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## A Guide to the

## **Ten Eyck Family Papers**

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families and businesses in the City of Albany and surrounding region.

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Biographical/Historical Note: Abraham Ten Eyck, was born 1743 and died 1824 in Albany, NY. He married Annatje Lansing, b. 1746 in Albany and with her had 9 children. During the American Revolution, he was a Lieutenant in the New York Militia and Paymaster of the 1<sup>st</sup> New York, later a Regimental Quartermaster and later in life served as Captain Assistant Deputy Quartermaster-General of the United States Army, 1813-1815. He was a member of the Albany Committee of Correspondence and was an original member of the Society of the Cincinnati. He spent most of his life in commerce and as a merchant in Albany, New York, while also purchasing and investing in lands and new enterprises, including the Hamilton Glass Manufacturing Society (aka Hamilton Glass Company) in New York State. He carried on a great deal of correspondence about his various land and other interests. There are other Ten Eycks in this collection and in particular Conrad Ten Eyck, son of Abraham Ten Eyck, b. 1782, d. 1847, who moved to Detroit in 1802, had a store, was Wayne County, MI Treasurer, built a well-known tavern west of Detroit in 1826 and held other civic offices in Michigan. Abraham N. and Nicholas Cuyler were tailors and merchants in Albany, New York, related to Abraham Ten Eyck by marriage (Jacob C. Ten Eyck was married to Cathryna Cuyler) and frequently did business with Abraham Ten Eyck. Frederick De Zenge was a Hessian soldier who was naturalized an American citizen, settled in New York State and became involved in glass making and was a founder of the Hamilton Glass Company which was located in what is now the Town of Guilderland. The company had several local investors and manufactured window glass. De Zenge eventually died in Clyde, NY, but earlier had established the first glass industry in Peterborough, Ont., Canada. Andrew Ten Eyck, son of Johannes and Catherina Witbeck Ten Eyck, was a student and his Cyphering Book of lessons, mainly in business arithmetic, is part of the collection. The City of Albany had Overseers of the Poor by state law beginning about 1787, who were to provide food, shelter and clothing for the poor in the city.

**Scope Note:** This is an important collection documenting the Ten Eyck and Cuyler families that also has significant documentation concerning others aspects of the history of City of Albany and surrounding region. There is material here that provides detailed

information about the commercial world of Albany in the late 18th and early 19th centuries and about topics such as early glass making not documented well in any other archives. There is genealogical information about the Ten Eyck family. A file of receipts from persons providing relief to the poor in Albany in 1787-1789 documents the names of those receiving assistance and the cost of that assistance. Several items document the ownership of slaves by the Cuyler family and including a bill of sale for a slave purchased by Abraham Ten Eyck in 1809. Window glass manufacturing in New York State is documented with correspondence, inventories of stock, report to stock holders of the Hamilton Glass Company, account of wages paid and legal papers of court cases involving the company. This group of papers is possibly the most important record of the early glass making in the region. An interesting printed "Cyphering Book" used by a student, Andrew Ten Eyck, shows the kind of business arithmetic studied by students about 1816. Abraham Ten Eyck's correspondence related to his commercial activities, family news, politics and elections and land dealings, ca 1786-1824 is extensive. His and his family's financial affairs are well-documented in account books, bills, estate records with inventories, and other material. There is military account book, 1783, of the Levies under Col. Marinus Willett which accounts were probably with Abraham Ten Eyck and a series of accounts with Daniel Crommelin & Son, Amsterdam, ca. 1773-1815 re: to the sale of a house in Amsterdam owned by the Ten Eyck family. There are documents throughout this collection in Dutch, particularly those with Crommelin & Son. Other financial records include many promises to pay and bonds of Abraham Ten Eyck and others and a large file of receipts for goods and services, 1763-1831, of payments made to Abraham Ten Eyck and to the Cuyler family and others. Court records of various cases for debt, trespass and other legal business are in the collection. Abraham Ten Eyck's and others many land transactions are documented for lands in the Oriskany Patent, Saratoga and Kayaderosseras Patents, and the Military Tract lands in Central New York.

**Series List:** The collection has the following series:

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#### **Container List:**

### Series 1: Ten Eyck Family genealogy

Folder 1: Manuscript genealogy of the Ten Eyck family written by Miss Mary Ten Eyck, Waterloo, New York with note "Merry Christmas Greeting from Cousin Louise, Dec. 25<sup>th</sup> 1903. Also, note on verso that it was found in the effects of Mrs. Alice Ten Eyck Dale (Mrs. John), died Rochester, NY, March 19, 1968; 32 pp. Includes family history from Coenraet Ten Eyck to Mary Duer Ten Eyck (1866-1934); also includes some data about the Hallenbeck family and a line of descent from the founder Coenraet to Mary Ten Eyck.

A 4 pp. manuscript listing of the family of Abraham R. Ten Eyck, born 9/22/1775 and married to Ann Visscher, born 10/25/1778; n.d., ca. 1830? with later annotations of death dates. (See appendix for transcription.)

A 1 p. manuscript list of the family of Anthony Ten Eyck, son of the silversmith, Conraed, n.d., ca. 1790?

## Series 2: Overseers of the Poor Papers

The provision of care for the poor in Albany dated from the early 18<sup>th</sup> c. and on March 7 1788, the State Legislature created the office of the Overseer of the Poor and allowed Albany County to establish an almshouse and allowed the Overseers to pay keepers to assist the poor. The receipts in this series document the provision for relief of the poor in 1787-1789. The Overseer of the Poor in these documents is Jacob Jacobse Lansing (1753-1794)

Folder 2: This is a file of receipts of various people for payment made to them by Jacob Jacobse Lansing, one of the Overseers of the Poor of Albany County, 1787-1789.

