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MANASSAS, VIRGINIA: AN UNPROCLAIMED 'GRETNA GREEN'

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After the passage of strict marriage laws in mid-eighteenth century England, the border town of Gretna Green, Scotland became the destination of couples seeking hasty, condition-free marriages. ¹ The tiny village's name has since described towns anywhere where no restrictions, i.e., blood tests or waiting periods between the issuance of a license and a certificate, hinder couples seeking immediate marriages. From late 1938 through July 1940, Manassas served as Prince William County's Gretna Green. Thousands of couples of all ages traveled to Manassas from Washington, D.C., the Mid-Atlantic States, New England and beyond, to become instant husbands and wives.

Number of Marriage Licenses						
Issued in Prince	Issued in Prince William County					
1007	00					
1937	90					
1938	181					
1939	1691					
1940	1749					
1941	211					
1942	233					
1943	358					
1944	368					
1945	311					
1946	248					

Until September 11, 1937, when a law increased minimum marrying ages and instated a "...period of thought for would-be married couples," Washington, D.C. had been "something of a Mecca for marrying couples from out of town." Beginning in late 1937, the Prince William Marriage Register recorded the influx of couples from Washington, D.C. Each week, *The Manassas Journal* published the "Marriage Record," listing the names and residences of those who married in Prince William. However, the local paper omitted mentioning the increased activity in town and the

influx of northerners to the county courthouse. This omission is significant because the number of marriage licenses issued in Prince William County doubled from 1937 to

1938 and increased by 88% from 1938 to 1939.³

The out-of-state presence in Northern Virginia was, however, chronicled by *The Washington Post* and *New York Times* in articles such as "A 'Gretna Green' for Virginia," and "Assailing Quick Marriages, Alexandria Orders New Forms: City Reluctant to Become a Gretna Green As Maryland 48-Hour Law Threatens To Shift Business To Virginia Tomorrow." 5

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¹ "Gretna Green." *Encyclopedia Americana*. Grolier Online http://ea.grolier.com/cgi-bin/article?assetid=0185500-00 (accessed 2 July 2007).

² "D.C. Gretna Green for Child Brides Doomed; President Signs Marriage Reform Measure," *The Washington Post*, 14 August 1937, 1; digital image, ProQuest Historical Newspapers (http://www.proquest.com : accessed 26 July 2007).

³ Prince William County Marriage Register No. 2. Prince William County, VA. Clerk of Court. Located in the Court Archives, Manassas, VA. (Note: the population of Prince William County in 1930 was 13,951 and 17,738 in 1940. Thomas Jefferson Center for Political Economy, *Statistical Abstract of Virginia: 1966* (Charlottesville: University of Virginia, 1967), 8.

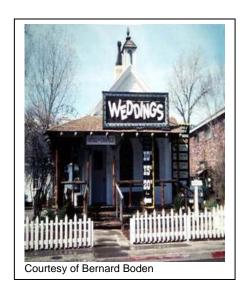
⁴ "A 'Gretna Green for Virginia,' "*New York Times*, 4 December 1938, XX1; digital image, ProQuest Historical Newspapers (http://www.proquest.com : accessed 26 July 2007).

⁵ "Assailing Quick Marriages, Alexandria Orders New Forms: City Reluctant to Become a Gretna Green as Maryland 48-Hour

⁵ "Assailing Quick Marriages, Alexandria Orders New Forms: City Reluctant to Become a Green as Maryland 48-Hour Law Threatens to Shift Business to Virginia Tomorrow," *The Washington Post*, 7 December 1938, X4; digital image, ProQuest Historical Newspapers (http://www.proquest.com : accessed 26 July 2007).

Delaware invoked marriage restrictions in 1913, sending those seeking quick marriages south to Maryland, where the only requirement was a church ceremony⁶. From then until 1938, Elkton, Maryland served as the Gretna Green for the east coast. "This town on the Pennsylvania border flashed first into prominence as a marriage center about 1920 when the Rev. W. R. Moon – 'Retired Baptist Minister – Marriages Performed' – set up shop there. He was followed by others and before long taxi drivers swung into line and began reaping a silver harvest steering prospective life partners to swift and secret union."

Although Maryland passed a 48-hour waiting period in 1937, Elkton successfully petitioned to forestall the law until the town's voters could decide the issue in the November 1938 General Election. The marriage business proved extremely lucrative for many in Elkton; as many as 2,308 marriages were performed monthly, increasing Elkton's annual revenue by \$250,000.8 The respite proved temporary, however, and the "...last of Elkton's few-questions-asked hitchings took place on Dec. 7, 1938."9



When Maryland and Washington, D.C. no longer served as Gretna Greens, couples seeking speedy unions continued further south to Virginia, which required neither waiting period nor blood test. Virginia law did require that "...nonresidents be married in the city or county where they were licensed." An attempt to instate a three-day waiting period had previously failed in Virginia "in part through rural county opposition, based on the fact that many rural inhabitants, living a considerable distance from the county court, didn't want to make two trips to get their marriage license." By some accounts, court officials in Northern Virginia initially appeared largely unprepared for, or were oblivious to the influx they would experience in 1939 and 1940. In November 1938, Elliott Hoffman, who issued marriage licenses in Alexandria, reported that "marriages increased 22 per cent since the District's [Washington D.C.] law establishing a three-day waiting period went into effect last year," but didn't expect a similar increase as a result of Elkton's ending status as a Gretna Green. 12 The clerk in neighboring Fairfax

County did not believe that couples would make it as far as Fairfax, and if they did, he was prepared to deny "licenses to suspect [i.e., inebriated or underage] applicants." ¹³

While some in Northern Virginia wished to avoid Elkton's image as a tawdry mecca for hurry-up or gin-mill marriages, others wanted the economic benefits associated with the marriage industry, and a "spirited intermunicipal rivalry" ensued. ¹⁴ Ministers in Arlington, however, lobbied for a legally imposed waiting period, but the Legislature responsible for passing such a requirement would not meet until 1940, securing for at least the next year, "cash-and-carry romance in the Old Dominion." County and City Clerks, however, could impose one restriction. "The impatient couple now have only to rush to the county seat, so long as they go

¹² Ibid.

¹³ Ibid.

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⁶ Berdan, Marshall S. "Elkton, Marry-land," *The Washington Post*, 13 February 2002, C02; digital image, ProQuest Historical Newspapers (http://www.proquest.com : accessed 26 July 2007).

⁷ "High School Freshman Marries WPA Worker Vote Awaited Tuesday on 48-Hour Law," *The Washington Post*, 4 November 1938, 1; digital image, ProQuest Historical Newspapers (http://www.proquest.com: accessed 26 July 2007).

⁸ "The Nation; Gretna Green, Md. Marriage Business," *New York Times*, 13 November 1938, 72; digital image, ProQuest Historical Newspapers (http://www.proquest.com : accessed 26 July 2007).

⁹ Berdan, "Elkton, Marry-land," C02.

¹⁰ "Virginia Girds To Resist Rush Of Elopements," *The Washington Post*, 13 November 1938, M3; digital image, ProQuest Historical Newspapers (http://www.proquest.com : accessed 26 July 2007).

¹¹ Ibid.

