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Nathaniel and Elizabeth (Heath) Pettit of Hunterdon County, New Jersey - Part One

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Many American Pettit families trace back to Nathaniel and Elizabeth (Heath) Pettit of Hunterdon County, New Jersey. However, no comprehensive account about them and their descendants has been published. Further, those published sources which do refer to his family are often very inaccurate. As a first step toward a reliable genealogy for this family, this account has been compiled for *The Pettit Correspondent*.

Review of Previously Published Accounts

John S. Wurts included a chapter on the Pettit family in his *Magna Carta*. However, he listed only five children of Nathaniel. Asahel H. Pettit in his book, *The Pettit Family in America*, (1906), referred to this family. However, he named the father as John Pettit rather than Nathaniel and he listed only six sons. Likewise, in *The History of Sussex and Warren Counties, New Jersey*, by James P. Snell, (1881), only six brothers were mentioned. A Canadian source, *The Annals of the Forty*, by Janet R. Powell, includes genealogy on the Pettits who went to Canada. It lists nine children for Nathaniel and Elizabeth (Heath) Pettit. Finally, *The Tenmile Country and Its Pioneer Families*, by Howard L. Leckey, recorded family history for families who settled in southwest Pennsylvania. Leckey included the Pettit family and listed all eleven children of Nathaniel and Elizabeth Pettit. This is believed to be the most accurate listing of this family but Leckey failed to identify his source.

Footnotes in the Text

Footnotes, indicated in superscript, refer to sources listed numerically at the end. In the case of wills and deeds, the volume and page are set in parentheses.

Ancestry of Nathaniel Pettit II

Nathaniel Pettit II of Hunterdon County was a son of Nathaniel and Mary (Bailey) Pettit. His father, Nathaniel I, was born ca. 1645, probably in Exeter, New Hampshire. From 1655 to 1696 Nathaniel I resided at Newtown, Long Island, New York. He married Mary Bailey, the daughter of Elias Bailey of Newtown¹. In 1695 he bought 100 acres at the present-day site of Trenton, New Jersey² (T:209). His land included the tract where the state capitol of New Jersey now stands.³ His will was written March 15, 1714/5, and proved June 25, 17184 (23:363). In it he mentioned his children Moses, Judith Neald, Nathaniel, Elias, and Jane Ealy, wife of George Ealy (Ely).

Nathaniel Pettit I was the son of Thomas and Christian Pettit. Thomas came to Boston, Massachusetts prior to 1637. By 1639 Thomas Pettit had removed to Exeter, New Hampshire. By 1657 he settled in Newtown, Long Island. The maiden name of his wife had been given as Mellowses but without proof.¹

The Heath Family

Nathaniel Pettit II married Elizabeth Heath, the daughter of Andrew Heath and Elizabeth (Barrett) Venables Bannor.⁵ 6

Andrew Heath came to America in 1682 as a bonded servant to William Yardley and it is possible that Andrew was a nephew. They came from Staffordshire in England and settled in Lower Makefield Township, Bucks County, Pennsylvania. On July 29, 1686, Andrew was released after four years of bonded service.⁵ Andrew Heath moved to New Jersey in 1699 when he bought 420 acres of land near present-day Trenton⁵. About 1703

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he helped establish the Hopewell Church, one of the first Episcopal churches in the area. And in 1705 four of Andrew's children were baptized there: Andrew, Elizabeth, John, and Sarah.⁵

In 1703 Andrew was appointed interpreter by the Council of Proprietors to accompany the West Jersey Proprietors while they negotiated with the Lenni-Lenape Indians.⁵

Andrew married twice. His first wife was Elizabeth (Barrett) Venables Bannor.⁶ She and her first husband William Venables had arrived on the same ship with Andrew and the Yardleys. William Venables died soon after their arrival leaving his widow and two daughters, Joyce and Frances. Sometime after 1688 his widow Elizabeth married Lawrence Bannor. Andrew Heath was her third husband. She died prior to 1699 when Andrew and his step-daughter Joyce conveyed land. Andrew married secondly the widow Hannah Clark.⁶

Andrew's will was dated Jan. 3, 1716/17, at Hopewell and was proved Dec. 29, 1720. In it he mentioned his wife Hannah, his children: Martha, under 18, John, Elizabeth, Andrew, Sarah, under 21, and Richard. He also mentioned grandchildren: Elizabeth, Abigail, and Andrew Peittet (sic) and his wife's children: Daniel, Samuel, and Hannah Clark⁴ (23:219).

