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Exhibit 1 – Who Was John Skinner, husband of Patience Hanisey?

The pages that follow is the research of cousins Bill Skinner and Laurel Steffes, as written by Bill Skinner in 2001. [In his writing, Bill generously credits me for work that was done by Laurel Steffes.]

Summary

John T. Skinner, husband of Patience Hanisay, was likely born John Taber Skinner. He was a nephew of John Taber and lived on land given to him by John Taber. John Skinner named his second son Taber Skinner.

John was part of a cluster of Skinners that appeared in Gloucester County in the 2nd half of the 1700's. John's father was likely John Skinner. John, the father, and John Taber were brothers-in-law. They appear together in the records as early as 1758, when both were recorded as being the 'chain bearers' in a land survey.

John, the father, was a landowner in Gloucester Township, NJ. Gloucester Township was located just east of today's Rt.42 and extended from Runnemede to Sicklerville. John T. Skinner was a landowner in old Greenwich Township, west of Gloucester Township, near the town of Pitman.

Susannah C. Skinner, who married John Cathcart, was likely a sister of John T. Skinner. John and wife Patience named a daughter Susannah C. Skinner. And a son of John Skinner – William Skinner, also named a daughter Susannah C. Skinner.

There are two other persons in the records who are likely close relations to John T. Skinner - Richard Skinner (wife Sarah) and Joseph Skinner. There is also a William Skinner in the records, but no relationship is clear.

The Skinners are likely related to Philadelphia Skinner families of the 1700's, possibly the family of William Skinner (wife, Elizabeth Williams), who lived in Philadelphia and later, Gloucester County, NJ, during the late 1700's and early 1800's.

JOHN SKINNER (JOHN T. SKINNER)
PATIENCE HANISEY (HENNESSEY)

WHO WERE THE PARENTS OF JOHN T. SKINNER, WHO
MARRIED PATIENCE HANISEY AT GLORIA DEI CHURCH IN
PHILADELPHIA, PA OCTOBER 27, 1785?

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- AFTER 25 YEARS OF RESEARCH AND BEING OF THE OPINION THAT WE MAY NEVER GET ANY CLOSER TO A DEFINITE ANSWER, WE WILL TRY TO PRESENT OUR RESEARCH AND OUR CONCLUSIONS TO THIS POINT.
- FRANKLIN SKINNER, SON OF RICHARD SKINNER AND GRANDSON OF JOHN T. AND PATIENCE SKINNER, PERSISTED FOR YEARS IN SAYING JOHN WAS THE SON OF CAPTAIN RICHARD SKINNER WHO WAS KILLED AT WOODBRIDGE, NJ IN THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR. FRANKLIN SAID RICHARD'S WIDOW SARAH (BRITTON) SKINNER MARRIED CORNELIUS BAKER AFTER THE WAR IN 1783. THE STORY GOES THAT CORNELIUS BAKER WAS GIVEN (OR HAD BEEN GIVEN) SOME LAND IN GLOUCESTER COUNTY (NEAR WOODBURY) AND THAT HE MOVED HIS FAMILY THERE IN 1789. SUPPOSEDLY JOHN SKINNER, A REVOLUTIONARY WAR SOLDIER AND THE SON OF CAPTAIN RICHARD AND SARAH SKINNER, MOVED TO THE "WOODBURY AREA" WHERE HE WORKED A FARM GIVEN TO HIM BY HIS STEPFATHER. OF COURSE, JOHN HAD TO PRECEDE THE BAKERS IN MOVING FROM MIDDLESEX COUNTY TO GLOUCESTER COUNTY IN ORDER TO MARRY GLOUCESTER COUNTY NATIVE PATIENCE HANISEY IN 1785.
- THIS STORY HAS BEEN ACCEPTED BY MANY FOR YEARS AND HAS EVEN BEEN ACCEPTED (IN THE ABSENCE OF PROOF) THAT DESCENDANTS OF JOHN AND PATIENCE CAN CLAIM DIRECT LINEAGE BACK TO A MEMBER OF THE SOLDIERS OF THE REVOLUTION.

JOHN SKINNER (JOHN T. SKINNER)

PATIENCE HANISEY (HENNESSEY)

- ° THIS CONNECTION OF THE JOHN SKINNER WHO MARRIED PATIENCE HANISEY TO CAPTAIN RICHARD AND SARAH (BRITTON) SKINNER HAS BEEN PURSUED OVER THE YEARS BY MANY PEOPLE INCLUDING OUR COUSINS VIRGINIA (SKINNER) MINOTTY AND KEVIN D. SKINNER WHOSE TIRELESS EFFORTS HAVE UNCOVERED MANY FLAWS IN THE WRITINGS OF FRANKLIN SKINNER WHILE NOT UNCOVERING ANY PROOF FOR WHAT HE INSISTED WAS CORRECT, FOR INSTANCE:

- 1) THERE IS NO PROOF THAT CAPTAIN RICHARD AND SARAH (BRITTON) SKINNER HAD A SON JOHN; IT'S POSSIBLE THAT THE YOUNG REVOLUTIONARY SOLDIER JOHN SKINNER IN MIDDLESEX COUNTY WAS THE SON OF A BENJAMIN SKINNER OF RAHWAY WHO IS KNOWN TO HAVE HAD A SON NAMED JOHN.
- 2) THERE IS NO PROOF THAT CORNELIUS AND SARAH BAKER EVER OWNED LAND OR LIVED IN GLOUCESTER COUNTY. CORNELIUS AND SARAH BAKER LIVED IN MIDDLESEX COUNTY WHEN THEY WROTE THEIR WILLS AND WHEN THEY DIED. NEITHER WILL MENTIONS ANY LAND IN SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY.
- 3) SARAH (BRITTON) BAKER DIED AFTER JOHN T. SKINNER, HUSBAND OF PATIENCE (HANISEY) SKINNER, BUT HER WILL MAKES NO MENTION OF ANYONE IN THE JOHN AND PATIENCE SKINNER FAMILY.

- ° THE CONNECTION OF JOHN T. SKINNER (HUSBAND OF PATIENCE SKINNER) TO THE WOODBRIDGE, NJ (MIDDLESEX COUNTY) SKINNERS IS NONEXISTENT, BECAUSE IT'S SIMPLY NOT CORRECT. VIRGINIA (SKINNER) MINOTTY AND KEVIN D. SKINNER ARE TO BE PRAISED FOR DISPROVING THE THEORY THEY SOUGHT TO PROVE.

JOHN SKINNER (JOHN T. SKINNER)
PATIENCE HANISEY (HENNESSEY)

SO WHY DID FRANKLIN SKINNER, GRANDSON OF THE JOHN SKINNER WHO MARRIED PATIENCE HANISEY, PERSIST IN SAYING THAT JOHN WAS A REVOLUTIONARY WAR SOLDIER AND THE SON OF CAPTAIN RICHARD SKINNER, WHO WAS KILLED AT WOODBRIDGE, NJ IN THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR?

PROBABLY BECAUSE FRANKLIN SKINNER, A CIVIL WAR SOLDIER WHO WAS VERY PROUD OF HIS SERVICE AND THAT OF HIS BROTHER AS WELL, WANTED HIS GRANDFATHER JOHN SKINNER TO BE SOMETHING HE WASN'T—A SOLDIER OF THE CONTINENTAL FORCES IN THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR.

IN FACT, IT IS ALMOST CERTAIN (RECENT RESEARCH HAS REVEALED) THAT JOHN SKINNER, THE FUTURE HUSBAND OF PATIENCE HANISEY, WAS A LOYALIST SOLDIER AND, THEREFORE, A TORY FROM 1778 UNTIL 1783 IN THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR.

JOHN SKINNER (THE FUTURE HUSBAND OF PATIENCE HENNESSEY) IS BELIEVED TO BE THE JOHN SKINNER WHO ENLISTED ALONG WITH JAMES HANISEY INTO THE COMPANY OF MEN KNOWN AS THE WEST JERSEY VOLUNTEERS ON MARCH 23, 1778. JAMES HANISEY (FATHER OF PATIENCE) LEFT THE LOYALIST ARMY SHORTLY THEREAFTER BECAUSE HIS LAND WAS CONFISCATED, BUT JOHN CONTINUED TO SERVE AS PART OF THE THIRD (AND LATER THE SECOND) BATTALION OF NEW JERSEY VOLUNTEERS AS A PRIVATE THROUGH AUGUST, 1783.

JOHN SKINNER (THE FUTURE HUSBAND OF PATIENCE HANISEY) IS ALSO BELIEVED TO BE THE JOHN SKINNER (WITH A RANK OF PRIVATE) WHO RECEIVED A GRANT OF LAND IN KING'S COUNTY, NEW BRUNSWICK (CANADA) JULY 14, 1784 FOR HIS SERVICE WITH THE LOYALIST ARMY. IT IS ASSUMED THAT JOHN SOLD THAT LAND AND USED THE MONEY TO ACQUIRE LAND IN GREENWICH TWP, GLOUCESTER COUNTY, NJ (IN TODAY'S RICHWOOD) IN THE LATE 1780S.

JOHN SKINNER (JOHN T. SKINNER)

PATIENCE HANISEY (HENNESSEY)

- ① INSTEAD OF JOHN SKINNER DESCENDING FROM THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY SKINNERS, WE BELIEVE HE PROBABLY HAD PARENTS IN GLOUCESTER COUNTY - QUITE POSSIBLY THAT SECTION OF OLD GLOUCESTER COUNTY THAT IS PART OF TODAY'S CAMDEN COUNTY.
- WE KNOW THAT JOHN WAS THE NEPHEW OF THOMAS TABER WHO QUITE GENEROUSLY LET JOHN RAISE HIS YOUNG FAMILY ON THE 200 ACRE "OLD SMITH'S PLACE" NEAR ALCYON LAKE IN (OLD) GREENWICH TWP. THOMAS TABER HELPED JOHN BUY LAND THAT BORDERED THIS LAND, AND THOMAS WILLED THE "OLD SMITH'S PLACE" TO JOHN AND PATIENCE SKINNER WHEN HE DIED IN 1811. IT'S QUITE POSSIBLE THAT THOMAS TABER COULD SEE JOHN WAS NOT GOING TO OR HAD NOT RECEIVED ANYTHING MUCH FROM HIS FATHER'S ESTATE.
- THE NAME OF THOMAS TABER'S FIRST WIFE HAS NOT BEEN FOUND; HE MAY HAVE MARRIED A SKINNER. OR JOHN'S FATHER MAY HAVE MARRIED THOMAS TABER'S SISTER. OR JOHN SKINNER'S FATHER AND THOMAS TABER MAY HAVE MARRIED SISTERS. JOHN SKINNER'S MIDDLE INITIAL WAS "T". IT MIGHT STAND FOR TABER (TABOR). JOHN SKINNER NAMED HIS FIRST SON "TABER" SKINNER IN 1788.
- THOMAS TABER WAS THE SON OF BENJAMIN TABER AND ELIZABETH CHEW OF GLOUCESTER COUNTY WHO WERE MARRIED IN 1728. BENJAMIN TABER APPARENTLY DIED 10 YEARS LATER IN 1738. BENJAMIN'S WILL MENTIONED HIS CHILDREN, BUT DIDN'T NAME THEM. IT'S QUITE POSSIBLE THAT BENJAMIN AND ELIZABETH HAD AT LEAST ONE DAUGHTER IN ADDITION TO SONS THOMAS AND BENJAMIN, JR.
- AS OF THIS TIME NO MARRIAGE RECORD HAS BEEN FOUND OF A MR. SKINNER MARRYING A MISS TABER OR VICE VERSA.
- BENJAMIN TABER OWNED LAND IN GLOUCESTER TWP AND THOMAS TABER OWNED LAND IN GLOUCESTER TWP, GREENWICH TWP, AND ?

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- IN ADDITION TO JOHN SKINNER BEING THE NEPHEW OF THOMAS TABER, HAVING THE MIDDLE INITIAL "T", AND NAMING A SON "TABER", WE FIND THE NEXT CLUE TO HIS ANCESTRY — JOHN AND PATIENCE SKINNER NAMED THEIR SEVENTH CHILD "SUSANNAH C. SKINNER".
- A "SUSANNAH C. SKINNER" MARRIED JOHN CATHCART IN GLOUCESTER COUNTY 27 JULY 1779, SIX YEARS BEFORE JOHN T. SKINNER MARRIED PATIENCE HANISEY. IT LOOKS AS IF THIS SUSANNAH C. SKINNER MAY HAVE BEEN JOHN T. SKINNER'S SISTER.
- A JOHN CATHCART LIVED IN WATERFORD TWP, GLOUCESTER COUNTY IN 1793. HE WAS BETWEEN 18 AND 45 YEARS OF AGE IN 1793 (SO WAS JOHN T. SKINNER), SO HE WAS BORN BETWEEN 1748 AND 1775.
- JOHN AND SUSANNAH CATHCART LIVED IN WATERFORD TWP. WHEN THEY BOUGHT LAND (81 ACRES) IN GLOUCESTER TWP IN 1793; THEY LIVED IN GLOUCESTER TWP. WHEN THEY SOLD IT IN 1796/7.
- OLD GLOUCESTER COUNTY SEEMS TO HAVE HAD THREE SKINNERS WHO COULD HAVE BEEN THE FATHER OR BROTHER OF JOHN T. SKINNER — WILLIAM, RICHARD, AND JOHN.
- THE ONLY MENTION WE CAN FIND OF THIS WILLIAM SKINNER IS FROM THE COURT OF PLEAS OF GLOUCESTER (COUNTY?) WHERE A WILLIAM FARROW HAS BROUGHT CHARGES AGAINST A WILLIAM SKINNER ON APRIL 10, 1770 FOR TRESPASSING (JOHN T. SKINNER WOULD HAVE BEEN 10 YEARS OLD AT THE TIME.)

KDS update — William Skinner Sr., son of John and Patience, also named a daughter Susannah C. Skinner

JOHN SKINNER (JOHN T. SKINNER)

PATIENCE HANISEY (HENNESSEY)

- A RICHARD SKINNER WAS ALERTED TO MEET IN SEPT, 1780 AS A MEMBER OF CAPTAIN ROBERT MADDOX'S COMPANY IN GLOUCESTER TWP, AND A RICHARD SKINNER WAS IN THE UPPER GLOUCESTER TWP. MILITIA IN 1793-1794 (THE SAME 18-45 YEAR OLD AGE BRACKET JOHN T. SKINNER WAS IN).
- A RICHARD SKINNER WAS ON THE GLOUCESTER TWP. TAX LISTS FROM 1780 UNTIL 1795—FOR A WHILE IT APPEARS HE WAS BEING TAXED AS A SINGLE MAN (UNMARRIED MAN)
- THIS GLOUCESTER TWP. RICHARD SKINNER DIED IN 1796
A SARAH SKINNER, WIFE OF RICHARD SKINNER, DIED IN GREENWICH TWP. APPROXIMATELY 11/16/1831 (NO OTHER KNOWN INFORMATION)
- IT IS BELIEVED THAT THE RICHARD SKINNER OF GLOUCESTER TWP. MIGHT HAVE BEEN THE BROTHER, UNCLE, OR COUSIN OF JOHN T. SKINNER WHO WAS 33 YEARS OF AGE IN 1793.
- A JOSEPH SKINNER, WHO APPEARS ONLY ON THE TAX ROLLS OF 1794 FOR DEPTFORD TWP., WOULD ALSO APPEAR TO BE IN THIS CATEGORY WITH RESPECT TO JOHN T. SKINNER.
- THIS BRINGS US TO AN OLDER JOHN SKINNER WHO WE BELIEVE IS MOST LIKELY THE FATHER OF JOHN T. SKINNER.
- REFERRING BACK TO JOHN CATHCART WHO MARRIED SUSANNAH C. SKINNER IN 1779 IN GLOUCESTER COUNTY AND WHO LIVED IN GLOUCESTER TWP IN 1796/7,...
- JOHN CATHCART OF GLOUCESTER TWP. WROTE HIS WILL 6 MARCH 1806, AND HIS WILL WAS PROVEN 11 MAY 1807. IN HIS WILL HE LEFT PROPERTY TO HIS WIFE SUSAN, HIS SON ALLEN, AND HIS DAUGHTER SUSAN WHO WAS NOT YET 21 YEARS OF AGE WHEN HER FATHER'S WILL WAS WRITTEN. THUS, SUSAN WAS BORN AFTER 1785 WHEN JOHN T. SKINNER WAS STARTING HIS FAMILY; THIS ALSO MAKES THE "SUSANNAH C. SKINNER" WHO MARRIED JOHN CATHCART LOOK OF AGE TO BE THE SISTER OF JOHN T. SKINNER.

JOHN SKINNER (JOHN T. SKINNER)

PATIENCE HANISEY (HENNESSEY)

- THE PROWELL HISTORY BOOK OF CAMDEN COUNTY TELLS HOW JOHN CATHCART ACQUIRED A BEAUTIFUL DEER PARK PROPERTY LATER KNOWN AS THE WARNER PROPERTY IN GLOUCESTER TWP. IN 1794 (SEE PAGE 675). AN OLD 1856 MAP OF GLOUCESTER TWP. SHOWS THE ELIZABETH WARNER PROPERTY ON THE WHITE HORSE PIKE JUST NORTH WEST OF THE LAUREL RD. INTERSECTION IN TODAY'S STRATFORD/SOMERDALE AREA.
- LET'S BACK UP FOR A MOMENT AND LOOK AT THE RECORDS OF JOHN SKINNER OF GLOUCESTER TWP. (POSSIBLY THE FATHER OF JOHN T. SKINNER) UP TO THIS TIME OF APPROXIMATELY 1793-1796.
- FIRST, THE COURT CASES, WHERE IT APPEARS THIS JOHN SKINNER WAS ALWAYS STEPPING OVER THE LINE LIKE JOHN T. SKINNER LIKED TO DO A FEW YEARS LATER:
 - A) 22 SEPT 1763 (3 YEARS AFTER JOHN T. SKINNER WAS BORN), THOMAS COLES (WHO WE KNOW LIVED IN DEPTFORD TWP. FROM 1779-1789) SUES JOHN SKINNER FOR TRESPASSING
 - B) 20 DEC 1764 - JACOB CASTLEMAN OF GLOUCESTER COUNTY SUES JOHN SKINNER FOR DEBTS.
 - C) 4 APRIL 1765 - JOHN HEDGER (WHO LIVED IN GLOUCESTER TWP. AT LEAST 1773-1789) SUES JOHN SKINNER FOR TRESPASSING; NOTE: JOSEPH HEDGER MARRIED MARTHA TABER IN 1741
 - D) 11 JUNE 1765 - JOHN SKINNER STILL NOT SETTLED WITH CASTLEMAN,
 - E) 28 NOV 1768 - JOHN HAS OWED MONEY FROM THIS DATE TO JOHN HINCHMAN (WHO LIVED IN GLOU TWP. 1773+1774).
 - F) 12 SEPT 1770 - THE COURT DATE FOR HINCHMAN VS. SKINNER.
 - G) 19 MAR 1776 - THOMAS TABER SUES JOHN SKINNER FOR DEBT (HIS BROTHER-IN-LAW?)
 - H) 8 OCT 1778 - WARD PIERCE (WHO WE KNOW LIVED IN GLOU. TWP. AT LEAST FROM 1773-1775) SUES JOHN SKINNER FOR TRESPASSING.

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- ALSO, JOHN SKINNER OF GLOUCESTER TWP. APPEARS ON THE TAX RECORDS FOR THE YEARS 1773-1792 (HIS LAST YEAR) WHERE THE VALUE OF HIS ESTATE APPEARS TO BE DECLINING IN THE LATER YEARS.
- THIS BRINGS US TO THE YEARS 1793-1796 WHERE JOHN SKINNER OF GLOUCESTER TWP. WORKED FOR JOHN CATHCART AND SUSANNAH (SKINNER) CATHCART.
- IS THIS A CASE OF JOHN SKINNER WORKING FOR HIS APPARENTLY WELL-TO-DO SON-IN-LAW? WE THINK SO.
- FROM A TRANSCRIPTION OF NEW JERSEY SUPREME COURT CASE NO. 8632 OF JOHN SKINNER VS. JOHN CATHCART (SEPTEMBER TERM 1805) WE FIND THAT JOHN SKINNER SUED JOHN CATHCART FOR MONIES OWED HIM FOR (AMONG OTHER THINGS) SEVERAL MONTHS OF LABOR FROM 15 SEPT 1793 TO 1 JAN 1796 AT SIX DOLLARS PER MONTH.
- WITNESSES FOR THE PLAINTIFF IN THIS CASE WERE "JOHN SKINNER JR", JOHN PHIFER, AND JOSEPH GARNER. WE BELIEVE "JOHN SKINNER JR" WAS JOHN T. SKINNER AND THAT JOHN T. SKINNER WAS PROBABLY THE SON OF THIS JOHN SKINNER OF GLOUCESTER TWP.
- APPARENTLY JOHN SKINNER AND JOHN CATHCART AND JOHN SKINNER JR HAD PASSED SOME MONEY BACK AND FORTH (OR FAILED TO PASS SOME MONEY BACK AND FORTH) INCLUDING A BALANCE FROM AN ACCOUNT WITH ONE JOHN COLLINS WHICH ONE RECEIVED INSTEAD OF THE OTHER, THE PROCEEDS FROM THE SALE OF A PAIR OF OXEN BOUGHT FROM JESSE SOMERS, AND INTEREST OWED JOHN SKINNER OVER A PERIOD OF $8\frac{1}{2}$ YEARS
- THE SURVIVING PAPERS FROM THE CASE ARE NOT COMPLETE OR EASY TO READ, BUT THE COURT DID RULE IN FAVOR OF JOHN SKINNER FOR THE SUM OF \$58.04.
- NOTE! THE WITNESS JOHN PHEIFER WAS 37 YEARS OLD IN 1805. HE DIED IN 1812 AT 44 YEARS OF AGE, AND HE WAS BURIED IN BERLIN CEMETERY IN WATERFORD TWP. WE DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THE WITNESS JOHN GARNER.

