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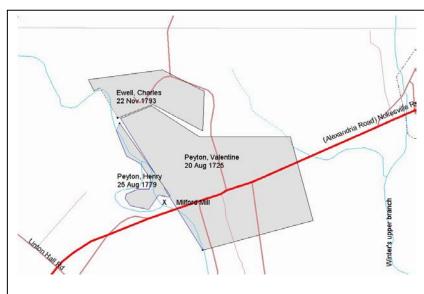
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**REL-I-QUAR-Y:** (noun) A receptacle for keeping or displaying relics.

## Milford Mill – The Lost Landmark

By Charlotte Cain

Heading south on Route 28 just past Manassas, just as you pass over Broad Run is the site of what was once a prominent mill known as Milford Mill. The Broad Run loops around at



Plat of the land granted to Henry Peyton 1779, Valentine Peyton 1725, and land held by Francis Peyton 1793. All owned by Charles Ewell in 1797.

acres on the north side of the Broad Run of Occoquan.<sup>1</sup> This land was part of the Northern Neck Proprietary granted by Thomas Lord Fairfax. By the time of his death in 1751 Valentine Peyton was in possession of two parcels of land in Prince William County, one of 1850 acres and one of 575 acres.<sup>2</sup>

In 1779 Henry Peyton, the son of Valentine Peyton, was granted 24 acres adjoining the Peyton patented land.<sup>3</sup> This land is a narrow strip roughly shaped like a boot that would later be known as the Milford mill tract. In 1781 Henry

this location and was a natural spot for harnessing the water to power a grist mill also was convenient place to ford Broad Run and that is probably how the location received its name as being the place to ford at the mill or Milford. Nothing of the mill remains today -- not even the foundations can be seen -- but the story of Milford mill is a story of many mills of a long ago era.

In 1725 Valentine Peyton was granted 253.5

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<sup>1</sup>Land granted to Valentine Payton [sic], Northern Neck Grants A (1722-1726): 159, microfilm reel 290, Library of Virginia (LVA), available online at www.lva.lib.va.us/whatwehave/land.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Prince William County Rent Roll for 1751/1752, microfilm copy at RELIC, Bull Run Regional Library, Manassas, [Prince William County, Virginia, Manuscripts in the Huntington Library] (San Marino, California: Huntington Library, 1984).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Land granted to Henry Peyton, Northern Neck Grants I (1757-1781): 361, microfilm reel 294, LVA.

Peyton died and in his will he bequeathed to his son Timothy "all the Debt or sums of money he owes me also the depreciation of the money (if ever recovered from the Public) on the forage of thirty five barrels of corn & ten tons of hay already included in our accounts." To his son Thomas was left "one forth [sic] part of the profits of my grist mill during his minority ... likewise the tract of land whereon I now live after the decease of my wife together with the water grist mill."

A deed has not been found transferring the mill ownership to Charles Ewell but it is known that by 1794 Charles Ewell (1760-1830) owned the mill and by 1797 lived on the large tract of land adjoining it.<sup>5</sup> In 1793 Francis Peyton, the brother of Henry Peyton deeded to Charles Ewell 67 acres of land bequeathed to Francis by his father Valentine Peyton and in the late possession of Col. Henry Peyton. This land is adjacent and just above the original 253 acres granted to Valentine Peyton.<sup>6</sup>

Many of the smaller grist mills at this time were custom mills grinding grain in small quantities for the local farmers in exchange for a sixth part of the final product. The larger manufacturing mills would purchase grain from local farmers and then sell the resulting meal and flour at market. Milford is believed to have done both custom grinding and larger production milling. Situated just off the main road to Alexandria, Milford was a favorite meeting place for conducting business as well as for the exchange of gossip and information. A notice in the 1796 Republican Journal & Dumfries Advertiser advertises the selling of slaves to occur at Milford.<sup>7</sup>

By 1797 Charles Ewell was in financial difficulty; he was being charged with the debts of his father Benjamin Ewell and his brother Thomas. He placed most of his Milford property as collateral for payment of these debts but by 1818 the land adjoining the mill was advertised for a public sale to pay what was owed to J. D. Simms. The mill itself still remained the property of Charles.

Charles Ewell had enlisted in the militia in 1775 at the age of 15 and had soon advanced to a Lieutenant in the First Virginia State Regiment. In 1777 the regiment had joined the main Continental Army with Ewell obtaining the rank of Captain the following year. Ewell continued to serve in the army until after "the Capitulation of Cornwallis", when he returned home. By 1824 the economy of the area was in a decline and Charles applied to the Virginia legislature for a pension of half pay for his military service.<sup>9</sup>

He also placed the mill (valued at \$10,000) and surrounding land (valued at \$4035) in the hands of James and Silus Foster. By 1830 Charles Ewell left Prince William County and

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Henry Peyton will (1781), Prince William County Will Book G: 119-122; Prince William County (PWC) microfilm reel 18, LVA.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> 1793(B) Land Tax List shows the property still owned by Henry Peyton's heirs. The 1794(B) Land Tax List shows Charles Ewell in possession. PWC Land Tax Lists, 1782A-1810A, microfilm reel R1, at RELIC; microfilm reel 258, LVA. [Missing deed perhaps recorded in lost PWC District Court Deed Book A (1789-1795). / DLW]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Prince William County Deed Book 8: 105-107; PWC microfilm reel 10, LVA.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Ronald Turner, *Prince William County Virginia 1784-1860 Newspaper Transcriptions* (Manassas, Va.: privately printed, 2000), 37, citing *Republican Journal & Dumfries Advertiser*, 11 August 1796. "To be sold at Milford … 10 or 12 likely Negroes, for ready money by the Administrators of John Seldon, Deceased."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Turner, Newspaper Transcriptions 1784-1860, 105, citing Alexandria Gazette, 25 November 1818.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Petition of Charles Ewell of Prince William praying for his half pay or commutation, 14 December 1824. Virginia General Assembly Legislative Petitions, Prince William County, 1819 Dec. 15 – 1858; microfilm reel 165, Accession 36121, LVA.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> James & Cilus [sic] Foster entry, Prince William County 1824 (B) Land Tax List (Land above Cedar Run) page 19; microfilm reel R3, RELIC; reel 260, LVA. Remarks: "By deed from Charles Ewell and wife." The deed does not appear to be extant.

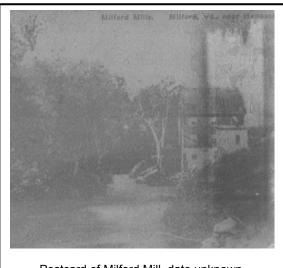
moved to McCracken County, Kentucky to live on bounty land granted to him for Revolutionary War service. In his will Charles authorized the sale of all his land in Prince William County to be sold to pay his just debts. This included "my well known tract of land called Milford, including the mill and appendages thereto belonging..." The County Court of Prince William subsequently decreed the mill be advertised for a trustee's sale in the Alexandria Gazette. Is

In February of 1837, William J. Weir became the owner of the Milford mill and gradually purchased its surrounding property. He paid \$3500 for the mill property but the value of improvements was shown as \$10,000 in 1838. The grist mill was water powered with 2 pairs of stones for manufacturing corn meal and a pair of burr stones for the finer ground wheat flour.

By 1850 the mill was the third largest in the county grinding 2,000 bushels of wheat and 10,000 bushels of corn which produced 400 barrels of flour and 11,260 barrels of corn meal annually. The mill was operated by the miller and his assistant who earned an average of \$15 a month. 16

The mill maintained its status as a meeting place, becoming a post office in May of 1839. William Weir was also the postmaster for the area and had petitioned for the post office to be moved from Liberia to Milford Mills. The post office remained at Milford until 1852 when it was moved to Bristoe Station to be near the railroad.<sup>17</sup>

By 1860 William Weir's grist mill was grinding 500 bushels of wheat and 9000 bushels



Postcard of Milford Mill, date unknown.

Courtesy of the Manassas Museum System

of corn plus other grains to produce 110 barrels of flour, 10,125 bushels of meal and 6500 pounds of offal and horse feed. He employed two men, probably a miller and assistant, who worked for an average of \$17 a month each. <sup>18</sup> David Franklin was the millwright in 1860 and was responsible for keeping the milling equipment in working order. <sup>19</sup> Cornelius Naylor, a slave

Charles Ewell entry, Kentucky Land Office, Military Warrant 583. Image available online at http://apps.sos.ky.gov/land/military/revwar/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Charles Ewell will (1830), McCracken County, Kentucky Will Book A: 18. Transcribed and submitted by Vera Burnham, online at <a href="http://www.rootsweb.com/~kymcrac/will/willchsewell.html">http://www.rootsweb.com/~kymcrac/will/willchsewell.html</a>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Turner, Newspaper Transcriptions, 147, citing Alexandria Gazette 11 June 1830.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Bank of Potomac and Joseph Janney to William J. Weir, deed dated 14 February 1837, Prince William County Land Records 1835-43: 387-400; PWC microfilm reel 16, LVA. Includes details of complex chancery proceedings regarding the property going back to 1797, and a plat showing its partition.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> William J. Weir entry, 1838 Land Tax List; Prince William County Land Tax Books 1824-1838; microfilm reel R3, RELIC; microfilm reel 260, LVA.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> William J. Weir entry, 1850 U.S. Census, Virginia nonpopulation schedules, industrial schedule, Prince William County, Virginia, page 130, line 5; NARA micropublication T-1132, roll 4.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> William C. Ritter, *Post Offices and Post Masters of Prince William County, Virginia 1776-1971* (Dale City, Virginia: privately printed, 1992); transcribed from NARA Record Group 28.3.2; copy at RELIC, Bull Run Regional Library, Manassas, Virginia.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> William J. Weir entry, 1860 U.S. Census, Virginia nonpopulation schedules, industrial schedule, Prince William County; NARA micropublication T-1132, roll 8.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> William J. Weir household, 1860 U.S. Census, Prince William County, Virginia, population schedule, Tudor Hall post office, page 479, dwelling 350, family 331; NARA micropublication M653, roll 1373 – David Franklin, millwright, living in household of Wm. J. Weir.

