

2007-37. The following is an abstract of the Will of Joost Van Brunt taken from: *Wills of Real Estate, Queens County, New York, Liber C. 1807-1816*, abstracted by Walter Beck, WPA Project No. 165-97-6999 (6115), [Typescript], The Long Island Collection, The Queens Borough Public Library, Jamaica, New York, 1938, p. 88: Lib.C;321. Aug 22, 1812. Joost Van Brunt, Jamaica.

"To son Tunis all rl. & personal estate subject to payment of \$3875 as follows: to son John \$375; to daughter Hampee wife of Abraham D. Ditmis \$500; to daughter Elizabeth wife of Thomas Smith \$500; to children (5) of my son Joost deceased \$500 each at majority.

Executors son Tunis, son in law Abraham D. Ditmis, Garrit Bennet."

Signed Joost Van Brunt

Witness John Thatford, John Rider, John W. Welling. Sur. Jos Robinson.

Proved Mar 15, 1814."

My question is concerning the daughter Elizabeth. The Van Brunt genealogy, [Teunis Bergen, *Genealogy of the Van Brunt Family, 1653-1867*, Albany, NY, 1867, p. 45, 48.] indicates that she was the wife of Jeremiah Vanderbilt (Jr.) until his decease.

Elizabeth (Van Brunt) Vanderbilt's first husband, Jeremiah Vanderbilt, was the son of Jeremiah and Abigail (Vanderbilt) Vanderbilt of Kings County, New York. He was probably the same Jeremiah Vanderbilt who was operating stages from Far Rockaway and Jamaica to Brooklyn Ferry from about 1796. Jeremiah Vanderbilt [Jr.] of Hempstead, Queens Co., died 4 May 1807. His will left to his wife, Elizabeth, the use of real and personal estate while his widow. When the youngest child [not named] came of age, Elizabeth was to have £300. The estate was to be sold, and the money divided between the children and wife, if she remained his widow. The executors were his wife Elizabeth, his brother, John Vanderbilt, and his brother-in-law Teunis Van Brunt.

As given in the Van Brunt Genealogy, after the death of her first husband, Jeremiah Vanderbilt, Elizabeth (Van Brunt) Vanderbilt married a Thomas Smith, and had Thomas, Edward, and Harriet.

Could this be the same Thomas Smith who married Elizabeth Vanderbilt, 19 May 1810 in Christ Presbyterian Church at Hempstead (then Queens Co.), Nassau County? -- Listed in the IGI, Source: Batch M510141, Sheet 0122? [Also in "Christ's Presbyterian Church at South Hempstead, L.I., N.Y., Marriages," NYGBR, 53:242. 19 May 1810 by William P. Kuypers, Minister.] This couple may have been the same that had a son, Thomas, in 1811 ["Rev. Dr. Schoonmaker's Book of Marriages and Baptisms, 1800-1847, Baptismal Record of the First Reformed Dutch Church at Jamaica, L.I., 1800- May 1823," Typescript, p. 12]. In the Will of Thomas Smith of New Utrecht [Kings Co. Surrogate 3:27. Probate granted 20 March 1829] he mentions his deceased nephew:

"Item, I give and bequeath unto the three children of my late nephew Thomas Smith, deceased the son of my deceased brother John Smith the following legacies (to wit) To Thomas Smith the son of my said deceased nephew Thomas Smith I give and bequeath the just and full sum of Two Hundred Dollars lawful money as aforesaid; To Egbert Smith the son of my said deceased nephew Thomas Smith I give and bequeath the like sum of Two Hundred Dollars; And To Eliza Smith the daughter of my said deceased nephew Thomas Smith I give and bequeath the like sum of Two Hundred Dollars. To Hold the said several legacies unto them the said Thomas Smith, Egbert Smith and Eliza Smith respectively and to their respective Heirs, Executors, Administrators and Assigns forever."

Can these two adult Thomas Smiths be the same person? The nephew Thomas Smith was apparently deceased at the time the will of his uncle Thomas Smith was written [ 19 September 1828 ]. The names and order of mention of the children in the Will are quite similar to the names given in the Van Brunt genealogy.

In addition, The NYGBR 137:2, p. 122, says that Joost Van Brunt m. (1) Lydia Griggs, 16 Jun 1757, and m. (2) Elizabeth Duryea. Which of his wives was the mother of Elizabeth? Is there any church record I have overlooked? I would appreciate receiving any further information about Thomas Smith, his wife Elizabeth or his three children.

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2007-38. Were Lambert and Lea Andriessen the maternal grandparents of Lambert Vandervoort? Who were the paternal grandparents Lambert Vandervoort?