## Series 3: Hamilton Glass Company and Ten Eyck & De Zenge Company Records

This is a group of mainly financial records of the Hamilton Glass Manufacturing Society of Company and the Ten Eyck & De Zenge Company (aka De Zenge & Co.). The former company began in present-day Town of Guilderland and was called Hamilton in honor of Alexander Hamilton and the latter company while owned by the glass company and using the same property and buildings was a tannery. The Glass Company made both bottle and window glass. The company began about 1792 with several owners and was successful for several years but failed by 1815 because they lacked a supply of fuel (wood) for the manufacturing.

Frederick De Zenge was a Hessian soldier who settled in New York State after the American Revolution and was involved in glass making as well as with the Western Inland Navigation Co. and canal development. He later moved to Canada where he was an early glass manufacturer in the Province of Ontario.

Folder 3: Ten Eyck & De Zenge Company records incl.: Promises to pay Douw Fonda for use of the tannery, 1796 (10 promises on 5 sheets); an account of wages paid, 1796-97; account with John D.P. Doane for locks, nails and other hardware; memoranda and receipts, 1796, 1798.

## Series 4: Hamilton Glass Manufacturing Society

Folder 4: Hamilton Glass Manufacturing Society records, incl.:

Letters (5) from Anthony Ernest (?) to A. Ten Eyck, Poughkeepsie, May 28, 1799 re: ordering glass windows and discussing glass breakage; F. De Zenge to A. Ten Eyck,

April 29, 1799 about glass still in stock at Hamilton and his need to plant some trees and go to New York to send some papers aboard a boat bound for Hamburg, Ger.; J.[eremiah] Van Rensselaer to Abraham Ten Eyck to pay De Zenge a dividend, Oct. 21, 1800; letter from Elkanah Watson to the Board of Directors of the Hamilton Manufacturing Society, Albany, Sept. 13, 1797 about a glass order; Copy of a letter from Jeremiah Van Rensselaer to Mr. Haviland re: a resolution re: capital stock of the H.M. Society, n.d.

Shares of stock in Hamilton Manufacturing Society, nos. 33,34, (1797), 41 (1805), all signed by Jeremiah Van Rensselaer.

Promises to pay (3) of Ten Eyck and Van Rensselaer, 1799

Inventory of the stock & materials of the Hamilton Manufacturing Society, March 26, 1799.

## Folder 5: Hamilton Glass Manufacturing Society records, cont.:

Several disbound pages from a ledger with: an account of the debts due to the company, 1797; an account of sales of glass 1797-98, 1798-99; account of the company with Abraham Ten Eyck, 1797-98; index of names of accounts that were in the account book (not present).

A draft report to the stockholders of the Hamilton Glass Co., Dec. 30, 1798 (?) discussing the problems of the company, including wood for fuel, lack of access to money, possible need for subscribers to the company to stock or sale of the tannery business.

Folder 6: Hamilton Glass Manufacturing Society records, cont.

Accounts of Hamilton Glass Co. with Abraham Ten Eyck, Ten Eyck & Van Rensselaer, Douw Fonda and others, account of wages paid, 1799-1802.

Miscellaneous items, as follows: two Court of Chancery documents in case of Hester Gansevoort et al v. Hamilton Manufacturing Society, 1801, 1811; Price of Glass at Albany Glass Ware House, 1800; abstract of papers in Chancery case of Hamilton Manufacturing Society v. Abraham Ten Eyck, 1795-1811; list of accounts "disputed in my account" 1799-1800; Summons to Hamilton M. Society, James and Oliver Kane and Lawrence Schoolcraft for appearance at Court of Chancery, Dec. 30, 1820; Court of

Chancery case of complaint of Jeremiah Van Rensselaer and Francis Nicoll v. Abraham Ten Eyck re: Hamilton Manufacturing Society, Oct. 2, 1805; Elkanah Watson, et al to Abraham Ten Eyck sale of shares in the glass factory, 1793.

#### **Series 5: Printed Item**

Folder 7: Cyphering Book For Sale at Websters and Skinners Bookstore, in the White House, corner of State and Pearl-Streets, Albany, The Life of George Washington...by M[ason]L. Weems. This is a student's arithmetic workbook with the pages filled in by the student, Andrew Ten Eyck in 1816. This is likely Andrew Ten Eyck, son of Johannes and Catherina Witbeck Ten Eyck, born June 6, 1801-Dec. 18, 1851. The book has practice pages for Reduction, Troy Weight, Avoirdupois Weight, Cloth Measure, Land Measure, Rule of Three, Double Rule of Three, Practice, Tare, Simple Interest, Insurance Commission, Compound Interest, Rebate or Discount, Equation, Barter, Loss and Gain, Compound Multiplication, Subtraction, Multiplication. Back cover has an ad from Webster's and Skinner's of the books they have for sale.

#### **Series 6: Slave Documents**

Folder 8: A small group of messages sent with slaves by Abraham N. Cuyler and Nicholas Cuyler to Abraham Ten Eyck asking for a loans of money as well as for silk and broad cloth, all undated, ca. 1790-1810?, none of the slaves are named. Also, a bill of sale for the sale of Tony, a slave of Esaias Warren of Troy, NY to Abraham Ten Eyck of the Town of Watervliet, for \$50, July 15, 1809.

