

No. 15 Broadway. The house of Barent Cruytdop; built prior to June 15, 1660, when Denys Isaackzen, the carpenter, was compelled to sue for wages incurred in building it. Cruytdop claimed: "all is not yet finished."—*Rec. N. Am.*, III: 177. A busy man was Cruytdop during this month of June. On the 8th, he was fined for trying to board the ships on their first arrival, contrary to the ordinance of April 15, 1638.—*Laws & Ord., N. Neth.*, II. Schout de Sille testifies that he endeavoured, "with a naked sword in his hand," to prevent Cruytdop and others from "boarding the vessels, but could not do it; . . ."—*Rec. N. Am.*, III: 171. On June 11th, he procured his license to marry Margaret Grootgens, a widow, being himself a widower.—*Marriages in Ref. Dutch Ch.*, 26. On June 15 and June 22, he sued three of his fellow townsmen, and recovered judgment in each case.—*Rec. N. Am.*, III: 176, 180. Two years later, his wife was sued, in turn, by Joannes Vervelen for 900 guilders, money loaned on the house, plus a year's interest. She said she could do nothing before her husband returned, or until she had letters from him, adding, hopefully, that "she expected his arrival with Samuel Edsall."—*Ibid.*, V: 129, 135.

On April 25, 1663, Cruytdop's house was sold under an execution to Gerrit Hendricksen, the transport reciting that Cruytdop had bought the lot on April 5, 1659, from Hendrick Jansen de Ruyter, "which lot the aforesaid Cruytdop built a house upon, and afterwards mortgaged the said lot and superstructure to divers persons . . ."—*Liber Deeds*, B: 85; cf. *Book of Records of Deeds & Transfers* (etc.), 1665-1672 (translated), 17-22.