JOHN SKINNER (JOHN T. SKINNER)

PATIENCE HANISEY (HENNESSEY)

- ALAS, FOR ALL THE MONEY THAT JOHN CATHCART TOOK IN FROM HIS MANY SALES AND THEN LAID OUT ON HIS PURCHASES OF LAND, JOHN SKINNER NEVER DID RECEIVE THE MONEY THE COURT AWARDED HIM IN 1805.
- JOHN CATHCART WROTE HIS WILL IN 1806, AND HE DIED IN 1807, LEAVING PROPERTY TO HIS WIDOW AND HIS CHILDREN.
- AND HOW DID JOHN SKINNER (WHOM WE AFFECTIONATELY CALL "THE PAUPER JOHN SKINNER", WHOM WE BELIEVE MIGHT WELL HAVE BEEN THE FATHER OF JOHN T. SKINNER) - HOW DID HE MAKE OUT?
- WE FIND THE ANSWER FROM TWO ENTRIES IN THE GLOUCESTER COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY BOOK NO. 974.98 GLO. (BOOK B) ENTITLED TRANSCRIPTION OF THE SECOND RECORD BOOK OF THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS OF GLOUCESTER COUNTY, NEW JERSEY (MAY, 1798 TO DEC, 1812)

MAY 11, 1808

WILLIAM BRANSON OVERSEER OF THE POOR FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER BY WILLIAM ZANE ESQ REQUESTED THE INTERVENTION OF THE BOARD CONCERNING THE CASE OF JOHN SKINNER A PAUPER DEC'D WHO DEPOSITED IN THE HANDS OF THE SAID BRANSON A DEED FOR ONE EQUAL HALF PART OF A TRACT OF CEDAR SWAMP AND OTHER EFFECTS TOGETHER WITH A JUDGEMENT OBTAINED BY SAID PAUPER AGAINST JOHN CATHCART FOR FIFTY EIGHT DOLLARS IN THE COURT OF WM. ZANE ESQ.

THE BOARD UPON TAKING THE SUBJECT INTO CONSIDERATION RECOMMEND TO THE SAID WILLIAM BRANSON TO PROCEED TO SELL ALL THE PERSONAL ESTATE OF THE SAID JOHN SKINNER AND COLLECT ALL SUCH MONIES AS MAY APPEAR DUE UPON THE SAID JUDGEMENT OR OTHERWISE AND PAY THE SAME INTO THE TRUSTEES OF THE POOR HOUSE FOR THE TIME BEING.

SEPT 3, 1808

RICHARD LEVIS IS APPOINTED TO TAKE OUT LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION ON THE ESTATE REAL & PERSONAL OF JOHN SKINNER A PAUPER LATELY DEC'D & RECOVER ALL SUCH DEBTS AS WAS DUE TO SAID PAUPER AT THE TIME OF HIS DECEASE.

Exhibit 2 – The Military Service of John Skinner, Husband of Patience Hanisey

The pages that follow is the research of cousins Bill Skinner and Laurel Steffe, as written by Bill Skinner in 2001. In this writing, the Loyalist service of persons named John Skinner in New Jersey is tracked from 1778 to 1783.

To summarize - John Skinner and his father-in-law James Hanisey enlisted in the Loyalist 'West Jersey Volunteers' in March of 1778, as did many of their neighbors. Their captain was Jonathan Chew, a neighbor of James Hanisey.

New Jersey began proceedings to seize the lands of James Hanisey and Jonathan Chew, and other Gloucester County Loyalists, in December of 1778. James Hanisey's Loyalist activities appear to have ended at about that time as he does not appear in any additional muster rolls. There is no mention of any proceedings against John Skinner.

At the end of the war in 1783, the British government provided compensatory land in unsettled portions of Canada to many New Jersey Loyalists who had suffered land seizures. There is no record of James Hanisey asking for, or being given, Canadian land. James Hanisey continued living in Gloucester County, NJ for the duration of his life.

John Skinner appears on the muster roll with James Hanisey in 1778. Using this as a starting point, Bill and Laurel trace the service of multiple persons named John Skinner from one muster roll to the next from 1778 to the end of the war in 1783. One Skinner who could be 'our' John Skinner served as a Loyalist for most of the war, far longer than the brief service of James Hanisey. This John Skinner suffered the seizure of lands during the war and was awarded compensatory land in New Brunswick, Canada following the war.

While exploring the possible war service of 'our' John Skinner, note that 'our' John does not appear on tax rolls as a landowner until after the war, and that there is no record of anyone named John Skinner of Cumberland, Gloucester, Salem or Burlington Counties who had land seizure actions instituted against him during the war. As a result, 'our' John Skinner would not be the John Skinner who received compensatory land in Canada. Beyond his initial appearance in a muster roll with James Hanisey in 1778, it is difficult to draw many conclusions about the Loyalist war service of 'our' John Skinner.

The following documents are in the hand-writing of cousin Bill Skinner (begin next page):

There were 2 John Skinners who served as privates in the Loyalist army from Southern New Jersey.

The first John Skinner seems to have no connection to Gloucester County. He enlisted 18 July 1777 and can be found on the 8 September 1777 muster rolls for the 6th Battalion of New Jersey Volunteers under Lt. Col. Isaac Allen of Trenton. His muster record is as follows

- 1) 19 November 1777 - 6th Battalion - sick on Staten Island
- 2) 8 January 1778 - 6th Battalion - sick in quarters - Staten Isl.
- 3) 7 March 1778 - 6th Battalion - Staten Island
- 4) 7 May 1778 - 3rd Battalion - Staten Island

(The 6th Battalion was merged into the 3rd Battalion between 7 March and 7 May 1778. Isaac Allen was the commander of (first) the 6th Battalion and (then) the 3rd Battalion of Gen. Cortlandt Skinner's Brigade.)

- 5) 29 Nov. 1779 - 3rd Battalion - Savannah, GA - Captain Peter Campbell's Company - still under Lt. Col. Isaac Allen, brother-in-law of Peter Campbell of Trenton. John Skinner was one of 9 men "drafted to the infantry" who appear on the muster roll for both "Allen's Company" and "Campbell's Company" on this date. The others were John Conrad, Godfrey Wert, John White, John Shepherd, James Dailey, William Devine, Joseph Madgett and John Kerhart - none of whom have known ties to Gloucester County

- 6) 24 April 1781 - 3rd Battalion - Peter Campbell's Company
- 7) 24 June 1781 - 3rd Battalion - Peter Campbell's Company
- 8) 24 Dec. 1781 - 3rd Battalion - Peter Campbell's Company
- 9) 24 June 1782 - 2nd Battalion - Peter Campbell's Company

The first John Skinner in the Loyalist Army (continued)

NOTE: Lt. Col. Isaac Allen's 9 companies were called the 3rd Battalion in 1781, but these same 9 companies were called the 2nd Battalion in 1782. Also, the 4th Battalion in 1781 became the 3rd Battalion in 1782.

- 10) January, 1783 - 2nd Battalion - Campbell's Company
- 11) March, 1783 - 2nd Battalion - Campbell's Co - Long Island
- 12) June, 1783 - 2nd Battalion - Campbell's Company
- 13) 24 Aug 1783 - 2nd Battalion - Campbell's Co - Long Island
- 14) 24 Oct 1783 - 2nd Battalion - Campbell's Company -

John Skinner was now a corporal

This 2nd Battalion was still under the command of Lt. Col. Isaac Allen

The second John Skinner who served as a private in the Loyalist Army seems to have had plenty of ties to Gloucester County and is believed to be the man who married Patience Hennessey in 1785 and lived in Greenwich Twp, Gloucester County until his death in 1824.

This soldier's story probably begins with Daniel Cozens, a planter and landowner in Gloucester County who joined the British army early, after taking the oath of allegiance to the Americans under threats of imprisonment. It was said that through his influence 100 of his neighbors and friends followed him in the autumn of 1777 to Philadelphia and put themselves under his command and at his expense.

On January 25, 1778, Daniel Cozens was commissioned as a Captain of these "West Jersey Volunteers" and in March 1778 he and his company took command of Billingsport Fort on the Delaware. Soon afterwards Major John Vandyke was appointed to command this force with the title of West Jersey Volunteers.

The earliest known record of muster for this company was dated July 11, 1778 on Long Island for this company of West Jersey Volunteers — part of Lt. Col. John Van Dyke's regiment under Captain Jonathon Chew who was appointed captain 23 March. Virtually every one in the company had been enlisted by Captain Jonathon Chew or Lt. John Bettie of Philadelphia on 23 March 1778 including James Hennessey (father of Patience Hennessey) and John Skinner. Jonathon Chew was formerly a large landowner in Gloucester County who deeded 1300 acres to his sons 29 July 1776 before entering the Loyalist Army. He was charged with and convicted of high treason in late 1778 and was exiled to Canada.

The next known muster rolls for these soldiers was in Savannah, GA 29 November 1779 after the West Jersey Volunteers had been absorbed into the 3rd Battalion of New Jersey Volunteers. There, among the members of Daniel Cozens Company (he had been made a Captain of the Third Battalion 25 October 1778), ~~we~~ find the following men — all of whom had also been part of Jonathon Chew's company 11 July 1778 — John Skinner, James Duffield, John Richards, Jonathon Seeds, and John Carter (all of whom would be part of the Gloucester County military census of 1793) plus the following list of Gloucester County men which the Prowell History Book of Camden County says fought with the Colonial forces in the War — Moses Butterworth, John Patterson, Israel West, Joseph Roberts, John Lodge, Joseph Kendle, and Jonas Denny. In addition to this, William Bucket is known to have been from Billingsport. Bucket and Charles Fennimore (another member of this company) had actually helped to construct the fortifications at Billingsport. (See "Old Gloucester County and The American Revolution 1763-1778 by Robert W. Harper, professor of history at Glassboro State College, p. 66-67)

So, the West Jersey Volunteers of Daniel Cozens and Jonathon Chew and Daniel Cozens' 3rd Battalion Company of New Jersey Volunteers were heavily populated with men of Gloucester County which was the home of James Hennessey and John Skinner.

LANDS GIVEN TO 2ND NEW JERSEY VOLUNTEERS
BATTALION OF LOYALIST SOLDIERS ACCORDING TO
THE LOYALISTS OF NEW BRUNSWICK BY ESTHER CLARK
WRIGHT, FREDRICKTON, NEW BRUNSWICK, CANADA

ISAAC ALLEN, LT. COL, 2NTV	York Co, N.B.
BARTHOLOMEW THATCHER, CAPT, 2NTV	Bl.2
CHARLES HARRISON, CAPT, 2NTV	P91 Mang

Bl.2 in these listings is Block 2, Kingsclear — part of
38,450 granted to Lt. Col. Isaac Allen and others of the
2nd Battalion of New Jersey Volunteers July 14, 1784

Each of the following are believed to be Gloucester County men:

- 1) James ^{(Duffie)(Duffell)} Duffield, Sgt. 2NTV — lot 127 in Carleton, N.B.
- 2) Israel West, 2NTV, — Bl.2
- 3) John Skinner, 2NTV, — Bl.2 (Note Rank of Private —
not corporal)
- 4) Isaac Mills, Cpl., 2NTV — Bl.2 York Co, N.B.
- 5) William Bucket, NCO, 2NTV — lot 418 in Carleton, N.B.
- 6) Moses Butterworth, Cpl., 2NTV — lot 390 in Carleton, NB, Bl.2
- 7) Edward Carter, 2NTV — Kennebecasis, N.B.
- 8) Gershom Alexander — York Co, N.B.
- 9) Frederick Weaver, 2NTV — Bl.2, Miramichi, Northumberland Co, N.B.
- 10) Charles Finnamore, 2NTV — Kennebecasis, N.B.
- 11) John Harvey, (2NTV?) — Oromocto, Sunbury Co, N.B.
- 12) Joseph Kendle, 2NTV, — Kennebecasis, N.B.
- 13) George Leonard, 2NTV, — Deer Island, N.B.

John Skinner of Daniel Cousins Company was a private at the end of
the war; John Skinner of Peter Campbell's Company was a corporal.

DANIEL COZENS

NJ Volunteers

Roster of Officers 1776-1783

WJV Capt. 1/25/78

3rd Battalion Capt. 10/25/78

Taken from Muster Rolls, those with John Skinner listed:

3rd Battalion – Savannah, Nov. 1779

3rd Battalion – Feb-Apr 1781+

3rd Battalion – Apr-Jun 1781+

3rd Battalion – Oct-Dec 1781+

2nd Battalion – Apr-Jun 1782*

2nd Battalion – Dec 1782 – Feb 1783*

2nd Battalion – Feb-Apr 1783, Long Island

2nd Battalion - May 1783, Long Island

2nd Battalion - Jun-Aug 1783, Long Island

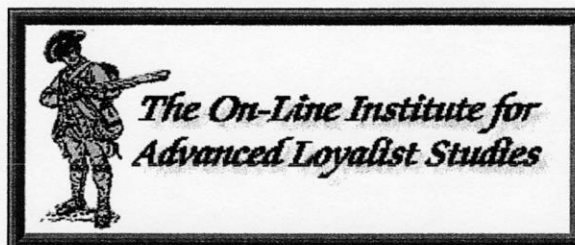
+ I didn't note location of muster, if one was given

* I believe these musters were also taken at Long Island

Researched at NJ State Archives, 24 August 2000 by Bill Skinner and Laurel Steffes

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MUSTER ROLL of <i>Captain Jonathan Chew's</i> Company in <i>Dated Long Island July 11th 1778.</i> (<i>Lt Colonel John van Dyke's Regt.</i>)					
No.	Rank.	Names.	Date of Commission, or Time of Inlistment.	By whom inlisted.	For what Reason absent.
1	Captain	Jonathan Chew	23 March 1778		
1	Lieutenant	John Bittle	23 March 1778		
1	Ensign	James Rice			
1	Sergeant	William Carshore	23 March 1778	Capt ⁿ Chew	
2	Sergeant	John Lamon	10 April 1778	Lieut ^t Bittle	
1	Corporal	Robert Downes	3 rd May 1778	Capt ⁿ Chew	
2	Corporal	John Lodge	15 April 1778	Capt ⁿ Chew	
3	Corporal	William Truant	16 May 1778	Capt ⁿ Chew	
0	Private	Nathan Gregory	25 March 1778	Capt ⁿ Chew	
1		Will	May 4 th 1778	Sitt ^o Ditt ^o	
2		Bromley	3 rd April 1778	Sitt ^o Ditt ^o	
3		Coffey	23 March 1778	Sitt ^o Ditt ^o	
4		Caloway	20 May 1778	Sitt ^o Ditt ^o	
5		Joseph Dille	30 March 1778	Sitt ^o Ditt ^o	
6		James Dany	14 April 1778	Lieut ^t Bittle	
7		Joseph Davenport	20 May 1778	Capt ⁿ Chew	
8		Joseph Erwin	23 March 1778	Sitt ^o Ditt ^o	
9		William Forstman	23 March 1778	Sitt ^o Ditt ^o	
10		James Kennedy	23 March 1778	Ditt ^o Ditt ^o	
11		Arion Hewitt	23 March 1778	Ditt ^o Ditt ^o	
12		Jacob Hewitt	23 March 1778	Ditt ^o Ditt ^o	
13		William Hewitt	23 March 1778	Ditt ^o Ditt ^o	
14		John Hoopy	23 March 1778	Ditt ^o Ditt ^o	
15		Michael Howard	23 March 1778	Ditt ^o Ditt ^o	
16		Isaac Justice	3 May 1778	Ditt ^o Ditt ^o	
17		Abraham Kerns	23 March 1778	Ditt ^o Ditt ^o	
18		Isaac Lord	1 st April 1778	Ditt ^o Ditt ^o	
19		Thomas Lippencott	3 rd May 1778	Lieut ^t Bittle	
20		George Leonard	3 May 1778	Ditt ^o Ditt ^o	
21		Abraham Mullaky	24 April 1778	Ditt ^o Ditt ^o	
22		John Paul	20 June 1778	Capt ⁿ Chew	
23		John Richards	23 March 1778	Ditt ^o Ditt ^o	
24		Jonathan Seeda	23 March 1778	Ditt ^o Ditt ^o	
25		Jerimah Seeda	23 March 1778	Ditt ^o Ditt ^o	
26		John Skinner	23 March 1778	Lieut ^t Bittle	
27		Charles String	23 May 1778	Ditt ^o Ditt ^o	
28		John Shute	10 June 1778	Capt ⁿ Chew	
29		Benjamin Syser	10 June 1778	Ditt ^o Ditt ^o	
30		Isaac West	23 March 1778	Ditt ^o Ditt ^o	
31		James Worthington	3 May 1778	Lieut ^t Bittle	
32		Christer Bittle	3 May 1778	Ditt ^o Ditt ^o	

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Post War Settlement 2nd Battalion New Jersey Volunteers

[List of names of officers and men of the 2nd Battalion, New Jersey Volunteers, who received grants of land in King's County, New Brunswick. Dated 14 July 1784.]

Lieut. Colonel Isaac ALLEN
 Captain Bartholomew THATCHER
 Captain Charles HARRISON
 Captain John BARBARIE
 Captain James SAYRE
 Lieutenant John WILLIS
 Ensign Lewis THOMPSON
 Lieutenant Edward STEELE
 Lieutenant James HARRISON
 Lieutenant William TURNER
 Ensign John LEONARD
 Ensign George LEE
 Quarter Master Daniel JAMES
 Peter PERLEE
 Nicholas FREELAND
 Symon NIE
 John NEWMAN
 Henry COLE
 John CORNELION
 Daniel ENSLEY
 Nicholas OSBORNE
 John PHILLIPS
 • James DUFFELL
 James BURWELL
 Thomas McHUGOE
 • Israel WEST
 Moses MORDEN
 Richard WRITE
 John LEEKE
 — Isaac MILLS
 Joseph PARKS
 Christian ROUPE
 Timothy HINS
 Charles THOMPSON
 Henry YOUNG
 Patrick DIGOUNS
 Joseph MADGITT

Captain Joseph LEE
 Captain Thomas HUNLOKE
 Captain Peter CAMPBELL
 Lieutenant John JENKINS
 Lieutenant Enoch LYCAN
 Ensign William BANKS
 Surgeon Daniel BANCROFT
 Lieutenant John COOMBS
 Lieutenant Cornelius THOMPSON
 Ensign Daniel SHANNON
 Ensign Stephen MILLIDGE
 Adjutant George CYPHERS
 Nathaniel PARKS
 William MILLS
 Albert BERDAN
 Jacob CARVILL
 Jacob STAGG
 • William BUCKETT
 Josiah FOSTER
 Elias SNIDER
 Abraham LONG
 Thomas MARYGOLD
 • Moses BUTTERWORTH
 John HUART
 Henry LEMON
 Robert CHILDS
 Ezekial CROZER
 John DAY
 Jacob McNASH
 Thomas FETHERBY
 John RIGER
 William LUCAS
 Thomas KELLY
 • John SKINNER
 Cuff DUBOIS
 • Edward CARTER
 Thomas DONOHO

Jonathon NEAL	Thomas NELSON
John HAMILTON	John ADAMS
Charles FEELY	Isaac ALIBY
William WATTS	John McMASTERS
Julius EWINS	• Charles FINNIMORE
• Gershom ALEXANDER	James BENNETT
Cornelius ANDERSON	Abner THARP
John McDONALD	George MESLES
Robert KILLPATRICK	James SAMMON
Jeremiah TRACEY	David GAGE
James CARTY	Joseph CRANE
Francis MOWERSON	George HAMILTON
George GERMAIN	— John HERVEY
Hartman FREELAND	Philip SUMMERS
James ADAMS	Alexander MINGOE
Thomas BOYLE	John McGILTON
William BRADLEY	William BROWNE
David BARTRUM	John COLVIN
William YOUNG	Peter SNIDER
Robert SHOPSHIRE	Uriah HIGBY
Alexander BOWERS	Benjamin TYRE
John POND	John MALONE
James THOMPSON	• Joseph KENDLE
• Frederick WEAVER	Thomas COLVELL
John OLDEN	• George LEONARD
Amos STEDHAM	William BROTHERS
Oliver FRASEY	Joseph BOYCE
David BLOOMFIELD	Jacob NIFF
Ambrose MALLOWS	Elias MAY
John MOORE	John WISE
Philip DIVIRE	John CHIDESTER
Thomas EVANS	Jonathon STRICKLAND
Henry MOWERSON	Godfrey WORT
Hartman MOWERSON	John WHITE
John CONRADT	Thomas HAYES

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Land Seizures During the War:

Per <http://www.nj.searchroots.com/Gloucesterco/gcsnippets.htm>

Also <http://www.royalprovincial.com/genealogy/confiscations/nj/confsal.shtml>

Great Britain, Public Record Office, Audit Office, Class 12, Volume 85, folios 43-46.

Property Confiscations -- Salem, Cumberland, Gloucester, and Burlington Counties

[Extract]

A list of the names of all those Persons whose property was Confiscated in the Several Counties of the State of New Jersey, for joining the Army of the King of Great Britain &c. as returned to the Auditors Office, previous to the first day of May 1787.

Salem County

Moses ATKINSON, Joseph KENDALL, Hugh COWPERTHWAIT, John SUTTON, Richard MEAD, Reuben LANGLEY, William PRICE, Abdon ALBOT, Junr., Philip ADAMS, Robert WHITAKER, James SUTTON, Christopher RANDOLEAR, Israel ELWELL, Jacob VAN MATER, James DEAN, Thomas LAMB, George JOHNSTON, Michael MILLER, Joseph HAWLINGS, William RAWSON, John DANIEL, John MORROW

Cumberland County

Ambrose FITZGERALD, James BARREL, Jr. Ashley BOWEN, Jacob HALL, Daniel STRETCH, German DAVIS, David WATKINS, Nathaniel JENKINS, Daniel BOWEN, Peter LOWRY, Junr., Ezekial THOMAS, Richard CAYFORD, Francis PILGRAM, William WOODLAND, Hugh BARBER, William FULLERTON, John PHILIPS, Nicholas BOUGH, John JEFFERIES, Silvanus FULMAN

Gloucester County

John COX, George SWANTON, Harrison WELLS, Josiah BIDDLE, John HENCHMAN, Jacob HEWIT, John O'BRIAN, Robert WHITAKER, James DUFFIELD, Jeremiah PROSSER, John HATTON, John CARTER, James HANISSEY, David SURAM, Isaac JUSTICE [Justison], John BOODER, George AVIS, William FIRSTMAN, Daniel COZENS, Alexander BATARN, Isaac LORD, Gabriel DeVEBER, Benjamin DUFFIELD, William WELLS, Thomas NIGHTENGALE, Joseph LONG, John CHEW [Jonathan Chew?], Abraham FENIMORE, John RUDROW, William PENYARD, Peter JOHNSTON, James THOMPSON, John FRANKLIN, John BORDER, John GRUFF

Burlington County

Joseph TAYLOR, Jonathon ODELL, George ELIAS, Robert COOKE, John GOULD, John LEONARD, John CARTEY, John HORNER, Thomas HUNLOCK, George PLATER, Joseph HAWLINGS

Extract from the publick books in my office given under my hand this first day of June One Thousand seven hundred and Eighty seven 1787.

Aaron Dunham Auditor of Acct. New Jersey

COURIER-POST, Camden, N. J., Wednesday, March 17, 1971

Crossroads of History

Many Charged With Treason

During Revolution

By STEPHEN M. O'KEEFE
Courier-Post Staff

EIGHTEEN residents of the old Gloucester County were sentenced to death for high treason during the shifting turmoil of the American Revolutionary War.

All escaped execution.

This was part of the tense drama that surrounded South Jersey settlers 190-plus years ago in the terrible turbulence that pitted neighbor against neighbor.

There were 29 convicted of disloyalty charges and their properties were seized and sold.

