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## Keep the Society Posted on Family Reunions

Holcombe Reunion — The 3rd Holcombe Reunion was held Wednesday, August 12, 1891 at William F. Holcombe's grove at Mt. Airy. Some of the descendants of John Holcombe posed for the photograph above. The Hunterdon County Historical Society is interested in knowing of current reunions. The **Swackhamer-Dufford** Family Reunion is held the last Saturday in July and the **Stout** Family Reunion is held annually on the second Saturday in August in Hopewell. The 1st Annual **Stires** Family Reunion is scheduled for June 23, at 19 a.m. at the Coach n' Paddock, Clinton.

### DETAILS OF SPRING MEETING June 30 BEING FINALIZED

As the *Newsletter* goes to the printer, plans for the Spring Meeting, scheduled for June 30, are not finalized. The Planning Committee, Richard Stothoff and Norman Wittwer, are endeavoring to set up a delightful bus trip. Details of the trip and a registration form will be mailed to members as soon as possible.



#### CALENDAR

June 30, 1979: Spring Meeting  
Announcement of program to follow  
November 18, 1979: Fall Meeting  
Announcement of program to follow  
March 23, 1980: Annual Meeting





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**GENEALOGICAL FILE RESTORATION PROJECT**

The Deats Genealogical file restoration project was completed during the second week in May. In the three and one half months since the project was begun, over 10,000 pieces of acid-weakened paper were copied. The badly worn folders were replaced with modern hanging files which should lessen the wear and tear on file contents. Manuscripts, Bible records and photographs were removed for safe-keeping and a catalog card was made for each family name represented. In all, over 1,100 files were processed.

We want to thank the following people who have contributed to this project; we have received over \$400 so far. However, more is needed to defray the considerable cost of this project and we would like to urge all that might not have sent their contribution to do so now. Every contribution of \$5.00 will pay for the preservation of one file, and you may request that your contribution be used for a specific family or allow us to apply the money generally.

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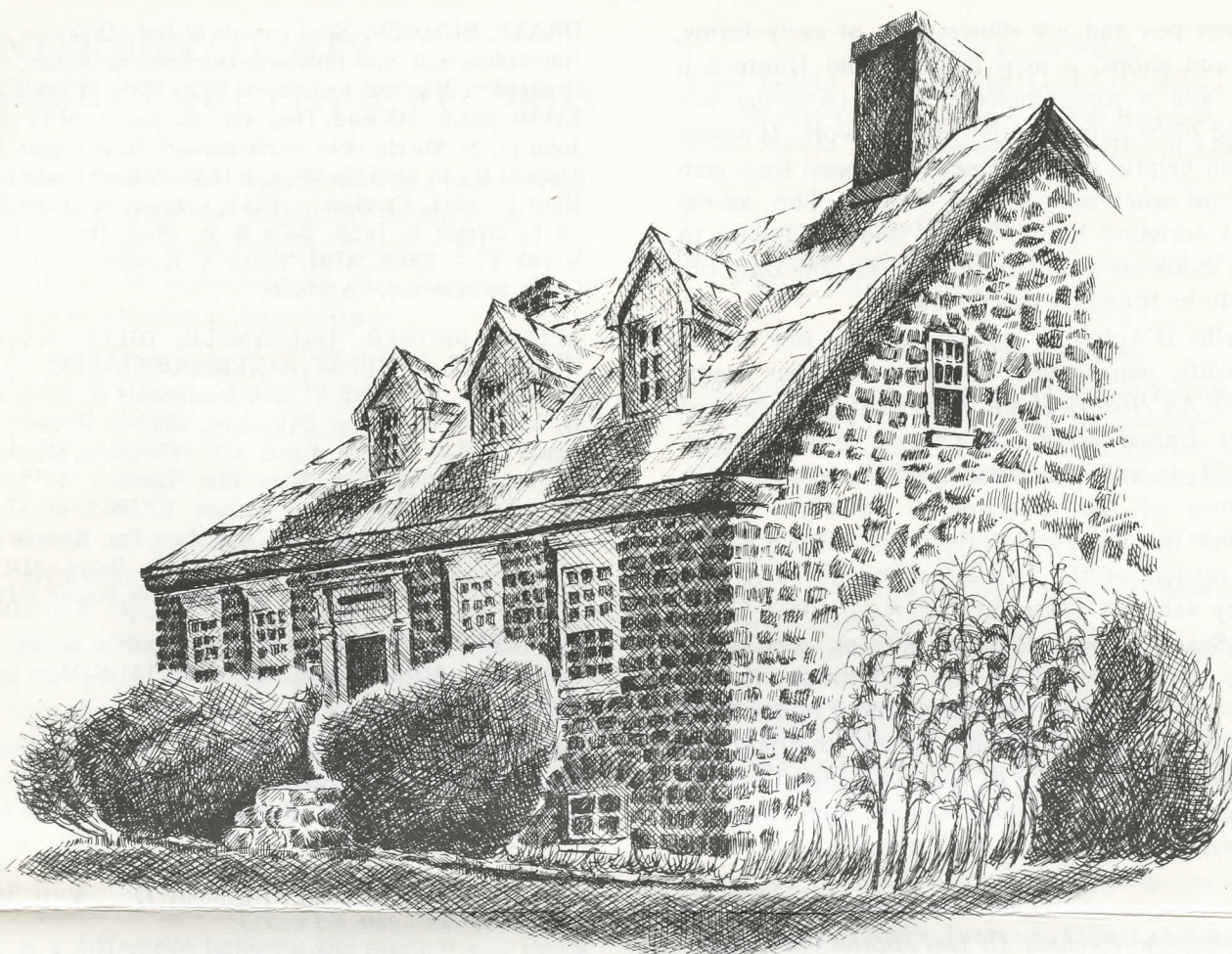
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Andrew Smith farmhouse — The cornerstone of Andrew Smith's stone farmhouse is dated 1712. His father, of the same name, is given credit for naming the township of Hopewell. The drawing is by Jonnylee R. Gore.

