

# The Mary Flagler Cary Papers

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.1 linear ft

## Dates

Inclusive: 1787 – circa 1970

## Conditions Governing Access

No Restrictions

## Languages

English

## Scope and Content

The collection is an artificial gathering of materials relating to the history of Dutchess County. This includes advertisements, biographical information, programs, land deeds, ephemera, clippings, and typed transcripts of historical documents. The collection also contains extensive sketched maps of the Nine Partners Patent.

## Historical Note

[From item DC.0183] The “Great Nine Partners” was a land company composed of Caleb Heathcote, James Emmott, Henry Filkins, Hendrick Taylor, Augustus Graham, William Creed, John Aartson, David Marshall and David Jameson, – nine men of wealth and high social standing. The Patent granted by the Crown to these men on May 27<sup>th</sup>, 1697, comprised a strip of land nine miles in width extending from the Hudson River northeasterly and embraced portions of the towns of Amenia and Northeast, besides nine “Water Lots” in the lower part of Hyde Park. This tract was divided into 36 lots of about 3,600 acres each.

This house of public worship, erected by the Society of Friends, was one of the first church edifices in the town of Washington. A log meeting house erected on the same foundation [in 1774], was destroyed by fire, December 27th, 1778, which doubtless led to the erection of a less perishable building. A committee was appointed on the 16th of April, 1779, to prepare plans for the erection of a brick meeting house, 40x50, estimated to cost £600. The rear wall bears the date of its erection – 1780. This plain building, large and commodius[sic] has a frame composed of heavy timbers of solid oak, and although the bricks used in its construction were made in the immediate vicinity and well made, the mortar in its walls is today harder than the bricks themselves...

Henry A. Livingston (1776-1849) was a state assemblyman and senator from Dutchess County. He was the son of John Henry Livingston, and great-great grandson of Robert Livingston the Elder, first lord of Livingston Manor.

## Provenance

The Collection was donated to the Dutchess County Historical Society by Mary Flagler Cary in 1969.

## Subject Headings

Agriculture; Deeds; Land titles; Nine Partners Patent; Society of Friends; Transportation;

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