

Dodd Family

The Two Wives of John Dodd of Pequannonk Township,
Morris County, New Jersey

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The origins of John Dodd/Dods of New York, Schenectady and finally Pequannonk Township, Morris County, New Jersey, have not been ascertained. He may have been the son of a Thomas Dodd/Dods, and/or had a brother named Thomas who appeared in the records of the New York Dutch Church, and that of the Reformed Dutch Church of Wolver Hollow (Oyster Bay), Long Island, New York.ⁱ However, there is no evidence, such as baptismal sponsorships, to suggest that he was related to John Dodd of Morris County, New Jersey. Alson, in a letter dated November 1995 to Robert Moore (another Dodd researcher), Mrs. Avlyn Dodd Conley advised him that John Dodd of Pequannonk Township was not a member of the Daniel Dodd family of New England.ⁱⁱ

John Dodd appears infrequently in the records, and he is first noted in his marriage record to Catalyntje Schermerhorn of Schenectady. The Banns were published 14 Sep 1745 and the marriage took place on 29 Sep 1745, where he stated he was a bachelor of New York, and his bride of Schenectady.ⁱⁱⁱ Catalyntje Schermerhorn was baptized 15 Nov 1718 at the Schenectady Reformed Church, the daughter of Johannes Ryerse Schermerhorn and Engeltje Jans Vrooman.^{iv} John Dods and Catalyntje Schermerhorn subsequently baptized a son Bartholomew on 18 May at the Schenectady Reformed Church.^v John Dods next appears in the records when he was appointed Overseer of Highways in Pequannonk Township^{vi} on 27 Mar 1750. It is noted that he operated a tavern at the time of the Revolution, and indeed his sons Thomas and Bartholomew claimed for damages suffered during that time period.^{vii}

ⁱ A Thomas Dods married Maayke Van Dyke 9 Nov 1745 by license dated 5 Nov [NYDRC Marriages p 174]; a Thomas Dods and wife Marytje Onderdonk baptized 3 children in the Wolver Hollow Dutch Church [NYG&BR 73:28, 73:30 & 73:32]; a Thomas Dodd married Mary van der Hoer 6 Oct 1759 by license dated 3 Oct [NYDRC Marriages p 200]

ⁱⁱ Mrs Avlyn Dodd Conley, 8177 Turn Loop Road, Glen Burnie Md 21061-1113, in a Letter of Nov/95 to Robert Moore. She is updating the Daniel Dod history (New England) and advises that our John Dods is not of that family

ⁱⁱⁱ [NYG&BR 42:47] "First Dutch Reformed Church of Schenectady, N.Y."

Sept 14; Sept 29; John Dods, jm, b. NY, liv Schenectady and Catalyntje Schermerhorn, jd. Schenectady Marriage Records Of Schenectady Dutch Reformed Church, New York State 1694-1852 by Donald Keefer February 1988 Published at Rhinebeck N.Y.

John Dodds of New York to Catalyntje Schermerhorn (both residents of Schenectady) 29 September 1745 page #65

^{iv} "Baptism Record of Schenectady Reformed Church 1694-1811", Transcribed by Donald M. Keefer. Compiled by Arthur C.M. Kelly. On p. 21 it lists for 15 Nov 1718; Catalientien, Jan Schermerhoorn & Engeltien Schermerhoorn, and Gysbert Van Brakel & Maritien Vromans.

^v "Baptism Record of Schenectady Reformed Church 1694-1811", Transcribed by Donald M. Keefer. Compiled by Arthur C.M. Kelly; page 75. John Dods, Catalyntje Schermerhorn; Bartholomeus; Jan Reyers Schermerhorn. Engeltje Vroman. [the maternal grandparents]

^{vi} From the research of Robert Moore: John was appointed overseer of Highway for Pequannock Township Morris County Pompton Plains is located in Pequannock Township) on 27 March 1750.