of William J. Weir, was the miller at Milford during the Civil War until the "Union Army came into Manassas." <sup>20</sup>

The Civil War added its own story to the Milford Mill. In November of 1861, William Weir's daughter Julia Willcoxen was widowed and moved her family from Locust Grove to her father's house, Liberia, near Manassas Junction. In the spring of 1862 the Weir family was ordered to evacuate and Julia moved her family to her brother's house at Sudley Mill. All of her possessions were crated and placed in the Milford mill for storage including a piano. At one point soldiers waiting to cross Broad Run decided to enter the mill and caused some damage. All of Julia Willcoxen's goods were carried off as spoils of war except for the piano. It too would



"Milford Mills", Built and Owned by John R. Hornbaker Photograph courtesy of the Manassas Museum System

have been taken had not Fanny Weir, Julia's stepdaughter, been alerted to the theft. She raced to town in time to see the piano being driven away in a wagon and demanded that it be returned.<sup>21</sup>

With the threat of the arriving Union Army, many of the white families, including the Weirs, left Manassas to head for a safer place. A number of the slaves were left behind to fend for themselves and to protect their owners' goods as best they could. During the Civil War the mill was used by the slaves left behind to grind corn meal for their food. With the soldiers damaging the mill, a protest was made to the army headquarters by one of the Negroes,

requesting that the mill be protected or his people would starve. An assurance was given that the mill would be protected.<sup>22</sup> By the end of the war the mill at Milford had been destroyed, suffering \$4000 worth of damage.<sup>23</sup>

Following the war, on June 12, 1866, William J. Weir sold his mill at Milford plus the surrounding 30 acres to John R. Hornbaker for \$3000.<sup>24</sup> Thus was ended nearly thirty years of milling by the Weir family.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup>Deposition of Neil Naylor – Southern Claim #21726, Claim of John W. Wilcoxson and Hattie B. Wilcoxson of Prince William County, State of Virginia; Records of the Southern Claims Commission, NARA; copies in the Manassas Museum.

Depositions of Neil Naylor, Fanny Willcoxen, Richard M. Weir, and George W. Roseberry – Southern Claim #21726, Claim of John W. Wilcoxson and Hattie B. Wilcoxson. Additional information on the Weir family and their Civil War experiences may be found in: Charlotte Cain, "Divided Loyalties: an Account of the Family of William J. Weir during the American Civil War," *Prince William Reliquary* 3 (July 2004): 55-61, online at <a href="http://www.pwcgov.org/docLibrary/PDF/002509.pdf">http://www.pwcgov.org/docLibrary/PDF/002509.pdf</a>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> L.L. Crounse, "The Army Correspondent," *Harpers New Monthly Magazine* 27 (October 1863): 628, online at <a href="http://cdl.library.cornell.edu/moa">http://cdl.library.cornell.edu/moa</a>.

William J. Weir entry, 1865 Prince William County Land Tax Book, William C. Merchant District, entry 20; Virginia Department of Taxation, Land Tax Books 1860-1870, microfilm reel 14016, RELIC; microfilm reel 532, LVA

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> Prince William County Deed Book 26: 361; PWC microfilm reel 15, LVA.

John R. Hornbaker was a native of New Jersey who moved to Prince William County at seventeen years of age. Undoubtedly John learned the milling business from his father who operated a mill in New Jersey in the early 1830's. Prior to the Civil War the Hornbaker family worked as farmers on their own land until John purchased the Milford mill in 1866. He then set about repairing the damage done to the mill, cutting timbers and hauling the lumber probably from his own saw mill.<sup>25</sup> By 1870 the mill was again in production producing \$3712 worth of wheat flour and \$5593 worth of corn meal on its two burr grinding wheels. It was the largest



producing mill in the Manassas district and the third largest in Prince William County. The 1880 Industrial Census describes the Milford Mill as grinding both for custom and for market sales. The mill used a two-wheel turbine system rather than the traditional overshot or

undershot wheel. It ran at 260 revolutions per minute with an equivalent of 24 horsepower.<sup>27</sup> The reaction wheel was an early turbine built in the 1830's and was expensive to install although it reduced the amount of gearing necessary to run the mill.<sup>28</sup> Whether Hornbaker or Weir was the first to install the turbine is not known.

By 1880 John Hornbaker's son Edwin Latimer Hornbaker and his nephew William F. Bodine were the millers at Milford.<sup>29</sup> They worked an average of ten hours a day for a combined pay of \$200 a year.<sup>30</sup> Thomas Ashford took over as miller by 1900 and finally in 1909 John Hornbaker retired from the milling trade leaving the running of the mill to his son-in-law C. J. Meetze.

Christopher J. Meetze did not own the mill for long but during his ownership the mill was thoroughly overhauled and a new purifier installed at a cost of \$200. J.F. Britton was hired as the miller to give the customers flour "as good as any patent flour." Milford offered White Rose flour and "the best corn meal, and buckwheat flour as well as calf feed, seed oats, beet pulp, cotton and seed meal and all ground by water power." 32

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> John R. Hornbaker obituary; Ronald Turner, *Prince William County, Virginia 1900-1930 Obituaries* (Manassas, Virginia: privately printed, 1998), 158, citing *Manassas Journal*, 27 July 1917.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> J. R. Hornbaker entry, 1870 U. S. Census, Prince William County, Virginia nonpopulation schedules, industrial schedule, Manassas Township, page 1, lines 3 and 6; NARA micropublication T-1132, roll 15.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> J. R. Hornbaker entry, 1880 U. S. Census, Prince William County, Virginia nonpopulation schedules, industrial schedule, page 383; NARA micropublication T-1132, roll 32.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> John R. Hornbaker household, 1880 U.S. Census, Prince William, Virginia, population schedule, Manassas District, enumeration district 124, page 27D, dwelling 263, family 273; NARA micropublication T9, roll 1385.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> J. R. Hornbaker entry, 1880 U.S. Census, Prince William County, Virginia, nonpopulation schedules, industrial schedule, page 383.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> The Manassas Democrat, 14 March 1912, page 5, col. 1; 11 April 1912, page 2, col. 2; 20 March 1913, page 2; col. 4

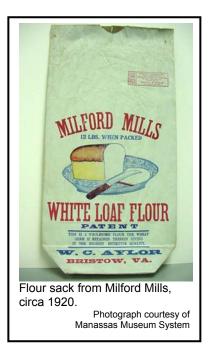
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>32</sup> Ronald Turner, *Prince William County, Virginia 1805-1955 Businesses* (Manassas, Virginia: privately printed, 1999), 158.

By 1914 C. J. Meetze had decided to devote his whole life to real estate and insurance and was advertising the mill for sale.<sup>33</sup>

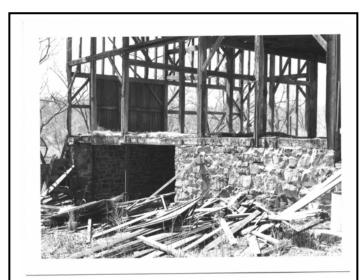
Edwin D. Wissler and Jacob T. Drumheller were the next owners of Milford Mills, purchasing it for \$15,000<sup>34</sup> and selling it in 1919 to Walter C. Aylor for \$20,000. <sup>35</sup>

Walter Clifton Aylor came to Milford with 31 years of experience as a miller. He had previously been one of the proprietors of the Aylor Brothers Flour Mill in Culpeper before deciding to purchase Milford Mills. He and his son William Taliaferro Aylor ran the fifty-barrel-a-day roller mill for the next six years selling Milford Mills White Loaf Flour to many places in Virginia.<sup>36</sup>

In 1916 Bolling Lynn Robertson purchased the old Hopkins Candy Factory in Manassas and began converting it into a major flour producing mill complete with all new machinery.<sup>37</sup> The Manassas Milling company became a premier milling company in northern Virginia producing ninety barrels of flour a day as well as two car loads of mixed feed.<sup>38</sup> As part of his expanding business, Robertson decided to purchase the Milford mill and its surrounding 40 acres from Walter Aylor in 1925 for



the sum of \$11,000 and a \$7500 debt owed to the National Bank of Manassas. Included in the sale were various office furniture, a 1200 pound safe, and assorted farming implements. The Aylors' reserved the right to harvest the potatoes they had planted in the outlying acreage.<sup>39</sup>



Foundation of Milford barn, 1981.

Photo courtesy of Virginia Department of Historic Resources

A few years later Bolling L. expanded Robertson his milling business further, taking over the Riverton Mills just east of Front Royal, Virginia. By January of 1930 the stock market was in trouble and the economy was in a downturn. The Manassas Milling Company was in financial difficulty and a chancery suit was brought against the corporation. court order issued in February of 1936 ordered that certain real estate and personal property of the corporation were to be sold at public auction. The Fauquier National Bank bought the Milford mill

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>33</sup> Turner, *Businesses*, 154.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> Prince William County Deed Book 63: 357-358; Prince William County Court House, Manassas, Virginia.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>35</sup> Prince William County Deed Book 72: 291-292; Prince William County Court House.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>36</sup> "Biographical Sketch of Walter Clifton Aylor," *History of Virginia*, 6 volumes (Chicago and New York: American Historical Society, 1924), 6:350.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> Turner, *Businesses*, 142.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>38</sup> "Biographical Sketch of Bolling Lynn Robertson," *History of Virginia*, 6:398.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>39</sup> Prince William County Deed Book 81: 70-71, 119-120; Prince William County Court House.

