

PETER JOHNSON

Peter Johnson, Senior, succeeded to the real estate of his father near Kingston, New Jersey, in 1782. Born in South Brunswick Township as early as 1730 – 32. His wife was Rebecca (_____) – married about 1755. Their children were: William, Sophia, Cynthia, Cornelia, John and Jane (twins), Peter and Catherine (married Jediah Stout and became the mother of the Johnson Stout who married Sarah Wyckoff, daughter of our ancestor Peter Wyckoff, Soldier of the Revolution who died in 1841 in the house of this Johnson and Sarah Wyckoff-Stout – the house blew down a few years ago on the south side of Ridge Road directly opposite the old estate of the Johnsons now owned by Arnold F. Stout, 2d).

The son, John, was old enough in 1778 to become a cavalryman in the Fourth Regiment of dragoons in the Continental Army. His father, Peter Johnson, Senior, was between forty-five and fifty years old at the beginning of the War of the American Revolution; while this Peter's elder brother, John Johnson, was fifty years old on his own day of enlistment, May 10, 1778. This John Johnson of Kingston, South Brunswick Township, Middlesex County, New Jersey, is recorded in the Office of the Adjutant General of that State as serving in the New Jersey Continental Line, and belonging to the third Battalion of Middlesex militia in New Jersey, commanded by Col. Jacob Hyer (1778). Capt. Van Anglen's Company, Second Regiment, Number One. John Johnson is named in the casualty list, also.

Peter Johnson seems to have been inspired by his son's example for his service record is also in the State of New Jersey, Office of the Adjutant, as a private in the Fourth Troop, Lee's Legion, Continental Troops. Date of enlistment was March 7, 1780.

As the first Peter Johnson divided the Johnson Estate by his will, dated July 10, 1806, it was a valuable property. He died shortly before May 18, 1816.

Mrs. Edward Lee McClain (Lulu Johnson McClain), of Greenfield, Ohio, descendant, is a member of the National Daughters of the American Revolution and National Founders and Patriots Societies on this line. A more complete account of Peter Johnson's service record may be found in the files of these societies, respectively.

Summary:

Barent Driessen = Aeltje (_____))

Jan Barentsen (van Zutphen) = Jannet je Willemse van Borcule

William Jansen (Johnson) = Jannet je Wyckoff

Peter Johnson = Rebecca (_____))

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*Note: A complete history of the Johnson Family, ancestors of Mrs. Edward Lee McClain (Lulu Johnson McClain), of Greenfield, Ohio, may be found in Volume III of the genealogy, "The Washington Ancestry and Records of the McClain, Johnson and Forty Other Colonial American Families", in the Library of the Memorial Continental Hall, Washington, D.C.

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