

THE VAN WYCK TREE

"VanWyck - The VanWycks were anciently Lords of Wyck or Wyke in Holland, but lost their estates during the Spanish occupation and found shelter in the Colony of New Amsterdam (New York) about 1650.

Samuel VanWyck came to the Province of Ontario about 1797 with a wife and two children. His father had been a Captain in the Long Island Militia before the Revolution L.P. He located in York and owned and sailed a ship on Lake Ontario. The vessel was lost, after which he came to Stamford and settled near what is now the corner of Victoria Avenue and Morrison Street, Niagara Falls:

Their place was plundered by the Indians during War 1812-14 and the family fled toward the Short Hills for safety during the Lundys Lane Campaign."

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Cornelius Barentse Van Wyck
Married
Anna Polehemus

came to Long Island in 1660
settled in Flat Bush
daughter of the first minister
of the Dutch Reformed Church
at Flat Bush

Their son Johannes

baptised Jan. 17, 1677, died 1734.
He was a member of the Dutch Reformed
Church at Jamaica, Long Island.

Married
Phoebe Kortright

They lived at Flushing at the
head of Little Neck Bay.

Their son Cornelius

Baptised Oct. 19, 1702, died 1769
(in the Dutch Reformed Church)
Lived at Flushing
Daughter of Judge Isaac Hicks

Married
Mary Hicks

Their son Gilbert

Was a Justice of the Peace in
Queens County, Township of Flushing

Married (1768)
Abigail Seabury

Sister of Bishop Samuel Seabury
First Bishop of the Protestant
Episcopal Church, U.S.A.

Their son Samuel

Through his mother can trace his
descent back to John Alden and
Priscilla Mullins of the May Flower 1620
Born 1770, died 1815

Married
Sarah Bartow (or Banta)

Came to Canada in 1797, settled at
Niagara near Lundy's Lane.

Family of Samuel Van Wyck and Sarah Bartow(Banta):

Seabury		died in New York, age 3
Gilbert	Born 1794	Married Nancy Brooks
West	Born 1796	Married Nancy Blain
Abigail	Born 1799	Married Robert Fralick (U.E.L.)
Cornelius	Born 1800	Married Matilda Forsythe
John		Married Jane Shaw
Sarah		Married P.S. Campbell
Mary (or Maria)		Married John Kelman (or Killman)
Daniel	Born 1812	Married Nancy Kelman (or Killman)
Hiram	Born 1810	Did not marry

The following are the names and dates of birth copied from Samuel Van Wyck's old Family Bible. There is a difference in the names in the Van Wyck's Family Tree Book.

Gilbert	Born 1794(February)
Veart	Born February 28, 1796
Abigail	Born July 27, 1799 - died 1858
Cornelius	Born June 26, 1800
Elizabeth	Born December 25, 1802 or 1809
Wexbury	Born March 9, 1805
Ann	Born June 8, 1807
Hiram	Born July 22, 1810
Daniel	Born 1812

Family of Abigail Van Wyck and Robert Fralick:

Veart - Clare, Seek Menzie
 Samuel
 Elizabeth Green
 Sarah Falconbridge (Sir Glenholme Falconbridge)
 Mary Chapman - married John Page (son Roy Page)
 Maria Robinson
 Marjory Lyon
 Robert - Ella Dalbon - Milton

Family of John Van Wyck and Jane Shaw:

Mary	married Joseph Chapman - Clara, Eunice, Loree, Frost
Ellen	married John Chapman - Robert, George, Ethel
Sarah	married Stephen Swayze - Robert, James, Aylmer
Elizabeth	married Iuthill Jennings - Frank, Nellie(Mrs. W. Brown), Sophia, Liedy
Robert	married Jane Dawdy - Amaret, Molly, Myrtle, Taylor, Candace, Carrie
Abigail	married Walter Henderson - James, Robert, Martha. Dalrymple
Martha	married Canby Reese
Maria	married James Moore - Herbert, Frank
Amenda	married Richard Moore - Harry
Daniel	married Margaret Phillips - Evelyn, Root Fisher, Hewlett

Family of GILBERT VAN WYCK and NANCY BROOKS

Gilbert Born 1794 ^{Died 1856} Flushing, Long Island, U.S.A.
Married

Nancy Brooks Born 1795 ^{1852 Lundy's Lane, near Niagara Falls, Canada}
 ^{Ann} ^{Second wife died 1862.}

Their children:

Sarah Born February 21, 1819
Married Campbell

Cornelius Born November 19, 1820
Married - 1st wife - Rachel Shook
2nd wife - Sarah McKinnon

Mary Born November 14, 1822

Abigail Born November 8, 1824 Did not marry

Robert Born November 21, 1826

Samuel Born January 14, 1828
Married Elizabeth Johnson

Jemima Born September 28, 1830
Married Duncan McKinnon - no family

Thomas Born October 6, 1835
Married - 1st wife - Christina Campbell
2nd wife - Sophia Clark - ^{no family}

Sophronia Born May 11, 1839
Married John Snow

The above names and dates of birth were copied from Gilbert VanWyck's family Bible, which is in the possession of ^{Mary & Reeves}

Gilbert was a member of Captain Robert Hamilton's Company. He took the Oath at Chippawa on September 4th, 1812, and served in the 2nd Lincoln Militia. He received lands in Chinguacousy Township, County of Peel.

When General Brock was interred at Queenston Heights, his original coffin was blown to pieces, and each soldier present received a piece. The piece which was received by Gilbert VanWyck, was sent in a sterling silver box to the Lundy's Lane Historical Society, July 27, 1964, by Mary C. White - Reeves. It was placed in a glass-topped case in old Stamford St. John's Church, Niagara Falls, which the Historical Society restored and is using to display its relics, pictures, books, etc. (^{Great granddaughter of Gilbert VanWyck})

The wedding ring which was given to Jemima VanWyck by Duncan McKinnon, was made in a blacksmith's shop at Victoria Corners. It is in the possession of Kathleen Reeves - Kimber, grand-daughter of Jemima VanWyck White.

^{Ann}
Gilbert and Nancy VanWyck are buried in Brampton Cemetery.

Thomas VanWyck, his first wife Christina Campbell, and his sister Abigail are buried in the Fourth Line Cemetery. ^{St Andrews}

Family of Cornelius VanWyck and Rachel Shook:

Gilbert	Born 1849, Died 1938	Married Jane Ellis
Jacob		Married Eliza Jane Fletcher
Mary Ann		Married Irvine Dodds
Margaret		Married James Dodds
Rachel		Married Thomas Matthews Buried in Caledon East

Family of Cornelius and Sarah McKinnon: *-2 wife*

Allen		Married Martha Warnock Died and buried in Detroit, U.S.A.
Nancy		Not married - died and buried in Detroit
Flora Ann		Married Joseph <i>Rayburn</i>

Family of Samuel VanWyck and Elizabeth Johnson:

Samuel		Married Nancy VanWyck (1st cousin) No family
Mary	<i>1st husband Mrs. Clark</i>	Married Gilbert Snow - 2nd husband - no family
Maria		Did not marry
Johnson		Did not marry
Gilbert		Married