

October 27, 1682. Penn proceeded to the Courthouse where he performed the "Rite of Seison". "He took the Key thereof to lock upon himself alone the door, which being opened by him again, we did deliver unto him 1 turf with a Twig upon it, a Porringer with River water and Soyle, in part of All."

Mrs. Janvier
Bronze

~~NEW CASTLE~~ - COURT HOUSE - Originally State House. East wing built about 1672.- main building 1701. Here were held United Assemblies of Pennsylvania and the three counties on Delaware. Here the State of Delaware was formed - 1704. Delaware Assemblies met here from 1704 to 1776. From here July 4th, 1776, the Continental Troops took "All the Baubles of Royalty" and burned them on the Green. ~~County Court House~~ County Court House from 1776 to 1880.

See Judge
Rodney
& Mrs.
Janvier

STATE HIGHWAY - LONG HOOK FARM - Formerly residence of Major Peter Jaquett, distinguished officer of the Delaware Line in the Revolution. Born here 1755, died here 1834. Buried at Old Swedes' Church, Wilmington. Land originally owned by Jean Paul Jaquet, Vice-Director and Chief Magistrate of New Netherland on the South River, 1655-1657.

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RED LION INN - Colonial Inn dating from early times. First tavern of this name located on Pigeon Run, two miles north of this town.

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Elisse Roussie, a French Huguenot lady, kept the Inn at an early date. ~~Later the Silver family were hosts from 1800 to 1845.~~ A shoe factory was established here during the Mexican War. Extract from Washington's diary: "July - 1780 - breakfast at Red Lion."

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MASON AND DIXON'S TANGENT STONE

In the field between this road and the railroad track is located the famous tangent stone, surveyed and marked by Mason and Dixon in 1764, when surveying the boundary line between Maryland and Delaware. The tangent stone is on the circumference of an arc twelve miles from New Castle.

AMERICAN POSITION

American infantry at Battle of Cooch's Bridge, September 3, 1777, were stationed along road from Aikentown (Glasgow) over Iron Hill toward Welsh Tract Baptist Meeting House. At their post here, near Cooch's Mill, occurred severe fighting. Cavalry were on the lines gaining intelligence and picking up stragglers.