

THE MILL SITE: DEEDS

This is a chronology of the ownership of the mill site at the High Falls of the Wallkill in Walden, NY Transcribed by Mary Ellen Matise, Historian, Village of Walden March 30, 2013

1798 Map—site owned by Levi P. Graham

1803, Aug 25— John Haggerty, City of NY, Merchant and wife Maria, of the FIRST PART and John Brower Jr., Town of Mtgy, County of Orange, Merchant, of the SECOND PART for \$4250 Liber I p 316 Description:

...parcel of land, situate lying and being in the Town of Montgomery, county and state afs on the east side of the Wallkill of Paltz River being the same which was formerly conveyed by Stephen Gilbert to Leonard D. Nicholl and Thomas Palmer, and by them conveyed to David Woodruff and Silas Woodruff and is bounded as follows, Beginning at a small ash sapling standing near a root of an old hemlock on the East shore of the Wallkill which sapling is also the Southwest corner of James Kidd's land; and ...from thence South thirty one degrees and fifteen minutes East to the lands of Jonath Low thence South twenty four degrees and thirty minutes West along the line of the said Jonathon Low and Alexander Kidd to a certain white oak tree, and from thence with the same course to the Wallkill then down the Wallkill so as to include the Mill Seat and its advantages to the place of beginning containing one hundred and six acres of land be the same more or less excepting and reserving out of the above described bounds and premises, two acres and one half an acre of land heretofore granted and conveyed by Levi P. Graham to Alexander Hamilton both of Montgomery are as by the Indenture and map thereof may more fully appear together with all the houses, out houses, edifices, buildings, fences, trees, woods, under woods, waters, water courses, Dams, Dykes, ways, paths, and orchards, meadows pastures, gardens and all other easements, profits, advantages, tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances to the premises above describes and hereby intended to be granted and conveyed ...

John Brower Jr. died Nov.1, 1804, leaving the mortgage unpaid.

- 1805—John Haggerty fixed a bill of complaint in the Court of Chancery of the people of the State of New York against John J. Brower, James Hunter, William Leverich and Magdalen Brower, Executors and Executrix of the last will and testament of John Brower Jr.
- 1805, June 17—John J. Brower, Magdalen Brower, William Leverage and James Hunter, Executors named in the last will and testament of John Brower Junior of the Town of Montgomery in the County of Orange deceased, of the FIRST PART and

Benjamin Thorne and James Teller of the Town of Fishkill in the County of Dutchess for \$6062.50 Liber M p 338

Description:

All that certain ....being the same that was conveyed by Cadwallader Colden to Daniel Graham Esquire and is bounded as followeth, Beginning...on the East side of the Wallkill which station is the southwest corner of James Galatian's land (and continues as above)...containing one hundred and six acres.

1810, Dec 1— Benjamin Thorne and Nancy, his wife, and James Teller and Charity, his wife, all of the Town of Montgomery, of the FIRST PART and

Henry Rankin and Garret Heyer of the City of New York, Merchants and Partners, Creditors of the said Benjamin Thorne and James Teller, of the SECOND PART and Marselus M. Van Gieson and John Van Blarcum Junr, Merchants and Partners, Henry Major, George Gillespie and John H. Fitus, Merchants and late Partners, Elias Hains and Tunis Sebring by Cornelius Van Cleif his attorney duly constituted all of the City of New York also creditors of the said Benjamin Thorne and James Teller of the THIRD PART Liber P p 309

Description:

...whereas the said Benjamin Thorne and James Teller being at present unable to pay the whole of the said debts have agreed to convey unto the said Henry Rankin and Garret Heyer the lands, tenements and hereditaments herein afore mentioned...

1815, Jan 26— Henry Rankin, City of New York and Ann, his wife, and Garret Heyer of the same place and Sarah, his wife of the FIRST PART and

Jacob T. Walden, of the Town of Montgomery..of the SECOND PART for \$2000

Liber R p 94

Description:

(as above)...includes the Mills and Mill seat...containing one hundred and six acres