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MINUTES  
OF  
The *Board of Proprietors*  
of the EASTERN DIVISION  
of *NEW JERSEY*  
from  
1745 to 1764

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With an Introductory Essay by  
GEORGE J. MILLER, *Registrar of the Board*

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Registrar

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Bartow, Esqr., a Deputy Surveyor General which was approved of and confirmed under the hands and seals of the members present by an indorsement on the back.

*Andw: Johnston, Robt H. Morris, Lewis Johnston, John Burnet, Cortd Skinner, James Parker, William Burnet, Samuel Nevill.*

AT A COUNCIL of Proprietors of the Eastern Division of New Jersey held at Perth Amboy, August 18th, 1756. *Present*, The President, Mr. Nevill, Dr. Johnston, Mr. John Burnet, Mr. Bartow for Mr. Morris, Mr. William Burnet, Mr. Skinner.

John Smyth in behalf of the Executrix of James Alexander, Esqr., laid before the Board an account of expenses &c, from May 12th, 1755 to March 8th, 1756, inclusive.

Ordered that it be referred to Mr. Nevill and Mr. John Burnet to examine the same and make report thereon.

A Power of Attorney to William Alexander, Esqr., which was ordered the 7th Inst. was now laid before the Board and approved of.

Ordered that the President sign the same which he did and that the Clerk do send it to Mr. Alexander.

A letter from Mr. Alexander was read, informing the Board that he had waited on Govr. Belcher with a certified copy of the petition of this Board to the King relating to the division line between this Province and New York, that he had requested his Excellency to recommend it to his Majesty's ministers as a matter tending to the peace of the people of said Provinces, that his said Excellency assured him he would do every thing in his power to forward the settlement of that dispute but requested that this Board, would by letter point out what they would have him to do, and inclose to him in said letter, a copy of said petition.

The President is desired to write a letter accordingly.

George Ryerse attending was called in and laid before the Board a journal of his proceedings at Romopock. He also laid before the Board sundry leases of lands at Romopock, which the Clerk is ordered to fill up and prepare for signing. Said Ryerse also laid before the Board an account of rents he had received of the tenants at Romopock, also an account of expenses & by him.

Ordered that they be referred to Mr. Bartow and Mr. John Burnet who are to examine the same and make report thereon.

A petition of William Clothier was read, setting forth that one Isaac Bryan in the year 1679 had obtained a warrant from Govr. Carteret for 840 acres in Monmouth County for head lands. That said Bryan in pursuance of said warrant settled a tract of land in Shrewsbury in Monmouth County aforesaid and improved the same that he afterwards sold it to one Edward Blenman who conveyed the same to said Clothier and one Nathaniel Jenkins. That said Clothier now finds said lands never was surveyed or patented to said Bryan but that after his death in the year 1686, a patent for the same was granted to Governor Barclay, that he is advised he has no remedy to recover that particular tract. Therefore prays relief of this Board.

The Board taking the same into their consideration are of opinion that the same be referred to further consideration and a fuller Board.

[480] The leases delivered on this day by George Ryerson being filled up were executed as follows:

- No. 176. To Peter and Hermanus Vanblercum of 48.78 acres for 3 years from 24th of March last @ 5 s pr ann.
- 177. To Garrit David Ackerman of 77.88 acres for Do. from Do. @ 7 s 6 per ann.
- 178. To John Jo: Banta of 49.75 acres for Do. from Do. @ 5 s per ann.
- 179. To John Ackerman of 41.83 acres for Do. from Do. @ 5 s per ann.
- 180. To Garret Vanblersum of 50 acres for Do. from Do. @ 5 s pr ann.
- 181. To John Jo: Banta of 25.93 acres for Do. from Do. @ 5 s per ann.
- 182. To Simon Demarest of 108½ acres for Do. from Do. @ 12 s 6 per ann.
- 183. To Conraad Forsealman of 250 acres for Do. from Do. @ 25 s per ann.
- 184. To John Hase of 109 acres for Do. from Do. : 12s 6 pr ann.
- 185. To Jacob Coole of 250 acres for Do. from Do. : 25s pr ann.
- 186. To Johanes Shults, Junr of 123.90 acres for Do. from Do. @ 12 s 6 per ann.
- 187. To Peter Poss of 173 acres for Do. from Do. @ 17.6 pr ann.
- 188. To Johanes Shults of 119 acres for Do. from Do. : 12 s 6 pr ann.

Ordered that they be delivered to George Ryerson in order to get the counterparts executed by the lessees and receive the rent as it becomes due.

