

In 1683 a survey of 500 acres was returned in his name as made in Newton Township, Gloucester County, upon which now stands the larger part of the village of Haddonfield.* June 15th, when described as "Citizen of London, in the Kingdom of England, merchant," he, through his attorney, disposed of 100 acres of this tract; the remainder being afterwards bought by John Haddon, in whose family it remained for many years.†

Richard Mathews died in England about the year 1702, having had issue a son, Thomas, *of whom hereafter.*

III. THOMAS MATHEWS, of the Parish of St. Sepulchre, City of London, carpenter, and afterwards of Groverline, Newton Township, Gloucester County, in the Province of West New Jersey, (son of Richard,) arrived in the province about the year 1678, accompanied by his second wife and his only child, Hannah, the daughter by his first marriage. His father had either conveyed to him a portion of his proprietary rights or made him his proxy, as in 1688 he is mentioned as one of the Proprietors of West Jersey.‡ In 1684 Edward Byllinge, with the consent of George Hutchinson, appointed him his attorney for the sale of thirty shares of propriety of West Jersey, and in 1685,§ in which year he was returned as one of the members of the Assembly, he represented Messrs. Benj. Bartlett, Robert Squib, and Robert Squib, Jr., as their proxy in voting for members of the Council of Proprietors, and their agent in disposing of their land in the province.

Mr. Mathews settled first in Burlington, and in 1688 made a proposition to the Legislature to exchange 1000 acres for a site to build a saw-mill at the forks of Rancocas Creek.|| The matter was referred to the commissioners, but it is probable that it was never satisfactorily arranged, as in 1686 a survey was made for his father, Richard Mathews, of 450 acres on a branch of Woodbury Creek, called Mathews Run.¶ He named this estate

* *Revell's Book*, p. 38.

† Liber G, III, Gloucester County Deeds, p. 91; Liber G, I, West Jersey Deeds, p. 102.

‡ *Smith's History of New Jersey.*

§ Liber G, I, West Jersey Deeds, p. 139

|| *Clement's History of Newton Township*, pp. 386-9.

¶ *Besse's Book*, p. 123.