Lambert Andriessen was born about 1674. He was the son of Andries Jurianens and Annetje Pieterse Prat/Praa (source unknown). He married Lea Harmensz Lieverse on 2 September 1697 at the Dutch Reformed Church of Albany, New York. They had the following children:

Rachel, baptized on 22 May 1698 at the DRC of Brooklyn. She married John Blanck on 23 Feb 1723 at the DRC of New Amsterdam. He was the son of Caspar Blanck & Agnes Post. The witnesses at Rachel's baptism were Jan Staats, Engeltje Lives [sister of Lea]

- 1) Annetje, born before 1708, married Peter Losee. Annetje's parents were witnesses of her son, Lammert, on 21 October 1724 at the DRC of New York.
- 2) Mary, born before 1711 (7 December 1707 Flatbush, Brooklyn, Kings, New York from the IGI), married Caspar Blanck, son of Caspar Blanck and Agnes Post. Mary's parents were witness for the baptism of her son, Lammert, on 11 March 1730 at the DRC of New York.

Other possible children include:

- 3) Elizabeth, born before 1720. She married John Vandervoort.
- 4) Andries, born before 1720 (29 May 1705 Flatbush, Brooklyn, Kings, NY from the IGI). He married Elizabeth Blom on 17 May 1746 at the DRC of Flatbush. She was the daughter of Barent Blom and Femmetje Ferdon, baptized on 31 May 1719 at the DRC of New Utrecht.

John Vandervoort and Elizabeth Andriessen had the following children:

- 1) Elizabeth, baptized 30 May 1752 at the DRC of Flatlands. The witnesses were Andries Andriessen and Elizabeth Blom.

Other possible children:

- 2) Lambert. He married Elsje Van Ander [Enden] by license dated 2 November 1769 in NY. She was, presumably, the daughter of Abraham Van Enden and Elsje Mitsell. Lambert was named after his presumed maternal grandfather, Lambert Andriessen. They had several children baptized at the Dutch Reformed Church of Hopewell, see below. He was living in Brooklyn, New York in 1777 (see Long Island Source Records below).
- 3) Leah. She married Teunis Bogart by license dated 17 October 1760 in New York. She was named after her presumed maternal grandmother, Lea Lieverse. Teunis supposedly died in 1767. She is said to have later married a cousin, Jan Vandervoort, on 12 January 1770 in Dutchess County, New York. (Source: *Bogart Families*, by Herbert S. Ackerman, 1950). Her name is the only information I have which suggests her placement in this family.
- 4) John. He is the Jaen Vandervoort who married Jane Van Anden [Enden] by license dated 18 April 1761 in New York. She may be the witness at the baptism of Jan, son of Lambert Vandervoort, (see below). She was probably the daughter of Abraham Van Enden and Elsje Mitsell. Abraham and Elsje were married on 9 April 1743 at the DRC of Flatbush. Abraham Van Enden was probably the son of Paul Van Enden and Jannetje Hendricks Van Suydam. John is presumably the John Vandervoort living in Brooklyn, New York in 1777 (see Long Island Source Records below). Was he named after his paternal grandfather?
- 5) Angeltje. She married Leonard Rigler by license dated 4 September 1762 in New York. She was named after her presumed maternal aunt, Engeltje Lieverse, who married Benjamin Vandewater. Her name is the only information I have which suggests her placement in this family.
- 6) William. He is the William Vandervoort living in Brooklyn, New York in 1777 (see Long Island Source Records below). His residence in Brooklyn is the only information I have which suggests his placement in this family.

Andries Andriessen and Elizabeth Blom had the following children:

- 1) Femmetie, baptized on 29 Mar 1752 at the DRC of Flatbush. Femmetie was named after her maternal grandmother.

Lambert Vandervoort and Elsje Van Enden had the following children:

- 1) Abraham, born on 5 October 1770 in Dutchess County, New York. The witnesses at his baptism at the DRC of Hopewell were Peter Vandervoort (son of Paul and Neeltje Staats Vandervoort?) and his wife. Abraham was named after his presumed maternal grandfather.
- 2) Jan, born on 19 November 1771 in Dutchess County, New York. The witness at his baptism at the DRC of Hopewell was Jannetje Vandervoort (Van Enden?, sister of Elsje?). Jan was named after his presumed paternal grandfather.
- 3) Catherine, born on 30 January 1774 in Dutchess County, New York and baptized at the DRC of Hopewell.

Any information regarding the ancestry or siblings of Lambert Vandervoort will be appreciated.

Sources:

1) Long Island Source Records, Loyalists and "Doubtful" Men of Kings County, 1777, Page 595. The foot company of the North Part Brookland made on 26 August 1777 included: John Vandervoort, Lamberth Vandervoort, and William Vandervoort.