John Bebout being settled on Dockwrae's 2,000 acres on the north side of Pasaick River attending, was called in and acquainted the Board that he had for some time past held possession for Dockwra's heirs, but is now threatened by Elizabeth Town and is willing to enter into bond in such manner as the other settlers under Dockwra have done, provided the Proprietors will defend him in like manner which bond he now executes in £100 procl'm.

Whereupon it's agreed that the Clerk give him an engagement in the words given the former settlers, which was done accordingly and the bond is in the Clerk's keeping for Dockwra's heirs.

Mr. Bartow from the committee to whom the accounts of George Ryerson were referred reported that they had examined the same and find a balance due from said Ryerson to the Proprietors, of the sum of £32:8:11, York money inclusive of £6:3:6 York money settled to be due from him to them, the 24th August 1754, which the Board confirms. Ordered that the accounts be fixed in book of collections.

George Ryerson paid to the Treasurer, the above balance of £32:8:11, York money.

Mr. John Burnet from the committee to whom the account of Mr. Alexander was referred reported that they had examined the same and find a balance of £421:2:8 York money due to the said Alexander from the Proprietors which report the Board agrees to.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay the same and that the account be entered in the minutes and is as follows:

Dr. The Proprietors of East Jersey to James Alexander

1755

May 12th.	To postage of a letter to Lewis Evans for Maps	£ 0: 1: 3
July 2d	To cash pd Secrys office for copies of Minisink & Wawayanda patents	1: 1: 0
17th	To Do. pd Livingston and Smith for perusing about 80 pages of the draught of the report of the Council of New Jersey and making some amendments £10 each	20: 0: 0

July 28th	To Do. pd searching the records in Secry's office New York	0: 1: 6
Aug. 2	To Do. pd Charles Evans for copying report from 4th head 30 s, and to Jos: Webb for coming an hour earlier and staying an hour later than usual this week 10 s	2: 0: 0
Sept. 13th	To Do. pd for colors and pencils to color Keith's Maps	0: 3: 1
	To Do. pd postage of 2 letters from Mr. Paris via Philadelphia	0: 13: 1
24th	To Do. pd Parker and Weyman for printing report and paper as pr accott and rect annexed day book	28: 12: 0
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Novr. 1st	To Do. pd postage of a letter from Mr. Paris via Philadelphia inclosing copy of Lord of Trades report against N. Y. Act of Decr. 7th concerning the line and copy of Lord's Justices order to prepare an instruction to N. Y. to provide for half the charge	3: 5: 4
5th	To maps sent Mr. Paris, Mr. Collison and Mr. Barclay by diff't ships and the same bound up for Lieut. Govr. perusal with Eliz. Town bill Brunswk letter and answer, three publications &c., as per acct. par'rs in day book, and Evans's accott thereto annexed	5: 13: 6
8	Pd for copys of Indian deeds of West Jersey rec'd from Danl Smith, Junr., with copies of Minutes of Council, procl: 23 s 10	1: 5: 10
21	To Do. sent to Richard Gardiner for the use of the Proprietors by H. Simson 50 ps. 8 s 8 and 1 ps of 8 s 8 to him being detained waiting for lettrs and papers to Gardiner	20: 8: 0
Febry 18	To Do. pd Secrys office at N. Y. for copy of Minisink and Waywayanda Act 24 s and to Clerk that brought it	1: 5: 0
March 2d	To 5 quire best paper to be bound up with Minutes of Council of N. Jersey concerning the Line	0: 10: 0

March 8.	To cash pd McAlpine for binding same	0: 7: 0
	To bill on Messrs. David Barclay and sons	
	for the use of the Proprietors of E. Jersey	
	£421:2:0 ster—at 80 pr ct is	<u>757:19: 7¼</u>
		£840: 6: 2¼

1755	CR.	
Mar. 28	By bal of an account settled this day	
	Procl	£96: 6: 11½
29	By 200 acres of rights	
	bought at one at	
	£26:10:0, the other at	
	£27:0:0	<u>53:10: 0</u>
		149:16:11½ is £162: 6: 8½

Augt. 22nd	By cash rec'd of Mr. James Parker	
	£37:19:7 N. Y. Currency with a bill of exchange for £30 sterl. is in full for his protested bill of £46:14:1 with interest and charges £51:2:0 sterl.	37:19: 7

	By Do. recd of Andrw: Johnston, Esqr., on account of £400 Sterl. to be remitted to Barclay & Son on accott of the Proprs of E. Jersey as agreed on in March last £165 procl.	178:15: 0
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Sepr. 2d	By do. of Gulian & John Bogart's for their deed from Trustees dated 13th August 1754 consd. £40:1:1 Jersey at 8 s pr oz: with a years interest 56s is in all £42:17:2 for 124. 16 acres out of which I promised to repay what they had pd to George Ryerson for surveying is	<u>39:16: 0</u>
		£418:17: 3½
	By balance due to the Estate of James Alexander	<u>421: 8: 10¾</u>
		£840: 6: 2¼

It's agreed that Mr. Bartow, Deputy Surveyor Gen'll extend the limits in which Benjamin Morgan one of the deputy surveyors of the Eastern Division of New Jersey may act to the Townships of Roxbury and Mendam in the County of Morris.

