

tember 3, 1731, he bequeathed to his eldest son, Thomas, a lot of land on Pearl street, Burlington, and all his proprietary rights in the Province of West New Jersey or elsewhere; to his second son, Abraham, a lot of land in Burlington, whereon the brick house commonly called "Basnett's House" lately stood, and a house and lot of land on High street, which was probably the one occupied by his father and grandfather; and to his daughter, Mary, a lot of land on the east side of High street in that town. He made his wife, Sarah Gardiner, executrix and residuary legatee, and directed that his children should be brought up with "good learning and free from charge." See *Appendix XX*.

Mathews Gardiner married, in 1720, Sarah ———, who married, secondly, in December, 1733, Abraham Perkins, a widower, by whom she had issue.*

Issue of *Mathews Gardiner* and *Sarah* ———, his wife:†

- i. MARY, b. 9th mo. (November) 8, 1721; m., 1743, Samuel Hunt, of Burlington.
- ii. THOMAS, of whom hereafter.
- iii. ABRAHAM, b. 11th mo. (January) 12, 1723.

VII. THOMAS GARDINER, 5th, of Burlington, N. J., (eldest son of Mathews and Sarah,) born 12th mo. (February) 13, 1722.‡ He served his apprenticeship at Philadelphia, and returned to Burlington in 1745, bringing with him a certificate from the Monthly Meeting, for which see *Appendix XXI*. Mr. Gardiner resided on the Pearl-street property bequeathed him by his father, whom he succeeded as one of the Proprietors of the Province. August 9, 1755, he sold 1020 acres in Gloucester County, and at various times after this disposed of other large tracts of land in different parts of the province,§ leaving at his decease little of his inheritance, which had at one time been very considerable. He died June 1, 1780, and June 6 letters of administration on his estate were granted to his eldest son, Thomas Mathews Gardiner.||

* New Jersey Marriage Licenses, December 4, 1733, and Liber XI, West Jersey Wills, p. 400.

† Records of Burlington Monthly Meeting, and Liber H, West Jersey Deeds, p. 5.

‡ Records of Burlington Monthly Meeting.

§ West Jersey Deeds: Liber M, p. 430; Liber Y, p. 13; Liber A G, p. 267.

|| Records of Burlington Monthly Meeting, and Liber XXII, West Jersey Wills, p. 206.