

BOOKS

This talk is being given on June first, 2020, at which time at least in new Jersey our libraries are still close, they should be opening soon, but luckily many of the books, that we use to research our Bergen County Ancestors can be found online, where they can be searched, copied or even downloaded as the entire book. I usually check the Family Search Digital Library familysearch.org, Sometimes books not found at FamilySearch.org, can be located at GoogleBooks.com, HathiTrust.org, OpenLibrary.org or *Internet Archive* <https://archive.org/>.

BERGEN COUNTY HISTORIES

These books contain a wealth of information, and as they were all written more than seventy five years ago, are no longer protected by copyright laws, and are all available online. They usually contain, military, political history of the county and municipalities within the county. Excellent resources for change of names and boundary lines, what churches were in the area and when. etc. The books are sometimes referred to in a derogatory manner as “Mug Books.” That is because in order to raise money for the publications of the books, subscriptions were sold in advance and subscribers, depending on how much they paid, had their self submitted biographies and family histories, often with their picture (mug shots) included in the books. No effort was made to verify the informations submitted and they often contained errors.

History of Bergen and Passaic Counties, New Jersey. (1882) by W. Woodford Clayton assisted by William Nelson Reprinted and indexed in 1992 by BHB. [The earliest and best of the County Histories.] [ebook free @books.Goooogle.com](http://books.Goooogle.com). [Download of PDF file of book available and FamilySearch Digital Books @ familysearch.org](http://familysearch.org). **Map on page 11 highly recommended.**

History of Bergen County, New Jersey. (1900) by J. M. VanValen Reprinted and indexed in 1994 by BHB; Online and searchable by name @ books.Google.com. Searchable and [download of PDF file of book available and FamilySearch Digital Books @ familysearch.org](http://familysearch.org)

History of Bergen County, New Jersey (2 vols. in 3 books) (1923) by Frances A. Westervelt Reprinted and indexed in 1995 by Bergen Historic Books. The second record is biographical. [Searchable and download of PDF files of all thee books available and FamilySearch Digital Books @ familysearch.org](http://familysearch.org)

Genealogical History of Hudson and Bergen Counties, New Jersey. (1900) by Cornelius Burham Harvey Reprinted and Indexed in 1992 by BHB. Great caution should be used in using this book as it contains many errors in its genealogies. [Searchable and download of PDF files of all thee books available and FamilySearch Digital Books @ familysearch.org](http://familysearch.org)

Also helpful are the books by William Nelson on Paterson and Passaic Counties - ***History of the City of Paterson and the County of Passaic.*** (1901); Reprinted and indexed in 1994 by BHB ***History of Paterson and Its Environs, 3 vols.***(1920) including a section on “Pioneer Families.” by Nelson and Charles A. Shriner. [Searchable and download of PDF files of all four books available and FamilySearch Digital Books @ familysearch.org](http://familysearch.org)

TOWN HISTORIES

Most town histories have been collected and are located at the Bergen County Historical Society's Library Collection, currently in The Philip J. Ciarco Jr. Learning Center of Bergen Community College, 355 Main St, Room 124, Hackensack, NJ. Also at the Genealogical Society of Bergen County's collection in the Bolger Heritage Center in the Ridgewood Public Library 125 North Maple Ave., Ridgewood, NJ. Also contact individual town libraries. A few are online, need to do a Google search.

DIARIES

See article **Bergen County Diaries and Diarists** at <https://www.njgsbc.org/bc-diaries/>

Zabriskie, Martha and Adeline Zabriskie, *Martha Ann Zabriskie's Memorandum Book* (usually called *Martha Ann Zabriskie's Diary*) 1829-1849 privately printed. Reprinted in *The Archivist*, newsletter of the Genealogical Society of Bergen County begin May 1990 -Aug 1994 [Martha died 19 Dec 1838 of consumption and the diary was continued by her sister Adeline, who married George Esler. <https://www.njgsbc.org/bc-diaries/>

Ackerman, Charity Ann. (Mrs. Raymond Ackenbach) **Charity Ackerman's Memorandum**, (1836-1841) and a few entries (1861-1866) (usually called *Charity Ackerman's Diary*) published in typescript and also serialized as "**Charity Ackerman's Memorandum**," in *The Archivist*, newsletter of the Genealogical Society of Bergen County Nov 1994 - Aug 1995. <https://www.njgsbc.org/bc-diaries/>

Ferdon, Marie **Marie Ferdon Journals (1863-1881)** Very brief accounts of birth, marriages and deaths, most of which can be confirmed in New Jersey Vital records. [Available as pdf files and Bergen County Historical Society https://www.bergencountyhistory.org/research-pdfs](https://www.bergencountyhistory.org/research-pdfs), or paste in:
https://e6f54ff6-50d9-458e-b0dd-e5d124b0bf41.filesusr.com/ugd/9537bd_17797735f72144dbb45d6294eb50f440.pdf