^{vii} At the time of the revolution John operated a tavern on the Road from Morristown to Two Bridges between Beaver Dam Creek and the Passaic River in present day Lincoln Park (then Pequannock Township) (Ref. "A history of Beavertown and Lincoln Park" See References), John had a house on Highland Street just off Chapel Hill and his tavern was in the center of Lincoln Park and in 1971 these 2 buildings were the two oldest houses in Lincoln Park. John's original farm consisted of 208 acres on both sides of Chapel Hill. The history suggests that George Washington may have stopped at the Dods Tavern as the Revolution army was encamped several times from 1871 to 1781 at Two Bridges.



2006-18. I am looking for any information on Phebe Trout/ Troutt/ Trott who married Abraham DeClark on 18 December 1786 in the Reformed Dutch Church at Tappan, Rockland County, New York. They may have moved to Cayuga County, New York after 1800 and assumed the name of Clark. Abraham was born to Jacobus DeClark and Jannetje Springsteen on 10 May 1762 in Clarkstown, Rockland County, New York. I do not know who the parents of Phebe were, nor do I have any information on a Trout or Trott family in that area at that time. I assume Phebe would be of Dutch ancestry, but there was an English Trout family that settled in New England. Phebe may have had a brother named Michael Trout/ Trott who was still in Rockland County in 1815. This Michael Troutt is probably the same man who applied for a Revolutionary War pension (\$42517) on 6 April 1818 in Rockland County, New York. He was listed as being 57 years of age in 1820. His wife was named Sarah.

Phebe Trout and Abraham DeClark had at least 3 known children: Jacobus (born 27 January 1788 in or near Clarkstown); Nancy (born 26 February 1790 in or near Clarkstown), and Michael (born about 1793, perhaps in Dutchess County, New York).

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2006-19. I am looking for any information about my great-great-grandmother, Anna Elizabeth Yost. She was born 17 February 1805, possibly in Johnstown, New York. She married Matthew Van Horne on 26 October 1826 in New York. They relocated to Will County, Illinois, in 1833 to join some of his brothers and sisters. Anna Elizabeth (Yost) Van Horne died either on 30 January or 1 February 1867 in Frankfort, Illinois.

Here's what I have of the children of Matthew Van Horne and Anna Elizabeth Yost:

1. Gertrude Margaret Van Horne, born 1827, New York, died in infancy.
2. William Yost Van Horn, born 2 March 1830 in New York, married Nancy or Jane Ord.
3. Elizabeth Van Horne married Edward Stolp.
4. Catherine M. Van Horne, born 20 December 1837, married Elijah McGoveny.
5. Mathew Van Horne, born 1839, married Jane White.
6. Andrew Settle Van Horne, born 10 May 1842 in Chelsea, Illinois, died 7 January 1913, in Missouri, married 1) Susan Boudreau on 16 March 1864 and 2) Jennie Trumbo (my great-great-gparents).
7. Martha J. Van Horne, born 1845, died April, 1864
8. George Washington Van Horne, born 1848, Illinois, married 1) Sarah Mather and 2) Cora Parrish.

The family was enumerated in November 1850 in Frankfort, Will County, Illinois:

Mathew Van Horne	48	Farmer	NY
Eliza A.	45		NY
William	21		NY
Elizabeth A.	16		IL
Catherine M.	14		IL
Mathew	10		IL
Andrew S.	9		IL
Martha J.	5		IL
George W.	2		IL

Does anyone have documented information that identifies this Matthew Van Horne's parents? According to Elsie Hallenback's *Our Van Horne Kindred*, Mathew's parents were Abraham Van Horne (born 1767) and Anna Covenhoven. However, on David Conover's web site he says that Matthew's parents were Abraham Van Horne and Elizabeth Smith and that his grandparents were Matthew Van Horne and Neeltje Crum. I would appreciate any help on getting my lineage straight!