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With the purchase by the Hurst family the Milford Mill property was turned into a farm and the mill was allowed to deteriorate. Shortly after 1960 the mill was disassembled and its boards were used by Mr. Hurst to build a barn and for other needed repairs. By 1981 only the foundation of the original mill could be seen and even that has now disappeared. 43

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## SERIOUSLY INJURED IN MILL

As we go to press we learn that J. F. Britton, miller at Milford Mills was caught by a revolving shaft in the basement of the mill at 11 o'clock this morning and seriously injured. Dr. Buck was called to attend the injured man. We learn that besides the fracture of several ribs Mr. Britton is severely bruised about the body and head and probably may be internally injured

The Manassas Democrat, 14 March 1912, page 5, column 4.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>40</sup> J. Donald Richards, Special Commissioner, deed to The Fauquier National Bank of Warrenton, 16 June 1936; Prince William County Deed Book 97: 160-163.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>41</sup> Fauquier National Bank of Warrenton deed to T. R. and E. P. Hurst, 9 September 1936; Prince William County Deed Book 97: 385-387.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>42</sup> Letter from E.R.C. [E.R. Conner III] to Mrs. W.E.S. [Anne P.] Flory, Prince William County Historical Commission, 24 March 1976; copy in Milford Mill Historic Site File, RELIC, Bull Run Regional Library, Manassas, Virginia.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>43</sup> "Barn on S.R. 28 across Broad Run," photographs taken April 1981; Frances Jones, photographer; Virginia Department of Historic Resources (VDHR) negative 5180, Historic Site 76-314; copies in Milford Mill Historic Site File, RELIC.

## Report of Committee appointed to examine County Clerks Office 1870 June 7<sup>th</sup> Ordered to be Filed

Transcribed by Ronald R. Turner

This 1870 inventory of the County Clerk's Office includes a complete listing of the papers that survived the Civil War and the recommendations of what needed to be repaired. It was discovered among loose papers of an unrelated case in Judgments, 1889. It is being refiled among loose papers labeled Judgments, 1870. Several lost record books have been recovered from northern states since this list was compiled.

To the Honorable the County Court of Prince William County, Virginia.

We the undersigned appointed to inspect the County Clerks Office in accordance with the provisions of section 6, chapter 163 of the Code of Virginia, and to superintend certain improvements in said office would beg leave most respectfully to report:

That they have caused to be prepared a large case to hold the books and papers belonging to the Clerks Office and which will doubtless be sufficient for that purpose for years to come.

They have also caused to be made a suitable table for the office and a box with two compartments each with lock and key to hold the jury list of the County. These expenses have been met by the appropriation of \$100.00 made by this court at the annual levy, a small balance of which is yet unexpended.

We made a careful examination of every book in the office and of every package of papers in order to satisfy ourselves.

1<sup>st</sup> as to the manner in which the books and papers of the office have been kept. 2<sup>nd</sup> in order that we might ascertain exactly what is necessary to place the office in a proper condition.

The following is an accurate inventory of the Books now in the County Clerks Office together their condition.

## **DEED BOOKS**

Number	Years	Condition	Remarks
A			lost
В	1732 - 1735	fair, complete	
C			lost
D	1738 - 1741	fair, complete	
E, F, G, H,			lost
I, J, K,			lost
L	1748 - 1749	good, complete	
M	1749 - 1752	good, except	new index needed
N, O, P			lost
Q	1763 - 1768	fair, complete	
R	1768 - 1771	fair complete	
S		-	lost
T	1774 - 1779	fair, except	new index needed
U	1778 - 1784	fair except 18 pages lost	new index needed
W	1784 - 1787	dilapidated	needs binding
X	1787 - 1791	fair	_
Y	1791 - 1796	six pages gone	needs repairing
Z		1 5 5	lost
1.	1799 - 1802	good	

Numb	er Years	Condition	Remarks
2.	1802 - 1805	good	index in back end
3.	1805 - 1808	half lost	needs binding /index
4.	1808 - 1813	good	need fastening
5.			lost
6.			lost
7.	1818 - 1821	good, complete	
8.	1820 - 1823	good, complete	
9.	1823 - 1824	damaged 100 pages gone	needs repairing
10.	1824 - 1827	good except 20 pages gone	
11.	1826 - 1829	good except 10 pages gone	
12.	1829 - 1832	good, complete	
13.	1832 - 1834	some leaves gone	needs repairing
14.	1835 - 1837	complete except needs	binding & index
15.		lost except 15 pages	needs new index
16.	1840 - 1841	good, complete	
17.	1841 - 1842	93 pages remaining	needs binding
18.			lost
19.	1845 - 1848	good, complete	
20.	1848 - 1850	fair except 1 leaf lost	needs repairing
21.	1850 - 1852	good, complete	1 0
22.			lost
23.	1854 - 1856	good, few leaves gone	
24.	1856 - 1859	good, few leaves gone	needs repairing
25.			lost
	Wm. Beatty of "Meadville	Penn,." Knows the whereabout	ts of Liber 25 and other papers
		r \$60.00 – See letter filed with t	
26.	1865 - 1869	good, complete	•
	In this book many deeds o	f 1861 - 1862 are recorded, also	o old deeds formerly recorded
	in lost volumes (under act	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	-
27.	1869	about one third full	

There is an incomplete General Index of Deeds 1732 – 1827

WILL – BOOKS Containing Will, Bonds, and Inventories

Number	Years	Condition	Remarks	
A.			lost	
B.			lost	
C.	1734 - 1744	good		
D.			lost	
E.			lost	
F.			lost	
G.	1778 - 1791	good		
H.	1792 - 1803	good		

Number	Years	Condition	Remarks
I. & J.	1803 - 1809	few leaves gone	index defective
K.	1809 - 1816	good except few leaves gone	
L.	1816 - 1823	good, except	index defective
M.	1823 - 1827	inside cut out badly	
N.	1830 - 1833	214 leaves gone	
O.	1833 - 1842	few pages gone	
P.	1844 - 1850	half lost	needs rebinding
Q.	1851 - 1858	good	<u> </u>
R.	1865 - 1870	good	

A large number of Wills for the year 1859, 60, 61, & 62 were lost, there having been no book to record them in.

## MINUTE BOOKS

Years	Condition	Remarks
May 1752 to Oct 1753	fair	
Nov 1753 to Sept 1755	fair	1755 to 1761 lost
Oct 1761 to July 1763	fair	1763 to 1765 lost
Oct 1765 to June 1769	imperfect	1769 to 1790 lost
1790 to 1792	half gone	needs binding
Sept 1804 to Feb 1806	fair	1792 to 1804 lost
Oct 1812 to July 1814	fair	1806 to 1812 lost
1821 to 1825	28 leaves gone	needs binding
1825 to 1825	36 leaves gone	needs binding
June 1833 to Feb 1836	fair	1814 to 1821 lost
March 1836 to July 1839	fair	1827 to 1833 lost
Aug 1839 to June 1843	fair	
July 1843 to June 1846	fair	
July 1846 to Dec 1850	fair	1850 to 1853 lost
June 1853 to May 1856	fair	
June 1856 to Jan 1861	fair	
Feb 1861 to June 1869	fair	
June 1869 to present time	fair	

## **EXECUTION BOOKS**

Years	Condition	Remarks	
1820 to 1823	fair	no index	
1824 to 1828	good condition	no index	
1828 to 1833	_	lost	
1833 to 1836	good	no index	
1836 to 1838	good	no index	

Years	Condition	Remarks
1838 to 1841	fair	index good
1841 to 1843	12 pages gone	no index
1843 to 1846	fair	no index
No.1 1846 to 1850		lost
No.2 1850 to 1853	good	index good
No.3 1854 to 1858	good	index good
No.4 1857 to present	good	index good

## FIDUCIARY BOND BOOKS

Nov 1865 to present time

Also Docket Book for use of Bar

Years	Condition	Remarks
1753 to 1786	good	
1786 to 1817		lost
1817 to 1833	good	
1827 to 1837	good	
1836 to 1847	fair	
1847 to 1852		lost
1852 to 1869	some leaves gone	dilapidated, needs binding will last three years
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RULE BOOK		
1765 to 1772	dilapidated	
1772 to 1803	anapraatea	lost
1803 to 1806	good	1000
1806 to 1826	8	lost
1826 to 1833	index incomplete	needs binding
1832 to 1850	1	lost
1850 to present time	good	will last two years
CHANCERY RULE BOOKS		
CHANCERT RULE BOOKS		
1846 to 1861	worn	
1865 to present time	good	will last 20 years
DOCKET BOOKS		
June 1842 to Nov 1846	fair	
Mar 1847 to Aug 1854	fair	
Mar 1854 to 1861	fair	
New 1965 to apparent times	Coin	

fair

## LIEN DOCKET BOOKS

Years	Condition	Remarks	
1843 to 1869 1869 to present	good new		
BOOKS OF LAND CAUSES			
No.1 1793 to 1812 No.2	index imperfect	no cover lost	
No.3	in Culpeper Co.	clerks office	
PROCESS BOOKS			
One processioners book One process book One process book	1796 to 1833 needs binding 1842 to 1849 Oct 1865 to present time		
One witness book One witness book	Mar 1849 to Apr 1861 Oct 1865 to present time		
Ten personal property (Comm. of Revenue) One register of births 1865 to present time One register of marriages 1865 to present time One register of deaths 1865 to present time (All Registers of Births, Marriages and Deaths before the War are lost) One large index book to the above registers One Code of Virginia One Mayes Code One Acts 1865-6 One Acts 1866-7 One Revised Code 1800			
19 fee books before the war	Also Statutes at Large of Congress 1865-6-7-8  fee books before the war		
2 fee books since the war	fee books since the war		

## **PAPERS ON FILE**

36	packages of recorded deeds from before 1800 to present time
7	packages wills
6	packages county levy papers previous to the war

packages county levy papers previous to the war also since the war 1866-7-8-9

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packages license returned 1866-7-8-9 packages delinquent lands since the war packages delinquent lands before the war 2

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- 4 packages chancery causes
- packages office judgments since 1865
- packages judgments since 1865
- 1 package justices commissioners and poll lists
- 1 package judgment docketed
- 1 package marriage certificates
- 1 package marriage licenses
  - report of births & deaths by commissioner of revenue since 1865
- 1 package applications for roads before the war
- 1 package applications for roads since the war
- packages executions before the war
- 5 packages final decrees before the war
- 7 packages warrants and executions ret. by constables
- packages miscellaneous papers including judgments, office judgments, rule papers &c. &c.

