



Flemington Victorian Days

A Victorian Wedding at the Doric House June 10 — 1 to 4 p.m.

Victorian Days is an event spearheaded by the Flemington Business Association and chaired by Carmen Grimes. It is a cooperative venture involving social and service organizations with emphasis on recreating Victorian-era experiences.

The Historical Society is pleased to open the Doric House and Deats Memorial Library during Flemington's town-wide event. The house is being decorated in celebration of "A Victorian Wedding" with an exhibit of appropriate period clothing and wedding music, performed by members Margaret Gritzmacher and Paulene Stothoff.

Mahlon Fisher's Greek Revival Doric House has been the Historical Society's headquarters since its purchase in 1969. Mr. Fisher, a master carpenter, built the house as his private residence in 1846 and it has been furnished to portray a modest but typical Greek Revival home. This is but one example of his craftsmanship. He, of course, built several other Greek Revival homes in Flemington.

Victorian Days Calendar

- Thursday June 8** **Strawberry Social** – 6-8 p.m.
Presbyterian Church
- Friday June 9** **"Main Street Stroll"** with Most Beautiful Hat Contest. Restaurants will offer special menus. Contest held for best Victorian window display
- Saturday June 10** **Garden Club Victorian Flower Exhibit** at Fleming Castle. Guided tours by DAR members 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.
- Open House 1-4 p.m. at Doric House** 114 Main St., headquarters of Hunterdon County Historical Society. Theme – **A Victorian Wedding**
- Historic Trolley Tours** every hour beginning at 11 a.m. until 4 p.m.
- "Court Street Fair"** 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. (rain date Sunday June 11)
- "Art in the Park,"** an exhibit and program for children, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. (rain date Sunday June 11)

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Original watercolor by Susan Wheeler

1995 Calendar

- June 8-11** **Flemington Victorian Days**
- June 10** **Open House Saturday 1-4 p.m.**
A Victorian Wedding at the Doric House
- Sept. 23-24** **Family Ancestry Fair** – sponsored by Bucks County Genealogical Society at Delaware Valley College Student Union Hall. Visit the Hunterdon County Historical Society booth for books, maps, charts, etc.
- November 19** **FALL MEETING** – Norman Landis:
A Centennial Remembrance by J. Jay Smith, at Flemington Presbyterian Church
- November 23** **Thanksgiving** – Library closed

Saturday June 10 **"Musical Parfait"** at the Flemington Womans Club, in the park, 7:30 p.m., a variety musical program followed by ice cream and beverages. Admission \$7.50 to benefit park improvement.

Sunday June 11 **Garden Club Victorian Flower Exhibit** at Fleming Castle. Guided tours by DAR members 12 noon – 4 p.m.

Trolley Tours 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

As we go to press plans for some events are incomplete. Call Carmen Grimes (782-8235) for information.

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Manuscript Curator

The Board hired long-time Library volunteer Ronald Schultzel to fill the position of Manuscript Curator following Reverend Kreutler's death. Ron's association with the Library goes back to the tenure of the late Norman C. Wittwer as Society Librarian and Ron was the "first Saturday" volunteer on the Society's rotating schedule.

He is a recent retiree, having formerly worked 23 years for Hunterdon County, and started in his job with HCHS in July. As George Kreutler did, Ron Schultzel works three days a week. His initial project was to complete processing the Norman C. Wittwer Papers which Mr. Kreutler was working on when he died. Mr. Schultzel has also inventoried, foldered and boxed the loose newspaper collection and has now begun processing the David L. Ringo Papers.

Membership Report

A warm welcome is extended to those members who have recently joined the Hunterdon County Historical Society or upgraded to Life members.

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Volunteer Recognition Luncheon 19 April 1995 - Tewksbury Inn

Tewksbury Inn in the village of Oldwick was the site this year for the annual volunteer Recognition Luncheon. Hosted by the Board of Trustees on 19 April, the luncheon is held during Volunteer Week to express appreciation to the volunteers for giving their time to serve the Society. Each volunteer plays a vital role in the operation of the Society and the Board recognizes the important contribution our dedicated volunteers make toward fulfilling the Society's goals.

Volunteers

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 Mary Elizabeth Sheppard, filing
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Doric House Tours

The Doric House was open to the public for tours and these volunteers served as hosts and hostesses.

