# Middle Colonies



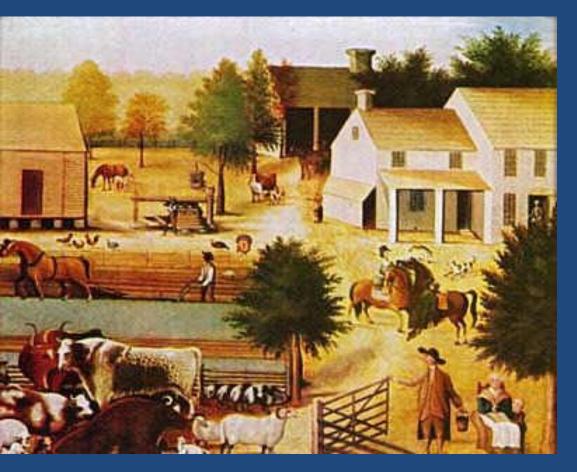


A view of Bethlem, the great Moravian settlement in the province of Pennsylvania, by Pau Sandby, 1760



#### A View of the City of Philadelphia, 1770

## New York (New Netherland) Countryside, 1640s



## Harvesting Wheat in Pennsylvania, 1700



# Ships arriving in New York Harbor, 1637



### PENSYLVANIA.

KING Charles II. gave this Country on the 4th of March 1682, New Stile, to William Pen Efq; and his Heirs, in regard of fome Debts due to him from the Crown. His Father Sir William Pen, being one of Cromwel's Flag Officers, was imployed after by the King. The upper Part of the River Patomak divides it from Virginia; the Blue Ridge of Hills from Maryland, and the River Delawar from New Jersey. The Inhabitants have no Staple Manufacture, but drive a great Trade in exporting their Cattel and Grain of all Sorts; Wax, Potashes, Salted Beef, Pork and Fish barrel'd up, Skins, Furs and Pipestaves. Altho Maryland and This are Proprietary Colonies, yet His Majesty appoints the Governor and Council, as in the other Plantations, and the People. chuse their Assembly. The chief City is Philadelphia.

### NEW JERSEY.

THIS Province was granted by James Duke of York, to John Lord Berkley and Sir George Carteret. Tis bounded North by a Line from River Delawar to the Town of Newark inclusive: Bounded East and South by the Ocean, and West by the Delawar. Tis only Part of the New-York Territory which King Charles II. gave his Brother, and is therefore more frictly limited : For the first Virginia and Carolina Charters include under those two Words all our American Provinces, tho now subdivided by many other Names, and by the Grant may legally extend Weft to the Pacific Ocean. It was first parted into East and West Jersey, but the whole being furrendred to Queen Anne, it is now one Provincial Government. The Export here is Beef, Pork, Corn, Butter and Cheefe, Train-oyl, Whalebone and Fifh ; Tobacco, Furs, and White Peafe. Capital Town Elizabeth.

### NEW YORK.

THIS Part of North Virginia was difcovered by the famous Henry Hudson in his Third Voyage, 1609. The Dutch soon made a S.ttlement here, under Pretense they had bought the Land of Hudson; but in 1664 it was reduced by the Forces of King Charles II. who gave it to his Brother the Duke of York, and from him the Country took its Name. It hath Ferfey on the South, New England on the East, Lake Champlain on the North, and the Six Nations on the Weft, who have been long there feated and naturalized with the New York People. They expo.. from hence all Sorts of Grain, Flour, Horfes, Beef, Pork, and Fifh; Timber, Tobacco, Skins, Furs, Logwood, Whalebone, and Oyl: All Bufinefs with the Indians is transacted at Albany on the great R ver Hudfon, which is navigable 150 Miles; but Newyork, in an Island at the Mouth of that River, is the chief City. Long Ifland 100 Miles in Lengin belongs to this Province: