These two small buildings were erected by Frans Jansen van Hooghten, who was a housecarpenter and builder. He took a long time finishing a house which he had contracted to build for Wessel Evertsen, and was recommended by the court to "go to the work and remain there until it be finished, without working on another."—Rec. N. Am., III: 203, 200. 304. After the house was completed, Frans Jansen found Evertsen more dilatory still, when it came to paying for the work, and his suit against the owner lagged through many court days. Judgment was granted Jansen, January 31, 1662, for 500 guilders.—Ibid., IV: 24-5. The house in question was one occupied by Asser Levy, on the Hoogh Straet (Block N, No. 15), and afterwards bought by him from Evertsen (now No. 59 Stone Street). -Liber Deeds, B: 16; cf. Deeds & Conveyances (etc.) 1659-1664, trans. by O'Callaghan, 318-9; Patents, II: 1 (Albany).

Jansen took the oath of allegiance to the English, in October, 1664.—N. Y. Col. Docs., III: 76.

Frans Jansen van Hooghten was dead by 1670, when Maretie Gerrits, his widow, was married to his neighbour, Nicholas Jansen, the baker.—Rec. N. Am., VI: 262.