Janice Bachelor
 Phyllis D'Autrechy
 Ted D'Autrechy
 Margaret Gritzmacher
 Douglas D. Martin
 Paulene Stothoff
 Harold O. Van Fleet

Library Research Assistants

Each of these volunteers spends an afternoon or evening a month on duty in the Deats Memorial Library, assisting patrons with their research.

Fred Sisser III
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Genealogical Committee

Volunteers conduct research in the Society's collections and answer mail requests for data about Hunterdon County history, families, or persons.

Mary Elizabeth Sheppard
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The Larew Linseed Oil Mill Near Everittstown

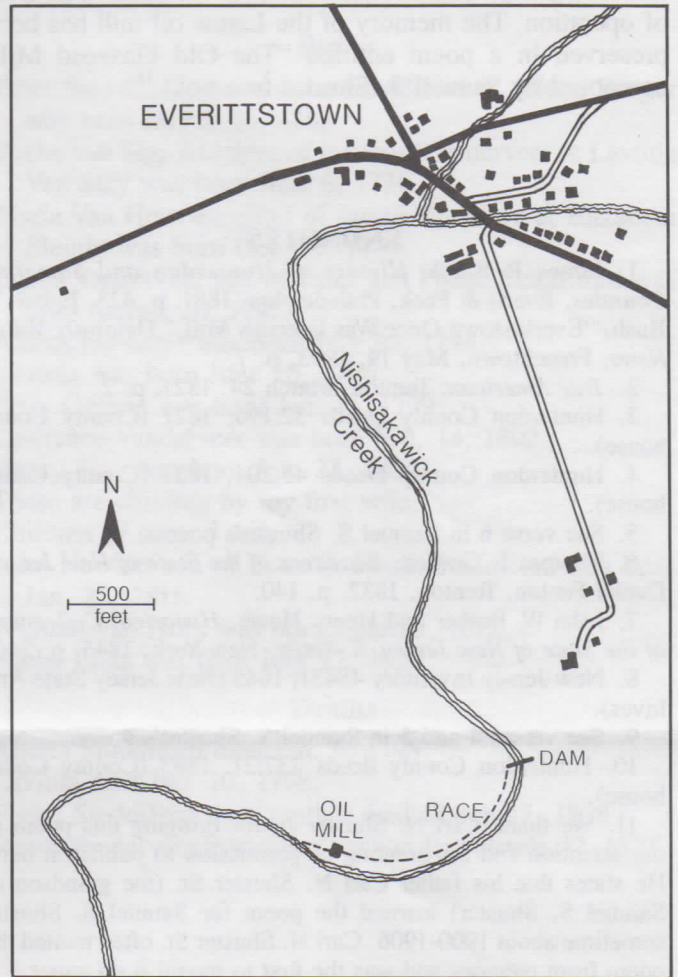
By Carter Litchfield & Richard L. Porter

Flax was a major fiber crop in Hunterdon County for nearly a century and a half. It was widely cultivated to provide the flax fiber utilized in local textile production from the early colonial period until the Civil War era. Flaxseed was an important by-product of this agricultural pursuit. The seed could be processed to yield linseed oil, which was used in paints and inks, in the treatment of leather and wood, and as lamp oil.

Water-powered linseed oil mills crushed, roasted, and pressed the flaxseed to extract the oil. Hunterdon County, with its extensive flax cultivation, became the center of New Jersey's oil milling industry in the early 19th century. Approximately one-quarter of the state's linseed oil mills were sited within its boundaries. Two dozen have been identified within the county to date.

During research for our future book on "Linseed Oil Mills of New Jersey 1732-1950," we discovered the Larew oil mill that once operated near Everittstown. Since most local historians are unaware of its existence, we present its interesting history here.

