

Peter Westervelt House  
Englewood, Bergen County, New Jersey

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Peter Westervelt House  
Englewood, Bergen County, New Jersey

Owner: ~~Miss Margaretha Westervelt~~ ALEXANDER SURINER

Date of Erection: 1808

Architect:

Builder: Peter Westervelt

Present condition: The original part of house is as  
built; a frame wing was added in  
1810.

Number of stories: Two and one-half

Materials of construction: Foundation - stone

Floors - wood

Exterior walls - main build-  
ing stone; addition frame

Interior walls - plastered

Roof - Asbestos shingle, new

Historical Data:

The first Westervelts landed at New Amsterdam  
from the Dutch West India ship Hoop (Hope) on May 24,  
1662. They first settled on Long Island, but in 1676

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Lubbert Lubbertsen Van Westervelt sold out and moved to Hackensack. The builder of the present house, Peter Westervelt, was a descendant of Lubbert; he was a carpenter by trade. The so-called Westervelt house was built for Henry De Mott whose daughter Fransiney Peter Westervelt later married. The marriage took place in 1810 at the time the frame wing was added; the house was inherited later by them and has been known since as the Peter Westervelt house. Their granddaughter Margaretta Westervelt is the present owner and occupies the house.

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To this should be added the information given by Miss Margaretta Westervelt to Clarence Tabor, Jr.

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