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Presidents Message

Our first year of organization is behind us, and I am pleased to report that we have accomplished much individually and for the county. The support from all has been magnanimous, and I thank you.

Membership dues are payable January 1998. I would welcome your comments about our society at this time. It has been my concern, and that of the board, that your genealogical needs are met. The programs have been varied and chosen to enhance our knowledge of the times in which our ancestors lived. In my opinion, genealogy is the study of history through our ancestors. Dates of birth, marriage, and death are cold numbers. Our ancestors can be known to us by informing ourselves about those events surrounding their lives and activities.

With this in mind, please attend the meetings, share your knowledge, and let us know your ancestor search needs.

Merry Christmas

Joan Kanter
President

I would like to pass on a little poem that I found in my hometown newspaper.

If you should see your ancestors
    all standing in a row
    would you maybe find a few
    that you would not want to know?

Now turn that question around
    and take another view.
If you should meet them face to face
    would they be proud of you?

Several genealogical help books, such as Cemeteries of Gloucester and Mathews, The Hamond Robins Papers, Gloucester Co. printed census records are kept behind the desk in the Gloucester Library. You must ask to see these books.

The vertical file is increasing with family information. Please give whatever you may have, no matter how small; that may be the one link that someone is looking for. So please share!
The Gwynn Family of Gwynn's Island
And Gloucester County Virginia

Some of the following was taken from an account written by Ransom Gwynn in 1851, in which he credits William H. Hudgins for most of his information. I have done follow up research and added to this family. Unfortunately the majority of this can not be documented.

Appreciation to Elsie Gwynn Dame for information on her family. To Rosland, Edward and Wilford Mitch for information on Gwynnsville. To E.J. Ward for sharing her husband's Hudgins family. And Sylvia Rowe for allowing me to compare notes on the Gwynns.

I will start this line with Owen Gwyn although the line has been researched further. I feel that when you get into royalty there's already enough documentation.

Sir. Owen Gwyn
born - 1500's Gwyndir Castle
married Grace Williams
children
1. Hugh Gwyn

The Gwynn's were reported to have landed in Jamestown in 1610.

#1 Sir Hugh Gwyn 1st.
The son of Sir. Owen Gwyn
born - 1585 in Milford Haven, Wales.
died - about 1654 at 69 yrs. of age.

He was a direct decedent of Caratacus, King of Cymbeline <Welch King of Britain>
He served in the house of Burgess from York Co. in 1639. And as a justice in 1641. And was in the house of Burgess again in 1646.

Hugh Gwin, Gent. received two large land grants for the transportation of passengers from Europe. One for 1,000 ac. in 1635 Plank. River vicinity of Queens Creek for transporting of twenty persons.
In 1642 he received 1700 ac. near the mouth of Port Reaver, up Milford Haven to Stingray Bay.

Hugh Gwyn 1st. received
married Ann
children
1. Hugh 2nd.
2. Elizabeth
3. John

*John Gwyn Rev.
Min. of Ware Parish in 1672 - 74 and Abingdon Parish 1664 - 88

son Edmund Gwyn
born -
died - 1753
was given approval to run an ordinary in 1679, located across from the Botetourt Building.
He deeded land in the Courthouse to the county of Gloucester in Feb. 1679.
In 1769 Sarah and John Rootes petitioned to break the entail on 500 and 50 ac. of land that was descended to them from Edmund Gwyn. This property was purchased by John Fox.

In 1652 300 ac. to Col. Hugh Gwyn
in 1657 165 ac. Milford Haven Creek.

*Col. Hugh Gwyn 2nd.*
born - 1630 Jamestown, Va.
died - Mathews Co.
Was in the house of Burgess from Gloucester Co, in 1652.
marrined
children
1. Hugh Gwyn 3rd.
born - 1660
died - 1740 Mathews Co.
He was a vestryman of Kingston Parish in 1680.
marrined
children of Hugh 3rd.
#1. Jack <John> Gwynn
born - 1680 Kingston Parish
died - 1730 - 40?
marrined - 1720 to Mildred Read
children of Jack Gwynn

#1. daughter
marrined - Gypson Gwynn <adopted brother>
<i found no one of this name in Mathews Co. records>