The Larew oil mill is said to have been built by Isaac Larew (Larue, LaRue, Lerrew) circa 1810. It was located on land owned by his father Abraham on the north bank of Nishisakawick Creek 0.8 miles due south of Everittstown (figure A).¹ The younger Larew was also the owner and proprietor of the stone tavern house that still stands in the center of the village. He appears to have operated his linseed oil mill for about a decade before he and his father encountered serious financial difficulties. In 1821, the oil mill, the 190 acre farm on which it was located, and the tavern were all seized under court order and offered in a sheriff's sale held at Isaac's tavern/house (figure B).²



A. Map of Everittstown vicinity showing the location of the Larew oil mill.

The Larew farm and oil mill were purchased by Samuel Kase (Case) and George Updyke at the 1821 sale.³ In 1827 Kase acquired his partner's half share to gain full control of the property.⁴ Kase apparently continued to operate the oil mill into the early 1830s, for Samuel S. Shuster (1824-1911) reported that he had seen it working when he "was a young lad."⁵ Neither Gordon⁶ (1834) nor Barber & Howe⁷ (1845) mention an oil mill in the Everittstown vicinity, and the inventory of Samuel Kase compiled after his death in 1845 contains no reflections of an ongoing oil milling operation.⁸ The mill structure was subsequently dismantled, with its structural timbers and building stone removed for reuse elsewhere.⁹

The site of the Larew oil mill is easily identified today. A portion of the original dam on Nishisakawick Creek remains in place (figure C), and the head and tail races are still quite visible. Although the robbing of the building's structural elements has removed most surface indications of the mill itself, its exact site at the end of the head race and the beginning of the tail race is readily apparent.

By virtue of sundry writs of fi. fa. to me directed, issued out of the inferior court of common pleas of the county of Hunterdon and supreme court of New-Jersey, will be exposed to sale at public vendue on Monday the 23d day of April next, between the hours of 12 and 5 o'clock in the afternoon of said day, at the house of Isaac Lerrew, in Everittstown, in the township of Alexandria, in the county of Hunterdon, one FARM,

With the Oil Mill and noted Tavern Stand, With the appurtenances, said to contain 190 acres of land, more or less, lying in the township of Alexandria, in said county, adjoining lands of William Marce, John Hartman and others— Also one WOOD LOT, said to contain 80 acres, more or less, adjoining lands of P. H. M. Prevost and others—together with all the Lands and Real Estate of the defendants in the county of Hunterdon: Seized as the property of Abraham Lerrew and Isaac Lerrew, and taken in execution at the suit of Hugh Menagh, the President, Directors and Company of the Bank of Orange county, and others, and to be sold by JOHN CAVANAGH, Sheriff. J. LAKE, sub Sheriff.

March 12.

B. Advertisement for the April 23, 1821 sheriff's sale at which the Larew farm, oil mill, and tavern were sold.²

In 1893 the bulk of the Larew farm, including the site of the former oil mill, was acquired by Samuel S. Shuster.¹⁰ The new owner had been brought up on a farm at nearby Shuster's Hollow (2.1 miles southwest of Everittstown), and his family had sold flaxseed to the mill during its term of operation. The memory of the Larew oil mill has been preserved in a poem entitled "The Old Flaxseed Mill, composed by Samuel S. Shuster (see box).¹¹

ENDNOTES

1. James P. Snell, *History of Hunterdon and Somerset Counties*, Everts & Peck, Philadelphia, 1881, p. 423. Egbert T. Bush, "Everittstown Once Was Everitt's Mill." *Delaware Valley News*, Frenchtown, May 19, 1993, p. 7.
2. *True American*, Trenton, March 24, 1821, p. 2.
3. Hunterdon County Deeds 32:190, 1821 (County Courthouse).
4. Hunterdon County Deeds 45:204, 1827 (County Courthouse).
5. See verse 6 in Samuel S. Shuster's poem.
6. Thomas F. Gordon, *Gazetteer of the State of New Jersey*, Daniel Fenton, Trenton, 1832, p. 140.
7. John W. Barber and Henry Howe, *Historical Collections of the State of New Jersey*, S. Tuttle, New York, 1845, p. 240.
8. New Jersey Inventory 4845J, 1845 (New Jersey State Archives).
9. See verses 4 and 5 in Samuel S. Shuster's poem.
10. Hunterdon County deeds 237:21, 1893 (County Courthouse).
11. We thank Carl N. Shuster Jr. for bringing this poem to our attention and for granting us permission to publish it here. He states that his father Carl N. Shuster Sr. (the grandson of Samuel S. Shuster) learned the poem for Samuel S. Shuster sometime about 1900-1906. Carl N. Shuster Sr. often recited the poem from memory and was the first to record it on paper.



C. The remains of the dam for the Larew oil mill on Nishisakawick Creek can still be seen today.

The Old Flaxseed Mill

Samuel S. Shuster¹¹

Down by Silveredge Farm
By the side of a wood,
For the grinding of flaxseed
An old mill once stood,

Now all that is left
Of the mill is the race,
And even of that
There is only a trace.