Whereas an order was made in August 1752 for a fourth pine or mountain dividend within certain limits in the County of Morris



therein expressed and some warrants issued on that dividend, but it afterwards appearing that said limits did not include the lands intended to be divided; therefore a stop was put to said dividend, but no minutes or order has yet been entered to vacate the same.

It is therefore ordered that the same be vacated and made void, and that no land be returned [482] on the warrants issued on that dividend.

*Andw: Johnston, Robt H. Morris, Lewis Johnston, John Burnet, Cortd: Skinner, James Parker, William Burnet, Samuel Nevill.*

AT A COMMITTEE of the Council of Proprietors of the Eastern Division of New Jersey, held at Perth Amboy, March 4th, 1757. *Present*, Mr. Bartow for Mr. Morris, Mr. Parker.

The minutes of the Council of Proprietors from the 24th of March, 1756 to August 18th, following inclusive were examined and corrected.

*Thos: Bartow for Robrt H. Morris, James Parker.*

AT A COUNCIL of Proprietors of the Eastern Division of New Jersey held at Perth Amboy, April 2d 1757. *Present*, Mr. Andrew Johnston, Mr. Morris, Mr. Stevens for Mr. Alexander, Dr. Johnston, Mr. Wm. Burnet, Mr. Parker, Mr. Skinner.

The Board proceeded to the choice of a President when Mr. Andrew Johnston was unanimously chosen.

The Board taking into consideration the petition of William Clothier in behalf of himself and the heirs or representatives of Nathaniel Jenkins deceased setting forth their title to a tract of land in Monmouth County claimed by one Isaac Bryan and afterwards patented to Govr. Barclay, and praying some recompense for the said tract of land. And it appearing to the Board upon examining several instruments remaining on record and by the old minutes of Council that the said Isaac Bryan was entitled to head land for himself, his wife, four children and eight servants, that he had a license to purchase from the Indians, a tract of land near Poplar Swamp and that he had settled and improved the same, that no patent issued to him for that land but that the same was granted to Robert Barclay in part of his share of Propriety, saving to the said Bryan his claim.

It is therefore agreed and ordered that a warrant be made out to

*James Parker, Oliver De Lancey, Jno: Stevens, Lewis Johnston, John Barbarie, Henry Cuyler, Junr., Waltr: Rutherford, Stirling.*

[536] AT A COUNCIL of Proprietors of the Eastern Division of New Jersey, held at Perth Amboy, August 18th, 1763. *Present*, The President, Mr. Burnet, Mr. Skinner, Mr. Stevens, Mr. De Lancey, Mr. Cuyler, Mr. Rutherford, Messrs. Barbarie & John Johnston, Excrs. of Andw: Johnston, Col. Reid.

Mr. Skinner of the committee appointed to examine the accts of Richard Gardiner yesterday, reports that they had examined the same and find a balance of Ten pounds and one penny, York money, due to the Proprietors on acct of cash received of Messrs. Alexander and Johnston, both deceased and of his own disbursements, which balance he had paid to the Treasurer. They also find he has received rents of the several tenants amounting in the whole to ninety seven pounds one shilling and four pence proclamation money, which said Gardiner informed them, he was not at present able to pay, and begged the Proprietors would take his bond for this amount.

The Board having considered the same, do confirm the said report, and agreed that the Treasurer take Gardiner's bond for the sum of Ninety seven pounds one shilling and four pence proclamation money, payable at the next meeting of the Board with interest, it being the amount of rent he has received of the tenants on or near the York line.

David Knott laid before the Board, a map of a tract of land at Barnegat surveyed to Thomas Hart in the year 16    for 1,200 acres, in which he is now interested and informed the Board that by a resurvey thereof lately made by Anthony Dennis, one of the deputy Surveyors for Monmouth County, it's found to contain only 896 acres, and therefore prayed that this Board would take the same into their consideration and make good the deficiency out of the unappropriated lands adjoining to said tract.