## Book Review

*Some Records of Old Hunterdon County 1701-1838.* Compiled by Phyllis B. D'Autrechy, 1979, Trenton Printing Company, Trenton, New Jersey, 351 pp., \$25.00.

Mrs. D'Autrechy has again assembled another indispensable genealogical compilation, certain to be of assistance to all those doing research on old Hunterdon County. Covering records indigenous not only to the present Townships of the County, but also of those Townships (Hopewell, Trenton, and Maidenhead), which left Hunterdon in 1838 to become part of newly created Mercer County.

The book's broad title does justice to the multitude of records contained therein. Genealogists and historians interested in the early Baptists of Hunterdon will be attracted to the forty-eight pages covering the "Kingwood Baptist Church Records", from 1742 to 1823. Those who are concerned with the early Germans of the County will find the records of the "Alexandria German Reformed Church", spanning the years 1763 through 1802 of great help. This abstract corrects the several errors and omissions of

the same records printed in the *Jerseyman*, Volume 3, Number 4, (June, 1897). Quaker history is rendered an invaluable service in the compilation of an "Index" to the Records of the Kingwood Monthly Meeting of Friends, which are printed in the *Jerseyman*, beginning with Volume 4, Number 2, (May 1898).

Of a more general nature, Mrs. D'Autrechy's book contains abstracts from Volume 1 of the "Minutes of the Court of Common Pleas", for the years from 1701 to 1723 inclusive. Volume 1 of the "Special Deeds" (years 1720 to 1829), and the first volume of "Partitions" (years 1800 to 1873), round out the other public civil records contained in the compilation.

The Revolutionary War period is detailed in the section devoted to "Loyalist Papers" (1778-1781), and lists of "Revolutionary War Pension Claims", giving an enumeration of veterans not only of Hunterdon County, but of Somerset County as well.

A facet of current genealogical interest is served by a section devoted to "Slavery in Hunterdon County", which comprises "Slave Manumissions and Births of Negro Children", including the names of the owners.



Seven pen and ink illustrations of early farms, taverns and shops, a map detailing old Hunterdon County, and a comprehensive index (covering surname and place name) rounds off the work. It would have been helpful if each page was topped by a general title of what was covered thereon. This, an occasional omission in the index, and the failure to date the book on the Title Page, were the only objections to be found by this reviewer.

Phyllis D'Autrechy is fast becoming one of our most prolific genealogical compilers. To her credit already is *An Historical and Genealogical Record of the First United Methodist Church of Pennington 1774-1974*, as well as numerous articles appearing in publications of the Genealogical Society of New Jersey and the Hopewell Valley Historical Society. Regular readers of the *Newsletter* are fully aware of her many valuable contributions. A Certified Genealogical Searcher since 1969, as well as Genealogist for Sons of the Revolution, Mrs. D'Autrechy is now engaged in abstracting the Hunterdon County wills from 1818, as well as the deaths and marriage appearing in the early issues of the *Hunterdon Gazette*. Hunterdon is indeed fortunate to have such a capable genealogist interested in her early period.

Fred Sisser, III

Copies of *Some Records Of Old Hunterdon County 1701-1838* are \$25 each and may be ordered from Mrs. T.M. D'Autrechy, 127 E. Franklin Ave., Pennington, NJ 08534. New Jersey residents add \$1.25 sales tax.



## NOTES and QUERIES

Address correspondence to Genealogical Committee. Listing of ten lines free to members, non-members rate is 25¢ per line.

FINE/FEIN: Seek info on early Fine/Fein family that founded Finesville. ADD: Mrs. Ray D. Lee, 17 Westover Court, Pleasant Hill, CA 94523.

COATES, RUNYAN: Need to know parents of Phineas Runyan, b. 1744 in Hunterdon, m ca. 1762 Charity Coates, possible d/o John or William. Mother possibly Esther Doughty. Phineas' grandfather may be Thomas, great grandfather Vincent. Phineas and family moved to New York ca 1775, then to North Carolina ca 1779. ADD: Marian Craig, 8670 Prospect Road, Strongsville, OH 44136.

BECCLESHAER/BECKELHYMER/PICKELSHIMER/BEHYMER/B'HYMER: There was such a family in Amwell, Hunterdon County, in mid-1700's. John Beccleshamer was the second Brethren minister there. The same name is found in Betetourt County, Virginia in 1784. Are they the same family? Will answer all correspondence: ADD: Leatrice J. Harpster, 15300 Pine Orchard Drive, Silver Springs, MD 20906.

DRAKE, HUMMER: Need parents of Imly Drake, b. 1816 in Hunterdon, and wife Elizabeth Hummer, m. 6 Jan. 1842 in Hunterdon. Migrated to Indiana, living there 21 years, then to Kansas where both died. They were the parents of 11 children, John H., b. March 1844 in Hunterdon; b. in Lagno, Indiana Thomas H., b. 1845, Sarah A. b 1848, William Drake b. 1849, Mary b. 1851, Caroline b. 1851, Clementina Drake b. Aug. 1856, Maggie b. 1858, Belle B. b. 1862, Harriet b. 1864, Martin F. b. 1866. ADD: Helen A. Kammerer, 5158 Cabot Circle, Sacramento, CA 95820.

ALLER, BROWER, DALRYMPLE, DILTS, HAYCOCK, HOAGLAND, LAMBERT, BAKER, OUDERKIRK, ROWLAND, THATCHER: Seek descendants of: Sarah Thatcher, b. 1806, m. George Dalrymple, children Robert, Albert, Amos T., Mary Ann m. James Aller; Elizabeth, Martha Rowland m. Reading Dilts; Mary Eliz. Lambert, b. 1833, m. Peter K. Hoagland; Fannie Brower, b. 1845, m. Haycock, children Lorena, George and Ira; Mary Em. Brower m. Edward Ouderkirk, children Lulu, Marg. m. Baker. ADD: Mrs. Roberta Thatcher Watts, 643 Terhune Drive, Wayne, NJ 07470.

BUTTERFOSS: Desire any bit of information on the Butterfoss family. ADD: Richard Butterfoss, 141 S. Main St., Pennington, NJ 08534.

BAINBRIDGE, PHILLIPS: Nathaniel Phillips, apparently of Hunterdon Co., m. 26 Nov. 1812 Mary Bainbridge, d/o John and Arientje (Dumont) Bainbridge. Who were Nathaniel Phillips' parents? Margaret Schenk Bainbridge, b. 1796, sister of above Mary, m. Elisha Hunt, b. 1799, s/o Richard Hunt and Hannah Phillips. ADD: Mary Jane Shurts, 18 Heritage Road, East Lyme, CT 06333.

