

789 L Henderic, b. Nov. 20, 1785; m. Leybetye (Elisabeth) Van Giesen (b. May 29, 1787, dau. of Dirk-Johannes Van Giesen and Yannetye Van Houten), June 8, 1806; d. cir. 1827, in Fair street; she d. in 1861. He was known as Henry G. (George) Doremus. He was a carpenter by trade, but at an early age quit that occupation, and kept tavern at various places in this vicinity, "Peace and Plenty" among them, where he lived in 1825. On Aug. 2, 1819, he began a stage route from Paterson to New York, via Hackensack, English Neighborhood and Hoboken, which he kept up for several years. His wife having received from her mother a tract of eight acres on the south side of Broadway, lying on both sides of Straight street, and extending southerly to Ellison street, he located with her on the tract, and probably built the stone house they afterwards occupied, from about 1808 until about 1822, near the southeast corner of Broadway and Straight street.¹ At that time the only way to drive from his house to Market street was via Main street or East Eighteenth street, which was very inconven-

¹ Some interesting litigation arose over this property. Richard Van Giesen and Jane his wife, by deed Aug. 31, 1810, conveyed this tract to Henry G. Doremus and Elizabeth his wife (she being a daughter of Richard or Dirck Van Giesen) for life, with remainder in fee, to the children of said Henry G. Doremus by his said wife Elizabeth. In order to convert the life estate into a fee, Henry G. Doremus presented to the Essex county orphans' court, June 15, 1818, an account, as the guardian by nature of his six children, for their maintenance and education, amounting to \$1,764. The court thereupon made a decree, June 15, 1818, ordering him as guardian, to sell all the real estate of his minor children, for and towards their maintenance and education. He sold the land, Nov. 8, 1819, to Abraham Ryerson, for \$500, and gave a deed therefor, Dec. 6, 1819; by deed, Dec. 6, 1819, Ryerson conveyed the same premises to Doremus, for \$500. On Nov. 17, 1819, Doremus mortgaged the premises to Aaron A. Van Houten, for \$850; Van Houten foreclosed, a decree was entered Jan. 7, 1821, the property was sold at sheriff's sale, and a deed given, July 20, 1821, by Joseph T. Baldwin, sheriff, to Daniel Holsman, for \$1,035.33. Upon the decease of Mrs. Doremus, her surviving children (including two born after the sale of the property) brought an action in ejectment against Archibald Graham, who had bought from Holsman, and recovered judgment. Graham took the case up to the Court of Errors and Appeals, which affirmed the judgment below and held that the orphans' court had no power to order the land sold, as the children were not orphans, and their father was bound to support them;