¹⁴ "A 'Gretna Green' For Virginia: Alexandria Bids for Elkton 'Industry,'" *The New York Times*, 4 December 1938, XX1; digital image, ProQuest Historical Newspapers (http://www.proquest.com : accessed 26 July 2007).

during the daylight hours...The bride and groom must each be 21, although girls may be wed at 16 with their parents' consent. No witnesses are necessary for the ceremony. But unless the clerk will suspend the rules. licenses are issued only during working hours, from 9 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.¹⁶

Arlington Adopts 3-Day Marriage Ban

Courtesy of Washington Post17

The opposition forces took quick action. After conferring with the Commonwealth's Attorney, the Clerk of Arlington County's Circuit Court, C. Benjamin Laycock, imposed a three-day wait, on December 20, 1938, mirroring an action taken by Alexandria's Clerk of Court the previous week. Fairfax County Clerk, John M. Whalen "said he would apply the Alexandria regulation in 'self defense,' if the business continues to increase." A week later, these decisions were challenged by a couple from New York who

charged that the Arlington County Clerk had no authority to deny them a license. The Arlington County Circuit Court Judge, whose jurisdiction included Alexandria City and Fairfax County, heard the petition of the couple, as presented by ten esteemed Washington and Arlington attorneys, but refused to "rush into this matter because it is a weighty question which will affect the entire northern part of Virginia." The couple, who had volunteered to test the waters at the behest of the group of attorneys, opted not to wait for the ruling and "quietly whisked off to Bristow, Prince William County, and were married by the Rey, Paul Smith, chaplain of St. Joseph's School."19

John M. Whalen quickly made real his threat to apply a waiting period in "self defense" and a three day delay took effect in Fairfax County on December 28, 1938. The next day, he denied licenses to twelve couples, and "all left the Fairfax Courthouse and set out for Manassas, Leesburg, or Warrenton, where permits for immediate marriages are still issued."20 The next day, Manassas, Warrenton, Fredericksburg, Stafford Courthouse and Leesburg all reported significantly increased business as "hurry up couples" moved "the marriage business to points farther south on through highways."²¹

A domino effect followed as one eastern seaboard state after another, the District of Columbia and some northern Virginia counties placed restrictions on instant marriages. While the increase in Prince William County's marriages in 1939 was astounding, it was half the number issued in Winchester and Warrenton. "At Warrenton, capital of the Virginia horse country, a double wedding was announced for the 3,999th and 4,000th licenses issued this year. The total for all of 1938 was 235."²² Fredericksburg's Court Clerk, Mason H. Willis, reported meeting more than 2000 brides-to-be during 1940. Their average age was 27 ("...beyond the blushing age.") compared with 30 for the grooms. Many brides, he reported, "take the leading role in premarital arrangements..." contacting his office for details on marriage laws in Virginia and providing the detailed information required of both parties for their marriage license.²³

The pages of the Prince William County Marriage Register for 1939-1940 contain numerous same-day entries for couples from the same home towns in Pennsylvania, Maryland, and New York—sisters and their soon-tobe husbands, brothers and their soon-to-be wives, and a father and son with their brides-to-be. And while their names and residences appeared in the Manassas Journal's "Marriage Record" (unless the Court's Marriage

¹⁶ Ibid.

¹⁷ "Arlington Adopts 3-Day Marriage Ban," *The Washington Post*, 21 December 1938, 1; digital image, ProQuest Historical Newspapers (http://www.proquest.com: accessed 26 July 2007).

¹⁸ "N.Y. Pair Sues Over Arlington Marriage Wait," The Washington Post, 29 December 1938, X2; digital image, ProQuest Historical Newspapers (http://www.proquest.com : accessed 26 July 2007).

¹⁹ "Law's Delay Irks Cupid; Couple Flees," *The Washington Post*, 20 December 1938, X7; digital image, ProQuest Historical Newspapers (http://www.proquest.com : accessed 26 July 2007). 20 "N.Y. Pair Sues Over Arlington Marriage Wait."

²¹ "Law's Delay Irks Cupid; Couple Flees."

²² "Marital Yankee Army Marches On Virginia's Gretna Greens: Weddings in Three Towns Near Washington Have Increased Tenfold Since Maryland Outlawed Hasty Marriages Last Year," The Washington Post, 31 December 1939, 3; digital image, ProQuest Historical Newspapers (http://www.proquest.com: accessed 26 July 2007).

²³ "Blushing Bride Passe; She Now Gets the License," *The Washington Post*, 6 February 1940, 13; digital image, ProQuest Historical Newspapers (http://www.proquest.com: accessed 26 July 2007).

Register notation stipulated "Do Not Publish"), a reader did not learn from the local newspaper, for example, that a member of the Russian nobility married in Manassas. The New York Times, however, heralded the event in an Associated Press piece from Miami Beach, Florida titled "Prince Obolensky Marries Jane Irby: Member of Russian Nobility and New Orleans Girl Wed in Manassas, Va."²⁴

Capt. Manning, Sea Hero, Weds At Manassas

Courtesy of the Washington Post²⁶

The New York Times also reported that Amelia Earhart's one-time navigator, Captain Harry Manning, married his bride, also a pilot, at Trinity Episcopal Church in Manassas, Virginia, on January 29, 1940.²⁵ The Washington Post elaborated, "Manning in 1937 flew as navigator with Amelia Earhart on her first attempt to fly around the world at the equator. The plane crashed, but the two

survived. His duties as a sea captain with the United States Lines prevented his accompanying Miss Earhart on a later flight during which she disappeared."²⁶

Virginia's status as a Gretna Green came to an abrupt halt when the state's premarital examination law took effect on August 1, 1940.²⁷ Couples hurried to avoid the red tape soon to be associated with obtaining a marriage license and swarmed Virginia court houses. Prince William issued 52 licenses on July 30th and 49 on July 31st, bringing the monthly total to 476. In stark contrast, only 27 licenses were issued for the entire month of August 1940.²

Wedding March a Stampede

Marriages in Virginia Boom On Eve of Pre-Marital Tests

Courtesy of the Washington Post²⁷

While the number of licenses issued to long-time county residents (as opposed to those temporarily stationed at the Quantico Marine Corps Base) from 1941 to 1945 more accurately reflected the county's population, the United States' entry into World War II again prompted a rise in marriages in Prince William during those years. This increase mirrored a national upswing. "Marriages in

the United States in 1942 reached an estimated record-breaking total of 1,800,000, with two-thirds of the year's brides being married to men in the armed services..."²⁹ Once again, the couples applying for their marriage licenses at the county's courthouse in Manassas hailed from all over the United States.

An index to marriage licenses issued in Prince William County from 1938-1943 is available online at www.pwcgov.org/library/digitallibrary. Choose Vital Records and then Marriages to search the database. The index was prepared by staff and volunteers of RELIC, the Ruth E. Lloyd Information Center for Genealogy and Local History, a special collection of the Prince William Public Library System. It is their hope that this resource will lead many researchers to vital information, especially on couples who traveled to Prince William from other states to obtain marriage licenses.

²⁴ "Prince Obolensky Married Jane Irby: Member of Russian Nobility and New Orleans Girl Wed in Manassas, VA," *The New* York Times, 7 January 1939, 20; digital image, ProQuest Historical Newspapers (http://www.proquest.com: accessed 26 July

²⁵ "Capt. Manning Married: President Roosevelt Skipper is Wed in Manassas, Va," The New York Times, 30 January 1940, 40; digital image, ProQuest Historical Newspapers (http://www.proquest.com : accessed 26 July 2007).

26 "Capt. Manning, Sea Hero, Weds At Manassas," *The Washington Post*, 30 January 1940, 15; digital image, ProQuest

Historical Newspapers (http://www.proquest.com : accessed 26 July 2007).

27 "Marriages in Virginia Boom on Eve of Pre-Marital Tests," *The Washington Post*, 1 August 1940, 1; digital image, ProQuest Historical Newspapers (http://www.proquest.com : accessed 26 July 2007).

²⁸ Prince William County Marriage Register No. 2.

²⁹ "U.S. Marriages Up to New Peak in '42," *The New York Times*, 4 April 1943, 33; digital image, ProQuest Historical Newspapers (http://www.proquest.com : accessed 2 July 2007).