Biography of Nathaniel Pettit II

The date of Nathaniel Pettit's birth has been given as 16767 but without confirmation from public sources. The date may be too early since it would make him about 35 at the time of his marriage. He was born in Newtown, Long Island. He moved with his parents to Hunterdon County, New Jersey in 1695. About 1711 he married Elizabeth Heath.

Nathaniel was named in his father's will written March 15, 1714/15. On Mar. 11, 1718 he bought 1 3/4 acres of his father's estate from his brother, Jonathan Pettit.⁸ The following year on Apr. 23, 1719 he bought another quarter acre from William Trent which was adjacent to the first purchase. Nathaniel was listed as a carpenter on these deeds² (E:14).

On Feb. 15, 1723 he sold the two above lots to Robert Eaton.⁸ By this time Nathaniel was listed as a carpenter of Amwell Township, Hunterdon County, which indicates that he made a move from the vicinity of Trenton to Amwell Township between 1719 and 1723.

It is said that he was an organizer and founder of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Ringoes, New Jersey about this time.⁷ He witnessed the deed from William Lummo to the trustees of the church for 11 acres in 1725.⁹

By 1735 he held a 100 acre tract in the New Jersey Society's Great Tract (the northeast part of Hunterdon County).¹⁰ So apparently the family relocated to this part of the county between 1723 and 1735. The Pettit land was probably in Holland Township or Alexandria Township of Hunterdon County.

On Apr. 14, 1746 William Taylor assigned his servant Elizabeth Sibling to Nathaniel Pettit of Hunterdon County, New Jersey. She was to serve the remainder of her time of ten years from Mar. 22, 1741 for the consideration of $\text{œ}10$ customary dues. This action took place before James Hamilton, the mayor of Philadelphia.¹¹

In 1747 the field notes of Robert Emley spoke of the road to "Petit's Mill". Some have identified this with Spring Mills in Holland Twp., Hunterdon County.¹² Milling seems to have been a popular occupation of this family because a number of his sons later ran mills.

By 1749 sons of Nathaniel Pettit began moving north to Sussex County, New Jersey. Eventually eight sons settled in Sussex County but there is no evidence that their father, Nathaniel Pettit, ever lived there.

On May 15, 1753 Nathaniel Pettit was named in the will of his sister, Mary (Pettit) Moore Watkinson of the city of Burlington, New Jersey. This will was proved Feb. 2, 1754 (31:349).

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A 1757 manuscript by John Emley, an agent of the West Jersey Society, named the tenants living "westward of Pierce's Road" (the road from Pittstown to Bloomsbury). Among these tenants was listed Nathaniel Pettit.¹⁰

During the 1750's and 1760's Nathaniel Pettit was mentioned in several estate settlements in Hunterdon County. These probably refer to the subject of this sketch but it is possible that some refer to his son or even a grandson. On Nov. 19, 1752 Nathaniel Pettit was mentioned in the account of the estate of John Thatcher of Kingwood Twp4 (30:476). On May 16, 1757 Nathaniel was mentioned in the estate settlement of Richard Heath of Bethlehem Twp4 (30:228). On Apr. 10, 1761 he was mentioned in the account of the estate of Stephen Pitcock of Amwell Twp4 (30:381).