#2. Hugh <Humphrey > Gwyn 4th.
born - 1710
died - 1757 47 yrs. of age.
marrined - Payton
The home of Hugh Gwynn and Miss Payton was known as "Gwynnville" originally a log house.
The present house was built before the civil war and believed to date into the 1700's.
The house built by a northern couple, the George Hilton's from New Hampshire. In 1865 the home was sold to a Dutton.
At that time there were 500 ac. During the war the home was used to shelter those of the island who's homes were destroyed. Gwynnville was owned by Edmond Fillmore Forrest who's daughter married into the Mitchem family. It was later purchased by Dorsey Mitchem in 1907 and later around 1960 by his grandson's Wilford and Edmon Mitchem the family of Stephen Mitchem

children of Hugh Gwyn

1. *Humphrey Gwyn 5th.* 1727

marrined
Frances Payton
children of Hugh Gwyn

1. *Humphrey Gwyn 5th.  1727  married   Frances Payton
2. *Richard Gwyn 1738  Sarah Ransom
3. Walter Gwyn 1740  Dorthy Reade
4. Francis Gwyn 1742  Col. Billups

Hugh married second.
Lucy Reed
children
1. Frances  William Houlder Hudgins
2. *James Robert
3. John

*Humphrey <Hugh> Gwyn
born - 1727
Died - 1795
married in 1755 Kingston Parish to Frances Payton
The daughter of Thomas Payton and Frances Elizabeth Tabb.
Thomas Payton was the son of Major Robert Peyton who was the son of
married Elizabeth Yelverton

children of Hugh and Frances

1. John  1756 - 1770  married  Mildred Ann
2. Francis  1757
3. Mildred  1759
4. Edmund  1760
5. Thomas Payton  1762
6. Martha Payton  1764
7. Humphrey  1769
8. Lucy  1771 - 1771
9. Elizabeth T.  1772
10. Mary Tabb  1774  married  Samuel Turner
11. Martha Whiting  1776
12. Lucy  1779

*James Robert
son of Hugh and Lucy
born - 1755 Mathews Co.
died - 1820
married - Ann Ranson in 1778 Kingston Parish
children of James Robert

1. Henery Gwynn
born - 1790
married Elizabeth Williams  
died - 1850  
children of Henery and Elizabeth  
1. Robert Henery Gwyn  
born - 1830 Mathews Co.  
died - Dec.26,1864 in Camp Woodland, Elima,Ny. He was a prisoner of war, and is buried in park Lawn Cemt. lot # 1251  He was said to have died of starvation.  
He mustered in on 8th. of May 1861 as a Pvt. in Capt. Thomas B. Mortorgin"s Co. A 34th. Va. Inf.  

married around 1850 to Elizabeth <Bettie> Booker  
born - 1828  
died - before July of 1860 maybe from childbirth, she was 33yrs old.  
The daughter of James and Elizabeth Booker.  

married 2nd. Gloucester Co. Lic. April 11,1861 - widower, machanic, of Mathews Co.age 34, by Rev. Steven Howard at the home of Charles C. Duval.  
to Adeline F. Bridges  
born - 1839  
died -  

daughter of Roberson Bridges and Rosy Dutton  

The 1850 Gloucester Co. census list  

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<th>Age</th>
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<td>King &amp; Queen</td>
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<td>Charles Booker</td>
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<td>Gloucester</td>
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<td>Henery T. Booker</td>
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<td>Robert H. Gwyn</td>
<td>22</td>
<td>farmer</td>
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<td>Elizabeth Gwyn</td>
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1860 Gloucester census  

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<td>Farmer</td>
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<td>Robert G. Gwyn</td>
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<tr>
<td>Indiana E. Gwyn</td>
<td>2 mo.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Elizabeth Booker</td>
<td>50</td>
<td>&lt;mother of Bettie&gt;</td>
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<tr>
<td>&lt;Elizabeth &lt;Bettie&gt; must be dead, I found no death notice&gt;</td>
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<td>children of Robert Henery and Eliza &lt;Bettie&gt; &lt;Betsy&gt;</td>
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<td>married</td>
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<td>1*.Patrick H.</td>
<td>1852</td>
<td>Roxann Acre</td>
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<td>2.*Franklyn Robert</td>
<td>1857</td>
<td>Helen L. Acre</td>
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<td>3.Indiana E.</td>
<td>1860</td>
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I was told that during the war the two boys were at the Shipyard in Seldon the Robbins home, later the home of the Nickolson's, After their father was gone. And that they were raised by a old man Richard Barron. Or by a doctor. Could that have been Dr. Charles L. Gwynn?  
The 1870 Gloucester census say's Franklyn B. Gwynn age 12, living in the home of James F. Barron. and Eliz.
1. Patrick H. Gwynn
born - 1851
died - is believed to be buried at the Shipyard.
1870 Gloucester Census list him age 19, living in the home of Pondexter Booker - farm laborer
married - 1875 in Gloucester Co. gives mother as Eliza Booker
to Roxann Acre
born - 1852
died -
daughter of William J. and Julia E. Booker Acre
children
1. Viruan B. 1878
2. Marion Carolyn. 1879