By the trees growing in it
The age may be told
When from the old mill
Poured the rich liquid gold.

Its stone walls were dug out
And hauled far away
To build a new home
Where children could play.

Its strong hewn oak timbers
May some other home grace
But I neither know
The time or the place.

When I was a young lad
Many long years since passed,
I drove down the long lane
Filled with bushes and grass.

With my wagon piled high
With the precious flaxseed
And waited my long turn
As was often the need.

The mill ground the flaxseed
And pressed out the oil,
And we were rewarded
For all of our toil.

We took home the flax cake
To feed to our sheep
And wished we had more
When we had finished the heap.

When cotton "came in,"
Flax and flaxseed "went out,"
And the old mill once busy
Now went "down the spout."

When my work is all finished
With nothing to do,
May I pass like the flax mill
From the old to the new.

Reverend Peter Studdiford Family Record

Among the Society's recent acquisitions is Reverend Peter Studdiford's Bible containing his family record. The donors, Mr. and Mrs. Harold O. Van Fleet, received it upon the death of Mrs. Van Fleet's cousin, Barbara Teets Meech, a Studdiford descendant, who died in November 1994. The Bible was published in Philadelphia in 1820 by George W. Mentz, 71 Race Street and becomes CS 433 in the Historical Society's Family Record Collection.

Peter Studdiford was licensed and ordained by the Christian Synod of the Reformed Dutch Church in 1787 and served a forty-year pastorate at the Readington Church. He received a bachelor's degree from King's College (Columbia) in 1786 and a masters degree in 1789, and was graduated from the New Brunswick Theological Seminary in 1787. Reverend Studdiford was a professor of Hebrew at the Seminary for two years, 1812-1814, and a Rutgers trustee in 1788.

His father, John Studdiford, a sea captain, was from Penryn, Cornwall, England, and left his wife and small son in New York City while he sailed off to the West Indies where he died of yellow fever.

Reverend Studdiford married Phebe VanDerveer, daughter of James and Lavinia Van Derveer of Bedminster, and the couple lived on a farm inherited by his wife, near South Branch, some three miles from Readington. Four children were born before Phebe died on 27 March 1808 at age 33 years, nine months, and eleven days and she was interred in Readington churchyard.

He subsequently married Marie Van Horn and had three additional children. His death occurred as a result of fall from his wagon and he was buried on the west side of the churchyard. His tombstone reads, "Beneath this tablet lie the remains of Rev. Peter Studdiford, who after a long and laborious ministry, died on November 21st, A.D., 1826, in the sixth-fourth year of his age. He was born in the city of New York, A.D., 1763. Having completed his collegiate and theological studies in the place of his birth, he was installed pastor of the Dutch Reformed Church of North-Branch. Here he continued to labor with unabated zeal and diligence, until visited by the sickness which issued in his death. Possessing enlarged views of devine truth and a rich store of various knowledge, he was ready, instructive, and forcible in his preaching. He loved his Master's work, and shrunk not from labor in its performance. As a pastor he was affectionate and faithful; as a citizen, truly patriotic; as a neighbor, benevolent, candid and obliging; as a Christian, humble, devout, and liberal."

His son, Peter O. Studdiford, was ordained in 1821 and served the Lambertville Presbyterian Church for over forty years until his death on 5 June 1866. The sermon at his funeral was by Reverend George Hale, pastor of the Pennington Presbyterian Church and is published in Memorial of Peter O. Studdiford, D.D., by Alfred Martien, Philadelphia in 1866.

Marriages

Peter Studdiford was married to Phebe Van derveer by the Rev'd. John Duryee March 17, 1790.

Peter Studdiford was married to Maria Van Horn by the Rev'd. John M. Van Harlingen March 18, 1810.

Births

Peter Studdiford son of John Studdiford & Alletta Burger was born March 26, 1763.

Phebe Van Stay daughter of Jacobus Van derveer & Lavinia Van Stay was born June 6, 1774.

Maria Van Horn daughter of James Van Horn & Elizabeth Sleight was born Oct. 29, 1785.

James Vanderveer son of Peter and Phebe Studdiford was born August 20, 1791.

Alletta his sister was born July 20, 1794.

