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Raser, Edward J. *New Jersey Graveyard and Gravestone Inscriptions Locators: Monmouth County.* (2002). Hard cover, 360 pp. Available from the Genealogical Society of New Jersey, P.O. Box 1291, New Brunswick, NJ 08903. Price: \$25.00 plus \$2.00 shipping (\$3.00 international). GSNJ members entitled to 10% off book price. New Jersey residents add 6% sales tax.

This new publication of GSNJ is designed to: 1) identify, provide condition and historical details for, and give directions to existing and former graveyards in Monmouth County; 2) locate and describe relevant unpublished lists of gravestone inscriptions; and 3) provide citations to published versions of the gravestone transcriptions when they exist. All manner of burial places, totaling almost 350, are represented: from single graves to large modern cemeteries. Each entry in the *Locator* includes the following information about the burial place: name (with variants), age, size, use status, extent of typical gravestone wear, location (with detailed directions), comments and historical details, and references to unpublished and published inscription lists. Eight institutions in New Jersey and New York were searched for inscription lists. The volume is the third in a series to be authored by Trustee Emeritus Ed Raser and issued by GSNJ, and follows similar previous works for Morris and Mercer Counties published in 1994 and 2000, respectively. However, this volume

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includes a significantly expanded comments section for each graveyard. This section provides selected information about the origin, changing status, and interred occupants of the graveyard. Information on early families and individuals buried in the graveyard has been provided in some cases. Usually, when the graveyard contains little more than a dozen gravestones, the vital information from all known inscriptions is provided. In addition to the graveyard entries, the book also includes seven location maps, an index to graveyard names and a full name index.

Plankenhorn, Louise, trans. and indx. *Records from Family Bibles in the Gloucester County Historical Society.* (2001). Soft cover, 271 pp. Available from Gloucester County Historical Society, 17 Hunter Street, Woodbury, NJ 089096-4605. Price: \$23.50 plus \$2.50 postage. NJ residents add 6% sales tax.

This volume contains never before published transcriptions of Bible records taken from the vertical files at the Gloucester County Historical Society. The records date from as early as the seventeenth century with several as late as the twentieth century. With a full name index, this new work makes a great deal of previously unpublished, invaluable genealogical data readily accessible. Genealogists and historians interested in Gloucester County and, indeed, southern New Jersey will definitely want to add a copy of this resource to their bookshelves. A full name index is also included.

NEW JERSEY ARTICLES OF NOTE

If you recently have published or have read a well-researched article containing substantial original or compiled New Jersey genealogical information, please feel free to send a copy to Joseph R. Klett, 14 Blackstone Dr., Princeton, NJ 08540-7904 for announcement in this column.

Amerman, Richard H. "Medical Practices in New Netherland." *de Halve Maen*, 74(4):69-72, Winter 2001. Reprinting of 1957 article discussing colonial medicine and health, as well as specific physicians and surgeons.

Buzby, J. Harlan. "Mount Hope United Methodist Church of Salem, New Jersey, Gravestone Inscriptions." *Salem County Historical Society Quarterly Newsletter*, 47(1):4-9, Spring 2002. Lists tombstone

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Hutchinson, Richard S. *Abstracts of the Deaths and Marriages in the Hightstown Gazette, 3 January 1878–29 December 1881.* (2002). Soft cover, 136 pp. Published by Heritage Books, Inc., 1540-E Pointer Ridge Place, Bowie, MD 20716. Available from the author, Richard Hutchinson, PO Box 350, Bethel, DE 19931. Price: \$17.00 plus \$3.50 for Priority Mail.

This third volume of death and marriage abstracts from *The Hightstown Gazette* covers the four-year period 1878-1881, inclusive. The abstracts are arranged chronologically, with full information included for each event, which aside from the genealogical value also makes for interesting reading. Considering the location of Hightstown, this resource is not only valuable for researching Mercer County families, but also includes numerous notices for residents of the neighboring counties of Burlington, Middlesex and Monmouth. It is also important to note that news items from other area papers (whose issues may be no longer extant) were frequently reprinted in the *Gazette*. Congratulations to GSNJ member Richard Hutchinson on the publication of this new work and his continued dedication to the series. The first two volumes of abstracts from the *Gazette*—covering the newspaper's first sixteen years (1861-1877; November 1862 - September 1865 missing)—are available from Heritage Books.