UNRECORDED WILL OF BASIL KING¹ PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY, VIRGINIA

By Scott Parham, PhD²

In late 2001, while processing some Prince William County chancery court files for future microfilming, I came across the lawsuit of Edward Austin <u>versus</u> Joseph King, et al., dated 1866, in File 6 of Box 8 of the chancery cases.

In the file of this case, I found as an evidentiary exhibit a copy of a will for a former resident of the county, BASIL KING. The text of this will was written in the hand of J. Williams, the clerk of the county court from 1832 to 1854; Williams also certified this copy of King's will. (This J. Williams was John Williams, II, not to be confused with an earlier John Williams who served as clerk of the court, 1795-1813.) On the outside of the will J. Williams, II, wrote: "For Mr. ______ Bradford."

In examining the text of his will, I noted that Basil King signed it on 30 December 1843. Almost five months later, on 6 May 1844, J. Williams, II, the court clerk, certified:

"At a Court held for Prince William County May 6, 1844, This last will & testament of Basil King dec^d was presented to the Court & being proved by the oaths of Robert A. Calvert & Henry Cooper, subscribing witnesses thereto, was ordered to be recorded. And, on the motion of Benjamin Cooper the executor named therein . . . certificate is granted the said Benjamin Cooper for obtaining a probate of the said will in due form."

On the same day (May 6), Benjamin Cooper posted an executor's bond with the county court clerk. (See Prince William County Bond Book 6: page 66.) Yet, Will Book P, which covers this relevant period of 1843-1844, does <u>not</u> reflect that King's will was ever recorded. On further investigation, I found recorded in Will Book P, at pages 149-50, the list covering King's estate inventory and appraisement; and at pages 152-53, there is recorded the account of the sales from King's estate.

Basil King's Will A Copy

For Mr. ___ Bradfield³

I Basil King of the State of Virginia & County of Prince William do hereby make my last will & testament in the manner & form following that is to say

¹ Basil King was apparently born between 1750-1760 based on his age in the 1830 and 1840 census of Prince William County, Va. died 1844

² Volunteer Reference Assistant, Prince William County Circuit Court Archives, Manassas, Virginia.

³ Transcribed by Beverly R. Veness, RELIC, Bull Run Regional Library, Manassas, Virginia.

1st I desire that such part of my perishable estate that may be necessary to pay all of my just debts & funeral expences be immediately sold after my decease. And out of the money arising therefrom all of my just debts & funeral expences be paid.

2nd After the payment of all my just debts & funeral expences I give to my wife Frances King my dwelling House & the tract of land that are attach[ed] to it and all of the property on the premises consisting of Houshold & kitchen furniture farming utensils stock of every description for to have, and to use during the term of her natural life & after her decease I give the house & tract of land & all of the property that may be remaining after her support to my children hereinafter named that is to say, one sixth part to my soninlaw Edward Austin, one sixth part to my son Joseph, one sixth part to my son Vincent, one sixth part to my son Walter, one sixth part to my daughter Sarah, & one sixth part to be equally divided between my Six Grand children Elizabeth Bradfield, George Bradfield, Ann Bradfield, Basil Bradfield, Redman Bradfield & Mary Bradfield & to be enjoyed by them for ever.

3rd All of the rest my estate both real & personal of what nature or kind soever it may be not hereinbefore disposed of I desire may be equally divided among my several children herein before named which I give to them their heirs Ex[ecut]ors: adm[inistrat]ors: & assigns forever. 4th As to my daughter Ann Duvall my daughter Mary Brawner, my son James, my son Elias, my daughter Catharine Simpson, my daughter Drady I leave them nothing they having received their portion.

And lastly I do hereby constitute & appoint my Nephew Benjamin Cooper Executor of this my last will & testament hereby revoking all other or former wills or testaments by me heretofore made. I further desire that my Exec[uto]r: Benjⁿ Cooper will not be bound to give any security that he have full power to act without security in witness hereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this 30th day of December 1843.

Witnesses
$$Rob^t A. \ Calvert$$
his
 $Basil \ X \ King \ Mark$
 $Henry \ X \ Cooper$
mark

At a Court held for Prince William County May 6. 1844. This last will & testament of Basil King dec^d was presented to the Court & being proved by the oaths of Robert A. Calvert & Henry Cooper, subscribing witnesses thereto, was ordered to be recorded. And on the motion of Benjamin Cooper the executor named therein, who made oath thereto & entered into & acknowledged a bond, without security in the penalty of \$300. conditioned as the law directs (it being the wish of the testator that no security be required, and it appearing to the satisfaction of the court that said testator left more property than sufficient to pay his debts) certificate is granted the said Benjamin Cooper for obtaining a probate of the said will in due form.

List of White Voters Registered at Token Precinct in Coles Magisterial District, Prince William County, Virginia 1902-1954

Abstracted by Beverly R. Veness, RELIC¹

Name	Birthdate	Age as of Registration Date	Occupation	Residence	Yrs. in State/Co./Precinct	Transferred (T)
Arnold, Chas. P.	May 7, 1880	22 as of Sept. 9, 1902	Farmer	Token	22/22/22	
Arrington, A.F.	Aug. 1, 1888	28 as of June 16, 1917	Farmer	Hoadley	20/20/10	T 29 Jul 1927 to Occoquan
Atkins, Emmett	June 10, 1872	52 as of July 10, 1923	Farmer	Canova	3/3/2	T to Fairfax Co. 3 Aug 1929
Beavers, Wm. Thos.	Oct. 7, 1878	25 as of Sept. 5, 1903	Farmer	Canova	25/25/25	
Bradfield, Geo. A. [Notation: Dead]	Sept. 22, 1856	46 as of Sept. 5, 1903	Farmer [Notation: Dead]	Canova	46/46/46	
Beavers, Samuel T. [Notation: Dead]	Jan. 25, 1880	22 as of Sept. 5, 1903	Farmer [Notation: Dead]	Token	22/22/22	
Barbee, C. A. [Notation: Dead]	March 4, 1861	44 as of Sept. 1902	Farmer	Token	44/44/2	T to Occoquan 5 Aug 1935?
Bell, W.B. [Notation: Dead]	Apr. 27, 1851 [sic]	44 as of Oct. 5, 1907	Farmer	Token	44/44/1	
Bennett, Martin [Notation: Dead]	No. [sic] 12, 1864	46 as of May 16, 1910	Granet? cutter	Token	6/6/6	
Beavers, Alvin	July 16, 1889	22 as of May 16, 1911	Farmer	Token	22/22/22	
Beavers, Willie	Aug. 12, 1892	23 as of June 5, 1915	Farmer	Token	23/23/23	
Beavers, Archie	Oct. 2, 1897	21 as of Aug. 2, 1919	Labor	Token	21/21/21	T to Fairfax Co. Mountrorn? Dist.

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¹ Poll book at Prince William County Court Archives, Manassas, Virginia. Dates taken from cover. Abstracted May 2007.