#### RECOMMENDATION

In view of the importance that the records of the County should be kept in a condition to afford accurate and ready information of their contents, and especially of the many transfers of property now occurring and likely to occur in the future. We recommend that an appropriation be made for the following purposes.

The <u>re-binding</u> of Deed Books W, 3, and 14; that the fifteen pages of Vol. 15, and ninety three pages of Vol. 17 be bound and indexed with Vol 14, and be marked on the back <u>"Liber 14 and parts of 15 and 17"</u>

The <u>re-binding</u> of Will Book P. and of the three Minute Books including the years 1790-92, 1821-25 & 1825-27, and of Fiduciary Bond Book 1852 to 1869, of Rule Book 1826 to 1833, of Book of Land Causes 1793 to 1812, and of Processers Book 1796 to 1833.

The re-pairing of Deed Books Y, 4, 9, 13, 20, & 24.

New Indexes for Deed Books M, T, U, 3, 14, 15, & 17

New Indexes for Will Books H, & L

New Indexes for Execution Books including the years 1820-23, 1824-28. 1833-36, 1836-38, 1841-43, & 1843-46.

New Indexes for Judgment Lien Docket Book 1860 to present from pages 74 to page 106 comprising about 300 cases which have never been indexed

Also for the preparation of a general index of all the Deed Books up to 1865.

We think the present system of indexing Deed Books is defective in the following respects. 1<sup>st</sup> The surnames only of the Grantors and Grantees are given. 2<sup>nd</sup> In some instances where there are several parties to the same instrument it is only indexed in the name of one grantor and one grantee. We recommend that all deeds be indexed under the full names of each of the parties thereto.

We further recommend that a uniform size be adopted for all Deed Books, Minute Books and Will Books – and we suggest as the most convenient size for such books 18 inches in length 12 inches in breadth and 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  inches in thickness. This would give a book of about 650 pages of good paper 1  $\frac{3}{4}$  inches thick.

We suggest the propriety of indexing deeds of trust and of release under the name of the beneficiary as well as of the trustee and grantor.

We find the minute book now in use without an index, and all of the opinion that such books should be indexed for each term before the commencement of the following term.

We recommend that the miscellaneous papers referred to in the above inventory be asserted; labeled and filed; according to their nature and dates.

In order to carry out any of the above suggestions and any other improvements that the court may deem necessary we recommend an appropriation ample to enable the clerk to employ the necessary assistance – or a committee appointed by the court to co-operate with the clerk for that purpose. All of which is respectfully submitted. January 1870

Committee Geo. C. Round Isaac P. Baldwin

In the inventory, Deed Book #25 is mentioned as being at Meadville PA.

As early as 1870 the County was trying to negotiate the return of Deed Book #25. In 1870 an unnamed person in Meadville, PA wanted \$60 dollars for this book and other items. In 1872 the court approved the expenditure of \$30 for this purpose but apparently it wasn't enough. In 1875 the County apparently got serious about the Deed Book and sent the County Clerk to retrieve it.

~ Ronald R. Turner

## 12 Jun 1875

Ordered that the Treasurer of this County do pay to Lucian A. Davis clerk of this Court fifty dollars for the purpose of redeeming deed book No. 25 now held by a party at Meadville Pennsylvania & also the sum of forty dollars to defray said Davis expenses in going to and returning from said Meadville Pennsylvania.

# DEATH RECORDS FROM PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY ESTATE FILES CA. 1913-1938

Compiled by Ronald R. Turner<sup>44</sup>

[The following information is taken from probate case files in the Prince William County Circuit Court Archives. A typical file includes the original will, appointment of executor or administrator, receipts for fees paid to the Clerk and Department. of Taxation, fact sheet about the deceased (including date and place of death, marital status, personal representative, estimated value of estate, and names of appraisers), and list of heirs (name, relationship, age, last known address). Mr. Turner has extracted the name of deceased with date and place of death. This is an excerpt from his forthcoming book Prince William County Virginia Clerk's Loose Papers, vol. VIII (Manassas: Author, 2005). Almost all the estates were settled after 1913. A few of them have earlier dates of death – one as early as 1877. / DW]

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Name	Date of Death	Place of Death
Hammerle, Eugene	28 Jan 1934	Quantico, VA
Hammill, Rose	00 Feb 1936	Woodbridge, VA (home)
Hampton, Emma	20 June 1935	Virginia Highlands (res. Hoadley)
Hampton, James O.	26 Apr 1929	Hoadley, VA
Harley, Samuel C.	27 Nov 1933	Manassas, VA (near) (home)
Harper, John D.	16 Apr 1932	Manassas, VA
Harrington, Mary	23 Jul 1926	Haymarkt.VA (confederate pension)
Harris, Augustus	15 Jun 1921	Washington DC (res. Thoroughfare)
Harris, Bernard	27 May 1928	Manassas, VA
Harris, Charles R.	18 Mar 1922	Bristow, VA(near) (home)
Harris, John W.	13 Mar 1935	Warrenton, VA hospital
Harrover, James David	29 Oct 1921	Manassas, VA (near)
Hayes, Ida Hill	10 Nov 1929	Alexandria, VA hospital
Hayes, Nina H.	15 Jun 1936	no information given
Hedrick, Jane	08 Jul 1934	Washington DC
Hedrick, Samuel	14 Jan 1917	Prince William County
Heineken, Christian A.	27 Apr 1917	Prince William County
Helm, Lewis	05 Sep 1934	Washington DC (res. Woolsey)
Henderson, Robert Jr.	07 Oct 1918	Neabsco, VA (near) (home)
Henderson, W. W.	00 May 1930	Agnewville, VA (near)
Hensley, Alonzo	04 Aug 1928	Dumfries, VA (near) (home)
Hereford, Feronia Larkin	00 Sep 1936	Wellington, VA (near)
Hereford, S. C.	00 Mar 1921	Wellington, VA
Herndon, Hayward	13 Nov 1922	home on Cedar Run
Herndon, Sarah C.	13 Jun 1926	Fayman, VA (near)
Herndon, T. A.	00 Oct 1926	Prince William County
Herrell, Capt. James C.	11 Mar 1916	(Confederate Pensioner)
Herrell, Mrs. Jane C.	04 Jul 1929	Manassas, VA (confederate pension)
Herring, Eliza J.	02 Aug 1926	Nokesville, VA (near) (home)
Herring, Henry A.	14 Jan 1924	Nokesville, VA (near) (home)
Hibbs, E. H.	23 Oct 1934	no information given
Hill, Cynthia G.	03 Mar 1927	Occoquan District
Hill, Jerm A.	27 Oct 1933	Independent Hill, VA (near)
Hite, Bella F. Love	02 Nov 1929	Gainesville, VA
Hixson, George W.	13 Feb 1925	Manassas, VA

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Hixson, Jas. E.	14 May 1926	Manassas, VA
Hixson, Leonard E.	24 Aug 1918	Manassas, VA
Hobensack, William	11 Apr 1930	Ivyland, PA
Hockman, A. J.	28 Feb 1927	R.F.D. Manassas, VA
Hoffman, Judson F.	16 Jul 1927	Charlottesville, VA (res. Catharpin)
Hoffman, Mary A.	00 Nov 1928	Catharpin, VA
Holderman, D. D.	19 Dec 1916	Brentsville, VA (near) (home)
Hollesen, Jno P.	00 Jun 1922	Key Port, NJ (res. Agnewville)
Holliday, William L.	17 Dec 1924	Waterfall, VA (confederate pension.)
Holmes, Ella V.	08 Sep 1932	Fayman, VA (near) (home)
Holmes, Mrs, Ina E.	01 Apr 1936	Washington DC (res. Hortons Store)
Holmes, Lillian R.	01 Dec 1923	Canova, VA
Holmes, Morrison C.	28 Oct 1924	Manassas, VA
Holmes, William Henry	09 Apr 1922	Fayman, VA
Holsinger, A. L.	20 Aug 1923	Brentsville, VA
Hopkins, Alberta	13 Dec 1926	
Hornbaker, Elizabeth A.	25 Nov 1917	Staunton, VA (res. Manassas) Manassas, VA
Hornbaker, Frank W.	11 Jun 1937	Washington DC hospital
Hornbaker, John R.	20 Jul 1917	Manassas, VA
Horne, David H.	03 Sep 1922	Aden, VA (near)
Horner, B. W.	06 Dec 1926	Woodbridge, VA
Horner, Clarence M.	10 Jan 1919	Orlando, VA (home)
Horner, James	19 Aug 1917	Manassas, VA (home)
Hough, L. F.	23 Jun 1933	Warrenton, VA (res. Manassas)
Howell, Elizabeth	00 Oct 1923	Thoroughfare, VA
Huffman, Robert F.	26 Jan 1920	Akron, OH
Humphreys, Odell	01 Apr 1933	Quantico, VA
Hunley, Henry Lamberth	19 May 1931	Stone House, VA (near)
Hunt, Eppa Hunton	18 Feb 1937	Staunton, VA (res. Haymarket)
Hunton, Mrs. Rose	19 Apr 1917	Gainesville, VA
Hutchison, Westwood	03 Sep 1933	Manassas, VA
Hyde, Mary D.	04 Jun 1934	Manassas, VA
Hynson, Augusta A.	25 Nov 1917	Richmond, VA (res. Occoquan)
Hynson, Sedrick	10 Dec 1921	Washington DC (res. Manassas)
Iden, B. F.	22 Sep 1933	Washington DC (res. Manassas)
Jackson, J. W.	30 Oct 1926	Occoquan, VA
Jackson, William	18 Dec 1932	Wellington, VA (home)
Janson, Jergen	28 Apr 1926	Aden, VA
Jeffries, Benjamin T.	00 Oct 1923	Washington DC (near Manassas)
Jeffries, H. M.	17 Nov 1924	Manassas, VA (near) (home)
Jeffries, Jackson E.	29 Mar 1935	Manassas, VA
Jeffries, James M.	18 Dec 1926	home of Eliza Reeves
Jeffries, Lucien S.	22 Mar 1933	Manassas, VA (near) (home)
Jenkins, Asa Hamilton	01 Dec 1926	Manassas, VA
Jenkins, Maud	16 Feb 1935	Manassas, VA
Jewell, Ennis	02 May 1922	Orlando, VA (near) (home)
Johnson, Alexander	about 1917	Thoroughfare, VA
Johnson, Annie M.	06 Feb 1928	Manassas, VA (near) (home)
Johnson, Charles McKinley	26 Jul 1933	Manassas, VA
Johnson, C. R. C.	23 Jan 1934	Manassas, VA
Johnson, Daniel	17 Jan 1932	Quantico, VA
Johnson, Fannie S.	07 Feb 1930	Manassas, VA (near) (home)
Johnson, J. B.	04 Apr 1921	Manassas, VA
Johnson, John	10 Jul 1918	Manassas, VA (home) age 79
Johnson, Maria L.	00 Feb 1933	Dumfries, VA (home)