Lavinia was born June 20, 1796.

Peter Ogilvie was born Jan. 11, 1799.

Lawrence Vanderveer was born Feb. 14, 1802.

Henry Stay was born Apr. 23, 1804.

These are children by my first wife.

Children of second wife.

John Newton son of Peter & Maria Studdiford was born Jan. 22, 1811.

William Van Horn was born June 29, 1812.

Phebe Eliza was born July 22, 1820.

Deaths

Alletta Studdiford died Jan. 6, 1798.

Lavinia died Jan. 10, 1798.

Phebe Studdiford their mother died March 17, 1808.

James Vanderveer Studdiford her son died Octob. 12, 1823.



Sons of the Revolution Seeks Members

The purpose of the National Society Sons of the Revolution is to preserve the principles of freedom and good government for which our forefathers fought. Society members are descendants of those patriots who rendered service on behalf of American Independence.

The Daniel Bray Chapter of Hunterdon County seeks to locate and enroll those men who have and value this heritage. Inquiries may be directed to: Norman A. Stevens, President, Daniel Bray Chapter, 530 Route 523, White House Station, NJ 08889.

NOTES AND QUERIES

Address correspondence to Genealogical Committee. Listings of ten lines free to members, 25 cents per line over ten; non-member rate is 25 cents per line.

COWELL: Seeking info re Christian Cowell b. ca. 1760-70, location unknown. Father of Jacob Cowell, b. 1790 Knowlton Twp., Sussex (now Warren) County. Possible descendant of Christian Cowell who d. 1767 Amwell Twp., Hunterdon County whose will was made 9 May 1767 and proved 23 May 1767. ADD: Russell S. Cowell, 3012 Whittaker Island Rd., Williamsburg, VA 23185.

HIBLER, KASE: Does anyone have the descendants of sons of Peter Kase died ca. 1800, resided Hunterdon Co.: William Kase b. 3 June 1763 m. Catherine Hibler; and Daniel Kase m. Lydia _____. Both William and Daniel went to Northumberland Co. PA ca. 1800. ADD: Ruth E. Hill, 4711 Connell Drive, Raleigh, NC 27612-5605.

BARCROFT, EMMONS, LAKE, McATEE, THATCHER, WALTON: Seeking info re Bartholomew Thatcher, b. 10 May 1735 O.S., and wife Ann/Nancy, b. 25 Nov 1736 O.S., liv Hunterdon Co., fought under Sir Isaac Allen, sent to New Brunswick with family after RevWar. Believed to have returned to NJ and possibly remar. Chil: Margaret b. 16 Jan 1758; Abel b. 16 Sep 1759 m. Mary Lake; Mary b. 21 Oct. 1761; Hannah b. 25 Oct. 1763 m. _____ Emmons (dau Susannah Emmons m. Tunis Q. Barcroft, had at least one dau.), d. 18 Jan 1854 Philadelphia; Grace b. 26 Aug 1765 m. James McAtee (had 3 chil b. 1780s); Charles b. 22 Aug 1767/69 m. Elizabeth; Margaret Ann b. 21 Dec. 1775 m. Jonathan Walton. ADD: Vivian Boulos, 2205 Bigelow Avenue N., Apt. 6, Seattle, WA 98109-2169.

CARPENTER, OPDYKE/OPDYCKE/OBDIKE/UPDIKE: Need proof that par/o Robert Opdyke/Updike, b. ca. 1750s, d. ca. 1820, Hunt. Co. NJ were William Opdycke/Obdike/Updike, b. ca. 1715, d. after 1779, and his wife Nancy Carpenter (need dates, places for her b., m., d.). They resided in Maidenhead Twp. Hunt. Co. William served as Wagoner during RevWar. Have Op Dyck Genealogy by Charles Wilson Opdyke, 1889, and copies of former DAR members' applications from William. Postage will be reimbursed. ADD: Audrey Homan Sperling, P.O. Box 2644, Trenton, NJ 08690-0144.

RUNYAN/STOUT: Seeking identity of par/o Mary Stout who m. Freeman Runyan and had a son Phineas Runyan, b. 3 Feb 1744 Hunt. Co. NJ, d. 21 Jan (Feb) 1831; m. Charity Coates, dau/o Robert and Sarah Coates. Phineas & Charity's chil: John, Joseph, Baffard (Bearfoot) William, Aaron, Michael, Charity, Martin, Absolom, Emily, Isaac, Mercy, and Mary. ADD: June Bowman, Rt. 3, Box 123, Dexter, MO 63841.

