

Catherine Dyckman Ancestry

This information is excerpted from *Jan Dyckman of Harlem and His Descendants*; New York: Capital City Press, 1981. The book was begun by H. Dorothea Romer, who died by 1964, continued by Mrs. Helen B. Hartman, who died in 1980, and completed by Julia A. Thompson. I have augmented it with information from the census and Cedar Hill Cemetery in Montrose, NY; Montrose is a hamlet (and census-designated place) within the town of Cortlandt, in the northwestern corner of Westchester County.

Catherine is of interest because she married Vair Clirehugh, son of William Scott Clirehugh and Margaret McAlpin. Vair died in 1902, 14 years after their marriage, leaving Catherine a widow for the second time.

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Jan Dyckman (–1715) and Rebecca (Waldron) Nagel (1649–1719)

No. 1. Jan Dyckman, b. ?; d. 1715 Harlem Township, NY
m. (1) 6-15-1673 Magdalena Tourneur of Midwout, part of Brooklyn; b. 1658 and d. 1689 at Harlem; daughter of Daniel and Jacqueline (Parisis) Tourneur.
m. (2) 5-15-1690 Rebecca (Waldron) Nagel, b. 1649 Amsterdam; d. by 11-10-1719; daughter of Resolved and Rebecca (Koch) Waldron and widow of Jan Nagel.
Jan Dyckman came to New Netherland from Bentheim, Westphalia, prior to 1663.

Children by first wife: six.

Children by second wife: two; Jacob (No. 8) was the seventh child.

Jacob Dyckman (1692–1774) and Jannetje Kiersse or Kiersen (1693–1763)

No. 8. Jacob Dyckman, son of Jan and Rebecca (Waldron) Dyckman, b. 5-18-1692 Harlem; bp. 7-11-1692; d. between Jan. and June 16, 1774.
m. 6-6-1716 Jannetje Kiersse or Kiersen, bp. 5-25-1693; d. after 1763; daughter of Jan and Gerritje (Van Dalsen) Kiersen. She “was a granddaughter of Kier Wolters, the Kiersen pioneer who had come to America in 1657 from the Dutch country of Drenthe and first settled in the Dutch colony of New Amstel on the Delaware.” Her father was born in Arnhout, Drenthe, Holland.
Jacob was likely born at Sputyen Duyvil as his parents were married there and always lived there.

Jacob and Jannetje had six children, of which Jacob Jr. (No. 15) was the third.

Jacob Dyckman Jr. (1720–1774) and Catalina Benson (1725–1800)

No. 15 Jacob Dyckman Jr., son of Jacob and Jannetje (Kiersse) Dyckman, b. abt 1720; d. on or abt. 2-17-1774.

m. Catalina Benson, b. 5-5-1725; d. 11-2-1800; daughter of Samson and Maria (Meyer) Benson.

Jacob and Catalina had nine children between 1744 and 1769, of which Benjamin was the fourth.

Benjamin Dyckman (1752–1833) and Martha or Mettje Lent (1802–1885)

No. 36. Benjamin Dyckman, son of Jacob and Catalina (Benson) Dyckman, b. 3-30-1751/2 in Harlem, NY; bp. Harlem Dutch Church; d. 8-25-1833 Cortlandtown, NY age 82 yrs 4 mos 23 days; bur. Cedar Hill Cemetery. He was named for his mother's brother, Benjamin Benson.

m. abt. 1778 Martha or Mettje Lent, who d. 10-10-1885 age 83 yrs 7 mos 18 days, probable daughter of Jacob and Martha Lent; bur. Cedar Hill Cemetery.

Find A Grave has a record for Martha Lent Dyckman with a photo of a tombstone, broken in half, and lying on the ground. Her death date is given as 10-10-1835. However, the number "8" on badly deteriorated stone could be misread as a "3," so that may explain the difference. I think her birth date of 4-16-1751 is from that site, it could be the date was carved on the stone.

Five children all born Cortlandtown, NY.