TWENTY men and a woman were fined a total of 1,966 pounds (\$9,436) for going into British-held territory.

Two men were jailed and fined for refusing to take oaths of loyalty to the cause of American independence.

These items were dredged from old books and records of what then was a mixed-up mess of early Gloucester County, where nearby farmers wandered in varied directions along the crossroads of that historic period. Fear and distrust prevailed throughout, as sentiments wavered uncertainly between the determined colonialists and their oppressors from England.

And there were many neutrals, multi-scarred because of their ardor for good will toward their fellows. They wanted none of the shooting, murder and plunder reared in the violence. These were the fervent Quakers, members of the Society of Friends who were bound

rigidly by vows to shun arms and military measures. They disowned their kith and kin who had any hand in any part of warfare.

THE 18 DOOMED to die as traitors were indicted in

October, 1778, and on December 5 were ordered by the Gloucester County Court to be executed.

As listed in records copied from the court minutes, those sentenced were Charles String, Isaac Lord, Harrison Wells, William Hammett, John Dilkes, Joshua Dilkes, Patterson Cook, David Lloyd, Thomas Nightingale, Gideon Urion, Abraham Fenimore, James Burch, Daniel Fusman, Lawrence Cox, Joseph Dill, John Franklin, Joseph Pratt and Jonathan Chew.

Jonathan Chew was listed as a captain in the loyalist forces. He was pardoned and had that fact recorded in the Gloucester County records, then sued to recover his estate. As in his case, it was evident that some of the charges were carried into the low court on the wave of bitter neighborhood heat and hatred. Competent researchers found some allegations sprouted from casual expressions of opinions in private converse.

Other high treason indictments were returned during the court terms of October and December of 1778. These citations listed Andrew Jones, Benjamin Carter, Jonathan Fisher Sr., William Watson, David Chew, Jonathan Fisher Jr. and Joshua Cozens. All seven

appealed to the Supreme Court of the colony.

SEVENTEEN cases that had reached the court level were discontinued. Those thus cleared were Northrup Marple, John English Jr., Benjamin Duffield, Isaac Clement Jr., John English Sr., John Kelly, Daniel Wells, Joseph Clark, William Davenport, Job Thomas, William England Jr., Silas Long, Edward Eglington, Asa Lord, Conrad Bowman, Gabriel D'Vebber Jr. and

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ith Treason Here evolutionary War

Philip Stout.

In lieu of records showing any court reversal of the execution orders, historians have assumed that arguments brought out in the Capt. Chew appeal were the basis upon which the matters involving the condemned and others accused were found to be weak.

Yet, there were numerous instances where prominent folk in the several communities were subjected to dishonor and hardships after being accused. The cases involving one family, Gabriel D'Vebber Sr. and his son, Gabriel Jr., reflect some of the impact of the debasement experienced.

The father, who had been a lieutenant colonel in the loyalist forces in New York, fled old Gloucester County and reportedly took up residence in St. John's, New Brunswick. It has been shown that the son, a former Loyalist lieutenant, went with him but other members of the family are not mentioned in the annals. It is assumed father and son had quit serving with British units and had sought peace and tranquility in South Jersey about the time they were arrested.

THE D'VEBBERS never returned. Their property, the location of which has been elusive to researchers, was declared forfeited. It was sold after the formalities of legal seizure were given court approval. This sale, along with the properties of 28 others upon whom disloyalty convictions were recorded, was handled by John Sparks, Samuel Kaighn and Joseph Hugg, appointed as commissioners for that function in 1778.

The other 28 whose holdings were declared forfeited are listed in the South Jersey history as Jonathan Chew, Harrison Wells, William Wells, George Avis, William

Bocock, John Hinchman, Daniel Cozens, James Hannisey, Joseph Long, Jacob Hewitt, Isaac Justice, John Robertson, Peter Johnson, John Hatton, James Duffield, John Gruff, William Fusman, Alexander Bartram, John Cox, John Rodrow, William Pinyard, John O'Bryan, George Swanton, Josiah Biddle, Jeremiah Prosser, John Carter Jr., David Suran and Robert Whitaker.

Fines ranging from 6 to 300 pounds were imposed upon the 13 men and one woman accused of going behind the enemy lines. Those penalized and the amounts:

Jonathan Fisher Jr., 200; Andrew Jones, 300; Joseph Adams, 200; Jonathan Aborn, 200; William England Sr., 150; Nathan Kimsey, 50; Labe Langstaff, 50; Samuel

Chester, 200; Samuel Paul, 200; David Chew, 300; Joseph Jones, 50; John Paul, 30; David Bunting, 6, and Mary Munyan, 30.

THESE 14 were convicted on charges based on alleged offenses dating more than a year prior to their trials in 1779. There seemed to have been little or no attention directed seriously against anyone who showed they favored continued rule under the British crown. At the same time, it was noted these people who were subject to the charges did not feel the least bit hostile toward the rebelling colonialists.

That seemed to be the situation, generally. There was some turmoil, scattered in the communities of old Gloucester County because of the differences in sentiment. The strongest feeling reflected in what historians penned for the future lay with those who had whipped up bitterness toward England. They openly shouted resentment while the British forces occupied Philadelphia.

The boom-boom of cannon along the lower Delaware

River, as British ships sought to bring supplies to Philadelphia, roused hundreds of South Jersey settlers. The defensive devices set up were effective in halting shipments to the port but English soldiers landed on New Jersey soil. Their movement northward was marked by considerable destruction and pillaging.

THIS DISRUPTION of life on the farms promoted the mixture of feelings to a wider extent. Many feared to swear

to the rebel cause and a new government when it appeared that the old rule would prevail. The many Quakers in the county held hard by their religious discipline and refused to turn to either side. They banished from their own flock any Friend who took part in military activities. Some prominent Quakers were thus ostracized.

The court charges started to crop up against these folk after the British evacuated Philadelphia in July of 1778. The patriots then began talking to each other about this and that neighboring settler who had refused to vow allegiance to the cause of independence, or who had enlisted with the enemy.

Some of those who came under discussion were not Friends. They had leaned to Toryism in the old country or had inherited such political sentiment from their fathers. They were either slow to accept any change of view and remained steadfast in their beliefs, although in some cases they were called stubborn in such a manner as to make that trait seem criminal, which it was not.

Pressure against the British sympathizers continued until around 1782. In March of that year the last known indictments recorded in old Gloucester County, for going behind the enemy lines, listed Michael Garrish, John Steelman, Christopher Frederick, Robert Leeds, Joseph Risley, Luke Sooy and Christopher Rape.

THE FIRST war-related case in the March, 1777, term

of Gloucester County Court involved Thomas Redman and Mark Miller as defendants. These men were identified as two well-known Quakers of the Haddonfield Monthly Meeting. The judges presiding at their hearing were Michael Fisher, Thomas Denny and Isaac Kay. The court adjutants were John Sparks, Robert Brown, Bodo Otto and John Wilkins.

Four men bore the name of Thomas Redman, dating back to the early settlement of Philadelphia with William Penn. The one in this case was believed to be the third in the line. An old record lists his marriage to Mercy Davis of Salem in 1747. His sister, Mary, married a man named Mark Miller.

The Redman clan was highly-esteemed in the Quaker community and regarded as staunch supporters of the Meetings. Redman and Miller spent quite a few weeks in the jail at Woodbury before disposition of the charges against them, which concerned their refusal to take the oaths of allegiance to the revolution. To do so would have been contrary to their religious principles.

On March 18, 1777, the minutes of the court set forth:

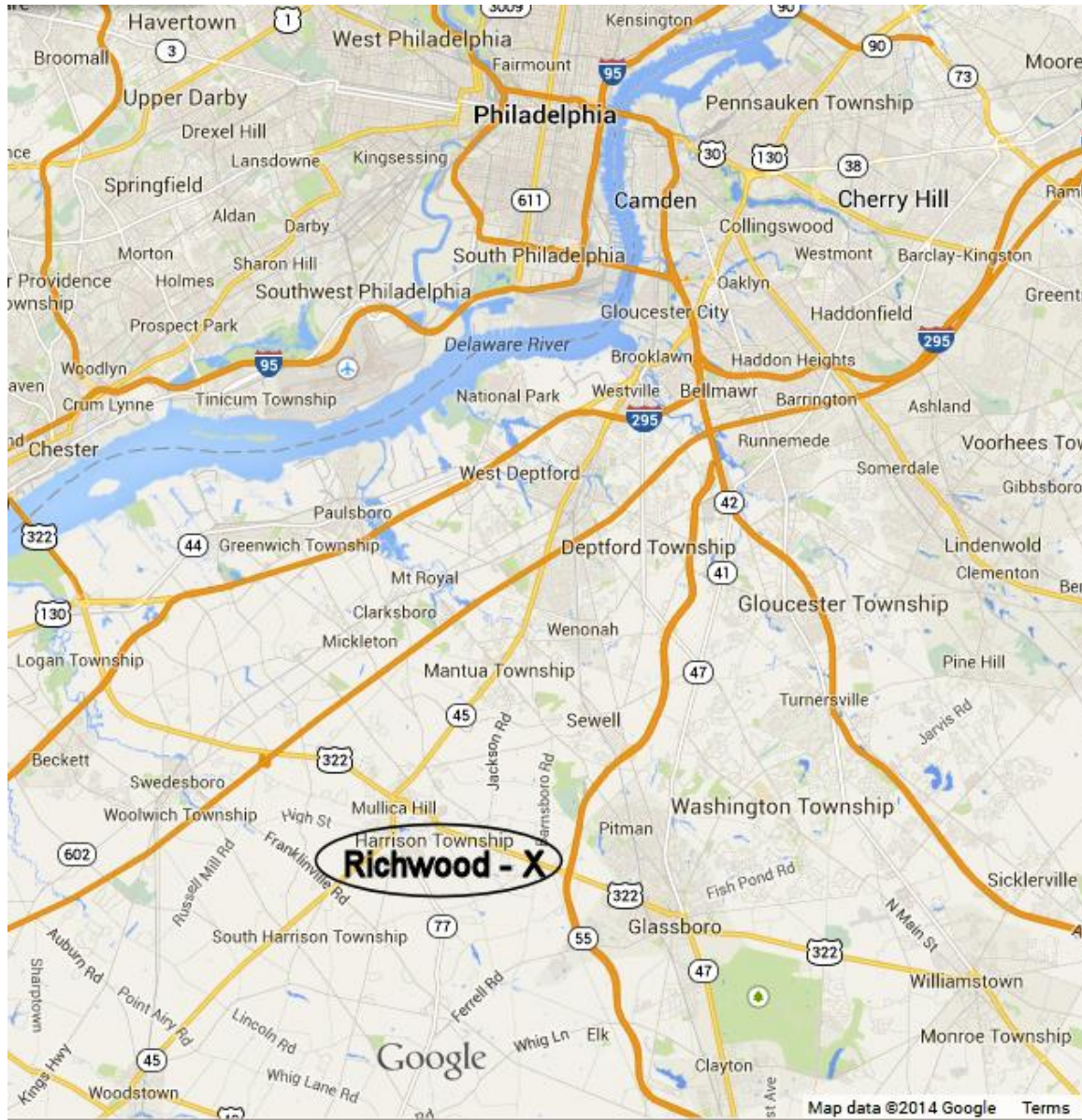
"THE COURT orders that the defendants pay the sum of five shillings apiece as a fine for refusing to take the oaths, etc. and stand committed until the fines are paid."

Redman and his brother-in-law wouldn't consider payment. Some unknown person, according to the record, put up the sums imposed and the

men were ordered freed. At the bottom of the page containing this data was the inscription: "God Save the People." This was a substitute for "God Save the King," as was customary prior to the Declaration of Independence.

The foregoing information was gathered from old archives owned by John D. F. Morgan, Haddonfield; Richard E. Magnell, Collingswood, and James M. Roeder, Sea Isle City. Morgan is former president of the Camden County Historical Society, where Magnell also is active as well as being the South Jersey region executive of the State League of Historical Societies.

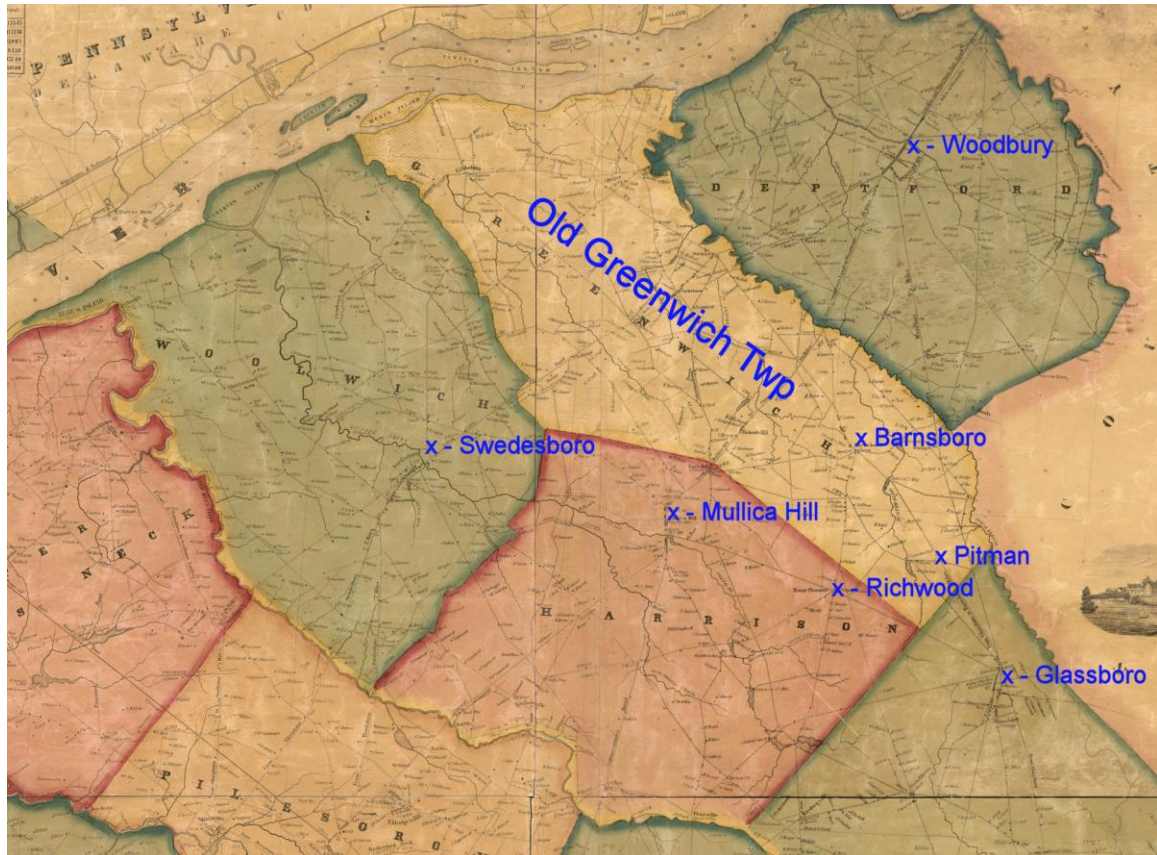
Exhibit 3 – The Landholdings of John Skinner, husband to Patience Hanisey, as researched by cousin Bill Skinner, circa 2001:



John Skinner had lands at and near Richwood, NJ.

Introduction

John T. Skinner and his family lived at Pitman Grove (west Pitman) near Alcyon Lake in the eastern end of 'Old' Greenwich Township in Gloucester County, NJ. John also had landholdings near Barnsboro and at Richwood.



Old Greenwich Township, 1849 [Library of Congress]

The township extended inland from the Delaware River to Pitman. Prior to 1840, Old Greenwich Township was larger and included the town of Richwood shown here in Harrison Township.

Land Purchases

Sometime prior to 1797, John Skinner purchased 58 acres of land from Zephaniah Tomlin. There is no formal record of the transaction, except that it was mentioned at the time of a later 30 acre transaction.

In 1797, John purchased 30 acres of land (35 acres minus allowances for roads) from Samuel Tomlin. This land abutted the 58 acres he had previously purchased. The point where the two parcels abutted each other was located between the landholdings of neighbors Sweeten and Delaney. Archibald Moffett had lands adjoining two sides of Skinner's 30 acres. The 30 plus 58 acres were in the vicinity of the Chestnut Branch (South Branch) of the Mantua Creek, but that could be anywhere from the northeast side of Barnsboro to Pitman Grove.

Undated – John owned two parcels of land at today's Richwood - 40 acres and 100 acres. The lands were situated within an area bounded by Rt. 322 to the north, Williamson Lane to the south, Richwood Rd to the west, and Richwood/Aura Rd (Rt.667) to the east and fronted primarily on Richwood Rd.

In 1789, John Skinner purchased 17 acres of land at Pitman Grove from Isaac Terripin. At the time, John and his family were likely living on land owned by Thomas Tabor that abutted the Terripin purchase.

In 1811, John inherited 200-214 acres called 'Old Smith's Place' in the Will of Thomas Tabor. This was land that John was already living on and bordered the 17 acres he had purchased in 1789. This combined parcel of land was the primary residence and farm of John and his family.

In 1821, following John's death, his lands were sold at a Sheriff's sale to satisfy debts that had accumulated with the owners of the Carpenter Glass factory (formerly Stanger's Glass) in Glassboro. Richard Skinner, a son of John, was the winning bidder. The sheriff's sale made no mention of the 30 and 58 acre parcels John had purchased north of Pitman Grove.

30 Acres Purchased 1797 abutting 58 Acres Previously Purchased:

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By virtue of a Warrant from the Council of Proprietors bearing date the fourth Day of November Anno Domini One thousand seven hundred and seventy eight, Requiring the Surveyor General or his lawful Deputy, to lay forth and survey unto William Smith the full quantity of Thirty seven thousand five hundred acres of Land, any where within the Western Division of New Jersey not before legally surveyed, as by the same Warrant filed in the Surveyor General's Office at Burlington, and entered on Record in the same Office in Sub. A. of Warrants folio 12 appears. And by virtue of a conveyance from the said William Smith to John Lee of Nine thousand two hundred and sixteen acres part of the same Warrant bearing date the fifth Day of the aforesaid Month in the same Year. And by virtue of one other Grant from the said John Lee to William

On a Warrant of
William Smith
437500 Acres
To
John Skinner
30 Acres
Ex a

Deed Record - 30 Acres, Samuel Tomlin to John Skinner, 1797
[NJ State Archives]

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William Smith aforesaid of five hundred and fifty acres thereof. AND by virtue of a Deed bearing date the fourteenth Day of November One thousand seven hundred and eighty seven from the aforesaid William Smith to Samuel Tomlin of two hundred and fifty four Acres part of the same 550 Acres. AND by virtue of one other Deed bearing date the first Day of April One thousand seven hundred and ninety seven from the said Samuel Tomlin to John Skinner of thirty five Acres part of the Grant aforesaid. Elijah Cozens one of my lawful Deputies hath made Return to me of the Land herein after recited in right of the unlocated Lands aforesaid for the same John Skinner, Situate in the Township of Greenwich in the County of Gloucester and State of New Jersey And by the said Return bearing date the tenth Day of the last recited Month bounded as followeth viz: Beginning at a large white Oak corner to said Skinner Sweetens & Delanys Lands and runs ¹/ North seventy seven degrees and forty five Minutes West fourteen chains and thirty links to a corner then ²/ South four degrees and forty five Minutes East sixteen chains and fifty links to a corner then ³/ North eighty four degrees and thirty Minutes East twelve chains and fifty links to a corner then ⁴/ South twenty seven degrees and thirty Minutes East thirty six chains and sixty links to a corner then ⁵/ North sixty two degrees & thirty Minutes East fourteen chains and thirty links to a corner then ⁶/ North twenty four degrees West thirty three chains and fifty links to a corner then ⁷/ North two degrees East twelve chains and seventy five links to a corner then ⁸/ South sixty nine degrees West sixteen chains and forty links to the corner first named containing within said Bounds thirty acres of Land and allowance for Roads. besides fifty eight acres part of One hundred and twenty four acres Survey recorded to Matthew Tomlin in Lib. P folio 267, 268 in the Surveyor Generals Office which is hereby excepted. WITNES my Hand the fourth Day of the fifth Month May Anno Domini One thousand seven hundred and ninety seven. 1797. Words (to John Lee) Interlined. Robt Smith Jur. Genl.

