. He was active on the American side all thru' the Revolution. Then on the night of Nov 17<sup>th</sup> 1777 a British force burned Cornelius Van Tassel's house, his house was also burned and he was taken prisoner.

Catharina, 4<sup>th</sup> child of Johannis and Tryntje or Catharine (Buys) Van Tassel, was bap 20 Feb 1735 and died 11 Apr 1806; married 1 May 1765, Abraham Acker son of Abraham and Margaret (Montrose) Acker who was born 1735 and died 9 July 1811. Their children were : -

1. Catharine Acker bap 10 Nov 1767
2. Abraham " " 22 Apr 1770
3. Margaret " " 11 Mar 1774

Rachel, 5<sup>th</sup> child of Johannis and Tryntje or Catharine (Buys) Van Tassel, was bap 24 June 1735 and died 22 Sept 1819; she married John Van Tassel, son of John and Helena (Hemmen or Hammond) Van Tassel, who was born 23 Apr 1737 and died 11 Apr 1807.

Jacob, 6<sup>th</sup> child of Johannis and Tryntje or Catharine (Buys) Van Tassel, was bap. 1 Sept 1744 and died 24 Aug 1840; and married 23 Sept 1764, Heester Van Tassel, daughter of John and Helena (Hammond) Van Tassel, who was born 23 Oct 1734 and died 1811. Their children were : -

1. Lena Van Tassel, bap 22 June 1766
2. William " " " 18 June 1768
3. Jacob " " " 29 Nov 1770
4. Isaac " " " 25 Sept 1774

Jacob early came into possession as lessee, of a farm in the Manor of Philipsburgh situated on the Hudson River 2 miles south of Tarrytown, being part of a larger farm which was leased to Wolfert Acker 1685. A part of the original farm comprising a substantial log

house, outbuildings and 159 acres of land descended to Abraham Acker, a grand-son of Volfert, who had married Catrina, a sister of Jacob Van Tassel. From Abraham Acker, Jacob obtained the lease prior to 1776 and his family lived in the house until it was burned by the British.

For a time this place was used a head-quarters for an American Guard-- which was commanded by Capt. Buchanan; an adjoining creek being an excellent place in which to hide the whale boats.

The guard made many a foray upon the enemy, it was because of the prominence which the place thus obtained that a British force landed one day from a vessel and burned the Van Tassel house. A grand-son of Jacob in telling of the incident a number of years ago, said that his grand-father told him that nothing was saved to the family except a feather bed.

After the Revolution, Jacob bought from the Commission of Forfeitures, who sold the confiscated lands of Frederick Philipse, the farm in question, and re-built the house with stone. A few years later 31 Mar 1802, he sold the house and a few surrounding acres to Washington Irving who had admired the place from young manhood.

Irving re-built the plain stone house into the quaint edifice in which he afterwards lived and named "Sunnyside". In his writings Irving more than once described the old Van Tassel homestead and mentions the exploits which took place there during the Revolution. "Volfert's Roost" is none other than what is now Sunnyside, and in the "Legend of Sleepy Hollow", the description of the home of Baltur Van Tassel is but a description of the old home of Jacob."

The services of Jacob Van Tassel as a Revolutionary soldier were best told by himself when he applied for a U.S. pension, 30 Apr 1836. He being then in his 92<sup>nd</sup> year. It is in substance;--"At the breaking out of the Revolution he was living on Philipse Manor, Westchester Co. New York. He first entered the service in 1776 in a Company of Militia commanded by Captain Glode Requa. As private and Sargeant he served for different periods until Captain Requa resigned 1778. In June 1778 he received a Commission as Lieut in the same Company under George Comb. He was one of the Company that made a raid on Morrisania, when the guide Dyckman was killed. Upon one occasion he recollects to have shot a deserter from out troops who had been with the British. And on another occasion he and a party attacked the British, under Lieut. Althouse, when they were returning to New York City with a number of cattle and other plunder. We not only re-captured the stock but killed 4 or 5 of the enemy. He also frequently shot at the British galleys up and down the river.