HAZEN: Seek maiden name of Rachel, wife of William Hazen, mother of William Hazen, b. 1 Sept 1826, Tewksbury Twp., northwest of Pottersville, NJ. ADD: Anne W. McNabb, 13700 Lyman Lane, Red Bluff, CA 96080.

CRIQUE/CREQUY, HAMILTON: Seek par, sib, info re John Hamilton b. 17 July 1788 Maidenhead, Hunt. Co NJ, d. 24 Feb 1884 Pawnee, Sangamon Co IL, and Dorothea Crique b. NJ or NY 1795, d. 1853 Godfrey, Madison Co IL, poss m. Monmouth Co. NJ 20 June 1816. Chil all poss b. NJ: Alexander W. b. 1818, Charlotte b. 22 Apr 1821, John b. 1822, James b. 1824, Elizabeth b. ca. 1826, Jane b. ca. 1828, Ann b. ca. 1830, Martin VanBuren b. 26 Dec 1832, Mary b. ca. 1833, Pheba O. b. ca. 1835. John Hamilton enlisted 28 June 1811, was stationed at Fort Pickering, discharged a sergeant 13 May 1815 Boston MA. ADD: David Richardson, 3587 Lassister Rd., Marietta, GA 30062.

STAATS, HAWK: Seek info, anc/o Herbert Bloom Hawk, b. ca. 1824-30 in NJ, liv Frenchtown 1860-1900, m. Livinia Staats ca. 1850. ADD: Bob Fahy, 8130 Quail Dr., Catlett, VA 22019.

McCRACKEN, OSMAN: Seeking info re William McCracken and wife Sarah Osman, dau/o Isaac Osman, Sr., Bethlehem who left will dated 5 July 1749. William and Sarah McCracken and Isaac Osman Jr. mov to Frederick Co. VA. Need William's parents and birth place. He died 1782 Hampshire Co. VA (now WV) leaving chil: Virgil, Isaac, Seneca, William, Jain Flint, Sarah Lancaster, Cyrus and Ovid. ADD: Clyde W. Downing, 25100 180th Ave. SE, Kent, WA 98042.



HOW TO JOIN

Hunterdon County Historical Society
114 Main Street
Flemington, New Jersey 08822

Please enroll me as a member of your Society

Annual	\$15.00 per year
Family	\$18.00 per year
Contributing	\$25.00 per year
Sustaining	\$50.00 per year
Institutional	\$50 and up per year
Life	\$250.00
Patron	\$1,000.00 or more
Student	\$3.00 per year (18 years of age or less)
Century Club	\$100.00

for which I enclose my remittance in the amount of \$ _____

Name _____

Address _____

Acquisitions

Artifacts, manuscripts, Family Bibles, and other material representative of the history of Hunterdon County and the families who reside here are welcome additions to the Historical Society's collections. To the donors of recent acquisitions the Society expresses its appreciation.

Notes on the Hoagland Family: A Study of Several Branches with Allied Families, by Harry M. Cleveland, 1995. Donated by compiler, Chalfont, PA.

New Jersey Archives Third Series, Volumes 1-5 published by the Division of Archives and Records Management, New Jersey Department of State, Trenton, NJ: *Minutes of the Governor's Privy Council 1777-1789*, Volume 1, edited by David A. Bernstein, 1974; *Laws of the Royal Colony of New Jersey*, compiled by Bernard Bush, Volume 2, 1703-1745, 1977; Volume 3, 1746-1760, 1980; Vol. 4, 1760-1769, 1982; Vol. 5, 1770-1775, 1986. Purchased by the Society for the Deats Memorial Library collection.

A Bible published by George W. Mentz, 71 Race Street, Philadelphia, PA in 1820, containing the family records of Peter Studdiford and his wife Alletta Burger. Donated by Harold O. and Margery C. Van Fleet, Flemington, NJ.

Four microfilm reels of *Hunterdon County Democrat*, April-June, July-September, October-December 1994; *Delaware Valley News* January-December 1994. Donated by Hunterdon County Democrat, Catharine T. Langley, publisher, Flemington, NJ.