Campbell, Elizabeth Ann. *The Diaries of Elizabeth Ann (Lizzie) Campbell; 1865-1890*. May be downloaded as a pdf at: <http://www.njgsbc.org/files/campbelldiaries.pdf>

GENEALOGIES

Many Genealogies have been published about Bergen County Families including the Ackerman, Alyea, Banta, Bertholf, Brinkerhoff, Campbell, Christie, Cole, DeBaun, Doremus, Earle, Hopper, Kip, Provost, Quackenbush, Ryerson, Smith (Smidt), Tice, Van Brunt, Van Buskirk, Van Deusen, Van Horn, (Van) Voorhees, Van Winkle, Vreeland, Westervelt, Wyckoff, and other families. I would like to point out several - which can be most helpful to Bergen County researchers, because of their excellent research and or because they trace the female lines as well as the male lines.:

Kolenut, Ethel Konight. (1991) *The Ackerson/Eckerson Family in America, First Six Generations*. Published by The Association of Ackerson/Eckerson Descendants Inc. [Both male and female lines traced.] Very well documented. [Not found online](#).

Blauvelt, Louis L. (1956) *The Blauvelt Family Genealogy: a Comprehensive Compilation of the Descendants of Gerrit Hendricksen (Blauvelt) 1620-1687, who came to America in 1638*. (1956) Published by The Association of Blauvelt Descendants. [Both male and female lines traced.] [Searchable online @Ancestry.com](#); [Search and download entire book at FamilySearch.org](#)

Moos, Dorothy A. (1987) *The Blauvelt Family Genealogy Revised Edition Vol. I*. The Association of Blauvelt Descendants. (A separate typescript addendum should be consulted as the book has many typographical errors.) *The Blauvelt Family Genealogy Revised Edition Vol. II* (1994), The Seventh Generation of the Descendants of Gerrit Hendricksen (Blauvelt) - 1620 Including a Supplement to the First Six Generations. [Both male and female lines traced.] [Both copyright protected](#).

Zabriskie, George Olin. (1963) *The Zabriskie family : a three hundred and one year history of the descendants of Albrecht Zaborowskij (ca.1638-1711) of Bergen County, New Jersey, Vol. I and Vol. II* [Both male and female lines traced.] [Both books can be searched or downloaded as pdfs from FamilySearch.org digital library](#). Each book must be searched individually.

Tobey, Barbara W. *The Ackerman family: variously spelled on old records as Acerman, Accerman, Accreman, Acram, Acker Man, Akerman, Akkerman, Aucerman, Auckerman aukerman, Occerman, Ockerman, Okerman, Oukkerman, vol.I. and vol. II*. Downloadable as a pdf @ FamilySearch.org [Both copyright protected](#).

Banta, Theodore Melvin (1893) *A Frisian Family : The Banta Genealogy: descendants of Epke Jacobse who came from Friesland, Netherlands To New Amsterdam February 1659*. Reprinted Scholar Select; online at [Internet Archive archive.org](#) and [Ancestry.com](#)

Demarest, Mary A. and Demarest, William H.S. *The Demarest Family* (1938 -1944) plus three supplements. [Searchable and Downloadable at FamilySearch.or](#)

Demarest, Voorhis (1964). *The Demarest family : a record of the desMarets family in France, the Holy Land in the Crusades, again in France, Holland, the Palatinate (Germany), again in Holland, and the migration to America, 1663* . 2 vols. (1964) plus supplement. (reprinted 1985) Published by Demarest Family Association [Searchable online @Ancestry.com](#); [Search and download entire book at FamilySearch.org](#)

Durie, Howard I. (1985) *The Durie Family: Jean Durier of the Huguenot Colony in Bergen County, New Jersey*. Well written genealogy by a professional title searcher and genealogist, [Copyright protected](#).

Hopper, Maria Jean Hopper. (2005). *The Hopper Family Genealogy; Descendants of Andries Willemszen Hoppe(n) of New Amsterdam 1651-1658, The First Six Generations*. [Copyright protected](#). Indexes to The First Six Generations and the not yet published Seventh, Eighth and Ninth Generations are downloadable at <https://reetree.com/book-indexes>.

Christoff, Florence. (2000) *The Van Voorhees family in America : the first six generations; Van Voorhees, Voorhees, Van Voorhis, Voorhis, Van Voorheas, Van Voorhes, Van Voorhies, Van Voorhis, Van Vorhis, Van Vorous, Voores, Voorheis, Vooris, Vorce, Vores, Vorees, Voress, Vorhes, Vorhees, Vorheis, Vorhies, Vorhis, Vorhus, Vories, Voris, Vorris, Vorse, Vorus, Vorys, et al* (2000) and *The Voorhees Family in America; The Seventh and Eighth Generations (two volumes)* (2003) published by The Van Voorhees Association. [Copyright protected.](#)

Caution: From 1946-1955 Herbert S. Ackerman compiled separate genealogies on the Ackerman, Bogert, Haring, Hopper, Romeyn, Tallman, Terhune and Van Houten families. These books should be used with extreme caution., as they contain many inaccuracies. [Most available at FamilySearch.org.](#)

HIDDEN GENEALOGIES

(Genealogies printed as part of magazines, journals or books, and not as separate volumes. Most are copyright protected.)