That in the latter part of June 1779 by and order from Colo Hammond he received, direct to take as many men from his company as seemed desirable and go as far down the Hudson as he could go for information. On their way back they were surprised by a party of British soldiers-72 feet and 9 horses. 2 men escaped, bu the other 4 and the Lieut were made prisoners. The privates were, Abraham and

David Van Tassel, William Soton, a relative of Jacob and Isaac Delamater. They were taken to New York City and locked up in the old jail. After a few weeks he was put on his parole and sent to Flatlands, Long Island, where he remained until fall of 1781. It was during his imprisonment that his dwelling and out-houses were burned and his personal property, wholly wasted and destroyed. Among the old record at Albany, New York is the book of Audited Accounts. In it is the following : -

"To Lieut. Jacob Van Tassel, Isaac Van Tassel and 4 privates of Colo Hammond's Westchester Co. Militia for pay from the time they entered the service and during the time they were prisoners to the day they returned from captivity; : - "To Isaac Van Tassel from 2" of July 1779 to 5 Nov 1780 during the time he was prisoner 16 months and 5 days, amounting to pounds 64-10-8  
 Abraham Van Tassel during time he was in prison" pounds 46-2-7  
 David " " " " " " " " " 42-2-7  
 Lieut Jacob " " " " " " " " " 307-18-2  
 reclaimed rations 36-1-8

Jacob and his wife were buried in Sleepy Hollow Church Yard.

Rachel, oldest child of Hendrick and Beeltje (Buys) Van Tassel, was baptized 25" Apr 1732 and married Abraham Stymets (Stymus). Their children were baptized in Sleepy Hollow Church.

1. Beeltje Stymus bap 26 July 1753
2. Rachel " " 9 Dec 1754
3. Laya " " 25 Apr 1758

Johannis, 2" child of Hendrick and Beeltje (Buys) Van Tassel, was bap. 23 Apr 1734; married 9 Oct 1756, Jannitje Banker (Bancker). Their children were baptized Sleepy Hollow Church.

1. Hendrick Van Tassel bap 3 May 1757
2. Crestena " " " 24 Apr 1759
3. Frederick " " " 5 Apr 1761
4. Philip " " " 30 Apr 1763
5. Rachel " " " 30 Jun 1764
6. Engeltje " " " 10 Nov 1766

John removed with his family about 1770 to Columbia Co. New York, and settled at a place called Taghanock, where he died.

Maritje, 3" child of Hendrick and Beeltje (Buys) Van Tassel, was bap 1736; married 13 Apr 1754 Harmen Williams son of Cornelius and Maria (Stoms) Williams, who was bap. 29 Mar 1729. Their children were : -

1. Lena Williams bap 1755
2. Antje " " 3 Nov 1756

Annetje, 4" child of Hendrick and Beeltje (Buys) Van Tassel was bap 29 Apr 1738 and died 10 Jan 1830; she married 1785 Peter Bout, son of Martinus, born New York City 2 Sept 1730 and died 15 Feb 1817. They had no children, they owned a farm on the west slope of Saw Mill River Valley about a mile south of present Elmsford, New York.



Peter Bout was a Revolutionary soldier. He served in the first Regiment Westchester Co. Militia, Colo James Hamman. (see page 204 N.Y. in the Rev.)

Geertje, 5<sup>th</sup> child of Hendrick and Beeltje (Baye) Van Tassel, was bap. 20 Apr 1740 is not mentioned in her father's will, dated 1771, she probably died young.

William, 3<sup>rd</sup> child of Cornelius and Antje (Williams) Van Tassel was born 1737, and died 1781; he married Hester ----- Their children were : -

- |              |            |     |      |
|--------------|------------|-----|------|
| 1. Henry     | Van Tassel | bap | 1778 |
| 2. Catharine | "          | "   | 1780 |

An adopted son, Isaac, born 1778 was the son of William's brother, John William leased a farm in Philipstown, Putnam Co. New York, containing 123 acres near Horton's pond now Oscawana Lake, when the land was sold by the Commissioners or Forfeiture; the widow Hester, bought the farm. William's will dated Oct 1781 and offered for probate 27 Dec 1781 is recorded in Surrogate's office New York City, mentions wife Hester and an adopted son Isaac.

John, 4<sup>th</sup> child of Cornelius and Antje (Williams) Van Tassel, was bap 23 June 1739 was married to Catharine ----. Their children were :

- |            |            |      |      |
|------------|------------|------|------|
| 1. Abraham | Van Tassel | born | 1767 |
| 2. John    | "          | "    | 1769 |
| 3. Isaac   | "          | "    | 1778 |

John was living in Philipse, Upper Patent 22 Dec 1766. His son Isaac was adopted by his brother William.

Abraham, 5<sup>th</sup> son of Cornelius and Antje (Williams) Van Tassel; was bap 31 Oct 1745; was married in N.Y. City to a Dutch woman, her name unknown, so say the grand-children. Their children were :

- |               |            |      |       |      |
|---------------|------------|------|-------|------|
| 1. Jan        | Van Tassel | born | about | 1777 |
| 2. Polly      | "          | "    | "     | 1779 |
| 3. Annis      | "          | "    | "     | 1781 |
| 4. Rebecca    | "          | "    | "     | 1783 |
| 5. Abraham    | "          | "    | "     | 1785 |
| 6. John Isaac | "          | "    | "     | 1787 |
| 7. Jacob      | "          | "    | "     | 1789 |

Abraham lived in New York City during the Revolution and was a Loyalist. At the end of the Revolution he and his family removed with others to Canada and settled at Digby, Nova Scotia. He later lived at "Prisoner's Cove". In 1801 he obtained a grant of 200 acres of land from the Governor at Digby, New Grant. This farm was in the possession of the family on 1898, a grand-son lived there.