## Series 7: Correspondence of Abraham Ten Eyck and others

Folder 9: Letters received by Abraham Ten Eyck, 1786-1826, chiefly re: to land sales, payments of loans made by Ten Eyck, payment for goods bought at his store, leases and rent payments from various people incl. Anthony Ten Eyck, Artemis Ross, Conrad Ten Eyck (Detroit, MI), Abiel Bugbee, Abraham J. Underhill, Comfort Brown and several other correspondents. Also, a letter by Abraham Ten Eyck to Johannes and Nicholas West, Dec. 16, 1792 and a copy of a letter to Conrad T.E. at Detroit, Aug. 6,1823.

Folder 10: Letters from Abraham R. Ten Eyck and Abraham L. Ten Eyck, incl. A. R. Ten Eyck to Ann Visscher (Ten Eyck), Feb. 12, 1800 and May 31, 1803; A. L. Ten Eyck, Aug. 10, 1819.

Folder 11: Letters from other Ten Eycks, incl.: Conrad T.E., Detroit, Oct. 4, 1810 to Jacob T.E. noting the death of [Leonard] Gansevoort and money matters; Catherine T.E. Lansing to Jacob T.E., Little Falls, NY, April 2, 1825, re: a deed given up by Jacob and her own financial needs; A[braham] T.E., Jr. to G.Y. Lansing, April 1822? re: a mortgage; Conrad T.E. to Jacob T.E., Detroit, Mar. 22, 1825 re: mortgages, bonds, etc.; Abraham T.E., Jr. to G.Y.Lansing, Mar. 22,1825, re: the rent of a farm at the Flatts; Jeremiah V.R. Ten Eyck, Detroit, Nov. 1, 1828 to Jacob Ten Eyck stating that he is the clerk of two courts and cannot leave because of court business and the season is not good for traveling.

Folder 12: Correspondence, miscellaneous as follows: Nicholas McDougall, Niagara to John G. Staats, Grand River, (Ont.?) Mar. 29 and June 22, 1803; John Lovett, Lansingburgh, Aug. 1m 1792, Sanders Lansing; Peter B. Ten Broeck, Jan. 27, 1804 to Messrs. Staats and Ten Eyck, Grand River, (Ont.?) asking them to send whiskey and that he has beaver, deer, bear, fisher and martin skins; Harmen H. Bogart to Conrad L.T.E.,?, Jan. 3, 1805; Henry T. Willse to ?, Jan.? 28,1799; Matthias B.Tallmadge, Poughkeepsie to G.Y. Lansing, May 24, 1813?; G[ideon] Hawley to G.Y. Lansing, Sept. 30, 1822; Abraham Van Dyck, Coxsackie, to Jacob H. T.E., April 3, 1822; ? A. Hayford, Champlain to Peter S. Schuyler, the Flatts near Watervliet, Sept. 1?, 1821; S[tephen] Van Rensselaer to ?, Washington, Feb. 24,1825 re: land and an election; A. Hart for Henry Hart to John Lovett, Kingsbury, July 11, 1787; E. Barnum, Barton (Ont.?) to J.G. Staats, Grand River (Ont.?), Nov. 17,1803.

#### **Series 8: Estate Papers:**

Folder 13: Papers re: to the estate of Abraham Ten Eyck, d. Nov. 7, 1824.

Will of A.Ten Eyck, July 30, 1822, (a contemporary copy of the will that may not be complete).

Letters (2) re: to the estate settlement, the executors, Abraham T.E., Jr., Jacob T.E. and Gerrit Y. Lansing, to Conrad and Jeremiah V.R. Ten Eyck, draft of letter, March 2, 1825 and Catherine Lansing to Jacob T.E. re: division of the estate furniture, April 19, 1825.

Account statements of executors re: to the estate settlement, incl.: a settlement of debts of the estate, 4/18/1825; account of personal property sold to various family members, 1825; Memo. of monies on account, 1/17/1827.

Statement of damages to lands of A. Ten Eyck from Erie and Champlain Canals, Sept. 15, 1825.

Court of Chancery case re: settlement of lands of estate in Kingsbury, June 25, 1827.

Receipts for payment of taxes and other fees to City of Albany and for payments to the Second Reformed Church, Albany, 1828-1830

Papers re: to money due to the estate of Abraham T.E. from the estate of Anthony T.E., 1813-1826, 3 documents.

Folder 14: Inventories of the estate of Abraham Ten Eyck, incl.:

Inventory of the estate by Levi H. Palmer and Edward R. Satterlee, Jan. 27, 1825; a detailed account of the household goods, tools, bond debt, rent due for lands and rent for pew in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Reformed Prot. Church, 10 pp.

Inventory of household furniture sold to family members and others, April 29, 1825 with names of purchasers and amounts paid, 4 pp.

Inventory of farm animals, crops, and other farm goods sold April 29, 1825, 2 pp.; also a draft copy of the same

Same inventory in order by the name of the purchaser, April 29, 1825

Declaration by heirs with a list of goods divided among the heirs, incl. silver table spoons, 23 pictures, quilts, blankets, etc.

Folder 15: Estate records of other persons, incl.:

Nicholas Cuyler, incl: his will, March 21, 1777; bill of Barent Staats for board the children of Nicholas Cuyler, 1775-1782; bill for taxes of estate of N. Cuyler.

Barent Ten Eyck, incl.: authorization by Thos. B. Bridgen to Barent Ten Eyck's executors to dispose of the "Household furniture, Negroes & cattle" of the estate; an authorization by Anthony Ernest Ten Eyck to dispose of the estate of Barent Ten Eyck.

Account of Abraham Ten Eyck re: estate of John F. Pruyn, 1795-1818; also Account of Abraham Ten Eyck with the estate of Nicholas Van Der Bergh, 1799-1808.

