

In a census of 1738 is Peter Praa and wife and nine slaves. Peter Praa, Jr., married Maria, daughter of Jacob Hay and Christina Cappaens, of New Amsterdam. Jacob Hay owned much property in Manhattan and Bushwick. His wife was also wealthy, and her will, dated June 17, 1687, with a codicil dated September 2, 1693, proven November 15, 1693, with its long inventory of costly belongings, is frequently alluded to by historians to show the luxury of Dutch living in New Amsterdam.