This matter the Board defers to a further consideration.

*James Parker, Oliver De Lancey, Jno: Stevens, Lewis Johnston, John Barbarie, Henry Cuyler, Waltr: Rutherford, Stirling.*

AT A COUNCIL of Proprietors of the Eastern Division of New Jersey, held at Perth Amboy, August 19, 1763. *Present*, The President,

Mr. Burnet, Mr. Stevens, Mr. Skinner, Mr. De Lancey, Mr. Cuyler, Mr. Rutherford, Mr. Barbarie & Mr. John Johnston, Exrs of Andw: Johnston, Col. Reid.

The committee for viewing and settling the Romopock lands delivered into the Board a report of their transactions there, with the several papers therein referred to and sundry other papers relating to that matter, which report is in the following words.

"That on the 8th and 9th August instant, they met at Hackinsack according to appointment in order to renew the leases of the Romopock tenants assisted by Mr. Cuyler and Mr. George Ryerse.

"On the 9th in the morning they heard that Peter Fresneau had been thro' among some of the tenants, and posted up an advertisement to persuade them not to take leases, which kept many of them backwards, however the committee began with some of them and soon after one Mr. Crean Brush desired to speak with them, when he produced a letter from Peter Fresneau empowering him to go to Hackinsack and [537] exhibit his right (as he alleged) to  $\frac{1}{12}$  of the Romopock patent, as being a portion with Fauconier and others, who had not received any part of the compensation made to the rest of those partners by the Proprietors. They gave him an answer in writing that they knew of no right he had, and afterwards verbally advised him, that the proper method was for Mr. Fresneau to apply to the Council of Proprietors and not to disturb the tenants quietly settled under and firmly bound to them. They had proceeded with settling the by-gone rent and granting new leases, in all 15 that day.

"10th. Meeting no obstruction went on with the tenants, and as each district was ordered on particular days, finished what remained of the day before, as well as those warned that day.

"11th. Continued settling with and granting the tenants new leases.

"12th. Heard that Fresneau and Crean Brush were by another road gone toward Romopock and none of the tenants appearing, sent Mr. Peter Zabriskie to inquire. He found Fresneau and Brush at Gouverneur's Mill with about 30 of the tenants, and heard some writings were drawn, which old Van Blarcum had signed. He advised such as he had access to not to sign, and returned with some of them. Some then applied to settle, but their minds were greatly disturbed, many of them in liquor, and none inclined to lease, but only to pay by-gone rent. Judge Ryerse then sent his warrant to bring Fresneau

and Brush before him, and after taking the depositions of Coonradt Wanemaker and Abraham Gouverneur, bound them over to next Quarter Sessions, for making commotions in the country, inflaming the minds of the people, and other acts tending to a breach of the peace. Messrs. Rutherford and Cuyler also took out a writ against Fresneau in an action of damages for £500, who not finding security went to jail.

"13th. The tenants now seeing their folly, strove who could soonest settle, and get their leases renewed, and 32 were dispatched by 11 o'clock. No more appearing, waited the return of an express from Amboy till 4, but not coming, returned to New York.

"The committee before they left Hackinsack sent notice to the different quarters, that such as had been any way prevented from settling, might this week come to Amboy, which failing would be considered as intending to give up their leases, be served with notice that their leases should expire in six months, and their lands granted to others. That the committee settled the past rents up to the 25th March last with all those they agreed with for new leases, amounting in the whole to £438:16:6, of which they received in cash £231:4:4 and the remainder they took the people's note for, payable on demand, besides which they took John Hawse's note for £30, included as a compromise for his having cut about 300 cord of wood on the lot he has in lease, the particulars of which appear by account herewith No. 1. That during their stay at Hackinsack, they got the tenants to execute their parts of 123 leases, 8 of which are for lands not before leased, the other 115 comprehend 141 of the old leases, and the whole include the names of 141 persons, which leases comprehend 20,400 acres and the yearly rents of them about to about £208, which is nearly at the rate of 20 s. per 100 acres, and is double of the former rent as appears by the account thereof herewith. No. 2., which cash and notes are in the hands of Mr. Ryerse now here ready to deliver them over to the Treasurer. About 15 of the tenants had entered into a bond with Fresneau to take leases from him, under the penalty of £500 each, but the greatest part of these engaged anew with the committee, and all that came to them have signed new leases except Johanes Vanblercum, Gerret Hoppa and Martin Benson.