August 3^d 1797. Inspected and approved of by the Council of Proprietors and Ordered to be Recorded. John Kinsey Clerk

Deed Record (continued)

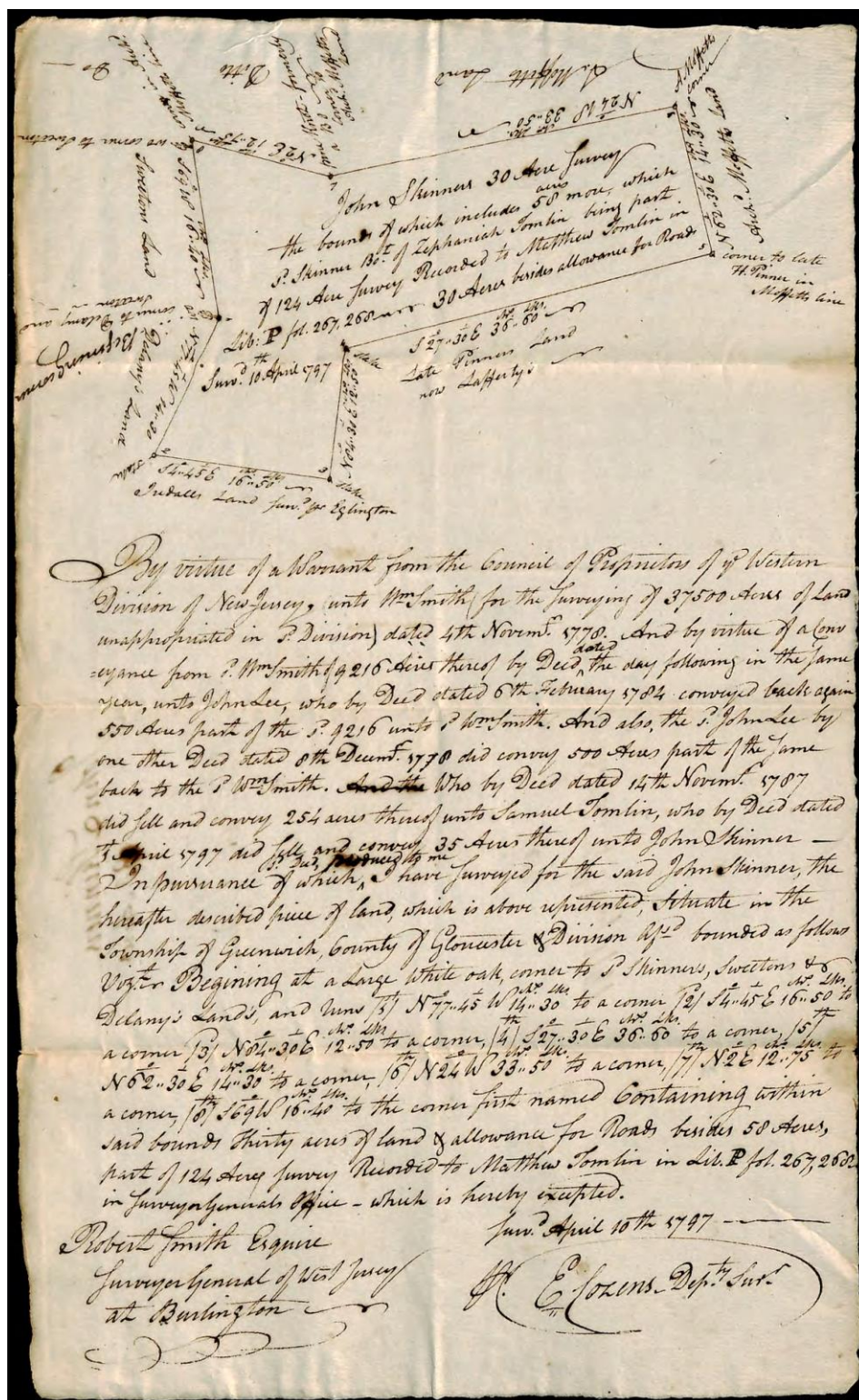
Mentions the 58 acres previously purchased

30 Acres and 58 Acres (continued):

Select	Skinner, John (Grantee)	<p>TO: John Skinner FROM: Samuel Tomlin SURVEY AND MAP. 30 acres. Greenwich Township; Gloucester County. The bounds include 58 acres more purchased by Skinner from Zephaniah Tomlin; part of 124 acres surveyed to Matthew Tomlin recorded in Book P, page 267, 268. OTHERS NAMED: Elijah Cozens (Deputy Surveyor) (Signatory); [Unrecorded] Delaney (Owner of adjoining land); [Unrecorded] Eglington (Judall's land surveyed for Eglington; Adjoining land; [on map]); [Unrecorded] Judall (Judall's land surveyed for Eglington; Adjoining land; [on map]); [Unrecorded] Lafferty (Owner of adjoining land); Archibald Moffet (Owner of adjoining land; [on map]); H. Pinner (Former owner of adjoining land; now Lafferty's; [on map]); [Unrecorded] Sweeton (Owner of adjoining land); Matthew Tomlin; Zephaniah Tomlin (Sold 58 acres within the bounds of this survey to John Skinner) LOCATIONS: West Jersey; Gloucester; Greenwich Township</p>	10 Apr 1797	WJ Loose Records : 1797 - Skinner, John (46967) (PWESJ004)
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30 acres, Summary of Survey and Map
[NJ State Archives]

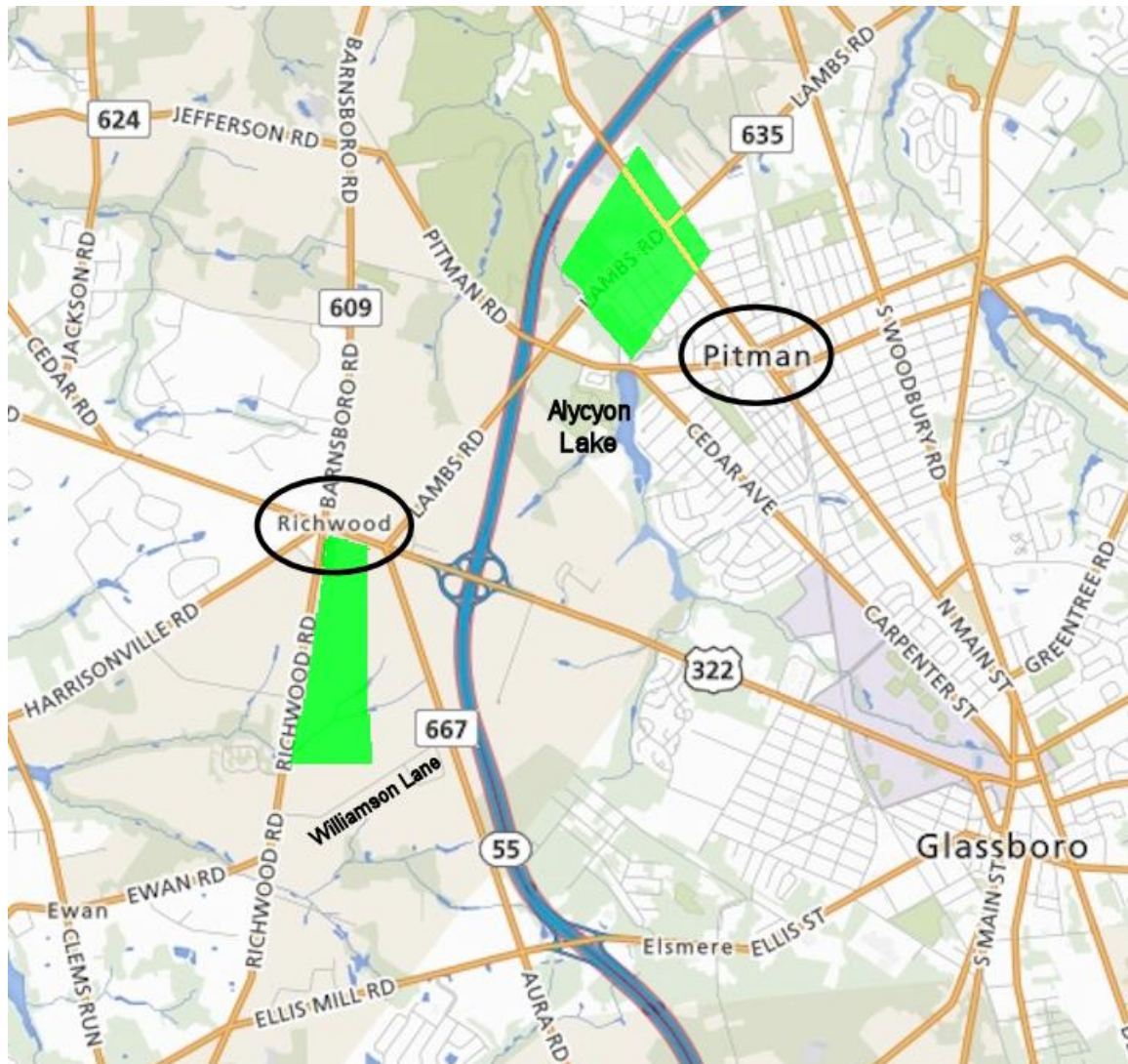
30 Acres and 58 Acres (continued):



30 acres, Survey and Map

Record of 30 acres purchased in 1797, including surveyed map of the land. Includes a mention of the 58 acres previously purchased. [NJ State Archives]

200-214 Acres at Pitman Grove and 140 Acres at Richwood:



Land Holdings of John T. Skinner at the time of the 1821 Sheriff's Sale

John Skinner owned a large parcel of land at Pitman Grove where he lived and raised his family. He originally purchased 17 acres of land at Pitman Grove and then inherited 200-214 additional adjoining acres from the estate of Thomas Tabor. The size and shape of Skinner's Pitman Grove lands is clear from the research of Bill Skinner.

At Richwood, John Skinner owned 140 acres out of a total of 360 acres that sits between today's Rt. 322 to the north, Williamson Lane to the south, Richwood Rd (Rt. 609) to the west, and Richwood/Aura Rd (Rt. 667) to the east. His land fronted largely on Richwood Rd and sat to the west of the farms on Richwood/Aura Road. Skinner's lands consisted of a 100 acre plot plus a 40 acre plot. The exact shape of his Richwood land is not clear – **the above map shows a crude representation of the general location of his Richwood holdings.**

The sheriff's sale made no mention of the 30 acres and 58 acres once owned by John Skinner.

Exhibit 3a - The Land Holdings of John Skinner as researched and written by Bill Skinner (2000):

Sheriff's sale of 340 Acres of John
Skinner's land by Sheriff Benjamin Wilkins
to Richard Skinner Feb. 13, 1821 - Book HH, page 88

These 3 tracts of land were described as follows:

1st - "200 acres (\pm)" adjoining the Mallett tract,
lands of Joseph Cook, James Matlack and
others"

(We know this included the "200 acre" Old Smith's
Place and probably the 17 acres John Skinner
bought from Isaac Tarripin)

2nd - "40 acres" adjoining lands of George
Moffatt, Richard Moffatt, and others

3rd - "100 acres" adjoining lands of Archibald
Moffatt, David Wolf, and William Sharp
and others

Exhibit 3b - A Closer Look at the 200 Acres of Land at Pitman Grove Sold at the Sheriff's Sale in 1821 (including Thomas Tabor's 'Old Smith's Place'):

Richard Skinner bought the 340 acres at the 1821 Sheriff's sale.

Richard sold the "200 acre" old Smith's place and the 17 acre (Isaac Tarripin) tracts to Nathan Thompson in 1822.

Richard sold 19 acres of the 340 acres to his son Nathan T. Skinner in 1849 (from the Thomas Tabor land, I don't know yet (7/1/00) what he did with the other 100-104 acres or how John Skinner acquired that land

Robert Walker sold 214 acres (the Thomas Tabor Old Smith's Place) plus the 17 acres John Skinner bought from Isaac Tarripin to Joseph Iszard in 1840.

Joseph Iszard sold 135 of these 231 acres to James and Rosannah S. Tucker 4/30/1869.

The Tuckers sold this land to Thomet Lavin in 1872. It included the 17 acres from Tarripin and about 120 acres of old Smith's Place

In 1849, Richard Skinner (Book K4, p. 266) sold 83 acres of land to his son Nathan T. Skinner. This land included 61 acres of land Richard bought from Joseph C. Gill 12/15/1836 (Book V3, p. 23) plus (19 acres) Richard purchased 2/13/1821 from the Benjamin Wilkins sheriff's sale of John Skinner's land in Greenwich Twp. This land was described as "corner to William Madara deceased (late Thomas Tabor's land)".

In 1822, Richard Skinner (Book JJ, p. 404) sold 2 parcels of land from the 1821 sheriff's sale to his brother in law Nathan Thompson. It included:

- A) The Old Smith Place - bounding on the Chestnut Branch on lands late McIlvaine and on lands of Presnal Dikes and on Alford's survey late Thomas Tabor's lands called Old Smith's Place which premises Thomas Tabor by his last will and testament bequeathed to John and Patience Skinner - containing about 200 acres more or less.
- B) The 17 acres John Skinner bought from Isaac Tarripin 9/25/1789 - Beginning at a pine tree corner of Thomas Smith and John Alford survey late Thomas Tabor's land 17 acres of land...

200 Acres (continued):

The sale of two tracts of land formerly owned by John and Patience Skinner in old Greenwich Township (now Mantua Township) from Robert Walker to Joseph Iszards on November 13, 1840 (as recorded in Deed Book X3, pages 284 and 285) gives the usual description of the 17 acres of land John Skinner purchased from Isaac Tarrapin in 1789 plus a great description of Old Smith's Place (roughly 200 acres) which was owned by Thomas Taber in 1789 and willed by Thomas Taber to his nephew John Skinner and his wife Patience in 1811.

The larger tract contained "214 acres" in 1840, and it certainly included the roughly 200 acres of Old Smith's Place. This tract was described in 1840 as follows: Beginning at a down maple (tree) anciently marked by the edge of a branch of Mantua Creek called Chestnut Branch and corner to land belonging to the heirs of Joseph Cook deceased from thence by land of said heirs (1st) North 23 degrees and 45 minutes East 53 chains (that's a distance of 3498 ft. at an angle of 23.75 degrees east of true north) to a stone in the place of a pine tree and corner to land of James Jessup, thence part by said Jessups and part by Presmul Dilkes land (2) South 39 degrees East 43 chains and 35 links (that's a distance of 2861 ft. at an angle of 39 degrees east of "true south") to a stone in a black oak stump in the line of Alphred's Survey formerly (?) now Matlacks thence by said Matlacks and Wesley Browns land (3) South 21 degrees and 15 minutes West 68 chains (that's a distance of 4488 ft. at an angle of 21.25 degrees west of "true south") to an old maple corner standing by the aforesaid Chestnut Branch now in Carpenters Mill Pond thence down the mill pond aforesaid as near the natural stream as possible about North 36 degrees West about 8 chains to a stone by an old white oak stump standing by the lower edge of the mill dam, said stone and stump bears North 76 degrees East from the South West Corner of the Bridge at the Head of the Saw Mill distance one chain and 40 links, and said stone set by agreement of parties, from thence down the said Branch the several courses as follows: (surveyor then follows the course of the creek (in a generally Northwest direction) back to the place of beginning) North 19 degrees West 74 links (49 ft.) to a stake in the old creek, thence North 10 degrees East 5 chains (330 ft.), etc...to the place of beginning... Containing Two Hundred and Fourteen Acres of land besides the usual allowance for highways...

Then the 17 acre tract of land formerly belonging to Isaac Tarrapin is described as it usually is: Beginning at a pine tree corner to Thomas Smith and John Alfords Survey late Thomas Tabers and running by the former Survey South 22 degrees West 27 chains to a white oak sapling then by (other) land of Isaac Tarrapin the following courses near a Branch (of the creek) North 80 degrees East 6 chains and 80 links to a small white oak, etc.etc....to the corner first named Containing 17 acres of land... more or less.

This portion of John Skinner's land was thus along Lamb's Road east of today's West Holly Avenue (Pitman-Barnsboro Rd.) and bordering the Presmul Dilkes land (which later became John Lamb's land). John Skinner's land was on the East side of Chestnut Branch, and it ran back along the creek as far as (or almost as far as) where the Carpenter Mill Pond and Saw Mill were located in 1840 (where Chestnut Branch leaves Alcyon Lake at the dam and flows under West Holly Avenue (Pitman-Barnsboro Rd.) today.

200 Acres (continued):

Joseph Iszard to James and Rosanna S. Tucker

4/30/1869 - Deed Book J5, p. 568

This is for the sale of 135 acres more or less from the 231 acres Joseph Iszard bought from Robert Walker on 11/17/1840 - Deed book X3, page 284-285. This land (carved from the 17 acres purchased by John Skinner from Isaac Tarripin in 1789 plus the 200 acre Old Smith's Place which Thomas Taber left John Skinner in his will in 1811) was described in 1869 as follows: A farm situate in Mantua Twp bounded as follows (see the 1876 map) - on the North by the land of David Marshall, on the East by the lands of said Marshall and Mr. Boddell, on the South by the lands of John Gurling and Charles Wyne, on the West by the lands of David Surran and Asa Gardiner containing about 135 acres more or less

James and Rosanna Tucker to Thomas Lavin (1872) - very difficult to read - this deed described the same property as follows - first (part of the old Smith Place) beginning at maple tree at the edge of a branch of Mantua Creek called Chestnut branch ... (property line goes near Carpenter Mill pond) ... containing 120.44 acres and second also beginning at a pine tree corner of Thomas Smith and John Alford's survey (late Thomas Tabers) and running by the former survey (this is the old Isaac Tarripin property) containing 17 acres of land more or less

200 Acres (continued):



Exhibit 3c - Closer Look at the 40 acres of Land at Richwood Sold at the Sheriff's Sale in 1821:

Another part of the 1821 sheriff's sale of John Skinner's lands was "40 acres" adjoining lands of George Moffatt, Richard Moffatt and others in (old) Greenwich Township.

Let's examine where these lands were:

1. On 6/24/1818 George Moffatt sold 30 acres of land in Greenwich Twp to William Sharp (Book DD, pages 279+280). This land bordered John Skinner's land (for a distance of 34 chains (2244 ft)) plus Archibald Moffatt's land plus other land owned by George Moffatt. The boundary line ran almost due North to a post in the middle of the public road leading from Mullica Hill to Glassborough (today Rt 322) then along the middle of the said road S 68° E (toward Glassboro) 8 chains or 528' to another post in the middle of the road and then the boundary line turned and went 21° East of "True South" — thus this land was on the South side of today's Rt. 322 which runs West to East.
2. Sixty-four acres of Richard Moffatt's lands were sold in a sheriff's sale 6/2/1826 (Book QQ, page 534-538). This land (called the Cabin Run property) was later purchased by Richard Skinner who later sold it to his son Nathan T. Skinner along with 19 acres of land Richard bought from the sheriff's sale of his father's land in 1821. Thirty-two of these 64 acres formerly owned by Richard Moffatt are part of George Reuter's farm on the west side of the Richwood-Aur Rd. Cabin Run is a very little stream or ditch that runs into (empties into) Clems Run.

40 Acres (continued):

It looks as if John Skinner's 40 acres near the lands of George Moffatt and Richard Moffatt were within the area enclosed by today's Richwood-Elmer Rd (Rt. 609), Mullica Hill-Glassboro Rd (Rt. 322), Richwood to Aura Rd (Rt. 667), and Williamson Rd. That area, now in Harrison Twp, was part of old Greenwich Twp.

Exhibit 3d - Closer Look at the 100 Acres of Land at Richwood Sold at the Sheriff's Sale in 1821:

Part of the 1821 sheriff's sale of John Skinner's lands was "100 acres" adjoining the lands of Archibald Moffatt, David Wolfe, and William Sharp and others in Greenwich Twp

Let's examine where the David Wolfe lands were:

- 1) Part of a mortgage recorded for 19 acres of land purchased by Michael Turner from David Wolfe 4/1/1818 talks about a boundary stake in Clems Run and bordering the lands of Samuel French —
Examination of a modern map shows Clems Run crosses the Rt. 609 Richwood to Elmer Rd in today's Harrison Twp (This road was called part of the Ellis Mill Rd where it crosses Clems Run in the early 1800's, and this land was part of Greenwich Twp in the early 1800's.)
- 2) Part of a mortgage from Josiah Beckett and his wife to David Wolfe 3/14/1818 for 230 acres of land in Greenwich Twp says the lands bordered Samuel French's land and Francis A. Campbell's land. Part of the boundary was a line that ran $N 89^{\circ} E$ (that's 89° East of true North — almost directly East) 45 chains or 2970 ft to a stake in the road leading to Ellis Mill then along this said road $N 11^{\circ} E$ (the Richwood to Elmer Rd today runs 11° East of true North — hence it was the old road to Ellis Mill) 40 chains or 2640 ft to a stake in the middle of the road from which the boundary line turns and runs 31° West of true North. This David Wolfe land was on the West side of today's Rt. 609; the White Horse Tavern was on the East side of the same road (opposite the present Methodist Church)

100 Acres (continued):

The 5 acre White Horse Tavern lot was East of today's Rt. 609 Richwood to Elmer Rd (the old Ellis Mill Rd) almost directly across from today's Richwood Methodist Church and Cemetery. When it was sold by Richard Skinner in 1828, it was bounded on 3 of 4 sides by Richard Skinner's other lands. Since the White Horse Tavern lot was bought by Richard Skinner in the 1821 sheriff's sale of his father's property and this 1821 sheriff's sale is the first known instance where Richard Skinner purchased land, the White Horse Tavern lot was probably surrounded by another "95 acres" of land purchased at that same time in the neighborhood of the lands owned by Archibald Moffatt, David Wolfe, and William Sharp.

The land bounded by today's Richwood-Elmer Rd (Rt. 609), the Mullicat Hill to Glassboro Rd (Rt. 322), the Richwood-Aura Rd (Rt. 667), and Williamson Rd, contains roughly 360 acres. The bulk of John Skinner's 100 acres (later Richard Skinner's 100 acres) near Archibald Moffatt, David Wolfe, and William Sharp must have been in the area bounded by these 4 roads.

Richard Skinner did purchase 35 acres of land from David Wolfe in Greenwich Twp 1/20/1824 (Book MM, p. 84)

Richard Skinner sold some land in _____ as recorded in Book J5 on page 58. This land apparently bordered the old White Horse Tavern property, but the writing is so light few other words can be distinguished.

end

Exhibit 4x - Earliest Record of John Skinner and Thomas Tabor:

Select	Skinner, John (Chain Bearer) (Named)	TO: David roe FROM: SURVEY AND MAP. 428 acres. Gloucester County. OTHERS NAMED: Charles Brogdel (Owner of adjoining land); Samuel Clement, Jr. (Deputy Surveyor) (Signatory); [Unrecorded] Penn (Owner of adjoining land); John Skinner (Chain Bearer); Thomas Taper (Chain Bearer) LOCATIONS: West Jersey; Gloucester	13 Jan 1757	WJ Loose Records : 1757 - Roe, David (OV-A) (63437) (PWESJ004)
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Deed Records [NJ State Archives}

**Exhibit 4a – Index Card Records at the Gloucester County Historical Society;
Research of Laurel Damon Steffes, 2000:**

These are copies of the
index cards for Gloucester
Co. documents.

On the pages which are
stapled together, the
second page has the
copies of the back of
the index cards.

The original documents
have no further information
than what is typed out on
the cards.

I think you'll be able
to figure out which
are the earlier Shimmers
about whom we know
virtually nothing!

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BAIL BONDS
From Gloucester County Documents

SKINNER, John, Archibald, Maffat, Samuel Saunders-
Defendants

Date - June 10, 1818
Sureties - John Baxter, sheriff, Glou. Co.
Condition - Suit of Daniel Wills
Charge - Plea of trespass
Amount - \$228
Official - Alex R. Long - Thomas McElvain
Filing date - June 17, 1818. Hendry, Clk.

BAIL BONDS
From Gloucester County Documents

SKINNER, John - Defendant

Date - Dec. Term
Sureties - John Doe
Conditions - Suit of John Hinchman
Charge - Plea of debt
Official - James Bowman, Atty. for deft.

