

Daniel Lippincott House
Near Marlton, Evesham Township
Burlington County, New Jersey

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Owner: Richard D. Wescott

Dates of Erection: (1) circa 1746 and (2) circa 1775

Architect: Unknown

Builders: (1) James Lippincott (d. 1760) and (2) his son
Daniel Lippincott (d. 1777)

Present Condition: Original

Number of Stories: Two, with basement and garret

Materials of Construction

Foundation:- Stone

Exterior walls:- Brick

Interior walls:- party wall of brick, partitions of lath
and plaster on studding

Chimneys:- Brick, built into inside of gable and walls

Roof:- Gable, originally wood shingled, now modern asbestos
roofing. Pentroof continuous over 1st floor windows
on all four sides of original unit, has evidently
been since removed. Front porch modern addition.

Historical Data:

William Penn and others conveyed one whole share of West New Jersey land to Richard Mew of Ratcliff, parish of Stepney, County of Middlesex, England, merchant, Francis Collins of the same place, and Richard Bull of London by deed of 1 June 1677.* By releases from the other two grantees, Richard Mew became sole owner of two-sevenths of the whole. This part was inherited by his son Noel Mew of Newport, R.I., who had 2,138 acres of it laid out in Evesham Township, Burlington County, N.J. This land was divided among his children Richard Mew, Mary wife of Michael Wanton, and Patience.

* N.J. Archives, Vol. 21, p. 526 (Abstract of Liber B part 2, p. 681 of West New Jersey records)

By a deed of 4 August 1737, Stephen Wanton of Newport, Rhode Island, son of Michael abovesaid conveyed to James Wills of Northampton Township, Burlington County, New Jersey, for 900 pounds a tract containing 1888 acres from this land in Evesham Township in that county, "with all the houses, buildings, fences, and improvements". The grantee, James Wills (a), by his deed of 14 September following conveyed to James Lippincott, also of Northampton Township some 934 acres thereof, and in 1746 some 386 acres to his son Micajah Wills (b).

This James³ Lippincott of Northampton was born 11 June 1687 second son and sixth of the nine children of Restore² Lippincott of Shrewsbury, Monmouth County, and of Northampton, Burlington County, by his first wife Hannah Shattuck. (c) He died near Mt. Holly in Northampton Township between 26 September and 20 December 1760, the dates of signing and of probate of his will in which he names wife Anna and children Daniel, Aaron, Increase, Anna, Jerusha, and son John then deceased, mentions a farm in Evesham and his home farm in Bridgetown between Ankokus Creek and the millrace, and appointed son Daniel as executor (d). The testator, James Lippincott, by his wife Anna Eves, a daughter of Thomas Eves of Evesham, whom he had married at Burlington Meeting House on 10th of 9 mo. 1709, had a son Daniel Lippincott of whom following.

By a deed of 25 January 1755, James Lippincott abovesaid, being of Northampton Township, had conveyed to this son Daniel of Evesham Township, two tracts of land and plantation containing together 259 acres in the latter place, part of the larger tract described above, "with all and singular the houses, out-houses, fences and improvements", and reciting his title to this property back to Stephen Wanton as outlined above.

Apparently the son and grantee Daniel Lippincott, described in the deed as residing in Evesham, wherein the tract was situated, had occupied that farm and its house (here considered) for some years previous. Mary Wanton of Newport, Rhode Island, widow of Stephen Wanton abovesaid, conveyed to

(a) James Wills, born 1655, eldest son of Dr. Daniel Wills, the progenitor of the family in America, who came in ship "Kent" in 1677 to West New Jersey from England. See HABS-NJ-541.

(b) Woodward and Hageman, Hist. of Burlington and Mercer Counties, New Jersey, publ. 1883, p. 325.

(c) See partial account of the Lippincott family, pages 143-150 in Annals of the Sinnott Family, publ. Phila. 1905.

(d) Abstract of Will publ. in N.J. Archives, Vol. 32, p. 201.

Micajah Wills and this Daniel Lippincott, both of Evesham Evesham Township, Burlington County, New Jersey, for 300 pounds of 15 May 1770, her dower rights in the original 1888 acre tract conveyed by her late husband and now held by these two parties.

Daniel⁴ Lippincott last abovenamed, who acquired the house from his father in 1755, as stated, died between 8 August 1776 and 22 March 1777 in Evesham Township, the dates of signing and probate of his will in which he devised to his son Micajah, "the remainder of my home plantation, with the Buildings, Improvements, and Appurtenances thereunto belonging" (e). During the lifetime of this Daniel Lippincott, the house received an addition at the East end which is shown in the View from Southwest, bound herewith.

Micajah⁵ Lippincott, the son and devisee conveyed the house (here considered) and 200 acres of land to Wilson M. Gowan by deed of 28 March 1808, from whom it passed successively to Samuel Beck in 1810, to Reuben Lewallen 1823, and to William Edwards 1838. The last named divided the estate and sold 110 acres thereof (with the house) to Abel S. Evans in 1865, from whom it passed to Anna M. Deacon in 1891, to Henry C. Lippincott in same year, to Emilie E. Lippincott 1895, Henry S. Lippincott 1909, Herman Schwind 1918, and to Richard D. Westcott 1920, the present owner and occupant.

(e) Abstract of will publ. in N.J. Archives, Vol. 34, p. 310

Note: Permission to measure this house could not be conveniently granted by the owner, Mrs. Westcott; hence this photo-data book comprises the only record by the Survey.

Reference:

Search of title in land and probate records of Burlington County and of the Secretary of West New Jersey, by O.F. Benjamin, H.A.B.S. abstractor, 30 November 1939.

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