"On the committee's return to New York, they saw Mr. Scott who was preparing to apply to the Judges of the Supreme Court of this

Province for a habeas corpus to relieve Fresneau from his imprisonment. After some conversation, it was agreed to drop the action and prosecution of Fresneau, provided Mr. Scott would engage that he [538] should give the tenants no further disturbance. Mr. Scott promised in order to rid the Proprietors of the trouble of dealing with Fresneau to endeavour to get a full release from him with power to settle the matter with the Proprietors, and he declared himself willing to accept of such consideration as the other patentees had received from the Proprietors in case it should appear that Fresneau had not divested himself of his right, and in the case he had, he said he would give a deed of confirmation to the Proprietors in order to put an end to the claim, which the committee thinking reasonable, they promised to get Fresneau the same consideration the others had received and wrote to the Sherriff to discharge Fresneau, and also to Mr. Peter Zebriske to procure bail for him on his action of the Crown, and to pay the fees if necessary. The committee hope the Board will immediately order the matter of Fresneau's claim to be inquired into, and enable them to make good their engagement to Mr. Scott.

"The committee on examining all the leases formerly granted by the Council of Proprietors in the County of Bergen, and comparing them with the leases now granted, do find, that there are about 30 lots for which the tenants have not yet agreed or have not signed their counterparts of new leases, which are particularised in the account herewith No. 3, and amount to about 3,195.11 acres, and they submit it to the Board whether they had not best execute new leases for them to be delivered to Mr. Ryerse on their signing the counterparts, and furnish him with notices of the determination of the former ones in six months, in case of their refusal to accept of these.

"On examining the map of the Romopock tract, the committee also find, that there are several vacancies that have not yet been laid out into lots or leased. They submit it to the consideration of the Board, whether Mr. Ryerse had not best be instructed to go on agreeing for leases for those vacancies with such persons as offer for them, laying them out into lots and preparing leases to be executed at the next sitting of this Board. They do also find that there are a number of lots in the said tract laid out to diverse persons on a promise of being conveyed to them on certain conditions, with which they have not complied, and altho' they are in possession of the lands, they



pay no rent or other acknowledgment for the same, nor are they any ways bound to the Proprietors, which the committee think is prejudicial and dangerous to the interest of the Proprietors, and submit it to the consideration of the Board whether some steps should not be speedily taken to bring these persons under lease or to make a new agreement with them for the purchase of the lands; the lands thus circumstanced amount to about      acres as appears by the list of them herewith No. 4."

Which report being read the Board highly approves of the same and return the gentlemen of the committee, their hearty thanks for the trouble they have taken in the executing with such correctness, the trust reposed in them.

The said report being maturely considered, and the Board being always willing to make a reasonable allowance for any equitable claim do fully empower the committee for Romopock affairs to treat with Mr. Fresneau and make such agreements with him for his claim as they shall think fit, which the Board will confirm at their next meeting after such agreement may be made.

It is likewise the opinion of this Board, that new leases be executed for the 32 lots, mentioned in the report to be not agreed for, on the same terms with the new leases already executed; and that they be given to Mr. Ryerse to offer to the present possessors, and if any of them refuse such leases that they be forthwith served with notice according to a form now to be delivered. Mr. Ryerse, who is desired to get the counterparts executed by such as accept the leases, and that he be empowered to lay out and agree to lease the [539] vacancies to such persons as he shall think proper tenants, upon such terms as he may think reasonable; and this Board will confirm all such agreements made by him.

It is further the opinion of this Board that the consideration of what is necessary to be done with those persons in possession of lands which they pretend to hold under certain conditions not yet complied with, be referred to the next meeting, this Board having now so much business before them, that they cannot properly consider that matter.

The following is a list of the 123 leases mentioned in the Committee's report to be signed by the tenants at Romopock, which the Board now also executes.