AFFIDAVITS From Gloucester County Documents

SKINNER, John T. - Defendant

Place - David Carney (constable) office at Greenwich
Twp., Glou. Co.
Date of affirmation - November 1, 1820
Affirmer - John T. Skinner
Purpose - To prove a true inventory
Details - Affirmers have no real Estate to levy
Official - David Carney (Constable)

WRITS - EXECUTIONS From Gloucester County Documents

SKINNER William, Defendant

Charge - Trespass Damage B. 137 13s. Lawful Money
Plaintiff - William Farrow
Date of Issue - April 10 1770
To appear - Court Of Pleas
Place - Gloucester
Time - 3rd Tuesday in June, next
Witness - Michael Fisher, Esquire, Judge
Signature - Ladd, Clerk
Remarks - June Term 1770, J. Hugg, Sheriff

BAIL BONDS From Gloucester County Documents

SKINNER, John T., William Pearce, and James Jessup
Defendants

Date - June 21, 1850 *1820 - Bill Skinner checked 6/00 original doc. 1830 was typo*
Sureties - Ben Welkins, Sheriff, Glou. Co.
Condition - suit of John Mere White, endorsee of
Jacob Medeara
Charge - plea of trespass
Amount - \$318.84
Official - John Tonkin, Jos. H. Brown, Jno. Dunham
Filing date - June term, 1820, Hendry, Clk

INDICTMENTS
From Gloucester County Documents

TABOR, William late of Twp. of Woolwich laborer -
Defendant

Date - March 1801
Place - Grand Inquest
Charge - Larceny
Specifications - One bay mare value of sixty dollars
from George Katts & one grey horse of the value of
sixty dollars from Henry Guest
Complainant - George Katts, & Henry Guest. (over)

TAVERNS - Petition
From Gloucester County Documents

SKINNER, Richard - Applicant

Date - March term, 1826
Location - Greenwich Twp.
Petitioners - Henry Jackson, William Becket, Samuel S.
Dilkes, Wm. Madara, Benjamin Allen, Nathan Thomson,
John Moffett, Samuel French, William Smith, Thomas
Moore, Joseph Fredell, William Holmes, John Driver,
Jacob Park, Jacob Prickett, Jr., George Cozens.
License granted - Allowed
Fee - \$10. - Court Cost \$2.26½ Paid (over)

AFFIDAVITS
From Gloucester County Documents

SKINNER, William - Defendant

Date of Affirmation - Aug. 2., 1822
Place - Gloucester Pleas
Affirmer - Joseph C. Dilks, Innkeeper of Greenwich
Twp.,
Purpose - To prove theft
Details - Joseph C. Dilks, innkeeper, affirms that
on the 19th day of May last, his pocket book with
(Over)

AFFIDAVITS
From Gloucester County Documents

SKINNER, Taber - Defendant

Date of Affirmation - Jan. 22, 1822
Place - Gloucester Pleas
Affirmer - Frederick Hennold
Purpose - For attachment
Details - Frederick Hennold affirms that Taber Skin-
ner owes this deponent, \$160.00, and that he,
Skinner, is not a resident, at this time, in this
State.
(Over)

TAVERNS-Petition
From Gloucester County Documents

SKINNER, Richard-Applicant

Date-March Term 1827
Location-Twp. of Greenwich
Petitioners-Henry Jackson; Elisha D. Cheval;
Presmul Dilks; Benjamin Allen; David Eldridge;
John Moffett; William Beckett; Jacob Park; Francis
A. Campbell; Matthew M. Mountain; Wm. Madara; Sam-
uel S. Dilks; Charles French, Jun.; John Driver;
Michael Leeds; George Cozens; Nathan Thomsan;
William Smith; Samuel French
(over)

On back of document - Job. Chew, S. Brundige

3
\$20.00 in bank notes and a number of notes of hand was taken by William Skinner, out of the coat pocket of the said Joseph C. Dilks, laying on the table, in his kitchen.

Official - Nathaniel Chew, J. P.

Filing Date - None

Remarks - \$16.07 on back of Document
-4.07

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Official - Jacob Glover, J. P.
Filing Date - Jan. 22, 1822 - J. J. Foster, Clerk
Note - Crane, Atty.

5
License granted-Yes
Fee-\$10 & 2.62 court costs paid
On back of document-Jno. Spear; Wm. Gosling

1
Date of Offense - Aug. 18, 1801
Where Offense occurred - Twp. of Woolwich
Witnesses - Benjamin Miller, Henry Guest, Jr., George Katts, Henry Guest
Verdict - 1801 Oct. tried and convicted five years imprisonment
Signature - J. Clement foreman A. D. Woodruff Atty Genl.
Subsequent Action - 1801 Oct. over deft. charged pleaded not guilty. 1801 Oct. session tried and convicted 6 years imprisonment

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WRITS - EXECUTIONS
From Gloucester County Documents

SKINNER, John, Defendant

Charge - Trespass & Damages 30 £ current Money
Plaintiff - John Hedger
Date of Issue - April 4, 1765
To appear - Court of Common Pleas
Place - Gloucester
Time - 2nd Tuesday in June next
Witness - Alexander Randall, Judge
Signature - Ladd, Clerk

(Over)

WRITS - EXECUTIONS
From Gloucester County Documents

SKINNER, John, Defendant

Charge - Trespass - Damage £.30 Lawful money
Plaintiff - Thomas Coles
Date of issue - September 22, 1763
To appear - Court of Pleas
Place - Gloucester Co.
Time - Third Tuesday in December next
Witness - Alexander Randall, Esq., Judge
Signature - Ladd, Clerk

(Over)

WRITS - EXECUTIONS
From Gloucester County Documents

SKINNER, John, Defendant

Charge - Debt £.22 16s. Lawful Money
Plaintiff - Jacob Castleman
Date of Issue - June 11, 1765
To appear - Court of Pleas
Place - Gloucester
Time - 4th. Tuesday in September, next
Witness - Alexander Randall, Esquire, Judge
Signature - Ladd, Clerk

(Over)

AFFIDAVITS
From Gloucester County Documents

SKINNER, Taber - Defendant

Date of Affirmation - Apr. 1, 1826
Place - Gloucester Pleas
Affirmer - William Skinner
Purpose - To warrant an attachment
Details - Indebted in the sum of \$125.00 on a promissory note.
Official - Jacob Glover, Judge of Inferior Court of Common Pleas

(Over)

WRITS - EXECUTIONS
From Gloucester County Documents

SKINNER, John, Defendant

Charge - Trespass, Damage £ 30-0-0
Plaintiff - Ward, Peirce
Date of Issue - October 8, 1778
To appear - Inferior Court of Common Pleas
Place - Gloucester
Time - 2nd Tuesday December next
Witness - Michael Fisher, Judge
Signature - Hugg, Clerk

(Over)

(1)	Remarks - Robt. Frd. Price, Sheriff	(2)	Filing Date - Apr. 3, 1826 - Smallwood, Clerk
(4)	Remarks - December Term 1763 Robt. Frd. Price, Sheriff	(5)	Signature - Term December 1778, Davenport, Attorney Wm. Harrison, Sheriff
(3)	Remarks - September Term 1765, Kinsey, Attorney, Robt. Frd. Price, Sheriff		
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BONDS
From Gloucester County Documents

SKINNER, John, of Glouc. Co., Oblige

Obligor - Richard Moffett & Samuel Porch, both of
Glouc. Co.

Date - Dec. 14, 1808

Place - Gloucester Co.

Condition - Richard Moffett intends to appeal from
the decision of James Jaggard, J.P. for the sum of
\$2.00 debt and abide by the decision of the court
and pay all costs, etc.

(over)

RECOGNIZANCES OF SPECIAL BAIL
From Gloucester County Documents

SKINNER, John & Nathan Thompson, Defendants in Case

Date of Action - June 16, 1818

Place - Court of Common Pleas

Parties - State vs. Nathan Thompson, John Skinner,
archibald Moffitt & Samuel Saunders

Conditions - Surety released if Nathan Thompson &
John Skinner in losing suit either pay cost & con-
demnation or surrender to the Sheriff

Charge vs. defendant - Debt \$228.00

(over)

BONDS
From Gloucester County Documents

SKINNER, John & Thomas Wiggins, both of Glouc. Co.,
Obligor

Obligee - Richman & Garrison

Date - October 3, 1798

Place - J.P., Gloucester Co.

Condition - If Wiggins appear and prosecute appeal
in Court of Common Pleas, he shall stand to and
abide judgment of said court and pay further costs
as taxed, if the judgment be affirmed

(Over)

BONDS
From Gloucester County Documents
SKINNER, John, & (John Ffirth), both of Glouc. Co.
Obligor
Obligee - Richard Moffett, Glouc. Co.
Date - Dec. 1, 1808
Place - Gloucester Co.
Condition - Skinner has appealed from the judgment
of James Jaggard, J.P., in a plea of debt
Amount - \$4.00
Witnesses - Margaret Ffirth
(over)

Amount - \$4.00
 Witnesses - Jas. Matlack
 Filing - Dec. 13, 1808

Filing Date - Dec 13, 1808
 Remarks - If Skinner appear and
 prosecute he shall stand and
 abide judgement and pay such
 costs as taxed, if the judgement
 be affirmed. C. Ogden, CLK.

Plaintiff - Daniel Wills
 Bonded persons - John Skinner + Nathan Thompson -
 Amount of Cost + Condemnation
 Sureties - Archibald Moffitt + Samuel Saunders -
 Amount of Cost + Condemnation
 Signature - James Matlack, Judge
 Date of Signature - June 16, 1818
 Filing Date - June 16, 1818
 Clerk - Hendry

Amount - £45 gold + silver money
 Witnesses - Elisha Clark
 Filing Date - Oct 4, 1798 Clark, CLK.
 Remarks - Richman + Garrison recovered
 a judgement before Frederick
 Steelman, J.P. against Whiggins
 from which judgement Whiggins has
 appealed.

WRITS - EXECUTIONS
From Gloucester County Documents

SKINNER, John - Defendant

Charge - Debt £ 60 proclamation Money
Plaintiff - Thomas Taber
Date of issue - March 19 1776
To appear - Court Common Pleas
Place - Gloucester
Time - 3rd Tuesday in June
Witness - Michael Fisher, Esquire, Judge
(Over)

WRITS - EXECUTIONS
From Gloucester County Documents

SKINNER, John, Defendant

Charge - Debt £ 28 Proclamation Money
Plaintiff - Thomas Taber
Date of Issue - March 19, 1776
To appear - Inferior Court of Common Pleas
Place - Gloucester
Time - 3rd Tuesday in June next
Witness - Michael Fisher, Esquire, Judge
Signature - Davenport, Clerk
(Over)

WRITS-SUMMONS
From Gloucester County Documents

SKINNER, John - Defendant

Charge-Debt £11 Proclamation Money with interest
from Nov. 28, 1768
Plaintiff-John Hinchman, Esq.
Date of Issue-September 12, 1770
To appear-Inferior Court Common Pleas
Place-Gloucester, Gloucester County
Time-Second Tuesday in September next
Witness-Michael Fisher, Esq. Judge
(over)

WRITS - EXECUTIONS
From Gloucester County Documents

SKINNER, John, Defendant

Charge - Debt £.22, 16s. current money
Plaintiff - Jacob Castelman
Date of issue - December 20, 1764
To appear - Inferior Court Common Pleas
Place - Gloucester
Time - 1st Tuesday in April next
Witness - Alexander Randall, Esquire Judge
Signature - Ladd, Clerk
(Over)

WRITS - EXECUTIONS
From Gloucester County Documents

SKINNER, John, Defendant

Charge - Debt £. 22 16s
Plaintiff - Jacob Castelman
Date of Issue - April 2nd 1765
To appear - Court of Pleas
Place - Gloucester
Time - 2nd Tuesday in June next
Witness - Alexander Randall, Esq., Judge
Signature - J. Ladd, Clerk
(Over)

(1)

Signature - Davenport, Clerk
Remarks - Jos. Ellis, Sheriff
Shaw, Attorney, June Term 1776

Remarks - April Term 1765, Robt. Frd. Price,
Sheriff

(4)

(2)

Remarks - S. Shaw, Attorney, June Term 1776
J. Ellis, Sheriff

Remarks - June 1765 - Kinsey, Attorney
Robt. Frd. Price, Sheriff

(3)

Signature-Bowman, Clerk
Remarks-Jo. Hugg, Sheriff
Lawrence, Attorney

(5)

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AFFIDAVITS
From Gloucester County Documents

SKINNER, John T. - Affirmer

Date of affirmation - November 1, 1820

Place - David Carney (constable) office at Greenwich
Twp., Glou. Co.

Defendant - John T. Skinner

Purpose - To prove a true inventory

Details - Affirmers have no real Estate to levy

Official - David Carney (Constable)

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Exhibit 4b – Skinner Tax Ratables; Research of cousin Laurel Damon Steffes, 2000:

Gloucester Co. Tax Ratables

**JOHN SKINNER
GLOUCESTER TWP.**

1773, Sep. - 100 acres; 15 cattle

1774, Sep. - 100 acres valued at L10; 10 cattle

1778, Nov. - 10 acres, unimproved; tax L6

1779, Nov. - no property or animals noted

1780, Feb. - 50 acres, improved, valued at L14; 1 horse; 4 cattle; 1 covered wagon

1780, May - 50 acres, improved; 2 horses; 5 cattle; 3 hogs.

1780, Dec. - same as May

1781, July - same as May 1780

1782, Jan. - 50 acres, improved, valued at L11; 2 horses; 4 cattle

1782, Apr. - Same as Jan.

1782, July - Same as Jan., except 2 cattle instead of 4

1783, July - 50 acres, improved, valued at L12; 2 horses; 6 cattle

1786, July - 50 acres, improved, valued at L12; 2 horses; 2 cattle

1789 - no land listed; 1 horse; 2 cattle; tax pd. 8 shillings

1790, Aug. - no land listed; 1 horse; 3 cattle; tax pd. 5 shillings

1792, Aug. - no land or animals listed; tax pd. 1 shilling, 9 pence.

Aug. 1792 is John's last appearance in the Gloucester Twp. tax list.

**JOHN SKINNER
GREENWICH TWP.**

1784 - No property or animals are shown for him; tax pd. 15s, 9p

1786 - Though he appears on the index I didn't find him in the tax list this year.

1789 - 160 acres, improved, valued at L15; 3 horses; 1 cattle; tax pd. L1, 6s, 5p

1790, Jun. - 160 acres, improved; 2 horses; 1 cattle

1791, July - 160 acres, valued at L30; 1 horse; 7 cattle

1792 - Only the Aug. tax list was on film and I couldn't find John.

1793, Aug. - 160 acres, valued at L20; 2 horses, 1 cattle; tax pd. L1, 6s

Skinner Tax Ratables – Note from Laurel Damon Steffes, 2000:

Notes – July 2000:

1794 is the last year I looked at for Greenwich Co. and John is there, owning 160 acres, 2 horses, 6 cattle – tax pd. L1, 11s, 7p. This is the last year on the roll of film and I didn't have time to look at the next one. But this shows the overlapping appearances of the Johns of Gloucester and Greenwich Twps.

In the earliest years in Gloucester Twp., there is a separate list for single men and John does not appear there, so presumably he was married and likely had children.

The earlier Richard appears on the Single Men list in Feb. and May 1780. He wasn't on the Dec 1780 or the 1781 tax lists for this twp. in either category, but appears in 1781 (according to the index – I haven't looked at the film yet) in Deptford. In 1782 he's back in Gloucester and owns 100 improved acres, though the index shows him in Deptford as well. These are the only years he's in Deptford as 1783 has him only in Gloucester where he remains until 1795. By 1786 he apparently owns no land and none is shown for him that year – unless the columns were left empty in error. In 1789 he is shown as owning only 3 cattle and in 1790 1 horse and 3 cattle. Until he disappears from the lists (after 1795), he owns only a few animals and paid small taxes. I presume this is the Richard who d. intestate 1796.

It is possible that the earlier John and Richard were brothers, or even father and son, and that they may have invested briefly in land in Deptford as they both appear on the list there in 1792 and only Richard in 1793. It will be interesting to see if they are shown there with acreage, how much, and if it were improved.

Exhibit 4c – Birth Date of John Skinner

John Skinner was born 15 January 1760, per his grandson Franklin Skinner. This date, or any other birth date for John, does not appear in any other historic records.

Franklin Skinner wrote a series of genealogical articles on the Skinner family in the 1920's. These articles appeared in a newspaper called The Glassboro Enterprise in an ongoing column called "Our History Club, Compiled by John R. Downer". The birth date for John Skinner appears in the column that appeared in the newspaper dated 18 November, 1921. That newspaper article is reproduced on the next page as copied from the research files of cousin Virginia Minotty.

Franklin wrote several poems about the Skinner family, in particular, his older brother Richard Skinner Jr. Franklin may have gotten his poetic skills from his grandmother Patience Skinner – in the article that is copied on the next page Franklin says his grandmother Patience Skinner "was a woman of education and quite a poetess".

...Our History Club...

Compiled by John R. Downer

THE SKINNER FAMILY

II

Franklin Skinner

Richard Skinner, son of Captain Richard Skinner, died in 1796 and his estate was administered at Woodbury, Gloucester County, New Jersey, March 17, 1796.

John Skinner, son of Captain Richard Skinner, was born January 15, 1760, and died February 9, 1824. He served as a Private in the Middlesex County Militia from June, 1779, to December 15, 1779. John married Patience Hanisey, October 27, 1785. She was born April 15, 1764, died April 30, 1840. They settled in Gloucester County, New Jersey, near what is now known as Pitman Grove. Patience was a woman of education and quite a poetess, although none of her writings are extant.

Five sons and six daughters were born to them: Kezia, Taber, William, John, Martha, Susan, Richard, Thomas, Rebecca, Margret, who grew to maturity and three others who died in infancy. History of the Births, Marriages and Deaths of the Children of John Skinner and Patience Hanisey.

Kezia Skinner, born October 7, 1786, married William Bailey. Died November 17, 1819.

Taber Skinner, born January 18, 1788, died October 21, 1837. He lived in Philadelphia and died there in the neighborhood of Second and Christian Streets.

William Skinner, born May 25, 1789, died April 9, 1872. Lived on Mahanua Creek in Gloucester County, New Jersey, near Carpenter's Landing. Jack from the road leading to Barnesboro.

John Skinner, born January 28, died August 31, 1837. He went

South when young and settled there. He was a School-teacher by profession. He married Henrietta Maria Jay, who was born 1804 and died September 2, 1885. They lived South.

Martha Skinner, born May 25, 1792, married Captain Nathan Thompson. She died October 8, 1854. They lived on Marlborough Street, Shackamaxon. Andrew died at Norfolk in the yellow fever epidemic. Martha married a Mr. Pippin. They lived in or near Williamsville on the Roanoke River and were visited by Mrs. Rebecca Forbes, in 1852 or 1853, wife of Captain Joseph Forbes. Have no information of the sons whatever.

Mary Skinner, born September 15, 1793, married John Seran. Died December 8, 1821.

Susann Skinner, born October 18, 1795, died September 1878. She married Thomas Sickels. She was the mother of Martha Stetson, who was the mother of David S. Stetson, James N. Stetson, Alexander G. Cattel Stetson and other children.

Richard Skinner, born July 11, 1797, died March 12, 1882. He married Mary Swope, daughter of Jacob and Nancy Swope, November 1, 1821, by whom he had eleven children, five sons and six daughters. She died October 2, 1844.

Thomas Skinner, born September 8, 1800, died July 11, 1829, at the home of his brother Richard Skinner.

Rebecca Skinner, born October 4, 1804, married Jacob Beckett. Died.

Margaret Skinner, born October 26, 1806, married Thomas Carter. Died August 10, 1861.

References: Records of Surrogate's Office, Woodbury, N. J. Family Bible. Family Records in possession of Franklin Skinner.

November 18, 1821.

(Continued Next Week)

**Exhibit 4d – Land Seizures of Residents of Gloucester County Due to Loyalist Activities
During the Revolutionary War**

Per New Jersey Archives,

http://archive.org/stream/ser2newjerseyrev03newjuoft/ser2newjerseyrev03newjuoft_djvu.txt:

Gloucester, March 2, 1770.

IN pursuance of an act of the General Assembly of the State of New Jersey for that purpose, and by virtue of sundry writs issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of the county of Gloucester, to us directed, will be exposed to sale by publick vendue, at the times and places herein after mentioned, the following tracts and parcels of lands, with the improvements, &c viz.

1st. On the 10th day of April next on the premises, a certain tract of land situate in the town of Gloucester in said county, containing about 20 acres, whereon is a new [] story brick house, a good orchard and other improvements, being the late dwelling-house of John Hinchman, late of said county. And at the same time and place will be sold all the right and property of said Hinchman (being for the natural life of said Hinchman) in and to the adjoining valuable plantation, now in the tenure of the widow Branson. The sale to begin at two o'clock said day.

2d. On Monday the 12th on the premises, the noted tavern in Woodbury, in the township of Deptford, in said county (now in the tenure of Robert Sparks) with the-

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land thereunto belonging, containing about 45 acres, being late the property of Alexander Bartram: And at the same time and place all the right and property of John Grieff, (being for his natural life) in and to a valuable plantation containing about 100 acres, part whereof is good meadow, lying about one mile from Woodbury aforesaid. The sale to begin at one o'clock said day.

3d. On Tuesday the 13th, at the late dwelling-house of Jonathan Chew, in the township of Deptford, all the real estate of said Chew, consisting of four plantations or tracts of land, lying on both sides of Mantua Creek, in the township of Deptford and Greenwich, whereon are valuable improvements, and to be sold separate. At same time and place about 100 acres of land lying on Mantua Creek, near the land of said Chew, being late the property of **James Hanisey**. The sale to begin at 10 o'clock said day.

4th. On Wednesday the 14th, at the house of William Eldridge, Innkeeper in Greenwich township, all the real estate late Daniel' Co'zens's, consisting of one valuable place whereon said Cozens lately lived, containing about 100 acres ; there is on the premises a good dwelling-house, barn, orchard, &c and a well accustomed grist-mill : Also a tract of landing containing about 500 acres, whereon is a dwelling-house, saw-mill, and other improvements. Also about 5 acres of good meadow lying 011 Mantua Creek, below the bridge, all in said township of Greenwich. Likewise a piece of meadow on Shibers's Island, containing about 10 acres. The sale to begin at 10 o'clock said day. Also one small lot of ground with the buildings and improvements situated on the Cohoeking road, about one mile from the place of sale, late the property of John Robertson. Also one other house and lot containing about ten acres, late the property of James Duffield. Also one other lot or tract of land within about half a mile of said Eldridge's supposed about 100 acres, with a dwelling-house and other improvements thereon, being late the property of Edward Eglenton and Asa Lord.

5th. On Thursday the 15th, at said Eldridge's, the real estate of Gabriel D'Vebber, consisting of one lot or piece of land adjoining the said Eldridge's containing about 20 acres, whereon is a good frame house, a good convenient store-house and other improvements. One other tract of about one hundred acres of woodland, adjoining Jands of John Richards and John Roome. One other tract of land containing about 20 acres, with the buildings and improvements thereon, and seven acres of meadow, situate on Mantua Creek, next adjoining below the bridge. Also at same time and place, one plantation or tract of land situate near the fort at Billingsport, containing about 90 acres, with the house and improvements, late the property of William Bocock. Likewise one other lot situate at Billingsport aforesaid, late the property of Daniel Cozens. The sale to begin at 10 o'clock said day.

6th. On Friday the 16th, at said Eldridge's, 100 acres of land, whereon is a good stone dwelling-house', a good grist-mill and other improvements, late the property of Harrison Wells. At same time and place 100 acres of valuable land adjacent to said mill, late the property of William Wells, both being part of a tract that formerly belonged to William Harrison, Esq. Also at same time and place one other tract of land, with the buildings and improvements, situate at Repaupa, containing about 150 acres, late the property of Joseph Long. Likewise 5 acres of meadow on Mauncis's Island, late the property of said Joseph Long. And at said time and place a good stone house and lot of ground at the lower bridge on Raccoon Creek, with about 40 acres of meadow near said house; late the property of Joseph Clark: all situate in the township of Greenwich. The sale to begin at 10 o'clock said day.