Jacob, oldest child of William and Susanna (Williams) Van Tassel, was bap 27 June 1748 and married Annatje--- they had a child, William, who was bap 30 Oct 1770.

Cornelius, 2<sup>nd</sup> child of William and Susanna (Williams) Van

Tassel, was bap 17 Apr 1750, married Crestena ----, they had a child Abraham, bap 17 May 1774.

Johannis (John), 3<sup>rd</sup> child of William and Susanna (Williams) Van Tassel, was bap 8 Oct 1751 and died 15 Apr 1810 at Saratoga, New York; he married Jeintje Davids, daughter of Harmen (Harmon) and Rachel (Aertas) Davids, who was born 1754 and died 24 Apr 1838 at Westmoreland, New York. Their children were : -

1. Abraham	Van Tassel	bap 14 Apr 1773
2. Rebecca	"	" " " " 1776
3. Betsey	"	" " " " 1777
4. Polly	"	" " " " 1779
5. Samuel	"	" " " " 1782
6. John	"	" " " " 1784
7. Margaret	"	" " " " 1787
8. Harmon	"	" " " " 1794

John lived prior to, and at the beginning of the Revolution, on a farm which is now a part of the village of Ossining, New York. His first child was bap. Sleepy Hollow Church. After the Revolution he removed to what is now Saratoga Co. New York; he was a Revolutionary soldier. His surviving children applied for U.S. Pension 17 Dec. 1842. They state that he served in Colo Hammond's Regiment Westchester Co. Militia under Capt. James Orser and George Comb; The pension was granted.

Benjamin, 8<sup>th</sup> child of William and Susanna (Williams) Van Tassel, was bap 3 Apr 1761 and died 1838; married Jane ----. Benjamin was a shoemaker by trade and the last years of his life were spent in New York City. His name appears in a number of New York City Directories. He was a Revolutionary soldier and served in the 7<sup>th</sup> Regiment Dutchess Co Militia, Morris Graham Colo (see N.Y. in Revolutionary times, page 149) --- know nothing further of him.

William, 9<sup>th</sup> child of William and Susanna (Williams) Van Tassel, was bap. 30 Apr 1763 and died 1844; he married Elizabeth Van Wart, daughter of William and Helena (Cox) Van Wart, who was born 8 Apr 1769 and died 24 Oct 1840. Their children were : -

1. Edward	Van Tassel	born about 1800, died un-married.
2. William	"	" " " " 1802 " " "
3. Albert	"	" " " " 1804
4. Henry	"	" " " " 1807
5. Eliza	"	" " " " 1812

William was a shipwright builder and lived for a time in New York City. He died at Fort Lee, New Jersey and was buried in the local grave yard.

Susanna, 10<sup>th</sup> child of William and Susanna (Williams) Van Tassel, was bap 1767 and died before 1819; she married Jeremiah Cypher, son of Peter and Effie (Hable) Cypher; their children were : -

1. Peter Cypher	bap 15 Jan 1835
2. Lewis "	" about 1788

(See will of Effie Conkling, Liber L, page 66, Westchester Co. Register's office. They lived back of Tarrytown, New York.

Abraham, 11<sup>th</sup> child of William and Susanna (Williams) Van Tassel, was bap 1769 and died 1839; he married Elizabeth Oakley, who was born 1772 and died 1814. He married 2<sup>nd</sup> in 1813 Elizabeth Chennepois, daughter of Andrew and Anles (Conklin) Chennepois, the widow of Isaac Van Tassel, deceased. Elizabeth Chennepois was born 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov 1787 and died 1 Dec 1841. Abraham's children, by his first wife were : -

- |            |            |                           |
|------------|------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Julia   | Van Tassel | bap 6 Aug 1794            |
| 2. William | "          | " 16 Aug 1796             |
| 3. Maria   | "          | " 6 Feb 1799              |
| 4. Andrew  | "          | " 11 Oct 1803             |
| 5. Hannah  | "          | " ..... 1807              |
| 6. Daniel  | "          | " 6 Jul 1808              |
| 7. Edmund  | "          | " 26 Aug 1809, died young |
| 8. Abraham | "          | " ..... 1811, " "         |

Abraham's children by 2<sup>nd</sup> wife.