Name	Birthdate	Age as of Registration	Occupation	Residence	Yrs. in State/Co./Precinct	Transferred (T)
Beavers, R.E. [Notation: Dead]	Jan. 11, 1880	28 as of May 19, 1908	Farmer	Token	28/24/24	T to Manassas
Bell, Mary E. [Notation: Dead]	Jan. 6, 1872	55 as of July 27, 1927	House wife [Notation: Dead]	Canova	55/55/20	
Beaurs [Beavers?], R.A.	May 14 or May 4, 1863	63 as of Aug. 1, 1933	Labor	Token	1/1/1	
Barbee, A.H.	Sept. 11, 1911	23 as of Oct. 5, 1934	Labor	Token	23/23/23	
Barbee, James M.	Aug. 30, 1913	21 as of Apr. 13, 1935	Labor	Token	21/21/21	T to Hoadley Occoquan Dist.
Bowie, J. M. [Notation: Dead]	Aug. 25, 1873	64 as of May 31, 1937	Minister [Notation: Dead]	Canova	44/2/2	
Bowie, Mary D.	Nov. 11, 1994 [sic]	42 as of May 3[1], 1937	House wife	Canova	42/2/2	
Beavers, Jon. J.	1875	28 as of July 19, 1939	Farmer [Notation: Dead]	Token	28/28/28	
Beavers, Tamor. M.	Aug. 14, 1910	40 as of Oct. 6, 1950	Labor	Token	40/40/40	
Barbe, Rachel	May 22, 1927	23 as of Oct. 7, 1950	House wife	Token	23/23/23	
Bears or Beavers?, Hollie or Allie?	Jan. 4, 1913	38 as of July 7, 1951	Labor	Token	38/38/38 or 28/28/28 [numbers were crossed out two times]	
Cornwell, R.W.	June 3, 1874	28 as of Sept. 8, 1902	Farmer	Token	28/28/28	
Cornwell, H.B. [Notation: Dead]	Mar. 21, 1856	46 as of Sept. 8, 1902	Farmer	Token	46/46/46	
Cornwell, J.M.	June 12, 1864	37 as of Sept. 9, 1902	Farmer	Token	38/38/38	
Cornwell, A.L. [Notation: Dead]	May 5, 1852	50 as of Sept. 8, 1902	Farmer	Token	50/50/50	
Castil <u>la</u> ? [Costello?], John Wm.	April 26, 1881	21 as of Sept. 8, 1902	Farmer	Token	21/8/6	

Name	Birthdate	Age as of Registration Date	Occupation	Residence	Yrs. in State/Co./Precinct	Transferred (T)
Cornwell, L.M. [Notation: Dead]	May 24, 1871	31 as of Sept. 8, 1902	Farmer	Token	31/31/31	
Cornwell, H.M.	Sep. 23, 1869	32 as of Sept. 20, 1902	Farmer	Hoadley	32/32/32	
Cornwell, Gev. [Geo.?] S. [Notation: Dead]	Oct. 22, 1850	44 as of Sept. 3, 1903	Farmer	Canova	44/44/44	
Cornwell, Delley	May 20, 1881	22 as of Sept. 5, 1903	Farmer	Token	22/22/22	
Cornwell, Harv[e]y	Apr. 31, 1886	21 as of June 6, 1907	Farmer	Token	21/21/21	
Cornwell, Henry O. [Notation: Dead]	Nov. 15, 1884	23 as of June 6, 1907	Farmer	Token	23/23/23	
Cornwell, Richard [Notation: Dead]	May 17, 1889	22 as of May 12, 1911	Labor	Token	22/22/22	
Cornwell, H.S.	Aug. 30, 1887	24 as of May 27, 1911	Farmer	Token	24/24/24	T to Hoadley Occoquan Dist. Aug 1927
Cornwell, W.H.	Sept. 24, 1889	22 as of May 29, 1911	Farmer	Token	22/22/22	
Cornwell, MC	Jan. 18, 1892	27 as of Aug. 5, 1918	Farmer	Token	27/27/27	
Cornwell, E.F.	Dec. 4, 1899	23 as of May 16, 1922	Labor	Token	23/23/23	
Cornwell, Auther	Aug. 12, 1887	35 as of July 26, 1923	Farmer	Token	35/35/35	
Chenbock [Chestlock], Joe [Notatation: Dead]	March 25, 1875	53 as of Aug. 1, 1927	Farmer	Token	17/17/17 [Naturalized: Date of Papers Aug. 7, 1904 issued by Ebensburg, Pa. Court]	
Cornwell, Earnest E. or C.	Jan. 13, 1901	30 as of June 22, 1931	Labor	Token	30/30/30	
Cornwell, C.C.	May 11, 1892	39 as of Aug. 4, 1931	Labor	Token	39/39/39	

Name	Birthdate	Age as of Registration Date	Occupation	Residence	Yrs. in State/Co./Precinct	Transferred (T)
Cornwell, Eddie	May 12, 1903	28 as of Aug. 4, 1931	Labor	Token	28/28/28	
Cebula, M.	Nov. 17, 1912	23 as of July 30, 1935	Farmer	Token	16/16/16	
Cornwell, Winnard	May 4, 1913	23 as of Oct. 3, 1936	Labor	Token	23/23/23	T to Occoquan
Cornwell, James H.	May 22, 1916	21 as of Nov. 21, 1937	Farmer	Token	21/21/21	o o o quan
Cebula, George J.	March 21, 1917	21 as of Aug. 1, 1938	Labor	Token	21/21/21	
Cornwell, B.H.	Aug. 16, 1915	23 as of Apr. 28, 1939	Labor	Token	23/23/23	
Cornwell, Hilton	May 17, 1918	21 as of Aug. 1, 1939	Labor	Token	21/21/21	
Cornwell, Zella	June 10, 1918	21 as of Aug. 1, 1939	Teacher	Token	21/21/21	
Cebula, John	Aug. 3, 1920	22 as of Aug. 2, 1943	Labor	Token	22/22/22	
Cornwell, John E.	July 13, 1913	34 as of Aug. 5, 1935	Labor	Manassas	34/34/34	
Cornwell, H. Madge	Aug. 19, 1926	21 as of June 16, 1948	House wife	Token	5/1/1	
Clear, Christopher H.	Dec. 12, 1898 [written above 28 day]	50 as of May 1, 1936 [sic]	Carpenter	Token	15/15/15	
Cornwell, Walter E.	Oct. 1927 [may be Oct. 1, 1927]	22 as of April 10, 1950	Carpenter	Token	22/22/22	
Crum, George W.	Feb. 11, 1911	38 as of Aug. 16, 1949	Photographer	Token	4/4/4	
Crum, Evelyn W.	Aug. 21, 1916	33 as of Aug. 16, 1949	House wife	Token	4/4/4	
Cooper, A.J.	Aug. 26, 1916	33 as of May 6, 1950	Carpenter	Canova	33/33/2	
Cooper, E.P.	May 22, 1922	27 as of May 8, 1950	House wife	Canova	3/3/3	
Clair, Julia B?	May 4, 1895	55 as of Oct. 7, 1950	House wife	Canova	2/2/2	T Ind. Hill
Cullins, William <u>E</u> ?	Sept. 25, 1919	31 as of June 16, 1950	Retired	Token	1/1/1	

Name	Birthdate	Age as of Registration Date	Occupation	Residence	Yrs. in State/Co./Precinct	Transferred (T)
Duvall, R. H. [Notation: Dead]	Jan. 12, 1875	40 as of Aug. 6, 1915	Farmer	Hoadley	8/8/8	
Duvall, Harrett B.	July 7, 1883	44 as of July 27, 1927	House wife	Hoadley	20/20/20	
Duvall, P.E.	Oct. 18, 1912	22 as of Aug. 3, 1935	Farmer	Hoadley	22/22/22	
Deans, Pearl S.	Sept. 18, 1908	42 as of July 6, 1951	Supervisor	Token	42/1/1	
Deans, Lyn. O.	April 20, 1912	40 as of July 6, 1951	Farmer	Token	3/1/1	
Durnick, Edna	July 10, 1925	26 as of July 7, 1951	House wife	Canova	26/26/26	
Durnick, Paul	Nov. 10, 1924	26 as of July 7, 1951	Carpenter	Canova	26/6/6	
Dick, Charles W.	June 4, 1920	31 as of July 7, 1951	Minister	Manassas	2/2/2	T from Ind. Hill 7 Jul 1951
Egoroff, Mstislav N.	Aug. 4, 1894	50 as of Sept. 14, 1944	Military engineer	Hoadly	2/2/2 [Naturalized; Date of Papers May 14, 1926; Court Issued: Miami, Fla.]	
Egoroff, Marie Gordon	Nov. 11, 1892	51 as of Sept. 14, 1944	Housewife	Hoadly	2/2/2	
Fair, J.W. [Notation: Dead]	Feb. 1, 1869	33 as of Sept. 8, 1902	Farmer	Token	33/33/33	
Fair, H. Milton [Notaton: Dead]	Apr. 8, 1874	29 as of Sept. 5, 1903	Farmer	Canova	29/29/29	
Fair, Clyde	Feb. 24, 1909	22 as of July 17, 1931	Farmer	Token	22/22/22	
Fair, Noah E.	Aug. 18, 1905	29 as of Aug. 6, 1935	Labor	Token	29/29/29	
Fetzer, Julia? Or Nola?	July 30, 1922	21 as of July 31, 1943	House wife	Token	21/21/21	
Garner, Jos. Or Jas. L. [Notation: Dead]	Nov. 17, 1860	41 as of Sept. 8, 1902	Farmer	Token	41/41/41	
Galhan, Pearl	Jan. 26, 1883	27 as of Apr. 4, 1910	Labor	Indepent [Independent] Hill	27/27/27	

