

West Jersey, who accompanied his father, Dr. Daniel Wills, to that province, and settled in Burlington County. She d. at Burlington, leaving issue.

- ii. THOMAS, of whom hereafter.
- iii. JOHN, m., at Burlington, 10th mo. (December) 19, 1689, Elizabeth, dau. of William Righton, but d. without issue a few months before his father, bequeathing to each of his nephews and nieces the sum of forty shillings, "to be layed out in Silver Spoons for theyre use," and to his brother Thomas his "cote and the Silver Buttons and y^e Breeches belonging thereto."
- iv. JANE, m., at Burlington, 10th mo. (December) 3, 1690, Samuel Marriott, of Bermudas, near Burlington, mariner.
- v. ELIZABETH, m., at Burlington, 4th mo. (June) 11, 1695, Abraham Bickley, of East Jersey, and d. 10th mo. (December) 2, 1698, leaving issue three children. Mr. Bickley settled at Burlington, but afterwards removed to Philadelphia, and d. in 1747.

V. THOMAS GARDINER, 4th, of Burlington, N. J., Esquire, (eldest son of Thomas, 3d, and Elizabeth,) was baptized at Warminster, County Wilts, July 7, 1658, and at the age of twenty accompanied his father to West Jersey, succeeding him as one of the Proprietors of the province.

In 1686, shortly after his marriage, he removed to Newton Township, in Gloucester County, and settled on part of his father-in-law's estate, called "Groverline" or "Groverly," where he remained until 1697,* when he returned to Burlington, and resided on his property in that town which he had inherited from his father. While living at the former place he was one of the trustees of the Friends' Meeting and a judge of the courts of Gloucester County, then held at Red Bank.† After his return to Burlington he was, in April, 1698, elected Recorder of the town, holding that office until 1702, when he was elected Burgess, which office he was, however, obliged to resign the next year,‡ on account of his duties as a member and Speaker of the first Provisional Assembly of New Jersey.

In 1703 the Provinces of East and West Jersey were united under one government, administered by Lord Cornbury, who convened the General Assembly to meet at Perth Amboy, when

* Besse's Book, p 2, and papers marked "John Gosling," unindexed files of Burlington County Wills.

† Clement's History of Newton Township, p. 360, and Learning and Spicer's Laws.

‡ Burlington Town Book.