Folder 16: Account of a sale of the personal property of David Ver Planck, decd.; Coeymans, Sept. 7,

#### **Series 9: Account Books**

Folder 17: Account book, 1744-1751; mainly in Dutch; first four pages in English are accounts for sale of textiles (China taffeta, India cotton, lutestring, calico, etc. and animal skins, as well as other goods, such as chalk, copperas, sugar, etc.); unknown owner, possibly a Ten Eyck (Tobias?).

Folder 18: Account Book, 1783, military accounts of cash received and paid out for items such as Subsistence, and Pay during the American Revolution, possibly accounts of the forces of Levies under Col. Marinus Willett, as many of the names of the officers in the book were officers in that unit. The name of the owner of the accounts is not given, although it is probably Abraham Ten Eyck (comparison of handwriting with account book in Folder 20). Also with this are a few pages of military accounts, undated, ca. 1783?

Folder 19: Account book, 1823-1838, owner not given, but possibly is Peter Witbeck Ten Eyck, of Coeymans, b. 1794-d. 1883. The accounts in this book are for a merchant who seemed to sell at retail, textiles, paper and other goods. He also was a wholesale merchant buying quantities of spermaceti oil, shipping flour to Jamaica, buying and selling goods with London merchants, etc. The accounts also include field notes of land and mention the purchase of land in Illinois.

Folder 20: Abraham Ten Eyck accounts. This is a group of pages from various account books of Abraham Ten Eyck, ca. 1787-1814, mainly accounts with Abraham Cuyler and Peter Schuyler.

#### **Box 2:**

#### Series 10: Accounts and Bills

Folder 21: This is a group of bills and accounts of various persons, incl. Abraham Ten Eyck and other Ten Eycks as well as Ten Eyck & Lansing; Abraham and Nicholas Cuyler, and others. The accounts and bills include transactions for sales of general store goods, including sugar, rum, cloth, salt, hardware such as saws and nails, tea, etc. as well as accounts for services such as freight and surveying. There are also many accounts related to bonds and rents. Most of the accounts in this file are for Abraham Ten Eyck, with a few of Conrad and other Ten Eycks for transactions with many persons, including Peter Schuyler, Nicholas Van Den Bergh, John D. P. Douw, Charles and George Webster, and others. The dates of these accounts are ca. 1790-1823.

Folder 22: There are also several accounts of Abraham and Nicholas Cuyler, some with Abraham Ten Eyck. Abraham Cuyler's accounts are typical store accounts for sundries, rum, and other products. Nicholas Cuyler's accounts are mainly for making clothing of all sorts. (Nicholas Cuyler, born 1765 was the son of Abraham N. and Margarita Wendell Cuyler and Abraham N., born 1748, was possibly the son of Nicholas Cuyler.) Dates are ca. 1796-1805.

Folder 23: Accounts of Dr. Pomeroy with James McElroy and Peter Furlong for building a chimney, Aug. 1800.

Folder 24: Accounts with Daniel Crommelin & Son, mainly in Dutch, with a few accounts in English, incl.: Letter of Crommelin & Son to Abraham Ten Eyck, Jr., Amsterdam,Oct. 15, 1817 with copies of earlier letters not answered by Ten Eyck, Jr.; accounts (English), 1773-1815 re: to heirs of Anthony Ten Eyck, heirs of widow E. Van Corlaer, and Jacob Ten Eyck. The letter above and all of the accounts in Dutch are re: to the sale of a house owned by the Ten Eyck family on Leydesgragt in Amsterdam which seems to have been an unsettled issue from at least the 1760s. The account statement to the widow E. Van Corlaer appears to relate to rents for the house on Leydesgragt. Also, two notes re: to title and property value of the "Holland House." Also, a boundary statement of the house on Leydes Graft, n.d. (Note: The Rensselaer County Historical Society has a collection Ten Eyck Family papers, some of which are concerned with Crommelin & Son and the issue of the house on Leydesgragt in Amsterdam).

Folder 25: Miscellaneous accounts of unknowns with Thomas Schuyler, 1764; James Wilson and others interest on bonds, 1810; for repairs, 1799-1801 at Fort Miller?; accounts of debt; list of leases with yearly rents; Money rec'd from Paul Cushman, 1805-06; note with Extracts, 1812-1818.

## Series 11: Oriskany Patent Papers

#### Folder 26:

This is a group of accounts and other documents re: to the sale of the Oriskany Patent and the division of the patent into lots, incl.: Christopher Yates, Clerk of Montgomery Co. receipt to Abraham Ten Eyck, Peter Schuyler and Christoper Peake agents for division of the Oriskany Patent, April 8, 1786; account of the above agents with Charles R. Webster for publishing ads about the division and sale of the Oriskany Patent lands, March 29, 1786; accounts (5)for service and supplies in the surveying and sale of the lands with Abraham Ten Eyck (and James Caldwell), 1785; accounts (4) with the agents by Henry Van Hoesen, Henry Van Veghten, Jacob Lansing, unknown, 1785.

## **Series 12: Court Papers**

This is a file of papers re: to court cases, mainly for payments of debt and filed by county in which the case was held.

## Folder 27: Albany County:

Petition of William Adams, in prison for debt, to John Rice, Justice of the Peace asking for relief according to an act of the State Legislature re: relief of insolvent debtors and including an inventory of his personal property, clothing and lists of creditors and debtors, Dec. 22, 1784; Warrant of John Rice, JP to Albany County Sheriff to release William Adams and his order assigning Abraham Ten Eyck trustee of Adams property to relieve his debt, Jan. 24, 1785; also account of Rachel Willis to William Adams for boarding and nursing his family for several months, May 6,1785.

Receipts of Albany County Constables for money received in executions of judgments, 1798-1805, 16 receipts.

Two summons for Nicholas Cuyler, 1799, 1802.

Notice to Mr. Lansing for meeting of Albany Common Council, May 23, 1831.

Two memoranda re: to case of executors of Jeremiah Van Rensselaer and a suit brought vs. Jeremiah V.R. Ten Eyck by Isaac and George Hutton, Oct. 6, 1825.

Appointment of Benjamin Olmsted attorney for Abraham N. and Nicholas Cuyler in case of rent due from Thomas Dyre, Sept. 28, 1805.

Bill of J.V.N Yates, attorney for Abraham N. Cuyler in case of Cuyler v. Mathew Johnston, Dec. 1,1804.

Bill and receipts (3 items) of Whiting, Backus and Whiting in lawsuit of Peter Schuyler and Jno? Cuyler v. John Janny?, Jan. 1804.

Folder 28: Montgomery County:

Cases in Court of Common Pleas for damages on trespass cases, 1798, 1803, 1807 (John J. Quilhot v. Victor and John Hanson and John J. Quilhot v. John Voorhis; Memo re: case of ejectment on part of a lot of land in Amsterdam, NY of James Jackson, Abraham Ten Eyck and James Voorhis v. John Quilhot, Dec. 10, 1802; Bill of costs, John Quilhot v. James Jackson, Abraham Ten Eyck and James Voorhis, May 1803; Bill of costs, John Quilhot v. James Jackson, Abraham Ten Eyck and James Voorhis, Feb. 21, 1807

Folder 29: Saratoga County: Cases in Court of Common Pleas for bond judgments, etc.

Shabael Gorham v. Nicholas Vandenbergh, Feby. 1795; Nicholas Vandenbergh v. Abraham Ten Eyck, May 9, 1797; Nicholas Vandenbergh v. Philip DeForest, Sept. 1797; Peter Rouse v. Nicholas Vandenbergh, Oct. 7, 1797; Philip DeForest v. Nicholas Vandenbergh, Aug. 30, 1797; Philip Caldwell v. Abraham Ten Eyck, May 7, 1798; Receipt of John D. Dickinson from Abraham Ten Eyck, n.d.; Bill of Com. Vandenbergh to Abraham Ten Eyck for mortgage filing costs, Feb. 10, 1798.

Folder 30: Greene County and NYS Court of Chancery:

Appointment of Abraham Ten Eyck, attorney for Benjamin Minton, Coxsackie, NY, Oct. 30, 1795.

Chancery Cases (2):

Reply of Ephraim Van Veghten, defendant, to complaint of Abraham Ten Eyck, Robert McClallen and Stephen N. Bayard re: case of will of Nettie Van Veghten, n.d., after 1797.

Draft of an opinion by Levi H. Palmer, re: question of whether rents may be seized upon an execution by a court.

## **Series 13: Bonds and Promissory Notes:**

This is a large series of many documents concerned with loans and payments made by Abraham Ten Eyck, Jacob and Anthony Ten Eyck and a few others. There are two main components to this series: Bonds and Promissory Notes (aka Promises to Pay).

Folder 31: Bonds and Penal Bills: Listed by year with names of the obligor and obligee for each bond. Most of the signatories to the bonds are in Albany or Manor of Rensselaerwyck.

Henry Van Schaack & Peter DueBois to Jacob C. Ten Eyck, 1760

Peter Hogel to Nicholas Cuyler, 1774

Bartholemeus Vroman to Nicholas Cuyler, 1769

David Ver Planck to Jacob Ten Eyck, 1773

David Ver Plank to Coenradt Ten Eyck, 1774

David Ver Plank to Jacob C. Ten Eyck, 1774

Phineas Scott (Bennington) to Jacob Ten Eyck, 1774

Peter Hogel to Nicholas Cuyler, 1774

William Adams to Jacob Ten Eyck, 1775

Barent Staats to Abraham Cuyler, et al, 1777

David Becker to Teunis Van Vechten, 1783

Henry Hart to Dr. John Williams, White Creek, 1785

Neal Gellespsie (Argyle) Abraham Ten Eyck, 1789

John Rice and Daniel Dickinson (Stillwater) to Abraham Ten Eyck, 1789

Seth Deane (Hosick) to John Lansing, Jr. and Abraham Ten Eyck, 1790

Nicholas Van Den Bergh (Saratoga Co.) to Jacob Ten Eyck, 1791 and 1792 (2)

Abraham Ten Eyck to Margaret Barckly, widow of John Barckly, 1795

Conradt and Abraham Ten Eyck to Peter Gansevoort, 1794

Nicholas Van Den Bergh (Saratoga Co.) to Abraham Ten Eyck, 1799

Asa Ammons and John Wilbur, (Coxsaghie), to Coenrad Ten Eyck, 1796

Nicholas Van Den Bergh (Fort Miller) John Stevenson, et al, 1795

James Purdy (Coxsaghie) to Coenrad and Abraham Ten Eyck, 1795

Moses Hudson (Bethlehem) to Cornelia Price, widow of John Price, 1796

Nicholas Van Den Bergh (Fort Miller) to Abraham Ten Eyck, 1797

Abraham Ten Eyck (Hamilton Glass Manufactory) to Cornelia, relict of John Price, 1797

Philip Colwell (Fort Miller) to Abraham Ten Eyck, 1798

John W. Wendell to Abraham Ten Eyck, 1798

John W. Wendell to Matthew Trotter, 1801

Moses Hudson (Bethlehem) to Abraham Ten Eyck, 1802

Robert Dorman (Coeymans) to Abraham Ten Eyck, 1803

Abraham N. Cuyler to Abraham Ten Eyck, 1803

Nicholas Cuyler to Abraham Ten Eyck, 1805 (2)

Abraham N. Cuyler to Abraham Ten Eyck, 1805 (2)

Abraham Ten Eyck to Cornelia, relict of John Price, 1805.

