

HISTORY
OF
BUCKS COUNTY
PENNSYLVANIA

INCLUDING

AN ACCOUNT OF ITS ORIGINAL EXPLORATION; ITS RELATION TO THE SETTLEMENTS
OF NEW JERSEY AND DELAWARE; ITS ERECTION INTO A SEPARATE COUNTY,
ALSO ITS SUBSEQUENT GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT, WITH SKETCHES OF
ITS HISTORIC AND INTERESTING LOCALITIES, AND BIOGRAPHIES
OF MANY OF ITS REPRESENTATIVE CITIZENS.

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The Roman Catholic persuasion has been represented by its membership from an indefinite period, but no public religious service was held until 1849, when Father Reardon, of Easton, celebrated mass in private houses. He was the first priest to officiate at Durham. The following clergymen have succeeded him: Wachter, Newfield, Koppnagel, Laughran, Marsterstech, Stommel, Walsh, and Krake. A chapel was erected in 1872 near the furnace on property donated by the furnace company, during Reverend Stommel's incumbency.

Methodist Episcopal services were held in houses along the Rattlesnake as early as 1850, but it was not until 1865 that a degree of regularity was observed. Reverend Robert C. Wood was pastor during part of this time. When the new building for a graded school in the Furnace district was built in 1872, one of the old school-houses comparatively new was purchased by the congregation, and after undergoing alterations it was dedicated as a place of worship, J. Bowden being pastor at that time. Services have been conducted regularly since then. The original Methodist population was small, but it has been increased in recent years by the arrival of English people, mostly miners from Cornwall, of that denomination. The society is in a flourishing condition.

CHAPTER XXIV.

APPENDIX.

THE "Book of Arrivals" was a record provided for in the "Frame of the Government," but Phineas Pemberton appears to have been the only one of the early officers to discharge the duty thus assigned. As no regulations were adopted to aid the register in making it complete, the list is not so complete nor so accurate as was probably intended, but with all its imperfections it has been of great value to historians. The original record, time-worn and barely legible, is still to be seen in the register's office at Doylestown, but in the natural order of things will soon fall into utter decay. It has never before been published, and is here preserved for the future historian. The register of births and deaths is copied in full. Of the register of marriages the certificates are omitted.

A Registry of all the people in the county of Bucks.—Continued.

ARRIVALS.	CHILDREN.	SERVANTS.	TIME OF SERVICE AND FROM WHEN.	WAGES AND LAND.
<i>Andrew Ellet</i> , a seller of small wares, & <i>Ann</i> , his wife, of the parish of Fifeds, in the county of Summerset. Arrived in Delaware River in the ship called the Factor of Bristol, the Mr. Roger Drew, the		John Roberts. Mary Sanders.		
<i>John Woods</i> , of Altercliffe, in the parish of Shafeld, in the county of Yorke, husbandman, arrived in Delaware River in the Sheild, the Mr. Daniel Tods, in the 10th month, 1678.	John, Joseph, Esther, Mary, Sarah Woods.			
<i>John Purslone</i> , of Dublin, in Ireland, husbandman, arrived in the Delaware River in the Phenex, the Mr. Mathew Shanes, in the 6th month, 1677.				
<i>John Rowland</i> , of Billingshurst, in Sussex, husbandman, arrived in the Delaware River with his Wife Pricilla, in the Welcome, the Mr. Robert Greenaway, in the 8 mo. 1682.		Hannah Mogeridge.	Loose in the 3 mo. 1684.	To have fifty shillings per annum, & 50 acres of land.
<i>Thomas Rowland</i> , of Billingshurst, in Sussex, came in the Welcome at the time above said.				
<i>Josuah Boare</i> , of Drainefield, in Darbyshire, husbandman, arrived in Delaware River in ye Martha of Hull, the Mr. Thomas Wildcup, the 7 month, 1677.	Josuah Boare, born the 29, 4 mo. 1681.			
<i>Margaret</i> , his now wife, of Norton Bavent, in Wiltshire, arrived in the Elizabeth and Sarah, the Mr. Richard Friend, the 29th, 3 mo. 1679.				
<i>William Buckman</i> , of the parish of Billingham, in the county of Sussex, carpenter, arrived in Delaware River in the Welcome, the Mr. Robert Greenaway, with his wife Sarah, in the 8 month, 1682.	Sarah, } Mary. } Buckman.			
<i>Gideon Gambell</i> , of the [illegible], in the county of Wilts, slater, arrived in Delaware river in the Bristol Factor, the Mr. Richard Drue, in the 10 month, 1681.				
<i>Robert Lucas</i> , of Deverall, Lingbridge, in the county of Wilts, yeoman, arrived in this river the 4th of the 4th month, 1679, in the Elizabeth & Mary, of Waymouth.	John, his son, born the 11th, 11 mo. 1654.			
<i>Elizabeth</i> , his wife, arrived in the ship the Content, of London, the Mr. Willm. Jonson, in the 7 month, 1680.	Giles, Edward, Robt., Elizabeth, Rebecka, Mary, Sarah.			
<i>Daniel Brinson</i> , of Membury parish, in the county of Devon, arrived in this river the 28th, 7 mo. 1677, in the Willing Mind, of London, the Master name was Lucome.	Maryed the 8th day of the 8th month, 1681, to Frances Greenland, of East Jersey.			