Name	Birthdate	Age as of Registration Date	Occupation	Residence	Yrs. in State/Co./Precinct	Transferred (T)
Galhan,	March 6,	56 as of	Housewife	Canova	56/56/56	
G.T.	1879	Aug. 6, 1935	Б	3.6: : :11	20/4/4	
Hinton,	July 16, 1864	39 as of	Farmer	Minnieville	30/4/4	
Henry M. [Notation:	1804	Sept. 3, 1903				
Dead]						
Hulmes	Nov. 15,	60 as of May	Farmer	Canova	57/57/17	
[Holmes?],	1856	15, 1917	1 diffici	Cunovu	37737717	
T.H.		,				
[Notation:						
Dead]						
Hensley,	Feb. 27,	31 as of Apr.	Merchan[t]	Buck Hall	2/2/2	T from
M.A.	1880	19, 1911			2.1/2.1/2	Manassas
Hedger,	Jan. 16,	26 as of Oct.	Trackman	Token	26/26/3	
Tilton E.	1897	6, 1923	F	Camana	22/22/22	T 4- T
Hulmes [Holmes?],	Feb. 12, 1905	22 as of July 23, 1927	Farmer	Canova	22/22/22	T to Town of Manassas
S.S.	1903	23, 1927				Dist.
5.5.						7 Jun 1930
Harris,	Feb. 16,	32 as of	Farmer	Token	32/11/11	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
C.M.	1870	Sept. 25,				
		1902				
Harris, J.H.	April 3,	22 as of June	Labor	Token	22/22/22	
	1909	20, 1931	- 1		24/24/24	
Halmer	Aug. 25,	21 as of	Labor	Canova	21/21/21	
[Holmes?],	1909	Aug. 3, 1931				
F.M. Holmes,	Aug. 3,	21 as of July	Labor	Canova	21/21/21	
L.R.	1912	15, 1933	Laudi	Callova	21/21/21	
Harris,	May 9,	47 as of July	Housewife	Token	47/47/30	
Janie	1891	29, 1939	110 000 1110	1011011	.,,,,,,,,	
Holmes, J.	Feb. 26,	40 as of July	Farmer	Canova	40/40/6	
or T. B.	1903	16, 1943				
Hedger,	June 3,	26 as of July	Spotter	Canova	21/21/2	
M.H.	1921	31, 1943				
Hardesty,		July 1, 1947				
F.S. [Name		[date crossed				
crossed out]	May 6,	out] 41 as of June	Housewife	Lake Jackson	36/8/8	
Hardesty, Mrs. F.S.	1910	29, 1951	Housewile	Lake Jackson	30/0/0	
Hulmes	Oct. 17,	47 as of June	Housewife	Canova	10/10/10	
[Holmes?],	1903	29, 1951	110 abe will	Cuiiovu	10/10/10	
Rose E.	-2.22					
Kohn,	March 12,	n.g. [21] as	Farmer	Canova	21/21/21	
W.M.	1884	of May 10,				
[Notation:		1905				
Dead]				1		
Kohn, M.P.	Sept. 12,	21 as of	Labor	Token	21/21/21	
	1918	Aug. 1, 1939				

Name	Birthdate	Age as of Registration Date	Occupation	Residence	Yrs. in State/Co./Precinct	Transferred (T)
Kohn, Mary E.	April 16, 1929	22 as of Aug. 6, 1951	House wife	Canova	22/5/5	
Ludwig, R. P. [Notation: Dead]	Dec. 2, 1843	68 as of May 29, 1911	Farmer	Token	22/22/22 [Exempt from payment of poll tax]	
Lewis, James L.	Nov. 10, 1882	46 as of Oct. 6, 1928	Farmer	Token	9/9/6	
Lewis, B. Boshier	Jan. 4, 1924	27 as of Feb. 17, 1951	Carpenter	Token	27/27/27	
Milstead, Coalman [Notation: Dead]	Aprl. 24 [5 is written over the 4 so Aprl. 25], 1838 [6 is written over 8 so 1836]	66 as of Sept. 8, 1902	Mechanic	Token	66/66/66 [Exempt from payment of poll tax]	
Manpen, M.H. [Notation: Out of state]	Oct. 15, 1891	27 as of Feb. 19, 1924	Farmer	Canova	27/3/3	T from Manassas 5 Nov 1926
Mapen, Dilla M.	May 22, 1898	29 as of Aug. 1, 1927	House wife	Canova	29/7/1	
Makley, W. Albert	May 28, 1917	30 as of Feb. 23, 1948	Lectrion [Electrician?]	Mineville [sic]	2/2/2	
Posey, W. E. [Notation: Dead]	Dec. 14, 1874	27 as of Sept. 9, 1902	Farmer	Token	27/27/27	T to Hoadley Occoquan Dist.
Posey, W. H. [Notation: Dead]	July 2, 1862	41 as of Sept. 3, 1903	Farmer	Token	41/41/41	
Posey, Walter	Feb. 18, 1886	25 as of May 16, 1911	Farmer	Token	25/25/25	
Posey, James E.	Oct. 23, 1892	23 as of May 18, 1915	Carpenter	Token	23/23/23	
Posey, Ollie	Apr. 12, 1888	27 as of May 18, 1915	Farmer	Token	27/27/27	
Posey, J.C.	June 13, 1892	23 as of Nov. 1, 1915	Carpenter	Token	23/23/23	
Payne, R.B. [Notation: Dead]	March 14, 1861	41 as of Aug. 8, 1918	Machenic [Mechanic]	Token	41/41/41	