2) O'Callaghan, E.B., *New York Marriages Previous to 1784*. [Albany: Weed, Parsons, and Co., 1860] page 405, 1769. Nov. 2. Van Ander, Elsie, and Lambert Vander Voort, M.B., xv. 75  
page 405, 1761. April 18. Van Anden, Jane, and Jaen Vandervoort, M.B., iv. 154  
page 36, 1760. Oct. 17. Bogart, Teunis, Leah Vandervort, M.B., iii. 367  
page 321, 1762. Sept. 4. Rigler, Leonard, and Angletie Vander Voort, M.B., vi. 308

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2007-39. The citizenship and naturalization records for Leiden, Netherlands, for the year 1612 contain the following information:

Lambert de la Grange, tailor, from Leynselle near Ryssel and on the testimony and under the bond of Allert Corneille and Lucas de Herbecourt, registered on the 31 December 1612 by Vesanevelt and Brouchhoven. (translation from the original Dutch by Cor Snabel of Amsterdam)

Ryssel is the Dutch name for the city of Lille, located in France near the border with Belgium. Linselles (note spelling) is situated north of Ryssel (Lille). (Information from Cor Snabel).

In his book entitled *The History of Protestantism in The Netherlands*, James A. Wylie refers in Volume 3, Book 18, to "Peregrine de la Grange, an eloquent preacher from Provence"(southern France). Does anyone know whether the above mentioned Lambert de la Grange was related to the famous Protestant minister Peregrijn/Peregrine de la Grange, said to have been born in Provence?

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2007-40. My great-great-grandparents were Thomas J. Burgett born in 1807 Middleburgh, Schoharie County, New York, and his wife, Christianna/Christina \_\_\_\_\_, born about 1805 somewhere in New York State. Thomas and Christianna were married before 1830, probably near Painted Post, Steuben County, New York. As far as I know, my great-grandfather, Lambert Burgett, born in 1830, was the oldest child. I believe there were six children in all. The other five were Joseph, Samuel, Philip, Thomas Jefferson, and Levi. The first four children were born in Painted Post, Steuben County, New York. Could someone help me find a marriage record for Thomas and Christianna \_\_\_\_\_ or suggest some other strategy that would help me discover Christianna's maiden name? Thomas and Christianna Burgett are buried in Epworth, Dubuque County, Iowa.

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2007-41. On 19 April 1650 in the New Amsterdam Dutch church marriage intentions were recorded for Teunis Jacobszen, a young man from Schoonderwout, and Sara Denijs, a young woman from England. In a short biographical sketch on page 823 of the *Van Rensselaer Bowier Manuscripts* A. J. F. van Laer, the translator and editor of these manuscript documents, says that this Teunis Jacobszen was identified in a contemporary document as "Tuenis Rut Jacobsz broeder" or "Tuenis, the brother of Rutger Jacobsz".

On page 139 of his *Genealogies of the First Settlers of Albany*, under the entry "Van Woert", Jonathan Pearson says, "Two brothers of this name, Teunis Jacobse and Rutger Jacobse, came out to Fort Orange, about 1640; the descendants of the former remained in Albany County and assumed the surname of *Van Woert*; those of the latter removed to New York and took the name *Rutgers*...In 1650-1, [Teunis] was a trader and *bierwercker*, probably for his brother Rutger, the brewer."

I have found other references to Teunis Jacobse in volume 7 of the publications of the Dutch Settlers' Society. In 1652 his wife's sister was accused of carnal behavior with Klaes Ripsz. Teunis was in Schenectady by 1666 where he rented the attic of the church.

I have searched and searched for Teunis and Sara's children. I have tentatively identified four -- Jacob Teunise Van Woert, Elizabeth, Goosen, and Eva. I descend through Elizabeth who married Jacobus Peek.

Has anyone identified the family of Sara Denijs? Who was her sister in New Netherland? Who were their parents?

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2007-42. I have recently learned that I am a descendant of Lewis Viele and Annetje Quakkenbos through their son John L. Viele who was baptized in the Schaghticoke Dutch Church in Rensselaer County, New York, on 6 June 1771 as "Johannes". In the same church on 31 October 1793 John L. Viele married Elizabeth "Betsy" Woodward. Seven children were baptized in the Schaghticoke Church:

- Hannah on 9 November 1794
- Margit on 24 April 1796
- Tunis on 8 May 1798
- Elizabeth on 6 April 1800
- Ambrose on 19 April 1802
- Anna on 9 December 1804
- Jarusha Maria on 18 January 1807

In her 1909 *Viele, 1659-1909: two hundred and fifty years with a Dutch Family of New York*, Kathlyne Knickerbocker Viele further identifies Elizabeth (Betsy) Woodward as "of Connecticut". I checked the 1790 federal census, and the only Woodward indexed in Rensselaerwick, Albany County, New York, was one Abijah Woodward. I am trying to identify Elizabeth Woodward's family and would appreciate all plausible suggestions.

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2007-43. On 16 June 1793 in the Kakiat Church in Rockland County, New York, Nehemiah Johnson married Antie Blauvelt, the daughter of Captain Arie Blauvelt and Altje Smith. Nehemiah Johnson was born 25 December 1767, and he died on 11 August 1834.

Who were Nehemiah Johnson's parents, and where was he born?

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