Benjamin lived on the Post Road, just down from the Cedar Hill Church.

Jacob Dyckman (1778–) and Margaret Post (-)

No. 61 Jacob Dyckman, son of Benjamin and Martha (Lent) Dyckman, b. 11-22-1778.

m. abt. 1802 Margaret Post, daughter of Martin Post. Martin was an elder of the Cedar Hill Church, he had another daughter, Mary (b. 11-11-1782, d. 5-25-1842), who married William Dyckman, No. 62, abt. 1804. We do not know when Jacob and Margaret died.

Seven children, the first a "natural son" born 1803, the following six with wife Margaret.

Peter Corney Dyckman (1820–1884) and Leah Ann Conklin (1821–1882)

No. 116 Peter Corney Dyckman, son of Jacob and Margaret (Post) Dyckman, b. abt. 1820; d. 8-28-1884 Montrose, NY age 72.

m. (1) 9-25-1837 Betsey Mary Dyckman, his cousin (No. 127), b. 3-3-1817 and d. 4-30-1845; daughter of John and Leah (Goetschius) Dyckman (No. 64).

m. (2) Leah Ann Conklin, b. abt. 1821 and d. 8-22-1882 Cortlandtown age 61; daughter of John and Catherine (--) Conklin.

Peter owned a large farm in Cortlandtown.

Known children:

By first wife

207. i. Frederick Edward, b. 4-19-1838; bp. 2-26-1838.

208. ii. George E., b. abt. 1843; d. 2-3-1864 in Cortlandtown; m. 11-30-1862 Letitia Turner. No children.

By second wife

- 209. iii. Malcolm, b. abt 1846
- 210. iv. Margaret, b. abt. 1847
- 210A. v. Morris (?)
- 211. vi. Catherine M., b. abt. 1855
- 212. vii. Amelia A., b. 11-3-1859 Cortlandtown; d. 3-22-1898 Buchanan; bur. Cedar Hill Cemetery; m. 9-18-1878 Charles Walter Dyckman (her second cousin, No. 247). Had 4 children including Leah A. Dyckman (who lived with Catherine in 1910).

Catherine M. Dyckman (1855-)

No. 211 Catherine M. Dyckman, daughter of Peter Corney and Leah Ann (Conklin) Dyckman, b. abt. 1855; bur. Cedar Hill Cemetery.

m. (1) abt. 1875-76 Jacob O. Losee, who died before 1880.

m. (2) 9-30-1886 Vair Clirehugh. At time of second marriage she lived in Montrose.

Catherine Clirehugh was cited in the 1920 census, but not in the 1930 census.

Children:

- i. Jacob Dyckman Losee, b. 8-4-1877 Ardsley, NY; d. 12-7-1915; bur. Cedar Hill Cemetery; m. 1914 Era Conklin (extrapolated from census). Jacob had a son Clyde Losee, b. 5-17-1915, d. 7-20-1981, bur. Cedar Hill Cemetery.

In 1910 Jacob Dyckman Losse lived in Cortlandt with his widowed mother and cousin Leah A. Dyckman.

In 1920 Clyde lived in Cortlandt on Albany Post Road, age 4, with his widowed mother Era (35, b. NY), Elmer Losee (14, b. NY), a son of Era, and Daniel Conklin (30, b. NY), brother of Era. Perhaps Elmer was not a son of Jacob, but from an earlier marriage of Era. So here we see the identity of Jacob's wife.

I admit to curiosity about Era and Elmer Losee and Daniel Conklin. I did not find a Daniel Conklin in the 1910 census nor an Era of any surname. I did find a 25-year old Lillian Losee, a widow, living with two sons, Elmer M. and Henry S. Losee (ages 2 and 1 1/2 respectively) and her parents Fred A. and Elizabeth Montoro (sp?, perhaps Montrors) on Main Street in Cortlandt. Next door living with a Williams family were two boarders, Frederick and David Conklin (16 and 21).