Name	Birthdate	Age as of Registration Date	Occupation	Residence	Yrs. in State/Co./Precinct	Transferred (T)
Percell, Herbert [whole entry line crossed out]	July 10, 1894	24 as of Jun 2, 1919	Labor	Canova	24/24/24	T to Arlington Co., Va. Precinct #1
Pearson, H.A. [Notation: Dead]	March 8, 1882	37 as of July 22, 1919	Farmer	Token	37/37/6	
Posey, James [Notation: Dead]	Apr. 11, 1851	51 as of Sep. 8, 1902	Farmer	Token	51/51/51	
Posey, Thomas	Nov. 25, 1882	21 as of Sep. 5, 1903	Farmer	Token	21/21/21	
Payne, C.S.	Jan. 4, 1906	21 as of July 23, 1927	Farmer	Token	21/21/21	
Posey, C. Randolph	Nov. 27, 1909	21 as of July 23, 1931	Farmer	Token	21/21/21	
Payne, W.J.	Nov. 16, 1908	22 as of July 27, 1931	Labor	Token	22/22/22	
Pearson, Fannie S.	Sep. 2, 1883	48 as of July 30, 1931	House wife	Token	48/48/29	
Posey, Magruder	March 4, 1896	36 as of Aug. 4, 1931	Labor	Token	36/36/36	
Payne, K.? E.	May 31, 1914	21 as of Aug. 5, 1935	Labor	Token	21/21/21	
Posey, Cline	Sept. 23, 1908	31 as of Aug. 1, 1939	Labor	Token	31/31/31	
Posey, G. E.	Oct. 31, 1921	24 as of June 4, 1947	Linesman	Canova	24/24/24	
Payne, Ruth E.	May 25, 1926	24 as of Dec. 15, 1950	House wife	Token	8/8/8	
Payne, E.A.	Jan. 7, 1921	30 as of April 9, 1951	Op[e]rator	Token	30/30/30	
Payne, Marry E.	Nov. 8, 1924	26 as of April 9, 1951	Offis [Office] work	Token	26/2/2	
Posey, Ramund	Aug. 3, 1913	37 as of May 26, 1951	Labor	Token	37/37/37	
Posey, Molly	Aug. 1, 1930	21 as of July 7, 1951	House wife	Canova	21/5/2	
Posey, Dallas H.	Sept. 10, 1919	27 as of July 2, 1943	Carpenter	Canova	27/27/2	T from Manassas 7 Jul 1951

Name	Birthdate	Age as of Registration Date	Occupation	Residence	Yrs. in State/Co./Precinct	Transferred (T)
Reid, Geo. T. [Notation: Dead]	Feb. 5, 1858	44 as of Sept. 9, 1902	Farmer	Token	44/44/16	
Shultis, L.W.	Sept. 3, 1897	29 as of June 13, 1927	Farmer	Hoadley	17/17/11	
Shultis, A.	Oct. 16, 1899	27 as of June 13, 1927	Farmer	Hoadley	17/17/11	
Sholtis, Alb[e]rt	Feb. 6, 1902	24 as of June 24, 1927	Laborer	Hoadley	17/17/11	T to Quantico?
Savage, Clyde [Notation: Out of state]	Jan. 19, 1886	41 as of July 27, 1927	Farmer	Canova	5/3/3	
Sivak, Mrs. Mary [Notation: Dead]	Apr. 3, 1896	31 as of Aug. 1, 1927	House wife	Token	3/3/3	
Steel, J.T.	Sep. 7, 1891	35 as of Aug. 6, 1917 [sic; should read 1927]	Labor	Token	35/35/35	T to Ind. Hill T from Ind. Hill Sept. or Oct. 1932
Steel, Lucy V.	March 18, 1896	31 as of May 6, 1927	House wife	Token	31/31/31	T to Ind. Hill; T from Ind. Hill Sept. or Oct. 20, 1932
Cebula, M. [entire line crossed out]	Nov. 17, 1912	23 as of July 30, 1935	Farmer	Token	16/16/16	
Shultis, P.J.	Apr. 11, 1909	27 as of Oct. 2, 1936	Labor	Token	25/25/25	
Sholtes, John J.	May 17, 1892	54 as of Sept. 30, 1947	Labor	Token	19/19/19	
Shetly, Harold C.	Apr. 22, 1930	21 as of May 19, 1951	Brick layor	Token	15/10/2	
Simmons, Julian S.	June 17, 1911	39	Givt [Govt?] m[e]chanic	Token	11/6/6	
Shelton, Bettie	Feb. 2, 1928	n.g. [23] as of Aug. 30, 1951	House wife	Canova	23/2/2	
Taylor, Robert	Nov. 16, 1913	26 as of Aug. 1, 1939	Merchan[t?]	Joplin	26/26/3	T from Joplin to Token 30 Jun 1943

Name	Birthdate	Age as of Registration Date	Occupation	Residence	Yrs. in State/Co./Precinct	Transferred (T)
Van dorn, Bennie W.	March 2, 1899	32 as of Apr. 28, 1931	House wife	Cherry dale, Arlington Co.	11/11/11	T from Cherry Dale, Arlington Co., Va Oct. 4, 1944
Van dorn, Francis	May 6, 1899	21 as of Oct. 1, 1920	Farmer	n.g.	21/21/21	T from Cherry dale, Arlington Co. 4 Oct 1944
Warren, William [Notation: Dead]	June 3, 1867	36 as of Sept. 19, 1903	Farmer	Token	36/36/12	
Winfield, W.M. [Notation: Dead]	June 16, 1898	23 as of May 16, 1922	Farmer	Token	15/1/1	
Wheaton, W.W. [Notation: Dead]	1871	30 as of July 23, 1923	Farmer	Token	34/34/34 [sic]	T from Brentsville 16 Jul 1927
Winfield, C.S. [Notation: Dead]	Jan. 28, 1884	44 as of July 27, 1927	Farmer	Canova	40/13/15 [sic]	
Windsor, C.E.	Aug. 13, 1902	25 as of Apr.? 7, 1928	Farmer	Token	25/25/4	
Wheaton, Jas. Or Jos. H.	Oct. 18, 1873	29 as of Sept. 19, 1903	Farmer	Canova	29/29/29	
Wheaton, W.W. [entire line crossed out]	1871	30 as of July 23, 1923	Farmer	Near Hoadly [should be for next line]	38/38/38 [sic; should be for next line]	
Wolf, Geo. C.	July 2, 1889	38 as of Aug. 1, 1927	Labor	Near Hoadly	38/38/38	T from Occoquan Dist. Hoadly Prec. To Token Prec. Coles Dist. 1931
Whitmore, W. P.	March 6, 1902	32 as of Sept. 25, 1934	Suaraor [surveyor?]	Canova	3/3/1	T to Woodstock Va.
Winfield, Bessie	March 9, 1888	48 as of Oct. 3, 1936	House wife	Canova	28/22/22	
Winfield, Scut [Scot]	Feb. 5, 1914	22 as of Oct. 3, 1936	Labor	Canova	22/22/22	

Name	Birthdate	Age as of Registration Date	Occupation	Residence	Yrs. in State/Co./Precinct	Transferred (T)
Whitmore,	July 25,	37 as of July	House wife	Canova	37/37/6	T to
Margrette	1902	28, 1939				Woodstock Va.
Wyatt, J.M.	March 30, 1884	59 as of June 17, 1943	Farmer	Token	25/6/1	
Wyatt, Mrs.	Feb. 1,	57 as of June	House wife	Token	25/6/1	
M.D.	1885	17, 1943				
Wood,	Sep. 15,	44 as of	Labor	Token	4/4/4	
Marice C.	1898	Aug. 3, 1943				
Wyatt, John	March 11,	22 as of July	Helper	Token	11/8/8	
R.	1908	29, 1930				
Whelon,	Sept. 2,	61 as of	Farmer	Pr. Wm.	61/40/40	
G.W.	1881	Aug. 3, 1943		County		
[Notation:						
Dead]						

ONLY WOMAN IN PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY TO BE ARRESTED BY FEDERALS DURING THE CIVIL WAR.

RELIC has photocopies of the *Applications to the Manassas Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy in Virginia July 21, 1896-June 1928*¹ taken from originals in the possession of the Chapter in 1997. The application of Ada Davis and her daughter, Viola Davis (Mrs. Proffitt) [application numbers 111 and 112], daughter and granddaughter, respectively, of Capt. Lucian A. Davis, 4th Virginia Regiment, Company A, is especially interesting when they tell the story about their mother/grandmother who remained in Prince William County during the war. [BRV]

My mother/grandmother [Emma Williams Davis²] suffered the indignity of being the only lady of her county, arrested by the Federals, charged with holding communications with the enemy. The said enemy being her husband. She was carried to Alexandria and detained for several weeks; became very ill; and was finally released from captivity by the kind offices of Mrs. Holland (who had British protection) and brought back to relatives in Prince William County.