	<i>Names of Tenants</i>	<i>No. of the lots</i>	<i>Date of the leases</i>	<i>Quantity of acres</i>	<i>Yearly rent</i>	<i>First time of payment</i>
	Benjamin Older	45 & 139	Augt 9 1763	220.7	458	March 28 1764
	Jacob Baker	213	Do.	86	308	Do.
	Lawrence Buskirk, Rynderk Achenbach, Abraham Vanderbeck and Adam Snyder	122	Do.	306	608	Do.
	Johanes Banta	178, 181, 115, 178 & 11	Do.	267	598	Do.
	Hendrick Sebriske	144	Do.	240.35	508	Do.
	Hendk Messenger & Peter Van Zile	123	Do.	206	408	Do.
	Joseph Wessells	143	Do.	136	308	Do.
	Abraham V. D. Beek	121	Do.	282	558	Do.
	Thomas Boskerk	210	Do.	72.8	158	Do.
10	Jacob Prickman	93, 193, 214	Do.	423	828	Do.
	Andries Vanboskerk	211	Do.	90.2	208	Do.
	Simon Myer	146	Do.	127.97	238	Do.
	Simon Hawse & Hans Jury Gable	25	Do.	208	428	Do.
	Corns: V Horn & Is: Kipp	14 & 31	Do.	255	308	Do.
	John Hoppen	206	Do.	62.5	158	Do.
	Garrit Hoppe, Junr & John Hoppe for the heirs of Andw. Hoppe	205	Do.	62.5	158	Do.
	Garrit Hoppe	204	Do.	62.5	158	Do.
	Johanes Johs: Ackerman	179	Do.	41.83	108	Do.
	Hendk: Ridner & Adolph Myer	141	Do.	182	408	Do.
20	John Vonboskerk	10 & 112	Do.	225	458	Do.
	Anthony Troutter	184	Do.	100	248	Do.
	David Van Orden	110	Do.	50	108	Do.
	Michael Fisher	200	Do.	184	358	Do.
	Simon Kerk	199	Do.	170.41	358	Do.
	Jacob Ackerson	194	Do.	351	708	Do.
	Casparus Knight	101	Do.	184	358	Do.
	Johanes Van Zile	180	Do.	50	108	Do.
	John Petris Van Orden	11	Do.	50	108	Do.
	Joseph Fitch	216	Do.	125	258	Do.
30	Rocloff Westervelt	133	Do.	102	208	Do.
	Johanes Ackerman, David Ackerman & Nicholas Volk	42	Do.	278	558	Do.
	Johanes Van Schiver	142	Do.	81.7	208	Do.
	Coonradt Pillifelt	167	Do.	139	308	Do.
	Arie Courton	129	Do.	176	358	Do.
	Dirck & John Ryerson	41 & 114	Do.	190.75	408	Do.
	Johanes Pillifelt	119	Do.	147	308	Do.
	Peter Pellifelt	118	Do.	201	408	Do.
	Andries Pellifelt	116	Do.	200	408	Do.
	Lawrence Vanboskirk	239	Do.	32	78	Do.
40	William Roew	168	Do.	137.77	308	Do.
	Coonrod Stor	12 & 117	Do.	200	408	March 28 1761
	Johanes Hensilbacker	166	Do.	90.9	208	Do.
	Peter Tyse	128	Do.	150	308	Do.
	Jacob Stor	18	Do.	200	408	Do. [840]
	Christian Pellisfelt	170	Do.	109	248	Do.
	Jacob Garritson	57	Do.	100	208	Do.
	Isaac Bogart	132	Do.	305.5	808	Do.
	Jacob Horn	240	Do.	150	308	Do.
	Barent Van Horn	16-189	Do.	295	608	Do.
50	Dedrich & John Tyse	32-120	Do.	150	308	Do.
	Anatie Ackerman	163-165	Do.	376.40	708	Do.
	Andries Tebou	59	Do.	200	408	Do.
	Johanes Paulus Rutan	237	Do.	285	608	Do.
	Peter Van Zile	236	Do.	125.5	258	Do.
	Jacob Debaan	160	Do.	153.6	308	Do.
	Hendrick Vanalan	175	Do.	233	508	Do.
	Isaac Vanblercum	127	Do.	64	158	Do.
	Johanes A. B. Van Zile	126	Do.	92.5	208	Do.
	William Cairns	164	Do.	108	208	Do.

