Augustine Herrman bought a lot on the Strand from Elizabeth Tyssen, widow of Maryn Adriaensen, rather more than five rods wide and nine rods deep. The deed was delivered in October, 1656.—Recitals in *Liber Patents*, III: 84 (Albany). The lot ran back to Herrman's orchard, which was part of the Damen land. The house stood at the present north corner of Pine and Pearl Streets, numbers 171–173 Pearl Street. The garden covered nearly all of the bed of Pine Street. From an entry of September 15, 1653, it seems that the house, Herrman's own home while he lived in New Amsterdam, was in process of erection at that time. Auken Jansen, a carpenter, demanded payment "of a balance of one hundred guilders in beavers according to contract for building deft's [Herrman's] house."—Rec. N. Am., I: 119.

In July, 1672, Herrman sold his "great and small houses without the City Gate" to John Paine, of Boston.—Liber Deeds, B: 194; cf. Book of Records of Deeds & Transfers (etc.), 1665–1672 (translated), 217. On November 28, 1673, Ephraim Herrman, as attorney for his father, appeared in court requesting:

that he may again take possession of the house and part of a lot and orchard . . . which his said father sold last year to one John Payne at Boston; but as he maintains that, by reason of the demolishing and removing etc, it is much depreciated . . . he requests therefore that before being resumed by virtue of the mortgage, it may be valued by arbitrators, in order that he may have his recourse ag'st said John Payne for the balance.

This request was granted.—Rec. N. Am., VII: 29-30. The demolishing and removing were, of course, subsequent to Governor Colve's order of October 8, 1673.—N. Y. Col. Docs., II: 629-636. Colve issued a new patent to Ephraim Herrman, July 17, 1674, for a "lot, garden and orchard in Smith's valley, without the city of New Orange."—Cal. Hist. MSS., English, 30.