CASE: Lasher Case and wife Rebecca Jane --- had sons John, b. Hunterdon County 12 August 1840, and Elisha. Family moved to Ohio when children were young. Who were Lasher's parents? ADD: Mrs. Sarah V. Brahn, 27947 SW 145 Ave., Naraja, FL 33032.

BENNETT: Abraham, b. ca. 1808, d. 26 May 1887, bur. Locust Grove Cemetery, Quakertown, NJ. Need to know birthplace of Abraham, who his parents were and their birthplaces. ADD: Blythe M. Artman, P.O. Box 854, Bandon, OR 97411.

Date .....

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## HUNTERDON COUNTY JUSTICE OF THE PEACE RECORDS

Many New Jersey Justice of the Peace dockets are deposited with the Bureau of Archives and History, New Jersey State Library, Trenton, New Jersey. Included in the collection are the dockets of the following Hunterdon County justices:

Richard Opdycke	1778-1780
Foster Walters	1814-1816
James Larason	1815-1834
Luther Opdyke	1823-1829
Hiram Bennett	1846-1850
Eleazer Smith	1862-1869

Within the docket pages are notations of marriages performed by the J.P. The marriages performed by Richard Opdycke are scattered chronologically throughout the docket with the court cases over which he presided.\* The other justices noted the marriages they performed on the final pages of their dockets.

Most of the marriages were recorded by Hiram E. Deats in his Marriage Records of Hunterdon County, New Jersey, 1795-1875. Additional material to Deats record of a marriage is italicized. A marriage not included in Deats is starred with an asterisk. Where there is a difference between the original and Deats, the latter is placed in parentheses.

\*A copy of the marriages performed by Richard Opdycke was made by Mr. Deats on which he noted that "this docket was among material taken from Hunterdon Co. Clerk's office by Dr. C.E. Godfrey, Director of the Public Record Office, and has not yet been returned to Flemington. 4 Feb. 1939."

### Docket of Richard Opdycke

- Smith, Bearfoot and Mary, dr. of Matthias Smith, 2 Sept. 1778\*  
 Pettit, Nathaniel and Mary Watson, 27 Dec. 1778\*  
 Stout, Isaac and Mary Hunt, 21 Jan. 1779.\*  
 Gronindyke, Abraham and Hannah Coalman, both of Kingwood, 21 Feb. 1779\*.  
 Tayler, Thomas and Elizabeth, widow of Daniel Smith, both of Kingwood, 22 Feb. 1779.\*  
 Thatcher, Nathaniel and Lorana Taylor, 11 Oct. 1779.\*  
 Taylor, Daniel and Margaret, daughter of William Thatcher of Kingwood, 27 Dec. 1779.\*  
 Hart, Joseph and Ellenor Wilson, both of Kingwood, 4 Jan. 1780.\*  
 Slack, James and Elisabeth Marshal of Kingwood, 9 Jan. 1780.\*  
 Tilyer, Thomas and Anne, daughter of Edward Marshall, on Tinecom Island, 5 March 1780.\*  
 Bonham, Uriah and Magdalane, widow of Andrew Heath, 30 Aug. 1780.\*  
 Riley, Thomas and Cathrine Smoke, 14 Sept. 1780.\*  
 McKlean, John and Christena Smith, 17 Sept. 1780.\*  
 Retinhouse, Garet and Cathrine Sine, 23 Sept. 1780.\*

### Docket of Foster Walters

- Hunt, Andrew, *blackman*, and Cate Bristor (Catharine Busto), both of Lawrence, 1 April 1821 at Hopewell.  
 Yard, William T. and Martha Wright, both of Lawrence, 26 Sept. 1820 at Hopewell.\*  
 Drake, Nathaniel and Hannah Wilson, both of Hopewell, 4 Jan. 1816 at Hopewell.  
 Stout, Robert and Rebeckah Mcferston, both of Hopewell, 9 Nov. 1816 at Hopewell.

