

The De Sille List, of 1660, mentions "The Bevers Gracht where Echbert Wouterse lives."

Egbert Woutersen, of Yselstein, bought Jan Snediger's grant before December, 1654.—Recitals in *Liber HH* (2): 28 (Albany). The deed was not recorded until April 26, 1667, when Gerrit Snedecker, as attorney for his father, delivered it to the purchaser.—*Liber Deeds*, B: 130; cf. *Book of Records of Deeds & Transfers* (etc.), 1665–1672 (translated), 104–5. This settler was one of Michiel Pauw's tenants at Pavonia. As early as 1640, he was established at Jan de Lacher's Hook (Manatus Maps, No. 30). In June of that year, he was allotted, as his share of the domestic animals imported by the Company, three milch cows and three mares.—*Cal. Hist. MSS., Dutch*, 13.

On May 10, 1647, Woutersen secured a patent for land at Jan Evertsen's Kill (*N. Y. Col. Docs.*, XIII: 22), which he sold to Dirck Claasen.—*Rec. N. Am.*, III: 93. He then hired Wouter van Twiller's plantation at Sapokanican (Manatus Maps, No. 10) from Jeremias van Rensselaer, cousin of the late director-general. His lease seems to have expired about 1665.—*Rec. N. Am.*, V: 230.

Evidently, he lived in the town a good part of the time, for the magistrates continually enlisted his services as referee and adviser. The Bever's Gracht was within pleasant riding distance of his bouwerie at our present Greenwich Village. The westerly part of his property, "wth an old tennement thereuppon," Mr. Woutersen sold to Jacob Abramse (van Santvoord), May 24, 1673.—*Original Book of N. Y. Deeds*, 1673–1675, in *N. Y. Hist. Soc. Collections*, 1913, p. 13. He was still residing in his own home here in 1677.—*M. C. C.*, I: 61.

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