

With equal numbers each contained,  
 And clamorous wars abound,  
 Thundering guns the air doth rend  
 And propagate the sound.

Full long the bloody conflict held,  
 Till Britain's force gave way—  
 Threw up the colors of the field  
 And ran in wild dismay,  
 Their killed and wounded left behind,  
 As monuments may be.

Let love and liberty inspire  
 Our minds for to live free,  
 That we in peace may end our days  
 And let our offspring see  
 How brave we fought to save our lands,  
 Leaving our children free.

The history of Middlesex and Union Counties is fully given in a book common to everyone. What was then Essex extended to Middlesex, and is now divided by a county known as Union.

General Crane, mentioned above, took an active part in the patriotic cause, and, among other exploits, captured some vessels in Newark Bay, and also two vessels in New York Bay, which he brought over to the Jersey coast. He had six brothers—David, Andrew, Jacob, Joseph, Stephen and Matthias, all of whom, except Matthias, took an active part in the revolution.

David Crane was also active in rebuilding the old Connecticut Farms Church after it was burned by the British, and contributed the bell which now hangs in the belfry. David had a son and a daughter, who died early in years, which distressed him greatly. He then