Willem (Gulielin) Cornelis, the owner of these houses, in 1660, was a sea-captain. In 1641, he was skipper of the "Oak Tree."—Cal. Hist. MSS., Dutch, 16. In 1663, he was appointed supercargo of the ship "Eagle."—Ibid., 251. His sons were confirmed here, after his death, as Willem and Pieter Guilyams (Patents, II: 152, Albany), following the Dutch fashion of nomenclature, but, in 1685, they were known as William and Peter Cornelison.—Liber Deeds, XIII: 73-6. During 1685-91, the corner house (on the site of No. 70 Broad Street) was occupied by Hendrick Jansen van ffeurden, a baker.—Liber Deeds, IX: 207 (Albany). In 1689, Hendrick van Veurden was alderman of the West Ward (M. C. C., I: 204, 208) and a member of Leisler's Council.—Doc. Hist., 8 vo. ed., II: 181; N. Y. Col. Docs., III: 703-4.

No. 8 is the site of the present No. 28 Beaver Street.