- |              |            |                      |
|--------------|------------|----------------------|
| 1. Thomas    | Van Tassel | bap 1820, died young |
| 2. Alexander | "          | " 1829               |

Abraham lived near the Upper Cross roads, a little south of the present village of Hawthorne, town of Mount Pleasant, Westchester Co. New York.

Nicholas, the oldest child of Theodorus and Maritje (Boen) Van Tassel, was bap 23 Dec 1747; died 29 May 1832; he married Mary Whittaker who was born 20 Apr 1747 and died 11 Feb 1838. Their children were : -

- |              |            |  |
|--------------|------------|--|
| 1. Elizabeth | Van Tassel | bap 22 Jul 1770                        |
| 2. Mary      | "          | " 16 Sep 1772                          |
| 3. Richard   | "          | " 2 Feb 1775                           |
| 4. William   | "          | " 24 Mar 1777                          |
| 5. Huldah    | "          | " 26 Mar 1779 married Ensign ---Miller |
| 6. Mehitable | "          | " 17 Aug 1781                          |
| 7. Hannah    | "          | " 8 Feb 1784                           |

Nicholas was a blacksmith by trade. He lived at Minnesink-Orange Co. New York until about 22 July 1779-- the date of Colo Brandt's attack and then settled at Dolsentown, a small hamlet near Goshen where he purchased a farm. On the 24<sup>th</sup> of May 1775 he signed the pledge to stand by the American Cause and was a soldier serving as a private in the 4<sup>th</sup> Orange Co Militia, John Hawthorn "Robert's New York in the Rev." page 167. In their old age, the husband and wife lived with their daughter, Huldah, wife of Ensign Miller.

John, 2<sup>nd</sup> child of Theodorus and Maritje (Boen) Van Tassel, was bap. 15 Mar 1750 and died 6 Aug 1825; he married Charity--- who was born in 1752 and she died 27 Sep 1811. Their child was :

Theodore John Van Tassel was born 23 Sep 1788.

John was a farmer and in his later years lived at Maysville,

Chautauqua Co. N.Y. at which place he was buried. He probably went west in 1818 when his brother Theodore went to Mayaville. He was a Revolutionary soldier, and was on his way to get a U.S. Pension when he died. His name appears in the New Jersey Book of Revolutionary soldiers.

Henry, 3<sup>rd</sup> child of Theodorus and Maritje (Boen) Van Tassel, was baptized in 1756 and died 6 Nov 1831 in New York City; he married 7 July 1780, Maria or Mary Lent, who was born 1759 and died 29 Mar 1846 in N.Y. City.

Children were : -

- |               |            |                          |
|---------------|------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Henry      | Van Tassel | bap 2 Sep 1781           |
| 2. Anne       | "          | " 25 May 1784            |
| 3. Thomas     | "          | " 21 Jun 1786            |
| 4. Jacob      | "          | " 26 July 1789           |
| 5. William    | "          | " 8 Aug 1792             |
| 6. Margaret   | "          | " 8 Mar 1795, died young |
| 7. Hester     | "          | " 21 Sep 1798            |
| 8. David Lent | "          | " 21 Jul 1801            |

Henry early went to New York City and remained there until the breaking out of the Revolution. Then he went to Delaware Co., New York. After the ending of the war he returned to New York City and his daughter Hester was born there. Mrs Purcell says that Henry, her grand-father was a Revolutionary War soldier serving in the Albany Co. Militia, 16<sup>th</sup> Regiment. (New York in Rev., page 132) She also says that their house was burned and everything lost. This story agrees with the story of the descendants of Theodore.

Theodore, 4<sup>th</sup> child of Theodorus and Maritje (Boen) Van Tassel, was born 1760 and died 27 June 1832 and married Mary Ransom Bush, who was born 1765 and died 1832. Their children were : -

- |             |            |                |
|-------------|------------|----------------|
| 1. Theodore | Van Tassel | bap 5 Apr 1784 |
| 2. Isaac    | "          | " ..... 1786   |
| 3. Amelia   | "          | " ..... 1787   |
| 4. Ann      | "          | " ..... 1789   |
| 5. Abraham  | "          | " 16 Feb 1794  |
| 6. Luke     | "          | " 15 Apr 1796  |
| 7. Ransom   | "          | " 25 Mar 1803  |
| 8. Alanson  | "          | " ..... 1806   |

Theodore lived at or near East Durham, Greene Co. New York; where his children were born. He moved in 1818 with Abraham, Ransom and his daughter to Mayaville, New York; where his wife died. In 1825 he went to live with his son Ransom at Drummondsville or Lundy's Lane, Canada, where he died. The descendants of Henry and Theodore speak of the burning of the house and the loss of the family Bible, undoubtedly the house of Theodorus.