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¹ Index to these Applications can be found at Prince William Public Library System's Digital Library http://www.pwcgov.org/library/digitalLibrary/historic_records.htm under Historic Records, click on Manassas Chapter, UDC, 1896-1928.

² Full name of mother given in Ada Davis's obituary. Turner, Ronald Ray, *Prince William County Virginia 1900-1930 Obituaries* (1996) 75.

DUMFRIES DISTRICT COURT LAND CAUSES 1793-1811

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In Court August 7th 1801. The Surveyors platt and report and the Report of the [Page 140] Commissioners appointed to set apart the Dower of the Defendant Lucy M^cDANIEL in the lands of her late husband W^m M^cDANIEL dec^d being Returned to the Court and this cause coming on this day to be heard by Consent upon hearing the Bill answers and the said platt and reports the Court doth adjudge order and decree that the said platt and reports be recorded and Confirmed and that the said Lucy M^cDANIEL hold and enjoy the Lands and premises in the said report assigned and set apart for her dower in the Lands of her late husband Wm M^cDANIEL dec^d in the said platt and reports mentioned And it is further decreed and ordered that the Plaintiff SMOCK shall have Liberty to remove from the said dower land any rails or fencing which he may have put on the said Land and also his crop now growing on the same, and further that the Deft. Lucy M^cDANIEL and those legally claming the said dower Land under her shall have full and free liberty of ingress and egress on the other land of the Estate of the s^d W^m M^cDANIEL dec^d to the spring on the same adjacent to the said Dower land to take and Carry away water from the said spring for the use of the persons or families which do now or may hereafter Reside on the said dower land and it is further ordered that each party pay their own Costs incurred in the prosecution & defence of this suit here.

[End of McDANIEL vs. McDANIEL]

[Page 141] [Marginalia] HORTON & al^s vs. HORTON adm^s Pleas before the Commonwealths Justices of the peace for the county of Prince William on the 3^d day of February 1802.

Be it Remembered that heretofore to Wit, On the 16th Day of February 1798 Margaret [sic, but see below where her name is given as Elizabeth] HORTON and others sued out of the said Court a certain Subpoena in Chancery against The admors. of Snowden HORTON Dec^d in these words to wit,

The Commonwealth of Virginia to the Sheriff of Prince William County Greeting. We Command you to Summon William HORTON and Craven HORTON admors of Snowden HORTON dec^d to appear before the Justices of our said County Court at the Court house thereof on the first day of March Court next to answer a bill in Chancery exhibited against them by Margaret HORTON relict of Snowden HORTON dec^d James GREEN and Frances his wife late Frances HORTON, Craven MADDUX, Martin MADDUX, Elizabeth MADDUX, Fanney MADDUX Frankey MADDUX, Thomas MADDUX, Snowden MADDUX William MADDUX, Darkey MADDUX and Margaret MADDUX, children and Representatives of Margaret MADDUX formerly Margaret HORTON by William MADDUX their father and next

¹ Note that "Fanney MADDUX" is not mentioned in the later list. Frankey and Fanney are both nicknames for Frances. It is likely they are one and the same person.

friend; And this they shall in no wise omit under the penalty of £100 each & have then there this writ. Witness John WILLIAMS Clerk of our said County Court this 16^{th} February 1798 & in the 22^{nd} Year of our foundation.

John WILLIAMS

Sheriffs Return -- Executed Philip WARDER D[eputy].S[heriff].

[Page 142] At Rules held in the office March, April, May[,] June & July 1798 Continued for Bills

At d[itt]o August 1798 Bill and Answers filed Which Said Bill and Answers are in the following Words and figures to Wit

To the Worshipful Court of Prince William in Chancery Setting [sic]

Humbly Complaining shew unto your Worships your oratrix Elizabeth² HORTON Widow and Relict of Snowden HORTON decd James GREEN and Frances his wife late Frances HORTON daughter of the said decedant & Craven MADDUX Martin MADDUX, Elizabeth MADDUX Frankey MADDUX Thomas MADDUX, Snowden MADDUX, Wm MADDUX, Darkey MADDUX & Margaret MADDUX Children of Margaret MADDUX late Margaret HORTON daughter of the afores^d Snowden by Wm MADDUX their father & next friend that the aforesaid Snowden HORTON departed this life on or about the 15th of Nov. in the Year 1797 Intestate as your Orators & oratrix's believe being at the Time of his death seized & possessed of a Certain [struck through] Considerable real & personal Estate, They further shew that William HORTON & Craven HORTON Sons of the aforesaid Snowden who they pray may be made defendants to this Bill have as your orator's have heard & believe taken upon them the administration of the said Estate & possessed themselves thereon. Your Orators further Shew that they are advised that the Complaintant Elizabeth Widow of the said Snowden

as aforesaid is entitled to one third part of the said Snowden's Estate as her Dower & that the Residue thereof ought to be divided between the Rest of the complainants & the Defendants into four equal parts of which the above named Children of Margaret MADDUX late Margaret HORTON are intitled to one James GREEN & Frances his wife late Frances HORTON to another & the Defendants W^m & Craven to the other two. Nevertheless the said Defendants Combining & confederating with certain persons unknown to your orators whose names When discovered they pray may be inserted with apt Words to charge them, refuse refuse [sic] to assign Dower to the Widow as afores^d & to make any distribution of the residuum of the said Snowdens Estate. In Tender consideration whereof & for as much as your Orators & Oratrix's are remidiless [remediless] in the premises by the strict rules of Law & cannot without the Aid of the Worshipful Court obtain a distribution of the said Estate To the and therefore that the said Defendants may full & perfect answer make to the premises & matters herein before set forth as fully as if they were here again Repeated, and more particularly that they may set forth & declare Whether the aforesaid Snowden HORTON did not depart this life at or about the time herein before Stated Without Will and that they may set forth a full and particular account of the personal Estate of the said Snowden & in whose hands the same now is and that they may be Compelled by a decree of this Court to make an assignment of Dower

 2 Note that her given name has been changed from Margaret to Elizabeth. Elizabeth is apparently correct.

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[Page 144] Dower & Division of the Estate of the said Snowden according to Equity & Good Conscience and that your Orators and Oratrixs may have such further & other relief as their

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L. DADE P.Q.³

The Joint and Several Answers of William HORTON & Craven HORTON to a Bill of Complaint exhibited against them in this Worshipful Court by Elizabeth HORTON relict of Snowden HORTON & others Complainants. These defendants saving to themselves all exceptions to the said Bill for Answer thereunto say. That it is true that Snowden HORTON their father departed this life on or about the 15th day of Nov^{r.} in the Year 1797 & intestate as they believe as it is in the Bill of Complaint Stated. They admit that the said Snowden departed this life being seized & possessed of a considerable real & personal Estate, and that they have taken the administration of the said Estate upon themselves & have possessed themselves thereof defendants admit that the Complainant Elizabeth Widow as afores^d is entitled to her dower in the said Estate & that the other Complainants are also entitled to a distributary share thereof They deny all combination &c. & pray that commissioners may be appointed by the Worshipful Court, to set apart the said Elizabeths Dower & to divide the Residue of the said Estate between the other Complainants & these Defendants after setting the accounts of their

[Page 145] Administration and that Equity may be done in the premises.

At Rules held in the Office Sept^r 1798 General Replication and set for Decree.

At Court Continued and held for s^d County the 9th day of November 1798. Upon hearing the bill & answers it is decreed and ordered that Moses MOSS, William WYATT Davis

³ Pro querente: "For the plaintiff."