Name	Date of Death	Place of Death
Johnson, R. E. Lee	30 Oct 1934	Manassas, VA (home)
Johnson, Sallie	20 Oct 1916	no information given
Johnson, William Thomas	06 Jun 1929	Dumfries, VA (home)
Johnson, Willis L.	29 Oct 1920	Manassas, VA (near) (home)
Jones, Catherine	23 Sep 1932	Manassas, VA (near) (home)
Jones, George A.	10 Mar 1932	Independent Hill, VA (near)
Jones, Martha F.	16 Feb 1924	home of daughter (Conf. Pensioner)
Jones, R. M.	21 Jul 1922	Manassas, VA
Jones, W. T.	06 Feb 1922	Kopp, VA (near) (home)
Jordan, C. E.	19 Jan 1936	Ancon, Canal Zone, Panama
Jordan, Eldridge	17 Dec 1929	Silver Spring, MD
Kaplan, J. M.	28 Nov 1930	Fredericksburg, VA
Kealy, John P.	26 Jul 1927	China
Kelly,	02 Jul 1924	Wellington, VA
Kerlin, Annie	04 May 1926	R.F.D. Nokesville, VA
Kerlin, David F.	00 Mar 1915	R.F.D. Nokesville, VA
Kerlin, W. Hampton H.	10 Mar 1929	Aden, VA
Key, Alice M.	00 Dec 1920	913 C. St. NE Washington DC
Keyes, John E.	09 Aug 1929	Fredericksburg, VA
Keyes, J. W.	00 Jul 1918	Cherry Hill, VA (home)
Keys, Annie	29 Aug 1923	Dumfries, VA (home)
Keys, Charles M.	04 Mar 1918	Quantico, VA (home)
Keys, E. G. W.	03 May 1933	Joplin, VA
Keys, James Wesley	05 Feb 1925	Roanoke, VA (res. Brents.)
Keys, Lee	02 Feb 1936	Washington DC (res. Brents.)
Keys, Margaret	08 Jan 1923	Brentsville, VA
Keys, Sarah	18 Aug 1932	Manassas, VA
Keyser, Charles Eugene	07 Feb 1930	Thoroughfare, VA
Keyser, Charles Henry	24 Dec 1930	Thoroughfare, VA
Kibler, Ferdinand	17 May 1927	Culpeper, VA
Kiewit, Mrs. Marie	00 Jun 1917	Washington, DC
Kincheloe, Agnes V.	27 Nov 1921	Fredericksburg, VA
Kincheloe, Alice	00 Jan 1925	Washington, DC (res. Brents.)
Kincheloe, Daniel	29 Mar 1928	Manassas, VA
Kincheloe, Florence G.	12 Dec 1937	Manassas, VA
Kincheloe, J. W.	14 Feb 1919	Dumfries, VA (near) (home)
Kincheloe, Myrtle Lee	03 Feb 1935	Manassas, VA
Kincheloe, Willie E.	05 Jan 1931	Dumfries, VA (near)
King, Jas. Robert	20 Oct 1930	Dumfries, VA
King, M. T.	30 Jun 1923	Nokesville, VA (home)
Kingston, Elizabeth	01 Apr 1936	Manassas, VA
Lafoe, Olivia	11 Dec 1935	Woodbridge
Lake, Clarence	14 Jan 1926	Buckland, VA (near) (home)
Lam, Herman S.	22 Dec 1925	Brentsville, VA
Lambert, Ida Spullock	21 Apr 1933	Quantico, VA
Lambert, Morton M.	15 Feb 1934	Charlottesville, VA (res. Quantico)
Landes, D. A.	17 Aug 1919	Nokesville, VA (home)
Landes, D. H.	15 Nov 1926	Nokesville, VA
Langford, Walter	27 Feb 1937	Manassas, VA (near)
Langhyer, Catherine E.	05 Feb 1919	Langyher's Mill (home)
Lanigan, Thomas M. A.	16 Sep 1921	Quantico, VA
Lansdowne, Albert	21 Mar 1938	Waterfall, VA (age 58)
Larkin, Blanche F.	24 Feb 1931	Berwyn, MD (res. Manassas)
Larkin, C. M.	07 Oct 1926	Manassas, VA
Larkin, Emma L.	23 Dec 1936	Washington DC (res. Wellington)
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Larkin, James R.	27 Oct 1930	Manassas, VA (home)
Larkin, Lizzie J.	22 Nov 1937	Manassas, VA
Larson, Kirston	29 Aug 1937	Barcroft, VA (res. Buckhall)
Larson, Thomas	09 Jul 1931	Manassas, VA
Latham, Henry L.	01 Jun 1929	Hickory Grove, VA (home)
Latham, William C.	11 Aug 1934	Haymarket, VA
Lawler, Emily Tyler	18 Dec 1922	Washington DC (res.Manassas)
Lawson, Zackariah B.	27 Feb 1938	Manassas, VA (near)
Leachman, John Pendleton	17 Oct 1928	Washington DC
Leachman, Thomas Keith	17 Jan 1923	Jersey City (res. Bristow)
Leary, William H.	03 Mar 1926	Washington DC (res. Manassas)
Lee, Robert A.	02 Sep 1934	Charlottesville, VA (res. Nokesville)
Leedy, John William	17 Oct 1926	Manassas, VA
Lewis, D. R.	29 Aug 1928	Manassas, VA
Lewis, Frank Ashby	30 Jul 1924	Manassas, VA (near)
Lewis, Jos. F.	06 Jan 1922	Manassas, VA (near)
Lewis, Julia	17 Dec 1926	home of daughter
Lewis, Robert Lee	13 Aug 1938	Manassas, VA (near) (home)
Lewis, Rose B.	06 Nov 1927	Manassas District (home)
Lewis, W. H.	19 Mar 1930	Manassas, VA (near) (home)
Lieber, John Henry	01 May 1926	Washington DC (res. Manassas)
Liming, A. L.	12 Oct 1935	Washington DC (res. Joplin)
Liming, Mary W.	19 Aug 1922	Joplin VA
Lindsay, Opie F.	15 Dec 1931	Prince William County
Lion, Thomas H.	20 Mar 1938	Manassas, VA
Lipscomb, Mary D.	30 Mar 1935	Manassas, VA
Lipscomb, Phillip D.	03 Mar 1929	Bristow VA (near) (home)
Lipscomb, William N.	16 Apr 1918	Washington DC (near Manassas)
Lloyd, Arbelia V.	00 Nov 1920	Culpeper, VA (res. Joplin)
Lomax, Daniel	15 Jun 1928	Manassas, VA
Long, Amos	08 Aug 1938	Staunton, VA (res. Aden)
Long, Laura E.	30 Nov 1938	Washington DC
Lovelace, Andrew W.	25 Mar 1928	Richmond, VA (Agnewville)
Low, Andrew	01 Nov 1934	Haymarket, VA
Lowe, Douglass	31 Mar 1931	Haymarket, VA
Lowe, Gurlie	27 Jan 1920	Washington DC
Lowe, S. R.	06 Dec 1933	Independent Hill, VA
Ludwig, R. P.	08 May 1930	Manassas, VA (near) (Confederate Vet)
Luxford, J. L.	06 Jun 1938	Washington DC (res. Manassas)
Luxford, Mamie T.	06 Mar 1926	Washington DC (res. Manassas)
Lyles, Turner S.	29 Nov 1933	Washington DC (res. Manassas)
Lynch, M.	22 Apr 1924	Washington DC (res. Manassas)
Lynn, Clarence Lycurgus	01 Oct 1918	Prince William County (home)
Lynn, John Humphrey	05 Jun 1929	Manassas, VA
Lynn, Mollie H.	06 Jan 1920	Lawnville, Catharpin, VA
MaConaughey, E. P.	16 Feb 1925	Woodbridge, VA
Macrae, G. H.	01 Apr 1917	Prince William County
Maddox, George E.	24 Feb 1925	Manassas, VA
Magaw, Margaret H. M.	13 Dec 1917	Gainesville, VA
Mahone, Mattie A.	sep/oct 1927	Baltimore MD
Mansfield, Thomas W.	06 Nov 1919	UVA Hospital (res. Manassas)
Manuel, J. P.	18 May 1928	Nokesville, VA (near) (home)
Manuel, James R.	05 Jan 1920	Nokesville, VA
Marks, Thomas K.	08 Mar 1922	New Jersey
Marshall, Wesley W.	10 Apr 1937	Hoadley, VA (near) (home)
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Marsteller, Anna D.	12 Mar 1938	Silver Spring, MD (res. Gaines.)
Marsteller, Marianna C.	22 Nov 1920	"Page Land" (home)
Marsteller, Dr. Selma M.	1918	Clarksburg, WV
Mathias, Anne	23 Dec 1932	home of brother S. C. Harley
Mathias, J. W.	07 May 1917	Manassas, VA
Matthew, Ella M.	02 May 1921	Los Angeles, CA
Matthew, Martha A.	04 Nov 1920	Manassas District
Mauck, Jony Tunsil	02 Apr 1933	Washington DC (res. Hoadley)
Maupin, Myra E.	17 Sep 1925	Manassas, VA (near) (home)
Maxfield, John W. C.	06 Jan 1926	Quantico, VA
Maxfield, Mary Jane	05 Feb 1920	Manassas, VA (near)
May, Elias	25 Mar 1920	Prince William County
Mayhugh, Joseph M.	01 Nov 1924	Manassas, VA (near) (home)
Mayhugh, Lewis	24 Nov 1913	Greenwich, VA
Mayhugh, P. B.	04 Mar 1931	Greenwich, VA
Mayhugh, W. T.	14 Jul 1931	Greenwich, VA
McCuen, Lucien	22 Aug 1927	C. W. Vetter home
McCuen, Richard	06 Nov 1919	Fredericksburg, VA (res. Quantico)
McDonald, George Benjamin	07 Jan 1931	Manassas, VA
McDonald, John T.	10 Jan 1929	Woolsey, VA (near)
McDonald, Virginia D.	02 Mar 1929	Manassas, VA (near)
McEwing, Julia F.	31 Oct 1927	home of Daniel Carter
McInteer, J. M.	25 Nov 1929	Dumfries, VA
McInteer, Robert Lee	24 Mar 1926	Fredericksburg, VA (res. Dumfries)
McKay, Charles G.	13 Dec 1934	Fairfax County (res. Bristow)
McLearen, George Ray	16 Oct 1929	Nokesville, VA (near)
McMahan, Jesse R.	16 Jan 1931	Woodbridge, VA Nokesville, VA (near)
McMichael, A. J. Meade, Robert A.	20 Mar 1929	Richmond, VA (res. Haymarket)
Merchant, Henry Douglass	10 Aug 1928 04 Jun 1938	Washington DC (res. Manassas)
Merchant, Roberta B.	20 Aug 1935	Manassas, VA
Merchant, Tamsley J.	09 Jul 1922	Dumfries, VA
Meredith, Thomas S.	19 Jul 1922	Gainesville, VA
Merrill, Edna L.	13 Feb 1933	Staunton, VA
Mertz, Antonia	28 Feb 1928	"Woodlawn" Nokesville, VA
Methrell, Susan Jane	16 Jul 1937	Hoadley, VA
Metzger, Harry C.	26 Mar 1931	Washington DC (res. Woodbridge)
Miller, Cerena	02 Jun 1936	Joplin, VA (home)
Miller, Fannie	00 May 1913	Quantico, VA (home)
Miller, Goodwin	25 Sep 1931	Independent Hill, VA
Miller, I. A.	22 Aug 1930	Nokesville, VA
Miller, Mary Ann	29 Oct 1917	Nokesville, VA
Miller, Mary C.	02 Nov 1929	Manassas, VA (District House)
Milnes, Winifred M.	26 Jul 1930	Manassas, VA
Milstead, Coalman	14 Aug 1925	Hoadley, VA (near)
Milstead. John C.	21 Mar 1926	Alexandria, VA (res. Minnieville)
Mitchell, E. K.	14 Oct 1922	Manassas, VA
Mitchell, James	27 Apr 1934	Thoroughfare, VA
Mitchell, Matilda Ann	11 Mar 1927	Manassas, VA
Mix, Clarence V.	14 Apr 1926	Quantico, VA
Monroe, Annie Rebecca	29 Sep 1937	Wellington, VA
Mooney, Esther S.	22 Jan 1937	Washington, DC (res. Triangle)
Mooney, Louton A.	08 Jun 1933	Washington DC (Nokesville)
Moore, George B. H.	26 Feb 1922	Washington DC (res. near Bristow)
Moore, Mima	00 Oct 1927	Thoroughfare, VA (near) (home)