### Docket of James Larason

- Boss, Joseph Jr. and Azeubah( (Azenbah) Kitchen, both of Alexandria Township, 22 June 1817, at James Kitchen's.  
 Swegle, Matthias of Sussex Co. and Sarah Vannetta of Hunterdon County, 9 July 1818 at Mary Vannetta's, Kingwood Township.  
 Oaks, Peter and Elley (Ellcey) Duckworth, both of Alexandria Township, 8 Dec. 1818.  
 Wolverton, Joel and Mary Sinkler (St. Clair), both of Alexandria Township, 3 June 1819.  
 Bloom, Peter and Hanna Brink, both of Alexandria Township, 19 June 1819.  
 Pippenger, Joshuway S. and Mary Pippenger, both of Alexandria Township, 15 Jan. 1820.  
 Slout, John and Ann Johnson, both of Alexandria Township, 12 June 1816, at Elijah Lotts.  
 Vansyckle, William and Sarah Robison, both of Kingwood Township, 3 Aug. 1816 at John Robison's.  
 Fox, Jacob and Ruth Thatcher, both of Kingwood Township, 28 Nov. 1816, at Jonas Thatcher's.  
 Pelts, Daniel and Rachel Lawrence, both of Alexandria Township, 29 Nov. 1816, at Sarah Lawrence's.  
 Secafoss (Seeafoss), Jacob and Elizabeth Wallis (Wallice), both of Nomanixson Township, Bucks Co., 14 May 1817, at Adam Everett's in Alexandria Township.  
 Hyner, Christopher and Sarah Ann (Laran) Quick, both of Alexandria, 8 Dec. 1821 at William Quick's.  
 Duckworth, Fraderick of Bethlehem Township and Mrs. Margaret Oaks of Alexandria Township, 3 Sept. 1825.  
 Hulsizer, Andrew and Mrs. Ann Wert (West), both of Kingwood Township, 28 Dec. 1833 at "my office in Alexandria Township".  
 Hann, Henry and Mrs. Mariah West, both of Kingwood Township, 18 Feb. 1834, at Thomas Robison's in Kingwood Township.  
 Opdycke, Luther Esq. and Mrs. Mary Dalrimple, both of Alexandria Township, 8 Aug. 1835 at Luther Opdycke Esq.'s.  
 Cowel, Lambert of Mansfield Township, Warren Co. and Mary Macka, of Alexandria Township, 1 Mar. 1837, at Jacob Eckman's in Alexandria Township.
- ### Docket of Luther Opdyke
- Skiler (Skyler), Samuel and Amah Apgar, both of Alexandria Township, 20 May 1824.  
 Gano, Samuel and Rebekah Oaks, both of Alexandria Township, 3 Dec. 1825.  
 Bloom, David and Rebekah Pyatt, both of Alexandria Township, 10 Dec. 1825.  
 Pursel, Peter of Kingwood to Mary Ann Robins of Amwell, 21 Jan. 1827.  
 Housel, Tilee (Lilee) of Bethlehem to Thamer Ruple of Alexandria Township, 10 June 1827.





Robbins Family Reunion: Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Robbins and family ca 1895. Front row from left to right: Carrie Dolliver Robbins, wife of Benjamin Franklin Robbins; their son Warren Mercer on grand-fathers lap; Mrs. Robbins (Sarah Isabella Bird) holding on her lap Elsie, daughter of Charles Carroll and Edna T. Robbins; Edna Thompson Robbins. In the back row from left to right; daughter Mary, wife of Abram Vandeveer; sons Charles Carroll; Edward Rutledge; Benjamin Franklin; Roger Sherman; William Ellery; and Charity Sidders, wife of William.

Photograph collection of Hunterdon County Historical Society

Larrance, John and Sarah Wilson, both of Bethlehem Township, 14 Feb. 1828.\*

Keophart (Keephart), John and Anna Wilson, *both of Kingwood Township*, 3 April 1829.

Garman, Henry of Lebanon Township and Cla (?) ey Reading of Kingwood Township, 2 June 1830.\*

Akeman, Jacob and Hetty Mackee, both of Alexandria Township, 30 Nov. 1830.\*

#### Docket of Hiram Bennett

Williamson, William W. and Harriet E. Philips (Phelps), 4 March 1846 *at Thomas Roberson's*.

