

Gijsbertsen's next neighbour on the west side of Winckel Straet was Pieter Jacobsen Buys, who acquired the small burgherright in 1657 (*Rec. N. Am.*, VII: 150), and seems to have done business principally as attorney and agent for various persons who empowered him to act for them. He fell into serious financial difficulties (*ibid.*, III: 344), and, in 1663, Simon Jansen Romeyn, acting as attorney for his numerous creditors, sold the house in Mighiel Muyden.—*Liber Deeds*, B: 27; *Deeds & Conveyances* (etc.), 1659-1664, trans. by O'Callaghan, 338-9. Pieter Buys was one of the patentees of New Utrecht, in 1657.—*Doc. Hist. N. Y.*, 8vo. ed., I: 634.

This house seems to have been rather pretentious—the Plan shows a double gable to the street. On the Marketfield, Buys had built a small structure, which was rented in February, 1660, to Jacques Cortelyou, the surveyor, probably as an office (for he lived at

New Utrecht), and here, undoubtedly, the survey of 1660, the original of the Castello Plan, was drawn.—See recitals in *Mortgages* (etc.), 1654–1660, trans. by O’Callaghan, 147, 148. Ten years later, Robert Ryder, an English surveyor, whose work on Manhattan, on Long Island, and in Westchester, is well known, rented the same premises (recitals in *Liber Mortgages*, A: 73, 97), evidently, by that time, a well-established stand.

“Buys’ house in Winckel-straat” was allotted by Governor Colve to Pieter De Reimer, in lieu of his demolished house in Block H, No. 4.—*N. Y. Col. Docs.*, II: 637.