Isaac and Abel Hayford (Champlain) to Peter S. Schuyler and Abraham Ten Eyck, 1821.

Folders 32-3: Promissory Notes (Promises to Pay)

There are many promissory notes dating from 1763-1824. The notes include the name of the maker (person promising to pay) and payee or holder of the note (person to whom payment is promised). The notes are either payable at a certain date or by a specific time such as 1 year, 3 months, 30, 35, 42, 45, 56 days, etc. Also filed with the promissory notes are receipts for payments made on the notes. Beginning in the 1790s many of the promissory notes have Abraham Ten Eyck, Jacob Ten Eyck, Ten Eyck & de Zeng and others as the makers.

The promissory notes are filed by year.

Folder 32: Notes, 1763, 1764, 1775

Folder 33: Notes, 1781-1783, 1785-1786

Folder 34: Notes, 1788-1789

Folder 35: Notes, 1790-1793, 1795, incl. a promissory note from Rynier Visgar to Jacob Glen for £50 for a "Negro man called Tom."

Folder 36: Notes, 1796-1797

Folder 37: Notes, 1798

Folder 38: Notes, 1798

Folder 39: Notes, 1799

Folder 40: Notes, 1799

#### **Box 3:**

Folder 41: Notes, 1800

Folder 42: Notes, 1801-1802

Folder 43: Notes, 1803-1805

Folder 44: Notes, 1806-1809

Folder 45: Notes: 1810-1817

Folder 46: Notes: 1821, 1824

Folder 47: Miscellaneous notes requesting loans of small amounts of cash and store items to be put on the person's account with Abraham Ten Eyck, incl., note from N. Cuyler, Oct. 19, 1804 requesting Ten Eyck to give Cuyler's "Neger Wench" one pound of tea and seven pounds of sugar and one pair of stockings.

Folder 48: Miscellaneous memoranda about bonds, incl.: Sundry bonds not accounted for by Abraham Ten Eyck, 1789; List of bonds belonging to Conr., Abm., Anthy. Ten Eyck (account of lands sold in Coeymans Patent); Koenraet and Gerretie Ten Eyck receipt to Anthony Van Schaick, Oct. 1, 1743; Note by John Jauncey re bond of Paul Cushman, Jan. 28, 1805 to Ten Eyck and Schuyler being applied to the discharge of a bond of Gansevoort.

Folder 48A: Power of attorney of Barent G. Staats to Abraham Ten Eyck re: a debt owed to Staats by John G. Staats and Conrad Ten Eyck, traders at Grand River in Upper Canada (Ontario), March 22, 1805.

## **Series 14: Receipts:**

There are many receipts for goods and services dating from 1763-1831. The receipts are filed in chronological order. The receipts are mainly from Albany and chiefly for payments made to Abraham Ten Eyck. The receipts are for payment for store goods, paying off various debts and court costs and for other goods and services. There are many receipts for making coats, and shoes and for purchase of linen and other cloth by the Abraham and Nicholas Cuyler. Particularly interesting items found in the receipts are noted. The receipts are from and to various people including Jacob Ten Eyck, Nicholas Cuyler and Abraham and Jeremiah Cuyler for tailoring and cloth, buttons etc. for making clothing and shoes, Abraham Ten Eyck, Peter Schuyler, Gerrit Y. Lansing, Mrs. Betsey Vosburgh (1804), Dr. Elias Willard and others.

Folder 49: Receipts, 1763-1775; purchase of a slave named Jack, 1763; for one half of a sloop, 1767.

Folder 50: Receipts, 1784-1788; for tending a grist mill, 1788; for moccasins and buck skins, 1785; for rum and spirits.

Folder 51: Receipts, 1790-1799; for potash, for mending a saddle, note to Abraham T.E. from Abraham Cuyler to please give his "Negro" various amounts of broadcloth, buttons, etc., 1794; bushels of salt and barrels of beef, 1795; days of work, 1795; for painting rooms, 1797, sugar, barrel of pork, nails, chimney back, 1798, gal. of brandy, 1798, shoes, 1798, for medicine and doctoring, 1806, framing an old looking glass, for freighting goods, 1809, soap, candles, paving Washington St., 1809.

Folder 52: Receipts, 1800-1809; for linen, for boarding and liquor, 1801, for a brown mare, 1802, for a new wagon, 1802, for making a coat, 1803, for taxes on a farm, 1804, for making fences, 1804, for surveying, 1804, bushels of corn and rye, payments on loan, making shoes, 1805-06," sundrie groceries," for medicine and "attendance," state taxes on land in Clinton County, freighting to Schenectady, candles, 1809, for wages of men and for horses working on Washington St., 1809.

Folder 53: Receipts,1810-1824, 1831; for payments by James Wilson to A. Ten Eyck for interest on bonds, for filling in various lots and for sand and paving stone, 1810, for filling in lots on Wolf and Swan Sts., 1811, making and mending shoes,1811, for rent, for shares in Great Western Turnpike, Albany Water Works and Western Lock Navigation,

1816, interest on bonds, to pew rent at 2<sup>nd</sup> Reformed P.Dutch Church, for Albany Register and Democratic Republican newspaper, 1823, for silver coffin plate, 1823.