Matthias, 5<sup>th</sup> child of Theodorus and Maritje (Boen) Van Tassel, was born 10 June 1765 and died 24 Sep 1851; he married Charity Lawsen who was born 23 Feb 1766 and died about 1827. Their children were :-

- |             |            |                  |
|-------------|------------|------------------|
| 1. Matthias | Van Tassel | born 16 Feb 1791 |
| 2. John     | "          | " 12 Apr 1793    |

3. Amelia	Van Tassel	born 9 Jan 1795
4. Peter	" "	" 5 Nov 1796
5. Henry	" "	" 15 Dec 1798
6. Perlee	" "	" 22 Mar 1801
7. Ann	" "	" 1 Jan 1805
8. Mary	" "	" 23 Jun 1807

Matthias was a shoemaker by trade; he also was a local preacher and went from place to place in central New York preaching-during this period it is said that his home was at Manlius, N.Y. After the death of his wife he lived with his son Peter at Pekin, Niagara Co. N.Y. In 1851 he visited his daughters, Mary and Ann at Montezuma, N.Y.; while there he sickened and died.

Jacob, 6<sup>th</sup> child of Theodorus and Maritje (Boen) Van Tassel, was bap in 1767 and died 1816; he married Lucretia Phelps who died 1854. Their children were : -

1. Ora Van Tassel born 3 Feb 1800
2. Ira " " " " 1802, died young
3. Alanson " " " 4 Apr 1804 at Salt Point, New York

The widow and her children early went to Canada. She married Philip Vetsel and had a son George Vetsel, born 3 Apr 1817, and 2 daughters; -(1) Mary Vetsel who married Jeremiah Oakley and lived in Orange Co., New York (2) Rebecca Vetsel who married Jacob Hulse or Hulse.

Johannis (John) oldest child of Johannis and Anna (Ecker or Acker) Van Tassel, was bap 23 Apr 1734 and died 1813; he married Mary Bartine of Mile Square now a part of Yonkers, N.Y. who was b. 1738 and d. 1825. Their children were : -

1. Stephen Van Tassel born 1758
2. Hannah " " " 1764
3. Benjamin " " " 1770
4. Polly " " " 1776

Johannis (John) was a tall erect man of medium build, dark hair and complexion; born near Tarrytown he went early to Yonkers and while there married his wife, shortly after his marriage he returned to Tarrytown and lived in a log house situated on the north side of a small bay called "Haventje", a mile north of the Sleepy Hollow Church; The place was then an important fishing point; a cart road leading to the Highland Turnpike and extending into Sleepy Hollow, at or near Carle's Hill. This house he and his family occupied until his death, excepting during the Revolution when he served in the "American Army-- and his family was compelled to move to the upper part of Westchester Co. As long as he was able he worked upon the adjoining farm lands and fished during the fishing season. He served as a soldier during the French and Indian wars. Enlisting 15<sup>th</sup> Mar. 1759, in Captain William Gilchrist's Company. When the Revolutionary war broke out he joined the American Army and served with the Revolutionary forces until the end of the war. He acted for a time as a ferryman at Verplanck's

Point, New York and at one time aided in ferrying over the American Army to Stormy Point. Was over taken and made a prisoner in the well known Sugar House in New York City.

The first enlistment of John Van Tassel was in Captain Abraham Ladien's Company; he and his son, Stephen, enlisted in the spring of 1776 at the same time and in the same company, according to the application of Stephen for a pension. Ladien's Company was attached to Colo Thomas' Regiment, Westchester Co. Militia.

As to the family of the wife of Van Tassel-- Harriet Bartine-- who made up the early records of Oakley and Bartine families, tells this story : --"John Bartine's father, when an infant was brought to this country by his mother, from Rochelle, France, about 1680, at the suspension of the Edict of Nantes, which condemned Protestants or Huguenots to death or exile. The mother and child lived in New York City until the next year, when they joined other Huguenots, who had fled to America and settled in New Rochelle, N.Y. When the son had grown to manhood he came to N.Y. City and lived in one of the three cottages east of a stream that ran through Broadway Street. His former garden is now Harrison Square. His sons were the above named John-- and Peter. John was born 15 Aug 1712, old style, in N.Y. City and died 26 Aug 1815 at the age of 103-- His first wife left Mary, who married John Van Tassel.

Harriet Bartine made up the family record 1876; she was born 1 Dec 1779 the daughter of John Bartine and grand-daughter of the John of 103 years. On his 100th birthday, John Bartine came to Tarrytown and visited his daughter Mary. This event was remembered throughout life by the older child of his daughter, who described him as " a very active little Frenchman".