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More <i>servants</i> to the said <i>Thomas Hudson</i> and <i>Jacob Hall</i> , came in ye ship ye <i>Richard & Micheal</i> , of Boston, & arrived in this river the 24 of July, 1685.		William Thomas.	To serve 4 years, to be loose the 24, 5 mo. 1689.	To have the necessaries, & land accustomed.
		Daniel Danielson van Beck, and his wife Elenor Brand van Beck.	To serve 3 years & a half a piece, to be loose 24, 12 mo. 1688.	To have necessaries & land accustomed.
More <i>servants</i> to the said <i>Hudson & Hall</i> , came in the Francis & Dorothy, of London, arrived in this river the 10 of 7 mo. 1685.		Policarpus Rose.	To serve 4 years, loose the 10th of the 7 mo. 1689.	To have necessaries during the term, and land accustomed.
<i>Richard Lundy</i> , of Axminster, in the county of Devon, son to Sylvester Lundy, of the said towne in old England, came in a catch from Bristol (the Mr. Willm Browne) for Boston in new England, in the 6th month, 1676, & from thence came to this river the 19th of the 3 month, 1682.				
<i>Elizabeth Bennett</i> , daughter to Willm Bennett, late of this county of Bucks, & now wife to the aforesaid Richard Lundy, came from Longford, in the county of Middlesex, in the ship the Concord, of London, the Mr. Willm Jefferey, and arrived in this river the 8th month, 1683.				
<i>William Biles</i> , of Dorchester, in the county of Dorset, vilemonger, <i>Johanah</i> , his wife, arrived in Delaware River in the Elizabeth and Sarah, of Waymouth, the 4th of 4 month, 1679.	William, George, John, Elizabeth, Johanah, Rebeckah, Mary Biles.	Edward Hancock.	To serve 8 years. Loose the last of the 3 mo. 1687.	To have 50 acres of Land.
		Elizabeth Petty.	To serve 7 years. Loose the last of the 3 mo. 1686.	To have 50 acres of Land.
<i>Charles Biles</i> , of the town and county next above, arrived in the ship aforesaid at the time aforesaid.		John Neild.	To serve 5 years. Loose the 29, 7 mo. 1688.	To have 50 acres of Land.
<i>Thomas Janney</i> , of Stiall, in the county of Chester, yeoman, and <i>Marjery</i> , his wife, arrived in Delaware River the 29th, 7 mo. 1683, in the Endeavor, of London, the Mr. George Thorpe.	Jacob, Thomas, Abell, Joseph Janney.	Hannah Falkner.	To serve 4 years. Loose the 29, 7 mo. 1687.	To have 50 acres of Land.
		Joseph Chorley.	To serve 2 years. Loose the 29, 7 mo. 1685.	To have 50 acres of Land.
<i>John Clows</i> , of Gosworth, in the county of Chester, yeoman, and <i>Marjery</i> , his wife, arrived in the aforesaid ship at the time aforesaid.	Marjery, Rebeckah, William Clows.	Samuel Hough.	To serve 4 years. Loose the 29, 7 mo. 1686.	To have 50 acres of Land.