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The land in Pequannock Township was acquired through an inheritance of his wife, Catalyntje Schermerhorn, whose father had bought a large tract of land near Pompton Plains, and may have lived there for a time.ⁱ

John Dodd next appears in the Pomptain Plains baptismal register, when he and his wife Celitje (or Celatia) baptized their son Jonas on 10 Aug 1773.ⁱⁱ John Dodd of Pequannock Township executed his own will on 28 Sep 1786; inventory 27 Mar 1788; proved 16 Mar 1802, in which he named his wife Celitje, and sons Bartholomew and Thomas (by his first wife); daughters Catherine and Jane, and sons John and Jasper.ⁱⁱⁱ The death of John's first wife, Catalyntje Schermerhorn, has been stated as 1754 by the Schermerhorn Genealogy (no source given), and "before" 1769 by the Vail Genealogy, but no burial records have been found.^{iv}

The identity of John Dodd's second wife Celitje has remained elusive, but the will (cited above) and proven family relationships has revealed that she was Celiltje Preyer/Prior, the daughter of Casparus Preyer and Saertje Andriessen of Bergen County, New Jersey. This Celitje Preyer was born 30 Sep 1731^v and married (1st) to Jonas Slot on 3 Aug 1755 in the New York Dutch Reformed Church.^{vi}

ⁱ Richard Schermerhorn Jr., "Schermerhorn Genealogy and Family Chronicles", (Tobias A. Wright, Publisher 1914), reprinted by Higginson Books.

Johannes Schermerhorn was an Albany County farmer who settled in the old homestead called Schuylersburg. He bought a large tract of land near Pompton Plains, New Jersey, and probably lived there for a time. He was made Surveyor in Pequannock in 1753; and sold land to Bartholomew and Thomas Dods that year, all of the parties living in Pequannock Twnshp at the time. By the language of the deed it is evident that John Schermerhorn took this means of squaring a debt which had been owing the mother of Bartholomew & Thomas Dods during her lifetime; viz, --- some 83 acres of land; and £80 of money, left her by his will, (dated 22 October, 1752).

See: Will Filed in Surrogate's Office, New York City. Liber 25,

Abstracts of Wills Vol VII 1766-1771 , Page 86-87

ⁱⁱ [LDS Film #1016883] Register of the Reformed Dutch Church, Pompton and Pompton Plains, N.J., 1713-1871 Microfilm of handwritten transcript (431 leaves) and handwritten transcript (p. 1-193) in the possession of the Holland Society of New York, New York City. Copied from the original by Dingman Versteeg.

Johannis Dods, Selytje Dods; Jonas; Bartholomeus Dods. Maria Dods.

ⁱⁱⁱ 28 September 1786 Calendar of New Jersey Wills; Lib. 39, p. 532, File 1107N.

John Dods of Pequannock Township, Morris Co., NJ Wife Celiatia, 1/3 of what is raised of my whole estate, during her widowhood; also her choice of room, a bed, a chest of drawers, and large looking glass. To eldest son, Bartholamew (by my first wife, who with his brother, Thomas, have both received their portions), 5 shillings for his birthright. Daughters, Cathrine and Jane Dods, each £60. Step-daughter, Sarah, £30. Sons John and Jasper, all my lands, messuages, and tenements, to be divided between them.

Executors - son, Thomas Dods, and wife, Celiatia Dods.

Witnesses - David Mandeville, Benjamin Buscark, Charles Ailworth O'Brien.

Proved 16 March 1802.

27 March 1788 Inventory - £258.3.9; made by Henry Mandeville and John Debow.

16 March 1802. Thomas Dods, having renounced and refused to serve as executor; Letters of Administration granted to Jasper Dods; as Adm'r. Fellowbondsmen - Thomas Dods and Garret Neafie of Pequannock, said Co.

^{iv} Schermerhorn, Richard, Schermerhorn genealogy and family chronicles; New York: T.A. Wright, 1914, The Schermerhorn Genealogy, p 70, says she died 1754 (no source).

Vail Family Genealogy, by William Penn Vail (1937) , states, on page 306, that Catalynte died before 1769 and, on page 315, states that she died 1769.