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Morasa, John	13 Feb 1919	Coles District (home)
Morgan, John A.	22 Oct 1936	Washington DC (res. Manassas)
Morgan, John Gordon	25 Dec 1936	Manassas, VA (near)
Morris, E. D. Sr.	10 May 1925	Washington DC (res. Gainesville)
Mount, Mrs. Emily	31 Oct 1917	Broad Run, VA
Muddiman, Joseph Nurse	29 Aug 1937	Reedsville, NC (res. Manassas)
Muddiman, Margaret	10 Feb 1931	Manassas, VA(near) (home)
Murdie, Thomas J.	10 Apr 1934	Buckland, VA (home)
Murphy, Elizabeth	00 Feb 1920	Gainesville, VA (near) (home)
Murphy, John J.	28 Sep 1935	Manassas, VA (near) (home)
Murray, Dallas	15 Jul 1930	Antioch, VA (confederate pensioner)
Nalls, Lucy	25 Mar 1936	Haymarket, VA (near)
Nalls, Richard A.	21 Dec 1929	Manassas, VA (near)
Nash, Charles Emory	20 May 1937	Manassas, VA (home)
Nash, Mary C.	24 Aug 1933	Neabsco, VA (home)
Nash, Thomas	05 Dec 1920	Occoquan, VA (home)
Nelson, James Edwin	27 Mar 1936	Washington, DC (res. Manassas)
Nelson, Horatio	06 Aug 1931	Manassas, VA
Newman, Oliver E.	21 Aug 1936	Manassas, VA
Newman, Walter Asbury	26 Jan 1937	Manassas, VA
Nickens, Emma Dale	13 Oct 1927	Manassas, VA
Nickens, Sallie	03 Feb 1913	Fauquier County, VA
Nickens, William C.	00 Oct 1918	Camp Meade, MD (res. Manassas)
Nicol, John A.	19 Apr 1924	Baltimore MD
Nicol, Louise G.	20 Feb 1926	Manassas, VA (confederate pensioner)
Nutt, Fannie P.	01 Mar 1926	Manassas, VA
Nutt, G. W.	14 Dec 1921	Manassas, VA
O'Callaghan, Michael Patrick	00 000 1929	Clarke County, GA
O'Neil, Dennis	05 Mar 1917	Manassas, VA
O'Neil, George	25 Apr 1925	Washington DC (near Stone House)
Parish, J. C.	31 Aug 1937	Manassas, VA
Parsons, Mary	22 Feb 1917	Haymarket, VA (home)
Parsons, Remus Forest	02 Aug 1936	Fredericksburg, VA (res. Quantico)
Pattie, L. B.	03 May 1927	Warrenton, VA (res. Catharpin)
Pattie, L. Frank	08 Jul 1918	Manassas, VA (home)
Payne, Charlotte Virginia	05 Apr 1926	Washington, DC
Payne, George	12 Mar 1930	Nokesville, VA (near) (home)
Payne, Henry	27 Dec 1937	Manassas, VA (near)
Payne, Hugh	07 Dec 1928	Washington, DC (res. Blandsford Rd.)
Payne, J. A.	26 Dec 1926	Buckhall, VA (near) (home)
Payne, J. L.	01 Sep 1917	Buckhall, VA (home)
Payne, Jackson	01 May 1918	Coles District (confederate pension)
Payne, Myra B.	28 Mar 1918	Manassas, VA
Payne, Ollie S.	08 Feb 1937	not given
Paxton, Mary S.	11 May 1917	Manassas, VA (near)
Pearl, C. H.	02 Jan 1938	Woodbridge, VA (near)
Pearson, Caroline	25 Jan 1925	Hoadley, VA
Pearson, Charles	18 Jun 1931	Newington, VA
Pearson, David	19 Dec 1923	Prince William County
Pearson, Frank	26 Feb 1920	Minnieville, VA (near) (home)
Pearson, Henry	18 Jun 1924	Dumfries, VA (near)
Pearson, Henry A.	24 Mar 1930	Token, VA (near) (home)
Pearson, James R.	23 May 1918	Minnieville, VA (near)
Pearson, Marshall A.	03 Feb 1935	Quantico, VA
Pearson, Mary A.	24 Jul 1917	Fayman, VA (near)
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Name	Date of Death	Place of Death
Pearson, Robert A.	09 Sep 1928	Buck Hall, VA (near)
Pence, Gilbert C.	02 Sep 1928	Prince William County
Pendleton, S. A.	about 1919	Neabsco, VA (near) (home)
Pendleton, W. A.	about 1919	Neabsco, VA (near) (home)
Penn, Bettie	04 Nov 1918	Petersburg, VA
Perry, Henrietta	00 Sep 1921	Gainesville, VA (near)
Perry, Solomon	18 Dec 1918	Haymarket, VA
Peters, Franz	17 Feb 1919	Haymarket, VA
Peters, Gustav	1928-1929	Tarrant County, Texas
Peters, James	19 Feb 1923	Catharpin, VA (near) (home)
Petitt, Sarah J.	20 Jul 1926	Minnieville, VA (confederate pensioner)
Pickett, Alice A.	15 Jan 1935	Gainesville District, VA (home)
Pickett, Annie Maria	23 Apr 1922	Manassas, VA (near)
Pickett, George S.	19 Feb 1925	Haymarket, VA (confederate pensioner)
Pickett, Henrietta M.	08 Jan 1935	Gainesville District, VA (home)
Pickett, James E.	12 Aug 1937	Haymarket, VA (near) (home)
Pickett, Reubin	10 Oct 1926	Manassas, VA (near)
Piercy, Mary Ann	16 Feb 1920	Philadelphia, PA
Pierson, John W.	16 Nov 1920	Fredericksburg, VA (res. Cherry Hill VA)
Portner, Alma M.	03 Mar 1931	New York City
Portner, Oscar C.	31 Oct 1924	Prince William County
Posey, Allen C.	15 Nov 1918	Canova, VA (near)
Posey, Nellie	04 Mar 1926	Coles District, (home)
Pote, Barbara	16 Jul 1917	Prince William County
Potter, Fidelia	08 Apr 1920	Prince William County
Primas, Esther	19 Oct 1924	Thoroughfare, VA
Quinn, Frank	19 Feb 1921	Nokesville, VA
Rainey, John M.	30 Sep 1934	Washington DC (res. Quantico)
Randall, Caroline	02 Sep 1930	Gainesville, VA (near)
Randall, Douglass	15 Oct 1930	Gainesville, VA (near)
Randall, Kate Elizabeth	11 Oct 1929	Manassas, VA
Ratcliffe, George M.	17 Sep 1929	Dumfries, VA
Rector, Charles L.	17 Dec 1938	Haymarket, VA
Rector, Louise	02 Jan 1922	Haymarket, VA
Rector, Nannie S.	24 Dec 1936	Washington DC (res. Quantico)
Rector, Octavia	17 Feb 1938	Washington DC (res. Manassas)
Rector, Percy N.	11 Nov 1925	Philadelphia, PA (res. Haymarket)
Redd, P. B.	23 Feb 1926	Manassas, VA (near)
Reed, Dorcas M.	19 Feb 1930	Thoroughfare, VA
Reed, Evel	27 Dec 1918	Quantico, VA
Rees, C. A.	00 Feb 1918	Danville, PA (res. Hoadley)
Reeves, Georgia Penn	13 Feb 1935	Washington DC (res. Manassas)
Reeves, Milton	07 Aug 1933	District Home, Manassas, VA
Reeves, Robert R.	09 Jun 1925	Manassas, VA (near)
Reid, Lula B.	01 Mar 1937	Manassas, VA
Reid, Mary R.	31 May 1924	Greenwich, VA
Reid, Sarah E.	01 Jun 1918	Nokesville, VA (near)
Reid, W. H.	23 Jul 1927	Hoadley, VA (near)
Reid, Walford R.	31 Aug 1936	Manassas, VA
Reid, Wallace	18 Dec 1917	Dumfries, VA
Reynolds, James A.	07 Nov 1923	Agnewville, VA (near)
Rhodes, C. N.	21 Aug 1936	Nokesville, VA (near)
Rhodes, F. R.	07 May 1926	Nokesville, VA (near)
Rhodes, Timothy E.	13 Aug 1937	Brentsville, VA (near)
Rhodes, William E.	27 May 1927	Nokesville, VA