Company F History, 319th Infantry, published as a matter of record by the officers and men of the Company, copyrighted September 1920 by Ryman Herr, Flemington, NJ. Donated by C. Ryman Herr, Jr. and Cowles W. Herr, Flemington, NJ.

The following donated by Harold O. Van Fleet, Flemington, NJ: Photograph of the 1869 Rutgers football team who played in the first intercollegiate football game 6 November 1869, won by Rutgers over Princeton six goals to four. George H. Large and J.O. Van Fleet were Rutgers teammates.

Soldiers of the Great War, volume II, compiled by W.M. Haulsee, F.G. Howe, and A.C. Doyle, copyrighted 1920.

Eleven postcards postmarked 1906-1912 depicting: an ice freshet at Rockafellow mill circa 1908, two views of Fleming Castle in Flemington, Union Street Lambertville, Clover Hill Reformed Church, "Lafayette" House in Ringoes, Reading Academy in Flemington, Centerville M.E. Church, River scene in Neshanic Station, a shaded path at Bellewood on the Lehigh Valley Railroad, dancing pavilion and view of Bellewood on the Lehigh Valley Railroad. Donated by Joyce Serridge, Readington, NJ.

"Notes on the Swick Family," "Notes on the Cox Family," and "Notes on the Read (Reed) Family," compiled by Midge Covert. Donated by the compiler, Alpha, NJ.

The Times of Tewksbury, March/April 1995. This is a bimonthly newsletter published to keep residents informed of local activities. Donated by Misses Marion and Helen Waldron, Oldwick, NJ.

FINANCIAL REPORT 1994

Receipts

Dues	\$ 8,257.00
Interest on investments	43,871.66
Dividend income	3,052.23
Sale of books, maps, etc.	2,025.00
Sale back Newsletters	429.75
Donations	586.00
Xerox fees collected	694.71
Grants:	
Large Foundation	9,000.00
County Cultural &	1,300.00
Heritage Commission	
Other	350.00
Total Receipts	\$69,566.35

Disbursements

Wages	\$20,704.75
Payroll taxes	1,844.66
Insurance	5,103.46
Utilities	5,198.52
Postage and printing	5,963.92
Building maintenance	3,157.85
Equipment maintenance, repair	457.60
Office supplies, equipment	692.62
Meeting expenses	349.75
Volunteer luncheon	384.72
Dues and fees	120.00
Books, microfilm, etc	1,076.08
Total Disbursements	\$45,113.80

Excess of receipts over disbursements* \$24,452.55

*The surplus from operations during 1994 is being used in 1995 to underwrite publishing costs planned for 1994 which were delayed until the current year. Updating of electronic record keeping equipment will be a further expenditure of the accumulated surplus.



Images from the Past

A picture is worth a thousand words.

Flemington's 1905 Baseball Team



HCHS Collections, Px 1370

Wearing the insignia "FFA" on their Flemington Athletic Association uniforms the baseball team fielded during the 1905 season appears below.

Bottom row l-r: Micky Lovell, second base; Earle Biddle, third base; Clayton Porter, batboy; Charles Biddle, right field. Middle row: Richard Slattery, first base; Pearl Rittenhouse, left field; J. Ramsey, pitcher; Harry Brunner, catcher. Top row: John Reardon, umpire; Harry Anderson; Harry Lott, short stop; Charles Carmody, center field; Al Muller, manager.

The Flemington Athletic Association was formed one hundred years ago, on 16 April 1895 at a meeting of the stockholders held in the Hunterdon County Court House in Flemington. H.B. Green was chosen chairman and a constitution was adopted under the provision of an act to incorporate boat clubs and other associations for the purpose of promoting athletic activities. Officers elected were John L. Connet President, W. A. Abbott Secretary, John F. Schenk Treasurer, and other trustees Jos. L. Chamberlin, Jno. B. Case, H.B. Green, and Jas. E. Farmer.

The Committee offered stock and secured 174 shares at \$5 per share, collecting \$870. The team's field was located on Forker [now Maple Avenue] where grading, fencing, building a grand stand, etc. was began immediately to make the grounds ready for the opening game by Decoration Day.

[Editorial note: Newspaper accounts in the *Democrat Advertiser*, April 19, 1895 and *Hunterdon Democrat*, August 15, 1905 provided background on the Flemington Athletic Association and the positions the team members played during the 1905 season.]