The date of Nathaniel Pettit's death has been given as 17687 but, like the date of his birth, there is no confirmation from public record sources. However, the fact that Nathaniel's son, Nathaniel III, is referred to as Nathaniel Jr. in Sussex Co. Court Records as late as 1766 would tend to support the traditional date.

Children of Nathaniel II and Elizabeth (Heath) Pettit

Nathaniel and Elizabeth (Heath) Pettit probably had eleven children. The order of birth is uncertain. But the oldest three children were mentioned in the will of their maternal grandfather, Andrew Heath, dated Jan. 3, 1716/17.

- + 1. Elizabeth Pettit, b. ca. 1712; d. 1785; m. Dennis Wolverton.
- 2. Abigail Pettit, b. ca. 1714; no further record.
- + 3. Andrew Pettit, b. ca. 1716; d. 1748; m. Dinah.
- + 4. George Pettit.
- + 5. Jonathan Pettit, b. 1721; d. 1768; m. Deborah Robbins.
- + 6. Nathaniel Pettit, b. 1724; d. 1803; m. Margaret McFarlane.
- + 7. Amos Pettit, d. 1790; m. Esther Stout.
- + 8. John Pettit, b. 1726; d. 1797; m. Mercy Fisher.
- + 9. Thomas Pettit, d. 1758.
- + 10. Isaac Pettit, d ca. 1805; m. Margaret.
- + 11. Charles Pettit, b. 1730; m. Mary Smith.

Second Generation

1. Elizabeth Pettit was born about 1712. She died Jan. 2, 1785. She married Dennis Wolverton, son of Charles and Mary (Chadwick) Wolverton. The parents sailed on the "Welcome", William Penn's ship, and arrived in America in 1682. Dennis Wolverton was born Jan. 26, 1709 and died Aug. 19, 1774. Dennis and Elizabeth (Pettit) Wolverton had eight children recorded in a family Bible:¹³
 12. Abigail Wolverton, b. 1734; m. a Mr. Meldrum; d. Sept. 15, 1763.
 13. Elizabeth Wolverton, b. 1736; m. a Mr. Tomlinson; d. June 3, 1766.
 14. Charles Wolverton, b. 1738; m. Ann, dau. of John Jewell of Amwell, NJ. Charles was drowned in the Delaware River Oct. 17, 1763. He had one son: Nathaniel Wolverton who settled in Albany, NY.
 15. Nathaniel Wolverton, b. 1740; d. 14 July, 1760.
 16. Nathan Wolverton, b. 1742; d. May 15, 1760.
 17. Andrew Wolverton, b. 1746; d. Dec. 15, 1749.
 18. Isaac Wolverton, b. 1748; d. May 23, 1749.
 19. Mary Wolverton, b. ca. 1750; m. May 14, 1772, Gen. Daniel Bray.¹⁵ He was born 1751 and died Dec. 5, 1819.7 They had children: John, Daniel, Wilson, Andrew. Jonathan, Delilah, Betsy, Hannah, and Susan Bray.
 20. Jonathan Wolverton, b. July 7, 1754; m-1 May 31, 1775, Mary Barcroft. She died Feb. 26, 1804. On Jan. 25, 1806 he m-2 the widow Mary Davis. She d. Feb. 10, 1813. He m-3 Alice, widow of William Kitchen on Oct. 19, 1813. Jonathan died 1831. Jonathan moved his family from New Jersey to Grimsby, Ontario in 1798. Jonathan and Mary (Barcroft) Wolverton had children: Hannah,

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Elizabeth, Oprah, Mahlon, unnamed twins, Mary, Martha, and Dennis Wolverton.