BLACKWELL and James FOSTER or any three of them do settle the estate Acct of those defendts and lay off one third part of the real and personal Estate of Snowden HORTON dec^d for Elizabeth HORTON Widow of the said Snowden and that they divide the Residue of the said Estate into four equal parts assigning one part to the Complts Craven MADDUX, Martin MADDUX, Snowden MADDUX, Eliz^a MADDUX, Frankey MADDUX, Thomas MADDUX, William MADDUX, Darkey MADDUX and Margaret MADDUX children & Representatives of Margaret MADDUX late Margaret HORTON, another part to James GREEN and Frances his wife late Frances HORTON, another part to William HORTON one of the Defendants and another part to Craven HORTON the other Defendant, by proper and particular descriptions and boundaries and report to the Court in order for [word struck out] to a final decree in this cause.

April Court 1799 Continued for Report.

May Court " Continued.

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At a Court held for s^d County the 1st day of February 1802. A Report of the Commissioners appointed to Divide the Estate of Snowden HORTON decd was returned to the Court and ordered to be Recorded.

At a Court Cont^d and held for afs^d County the 2nd day of Feb^y 1802. A Report of

[Page 146] of the Commissioners appointed by an Interlocutory decree in this cause to divide the Estate and settle the estate account of Snowden HORTON dec^d was returned to the Court and ordered to be filed among the papers and the order made Yesterday directing the same to be recorded is Rescinded.

The Commissioners Report is in the following Words and Figures to wit.

By a decree of the Worshipfull Court of Prince William County we the subscribers being appointed to Settle and divid[e] the Estate of Snowden HORTON dec^d have done it in manner following this 17th day of January 1800.

To Proved Acct paid Richard GILL	5. 19. 11
To proved Acct paid George SMITH	5. 9. 3
To proved Acct paid STEWART & MUSCHETT	14. 7. 5
To proved Acct paid William LEGG	1. 1. 6
To proved Acct paid James ROBINSON	- 19. 0
To proved Acct paid Joseph MINTER	1. 14. 3
To paid Henry Dade HOOE for fees p ^r Rect	10. 12. 6
To paid Richard GILL p ^r rect	3. 5. $10^{1/2}$
To paid Thomas BROOKS p ^r rect	82. 11. 11 ½
To paid John WIGGINTON for Taxes & Levyes p ^r Rect	8. 17. 0
To proved Acct paid Thomas ROACH	- 8. 0
To paid Thomas ROACH p ^r 2 Rect ^s	6 . 17. 9

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To paid Langhorne DADE p ^r rect To paid William LEGG as Cryer at the Sale To paid Leonard HART for Plank To paid Thomas BROOKS p ^r Acct To paid Kendal MOSS for John WATSON To proved Acct paid William BRADFORD To paid George WILLIAMS p ^r Acct & Rect To proved Acct paid T. BRUNDIGE for Postage of Papers To paid James MUSCHETT p ^r rect & rect To paid D ^o D ^o p ^r Acct To paid John COOKE p ^r Acct To proved Acct paid John WATSON To paid William SMITH p ^r Acct To proved A/c p ^d Thomas CATON To paid Timothy BRUNDIGE for Sundries To paid Sundry persons to the amt p ^r Acct To Commissioners for Setling Account and dividing the Estate	3. 12. 0 - 12. 0 - 18. 0 10. 9. 4 9. 10. 0 - 10. 6 1. 6. 0 - 9. 8 2. 5. 9 5. 13. 0 1. 7. 3 23. 17. 6 2. 13.10½ - 5. 0 10. 6. 9½ 31. 11.10½ 4. 10. 0
[Page 147] By Timothy BRUNDIGE for Wheat & Tob ^o sold him to the Amount	386. 4. 71/2
By Alexander HENDERSONs Bond for £200	300. 1. 772
with Interest from 17 th Aug 1797 }	229. 0. 0
By cash Inventoried	111. 0. 0
	======================================
Deduct for Craven HORTON the Ninth	$726. \ 4. \ 7\frac{1}{2}$
part of £386.4.7 as Overseer \ 42. 18. 3\\\2	
Deduct for D ^o the Ninth part of 67	
Bushels Wheat made use of at 9/ 3. 7. 0	46. 5. 3½
=======	=======
	679. 19. 4
By Valuation of Negroes to the Amount	770. 0.0
By Amount of Sales of the personal Estate	395. 6.0
	1045 5 4
Deduct for Cash paid as p ^r debit 252.	1845. 5. 4 3. 2½
Deduct for Cash paid as p deon 232.	J. 2/2 ========
	1593. 2. $2\frac{1}{2}^4$
	=======
Divide 1/3 of 1593.2.1½ for M ^{rs} Elizabeth HORTON } £531. 0. 8½	
1/4 of 2/3 to William MADDUX['s]	
Children by his Wife Margaret \ 265. 10. 4\frac{1}{4}	
¹ / ₄ to James GREEN & Wife Frances 265. 10. 4 ¹ / ₄	

⁴ Note a penny difference between the total assets and the amount distributed.

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¹ / ₄ to William HORTONs heirs ⁵ ¹ / ₄ to Craven HORTON		5. 10. 5. 10.		
	1593	. 2.	1½	
M ^{rs} Elizabeth HORTON Portion of the Estate Negroes Jack £ 80 Rose £27. Hannah £25 } Noll [Nell?Moll?] & Child £60 Young Sam £ 60} Articles Bought at the Sale }	===		===	252. 0. 0 60. 2. 0
Due M ^{rs} HORTON				312. 2. 0 218.18. 8½
			£	531. 0. 8½
William MADDUX for his children by his wife Margret. Negroes Adam £70. Old Milly £25 Young do £25 Articles bought at the Sale Cash Received of the Executors			=	120. 0. 0 85. 3. 6 60. 0. 0 ================================
Due the heirs of Margaret MADDU	JX			265. 10. 4 ¹ / ₄ ====================================
James GREEN for his Wife Frances Negroes Ben £65. Hester £60 Moses £13 Articles Bo ^t at the Sale 1 Stallfed Stear Cash Received of the Executors				128. 0. [0] 98. 9. [0] 11. 0. [0] 53. 10. 1
Over paid and due the Executors				290. 19. 1 25. 8. 8[¹ / ₄ ?]
				£ 265. 10. 4 ½
[Page 148] William HORTON heirs Portion Negroes Harry £80 Phebe £20 Nan £25 Articles Bo ^t at the Sale 1 stall fed Stear Cash Received of the Executors				125. 0. 0 36. 13. 0 10. 10. 0 44. 2. 0

⁵ Apparently son William HORTON died between Nov. 1798 and Feb. 1802.

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Due the heirs of William HORTON	216. 5. 0 49. 5. 4 ¹ / ₄
	265. 10. 41/4
Craven HORTON Portion	
Negroes Mary £60 Fan £65 Sam £20	145. 0. 0
Articles Bought at the Sale	91. 0. 6
4 Fatt Muttons	2. 8. 0
	=======
	283. 8. 6
Due	27. 1. 101/4
	=======
	265. 10. $4\frac{1}{4}$

We have divided the Land among the several heirs as will appear by a Survey made by Henry Dade HOOE.

[signed] David BLACKWELL William WYATT Moses MOSS

[Page 149] And next here At a Court Con[vene]^d & held for aforesaid County on aforesaid 3rd Day of February 1802.

The Report of the Commissioners appointed by this Court to settle the Estate accounts and divide the Real and personal Estate of Snowden HORTON deceased and the Report and survey of the Surveyor being Returned and this cause coming on to be heard on Bill answer exhibits and Report It is adjudged ordered and decreed that the said Report of the Commissioners and the survey and report of the Surveyor be Received Confirmed and taken as part of this decree and that the same be held final and obligatory as to their Respective shares portion and distribution therein mentioned on the parties to this cause, and it is further ordered and decreed that each party pay their own costs expended in this suit.

[End of HORTON etal vs. HORTON's Administrators]

[To be continued]

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