Marion Carolyn Gwyn
born - 1879
died -
moved William Henery Dunston
children
1. Hattie Marion Dunston
born - 1902
died - 1993
married - John Folks Oliver
born - Jan.2, 1897
died - July 25, 1927

2. Franklyn Robert
born - March 5, 1859
died - Oct. 21, 1924
married Gloucester Co. Nov.20,1879 by Rev. Wiatt, gives mother as Betty Booker
to Hellen L. Acre
born - Jan.2, 1859
died - July 25, 1923
daughter of William J. Acre and Julia E. Booker
children of Franklyn and Hellen married
1. Patrick Franklyn 1882 Mary Eimore Deal
2. *Samuel Level 1885 Blanch Dimmock Deal
4. Lola Inaze 1890 William Deal
5. Ruth Gallaway 1894 A.S. George Deal
Ruth died of childbirth and on her dying bed ask her husband never to remarry, as she loved him so much that she could not bear the thought of him with another woman. He never remarried. Ruth was buried with her baby in her arms. Sant George was the son of Robert Lee and Betty Robins Deal.
6. Hallie Eunice 1895 Joseph H. Robins
7. Margie Pearl 1899 Thaddeous Teagle
8. Irvin Paulin

Samuel Level Gwynn
born - April 11, 1885
died - Dec. 5, 1959
married - Blanch Dimmock Deal
daughter of

children of Samuel and Blanch
1. Samuel Tabb 1914
2. Jesse Elmo 1915
3. Sant George 1918
4. Louise Gallaway 1919
5. Patrick Fay 1921
6. Helen Franklyn 1923
7. John Morris 1926
8. Statesman Ernest 1928
9. Elsie Marie 1930
10. Joseph Dimmock 1932
11. Floyd Deal 1935 twin
12. Boyd White 1935 twin
13. Bernard Lee 1937

William Powers
never married
Lucy Dupont Oliver
Mary Jenkins
Dannie Leckey
Francis Albert
George Gun
Carolyn Richards
Agness Brown 2. Alice Rice
Thomas Earl Dame Jr.
Ruth Jenkins
died age 3yrs.
Patricia Rowe
Mary Ellen Ash 2. Gerda McGhee

The Gloucester Co. 1840 census list
James B. Gwynn
born - 1810 - 1820

grave stone at Spring Valley <a Gwynn property on Dancer's Creek near the Piankatank River> gives born - 11 Dec. 1808
died - 15 Jan. 1887
married Marie
born - 12 March 1824
died - 29 Oct. 1895

A James Gwyn owned two large tracks of land in White's Neck.

The 1840 Gloucester census list
James R. Gwynn
born - 1810 - 1820
married in 1836 to Caroline Ransone

The 1850 list
Lewis Gwynn
born - 1826
married Rosa A.
The 1870 list
Dr. Charles L. Gwynn
born - 1838
living in home of Thomas Taliaferro
in 1868 he married Margaret Booth Taliaferro
born - 1849
she was the daughter of Thomas B. and Mary M. Taliaferro
Children of Dr. Charles and Margaret
1. Mary C.
2. George E.
3. Fanny
4. Harold
5. Elizabeth

Charles and his father Charles purchased a farm on the Piankatank River from John Gwynn Jr.

Dr. Charles L. Gwynn
was the son of Charles R. and Mary Gwynn
Charles died before 1860. At that time his widow and children were living with John and Mary.
Mary gives her birth place as Maryland.

children of Charles and Mary

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<td>2</td>
<td>Dr. Charles L.</td>
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<td>Margaret B. Taliaferro</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Mary Caroline</td>
<td>1845</td>
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<td>Frank Oliver Barritt</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>George E.</td>
<td>1850</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td>Fanny</td>
<td>1853</td>
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*John T. Gwynn
born - 1833
died -
John was a merchant in Free port
Married Mary Cary Thuston
children of John and Mary
1. Mary Grace 1860
2. Hugh B. 1865

Hugh B. Gwynn
born -
served in the war of 1812 Capt.
made - Caroline Ann Tompkins
born - 1787
died - 1814
daughter of
children of Hugh B. and Caroline

1. John Tompkins Gwynn

served in the 26th. Va. Infantry C.S.A.

married Mary

son Hugh B. Gwyn

born - 1865 Gloucester Co.

John Gwynn

born

died

Pat.1686 202 ac. Kingston Parish by land of Col. Hugh dece'd.

owned lot #30 in Gloucester Town.

**Letters from John Walter Gwynn**

brother of Lucy Gwynn Sander, Alice Gwynn Halliburton, Amy Gwynn, Armfield Gwynn and Hugh B. Gwynn.

Gloucester Court House dated 12 July 1856.