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Name	Date of Death	Place of Death
Rice, Welby March	02 Nov 1917	Manassas, VA
Richards, Sarah C.	15 Sep 1923	Manassas, VA
Ring, George	02 Apr 1932	Woodbridge, VA
Rinker, Benjamin J.	21 Aug 1937	Washington DC (res. Manassas)
Ritenour, Charles E.	23 Apr 1935	Alexandria, VA (res. Wellington)
Ritenour, M. V.	09 Oct 1924	Warrenton, VA (res. Coles Dist.)
Rixey, Mary E.	02 May 1937	Prince William County
Roberts, Rex Morrell	02 May 1922	Quantico, VA (?)
Robertson, Carol	18 Jul 1933	Bristow, VA (near)
Robertson, Fannie	02 Dec 1931	Manassas, VA (near)
Robertson, John F.	13 Oct 1923	Manassas, VA (near)
Robertson, Wesley W.	27 Jan 1929	Nokesville, VA (near)
Robinson, Bladen	10 Mar 1923	Stone House, VA (near)
Robinson, Daniel W.	27 Oct 1931	Warrenton, VA (res. Nokesville)
Robinson, E. E.	10 May 1923	Manassas, VA
Robinson, Elmira	13 May 1938	Gainesville, VA
Robinson, George W.	11 Jul 1936	Greenwich, VA (near)
Robinson, Henrietta	30 Jul 1929	Wellington, VA (residence)
Robinson, James A.	05 Feb 1935	Manassas, VA (R.F.D.)
Robinson, Louis N.	11 Apr 1923	Washington DC
Robinson, William H.	04 May 1919	Washington DC
Roles, James A.	12 Oct 1918	Manassas, VA
Rollins, Annie L.	23 Mar 1931	Manassas, VA (near)
Rollins, James D.	08 Nov 1925	Wellington, VA
Rollins, John W.	19 Jan 1921	Wellington, VA (near)
Rollins, Sarah Jane	00 Dec 1933	Manassas, VA (near)
Rolls, William H.	00 000 1917	Woodbridge, VA
Rorabaugh, F. C.	21 Feb 1925	Annapolis Jct. MD
Rorabaugh, Harriet T.	06 Dec 1918	Manassas, VA
Rosis, Eliza Carter	about 1908	Thoroughfare, VA (near)
Round, George C.	05 Nov 1918	Manassas, VA
Ruffner, Mary R.	02 Jun 1923	Washington DC
Ruffner, R. M.	21 Jul 1919	Prince William County
Runaldue, Sidney Anne	02 Feb 1934	Manassas, VA
Runaldue, W. S.	15 Mar 1922	Manassas, VA (near)
Runion, J. W.	01 Oct 1936	Manassas, VA (near)
Russell, Annie Virginia	10 Oct 1937	Bristow, VA
Russell, James S.	07 Feb 1926	Coles District
Russell, Mammie E.	16 Nov 1933	Coles District
Rust, Nannie A.	07 Dec 1924	Haymarket, VA
Ryan, Edward T.	12 Dec 1922	Fairfax County (res. Bristow)
Ryles, A. W.	21 Nov 1922	Manassas, VA
Saffer, Franklin Elliott	27 Aug 1935	Manassas, VA
Saffer, William B.	09 Nov 1918	Manassas, VA (near)
Sanford, William B.	28 Apr 1933	Lorton, VA
Saunders, Frank E.	30 Jul 1933	Manassas, VA
Saunders, F. R.	01 Dec 1938	Washington DC (res. Manassas)
Saunders, Lewis	00 000 1918	Military Camp (res. Dumfries)
Schaeffer, Annie	14 Apr 1926	Philadelphia, PA (res. Nokesville)
Schaeffer, Elsie	18 Nov 1927	Nokesville, VA
Schaeffer, N. M.	09 Nov 1933	Nokesville, VA
Schermerhorn, Nicholas	28 Feb 1925	Quantico, VA
Schrader, David	05 Aug 1932	Manassas, VA (near)

## DUMFRIES DISTRICT COURT LAND CAUSES 1793-1811

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[Spelling has not been corrected. Surnames have been capitalized. Wording is verbatim as written in the Court Book. / WLB]

## [Page 75] PURCELL vs. ROSS Ejectm<sup>t</sup>

Prince William County to wit Jeffery STILER complains of John STOKES in Custody & that whereas a certain Sarah PURCELL Administratrix of William PURCELL dec<sup>d</sup> being possessed of a leased lot of land on the tract commonly called Bristoes tract Situate in the parish of *[blank]* and County afores<sup>d</sup> containing One hundred and thirty acres adjoining the Messuage of David RENOE and M<sup>rs</sup> Margaret TYLER did on the first day of February in year of our Lord 1796 at the County afsaid demise and to farm let [t]he Messuage and Tenements with its appurtenances unto s<sup>d</sup> Plaintiff for the term of five years then next ensuing from the said first day of Feby in the year Our Lord 1796 by Virtue of which demise the said Plaintiff into the afo<sup>sd</sup> leased lot of land the Messuage and Tenement afs<sup>d</sup> with with [sic] its appurtenances did enter and was thereof possessed and the term afs<sup>d</sup> being not yet complete, expired or ended the said def<sup>t</sup> on the 2<sup>d</sup> day of february afs<sup>d</sup> and year afs<sup>d</sup> with force and arms entered into the afsaid lot tenement and Messuage with its Appurtenances which the said Sarah to the Plaintiff in form afores<sup>d</sup> did demise [devise?] in manner and form afs<sup>d</sup> to the pltf and him the Plaintiff from the same ejected and then and there other wrongs and outrages did the Plaintiff against the peace and dignity of this Commonwealth and to the damage of the Plaintiff forty Shillings and therefore he brings suit & c

J. DOE ~ R ROE [Fictional parties] HARRISON for Pltf

## [Page 76] To M<sup>r</sup> John ROSS

Sir I am Informed that you are in possession of or Claim Title to the lands and Messuages in the declaration of the Ejectment mentioned or to some part thereof and I being sued in this Action as a casual Ejector and having no Claim or title to the same do advise you to appear at the first Day of next Prince William March Court by some Attorney of that Court and then and there by rule of afs<sup>d</sup> Court cause Yourself to be made defendant in my stead otherwise I shall suffer a Judgment to be entered against me and you will be turned out of possession.

Y<sup>rs</sup> Ye John STOKES

M<sup>r</sup> John ROSS Feby 10<sup>th</sup>, 1796

Not found but a true Copy left. 
J WIGGINTON D[eputy]S[heriff] for Thomas HARRISON Shf

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In Court March 7<sup>th</sup> 1796 This Day came the lessor of the Plaintiff by his Attorney and it appearing to the Court by the affidavit of John WIGGINTON, That John ROSS, Tenant in possession of the premises, hath been duly served with the Plaintiffs declaration and the note thereunder Written and he not appearing; It is ordered that unless the

[Page 77] said John ROSS having legal notice of this order, or those under whom he Claims or some one of them, do appear here at the next term, and make himself, herself, or themselves Defendant or Defendants, in room of the said John STOKES, plead the general Issue, Confess the Same, enter, and Ouster in the declaration supposed and enter into the Common rule to insist on the title only at trial, Judgment shall be given the Plaintiff and a writ of possession awarded him.