Folder 54: Receipts, undated.

## Series 15: Land Papers

This is a series of land records of Abraham Ten Eyck and others for lands in chiefly in the City of Albany, Albany County and in the Military Tract of Central New York. The records include deeds, leases, memoranda and receipts relating to land agreements, quit claims and releases and other land records. The following is a general inventory of these records.

Folder 55: Deeds: Deeds from ca. 1763-1820, incl. a copy (undated) of a confirmation of a patent in Albany granted to Casper Jacobson by Gov. Richard Nicolls in 1667; deed from Catrina Coeman to her Ten Eyck nephews of land in Half Moon, 1763; copy of three deeds for lands in Coeymans made in 1673-1714 (copy undated, ca. 1720-1730?); deed from Adrean Quackenboss to Conth? Quackenboss for a house in Amsterdam, Netherlands, 1763; deed Francis Bonne to Nathan Walker for land in Pownwell (Pownal, VT), 1767; Deed of Water Lot from the City of Albany to Abraham Ten Eyck, 1803; note about deeds for land in Clinton County, 1805; correction of a deed of Abraham Ten Eyck to Abraham H. Lansing, et al, 1795; receipt for a deed for land in Herkimer County, 1818; a list of deeds delivered to Abraham Ten Eyck by L. Lansing, 1820.

Folder 56: Leases: Lease, Isaac Parris to Jacob C. Ten Eyck for lands about Otsquaga Creek, 1788; 3 leases from Ten Eycks to Daniel McCowen in Kayaderosseras Patent and John Hutchinson and Obediah and Eleazer Newcomb in the Coeymans Patent, 1795; Coenrad A. Ten Eyck to Terick Hess of a farm for a year, 1790; leases with rent due from John Smith to Ira Palmer, 1820-1823; memo about Springfield leases of Abraham and Anthony Ten Eyck, 1821; memo of leases with rents due from various lessees, n.d.

Folder 57: Lands in the Military Tract and elsewhere in New York State of Abraham Ten Eyck, incl. memoranda and lists of lands of Ten Eyck in the towns of Pompey, Lysander, Brutus, Marcellus, et al; descriptions of lots in Pompey, 1794, 1796; list of lands in Lysander, Lot No. 5, 1790; also description of lots in Clinton County set aside for the Canadian and Nova Scotia Refugees, n.d.; list of lands of Abraham Ten Eyck in Otsego County, 1798; also, Abraham Ten Eyck, Jr. statement re: Humphrey Howland and land in Dryden, NY, Mar. 11,1808; note from ? to ? re: lots in Tully, NY; also Agreement of Elkanah Watson and Abraham Ten Eyck re: lands in Military Tract, Dec. 24, 1800.

F. 58: Maps: A group of manuscript maps with some field notes of different plots of land as follows:

Map of Lots # 56-58 in Saratoga Patent and Lot #7 in Kayaderosseras Patent and adjoining lots, by Josiah Throop, July 25, 1794

Plan of Lot #7 in Kayaderosseras Patent, 12<sup>th</sup> General Allotment, by Josiah Throop, Dec. 24, 1802.

Map of Lots #1-3, with field notes, Coeymans, NY, by Gerrit Cluett, Nov. 1804.

Plan of Lot #7 in Kayaderosseras Patent, 12<sup>th</sup> General Allotment, part in dispute with John Quilhot and John Voorhees, by James Cushing, Nov. 5, 1804.

Survey map of lot (Holbrook Farm) in possession of Abraham Ten Eyck in Coeymans, by Abraham Van Dyck, Oct. 17, 1810.

Folder 59: Quit claims and Releases for various people as follows:

Release of George Clark to John Fetterly, etc., 1742-1788; Benjamin Minton, Coxsackie release to Benjamin Minton, Jr. and Daniel Minton, Oct. 1791; Maike Witbeck, widow of Andries Witbeck release to Jacob C. Ten Eyck re: legacy of Samuel Coeymans, Dec. 1791; Barent Ten Eyck release to Jacob Ten Eyck re: legacy of Samuel Coeymans, Aug. 1793; Margret Barckley, widow of John Barckley release to Jacob Ten Eyck re: legacy of Samuel Coeymans, Sept. 1793, Daniel Minton, Coxsackie, 'release to Benjamin Minton, Jr., May 1796.

Folder 60: Correspondence, agreements, receipts re: to lands, incl.:

Justus A?? to "Friend," Nov. 29,1785 about sale of land; Barent Ten Eyck to Abraham Ten Eyck, receipt for deed, 1793; John Robison to Abraham T.E., Nov. 12, 1793 receipt of deed; Abraham Lott to Abraham T.E., Nov. 8, 1793 receipt of deed; Abiel Bugtry (Bugbee) receipt of Abraham Ten Eyck, Feb. 5, 1799 re: houses;; Anthony Ten Eyck, Schodack, to Abraham Ten Eyck, April 27, 1807 re: map of lot in Greene County; letter from Mr. Murray to Abraham Ten Eyck, re: lands in Springfield Patent, n.d.; memorandum of an agreement betw. Thomas Grier and Abraham Ten Eyck re: filling in of pasture land with "good wholesome earth," Sept. 1810; agreement of Mr. Ten Eyck and Mr. Quackenboss re: proceeds of sales of mill and lands, ca. 1801; agreement of Abraham Ten Eyck and Barent Ten Eyck, Livingston, Columbia Co. re: a quitclaim and release, April 1797; Mortgage of Abraham Ten Eyck and John Williams to Daniel Quackeboss of Schacticock, 1791; deed of John Taylor to Walter Quackenboss and Elsie Visscher, Oct. 1800 for land in City of Albany; mortgage of Jonathan Fitch to Stephen

Lusk and Abr. Ten Eyck, Jan. 1802; "Contents of the Case in the Family Room...Dec. 11,1824," listing papers and accounts re: to lands.