3. Andrew Pettit was born about 1716. He was probably named after his maternal grandfather, Andrew Heath. Apparently he was the only one of Nathaniel's sons to remain in Hunterdon County. He was listed as a freeholder in Amwell Township in 1741¹⁴ (37:55). In the May term of 1748 Hunterdon Court records show that Andrew applied for a tavern license.¹⁹ A year later in May 1749 his widow Dinah applied for the license. Andrew died intestate and administration of his estate was filed Oct. 21, 1748. The inventory on his estate was taken Dec. 26, 1748. He was identified as a blacksmith of Amwell Township. His wife was the administratrix of the estate. Estate papers identify her as a Quaker⁴ (30:377). She married secondly Jonathan Furman. There is a document in West Jersey deeds² (Z:289) dated Feb. 23, 1765 which states that Andrew died intestate and left Charles Pettit, Nathaniel Pettit, and Elizabeth Pettit, his children and heirs. The document further states that the children have received from their mother and step-father all that was due them from their father's estate.
21. Charles Pettit, b. 1737⁷. On March 8, 1771 he was commissioned aide to Gov. William Franklin (son of Benjamin Franklin). On Oct. 8, 1776 he became aide to Governor William Livingston with the rank of colonel. He was Colonial Secretary of the Province of New Jersey under Gov. Franklin and continued under Gov. Livingston. On Mar. 2, 1778 he was commissioned Assistant Quartermaster-General in the Continental Army. After the war he became an importing merchant in Philadelphia. In 1784 and 1785 he represented the City of Philadelphia in the state legislature. From 1785 to 1787 he was a Pennsylvania delegate to the Continental Congress. He was a strong advocate for ratification of the federal constitution. He was later a trustee of the University of Pennsylvania. He was a founder of the Insurance Company of North America and served twice as its president. He died Sept. 6, 1806 in Philadelphia. He married Sarah Reed on Apr. 5 1758.¹⁶ She was the daughter of Andrew and Theodosia (Bowes) Reed. They had five children: Elizabeth, Andrew, Sarah, Theodosia, and Joseph Pettit.⁷
22. Nathaniel Pettit. He was probably the Major Nathaniel Pettit who helped gather boats for Washington's attack on Trenton in December 1776. William S. Stryker listed him as 1st Major in the 2nd Regiment of Hunterdon County in his book *Official Register of Officers and Men of New Jersey in the Revolutionary War*. This Nathaniel Pettit later settled in Franklin County, Pennsylvania where letters of administration were issued on his estate Mar. 14, 1795¹⁷ (A:330). A manuscript in the collections of the Kittochtinny Historical Society Library in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, written by Nathaniel's grandson Samuel Riley Pettit, provides further information about this family [Editor's note: See TPC, Vol 2 #1 pp. 49-52 and #2 pp. 78-80; The subject of the article on the front page of this issue, p. 119, was a great-grandson of this Nathaniel - Nathaniel Riley⁴, Nathaniel Sr.³, John² m. Ann Riley, Nathaniel¹¹]. Nathaniel was a millwright in New Jersey and moved to Franklin County with his son about 1794. They located on a farm near Greencastle, PA. NOTE: Jonathan Pettit, brother of Nathaniel Pettit II, also had a son Nathaniel Pettit. Some Pettit researchers identified Major Nathaniel Pettit as the son of Jonathan. However, Jonathan's son died about 1779 in Hunterdon County⁴ (34:392). Stryker's record of Major Nathaniel Pettit stated that he later removed from Hunterdon County. Therefore, the Nathaniel who died about 1779 in that county was not likely the Revolutionary War Major.
23. Elizabeth Pettit, living in 1765; nothing further known.

4. George Pettit first appeared in New Jersey records as the witness to the will of Samuel Hunt Sr. of Hardwick Township, Morris County (later Sussex) dated Mar. 13, 17524 (31:170-171). His brother Isaac Pettit was also a witness. George Pettit served on juries in Sussex County in November 1755, August 1757, August 1758, and November 1760.¹⁸ In March 1756 he served with his brothers Jonathan, Amos, and Thomas on a coroner's jury ruling on the death of David Allen of Sussex County.¹⁹ His name does not appear in Sussex County records after 1760. It is believed that he eventually moved with his brother Isaac Pettit to Loudoun County, Virginia. A George Pettit appeared on lists of Loudoun County tithables in the years 1770, 1771, 1774 and 1775.²⁰ There was a tradition that George also lived for a while in Bucks County, Pennsylvania²¹ perhaps between 1760 when the last mention of him was found in New Jersey in 1770 when the first mention of him is found in Virginia. Another family tradition gave the name of George's wife as Sarah.²² There is no listing of George Pettit's children but the following appear to belong to him:

24. Andrew Pettit. He was listed as the son of George in Loudoun County tithable lists. He married Jerusha Schooley and lived at Pettit's Mill about half-way between Waterford and Leesburg in Loudoun Co. They had ten children: Joab, Sarah, Rachel, Dorothy (Dolly), Susan, Polly, Nancy, Jonathan, George K., and Andrew Pettit.²¹
25. Mary Pettit, d. Oct. 28, 1828. She married Joseph Baldwin in 1774 at Alexandria, a small community in Loudoun County.²² Joseph Baldwin was the son of Joseph Baldwin Sr. and his wife Susannah of Loudoun County. Joseph and Mary Baldwin moved about 1795 to Shenandoah (now Warren) County, Virginia. About 1818 they moved again to Shenango Township, Beaver (now Lawrence) Co., Pennsylvania.²³ They had children: Samuel, John, Susannah, Nancy, Joseph, Massa, Mary, and Betsy Baldwin.²²
26. Amos Pettit. An Amos Pettit was listed among Loudoun Co. taxables in 1782.²⁰ About 1800 (or a couple years earlier) an Amos Pettit settled in Pendleton Co, Kentucky. Family tradition among his descendants said that he came from Loudoun Co., Virginia. The same tradition states that Amos died at age 90 and was a member of the Christian Church.²⁴ The maiden name of his wife was Glenn. They were said to have "many" children, including: Absalom, John McCargo, James, and Elijah Pettit.²⁴
27. Nathaniel Pettit. He was born between 1765 and 1770 according to entries in the Beaver Co., Pennsylvania census in 1830 and 1840. About 1792 in Loudoun Co., VA he married Abigail Wood, the daughter of Joseph and Abigail Wood. The Woods were a Quaker family and Abigail was dismissed from Fairfax Monthly Meeting for marrying out of unity on Nov. 24, 1792.²⁵ Nathaniel eloped with Abigail against her families wishes and they came over the mountains on horseback to Pennsylvania.²⁶ Nathaniel was still living in 1844 when he executed a deed in Beaver County²⁷ but apparently died before 1850 because he did not appear in the 1850 census. Nathaniel and Abigail had children: Joseph, Ruth(ette), Susannah, George, Perninah, Josiah W., Nathaniel, and Naomi Pettit.²⁶

5. Jonathan Pettit was born in 1721.⁷ John Reading, a large landholder in colonial New Jersey, mentioned writing a deed to Jonathan Pettit in his diary entry of May 26, 1749. The deed was written at the home of Samuel Green who lived in the area that later became Sussex County¹⁴ (63:47). Jonathan Pettit became a justice of the peace on May 13, 1749 in Morris County.²⁸ Sussex County was erected from Morris County in 1753 and one of the first acts recorded in Sussex County was Jonathan's application for a tavern license on Nov. 20, 1753.¹⁸ He was appointed one of the

first justices of Sussex County.²⁹ The first court in Sussex Co. was held at the house of Jonathan Pettit in Hardwick (now Frelinghuysen) Township. The next year the county built a jail near Jonathan's tavern and the place received the name "Log Gaol". It is now called Johnsonburg and became part of Warren County when that county was erected in 1824. The family later moved to the southwest corner of Sussex County where they owned land on both sides of the Delaware River at Easton, PA and Phillipsburg, NJ.⁷ Jonathan Pettit wrote his will on Oct. 20, 1768 and it was proved Feb. 4, 1769. The inventory of his estate was done on Nov. 15, 1768 (33:327). Jonathan Pettit married Deborah Robbins.¹³ She survived him and moved back to Hardwick Twp., Sussex County, NJ. She died in March 1791. Her will was written Mar. 21, 1791 and proved Mar. 31, 1791 (37:282). Jonathan and Deborah Pettit had the following children:¹³