	<i>Names of Tenants</i>	<i>No. of the lots</i>	<i>Date of the leases</i>	<i>Quantity of acres</i>	<i>Yearly rent</i>	<i>First time of payment.</i>
60	David Christie	135	Do.	105.6	228	Do.
	Christine Carlagh	172	Eleventh	100	208	Do.
	Cornelius V. Horn for Franki Demerie	241	Do.	50	108	Do.
	Jacobus Van Orden pt. of	9-33.100	Do.	200	408	Do.
	Mary Ramsey pt. of	9-33.100	Do.	200	408	Do.
	Elsia Carlagh	17	Do.	250	508	Do.
	George Ryerse for John Labagh	145	Do.	115	258	Do.
	Peter Post, Ju'r: & Garret Post for their father Peter Post	130	Do.	62	158	Do.
	Gerrit D. Ackerman	177	Do.	77.88	148	Do.
	Samuel Helme, Junr.	223	Do.	130	258	Do.
70	Albertus Terhune	161	Do.	157.5	308	Do.
	Derrick A. Terhune	242	Do.	300	608	Do.
	John Myer	209	Do.	104.5	258	Do.
	John Van Alen	138	Do.	150	308	Do.
	Ryer Tebou	196	Do.	180	408	Do.
	Hermanus Nix	191	Do.	137.7	308	Do.
	Alebert & John Van Voorheis	105	Do.	101	208	Do.
	William Jekhart	219	Do.	100	208	Do.
	Peter and Adam Vandemaker	197	Do.	357	758	Do.
	Coonrad Frederick	8	Do.	200	408	Do.
80	Guillian Bartolf	83	Do.	179.5	358	Do.
	Joast Stuard	243	Do.	100	208	Do.
	Lambert Leroux, Jacob Leroux, Junr and Johannes Bartolph	208	Do.	490.5	1008	Do.
	Johanes Shuard, part of Hers & Wm. Vandamaker, part of	4 & 86	Do.	384	768	Do.
	Daniel Van Horn	80	Do.	100	208	Do.
	Jacobus Bartolph	136	Do.	50	108	Do.
	Gerrit A. Gerretse	137	Do.	44.4	108	Do.
	Coonrad Meysinger	157	Do.	116.6	208	Do.
	Hendk Vandemaker	155	Do.	209.55	458	Do.
90	Jacobus Vanboskerk	2	Do.	300	608	Do.
	Phillip Tyse	51	Do.	100	208	Do.
	Peter Fredrickse	150	Do.	150	308	Do.
	John Hawse	171	Do.	91	208	Do.
	Jacobus Bartolph	84	Do.	173	358	Do.
	John Rush	185	Twelfth	258	508	Do.
	Phillip Boss	159	Do.	171.85	308	Do.
	William Henselbacker	217	Do.	140	308	Do.
	Johanes Esselaer	149	Do.	76	158	Do.
	Coonrad Vandemaker	224	Do.	197	408	Do.
100	Robert Hunter	192	Do.	197.5	358	Do.
	Jacobus Post	131	Do.	91	208	Do.
	Johanes Ewalt	227	Do.	194	408	Do.
	Samuel Booss	174	Do.	134	308	Do.
	David Vanblercum	21	Thirteenth	109.3	248	Do.
	Mathias Barbara	225	Do.	195.07	408	Do.
	Abraham Vangelder	190	Do.	342	708	Do. [541]
	Johanes Strader	244	Do.	100	308	Do.
	Joseph Conklin	71	Do.	150	308	Do.
	Adam Bachker	152	Do.	140.44	308	Do.
110	Johanes Bachker	156	Do.	200	408	Do.
	Coonrad Vryessen	26-55	Do.	200	408	Do.
	Hendrick Shultz	188	Do.	119	258	Do.
	Adolph Carlough & Joseph Muller	169	Do.	194.54	408	Do.
	Jurie Bachker	154	Do.	100	208	Do.
	Martin Rush	87	Do.	300	608	Do.
	Nicholas Carlogh	153	Do.	143.03	308	Do.
	John Augustus Stuart	102	Do.	200	408	Do.
	Hendrick Emanuel	201	Do.	48	108	Do.
	Peter Voss	187	Do.	173	358	Do.
120	Hendrick Voss	158	Do.	193.8	308	Do.
	Matthias Barbara	68	Do.	100	208	Do.
	Lodewick Creamer	229	Do.	115	238	Do.
	William Winter	73	Do.	150	308	Do.



Ordered that they be delivered to George Ryers, who is desired to give them to the tenants.

The Board also executes leases for the 32 lots not yet agreed for, and they are delivered to George Ryerse, in order to get the tenants to execute the counter parts.

A form of the notice to be given to such of the tenants as refuse to accept of new leases, was agreed to; and is in the words following:

"Mr.

As you did not attend the committees of the Council of Proprietors at Romopock to take a new lease pursuant to the notice given by the said committee you are to take notice that the term demised in your lease will determine on the      day of      next of which this is for notice pursuant to the tenor of your lease, and as by the said lease, the possession of the demised premises is to be delivered up to the Proprietors, or their order, You are to take notice that on the said      day of      I, George Ryerse, or some person deputed by me, will attend to receive the possession of the said premises, being thereto empowered by the Council of Proprietors, dated this      day of      "

The Board conceiving it necessary that George Ryerse should be properly empowered to serve such notice and receive the possession of any of the lots that may be given up, a power of attorney with power to substitute was accordingly drawn up, signed by all the members present and delivered to said Ryerse with a copy of the notice above. He is also hereby empowered to receive the rents and all the leases for lands at Romopock and in Bergen County as heretofore, and also to receive the money due on the notes taken by the committee of several of tenants for rent due on former leases, as well as the note due by John Hawse, all which notes are delivered to him for that purpose.

