

## VANDEWATER

The Vandewater name is connected with the very earliest history of New Amsterdam. The family was numerous and prominent.

Jacobus, the first to come, arrived about 1658 and married Engeltie Jureaans; twelve children are of record. Many of the early books of account and records of the colony that are still preserved to us are in his handwriting. He was "Town Major" and attended to locking the gates of the fort at night.

Hendrick Vandewater came from Amsterdam some time later than Jacobus and married in America, April 22, 1662, Margaret Van der Meulen of Rotterdam.

He took the oath of Allegiance, 1664, and his name appears on a tax list of New York, 1676.

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The will of Margaret Vandewater of New York, widow, published by the New York Historical Society, divides her estate in six parts; one part is bequeathed to Maria, wife of Teunis Tiebout.

The will is dated April 9, 1724. Teunis Tiebout, Executor.

The Vandewater Arms is illustrated in *Colonial Families of the United States*.

VERT.—Three nails—heads and points in triangle, ar.

CREST—An esquire's helmet, ppr.

MOTTO—Nunquam infidelis.