

4. Altamont

At the base of the limestone escarpment of the Helderbergs is the small village of Altamont. At the beginning of the 20th century Altamont was primarily settled by "city people" from Albany and although for many years before this time it was a trading center called Knowersville. A number of Dutch settlers obtained Manor farmlands from the Van Besselaers of the Albany area at a nominal rental fee during the early 1700's. A number of fine Dutch Barns were constructed during these early days, some of which are still standing.

Altamont is the scene of a fine County Fair in August of each year. It is a good provisioning place.