28. Nathaniel Pettit, b. ca. 1744.¹³ He moved to Canada and then later returned to Easton, Pennsylvania.⁷ Several sources state that this Nathaniel remained a bachelor^{7 13} but Rev. William Frazier baptized two children of Nathaniel and Margaret Pettit of Phillipsburg, Sussex Co., on Jan. 15, 1769. On the same day Rev. Frazier baptized the two youngest children of Jonathan and Deborah Pettit. This record leads to the conclusion that this Nathaniel had at least two children: Jonathan and John Pettit and possibly others.⁹
29. Dinah Pettit, b. Feb. 1746, d. Nov. 8, 1804 (killed by a falling tree); married John Moore. He was born in New Jersey in 1739, son of Edward and Mary Moore. He was a Loyalist during the American Revolution. They moved to Grimsby, Ontario in 1787. He died May 16, 1803. Children: Mary, Deborah, Elizabeth, Jonathan, Rachel, William, Pierce, Dinah, Margaret, and Charles Moore.¹³
30. Jonathan Pettit, b. ca. 1748; was executor of his brother Isaac's will in 1787 in Sussex Co., NJ; later moved to Canada; may have been the Jonathan Pettit who settled on Patterson's creek on Lake Erie.
31. Isaac Pettit, b. ca. 1753; married Mary Buckner and died in 1787 in Hardwick Township, Sussex Co., NJ. His will was written Jan. 12, 1787 and proved Jan. 23 (36:177). In it he mentioned his children: Rachel, John, Elizabeth, Deborah, and Jonathan Pettit.
32. Andrew Pettit, b. Mar. 22 or 27, 1756; married Sarah Smith, daughter of John and Sarah Smith on Apr. 9, 1780. They settled on a farm near the Log Gaol. In 1787 they moved with other Loyalist families from New Jersey to Canada. Andrew was instrumental in establishing the Episcopal church at Grimsby, Ontario. He died Oct. 17, 1841. Their children were: Jonathan, Elizabeth, Sarah, John Smith, Andrew, Martha, Nathaniel, Deborah, Isaac, and Asa Pettit.
33. Elizabeth Pettit, b. 1758, d. 1835; m. Benjamin Bell. They stayed in New Jersey to care for her mother and moved to Canada after the mother's death. Benjamin went in 1791 and when he did not return the following year Elizabeth made the trip on her own with eight children under the age of 16. They settled in Grimsby Township, Ontario. Benjamin died in 1820. They had children: Anna (Nancy), Jonathan, Deborah, Elizabeth, Mary, Isaac, Nathaniel, Sarah, and Benjamin Bell.
34. John Pettit, b. Apr. 22, 1761, near Easton, PA, d. June 7, 1851. He married Jan. 20, 1780, Sarah Carpenter, daughter of Ashman & Mary (Boyle) Carpenter. She was born Nov. 9, 1761 and died Oct. 24, 1813. He m-2 June 17, 1814 Mary Carpenter (Sarah's sister). John served with the loyal New Jersey volunteers during the Revolutionary War. In 1787 he joined other Loyalists in their move to Canada. Children of John & Sarah (Carpenter) Pettit were: Mary, Deborah, Elizabeth, Jonathan Isaac, Ashman, Sarah, Margaret, Ruth, John Carpenter, Pamela, and Martha Pettit.