Stefanus (Stephen) 4" child of Johannis Van Tassel and Anna (Ecker or Acker) Van Tassel, was bap 29 Apr 1740, was a soldier in the French and Indian War; having enlisted 4" of Apr 1759, in Capt. Joshua Bloomer's Westchester Co. The description there given of him is height, 5 ft 8 inches; dark eyes and light hair. The family know nothing of him and no one has been found who traced back to him. The impression is he died unmarried or at least childless.

Rachel, 8" child of Johannis (John) and Anna (Ecker or Acker) Van Tassel, was bap 25 Apr 1749; she married Hendrick de Revere, the son of John and Catharine (Van Tassel) De Revere, who was bap 17 Apr 1750. Their children were bap. at Sleepy Hollow Church.

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| 1. Maritje | De Revere bap 22 Feb 1772 |
| 2. Abraham | De Revere " 17 Aug 1777   |

Hendrick De Revere was a private in Colo Hammond's Westchester Co. Militia.

Abraham, 11" child of Johannis (John) and Anna (Ecker or Acker) Van Tassel was born 1754; he died 15 Mar 1825; and he married Hester De Voe, daughter of Abraham and Leah (Storms) De Voe who was born 24 Apr 1759 and died about 1799. He married 2" Feb 2" 1802 Sarah Minnerly, a widow.

The children were : -

Children of first wife.

1. John Van Tassel bap 23, Dec 1779
2. Hannah " " 9 Sep 1783
3. Leah " " 30 May 1784
4. Isaac " " .... 1786
5. Catharine " " 24 Aug 1789
6. Abraham " " 14 Nov 1791
7. Helena " " .... 1793
8. Ann " " 22 Jan 1796

Children of 2<sup>nd</sup> wife.

1. Rebecca Van Tassel bap 19 Jul 1804
2. Emeline " " 13 Feb 1806

Abraham was a tall, raw boned man and was early nicknamed "Brom Bones" to distinguish him from other Van Tassel's bearing the same name, who lived in the neighborhood and attended the Sleepy Hollow Church at that time. Abraham lived in Sleepy Hollow, a little north of Carle's Hill. His name appears upon an old Revolutionary muster roll still existing of Captain Gabriel Requa's Company of the upper part of the Manor of Philipsburgh. It was made up between 1778 and 1780. On it appears the name "Abraham Van Tassel (Bones)". For many years after the war Abraham was chorister and reader at the Old Sleepy Hollow Church in Tarrytown, New York.

Jan or John, oldest child of Jacob and Susanna (Wood) Van Tassel, was bap 30 Apr 1743; and died 26 May 1779, and married Sara Ackerman, who could not have lived long after the birth of her children.

1. Catharine Van Tassel bap 26 Oct 1766
2. Ann " " 23 Dec 1769
3. John " " 25 May 1774

Jan or John was a soldier in Colo James Hammond's Westchester Co. Militia and on the day of his death was one of the guards stationed on the Bedford Road town of Mount Pleasant, at the home of James Requa. He was posted as a sentinel near the house and when a force of British Dragons suddenly appeared, he fired at them and defended himself with his bayonet. He was surrounded and cut down by the swords of the dragons. The state soon after gave to "Catharine Ann and John Van Tassel, orphan children of John Van Tassel, late private in Colo Hammond's Regiment who was slain in the field 26 May 1779, 7 years half pay."

Thomas, 3<sup>rd</sup> child of Jacob and Susanna (Wood) Van Tassel, was bap in 1746 and died 8 Mar 1796; he married 2<sup>nd</sup> Rachel Ward of Sing Sing, New York; Their children were : -

1. John Van Tassel born 3 Aug 1770
2. Robert " " 27 Aug 1772
3. Jamima " " 1 Apr 1775
4. daughter " " ..... married .... Outhouse

Thomas lived in the town of New Castle near Mount Kisco; he was a carpenter by trade, also had a farm which he worked. A grandson



said in 1896 that during the Revolution he was a purchaser of supplies for the American Army. Besides the above children have been told he had a daughter who married an Outhouse.

