

Patent to Jan Gerritsen from Peter Stuyvesant dated February 30, 1657, abstracted from the so-called Duke of York Record:

"No. 23

"Peter Stuyvesant .. and .. Council Witness and Declare that we on the Date underwritten have given and granted to John* Gerritsen one Lot for a House and Garden situate on the South River of New Netherland at Fort Casimir/ in the second Row* bounded on the North with the Highway** behind the Lot of Roeloff de Haes# [and] is wide in front and rear sixty two Feet, long on both sides three hundred Feet with express Conditions and Provisos &c. Done [at New] Amsterdam in New Netherland the 30th February 1657." — Original Land Titles in Delaware, commonly known as The Duke of York Record, &c. (Wilmington, c.1903), p. 14.

* "Jan Gerritsen" — the Dutch seem to have always written the English "John" as Jan, and see the version of this patent by Fernow (below).— J. S.

/ "Fort Casimir" is the form in the version of this patent by Fernow (below).

"Roeloff de Haes" is the form by Fernow (below).

"Patent to Jan Gerritsen

"A lot for a house and garden situate on the Southriver of New-Netherland near Fort Casimir in the second row, contiguous on the north to the highway, behind the lot of Roeloff de Haes, measuring in front and rear sixty-two feet and on either side three hundred feet, under express condition and obligation etc^a. Done at Amsterdam in New-Netherland, the 30th Febr^y 1657." — B. Fernow, Documents relative to the Colonial history of the State of New York, XII (Albany, 1877), pp. 178, 179.

* *Bear's River*
* * *Allen Street*

(By indenture dated November 20, 1734, "John Garretson of New Castle hund^d" conveyed to "his Son & Heir apparent John Garretson jun^r" in consideration of "Love & Affection" about two-thirds of his "Plantation Scituate lying & being on Christina^a Creek in s^d Hundred & County now in the Possession of the said John Garretson the Father to contain Two hundred Acres of wood Land & Plantation being part of Three hundred Acres belonging to John Garretson the Father also one equal half part or share of the Meadow & Orchard belonging to the Same premises together with all houses buildings Meadows" and so forth.

Acknowledged in the Court of Common Pleas (of New Castle County), November term, 1734. — New Castle County "Deed Vol." K-1, 267.

(By virtue of a warrant from Surveyor General Jacob Taylor dated June 25, 1714, Surveyor George Dakeyne did on September 2, 1714 (O.S.), survey for John Garretson a tract of land adjoining that he already had, making a total of 362 acres and 91 perches. This land was situated on the south side of Christina Creek. — New Castle County "Book of Surveys" (a 594-p. ms. vol. in Recorder's Office, County Building, Wilmington), pp. 223, 224.

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Submitted by M. Margaret Moor

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From the Delaware and Eastern Shore Advertiser

Monday, April 15, 1799

"Notice"

"The Trustees of New-Ark Academy are requested to attend a semi-annual Meeting at the town of New-Ark, on Wednesday the 17th inst.-- Business of importance of the institution will be submitted to the consideration of the Board-it is therefore hoped the members will be punctual in their attendance.

HENRY LATIMER, President of
Wilmington, April 6. the Board of Trustees."

From the Delaware and Eastern Shore Advertiser

Monday, April 1, 1799.

"For Sale"

"A valuable Tract of Land, situate in Newcastle hundred, about three miles from Newcastle, two and a half from Christiana Bridge, two from Newport, and six from Wilmington; consisting upwards of 200 acres, near one-half of which is woodland, the other equal to any in the neighbourhood, and a large quantity of meadow may be made at a small expense. -- Terms of payment will be made easy. For further particulars, enquire of the subscriber living in Newport."

"ELIAKIM GARRETSEN"