## Folder 61: Lists of land sales, etc. as follows:

Document listing sales of lands by Abraham Ten Eyck and others to various people, ca. 1790-1793, mainly in Kayaderosseras Patent (?), 8 pp.; list of lands in the division of the estate of Abraham Ten Eyck, decd., ca. 1824-1825; statement of settlement of Abraham Ten Eyck and Peter Schuyler with Wm. James re: a judgment vs. James in the City of Albany, ca. 1805; Valuation of lands at The Flatts purchased by Cornelius Glen of the heirs of John Cuyler in 1793 and set apart from the farms occupied by Col. Philip Schuyler and Abraham N. Cuyler; list of papers re: to a house and lot on State St., Albany, signed by Jennet Easton, Albany, July 29, 1802; "Statement of the Embarrisments that the Property on Columbia Street must be sold..., ca. 1805.

Folder 62: Miscellaneous land records incl. receipts and memoranda re: deeds, work on lands (filling in pasture land), surveying work, etc., 1792-1831 (20 items). Also the following: Gift of land northeast of his house by Abraham Cuyler to his uncle Barent Staats and Elizabeth Staats, May 1792; List of debts paid to Nicholas Vandenbergh by various people and receipt of Henry Quackenboss and Abraham Ten Eyck paying the debts, Aug. 1797; statement of stock shares and lots of land and value, n.d.; statement of stock shares and lots of land and values incl. stocks in Great Western Turnpike, Western Lock Navigation and Albany Water Works, n.d., ca. 1790?

## Appendix:

Genealogy of Abraham R. Ten Eyck (Box 1, Folder 1) (Later annotations are in italics)

Abraham R. Ten Eyck was Born Septembr.22<sup>nd</sup> 1775 at 2 o'clock in the morning. Sponcers, Captain John Lewis and Effe, his wife, Christd. By Parson English in the Trinity Church. *Died Tuesday evening*, 6 o'clock June 9<sup>th</sup> 1857. Funeral the 12<sup>th</sup>.

Ann Visscher Wife of Abraham R. Ten Eyck was Born on Friday October 25<sup>th</sup> 1778. *Died* 3 p.m. Tuesday, July 20<sup>th</sup> 1870.

Philip Ten Eyck, their first Born Wednesday March 10<sup>th</sup> 1802 at Nine O'clock in the Evening. Baptised by the Rev. John B. Johnson. *Died early Saturday morning*, *July* 15<sup>th</sup>, 1893.

Ann Eliza Ten Eyck was Born Thursday March 15<sup>th</sup>,1804 at Ten O'clock in the Morning. Baptised by the Revd. John Bassett. (*Died*) *May* 26,1866.

Caroline Ten Eyck was Born Tuesday September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1806 at Ten O'clock in the Evening, Baptised by the Revd. Frederic Beasley, Rector of St. Peter's Church. Died September 24<sup>th</sup> 1809 at five o'clock Sunday Morning, Aged Three years and twenty-two days.

Visscher Ten Eyck, their second son was Born Friday the 27<sup>th</sup> January 1809 at Eight o'clock in the Evening. Baptised by the Revd. Frederic Beasley, Rector of St. Peter's Church, 12<sup>th</sup> September 1809. *Died in N.Y. early in the morning April* 13<sup>th</sup> 1886.

Lydia Ten Eyck was Born August 24<sup>th</sup> 1811 at Seven o'Clock in the Morning of Saturday. Baptised by the Revd. Timothy Clowes Rector of St. Peter's Church. *Died May 1, 1903 Friday evening.* 

John Ten Eyck was Born April 20<sup>th</sup> 1814 at three quarters past five o'clock in the Morning of Wednesday. Baptised by the Revd. Timothy Clowes, Rector of St. Peter's Church on Thursday Evening at Eight o'clock. *Died July 31*<sup>st</sup> 1897.

Caroline Ten Eyck was Born Novembe 21<sup>st</sup> 1817 at Ten O'Clock in the Morning of Thursday. Baptised by Revd. Timothy Clowes Rector of St. Peter's Church on Sunday Evening at Eight o'Clock.

Mary Ten Eyck, Their Fifth Daughter was born in the Morning of Tuesday the 17<sup>th</sup> of August 1819.Baptised by the Revd. William B. Lacey, Rector of St. Peter's Church Wednesday June 1820. *Died March 8<sup>th</sup> 1900 Thursday 8 o'clock evening*.

Ann Ten Eyck, their Sixth Daughter was born at half past Eleven o'Clock in the morning of Wednesday the 17<sup>th</sup> of April 1822. *Died early in the morning Feb.* 3<sup>rd</sup> 1863.

Richard Ten Eyck, Son of James Ten Eyck and Ann Eliza Ten Eyck was born in the City of Albany on the Eleventh day of August in the year of our Lord One Thousand and Eight Hundred and Twenty-Two. *Died July 20,1836, Tuesday evening 8 o'clock*.

Philip Ten Eyck, Son of James Ten Eyck and Ann Eliza Ten Eyck was born in the City of Albany on the first day of August in the year of our Lord One Thousand and Eight Hundred and Twenty-four. *Died early Monday Morning March* 23<sup>rd</sup> 1891.