Abraham, 4<sup>th</sup> child of Jacob and Susanna (Wood) Van Tassel, was bap. and born in 1748; he married Goertje Charity Bout, sister of Peter Bout (1730-1817). Their children were :-

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|--------------------------|------------|-----|-------------------------|
| 1. Maritje               | Van Tassel | bap | 21 Jun 1769             |
| 2. Isabelle (or Beeltje) | "          | "   | 24 Jun 1771             |
| 3. Johannes (or John)    | "          | "   | 14 Apr 1773             |
| 4. Elizabeth             | "          | "   | 17 Jun 1774             |
| 5. Annetje               | "          | "   | 28 Apr 1776             |
| 6. Jacob                 | "          | "   | ..... 1779 dead in 1833 |

Jacob, the oldest child of Jan or John and Helena (Hemmen-- or Hammond) Van Tassel, was bap 19 Aug 1727; he married Catrina Boyce, they were sponsors for a child of Staats and Rachel (Boyce) Williams in 1769 and were alive 22 of May 1774, when they were sponsors for a son of David and Margaret Van Tassel. Know nothing further of them.

Johannis, 5<sup>th</sup> child of Jan or John and Helena (Hemmen -- or Hammond) Van Tassel, was bap 23 Apr 1737 and died 11 Apr 1807; he married Rachel Van Tassel daughter of John and Truntje (Buys) Van Tassel daughter of John and Truntje (Buys) Van Tassel-- who was born 24 June 1735 and died 22 Sep 1819. Their children were :-

- |             |            |      |                                   |
|-------------|------------|------|-----------------------------------|
| 1. Annetje  | Van Tassel | born | 11 Sep 1763                       |
| 2. Johannes | "          | "    | 28 Apr 1765, died young           |
| 3. Leah     | "          | "    | 11 Mar 1767                       |
| 4. Johannes | "          | "    | 22 Apr 1770                       |
| 5. Maritje  | "          | "    | 26 Oct 1771                       |
| 6. Catrina  | "          | "    | 29 Nov 1773, died 1820, unmarried |
| 7. Elsie    | "          | "    | 13 Apr 1777                       |

Johannis (John) was a soldier in the French and Indian War; he enlisted in 1758, was 5 feet 6 inches in height; had light hair and eyes and dark complexion. He was also a soldier on the American side in the Revolution. He leased a farm from Frederick Philipse in Barrytown, comprising 160 acres of land which he afterwards bought of the Commissioners of Forfeitures. Upon this property stood on the east side of and near Broadway, a stone building in which was kept prior to, during, and after the Revolution, a tavern. The old house was torn down in 189- to make way for the public school building called "Washington Irving High School".

Abraham, 6<sup>th</sup> child of Jan or John and Helena (Hemmen or Hammond) Van Tassel, was bap 10 Apr 1759 and married 31 Oct 1769 to Maritje Waldron. Their children were :-

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|--------------|------------|-----|-------------|
| 1. Maritje   | Van Tassel | bap | 19 Nov 1770 |
| 2. William   | "          | "   | 20 Jun 1772 |
| 3. Antje     | "          | "   | 8 Nov 1774  |
| 4. Elizabeth | "          | "   | 8 Jun 1777  |

Abraham lived in N.Y. City during the Revolution; going there shortly after the war started. In all probability he went with the



Loyalists to Canada at the completion of the war; as his son, William, was there 1801.

David, 8<sup>th</sup> child of Jan or John and Helena (Hemmen or Hammond) Van Tassel was bap 28 June 1743 and married 13 Oct 1773, Margaret Bruch, who was born 1748 and died in New York City 15 Sep 1822; she was a widow in 1801. Their children as far as knowwere: -

Shortly after the 4<sup>th</sup> of May 1786, the date when David sold his leasehold rights in Sing Sing farm to Elijah Hunter, he moved with his family to New York City. He was a Revolutionary soldier--serving as a private in Colo James Hammond's Westchester Co Militia. He also at another time served as a private in Colo Cortlandt's Regiment. He was of the party of soldiers which Lieut. Jacob Van Tassel took down to King's Bridge to reconnoiter and with others was taken prisoner the 2<sup>nd</sup> of July 1779 and so remained a prisoner until Nov 5<sup>th</sup> 1780, a period of 16 months and 5 days, for which the State of New York gave him his pay as a private in the sum of pounds 46-2-7.

Isaac, 9<sup>th</sup> child of Jan or John and Helena (Hemmen or Hammond) Van Tassel was bap 22 June 1745 and died 1828; he married Leah Dutcher who was born 1746 and died 1829. Their children were: -

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|--------------|--|
| 1. Cornelius | Van Tassel bap 10 Apr 1773, died young |
| 2. Annatje   | " " " 1 Oct 1776, died 1825 un-married |
| 3. William   | " " " .....1779                        |
| 4. Henry     | " " " 26 Nov 1783, born New York City  |
| 5. Reuben    | " " " 22 Nov 1788                      |
| 6. Ann       | " " " 11 Apr 1790                      |

Of the above children the first three were born near Tarrytown. Henry was born in New York City; Reuben and Ann were born in Canada. Shortly after the baptism of William in the Sleepy Hollow Church, Isaac removed with his family to New York City and must have sympathized with the "Mother Country", for at the beginning of the Revolution he and his family were of those who left New York and went to Canada. He settled in Queens Co. New Brunswick. One of his descendants wrote that his home was "up in the St. John's River; on Belle Island". He died in the parish of Wickham, Queens Co and was buried in a farm burial ground on the Ackerly property at Washademoak Lake. Isaac was a farmer. The descendants with whom correspondence was had, wrote that they knew Isaac came from Westchester Co. N.Y. and one of them had the family Bible. They knew nothing about the older children. Cornelius and Annatje, they must have died young.