Rooks, Hugh and Sarah Heath, 21 Mar. 1846 *in Delaware Township*.

Rooks, Francis and Charity Heath, 16 Aug. 1846 *at "my office in Hunterdon County."*

Atkinson, Alfred E. and Mary Ann Wilson, 11 Dec. 1847 *in Kingwood*.

#### Docket of James Larason

The Voluntary Examination of Susanah Daws, single woman, taken on oath before me James Larason. . . 26 April 1816. . . who saith that she is now with child and that the said child is likely to be born a bastard and that John Butler of Alexandria Township, laborer, . . . is the father of her child. Signed with her mark.

Taken before me the day and year above written. Signed.

"Sence married to Butler"

N.B. happened last Feb. 1816. (p.21)

Rachel Lawrence of Alexandria, single woman, . . . 28 Nov. 1816 . . . she is now with child and hath been about 2 months . . . Daniel Pelts of Alexandria, laborer, is the father of her child. . . Signed with mark. (Warrant put out for his arrest. . . no result of the case given) (p.30)

Ann Housel of Alexandria, single woman. . . 11 March 1817 . . . Israel Housel, blacksmith of Alexandria, is the father. Signed with mark.

N.B. about 15 Aug. 1816.

(A warrant issued on appeal of Henry Rockafaler, Overseer of the Poor) (p. 39)

Eury Britton, of Kingwood Township, single woman, 21 April 1818. . . Anthony Huff Jr. of Alexandria Township is the father. . . Signed with mark.

N.B. was done in Jan. 1818.

(a warrant issue 24 April 1818 at the request of George Larason, O.P.) (p. 47)

Sophiah Hall (Hull), of Alexandria Township, single woman, . . . 28 Sept. 1818. . . Newton King of Kingwood Township. . . (p. 15-sic)

#### Docket of Eleazer Smith

Emery, Ellis of *Hunterdon County* and Martha Barber of *Clarksville*, 10 Aug. 1868 *at Clarksville*.

Crotsley (Crotchley), Henery of *Clarksville* and Margaret Stires of the same, 9 Oct. 1868 *in Lebanon Township*.

Daws, John C. of *Clarksville* and Silca (Silea) Daughady of same, 3 April 1869 *in Lebanon Township*.

Beam, Nelson and Caroline Ader, *both of German Valley*, 17 (19) May 1869 *in Lebanon Township*.

Phyllis B. D'Autrechy





## INDICES TO NEWSLETTER FOR SALE

Readers of the previous issue of the *Newsletter* may have noticed the page numbers were 271-278, a deviation from the numbering system used since the inception of the *Newsletter*. This was done to facilitate indexing all issues.

The Index to the first ten volumes, pages 1-158 compiled by Fred Sisser, III, has been available for some time now. Because of the efforts of Phyllis D'Autrechy who has indexed volumes 11 through pages 159-270, the Society can offer this new index to our members.

With the new continuous pagination of the *Newsletter*, beginning with Volume 15, we will be able to set up and maintain a card file index. As each issue is printed, it can be indexed and added to the card file.

Index to Volumes 1-10, \$1 and self addressed stamped, #10 envelope.

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Send money and envelope to the Society to purchase a copy of either index.

## Membership Report

We welcome the following new members who have joined the Hunterdon County Historical Society since January 1979:

Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Schultzel, Asbury, NJ  
 Ms. Sandra Frost, Lynn, MA  
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Members of the Rockefeller Family Association met in Hunterdon County October 4, 1906 and posed on the steps of the Courthouse for this photograph.

Hunterdon County Historical Society Photograph Collection





## SIX STOOD SIX

Deposited at the Bureau of Archives and History, New Jersey State Library, Trenton, New Jersey, in their Revolutionary War Series, is the Manuscript #3608 entitled "A List of Recruits Detached from Col. John Taylors Battalion of Hunterdon County Militia in the State of New Jersey for filling up the Regiments belonging thereto". It is particularly interesting because it gives the color of hair and complexion of the recruit, his age and height. Six stood six feet tall!

The order of the entry here and in the original is name, county, township, "the number of my classes", complexion, hair, age, feet high, inches high and time of enlistment.