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7th. On Saturday the 17th, at the house of John Cozens, Inn-keeper, near Mullica Hill, in the township of Greenwich, the real estate of William Fusman, situate in said township, containing about 15 or 20 acres, whereon is a house, barn and other improvements. One other place lying on the great road leading towards Cumberland, containing about 90 acres, whereon is a wooden house, barn, orchard &c. late the property of John Rudrow. Likewise 105 acres, chiefly woodland, whereon is a new frame dwelling-house, w|th some small improvements and about 30 acres of woodland lying on the Cohocking road, being late the property of Jacob Hewitt. The three last mentioned all lying in the township of Woolwich. The sale to begin at 10 o'clock said day.

8th. On Monday the 19th, at the house of Mounce Keen, in Sweedsborough, a house and lot in said town of SweedsboroUgh, a piece of wood-land and five acres of meadow, lying on Raccoon Creek, late the property of John Hatton. About 150 acres of land with the improvements, late the property of John Cox. All the real estate of George Avis, supposed about 100 acres of land, whereon is a good brick house, barn, orchard, &c. Also the real estate of Isaac Justice, supposed about 100 acres of land, with a house, barn, orchard, &c. all situate in the township of Woolwich. All the above-mentioned premises being confiscated and to be sold by the Commissioners for the use of the State, which said Commissioners are empowered by act of Assembly to make good and sufficient conveyances for the same. Attendance will be given at the times and places above u mentioned.

JOHN SPARKS, ^ Commis-
SAMUEL KAIGHN,, j sioners.

Exhibit 4d2 – Land Seizure of James Hanisey

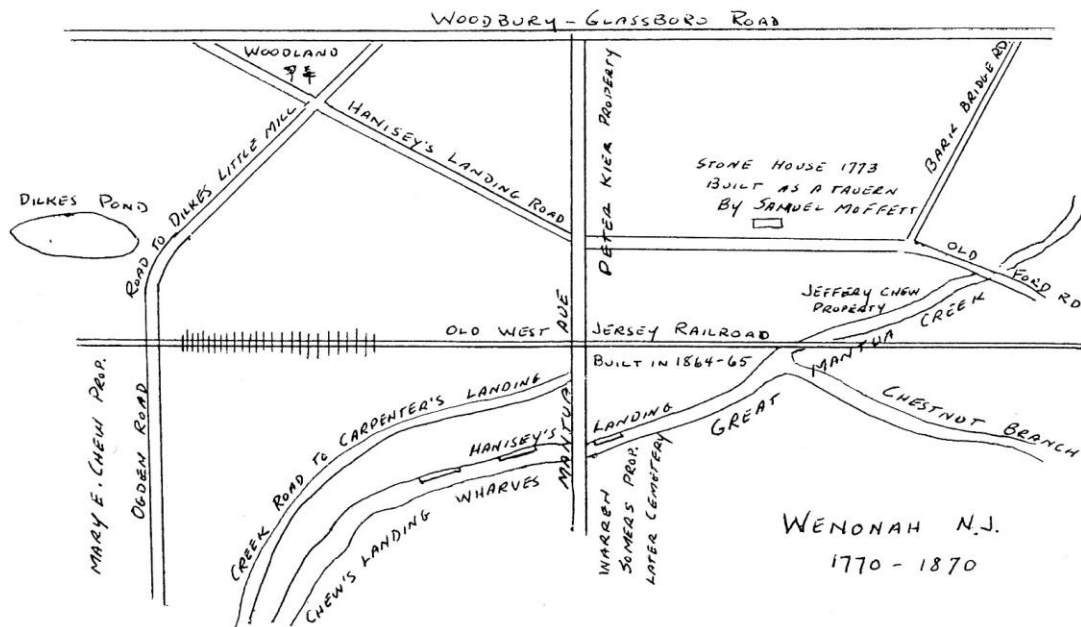
Transcriptions of Early County Records of New Jersey, Gloucester County Series Revolutionary War Documents, The Historical Records Survey, Work Projects Administration, Newark, New Jersey, 1940, (Gloucester Co. Historical Society, per notes of VEM:

“Executions for Sale of Property, 1778:

Gloucester ss The State of New Jersey To John Sparks Samuel Kaign & Elijah Clark Commissioners duly appointed for the said County on the part & Behalf of the said State to take & dispose for the use & Benefit of the Same the Estates of certain Fugitives & Offenders in the said County or to any two or more of them Greeting Whereas lately that is to say of the Term of December in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & seventy eight in the Court of Common Pleas held at Gloucester in & for the County of Gloucester before the Judges of the same Court final Judgment was had & entered in favour of the said State of New Jersey pursuant to Law against **James Hannisey** late of the County of Gloucester on an Inquisition found against the said James Hannisey for having joined the Enemies of this State & assisted in taking the good subjects thereof prisoners, & returned to the said Court as may fully appear of record You are therefore commanded and enjoined to sell and dispose of all the real Estate of what nature or kind whatsoever belonging or lately belonging to the said James Hannisey within the said County of Gloucester according to the Directions of an Act for forfeiting to & vesting in the State of New Jersey the Real Estates of certain Fugitives & Offender made & passed the eleventh day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & seventy eight. Witness Michael Fisher Esq. Judge of said Court at Gloucester afs.d the tenth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & Seventy eight.

By the Court
T Hugg Clerk
Davenport Atty P. State

[Verso}
The State V. James Hannisey
Excon for Sale of Real Estate
March Term 1779
Davenport Atty.”



Hanisey -Dealing with the sale of his property as indemnity for being a loyalist.
Source: N. J. Archives, 2nd Series, Vol. III.

Newspaper Extracts -Page 129, Gloucester March 2, 1779
Source, N. J. Archives, 2nd Series, Vol III. Page 650.
" " " Vol. II. " 581
Mary Handsey's Will.

See Glo. Co. Historical Bulletin, June 1963, p32, Wenonah., second
ph.

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Note – Left Side of Map Points North

The Land of James Hanisey Seized in 1778 was Located in Today's Town of Wenonah,
where Mantua Avenue Crosses the Mantua Creek
[map per notes of Virginia Minott]

Exhibit 4e – Will of Mary Hanisey, 1783

Will of Mary Hannisey - dated May 12, 1783, Will Book A, Pag 342 - 1783, per files of VEM:

HANISEY - HANDSEY - HENNESAY ~~HANTOBY~~

Will Book A Page 342 - 1783

In the name of God, Amen, the twelfth day of May Anno Domini,
one thousand and seven hundred and eighty three.

I, MARY HANDSEY, the wife of JAMES HANDSEY of Deptford, in the
County of Gloucester in the Western division of the province of
New Jersey being very sick and weak of body, but of perfect mind and
memory thank be given unto God.

Wherefore and calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing
it is appointed for all persons once to die, I do make this My last
Will and Testament, that is to say principally and first of all I
recommend my soul unto the hand of God, that gave it, and for my body
I recommend to the earth to be buried in a Christian like and decent
burial, at the discretion of my executors, nothing doubting, Almighty
power of God and _____ worldly estate, wherewith it has pleased
God to bless me with in this life.

I give, devise and dispose in the following manner and form - Imperium
(a sovereignty within a sovereignty)

I give and bequeath to my daughters namely LUCY LEAMAN, MARY HANSEY,
HANNAH FULLERTON, PATIENCE HANICEY, and REBECCA HANEY, they being
my five daughters, all and singular my land, measurages and tenaments
by them freely to be possessed and enjoyed as long as they live after
my husband's decease, and after either of my daughter's decease the
tract or measurage of land that I leave them is to go to the next heir-
in-law.

For ten generations and for want of heir it is to go to the head
Ruling power of American, and likewise it is my Will and desire that
my lands, measurages and tenaments to be divided equally amongst my

MARY HANDSEY - Will of

said five daughters in quantity and quality, their names above written.
 I likewise, constitute, make and ordain JAMES WOOD, and my daughter
 SARAH HENASY to be my sole executors of this my last Will and Testament.
 All and singular my lands, measurages and tenaments by my five daughters
 freely to be possessed and enjoyed in Witness whereof I have here unto
 set my hand and seal this twelfth day of May in the year of our Lord
 1783, Signed, sealed, published; pronounced and declared by the said
 MARY HENDSEY, as her Last Will and Testament in the presence of us
 the Subscribers

MARY HENASY

ABRAHAM DILKES
 ARCHIBALD MOFFET JUN'R

I, JAMES HENASY, Husband of the within Testator, MARY HENESAY,
 do ratify and confirm this my wife's last Will and Testament in every
 part thereof as fully and legally as in my Eyes and deserving it may be
 received and taken as such until time shall be no more given under my
 hand and seal the thirteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord
 one thousand seven hundred and eighty three. (1783)

JAMES HANDSEY

Signed and sealed in the presence of us

ABRAHAM DILKES
 ALICE DILKES
 JOSEPH DILKES

Will - Surrogate Court - Gloucester County
 Date of Will, May 12, 1783, Book A Page 342
 Deed - County Clerk's Office -
 Deed Book G Page 63
 Caleb Gibson - Grantor - Mary Hennesay, Wife of James Hennesay -
 - Grantee-

Exhibit 4f – Marriage of John Skinner and Patience Hanisey

The records appear to indicate that Patience was twice married. Her first marriage was to Jonathan Hendrickson, who must have died shortly thereafter.

The Hendrickson family line, originally from Sweden, lived in both Greenwich Township and Swedesboro in Gloucester County during the 1700's and 1800's.

Record of Pennsylvania Marriages Prior to 1810,
Collections of the Genealogical Society of Pennsylvania,
per files of Virginia Minotty:

Christ Church, Philadelphia

1784, September 21. **Hendrickson, Jonathan, and Patience Hanisey** – no minister mentioned.

Swedes Church, Philadelphia

[KDS note – also called Gloria Dei Church and Old Swede's Church]

1785, October 27. **Skinner, John and Patience Henricson** – no minister mentioned.

Exhibit 4g – Will of Land from Thomas Tabor to ‘nephew’ John Skinner

Thomas Taber Will Abstract:

“1810, Dec. 11. Taber, Thomas, of Gloucester Co.; will of. Daughter, Hannah Lawder, during her lifetime, the plantation whereon John Ffirth now lives (which was left to me by my father); also adjoining farm purchased of my father-in-law, and at her decease, same to John Ffirth and wife, Margaret, and at their death, to their sons, John and Henry. **Nephew, John Skinner, and his wife**, Patience, the plantation now occupied by them, and formerly called “old Smith’s place”; also 1/2 cedar swamp on Scotland Branch in Gloucester Co. The other 1/2 of same to John and Henry Ffirth (sons of John). Joseph Foster (son of Hannah Lawder), tavern house and lotts (5 acres) at Barnsborough, now occupied by Samuel Blackwood. To friends, Dr. Thomas Hendry and Joseph McIlvaine, Esq., of Burlington, all plantation where John Sharp lives, purchased of William Wilkins and Isaac Flanagan, to have and hold until Thomas Blackwood (son of John) of Barnsborough shall become 21. ... Executors - Thomas Hendry, Joseph McIlvaine. Witnesses - William Jones, Benajah Anderson, William Hopper. Proved Mar. 28, 1811. File 2819 H.”

[per “Abstracts of Wills - 1810-1813”, NJ Archives, Vol. XXXXI, 1949, p371, 9/24/1995/KDS]

Exhibit 4h – Sale of Land By John and Patience Skinner In 1805, Land Originally Inherited By Patience from her Mother; Courtesy of Laurel Damon Steffes, 2000:

Here is the deed proving
Patience's parentage &
my transcription, that is.
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Of the children of James
& Mary (Gibson) Hanisey:

proof
Deed
U, 142
Sarah m. Henry Leaman
Dannah m. Henry Fullerton
(all lived in Greenwich Twp
in 1804)

Rebecca m. George Gribble
- resided Phila. 1806
Deed U, 144

Mary m. — Tyre
shedd. Sep. Nov 1811
her d. Mary m. John Fowler
Deed U 145

There was no dau. Lucy Leaman

The following deed describes 115 acres of land sold by John And Patience Skinner in 1805. The land was located along the Mantua Creek in old Deptford Township, not far from the old homestead once owned by James Hanisey, the father of Patience.

The land was part of a tract of land that Patience and her four siblings inherited from their mother Mary (Gibson) Hanisey, and which in turn, Mary had inherited from her brother William Gibson per his 1750 Will. . This land is located at or near the town of Wenonah today.

Book U p.143-144 Gloucester Co. Deeds

14 Mar. 1805

Recorded 13 Dec 1814

Indenture between John Skinner and Patience
his wife of Gloucester Co and James Diekes
of Deptford

\$213.33 pd by James Diekes

Land in Deptford, bounding land of
Robert Sparks, William Tatum, Esq,
Abraham Dieks, David Chew. On Mantua
Creek, abt 115 acres, which land was
given to Mary Gibson by her brother
William Gibson by his last will and
Testament dated 18 Jul 1750, who was
lawfully intermarried with James
Deresse ~~whereby the premises~~ and died
intestate leaving five daughters to wit
Sarah, Patience, Hannah, Mary, and
Rebecca Deresse, whereby the premises
aforesaid became the sole right of the
aforesaid children of James Deresse and
Mary his wife share & share alike agreeable
to the law of the State aforesaid. And whereas
Patience Deresse, Daughter of the aforesaid
parents did intermarry with John Skinner
party to these presents whereby the said
John Skinner and Patience his wife became
legally and lawfully seized in fee simple

John & Patience sell the land left her by her
brother, Mary Gibson Deresse.

to One fifth part of the aforesaid tract of
land. Now this indenture further
witnesseth that the John Skinner and
Patience his wife party to these presents ...
etc. sell to James Dicker.

Witnesses John Jfuth & Mary English

Exhibit 4i - John Cathcart vs John Skinner, 1805; Research of cousin Laurel Damon Steffes, 2000:

TRANSCRIPTION OF NJ SUPREME COURT CASE NO. 8632

JOHN SKINNER

Vs

**JOHN CATHCART
September Term 1805**

By Laurel Damon Steffes
August 2000

Document copied from a microfilm of originals. Microfilm at the NJ State Archives, Trenton, NJ.

A word in parentheses followed by a ? indicates I was uncertain of the word and put down my best guess. I left in original spellings and capitalization.

New Jersey Sup. Court
Gloucester

John Cathcart
Vs.
John Skinner

To Wm. Zane, Esq.
Robert Pearson Atty

??? Sept. Term
1805

Along the side of the page is written:
I allow this writ of [illegible]
let it be seated
William S. [illegible]

The Jersey Sup Court
 Gloucester
 John Cathcart
 John Skinner
 To Mr. Jane Ag.
 Robt Pearson
 R. 10th Sept. Term
 1805

I certify this is a true and correct
 copy of the original
 William D. R.

CASE NO.
 8632

Of the NJ State Supreme Court
 Copied July 2000 at Trenton by Laurel Damon Steffes

The State of New Jersey to William Zane Esquire one of the Justices of the peace for the county of Gloucester. Greeting. We being [part of word missing -???lling] for certain reasons to be certified of a (certain?) plaint and the judgement thereon it our court before you against John Cathcart at the suit of John Skinner in a Plea of Debt – brought and tendered, we command you that the plaint and judgement aforesaid with all things touching and concerning the same as it remains before you by whatever names the said John Cathcart and John Skinner may be called in the same, to our Justices of our Supreme Court of Judicature of New Jersey at Trenton on the first Tuesday in September next. You certify and send together with writ under your seal that we may farther cause to be done thereon as of right we shall see fit to be done.

Witness Andrew Kirkpatrick Esquire Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Judicature of New Jersey at Trenton second Tuesday in May in the year of our Lourd one thousand eight hundred and five.

Robt Pearson Atty

(Andrew Kirkpatrick??)

The State of New Jersey to William
 Kane Esquire one of the Justices of the
 peace for the County of Gloucester
 Greeting. We being willing for certain reasons
 to be certified of a certain plaint and
 the judgment there on it our Court before you
 against John Cuthbert at the suit of John
 Skinner — in a Plea of Debt — brought and
 rendered, we command you that the plaint and
 judgment aforesaid with all things touching
 and concerning the same as it remains before you
 by whatever names the said John Cuthbert and
 Skinner may be called in the same; to our Court
 of our Supreme Court of Judicature of New Jersey
 at Trenton on the first Tuesday in September next
 you certify and send together with what under your
 Seal that we may farther cause to be done therein
 as of right we shall see fit to be done.
 Witness Andrew Kirkpatrick Esquire Chief
 Justice of the Supreme Court of Judicature of New
 Jersey at Trenton this Tuesday in May
 in the year of our Lord one Thousand eight hundred
 and fifty
 John Pearson atty Anna W.

CASE NO. 81632

To the Honorable the Justice of the Supreme Court of Judicature of the Sate of New Jersey.

These are to certify that the within are a true Transcript of the proceeding before me in (so???) action.

Given under my hand and seal this 29th (27th?) day of August one thousand eight hundred and five ---- 1805

William Zane Justice of the Peace

CASE 8632

In the Honorable the Justices of the Supreme Court
 of Judicature of the State of New Jersey
 These are to Certify that the within are a true Trans-
 cript of the Proceeding before me in ^{an} action
 Given under my hand and Seal this 2^d day of
 August one thousand eight hundred and five
 A.D. 1805

William L. and Justice
 Rice

John Skinner
Vs
John Cathcart

New Jersey Supreme Court
Gloucester
on Certiorari to
William Zane Esquire

Reasons

1. The demand of the plaintiff as filed with the Justice amount ~~7~~75=0=0 and not within the Jurisdiction of the Justice.
2. The Plaintiff's demand was barred by the Statute of Limitations which was pleaded by the Defendant & overruled by the Justice.
3. It is not stated on the Docket of the Justice whether the Jurors were sworn or affirmed – nor when the venue was returnable.
4. No Judgement has been entered.

Robert Pearson Atty for the Plaintiff

NEW JERSEY SUPREME CT. MONROE

John Skinner }
 John Cathecart } by Certificate to William
 Jane Agnew

Reasons

1. The demand of the Plaintiff as filed with the Justice amounts $\$75.00$ and not within the Jurisdiction of the Justice
2. The Plaintiff's claim and is as barred by the Statute of Limitations which was pleaded by the Defendant & overruled by the Justice
3. It is not stated on the Record of the Justice whether the Juries were sworn or affirmed - nor when the Verdict was returned
4. No judgment has been entered -

Robert Pearson Atty
 for the Plaintiff

CASE NO 8632

December 1793

John Cathcart
To John Skinner

[illegible symbol here]

to Accounts settled with John Collins
wherein he Received a balance Due
me (for he then told me?)
[any further writing here covered by a large blot]

£ 24 = 11 = 0

May 26 1794

to one pair of oxen that I Bought of
Jesse Somers
Interest for 8 years and an half

16 = 10 = 0

11 = 18 = 0

to 24 Months Labour at six Dollars
Month Began the 15th of September 1793
and Ending the 1st of January 1796

54 = 0 = 0

£ 106 = 39 = 0

December 1793.
 John Cathcart
 To Golden Skinner Dr
 to Accounts settled with John Collins } £ 24 .. 11 .. 0
 whereon he Received a Balance Due me }
 and to the balance
 May 26 1794
 To one pair of Oxen that I Bought of } 16 .. 10 .. 0
 Jesse Somers }
 Interest for 8 years and an half } 11 .. 18 .. 0
 to 24 Months Labour at Six Dollars }
 Month Began the 15th of September 1795 } 54 .. 0 .. 0
 and Ending the 1st of January 1796 }
 £ 106 .. 19 .. 0

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At top of page in typewritten copy it reads:
“These Documents Originally Bundled Together”

[illegible symbol] Contra

By Cash Received of my son John Skinner	£ 20=7=6
By Cash-----	1=2=6
By Cash-----	3=00=0
By Cash-----	3=00=0
By Cash 15/ By Cash 7/6-----	[illegible]=6
By Cash-----	[illegible]=0
	£ [illegible]=12=6

CASE NO 8632

These Documents Originally Bundled Together

for Contra

By Cash Received of my son John Skinner	£ 20. 7. 6
By Cash	1. 2. 6
By Cash	3. 00. 0
By Cash	3. 00. 0
By Cash	3. 00. 0
By Cash 15/ By Cash 7/6	2. 12. 6
By Cash	2. 12. 6

Is this the "one item charged against the Plaintiff" in 1801? There's no date on this page.

1805
 May the 25th
 John Skinner
 Vs
 John Cithcart
 (Cathcart)

Summons in Debt (Entered ?) on the 25th day of May returnable on the 3rd day of June at 2 o'clock. Demand one hundred dollars. The Constable Thomas Marshall returned the Summons duly served. The Plaintiff appeared filed his account. At the Defendant's request the Trial is adjourned until the ?th day of June at 2 o'clock – The parties appeared the plaintiff craved (a venita ?) of 12 min. Granted. Trial adjourned until the 24th day of June at 2 o'clock. Venira Issued Directed and Delivered to Thomas Marshall Constable on the 24th day of June this parties appeared. The constable Thomas Marshall returned the venira by which he had summoned a jury whose named are as follows viz -----

- | | |
|---------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Joseph Thackery | 7. Isaac Ellis |
| 2. John Wildes | 8. William Lewis |
| 3. Timothy Matlack | 9. Josiah Dill |
| 4. David (Backly ?) | 10. William Wicke |
| 5. Ephriam Cheesman | 11. Joseph Stoud |
| 6. Isaac Hugg | 12. William (Essin ?) |

The jury ware approved of by the parties and ware qualified. Plaintiff's witnesses John Skinner Junior, John (Phifer ?), & Joseph Garner, the Jurors did hear the parties and their witnesses. The Defendant Pled the act of Limitations as a bar to further prosedings and produst his Daybook which was not denied by the Plaintiff which contained one item charged against the Plaintiff in the year one thousand eight hundred & one. The Constable ware qualified and did retire with the jury to a [illegible] room. After the jury returned in to [illegible] and being called did all appear and said they had agreed on their verdict and by their foreman doth further say they find for the Plaintiff the sum of Fifty eight dollars & four cents. And so they say all ---

With cost of suit for the defendant to pay five dollars five dimes six cents.

The plaintiff to pay six dimes 2 cents cost.