Catharine, oldest child of Abraham and Keyas or Cornelia(-----) Van Tassel, was born 1729; she was alive in 1795; she married John Tice, the children as far as knowwere: -

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|--------------|-----------------|
| 1. Rebecca   | Tice bap 1745   |
| 2. Elizabeth | " " 18 Jan 1748 |

John, 2<sup>nd</sup> child of Abraham and Keyas or Cornelia (-----) Van Tassel was born about 1731 and died May 1792; he married Rebecca ----. They don't seem to have had any children. His will was dated 3 Feb. 1787, and was offered for probate 12 May 1792, and is recorded in Liber

of Mills, Westchester Co. N.Y. Surrogate's office. He gave to his wife and sister Mary, he was Justice of the Peace during the Revolution, or a part of it, in what is now the town of Cortlandt. He was also Supervisor for Ryck's Patent, now part of Cortlandt town, during the Revolution.

Weintje, 4<sup>th</sup> child of Abraham and Keyas or Cornelia (-----) Van Tassel, was born 1735, she was alive 28 Mar 1814. She married Hercules Lent who was born 1735 and died 1816. Hercules Lent's will was probated 11 Oct 1816, Westchester Co. Surrogate's office. Mentions wife "Winchey"--sons John--Henry and Richard; Abraham, son of Abraham deceased; William, Rudolphus, Edward and Uriah, sons of Richard; and daughters--Ester, wife of Abraham Montross; Elizabeth, wife of Augustus C.(?) Taylor and Catharine, wife of Richard Ferris.

The information from the children of Abraham did not come in the original record, but was furnished by Mrs. Ann C. Dowding, of Salt Lake City, to bring the record down to those in the family that we in Salt Lake are familiar with, also she gives the following : -

Jan or John, oldest child of David and Margaret (Brush) Van Tassel, was born May 22<sup>nd</sup> 1774, and died July 21<sup>st</sup> 1825 at New York City; he married Sarah Connor in New York City. Sarah, born May 22 1778 at New York City, died 16 Oct 1830, at New York City; she lived on Charlton Street, when she died. John was buried in Trinity Church Yard. The children of John and Sarah were : -

1. Ann	Van Tassel	b. 26 Nov 1796	N.Y. City, md. William Hadley
2. Elizabeth	"	" 10 Oct 1798	" " Moses Meeks
3. Sarah	"	" .....	" " John Stewart
4. Maria	"	" .....	" " Johnson Vincent
			Nunere
5. Henrietta	"	" .....	" " (1) William Murr
			(2) James Dailey
6. Fanny	"	" .....	" " John P. Harriott
7. Martha	"	" .....	" " Joseph Abrims
8. Henry	"	" 26 May 1816	" " Emily Louise Street

Henry left New York City 3 May 1862, came to Utah with his wife and four youngest children; arriving by ox team 5 Oct 1862. They settled at Salt Lake City and lived for many years in First Ward--Henry died in Salt Lake City 4 Dec 1869 and is buried in Salt Lake City Cemetery. The children of Henry and Emily (Street) Van Tassel were : -

1. Sarah Maria Van Tassel	b. 29 Sep 1838, N.Y.C.; d. 11 Dec 1840 at N.Y. City
2. George Henry "	" 27 Nov 1840 " " 16 Mar 1900 m. Sarah Frances Bean
3. William Munton "	" 4 Nov 1842 " " 7 Dec 1888 m. Amelia Bapp
4. James Dailey Van Tassel	" 12 May 1845 " " 15 Dec 1921 at Riverton, Salt Lake Co. Utah, married Elizabeth Swift.
5. Frances Louisa "	b. 2 Jun 1849 N.Y.C.; d. 5 Dec 1869 at S.L.C. m George Hill
6. Ann Maria "	" 18 Apr 1852 NYC. d. Jun 1875 at " " m Barnabus Lathrop Adams
7. Henrietta "	" 29 Sep 1857, N.Y.C. d. 15 May 1926 at Sandy, Salt Co. Utah, married David Dowding.