

The low, wide, house, with a wing, shown on this lot, was built by Pieter Rudolphus (de Vries), on his grant of 1656. It covered the entire frontage on the street, about 30 feet. The garden fences diverged widely, owing to the peculiar shape of the grant.

Rudolphus, then a widower, lived on the Winckel Straet in September, 1659 (Block F, No. 2). His marriage to Margaret Hardenbrook took place shortly after October 10, 1659.—*Marriages in Ref. Dutch Ch.*, 24. Very probably, this house was built about that time. Their little daughter was born here, July 6, 1660. She was christened Maria, October 3, 1660.—*Baptisms in Ref. Dutch Ch.*, 58. Her father died between May 17 and June 18, 1661, as is evidenced by court records of these dates.—*Rec. N. Am.*, III: 304, 319.

Pieter Rudolphus, a merchant trader, seems to have been a man of substance. He is not found in New Amsterdam very early, and was not one of that group of representative

citizens who gathered to advise with the magistrates about the city defenses and the city finances in 1653.

The first mention of him occurs in December, 1654, when a suit was brought against him by Jacob Jansen Huys, for payment of freight charges on goods shipped on the "Pear-tree." Rudolphus refused payment until a proper deduction was made for damage to his goods in transit.—*Rec. N. Am.*, I: 274. Huys, through Allard Anthony, was still trying to collect freight dues in April, 1655.—*Cal. Hist. MSS., Dutch*, 147. In January, 1658, Rudolphus was elected schepen, but was not re-elected when he stood for the office in 1661.—*Rec. N. Am.*, II: 320; III: 260.

On October 28, 1662, banns were published between Margaret Hardenbrook and Frederick Philipse. On December 18, 1662, before their marriage, Philipse signified his intention to adopt Margaret's little daughter, which the orphan-masters sanctioned.—*Min. of Orph. Court*, I: 227. She was renamed Eva, and married Jacobus van Cortlandt, May 31, 1691, as Eva Philipse.

Frederick Philipse was confirmed here by Nicolls, April 10, 1667.—*Patents*, II: 6 (Albany).  
Site: No. 46 and part of No. 44 Broad Street.