

This house, at the period of the making of the Plan, was in possession of George (Joris) Wolsey, though the deed is dated a few months later.—See Key to Map of Dutch Grants.

George Wolsey, or Woolsey, an Englishman and a native of Yarmouth, was for some years factor in New Amsterdam for the famous New England merchant, Isaac Allerton. In Allerton's absence, he twice petitioned for permission, and was finally, in 1656, allowed, to tap. From this time on, he followed the business of a licensed tavern-keeper.—*Cal. Hist. MSS., Dutch*, 176; *Rec. N. Am.*, II: 263. In 1648, he was appointed a fire-warden.—*Ibid.*, I: 5.

He bought the premises shown on the Plan from his brother-in-law, Carel van Brugge (Bridges), and sold them, in February, 1669, to William Pattison (Paterson) (*Liber Deeds*, B: 152; cf. *Book of Records of Deeds & Transfers*, etc., 1665-1672, translated, 143-4), from whom they were confiscated by Colve, in 1673. The lot was re-granted to Lodowyck Pos, in October, 1673, in lieu of his house in Block A (No. 2). Pos requested "the house next the City Hall; otherwise 'twill be impossible for him to move." He received this house, formerly Paterson's, on payment of eighty florins.—*N. Y. Col. Docs.*, II: 629-638.

Wolsey also owned land at Flushing, which he bought in 1647 from Thomas Robertson.—*Cal. Hist. MSS., Dutch*, 41. He married, December 9, 1647, Rebecca, daughter of Thomas Cornell, an English settler of Westchester, and sister of Sarah, who married, first, Thomas Willett, and, after his death, Charles Bridges.—*Marriages in Ref. Dutch Ch.*, 14.