Genealogies of New Jersey Families Vol. I and II; from the *Genealogical Magazine of New Jersey*. (1996) A compilation of genealogies and family records published in the magazine since 1925 . [Copyright protected.](#)

DE CLARK - Zabriskie, George Olin, (1965-66), "Daniel De Clark (de 'Klerk) of Tappan and His Descendants" *The New York Genealogical and Biographical Record* hereafter NYGB 96:194-217, 97:29-34

HOPPER - Zabriskie, George Olin. (1969-1971), "Geertje Hendricks Mother of the Hopper and Van Dien Families" GNJF, pp. 264-346. In 2005 Maria Jean Pratt Hopper published *The Hopper Family Genealogy: Descendants of Andries Willemszen Hoppe(n)* which corrected and expanded this genealogy to six generations.

VAN BLARCOM - Zabriskie, George Olin. (1968-1971), "The Van Blarcom Family of New Jersey" NYGB Vol. 99:141-150, 213-217; Vol. 100:39-46, 68-76, 147-152, 215-220; Vol 101:41-47, 74-82, 152-157, 219-227; Vol. 102:46-49, 106-110, 156-161, 206, 219.

VAN DIEN - See Hopper above.

VAN HORN -Zabriskie, George Olin (1967, 1968), "Christian Barentsen Van Horn and Some of His Earlier Descendants," *The American Genealogist* Vol.43:193-206; Vol.44:p.43-53; 92-103, 204-212.

WORTENDYKE - "The Wortendykes of Bergen County" (1972) by Louise (Howes) Burnett NYGB Vol. 103:203-216 Vol. 104:33-41, 82-94

The Kakiat Patent (1970) by Howard Durie contains genealogies on the following families: Peter Bogert, Fleirboom, Haring, Holdrum, Peter Mabie, Perry, Peterson and Van Horn. [Copyright Restrictions.](#)

Genealogical Notebook I, by George Budke (BC 60) contains genealogical information on the following families: Haring, Van Houten, Van Doesburg, Vanderbilt ***Genealogical Notebook II***, by George Budke (BC 60) contains genealogical information on the following families: Bell, Brouwer, Cooper, Corbett, Crum, De Clark, De Groot, De Hart, Depew, Flierboom, Harty, Hogencamp, Lent, Lockhart, Mannel, De Vries, Marshall, Jarvis, Merritt, Minnelay, Moll, Outwater, Perry, Pullen, Rycken, Springsteen, Stemmets, Storm, Stratmaker, Straut, Symes, Van Bommel, Van Ditmarsen, Van Texel (Tassel) and Veenvos.

New York Genealogical and Biographical Record:

KIP - Purple, Edwin R. "Contributions to the History of the Ancient Families of New York: Kip," part 1, NYGBR 8 (1877): 63-73.

MEYER - MYER - MYER - MEIR "Contributions to the History of the Ancient Families of New York: Meyer-Myer-Myers-Meir," NYGBR 9 (1878): 3-16.

OTHER BOOKS OF INTEREST

Bergen County, A Bibliography of Historical Books, Pamphlets and Maps and certain other items pertaining thereto, by J. M. Ransom (1960) published by the Bergen Co. Historical Society. This book indicates where each source can be located. [Searchable and Downloadable at FamilySearch.org](#)

Atlas of Bergen County (1876) by A. H. Walker (generally called Walker's Atlas). Reprinted and indexed 1992 by Bergen Historic Books. Note maps are some what smaller in the 1992 reprint.

Pre- Revolutionary Dutch Houses and Families in Northern New Jersey and Southern New York, (1936) by Rosalie Fellows Bailey, (Reprinted by Dover Books 1968) [Searchable and Downloadable at FamilySearch.org](#)

Genealogical and Memorial History of the State of New Jersey 4 vols. Francis Bazley Lee, ed. (1910), [Searchable and Downloadable at FamilySearch.org](#)

Scanell's New Jersey's First Citizens (1917) Mary Eleanor Watson and Ella Maria Strobino, editors (1917-1927), Vols. I-VI. [Vol. 3 is identical with Vol. 4 up to page 326] (Vol 5 has many Bergen Co. Biographies.) [HathiTrust Digital Library Searchable and downloadable as a pdf at https://catalog.hathitrust.org/Record/008904698](https://catalog.hathitrust.org/Record/008904698)

A New Jersey Bibliographical Index by Donald Sinclair. A single source, every-name index for 237 major works on NJ history, etc., listing where published biographies of 100,000 individuals can be found. 1993. [Copyright Restrictions](#).