

burying-ground, which was located near the northeast corner of India and Oakland Streets, has been removed within a few years and not a trace of it now remains.

5. Jacobus Calyer (whose wife Janitie was a daughter of Jan Meserole, and granddaughter of Peter Praa), who occupied the house referred to near the mouth of Bushwick Creek, built by Dirck Volckertsen the Norman. This Jacobus Calyer was great-great-grandfather of Cornelius H. Tiebout, the oldest lineal descendant of Jacobus Calyer, now living in Greenpoint.

These five families at the time of the Revolutionary War constituted the whole of the Green Point settlement, and pursued their quiet lives cultivating the fertile fields which had descended to them from their ancestors. Each farmer had his boat with which from time to time he conveyed his surplus vegetables to the New York market, and it must be remembered that in those days they were much further from New York City than we are now, even traveling by water, for the built-up portion of that city then lay below the present New York City Hall.

The only road leading from Green Point was the narrow lane running across the neck (intersecting the present Van Cott Avenue near Humboldt Street), and thence out to Bushwick and around to the East River. There was no bridge over Bushwick Creek, and none over Newtown Creek, so that at that time Green Point was practically as far from New York as Yonkers is now, and must have been from its secluded and detached position "one of the quietest places in the whole world." Although the English had conquered New Netherlands in 1664, more than one hundred years pre-