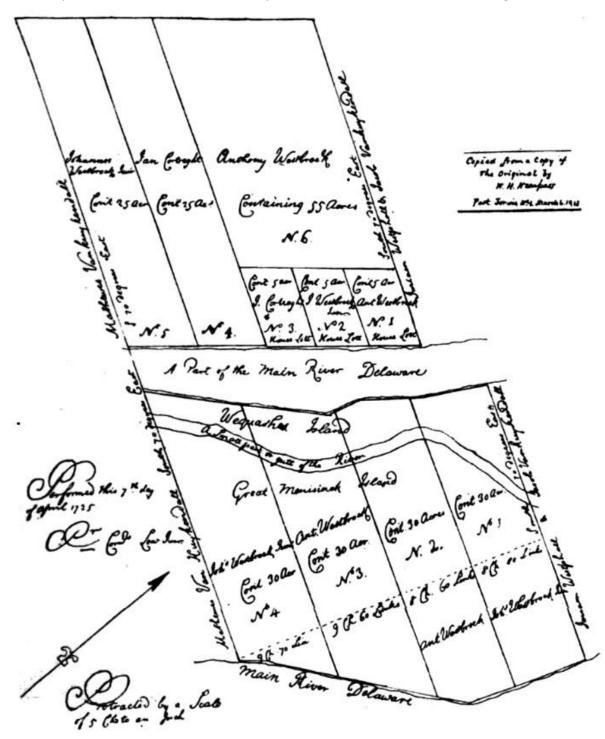
Old Minisink Village, on the east bank of the Delaware at Great Minisink Island Founded in about 1714

Note the properties on the outskirts of town owned by Matthew Van Kuykendall to the north (left), and by brothers-in-law Jacob Van Kuykendall and Jurian Westfall to the south.

Matthew was Jacob's cousin, and was also Jurian Westfall's brother-in-law.

All of the parcels in the town were owned by members of the Westbrook and Cortright families.



Plat of Old Minisink Village, Made in 1725.

From p9 of *History of the Kuykendall Family*, by George Benson Kuykendall (1919) and p18 of *The ancient trail (the Old Mine Road) : first road of any length built in America*, by Amelia Stickney (1942)

A house built on Jacob Kuykendall's and Jurian Westfall's former property before 1750

It waw still standing in 1942.

Note the highlighted quote from John J VanSickle.

Despite what he said, the location of that deed is not known.



EVERITT HOUSE Old Mine Road

DEED HAS THE TRIBE'S SIGNATURE

The Everitt House is on the Old Mine Road on the extreme northern boundary of Sandyston Township, about two and one-half miles south of Brick House Hotel. It is one of the three remaining houses that stood in the Minisink village prior to 1750, the other two being the Bell House and the Ennis Houses in Sandyston Township about one-half mile south.

The farm upon which this house stands was deeded by the Indians to Jurian Westfall and Jacob Kuykendall as shown by the map drawn in 1725. John J. VanSickle, who had done much research work on the Delaware valley said, "There is still in existence and not long since in possession of the Everitt family a deed from the aborigines for the land near the Minisink village and adjacent islands. It is on parchment, and the tribes' signature and great seal is the image of a turkey".

At the close of the Revolution the farm came into possession of the Everitt family and so remained until recent years. It is now owned by William Brace, of Nutley, N. J.

The deed that Jacob Kuykendall wrote when he sold his interest in the 500 acres that he and his late brother-in-law Jurian Westfall had owned in Old Minisink Village to Jurian's heirs.



AN ANCIENT DEED Made by Jacob Kuykendall, December in Year 1731.

p13 of History of the Kuykendall Family, by George Benson Kuykendall (1919)

On p 43, George Benson Kuykendall says:

After Jacob sold out in 1731, he appears, the next account we have of him, apparently a little lower down the Delaware on the Pennsylvania side. In 1741 a petition was sent to Thomas Penn, then Governor of Pa., asking relief from the aggressions of the whites, who were said to be crowding over upon and taking the Indian's lands. They sent this petition by a man who carried a letter signed by Abram Van Vampen, Jacob Kuykendall, Nicholas Depui and James Kuykendall. James was a son of Jacob Kuykendall.

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