On the back is a "List of Recruits Rec'd from the 14th Reg't of Hunterdon County Commanded by Col. Jno. Taylor together with the notes of the Reg't, Co. & time joined". This information is given secondly in the notes below. All joined June 5, 1778.

John Evans, Hunterdon County, Reding Township, 19th, Brown, Black, 18 yrs. old, 5'9", 11 May 1778. 2nd Regiment, Capt. Luse's Company.

James Deare, Hunterdon County, Lebanon Township, 1st, Light, Brown, 25 yrs. old, 5'10", 11 May 1778. 2nd Regiment, Capt. Luse's Co.

James Array, Hunterdon County, Reding Township, 16th, Mullato, Blak (sic), 19 yrs. old, 6', 11 May 1778. 2nd Reg't, Capt. Luse's Co.

Henry Breese, Hunterdon County, Tewksbury Township, 21st, Light, Btown, 24 yrs. old, 6', 19 May 1778. 2nd Reg't, Capt. Luse's Co.

John Devore, Hunterdon County, Reding Township, 8th, Light, Brown, 20 yrs. old, 5'9", 11 May 1778. 2nd Reg't, Capt. Luse's Co.

Sam'l Leonard, Morris County, Morris Township, 22nd, Dark, Black, 28 yrs. old, 6', 18 May 1778. 1st Reg't, Capt. Mead's Co.

John Vanarsdale (VanAsdall), Hunterdon County, Reding Township, 17th, Lightish, Brown, 17 yrs. old, 5'6", 11 May 1778. 2nd Regiment, Capt. Luse's Co.

Isaac Monfort, Hunterdon County, Reding Township, Dark, Black, 17 yrs. old, 5'5", 11 May 1778. 2nd Reg't, Capt. Luse's Company

Sam'l Peterson, Hunterdon County, Tewksbury Township, 2nd, Mulatto, Black, 23 yrs. old, 5'10", 11 May 1778. 2nd Reg't. Capt. Luse's Co.

Abr'm Vanfleet (Van Vliet), Hunterdon County, Reding Township, 14th, Light, Brown, 23 yrs. old, 5'10", 12 May 1778. 2nd Regiment, Capt. Luse's Company.

Henry Lyon, Hunterdon County, Reding Township, 10th, fair, Black, 32 yrs. old, 5'8", 16 May 1778. 2nd Regiment, Capt. Luse's Co.

Henry Slingsland (Slingland), Hunterdon County, Reding Township, 15th, Brown, Brown, 22 yrs. old, 5'8", 21 May 1778. 1st Reg't, Capt. Voorhis Co.

Matthew Adams, Hunterdon County, Tewksbury Township, 11th, Light, Brown, 22 yrs. old, 5'8", 11 May 1778. 2nd Reg't. Capt. Luse's Co.

Daniel Conger, Morris County, Morris Township, 5th, Dark, Black, 48 yrs. old, 5'7", 23 May 1778. 3rd Regiment, Capt. Ballards Co.

Andr'w Consilyea, Hunterdon County, Lebanon Township, 7th, Dark, Black, 22 yrs. old, 6'3", 11 May 1778.

George Brown, Hunterdon County, Tewksbury Township, 12th, Dark, Brown, 24 yrs. old, 5'9", 25 May 1778. 2nd Reg't, Capt. Luse's Co.

William Todd, Somerset County, Bedminster Township, 20th, Dark, Black, 21 yrs old, 5', 23 May 1778. 2nd Reg't, Capt. Luse's Co.

Peter Malatt (Merlett), Hunterdon County, Reding Township, 18th, Dark, Dark, 23 yrs. old, 5'11", 25 May 1778. 4th Regiment, Capt. Forman's Co.

Andrew Bray Esq., Hunterdon County, Lebanon Township, 3rd, Dark, Dark, unknown age, 6', 30 May 1778. 2nd Reg't, Capt. Luse's Co.

Timothy Brown, Hunterdon County, Tewksbury Township, 4th, Dark, Dark, 40 yrs. old, 6', 30 May 1778. 2nd Reg't, Capt. Luse's Co.

Phyllis B. D'Autrechy