1805

1005

May the 25th
John Skinner
vs
John Ritchart

Summons in debt issued on the 25th day
of May returnable on the 3rd day of June
at 2 o'clock demand one hundred dollars
The constable Thomas Marshall return
the summons duly served The Plaintiff
appeared filed his account, at the defendant
request the trial is adjourned until the
18th day of June at 2 o'clock The Parties

appeared the Plaintiff Craved Verdict of 12 men Granted
Trial adjourned until the 24th day of June at 2 o'clock Verdict
issued directed and delivered to Thomas Marshall Constable
on the 24th day of June the Parties appeared The Constable
Thomas Marshall returned the Verdict by which he had
Summoned a jury Whose names are as follows Viz

1 Joseph L. Shackery	7 Isaac Ellis
2 John Wildes	8 William Lewis
3 Timothy Matlock	9 Josiah Vell
4 David Brackley	10 William Wick

52 p. 121 and Keenan W Joseph I. Stout
 69 Isaac Hugg - 82 William E. in
 The jury were approved of by the parties and Ware Duallipide
 Plaintiff Witnesses John Skinner Junr - John S. Rife & Joseph
 Garner the jurors did hear the parties and their witnesses
 The defendant did the act of Limitation as above to further
 Proceedings And produced his day book, which was not denied
 by the Plaintiff which contained one item charged against
 the Plaintiff, in the year one thousand eight hundred &
 one The Constable Ware Duallipide and did he take with
 the Jury to a private room After the Jury returned in to court
 on being called did all appear and said they had a
 agreed on their verdict And by their foreman with further
 say they find for the Plaintiff the sum of Fifty eight
 Dollars & four Cents And so they say all
 With Cost of Suits for the defendant to pay five Dollars
 & five Cents
 The Plaintiff is to pay six Dollars & two Cents Cost

CASE NO 8632

Some thoughts.....

- 1.) The thing that really stands out in here is the sentence "By cash received of my son John Skinner". And John Cathcart m. a Susannah Skinner in Gloucester Co. in 1779. If she were a widow and John Skinner's mother, then Cathcart would have been his stepfather. I believe it was the custom of the day for step-parents and step-children to refer to each other as "son/daughter" and "father/mother". Unfortunately, it doesn't say anywhere on this page that it was John Cathcart who received the cash, but I don't know who else it could have been. If you compare the handwriting on this page to the page which has the heading "John Cathcart to John Skinner" I think it's clear that both were written by the same hand. Could these be pages of John Cathcart's daybook which was produced as evidence? I think it would appear so, but then again the last page says the daybook contained "one item charged against the Plaintiff in 1801". Well, that doesn't fit with what's on either page. I personally believe that the documentation of this trial is incomplete and that there are pages missing which might have given us a clearer picture of what went on. If Cathcart owed Skinner money, then why was Skinner paying cash to Cathcart?
- 2.) In 1805, our John Skinner was the only John Skinner of age in Gloucester Co. The only other John Skinner would be John's son, John, Jr. It does say that one of the witnesses in this trial was John Skinner, Jr. Our John's son would have been about 14 at the time of the trial. I spoke with both the librarians at the Archives and also with the Librarians at the NJ State Law Library and they can find no law in force at that time that set forth age requirements for witnesses in State Supreme Court Cases. Actually, they said that the first edition of published laws didn't come out until the late 1800s, and they just don't know what the law or what custom said about it, if anything. So I suppose it could be possible that if John Jr. was witness to any dealings between his father and John Cathcart he could have been called to relate what he saw. The other question I should ask the Law Librarians is what was the Statute of Limitations back then? How long had Cathcart owed Skinner money – when was the debt incurred?
- 3.) Why was Skinner working for Cathcart from 15 Sep 1793 to 1 Jan 1796?? At that time, Skinner had his own property in Greenwich to tend to as well as a family. Why would he be going to work up in Gloucester Twp. where Cathcart lived? How could he have had the time? If he was paid by the month, did that mean he worked full time for Cathcart? Or was it an agreement wherein Skinner worked one day a week and for that he would be paid six dollars/month? Was it some kind of work that Skinner was able to do at home, such as carpentry, and then he took the finished product to Cathcart? Had there been some kind of obligation on Skinner's part? Cathcart was wealthy and I can't imagine he got any benefit out of this unless Skinner made something for him vs. just working on his farm for him. Is there some significance to Skinner's work for Cathcart ending 1 Jan? This is the date Franklin had for Skinner's birthday. Is this just coincidence?

Laurel Damon Steffes
August 2000

This is the NS Supreme Court Case tin so interested in. Obviously, I didn't copy all the pages. I plan to go back to Plenton, copy all other pages, and go over them very carefully.

To my knowledge, our John Skinner was the only (let) John Skinner in Glo. Co. in 1805.

John Cathcart made his will 6 Mar 1806. Proved 11 May 1807. Named ~~will~~ dau. Susan, under 21, son Allen, wife Susan.

Witnesses: Samuel Clement
Joshua Buck, Joseph Elfrith

John's son Allen appears in Glo. Co. Deeds as Grantor, with wife Hannah, in 1786. He had to have been at least 21 (and probably older) at that time, putting his birth in 1765 or earlier.

Susannah Skinner Cathcart could not have been his mother as she married John Cathcart in 1779.

This would make an earlier marriage for Susannah likely, though not definite.

Fly in the ointment here is that this 1786 Allen could be an earlier Allen.

Next appearance of Allen Cathcart is 1808 - with wife Ann. 2nd marriage? Different Allen??

**Exhibit 4j – Court Case: Johnson Beckett Vs. John Skinner, 1810; Research of cousin
Laurel Damon Steffes, 2000:**

**NOTES TAKEN FROM NJ SUPREME COURT CASE 4870
JOHNSON BECKETT vs JOHN SKINNER
1810**

This case was very lengthy and often difficult to read. There was another case number which involved the same parties at about the same time. It was even more difficult to read. I will try to take another look at both of these cases when I go back to Trenton – just in case I missed something. I took down only a few things – those I thought most interesting.

The case was first heard in the Gloucester County Court of John Ffirth. Ffirth was the grandson-in-law of Thomas Taber, husband of Margaret Taber Sparks who was daughter of Hannah Taber. Ffirth's ruling was overturned by the NJ Supreme Court for the reasons spelled out in the page which I copied and which is also enclosed.

Mr. Beckett was suing for monies owed him by John Skinner. John and his son Richard claimed that they had repaid Mr. Beckett but they didn't have a receipt.

John's account was written out by someone else because "Mr. Skinner is a poor scholar can hardly write except his name inteligible". I couldn't find the name of this person who wrote on John's behalf.

Richard Skinner was named as witness.

John's signature reads "John T. Skinner". I believe this signature was in his own hand as it is different that the rest of the writing on the page. The documents were originals which had been microfilmed.

Researched 29 June 2000 by Laurel Damon Steffes

Paul & for want of goods to take recovery of —
 the said Joshua Paul & delivers him to the
 of the County of Gloucester there to be kept un-
 lawfully discharged & He still neglects to
 perform the same; & the Plaintiff avers
 that sufficient goods & chattels & also the
 bag of the said Joshua Paul were after the
 delivery of the said Executions in manner a-
 said to the defendant to be found and had
 in said County of Gloucester & might have
 been levied on by the defendant with reason-
 able diligence & the debt & cost & expense
 by the defendant as he was by said Executions
 commanded to do —

Whereby an action with ~~and~~ accrues
 to the Plaintiff by virtue of the said 27th or
 29th section of the before recited act to have
 & recover of the said defendant the debt &
 cost & costs & expense with the interest there-
 on due in all Sixty nine Dollars & nine
 four cents

May 13th 1890

John Skinner

NJ Supreme
 Court

John's signature
 from Court case 4870

John for Becket & An certiorari to John H. H. Esq. of
John H. H. Esq. of Gloucester.

Reasons for Reversal.

1. The state of demand contains no legal cause of action.
2. The said Justice had not legal Jurisdiction & authority to hear the said cause & render judgment.
3. The said Justice admitted illegal Evidence on the part of the plaintiff below.
4. The Justice had not legal & sufficient Evidence before him, whereon to render judgment for the plaintiff below.
5. The said Justice was induced as counsel for the plaintiff below in conducting the suit - and himself drew the plaintiff's state of demand.
6. The Justice has not kept his Book &c in the manner required by law.
7. The Judgment was reversed for the plaintiff below when it should have been for the defendant below.

Thomas Chapman
Atty of Jeffries Court

Gloucester to wit: John for Becket puts in his place ~~the~~
Thomas Chapman his attorney to prosecute the
aforesaid writ of certiorari against John H. H.
in debt. —

Exhibit 4k - Newspaper Creditor Notice, circa 1820, courtesy of Laurel Damon Steffes,**2000:**

Tuesday, January, 10.
 In the hours of 12 and 5 o'clock,
Dunham's, Woodbury,
 lot in Woodbury, on which the
 ton Hotel stands, with all its im-
 ments.
 lot in Battentown, of about 5 acres,
 on three public roads, with a store,

lot in Haddonfield, containing one
 35 perches of land, well situated,
 considerable improvements.
 the fourth part of 40 acres of land in
 and Greenwich townships, on
 of Great Mantua Creek, well im-
 with a Grist Mill, Dwelling and
 buildings.
 lot of land in Barnsborough, on
 here are three dwelling houses and
 improvements.

Thursday, February 1st,
 in the hours of 12 and 5 o'clock P. M.
At Port Elizabeth

lot of a House and lot, well situated
 Elizabeth.
 lot of a lot of good Meadow, con-
 about 4 acres, within two miles of
 Elizabeth, in Cumberland county.
 more particular description of the a-
 property is deemed unnecessary, as
 presumed no person will purchase
 viewing the premises.
 sales at sale by

John Rambo,
 agent of **Marmaduke Wood.**
 number 29, 1820—Dec 27—ts
 the Editor of the Bridgeton Whig,
 stated to publish that part of the a-
 e which is to be at Port Elizabeth,
 eeks previous to the 1st of Februa-
 send his bill to this Office.

PHERD & DAVIS,
GROCERS

between the hours of 12 & 5 o'clock,
At Runyan's Hotel, Woodbury,
 All the Right of Joseph C. Smith in
 and to a certain House and Lot of
 Land in Woodbury, now in the possession
 of Morton Stille. To be sold at the suit
 of Ephraim Miller, by
JOSEPH V. CLARK, Former Sheriff.
 Nov. 13. 1820 Dec. 13--ts

Notice to Creditors.

TAKE notice, that the judges of the In-
 ferior Court of Common Pleas, in and
 for the county of Gloucester, have appoint-
 ed a special Court to be held at the Court
 House, in Woodbury, on the 27th day of
 January next, at 10 o'clock in the fore-
 noon, to hear what can be alleged for or
 against my liberation from imprisonment
 as an insolvent debtor.

John T. Skinner.
 Woodbury, Dec. 20....4t

To Creditors.

Take Notice, that the Judges of the In-
 ferior Court of Common Pleas in and for
 the county of Gloucester, have appointed
 a special court, to be held on Saturday the
 27 day of January next, at 10 o'clock in the
 forenoon, at the Court House in Woodbu-
 ry, to hear what can be alleged for or
 against our liberation from confinement
 under the insolvent laws of the state of
 New Jersey.

William Potter.
Marmaduke Wood.
 Woodbury, Dec. 25—27—4t

Notice to Creditors.

TAKE notice, that the Judges of the In-
 ferior Court of Common Pleas, in and
 for the county of Gloucester, have appoint-
 ed a special Court to be held at the Court
 House, in Woodbury, on the 27th day of

Deed of land's sold to pay his debts recorded Book HH pp 88-90 Glo. Co.

**Exhibit 4I - 1821 Deed of Land From the Gloucester County Sheriff to Richard Skinner,
Richard Having Been the Winning Bidder of his father's [John Skinner's] Lands at
Sheriff's Sale; Courtesy of Laurel Damon Steffes, 2000:**

BOOK HH, p. 88 G/o. Co. Deeds
Transcribed by Laurel Damon Steffes, 2000

This indenture made the thirtieth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty one Between Benjamin Wickins Sheriff of the County of Gloucester in the State of New Jersey of the one part and Richard Skinner of the Township of Greenwich in the County and State aforesaid of the other part. Whereas on the twenty first day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty a certain Writ of the State of New Jersey commonly called a fieri facias (sp?) issued out of the Superior Court of Common Pleas of the said County of Gloucester to the said Benjamin Wickins then and yet Sheriff of the County of Gloucester ~~then~~ being was directed and afterwards on the first day of July in the year last aforesaid was delivered to the said Benjamin Wickins by which said writ it was commanded the said Sheriff that of the goods and chattels of John Skinner in this County he should cause to be made the sum of one hundred and fifty five dollars which Peter Wickoff surviving Partner of Edward Carpenter dec'd lately before our

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Judges of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas
 holden at Woodbury in and for the said
 County of Gloucester were adjudged for
 his damages which he had sustained
 as well by Occasion of the nonperformance of
 certain promises and undertakings by
 the said John Skinner then lately made
 as for his cost and charges by him
 about his suit in that behalf expended
 whereof there is a Recovery And if
 sufficient Goods and Chattels of the said
 John Skinner could not be found in this
 County whereof the damages aforesaid
 might be made then it was thereby
 further commanded the said Sheriff that he
 should cause the whole or the residue as
 the case might require if the said damages
 to be made of the lands Tenements
 and Real Estate whereof the said John Skinner
 was seized on the twenty first day of June
 the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred
 and Twenty or at any time afterwards in
 whose hands ~~so~~ sooner (?) the same might
 then be and that he should have that money
 before the Judges aforesaid on the first Tuesday
 of October next ensuing to tender to the
 said Peter Wickoff surviving partner as
 aforesaid for his Damages aforesaid

Peter Wickoff +
Edward Carpenter were
owners of the glass-works
then known as Edward
Carpenter + Co. They owned
it ~~initially~~ from about
1805-1816. This was
the glass-works originally
begun by the Stanger-
Brothers in Glassboro

Wonder what kind
of business John
would have had
with them?

Claps from Cushing
+ Sheppard, p. 229b

3.

as by the said Writ lawfully recorded in the Clerks Office of the said County of Gloucester in Liber A of Executions in case folio 87 appears more at large. By virtue of which same Writ and by — in obedience thereto Benjamin Wickins then and yet being Sheriff of the said County of Gloucester on the said first Tuesday of October, at Woodbury aforesaid before the Judges aforesaid did Return that by ~~the~~ virtue of the said Writ he had seized on all the ~~Real~~ Real and personal property of the Defendant subject to prior thumbmarks value one cent (?) which remain as by the said Writ and in obedience to the same and in ~~the~~ pursuance of an act of the Legislature of New Jersey in such case made and provided And the said Benjamin Wickins having caused Advertisements signed by himself of the intended sale of the aforesaid premises to be put ~~up~~ around (?) at least five of the most public places of the said County of Gloucester one which was in the township of Greenwich in which the premises hereinafter described do lie of the time and place when the same would be exposed to sale for at least two months

(4)

previous therunto and also having caused
 the same to be inserted in a public newspaper
 published in the said State and circulating
 most generally in the said County of Gloucester
 for at least one month previous therunto
 did on the day and place so by him notified
 to wit on the fifth day of January in the year
 of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and
 twenty one at Woodbury between the hours of
 twelve and five o'clock in the afternoon
 expose the premises hereinafter described being
 the same lands so by him levied to sale by
 public Vendue and did afterwards on the
 same day between the hours of twelve and
 five in the afternoon adjourn the sale of
 the same premises until the second day
 of February at Woodbury between the
 hours of twelve and five in the afternoon
 in the year last aforesaid and on the
 same day and year last aforesaid did
 adjourn the sale of the said premises
 until the tenth day of February at Woodbury
 between the hours of twelve and five in
 the afternoon again expose the said
 premises to hereinafter described to sale
 by public Vendue and the said Richard
 Skinner then bidding for the said
 premises herein after described the

(5)

sum of one thousand dollars, and no one bidding any more than that sum the said premises were in due and open manner cryed off and sold to the said Richard Skinner.

Now this oldest true Witnesseth that the said Benjamin Wilkins Sheriff of the County of Gloucester by virtue of the authority given him and in and by the act of the Legislature and the Direction of the said Writ and in Consideration of the sum of one thousand dollars to him in hand paid by the said Richard Skinner before the sealing and delivery of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged and thereof and of every part thereof doth acquit and discharge the said Richard Skinner his heirs Executors and Administrators forever by these presents Hath Granted Bargained sold devised enfeoffed conveyed and confirmed and by these presents doth grant bargain sell — enfeoff convey and confirm unto the said Richard Skinner his heirs and assigns forever all the Real Estate of the said John Skinner situate in the Township of Greenwich in the County of Gloucester being ~~that~~ these several

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Tracts of land. The first Tract lies adjoining the Mallett (Moffett?) Tract lands of Joseph Cook, James Matlack and others containing two hundred acres more or less. The second Tract lies adjoining lands of George Moffatt Richard Moffatt and others containing forty acres more or less, the third Tract lies adjoining lands of Archibald Moffatt, David Wolf William Sharp and others containing one hundred acres more or less. Together with all and singular with all and singular [sic] the houses outhouses Improvements ways Watercourse liberties privileges ——— + appurtenances to the same belonging or in any wise appertaining in as full and ample a manner as the said John Skinner or any person or persons under him has, have or might to have held the same and also all the Estate Right Title Interest property Claim and Demand whatsoever the said John Skinner had or might or could have had at the time of the Judgement aforesaid against him or which the said Benjamin Watkins Sheriff as aforesaid now hath or ought to have of in and to the above granted and bargained premises and of in and to every part and parcel

(7)

Therof To Have and To Hold all and
 Singular the above granted and bargained
 Tracts of land and premises with the
 appurtenances unto the said Richard Skinner
 his heirs and assigns to the only proper
 use benefit and behoof of the said Richard
 Skinner his heirs and assigns forever
 etc Witness Whereof the said Benjamin
 Withins Sheriff hath hereunto set his
 hand and Seal the day and year
 first above written

Ben Withins Sheriff ES

Signed Sealed and Delivered in the
 presence of Jacob Glover Wm Turner
 Gloucester County Personally appeared before me
 the Subscriber one of the Judges of the
 Superior Court of Common Pleas in and for the
 County of Gloucester in the State of New Jersey
 Benjamin Withins Sheriff of the said
 County of Gloucester in the State of New Jersey
 the grantor named in the within Conveyance
 and did acknowledge that he signed
 sealed and delivered the same as his
 voluntary — and deed, the contents
 thereof being first made known by
 me, and it being satisfied that he is
 the grantor mentioned in said deed
 acknowledged before me this thirteenth

Exhibit 4m - 1822 Deed of Land From Richard and Mary Skinner to son-in-law Nathan Thompson. This was one of numerous land transactions by Richard Skinner in the 1800's that eventually diluted the landholdings of the Skinner family.

BOOK JJ p. 404-405 Gloucester Co.

30 Sep 1822

Recorded 12 Oct 1822

Indenture between Richard and Mary Skinner
and John + Patience Skinner of Greenwich Twp.
and Nathan Thompson + wife Martha, late of
the same place.

\$2,000.00

Nathan Thompson is son-in-law of
John + Patience, marrying their dau. Martha

Lands in Greenwich

"One boarding on Chesnut Branch on lands
(late Merelvaine ??) and on lands of Presman
(is this Presman ??) Dehes and on Alford's [John]
Surrey late Thomas Saker's land called
Smith's Old Place and which land and premises
Thomas Saker by his last will and Testament
did devise and Bequeath unto John Skinner
and to his wife Patience Skinner their heirs
and assigns and which Richard Skinner
purchased at Sheriff's sale of Benjamin
Wilkins, Esq. Sheriff, Reference being had to the
Record will more at large appear."

200 acres

(This also incl. the lands bought by John Skinner
of Isaac Tansipin in 1789 which were bought
by Richard Skinner at Sheriff's sale)

Witness John Furth

John appears here as John T. Skinner

transcribed by Samuel Darnon Stokes. 2000

Exhibit 4n – Inventory of Estate of John Skinner, 1824

Per notes of VEM [Virginia Minotty]:

JOHN SKINNER 1760-1824

JOHN SKINNER – Inventory of estate

A perfect and true Inventory of the Goods and Chattels of
John Skinner Dec'd. who died the ninth day of February one thousand
eight hundred and twenty four (1824)

	Dol.	Cts.
one corner cubbard	3.00	
one desk	5.00	
one gun	1.50	
one slate	.10	
two candle sticks	.25	
one chest	.50	
lot of old chain	1.00	
two old axes, one Beetle weg	.50	
one cros cut saw	1.25	
two plows	1.75	
one heavey wagon	5.00	
one light sulky	2.50	
one heifer	9.00	
one cythe and rye rade	1.50	
one shovel	1.00	
one barrel	.12½	
one harrow and stand	1.00	
	<u>34.97½</u>	

The above Inventory Appraised)
February 26, 1824 } William Becket
By us the Subscribers } Jacob Swope

William Beckett one of the appraisers of the within inventory being
duly affirmed according to the law upon his solemn affirms saith that
the goods and chattels rights and credits on said inventory set down and
specified were by him appraised according to their just and true respective
rates and values after the best of his judgement and understanding and
that JACOB SWOPE the other appraiser was present at the same time and
consents in all things to the doing thereof & that they together affirmed
all things rights to their

for
WILLIAM BECKETT

AFFIRMED AND SUBSCRIBED
March 1, 1824 before me
JACOB GLOVER

35 82 14

Inventory of JOHN SKINNER dec'd
Proven March 1, 1824
and Recorded in the Surrogates office in
Woodbury in Libra No. 4
Folio 327 of
Inventories
JACOB GLOVER

SKINNER

JOHN SKINNER 1760-1824

Surrogate Office, Woodbury, Gloucester County, N. J.

Letter of Administration Book 3582 H. page , Inv. 1824

State of New Jersey, Gloucester County, I, JACOB GLOVER, Surrogate of the County of Gloucester, do certify that on the first day of March in the year of our LORD on thousand eight hundred and twenty-four Administer of the goods and Chattels rights and credits which were of JOHN SKINNER, late of the County of Gloucester, who died Intestate was granted by me to RICHARD SKINNER of said County, who is duly authorized to administer the same to law.

Witness my hand and seal of Office this first day of March in the year of our LORD one thousand eight hundred and twenty four (1824).

JACOB GLOVER

RICHARD SKINNER ADMINISTRATOR OF JOHN SKINNER, deceased. (LG).

RICHARD SKINNER administrator of the goods, chattels and credits which were of JOHN SKINNER dec'd being duly affirmed according to the law saith that the within contains a true and lawful Inventory of all the goods Chattels and credits of said dec'd as far as have come to his knowledge and possession or to the possession of any other _____ or persons for his use

Rich^d Skinner

Aff'd & Subscribed March 11, 1824

Before me JACOB GLOVER

Exhibit 5 – Misc. Records Pertaining To John and Patience Skinner**Exhibit 5a,****John Skinner, Disorderly Conduct, 1808 and 1818, per files of VEM:**

E 1334 GLOUCESTER DECEMBER SESSIONS 1808

THE STATE)	
VS)	Indictment for Affray
RICHARD MOFETT)	
JOHNSKINNER)	

A True Bill Joshua L Howell, Foreman

Gloucester County The Grand Inquest for the State of New Jersey and for the body of the County of Gloucester upon their respective affirmation and oath present that Richard Mafett, late of the Township of Greenwich, Husbandman, and John Skinner, late of the same, Husbandman, with force and arms, on the fourth day of November in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and eight, (Nov. 4, 1808) at the Township of Greenwich in the County of Gloucester, aforesaid and within the jurisdiction of the Court, being arrayed and unlawfully assembled together in a war-like manner, did make an affray to the Terror and Disturbance of divers of the Citizens of the Sate of New Jersey then and there being, to the evil Example of all others in the like for offending, against the form of the Statute in such can made and provided and against the peace of this State, the Government and Dignity of the same.