35. William Pettit, b. ca. 1763, bapt. Jan 15, 1769, by Rev. William Frazier⁹; may have died young.
6. Nathaniel Pettit III was born June 12, 1724. He was Judge of Court of Common Pleas in Sussex County from 1770 to 1775 and a member of the New Jersey Assembly from 1772 to 1775. He operated a saw and grist mill in Sussex County. He was a Loyalist and was imprisoned during the Revolutionary War. He went to Canada in 1788. He received 2000 acres of land in Canada as compensation for his losses during the Revolutionary War. In Canada he became a judge and a member of the Land Board. In 1792 he was elected to the Parliament of Upper Canada. He died March 9, 1803 at Ancaster, Ontario and was buried at the Anglican Cemetery in Grimsby.¹³ On Feb. 28, 1747 he married Margaret MacFarlane. She was born Feb. 2, 1726 and died in New Jersey Sept. 4, 1770.⁷ They had children:¹³
36. Andrew Pettit, b. Feb. 2, 1748.
37. Elizabeth Pettit, b. Dec. 6, 1750, m. Peter Runion. They had one son, Samuel Runion.⁷
38. Catherine Pettit, b. Apr. 17, 1753; m. Peter Gordon.
39. Mary Pettit, b. Feb 27, 1756.
40. Rachel Pettit, b. June 20, 1758, m. Lawrence Lawrason.
41. Abigail Pettit, b. May 8, 1764; d. 1854; m. Thomas Willson. He was born Jan. 22, 1768 and died in Canada 1845. He was the son of John Willson and Elizabeth Baty. They had nine children, two of whom are known: Elizabeth and John Irish Willson.⁷
7. Amos Pettit first appeared in Sussex County records in 1758 when he was the assessor for Hardwick Township.¹⁸ By 1760 he was living at Newton.⁴ From 1764 to 1768 and again in 1789 he served as Sussex Co. Freeholder representing Newton Township.³⁰ He resided at Brighton about 6 miles southeast of the town of Newton.²⁹ Amos was an organizer of Christ Church, Newton.⁷ Amos was a supporter of the American Cause in the Revolutionary War. Amos married Esther Stout about 1763. She was the daughter of James Stout and Mary Anne (St. Leger) Codd.⁷ Amos died at Newton in 1790. Letters of administration, dated Nov. 5, 1790, were granted to his widow Esther⁴ (36:177). Children of Amos and Esther (Stout) Pettit (may be incomplete):
42. Ann Pettit, bapt. Nov. 19, 1769 by the pastor of St. John's Church of Elizabeth, New Jersey¹⁴ (3:121).
43. Elizabeth Pettit, also bapt. Nov. 19, 1769¹⁴ (3:121).
44. Sarah "Polly" Pettit, b. 1770; d. June 5, 1850; m. Charles Pemberton. He was b. 1760; d. Dec. 18, 1817; no children.⁷
45. Matilda Pettit, m. Mr. Chambers and had one child who died young.⁷
46. Prescilla Pettit, chose Charles Pemberton as guardian in 1796.⁴
47. Abigail Pettit, b. Feb. 23, 1782; d. Jan. 1859 at Rondout, NY. She married Apr. 1, 1800 Dr. George Wurts. He was b. June 29, 1777 and d. Mar. 8, 1835. They had thirteen children, one of whom was John Wurts.⁷

TO BE CONTINUED IN THE OCTOBER 1990 ISSUE.... Mr. Baldwin considers this a work in progress and welcomes input and additional information.

1 Harry Macy Jr.: research on the Pettits of Newtown, Long Island, done for Sandra McIntire of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, February 1983. 2 West Jersey Deeds; on microfilm at Family History Library, Salt Lake City, Utah. (film nos. 460-050; 460-058) 3 Edwin Robert Walker & others: "A History of Trenton, 1679-1929", 1929. 4 New Jersey Wills recorded in "New Jersey Archives", Vol. 23, 30-41. 5 Mrs. Louise H. Tunison and Mrs. Althea F. Courtot: "The Heath Family of Hunterdon County, New Jersey", 1977, typed manuscript in collections of Hunterdon County Historical Society, Flemington, New Jersey. 6 Henrietta Brady Brown: "Some Venables of