^v Family Bible Records; no baptismal record found

^{vi} Purple, Samuel S., *Records Of The Reformed Dutch Church In New Amsterdam And New York. Marriages 1639 - 1801*: originally Vol. I of the Collections of the N.Y. Gen. & Biog. Society, page 191. License dated 2 Aug 1755; "Jonas Lott and Saletie Prior"

Jonas Slot was baptized at Hackinsack 19 Oct 1712, the son of Jacob Pieterszen Slot and Maria Jans Demarest.ⁱ Jonas Slot and Celitje Preyer subsequently baptized 3 children in the New York Dutch Reformed Church: Sara, 18 Mar 1756;ⁱⁱ Jakoba (probably Jacob), 17 Jul 1757;ⁱⁱⁱ and Sara, 4 Mar 1759.^{iv} Jonas Slot apparently died soon afterward, and his widow then married John Dodd of Pequannonk Township, NJ. [Note: Sara Slot, baptized 4 Mar 1759, was undoubtedly the step-daughter Sara mentioned in the will of John Dodd]

Celitje Preyer's sister Jenneke Preyer, was born 23 Sep 1729^v and baptized at New York 9 Nov 1729, the daughter of Casparus Preyer and Saertje Andriessen.^{vi} This Jenneke Preyer subsequently married circa 1767/68 (as his 2nd wife) Joris Cadmus, born circa 1729/30, the son of Dirck Frederickszen Cadmus and Jannetje Van Horn of the Bergen Point area of northern New Jersey, later Hudson County.^{vii} Joris Cadmus and Jenneke Preyer named their second son Casparus, born 16 Aug 1770 and baptized 16 Sep 1770 at Bergen,^{viii} after the maternal grandfather, Casparus Preyer. Casparus Cadmus married his first cousin Catalyntje Dodd, born 27 Jan 1768,^{ix} the daughter of John Dodd (and his 2nd wife Celitje Preyer).

Here is a reconstructed list of the children of John Dodd, based on the extant baptismal records and those children who were named in his will.

By his first wife, Catalyntje Schermerhorn:

1. Bartholomew, baptized 18 May 1746 at Schenectady; married Marytje Doremus
2. Thomas, born 24 Sep 1748 in Schenectady (no baptismal record found); married Elizabeth Smith; (both Bartholomew & Thomas are mentioned in the will).
3. Perhaps Jacob and/or William, but the proof is lacking (not mentioned in the will)

ⁱ *Records Of The Reformed Dutch Church Of Hackensack, N.J. (1686 - 1800)* From Collections of the Holland Society of New York, Volume I, Part I. Page 103. Kobus Slodt, Mary DeMaree; Jona; Adam Janse Van Norden. Adeltie Slot, his wife.

ⁱⁱ Purple, Samuel S., *Records Of The Reformed Dutch Church In New Amsterdam And New York. Baptisms 1731 - 1800*: originally Vol. III of the Collections of the N.Y. Gen. & Biog. Society; page 209.

"Jonas Ott, Selitje Preyer; Sara; Casparus Preyer, Johanna Preyer, huis v. van Lauw's Meyer."

ⁱⁱⁱ *Ibid*, page 220; Jonas Slot, Belytje Preyer; Jakoba; Benjamin Slot, Maria Van der Hoeve, j.d.

^{iv} *Ibid*, page 235; Johnas Slot, Celitje Pryer; Sara; Casparus Stuyvesand, Jenneke Pryer, j.d. [Jenneke went on to marry Casparus Cadmus]

^v Versteeg, Dingman & Thomas E. Vermilye, Jr., *Bergen Records – Records Of The Reformed Protestant Dutch Church Of Bergen In New Jersey 1666 To 1788*; Record #512: Un-named Child in Bergen DRC records, born 23 Sep 1729; Note: Ninth Child. Baptized at New York.

^{vi} Purple, Samuel S., *Records Of The Reformed Dutch Church In New Amsterdam And New York. Baptisms 1639 - 1730*: originally Vol. II of the Collections of the N.Y. Gen. & Biog. Society; page 494:

Casparus Pryer, Sara Andriess; Jenneke; Machiel Vrelandt, Jenneke Van Houten

^{vii} See Charles H. Winfield's "History of the County of Hudson, New Jersey; New York (1874); pages 555-561 for a genealogy of the Cadmus family of Hudson County.