Mr. Cuyler and Mr. Barberie in behalf of the heirs of Andw: Johnston, Esqr., deceased, moved the Board for the proportion in Amboy due on the 2d and  $\frac{1}{2}$  propriety's formerly the West Jersey Society's, the state of which was laid before the Board at their last meeting, and was then referred to Messrs. Skinner and Rutherford to examine and report thereon, which they declined doing, alleging they were interested in a dispute that might arise whenever said state should be finally settled, but as they have no interest in the matter

now moved for, they are requested to examine what is due in Amboy and report the same to the Board.

A petition from the Chief of the inhabitants of the City of Perth Amboy was read setting forth the great prejudice as well as injustice it would be to them and the public in general, to suffer the cover or wet dock in this City to [542] be appropriated to private use, as they are informed, Robert Hunter Morris, Esqr., one of the Proprietors had lately got the same surveyed, with an intent to return it, tho' it was intended by the first Proprietors to be reserved for a public use, as they always understood, pray of the Board to take such methods as they thought proper to prevent it's being returned to or for any other purpose, that what the same was first intended.

Mr. Rutherford from the Romopock committee laid before the Board an account of their expenses, etc.,

Ordered that the same be referred to Messrs. Burnet and Skinner to examine the same and make report thereon.

John Williams of Monmouth County acquainted the Board that many vacancies lay between the Rivers Manasquan and Metetecunk, which he judged amounted to 5,000 acres; that there was a considerable quantity of good timber on the several vacancies, which the persons who owned mills on the rivers & branches were destroying every day, and that it would be a very difficult matter to prevent it. To remedy which, it was his opinion that a survey should be made of the whole in order to ascertain the vacancies, which he advised being returned to some one person, to preserve for the whole Proprietors, or that the Proprietors should sell them as they lay and he made no doubt but there would be purchasers if the terms were reasonable.

Which matter being considered by the Board, they are of opinion, that it will be very proper to survey, and do therefore order the whole of the lands between Manasquan and Metetcunck Rivers as well as the vacancies adjoining thereto to be surveyed and that those Rivers and their branches be traversed and the mills on them marked, and the survey thereof returned to the Surveyor General's office, for the consideration of this Board; that said John Williams be requested to assist such surveyor as Lord Stirling shall appoint to perform this service. His Lordship is desired also to give to the Surveyor he shall appoint such instructions as he shall think necessary.

The committee appointed to settle the line of division between New Jersey and New York, report that in pursuance of the direction of this Board to them at their meeting in March last. They applied to the Legislature of this Province at the session in May last for an Act of Assembly agreeable to the one passed in the Province of New York for settling the controversy about the line between the two Provinces, which they at the same sessions obtained; and the committee are therein named agents for the management of the said controversy, a copy whereof they now lay before the Board; that the Legislature at the same sessions passed "An Act for subjecting the Estates of the General Proprietors of the Eastern Division of this Colony to the indemnification of this Province for any expense in running the Line between New Jersey and New York," which the committee the more readily consented to, as it answered every purpose of the security provided by this Board in March last, with less inconvenience and more equity, as it extended to the whole body of the Proprietors, and has rendered it needless to make use of the security as provided, a copy of this last Act is also laid before the Board. That the committee have since transmitted to the Proprietor's agent, Mr. Henry Willmott in London, a copy of the first Act aforesaid, with instructions to him to use his best endeavours to obtain the Royal assent to the same, and also to join the New York agent in suing out a commission under the Great Seal for settling and running the boundary line between the two Provinces, a copy of this letter to Mr. Willmott and of the papers they thought necessary to transmit to him, they now also lay before the Board. The committee beg leave [543] to remind the Board that it will be necessary to remit a sum of money into Mr. Willmott's hands for the purposes aforesaid, and that it will be proper they make provision accordingly.

*James Parker, Oliver De Lancey, Jno: Stevens, Lewis Johnston, John Barbarie, Henry Cuyler, Junr., Waltr: Rutherford, Stirling.*

AT A COUNCIL of Proprietors of the Eastern Division of New Jersey, held at Perth Amboy, August 20th, 1763. *Present*, The President, Mr. Burnet, Dr. Johnston, Mr. Skinner, Mr. Rutherford, Mr. Cuyler, Mr. Barberie & Mr. Johnston, Exrs of Andw: Johnston.

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