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<i>George Stone</i> , of Frogmore, in the parish of Charlton, in the county of Devon, serge weaver, arrived in Maryland in the Daniel and Elizabeth, of Plymouth, the Mr. William Ginney, in the 9 mo. 1683, & from thence transported to this river in the 10 month, 1683.		Thomas Dyer.	To serve 4 years. Loose in the 9 mo. 1687.	To have 50 acres of Land.
<i>Richard Hough</i> , of Macclesfield, in the county of Chester, chapman, arrived in the Delaware River in the Endeavor, of London, George Thorp, Mr., the 29th, 7 mo. 1683.		Francis Hough.	To serve 2 years. Loose 29, 7 mo. 1685.	To have 50 acres of Land.
		Thomas Wood.	To serve 5 years. Loose 29, 7 mo. 1688.	To have each of them 50 acres of Land.
		Mary Wood, his wife.	To serve 4 years. Loose 29, 7 mo. 1687.	
		James Sutton.	To serve 4 years. Loose 29, 7 mo. 1687.	To have 3£ 15s. 0d. p. annum, & 50 acres of Land at end of time.
<i>Gilbert Wheeler</i> , of London, fruiterer, and <i>Martha</i> , his wife, came in the ship Jacob & Mary, the Mr. Richard Moore, arrived in this the 12th of the 7 mo. 1679.	William Briant, Martha Wheeler.	Charles Thomas. Robert Benson. Katherin Knight.		
<i>John Chapman</i> , aged about 58 years, & <i>Jane</i> , his wife, about 42 years, came from Staugnah, in the parish of Skelton, in the county of York, yeoman, came in the ship the Sheld of Stockton, the Mr. Daniel Tods, arrived in Maryland in the beginning of the 8th month, 1684, and arrived in this river in the latter part of the same month.	Marah, born the 12th, 2 mo. 1671. Ann, born the 18th, 3 mo. 1676. John, born the 9th, 11 mo. 1679. Jane, his daughter, came at the same time, and died at sea.			
<i>Ellin Pearson</i> , of Kirklydam, in the county of York, aged about 54 years, came att the above-said time in the above-mentioned ship.				
<i>Ann Peacock</i> , of Kirkdeale, in the county of York, came at the same time in the same ship above mentioned.				
<i>Henry Paxon</i> , of Bycot house, in the parish of Slow, in the county of Oxford, aged about 37 years, came in the ship the Samuel, of London, the Mr. John Adee, arrived in the middle of the 7 mo. 1682.	Elizabeth, his daughter, born the 5th, 9 mo. 1675.			
His wife came at the same time, and died at sea in the last week of the 5 mo. 1682. His son Henry died at sea the day before his mother.				
John Paxon died about the middle of the 5 mo. aforesaid.				

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Thomas Paxon, brother of the said Henry, came in the same ship and died at sea about the beginning of the 7 mo. 1682. <i>Richard Ridgway & Elizabeth</i> , his wife, of Wellford, in the county of Bucks, taylor, arrived in this river in ye ship Jacob & Mary, of London, in the 7 month, 1679.	Thomas, born 25th, 5 mo. 1677. Richard, born 27th, 2 mo. 1680.	James Crafts.	To serve 4 years, the 2, 12 mo. 1682.	Had in hand 10 bushels of corn. At the expiration of the time to have one cow, 1 calf, & 50 acres of Land.
<i>Samuel Dark</i> , of London, calenderer, arrived in this river in the ship the Content, of London, the Mr. Willm Jonson, in the 8 month, 1680.		Mary Crafts.	To serve one year. Loose the 10, 8 mo. 1683.	To have 4½ wages.
<i>Ann Knight</i> , arrived in the ship the Society of Bristol, the Mr. Thomas Jordan, in the 6th month, 1682. <i>John Palmer</i> , of Cleiveland, in Yorkshire, husbandman, and <i>Christian</i> , his wife, arrived in this river in the ship the Providence, of Scarborough, the Mr. Robert Hopper, the 10 of the 9th month, 1683. <i>Joshua Hoops</i> , of Skelton, in Cleiveland, in Yorkshire, yeoman, & <i>Iseabell</i> , his wife, came in the above-mentioned ship, the Providence, & arrived at the time above said in this river.	Daniel, Margaret, & Christian. Rebecka, Ann, & Sarah, his children,			
<i>William Bennett</i> , of Hammondsworth, in ye county of Middlesex, yeoman, & <i>Rebecka</i> , his wife, arrived in this river the 9th month 1683, in the ship the Jeffery, of London, the Mr. Thomas Arnold.	Elizabeth, his daughter, dyed as they came up the Bay, and was buried at Burlington.	John Ottey.	To serve 6 years. Loose 28, 8 month, 1688.	To have 50 acres of Land.
<i>Lyonell Brittan</i> , of Alny, in the county of Bucks, blacksmith, & <i>Elizabeth</i> , his wife, arrived in this river in the Owners Advice, of Barmoodoes, the Mr. George Bond, in the 4th Month, 1680. <i>Thomas Fitzwater</i> , of Hamoorh, in the county of Middlesex, near Hampton Court, husbandman, arrived in this river the 28th day of the 8 mo. 1682, in the Welcome, of London, the Mr. Robert Greenaway. Mary, his wife, & Josiah & Mary, his children, dyed sea coming over.	Thomas & George, his children.			