^{viii} Versteeg, Dingman & Thomas E. Vermilye, Jr., *Bergen Records – Records Of The Reformed Protestant Dutch Church Of Bergen In New Jersey 1666 To 1788*; Record #800. Joris Cadmus, Jenneke Pryer; Casparis bo. Aug. 16 bp. Sept. 16; Cornelus Corsen, Neeltie Cadmus, his wife

^{ix} Winfield's *History of Hudson County*, page 556

By his second wife, Celitje Dodd

1. Casparus Dodd, born circa 1760; named after the maternal grandfather; married Elizabeth Courter circa 1782; mentioned in the will as "Jasper"
2. Catalyntje Dodd, born 27 Jan 1768; named after the deceased first wife; married Casparus Cadmus circa 1787; mentioned in the will
3. Jannetje Dodd, born circa 1770; married Jacob M. Bovie of Montgomery, Orange, NY circa 1788; removed to Schenectady; named in the will
4. Jonas Dodd; baptized 10 Aug 1773 at Pompton Plains; named after Celitje Preyer's deceased first husband; perhaps the John mentioned in the will.

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Some Baptisms of the Dutch in Brazil, 1633-1654

A source for Dutch research in the western hemisphere is the "Dooptregister der Hollanders in Brazilië", compiled by C.J. Wasch and published in 1888 and 1889 in *Algemeen Nederlandsch Familieblad*, the journal of s'Gravenhague Genealogisch en Heraldisch Archief [The Archive of Genealogy and Heraldry of The Hague]. This publication contains printed abstracts of baptismal records from the Dutch Reformed Church in Recife, Pernambuco, Brazil, from 1633 to 1654. There were 1,582 children and adults baptized during the brief tenure of the Dutch in this location. When the Portuguese recaptured the colony in 1654, the residents were scattered throughout the world, and some of them settled in New Netherland.

Access to this publication is facilitated through the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, Utah, on their Film #375563. Although the abstracts are printed in Dutch, they are quite easy to read. Included in the collection are the names of the persons baptized, parents of the children, and sponsors. An index was made in 1964 by Frances G. Patterson; it is filed as Q981.3 v2w on level B1 of the Family History Library. The index has not been filmed.

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To make these Dutch baptisms in Brazil more easily available to readers of *New Netherland Connections*, I am reprinting them. On the next page you will see in C.J. Wasch's brief introduction that Professor Jose Hygieno Duarte Pereira, Deputy of the Archaeological and Geographical Institute in Pernambuco, Brazil, brought the Baptismal Registers back to Portugal, and Mr. Wasch had a copy made for publication in the Netherlands.

This is the "Register of the names of the children baptized here at Recife and the surrounding area as well as the names of parents and also those who stood witness at the baptism."

Abbreviations: Ouders = Parents; get. = getuige(n) = witness(es); N.N. = no name.

Een doopregister der Hollanders in Brazilië.

Godurende enkele jaren voor het Archeologisch en Geographisch Instituut te Fernambuco bezig geweest zijnde om alle mogelijke verdere bijzonderheden, die zich nog in ons land bevonden, omtrent de nederzetting der Hollanders in Brazilië, (1630—1654) na te sporen, nadat nu voor ruim twee jaar hun afgezant de geleerde professor José Hygieno Duarte Pereira naar zijn land met een schat van gegevens wederkeerde, had ik onder meer het geluk het doopregister van het Recife te vinden, waarvan een copie werd gemaakt voor genoemd Instituut en dat op mijn verzoek gaarne ter opname in dit blad afstond. De belangrijkheid ter aanvulling van verschillende genealogiën zal zeker uit deze lijst blijken.

Onveranderd wordt het register hier gegeven, alleen waar ik zulks noodig dacht zal men enkele bemerkingen of aanvullingen tusschen () vinden.

Dank zij voornoemd Instituut hoop ik, zoomede de redactie van het Familieblad door deze mededeelingen, verschillende personen eenigen dienst bewezen te hebben.

Register van de Namen der kinderen die alhier opt Recife en omgelegen plaatsen gedoopt zijn, gelijk meede de namen van de Ouders, ende ooc van de getuygen die over den doop gestaen hebben.

1633. Julij 13. Charel. Ouders: Ridchard Jurriaens en Joanna Jurriaens.
- October 9. Henrick en Harman. Ouders: Roeloff Hoyer en Geesjen Ottens; get.: Balthasar Byma, Bartholomeus van Millingen, Joan Gilbert, Nicolaes Regensdorff, Anna Warnsteyns.
1634. Meert 11. (N. N.). Ouders: David Hoogmoet en Janneken Pieters; get.: Dhr. Nicolaes d'Ridder, Elbert Crispijns, Johan Hick, Jan Polcram, Margaretha Wachloo.
- May 17. Cathalina. Ouders: Louis Fallet en Cathalina Fallet; get.: Bartholomeus van Millingen, Claude Prevoo, Machtelt Daays.
- Julij 2. Bastiaen en Martha. Ouders: Andreas Cousnel en Bastiana Cousnels.
- Julij 9. Maria. Ouders: Francisco en Maria. Catharina. Ouders: Christoffel en Giomaer. Domingos. Ouders: Anthoni en Maria. Maria. Ouders: Francisco en Maria. Anthonia. Ouders: Gonsalvo en Maria. Bastiaen. Ouders: Joan en Esperanes. Christoffel. Ouders: Pedro en Gracia. Domingos. Ouders: Pedro en Isabella.

1634. Juan. Ouders: Anthoni en Maria. Maria. Ouders: Bastiaen en Francisca. Maria. Ouders: Pedro en Martha. Ysabel. Ouders: Manuel en Ysabel. Balthasar. » Bartholomeus Brandon en Catharina. Lucia. Ouders: Francisco en Ysabella. Aug. 23. Moses. Ouders: Jan van Rechteren; get.: Dhr. Christoffel Artischoffski, Thomas Ruyt, Magdalena Jonckers.
- Sept. 10. Catharina. Ouders: Johan Vischer en Barbara Vischers. Domingo Fernandes. Ouders: Domingo Fernandes Calabara en Barbara Cardoza; get.: Dhr. Servatius Carpentier, dhr. Sigismund van Schoppe, dhr. Christoffel Artischoffski, Jan Corn. Lichthart, Machtelt Daays.
- Oct. 8. (N. N.). Ouders: Jacob Stanten; get.: Rogier Stanten, Ingheroem Martens, Joris Walles, Maria Martens.
- Oct. 12. Balthasar. Ouders: Johann Thomass en Magdalena Thomass; get.: Dhr. Balthasar Wyntges, John Goedlaed, Catharina Mullers.
- Oct. 15. Olivier. Ouders: Balthasar de Robbe. get.: . . . Christiaens, Jan Muller, Anna Jacobs.
- Oct. 27. Pieter. Ouders: Willem Gilcrist; get.: Pieter van der Werven, Jan Bruys, Henrick Kien, Henrick Philips, Elisabeth van der Werven.
- Oct. 29. Lammertien Hermans. Ouders: Herman Henricksen; get.: Dhr. Jan Corn. Lichthart; Meeuwis Cornelissen; Gerrit Henricksen. Andries. Ouders: Christiaan Smidt; get.: Andries Precker, Harmken Lamberts. (N. N.). Ouders: Hans Ploeger; get.: Dirck van Hoogstraten en sijn huysvrouw. Sara Roeloffs. Ouders: Roeloff Jans; get.: Elbert Crispijns, Abraham de Lange, Sara Duarts. Maria Pauluss. Ouders: Paulus Ruys; get.: Caspar van der Ley, Franck Roelants. Jan Franss. Ouders: Frans Roelants; get.: Elbert Crispyns, Wilhelm Doncker, Trijntge Mullers. Alexander Jooris. Ouders: Jooris Philips; get.: Alexander Piccard. Maria Wouters. Ouders: Wouter Smidt; get.: Dirck Leenerts, Anneken Jonass, Trijntgen Pouluss. Jan. Ouders: Jan Stacy; get.: Wilhelm Doncker, Johannes Carpentier, Elisabeth Philips, Sara Duarte.
1635. Nov. 11. Anna Margareta. Ouders: Andries Roosenberch; get.: Allard Holl, Cathalina Fallets.
- Nov. 18. Marcus Anthoni. Ouders: Abraham Bachlier en Anna Seegers; get.: Dhr. Jan Corn. Lichthart, dhr. Wilhelm Schott, Anna Bogarts.
1636. Apr. 20. Lourens. Ouders: Ysaac de Rogiere en