In Court June 1796 This day came the Lessee of the Plaintiff by his Attorney and on the motion of John ROSS he is admitted a Defendant in this suit in the room of John STOKES and he thereupon Confesses the lease, entry, and Ouster in the Declaration Supposed and agrees to insist on the title only At the trial - And for plea saith that he is not Guilty in manner and form as the Plaintiff in his Declaration hath Complained to which the Plaintiff replied Generally.--

March the 9<sup>th</sup> 1797 Came the parties by their attornies and by their consent this suit and all matters in difference between them relative thereto are referred to the award of final determination of William CUNDIFF, Charles EWELL, Alx<sup>r</sup> BRUCE, Bernard HOOE j<sup>r</sup> and Henry WASHINGTON or any three of them whose award is to be made the judgment of the Court.

June the 5<sup>th</sup> 1797 The arbitrators chosen and appointed so in this case returned to the Court their award which was read in the words and figures following, viz Doe of the Demise of Sarah PURCELL against John ROSS in Ejectment Pursuant to the Order of Prince William Court hereto Annexed and Assembled this 6<sup>th</sup> of April 1797 at the Tavern of Joshua REVES in Prince William County and by consent

[Page 78] of the parties and in their presence undertook to determine and Arbitrate this controversy existing between them. And after hearing the Evidence exhibits and the Allegations of s<sup>d</sup> Parties and on due deliberation we do determine and award that the title of the Land mentioned in the declaration of Ejectment is in the Plaintiff and that there appears no right or Title to said lands in the Deft and that the Defendt do deliver up and Surrender the possession of said lands unto the Plaintiff and that he the said Defendt do pay unto the Plaintiff all her legal costs recuring on this suit and we further award and determine that when the Defind<sup>t</sup> shall surrender up to the Plaintiff the said lands and pay her the said Costs, she shall give a release & receit to the Defend<sup>t</sup> for the same, Given from under our hands & seals at the place and on the day and year afores<sup>d</sup>.

Bern<sup>d</sup> HOOE Sen {seal} Henry WASHINGTON {seal} Alex<sup>r</sup> BRUCE {seal}

Therefore it is Considered by the Court that the Plaintiff receive against the Defend<sup>t</sup> the lands and premises in the declaration mentioned and her costs by her about her suit in this behalf expended And the Commonwealths writ of Habere facias possessionum is awarded the Plaintiff to put her in possession of the said land & premises and the Defend<sup>t</sup> in Mercy &c

## [Page 79] Prince W<sup>m</sup> Ctv Sct

Before me one of the Justices of peace for said County came Thomas CHAPMAN acting Executor of W<sup>m</sup> CARR deceased and made Oath that being called on by John ROSS to Examine to rent roll kept by said CARR and Thomas CHAPMAN as agent for TEBBS and BULLETT Commissioner under Resolt<sup>n</sup> of Assembly on the Estate of Robert BRISTOE in Prince William County So as to thro[w] light on a subject matter of dispute now depending between him the said ROSS defendant at the suit of James PURCELL and Sarah PURCELL plaintiffs touching the right to that part of said BRISTOEs estate which has been in possession of said ROSS - The said CHAPMAN declares that on said Rentroll, where Thomas HARRISON and Geo. KITCHEN are charged as tenants with rents from 1778 to 1784 inclusive in the proper handwriting of him the said CARR is subjoined these words vizt "Rented to ROSS" and further on the subject he knoweth not - Given under my hand at Dumfries this Thirtieth Day of March 1797 - The said CHAPMAN being first required to certify on oath another entry where in said rent roll book the Acct of said George KITCHING is carried forward - The said CHAPMAN declares that he finds in said KITCHINGs acct so carried forward to a new folio. these words and figures M<sup>r</sup> George KITCHING dec<sup>d</sup> rents including '84 folio 6<sup>th</sup> 1331 - 3710 & on the Margin the date 1785 & under the same "Negro Taken" Given under my hand date above James SMITH

### [Page 80] LITHGOW against CARRs Trustees~

Prince William To wit. Aminadab SEEKRIGHT Complains of Ferdinando DREADNAUGHT [fictional parties] in Custody & for this to wit that whereas Alexander LITHGOW on the first day of

January in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and Eighty six at the Parish of Dettingen in the County of Prince William demised to the said Aminadab Messuage Tenement and two hundred and fifty Acres of arable Land in the Parish and County afs<sup>d</sup> to have and to hold the said Tenement with the Appurtenances unto the Aminadab from the said first day of January in the year of our Lord One thousand and seven hundred and Eighty six unto the full end and term of Twenty years from thence next ensuing by virtue of which said demise the said Aminadab afterwards to wit on the 2d day of January in the year aforesaid entered into the said demised premises and was thereof and being so thereof possessed the said Tenements afterwards to wit on the day and year last mentioned at the Parish and County aforesaid with force and arms to wit with Sticks, swords, and Guns, entered into the Tenement aforesaid and ejected and expel'd the said Aminadab from his farm aforesaid his Term therein aforesaid not being then or yet expired, and the said Aminadab so ejected and expel'd, the said Fernando still keeps out of his farm aforesaid And then and there did other wrongs and Injuries to the said Aminadab against the peace and dignity of the Commonwealth and to

[Page 81] The Damage of the said Aminadab Two Hundred pounds and thereupon he brings suit &c. SIMMS for the Plt. Pledges &c: J. DOE R. ROE

M<sup>r</sup>. Richard COLE I am Informed that you are in possession of or claim Title to the premises mentioned in this declaration of Ejectment or to some part thereof and I being sued in the Ejectment as a casual Ejector, and having no claim or title to the premises therein mentioned do advise you to appear at the next quarterly Court to be held for the County of Prince William by some Attorney of that Court and to cause yourself by rule of said Court to be entered Defendant in my stead otherwise I shall suffer Judgment to be ordered against me by Default and you will be turned out of possession~ Your loving Friend Fernando DREADNAUGHT March 3<sup>d</sup> 1795

In Court June 1<sup>st</sup> 1795 Common Order ag<sup>t</sup> Richard COLE the tenant in possession &c.

June the 4<sup>th</sup> 1795. This day came the lessee of the Plaintiff by his Attorney and on the motion of Simon LUTTREL Guardian of John CARR he is admitted a Defendant in this suit in the room of the said Fernando DREADNAUGHT and he thereupon Confesses the Lease, entry and ouster in the Declaration supposed and agrees to Insist on the title at the trial only - And for

[Page 82] Plea saith that he is not guilty in manner and form as the Plaintiff in his Declaration hath complained to which the Plaintiff replied generally

August the 4<sup>th</sup> 1795. This day came the parties by their attornies and on the motion of Simon LUTTREL and Thomas CHAPMAN Trustees &c of William CARR dec<sup>d</sup> they are admitted defendants in the room of the former Defendant and on the motion of the Plaintiff by his Attorney. It is Ordered that the surveyor of this County do go upon the lands in Dispute, on the *[blank]* Day of *[blank]* next, if fair, if not the next fair day and survey and lay out the same as either party shall require and return five fair platts and reports thereof to the Court, and that anyone of the Justices of the said County do then and there meet him and take the depositions of such Witnesses as shall be produced by either of the parties; which are to be returned with the said platts and reports, and the Sheriff of the said County is to attend the said survey and remove force if any be offered.

[NOTE: At this point the handwriting changes, indicating another person began maintaining the record.]

November Court 1795 Continued for Survey March, June & August 1796 - Ditto March 1797 Ditto, June the 5<sup>th</sup>. Ditto

June the 8<sup>th</sup> 1797 This day came the lessee of the Plaintiff by his attorney and the Defendants in their proper person confessed Judgment to the said plaintiff for Five thousand pounds of Crop Tobacco and the

costs; Therefore it is considered by the Court that the plaintiff recover against the said Defendants the said quantity of Five thousand pounds of Crop Tobacco together with his costs by him about his suit in their behalf laid out and expended, and the Defendant in mercy &c.

[Page 82-a] [A copy of the survey plat is overlaid on page 82. The survey depicts a quadrangle with four sides enclosing an area of 198 A[cres] - 2 R[oods] - 0 P[oles]. Platt is noted as having a Scale of "50 poles to an Inch" The survey report reads as follows:]

Pursuant to an Order of the Worshipful Court of Prince William County bearing date the 4<sup>th</sup> day of Aug<sup>t</sup> 1795. I have surveyed the land in dispute between Alexander LITHGOW Plt. & Simon LUTTRELL & Thomas CHAPMAN Trustees of William CARR Dec<sup>d</sup> Defendants. Beginning at **A** an old dead Tree shown by Carty WELLS [WILLS?] running thence N52.38 West 153 ½ poles to **B** about 20 Foot from an old stump supposed to be the corner thence N17½ E 149 poles to **C** a marked white Oak supposed to be LINTONs Corner thence S85 ¼ E185 po to **D**, where we marked a white Oak sapling thence S 26° 6' W 244 & Eight tenths Poles to the first Station ~ including 198 1/2 Acres given under my hand the 27<sup>th</sup> day of April 1797 [Signed:] Henry D. HOOE Sur[veyo] P.W<sup>m</sup> C.

Gerrard ANDERSON & [blank] HAMMIL [HAMMIT?] Chain Men NB M<sup>r</sup> B. BOTTS Attended for the Plaintiff

[Page 82-b] [A copy of the Surveyors accounting also overlaid on page 82 is as follows:]

## Dumfries 1797

Alexander LITHGOW Esq.

To Benjamin BOTT Do

For fee for attending the survey in Ejectment as CARRs Exor

2 days @ [2] / 8/- per day } 4.16-0

Memorandum the fee directed by the act of the Legislature

To be Charged & tax<sup>'d</sup> in the bill of Costs is only 3 Dols & 58 Cents .day

Which amounts to 7 Dollars & 16 cents, but the universal charge by Attornies is £2..8..0 p.day

Legal fee per day \$3.58 cts Benjn BOTTS

A Copy Test John WILLIAM, C Cur

### 1797 M<sup>r</sup> Alex LITHGOW

	To two adjourning Fees	5. 24
Ap <sup>l</sup> 27	To one Survey of the land in dispute	
	between you & CARR Ex <sup>rs</sup>	5. 25
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	Contra Cr	
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