A. D. WOODRUFF, Atty. General

BAIL BOND Filed 17 June 1818 HENDRY CLK

DANIEL WILLS)
VS)
JOHN SKINNER)

KNOW ALL Men by these presents, That we JOHN SKINNER, Archibald Moffett, and Samuel Saunders all of the County of Gloucester are held and firmly bound unto John Vazter, Esquire, Sheriff of the County of Gloucester in the sum of two hundred and twenty-eight Dollars lawful money of the United States, to be paid to the said Sheriff, his certain attorney, executors, administrators or assigns; for which payment well and truly to be made, we do hereby bind ourselves and each of us for himself, in the whole, our and every of our heirs, executors, and administrators, firmly by these presents. Sealed with our Seals, and dated the tenth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighteen.

The Condition of this Obligation is such, that the above bounden JOHN SKINNER do appear before the Judge of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, to be held at Woodbury on the third Tuesday in June Instant, to answer DANIEL WILLS in a plea of Tresspass on the Care/ upon promises to his damage two hundred as is said then this obligation to be void and of none effect, or else to be and remain in full force and virtue.

Sealed and Delivered
in Presence of
THOMAS Mc ELVAIN
ALEX^d R. LONG

JOHN SKINNER	SEAL
ARCHIBALD MOFFATT	SEAL
SAM'L SAUNDERS	SEAL

Exhibit 5b,
Federal Census - 1830, per files of Virginia Minotty:

“Schedule of the whole number of Persons within the Division allotted to Jos. B. Harker by the
Marshall of the State of New Jersey, Greenwich Township, in the County of Gloucester

Free White Persons (including Heads of Families)

Patience Skinner

Females - of twenty and under thirty - 1

Females - of sixty and under seventy - 1)

Total - 2.”

Exhibit 6 – Records Pertaining to Thomas Taber

Exhibit 6a - Per www.familytreemaker.com/users/r/e/m/deborah-ann-remer/gene2-0003.html:

Generation No. 7

7. JEFFREY⁷ CHEW (NATHANIEL⁶, RICHARD⁵, JOHN⁴, JOHN³, JOHN² CHEWE, ROBERT¹ CHEW) was born January 10, 1713/14 in Gloucester County, N. J., and died April 10, 1774 in Buried in Mantua, NJ - with wife. He married AMY DRIVER September 15, 1732 in Gloucester County, N. J., daughter of John Driver and Sarah.

Children of Jeffrey Chew and Amy Driver are:

- 10.i. JESSE⁸ CHEW, b. November 25, 1738, Gloucester County, N. J.; d. January 31, 1812.
- ii. JONATHAN CHEW.
- iii. SUSANNAH CHEW.
- iv. SARAH CHEW.
- v. SAMUEL CHEW.
- vi. DAVID CHEW.
- vii. ANN CHEW.

8. ELIZABETH⁷ CHEW (NATHANIEL⁶, RICHARD⁵, JOHN⁴, JOHN³, JOHN² CHEWE, ROBERT¹ CHEW) was born Abt 1705 in Gloucester County, N. J.. She married (1) DAVID ROE. She married (2) BENJAMIN TABER Abt 1728.

Child of Elizabeth Chew and David Roe is:

- i. ROE⁸.

Child of Elizabeth Chew and Benjamin Taber is:

- ii. THOMAS⁸ TABER.

9. RICHARD⁷ CHEW (NATHANIEL⁶, RICHARD⁵, JOHN⁴, JOHN³, JOHN² CHEWE, ROBERT¹ CHEW) was born Abt 1710 in Gloucester County, N. J., and died October 27, 1759. He married ABIGAIL WOOD August 1733, daughter of Constantine Wood.

Children of Richard Chew and Abigail Wood are:

- i. ALICE⁸ CHEW.
- ii. MASSY CHEW.
- iii. CONSTANTINE CHEW.
- iv. NATHANIEL CHEW.
- v. ABIGAIL CHEW.
- vi. WILLIAM CHEW.

Exhibit 6b - Information from Laurel Steffes, per 5/20/99 email:

Per NJ GenWeb site - John Firth III married Margaret Tabor Sparks, 1793, Glo. Co., died 1810 (John?).

Per Taber family GenForum - "Seeking ancestors of Margaret Taber who m. first a Mr. Young and second Robert Sparks. The second marriage took place 27 July 1788 at the Third Presbyterian Church aka the Old Pine Street Church in Philadelphia. Her father may be Thomas Taber. Robert and Margaret Sparks probably had sons Thomas and Robert (b. 1792) and resided in New Jersey."

Exhibit 6c - Information from Laurel Steffes, per 5/24/99 email:

Per a posting to the Glo. Co. NJ GenWeb site - Margaret Firth was a daughter to Thomas Taber.

Information is available from the Family Bible of John and Margaret Firth. John and Margaret had a daughter Judith, in between sons John and Henry.

Exhibit 6d - constructed by KDS from the notes of VEM:

BENJAMIN TABER, son of ____

b.

d. 1738, Will 6/19/1737 Glo. Twp., & Co. N.J. (Lib. 4, p. 148)

m. 1728

w. ELIZABETH CHEW, dau. of Nathaniel Chew and Mary Heritage **Clark**, sister of Jeffry Chew

b. 1705

d. 1766

children:

1. THOMAS TABER

b. 1728

d. 1810/11 buried Bethel Cem. Hurffville, N.J.

2. BENJAMIN TABER

b. June 19, 1737

d.

THOMAS TABER

b.

d. 1811, Will Dec. 11, 1810, Vol. XII, Wills 1810-1813.

buried Bethel Cemetery, Hurffville, N.J.

m. Apr. 5, 1764, both of Glo. Co., (N.J. Colonial Documents, 1st Series Vol. XXII)

w. MARGARET RAGAN,

b. 1728

d. Sept. 7, 1810, age 82, Bethel History, p. 230

buried Bethel Cemetery, Hurffville, N.J.

children:

1. HANNAH TABER

b.

d.

m.

1st h. ____ FOSTER 2nd h. ____ LAWDER

son JOSEPH FOSTER

Exhibit 6e - based upon the notes of VEM:

Will of ELIZABETH TABER, (widow) - Pilesgrove township, Salem County, N.J.

Date - August 12, 1796.

children mentioned:

Ann (Smith), Elizabeth, Sarah, David - underage, Joseph, 5 shillings, Thomas, John - underage

Executor - daughter Ann Smith

Witnesses - Benjamin Richardson, Naomi Richardson

Probated March 7, 1797

Probate shows that daughter Ann was Ann Smith

Authority - Salem Box of Wills 1797

Researched by Norman E. Skinner, March 1965.

4/27/1980/VEM

Exhibit 8f - per notes of VEM:

DAVID ROE of Flushing, New York, and his descendants (six generations), by Clarence Almon Torrey - pub.
Tarrytown, New York, Roe Printing Company MDCCCXXVI, copy Glo. Co. Hist. Soc.

p-6

10 David Roe 3 (John 2, David 1), born about 1707, in Gloucester County or Salem County, N.J.; married
(1) **Elizabeth (CHEW) Taber**, widow of Benjamin Taber (mar. lic. Sept. 6, 1738). After her death he
married (2) Ursula Hurff (mar. lic. July 24, 1767).

He resided in Deptford Township, Gloucester County, N.J. He was an elder in the Presbyterian church at
Woodbury, Blackwood and Berlin, N.J. His will, dated Feb. 14, 1783, proved Aug. 21, 1784,
mentions his wife "Osella", grandchildren John Brown and Elizabeth Brown."

Exhibit 6g - Information from Laurel Steffes, per 5/24/99 email:

Some internet sites, without any sourcing, show a possible family connection between Thomas Taber
and Patience Hanisey. This exact arrangement is a stretch as Thomas Taber was born in 1728;
Patience Hanisey was born in 1764.

1. William Clark m. Mary Heritage
 2. Mary Clark m. Nathaniel Chew.
 3. Elizabeth Chew m. Benjamin Taber
 4. **Thomas Taber**
2. Sarah Clark m. Luke Gibson
 3. Mary Gibson m. James Hanisey
 4. **Patience Hanisey** m. John Skinner

EXHIBIT 7 – Records Pertaining to James Hanisey

Exhibit 7a - Will Records, per notes of VEM:

1796, Mar. 11. **CLARK**, SUSANNAH, of Gloucester Co., Int. Adm'r - James **Dilkes**, Fellowbondsmen - **James Henesey** and George Stites; all of said Co. Lib. 36, p. 221

1796 Mar. 23. Inventory, L97.6.11; made by Abel Clement and **James Henesey**. File 2009H (p70)

1797, Nov. 2, Eglinton, Jonathan, of Gloucester Co., Int. Adm'r. DAVID ELDRIDGE. Fellowbondsmen - **James Hanisey** and Benjamin Allen. (p119)

1785. Mar. 30. Conoley, William, of Greenwich Twsp., Gloucester Co., yeoman; will of.
Executor - friend, John West. Witnesses - John Carter, William Sharp and Judah Heritage. Proved Sept. 28, 1798. Lib. 37, 0.523

1798, Sept. 20. Inventory, L114.3.; made by David Eldridge and **James Hanisey**; all of said Co.

1798, Sept. 28. John West, the executor named in will being dec'd. Adm'x C.T.A. - Martha Conoley. Fellowbondsmen - David Eldridge and **James Hanisey**; all of said Co. File 2158H. (p77) NJ Archives, 1st Series Vol. IX, 1796-1800.

1795, Oct. 24. **Dilkes**, Aaron, of Deptford Tswp., Gloucester Co., Int. Adm'r - Jacob Spencer. Fellowbondsmen - **James Henisey**; both of said Co. Lib. 35, p. 297

1795, Oct. 26. Inventory, L123.15.5; made by James Henisey and Ephraim Bee. File 1935H. (p112)

Exhibit 7b - Deed, County Clerk's Office, Deed Book G page 63, per files of VEM:

Grantor - Caleb Gibson; Grantee - **Mary Hennesay** [wife of James Hennesay]

Exhibit 7c - In Frank Stewart's Notes of Old Gloucester County, Vol. III,.Sect. III, per files of VEM:

James Hanisey was appointed one of the managers of St. Peter's Episcopal Church Berkley (Mount Royal), this is also in Deptford Twp.

Exhibit 7d - Samuel Mickes Diary, per files of VEM:

Will contest between **James Hennesay** and James **Gibson**.

[KDS note - James Hennesey married Mary **Gibson**.]

Exhibit 7e – Hanisay and Gibson Deed Records, per cousin Bill Skinner:

Henassey - Gibson

6. Deed dated 19 Apr 1775 (Book G, p.63-4) Recorded 23 June 1803.
 Caleb Gibson, yeoman, of Deptford Twp., for divers good causes and considerations and particular for love and good will I have to my sister Mary and for a further consideration of sum of five shillings paid by James Hennessey and Mary Hennessey of the same place - land in Deptford bounded by lands of Jonathan Chew which he purchased of Caleb Gibson as heir at law to his brother Luke Gibson and James Cooker and Joshua Land attys of Caleb Gibson/ and other land of said Chew to Abraham Dilkes' land and bounding on said Dilkes land to Manuta Creek so up the creek to said land of Chew first mentioned containing 117 acres of land and meadow be the same more or less, which land was given to the said Mary Hennessey by the last Will and Testament of her brother William Gibson deceased dated the 18 July 1750 ..etc.
 Deed further states that James Hennessey and wife agreed that Caleb Gibson and his brother Joshua Gibson shall have the liberty of hauling wood to the landing without any hindrance. Witnesses: Joshua Cozens, David Paul, Daniel Cozens.

(partial)
 description of the
 land inherited
 by Mary Gibson
 Hennessey from
 her brother's estate.

(the landing)

7. Deed dated 8 April 1803 (Book G, p.278-280)
 Between James Gibson of Deptford and wife Hannah, and John Clark of same place, for 400 pounds.
 This land bounded by lands of Amos Clark, Benjamin Clark, Robert Sparks - Total tract 133 acres, more or less. The land is part of 1113 acres formerly belonging to Robert Chinton/Cheston (sp???) of Philadelphia of which 1113 acres William Warner then High Sheriff of Glou. Co. granted and conveyed 839 acres unto John Moone by indenture bearing date 2 Dec 1697 and the said John Moone afterward dying the land passed to his son and heir Thomas Moone and the sd Thomas Moone by indenture bearing date 22 Jun 1726 conveyed 600 acres thereof to Luke Gibson. And the sd Luke Gibson by his last Will and Testament bearing date 16 Feb 1741-2 after bequeathing 300 acres thereof unto his son Luke devised the remainder thereof upon Mantua Creek unto his other three sons Caleb, William and Joshua to be equally divided between them. And the said Caleb and Joshua afterward came to a division thereof whereby the said Joshua became lawfully siezed in the hereby granted 133 acres as by a release or quit claim from the said Caleb to the said Joshua bearing date 6 May 1775 will more at large appear. And the said Joshua Gibson by his last Will and Testament bearing date the 18 Apr 1794 devised the said plantation and tract of 133 acres unto the said James Gibson one of the parties to these presents. etc, etc.
 Witnesses Samuel Mickle and Jeremiah Wood.

Other info:

Will of Luke Gibson, Sr., yeoman of Deptford, 16 Feb 1741-2. Names wife Sarah. Eldest son Luke, who was to pay legacies to his sisters Mary, Sarah, Rebekah and Hannah when they will be 23. Sons Caleb, William and Joshua. Executors wife and son Luke. Witnesses Obadiah Gibson, Thomas Leeds, Michael Fisher. Affirmed 6 Feb 1774. Lib. 5, p. 79 Inventory 17 Jan 1744-5 - appraisers Obadiah Gibson and Isaac Stephens.
 Source: NJ Colonial Documents, Calendar of Wills - 1730-1750, p.196-7.

Who were Obadiah Gibson and James Gibson? Perhaps Obadiah a brother of Luke, Sr.?? Was James a son of Joshua??

yes

[illegible]

Exhibit 8 – The “Old Stone Farm”, bordering the property of James Hanisey, researched by cousin Bill Skinner:

GLOUCESTER COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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The Stone House Farm

In the early days of the New Jersey colony, the Mantua Creek valley was quickly found to be one of the most fertile and attractive localities in Gloucester County, and was speedily settled. The creek itself was the main avenue of transportation and communication with other settlements along the river and creeks.

The western portion of the attractive village of Wenonah stands on a farm of 180 acres, which, for a century and more, was known as the “stone-house farm”. It remained a farm until Wenonah was plotted and successfully promoted in 1871.

Mantua Creek forms the southwestern boundary of the farm, and before the coming of the railroad there were numerous wharves or landing places along its banks, each identified by the name of its owner. On the north side were Hennissey’s Landing, on the stone-house farm, with extensive warehouses, and Chews’ Landing (where the Woodbury-Mullica Hill road now crosses the bridge). On the south side were Smith’s Landing, near the foot of the present Norris Street; Carpenter’s Landing and others, also several thriving shipyards, including Eastlack’s and Norris’s, where small sailing vessels called flats and shallops were built to carry to Philadelphia cordwood, produce, and glass ware from the Stanger glassworks at Glassboro, and from its successors, Heston and Carpenter, and the Whitney Glass Works.

Prior to the closing of the eighteenth century there was no bridge across the creek in the vicinity of the present Mantua and Wenonah. The nearest bridge was that of the King’s Highway, near the present village of Mount Royal. Beyond that point, the creek could be crossed only by a ford located on the stone-house farm, about a half mile southeast of the present bridge from Wenonah to Mantua.

Nathaniel Chew was one of the earliest settlers in Gloucester County. He died 1731, and lies buried in the old Chew Burying Ground, near the late famous Mantua Oak. In his will he left land to his sons Richard, Jeffery, Joseph and Nathaniel.

His son Jeffery Chew (1714-1774) became a large owner of additional land along Mantua Creek, which, he distributed among his sons. To his son Jonathan he gave 100 acres, “being part of the land I bought of Hannah Rowlinson, along the line of Abraham Dilks and that of James Cooper.” Jonathan Chew added eighty acres to this tract, this tract of 180 acres, later known as the stone-house farm, was purchased by Robert Sparks, for \$2000.

Robert Sparks died intestate, his sole heirs being the two children of his deceased son, Robert Sparks, Jr., Thomas Taber Sparks and Robert Ure Sparks who be-

came the owners of the farm. Thomas Taber Sparks purchased the interest of his brother and became sole owner.

On January 1, 1855, Joseph Saunders, executor of Joseph Dilks, conveyed the “Stone-house farm” of 180 acres in two parts; 75½ acres to Isaac C. Stevenson, for \$3510.75 and the other 100½ acres to Hiram Morgan for \$5700. (See 1861 map)

The deed mentions “the contemplated West Jersey Railroad.” There are doubtless many who may not know that the course of the railroad through Wenonah was originally much nearer to Mantua Creek than it is now. It crossed the creek at a point much nearer to the present Mantua Creek bridge, and a station, called Mantua Station was located on the south side of the creek for the convenience of that village. Extensive remains of the original embankments may be seen both north and south of Wenonah.

The railroad may have benefited some residents of Mantua, but it caused the immediate decay of the shipping and the shipbuilding business on Mantua Creek. One of the leading ship builders, John C. Eastlack, closed his plant soon thereafter, and engaged in the manufacture of pumps.

The late Mr. Howard C. Hendrickson, who lived in Wenonah, and then at the ripe age of eighty-eight, told that five acres of ground is mentioned as being in the occupation of his grandfather Jonathan Hendrickson (1784-1875) and that his father was born in the old stone-house in 1825. He stated that the house was built as a tavern in 1773, by Samuel Maffett, and that it was long known as the Samuel Maffett house. It was then on the main road leading to the ford, near its junction with the road leading down to Hennissey’s Landing and provided accommodations for travelers north and south.

It is possible that this five acre tract may have been separated from the rest of the farm at the time of its traditional occupancy by Samuel Maffett, and subsequently, reincorporated in the farm.

Henry Roe in his pension papers stated that the militia met in a field here in 1777 to practice, hold meetings and elect officers at the ‘stone-house’ which he also stated was kept by a Mr. Sparks.

In later years the house was the home of Mr. Richard C. Ballinger, from 1891 until his death in 1934, when it passed to his son Edwin. The latter sold it in 1939 to Mr. and Mrs. William E. Manners, who have restored it to its original condition and who are very proud of it. It is now known as 100 South West Avenue.

L.B.M.

(References: Glo. Co. Deeds BB150, TT 469 P 4 517 526)

Exhibit 8 (continued):

Bill Skinner to Laurel Steffes

November 2, 2017

My Dear,

As you can see in the attached, Jonathan Hendrickson (1784-1875) was the husband of Elizabeth Chew who was a daughter of David Chew (1743-1815) and Hannah Stille as well as the grand-daughter of Jeffrey Chew (1713-1774).

I've been working on the dates for all of this over the last 2-3 days, but the Stone House seems to have been on the lands which bordered the lands of Mary (Gibson) Hanisey- not on the Hanisey land itself. The house was apparently built by Samuel Moffat in 1773, and Samuel Moffat's plantation of 85 acres was purchased by Jeffrey Chew (date as yet unknown to me). That property was in the possession of David Chew (son of Jeffrey) when David passed away (will proven 9/27/1815). As part of David's will, he left the 85 acres which his father purchased from Samuel Moffitt to his (David's) son Samuel Chew.

David also left the 110 acres that Jonathan Hendrickson lived on to his (David's) son Jonathan Chew. Jonathan Hendrickson was David Chew's son-in-law, the husband of David Chew's daughter Elizabeth (1876-1836). Jonathan Hendrickson's father and mother were not listed in the Chew Family Genealogy and are unknown to me at this time.

David Chew also bequeathed \$100 to (his daughter) Elizabeth Hendrickson and \$50 to her husband Jonathan Hendrickson. Elizabeth (Chew) Hendrickson passed away at age 60 in 1836, and Jonathan Hendrickson married second a lady 10 years younger than Elizabeth.

Thus we've found a Jonathan Hendrickson who lived in James Hanisey's immediate area, but he was born in the same year that Patience Hanisey apparently married her first husband who was most likely this Jonathan's "Uncle Jonathan Hendrickson".

Also... the 180 acre "Stone House" property was sold to Isaac C. Stevenson and Hiram Morgan in 1855. Those names are shown on the 1861 map of the area which would be known as Wenonah after 1871. I will send you a copy of the map.

It looks as if the "Stone House farm" bordered the main branch of Mantua Creek on the southwest side of the future Wenonah and (although the Stone House property was close to Hennessey's Landing), it looks to me like the Gibson/Hanisey lands might have been north of the Stone House farm and along a contributory to the Mantua Creek called "Break Back Run" which provides the northwest border of today's Wenonah. We have some documentation where James Hanisey rented a few acres which bordered Break Back Run to (or from) a Mr. Dilkes for few years.

I'll send the map and more when I find something else.

Oh, yes! I believe a "John" Hendrickson died intestate in NJ in 1785. (File 1495H, B.17, p. 187). Do you have any way of finding out anything about him without going to Trenton?

Luv 'ya, Cousin!

P. S. How do you spell "contributory"?

Bill Skinner

*No wonder I can't find "contributory"
in the dictionary... it's "tributary"!*

(see other side 12/9/17)

Exhibit 8 (continued):

Enclosed please find an article I found from the Glou. County Hist. Society that talks about the "Stone House Farm" in what is now Wenonah. I was drawn to this article because it apparently bordered on the 575 acres Mary Gibson (later to become Mary Hennissey - mother of Patience Hennissey Skinner) inherited from her brother.

It mentions Hennissey's Landing there on (apparently) the Wenonah side of Mantua Creek.

The article goes on to say the Stone House Farm was sold to J.C. Stephenson and H. Morgan quite some time later; their lands are shown on the 1861 map of the area.

Also included is a partial description of Mary Hennissey's land including reference to "the landing" and the use thereof.

It looks as if Mary's land was East of one or more branches of Mantua Creek (it was almost the size of today's Wenonah). I think part of it bordered the Break Back Run (the NW border of Wenonah) because a few acres of land that James Hennissey rented mentions the Break Back Run.

One other thing - the roads on this 1861 map of the Wenonah area are no longer there. They were probably the roads that led to the 4 or 5 landings along the creek there, in older days. Incorporation of this area resulted in the creation of several blocks of "perfectly and consistently spaced squares of streets" running parallel to and perpendicular to the rail/road tracks. These streets today run right from the center of the town toward the creek(s) where they end abruptly where a couple of dumps of soil is the only thing that prevents a driver from driving into the woods and then the creek.

I could not find anything that links the Jonathan Hendrickson (1784-1875) mentioned as living in the stone house to the likely first husband of Patience Hennissey. It is likely, however, that her first husband was from this same area. (OVER)

Bill Skinner 12/9/17

END