

N. E. along the run 23^o to the place where it first begun; containing 600 acres, or thereabouts."¹ As a matter of fact, the boundaries embraced much more than 600 acres, owing partly to careless surveying and partly to the custom of making allowance for waste land. To settle any question as to the title, on account of the excessive quantity of land, Lewis Morris Ashfield, eldest son and heir-at-law of Richard Ashfield, of New York, deceased, by deed dated May 1, 1754, for £60, released all claim in the premises.² The will of George Doremus, of Preakness, dated March 25, 1733, witnessed by Johanes Doremus, Isaack Kip and Cornelius Kip, was proved Oct. 20, 1733. He gave his eldest son, Cornelis, forty shillings for his birthright. To his wife, Marritie, all his lands during widowhood, "provided that when my eldest son shall come to the age of one & twenty years his equal share or dividend of all my lands shall devolve unto him he paying yearly unto his mother, one fourth part of the wheat Rye Indian Corn and Buckwheat he yearly raises upon said land and the share of all the rest of my children shall devolve unto them respectively when they come to the age of one & twenty years;" after-born children to share equally. Executors—his brothers, Cornelius and Thomas, and his wife's brother, John Berdan, jun., and Cernant (Coenrad?) Berdan.³

- 7 VI. Hendrick, bap. May 26, 1695; m. Annatie Essels (Hesselse), April 14, 1716. Both were born and lived at Acquackanonk. He occupied the paternal homestead on the Wesel road, extending from the river to the foot of the Wesel mountain. In 1728 he was chosen one of the constables of Essex county.

Third Generation.

Cornelis(2)-Cornelis Doremus and Rachel Pieterse had children:

- 8 I. Elisabeth, b. July 1, 1711; m. Jan Vincent (b. in Newark township, Jan. 26, 1709, son of Levi Vincent),

¹ The original deed was in 1870 in the possession of Nicholas Kip, formerly of Preakness, but then of Chicago.

² Bergen County Deeds, H, 185.

³ E. J. Wills, B, f. 473.