Dear Aunt Santa:

Not having heard from you in so long I was uncertain whether you still lived in Richland. He informed her that she still had a few poor relations living in Old Gloucester, the garden spot of noble old Virginia. Where he had spent many happy moments in delightful association with her and Grand Ma and Aunt Pattie.

The old court house is the same place in almost every respect that it was in former years, except Capt. Halland family having left entirely at the death of the old Captain and now living in Saluda, Middlesex Co. Hester and Ellen are pretty young ladies now but unfortunately have no education.

A great many that were boys and girls when you left are grown and married: Among them are Henery Rowe, Penny Pippin and Robert Taliaferro, all of whom have wives. James Hall is also married and Cousin Bettie Gibbs was married last Jan. to Mr. Rebess of Middlesex. Miss Ann Stubblefield and James Ransone were married last year. Your old friend Mr. Newcomb has been married for two or three years to Miss Alumia Andrews, daughter of Capt. Andrews.

Poor old John Duval and Monroo Nicolson have never subjected themselves to the yoke of matrimony.

Aunt Betsy Gibbs is living at the same old place and cousin Jim stays with her but is away much of the time.

Pa is now living at the old Tan Yard in a condition of extreme poverty and scarcely makes out a lean support from the profit of a little office which he possesses.

All of the family are well except Poor old Ma. She has for several years been laboring under the ravages of incurable consumption, and rapidly approaching the final day. Amy and Lucy are quite large now. Amy is going to school in Mathews Co. and Lucy is plenty large to go but Ma's sickness prevents her from leaving home and there is no school in the neighborhood to which she can go. Some of our Mathews friends have offered to take her and send her to school but she is indispensably necessary for Ma's comfort.
I in order to support myself, am living with Mr. Thomas B. Taliaferro as a clerk for a small salary. Please let me hear from you, Uncle Tacket and Uncle Jeff.

Gloucester Court House dated Oct. 23rd. 1860.
To Uncle John R. Gwynn and Martha, Baltimore Maryland.
<Owned land in Mathews Co.>
Says that he was having great difficulty in deciding what to do with his sisters Amy and Lucy. He decided to take them to Lancaster Co. and place them under the care of Armfield, who arranged to board them at a convenient school. He thanked Aunt Martha for cloths sent for the girls and himself. And ask for a coat and pants as his present suit is of bad odor. He complains of feeling weaker and severe fevers each day. And that he may be compelled to return to Baltimore.

To sister Lucy Gwynn Sanders
Ask her to direct Mrs. Robbins to send tuition bill to Army and please wait for money owed for Alice's music.
You must manage things as well as you can at home and see that Pa is attended to. Do not feed him on fried meat all the time if you can help it. But give him vegetables and chicken now and then. Tell Aunt Annie to keep him as clean as she can and make John bring him plenty of cold water when the weather is warm. I will try to reward her for it before I die.
Give my love to Uncle Robin.

The 1860 Gloucester census list John Gwynn as merchant's clerk, at Thomas Taliaferro's age 22 yrs. And James H.W. 50 farmer along with Lucy 16 yrs. and Alice 12 yrs.

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<td>son of Jack Gwyn and Margaret</td>
<td>married Martha Lenoie</td>
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<td>married Sarah Ransom</td>
<td>married Sally Thurston</td>
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<td>children</td>
<td>married Blanchard</td>
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<td>1. Richard Ransom</td>
<td>married James Jenkins</td>
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<td>2. Humphrey</td>
<td>married Amelia Lenoie</td>
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<td>3. Sarah</td>
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<td>4. Elizabeth</td>
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<td>5. James</td>
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In 1772 Richard Gwyn and family journeyed to Danville, Pittsylvania Co. Va. not liking there, he continued on to Surry Co. North Carolina. Dissatisfied there he moved twenty miles on the Yarkin River, in Wilks Co.

He joined the army in South Carolina to fight the British. He was taken with the Yellow Fever and sent home where he died.

The widow and children were left in a sad condition in a strange land. Surrounded by Tories and Indians. They suffered many indignities, such as, feather beds destroyed and feathers strewn along the roads. The revolution passed and peace returned. A Col. Cleaveland was sent to round up all the Tories who had collected their forces in the Blue Ridge Mountains, some fifteen miles away. Every man to pass unmolested among the Wigs must have a pass from Col. Cleveland. Who decided one day to capture the Tories. Leaving their horse to hunt them down. But to no avail, upon returning to find their horses scattered, the fat Col. sat down and
ordered his men "to find the horses". The Tories, who were concealed in the bushes, then captured the Col. H was ordered to wright passes to lawfully pass among the Wigs. They stationed a man to shoot him as soon as he was finished writing. The gun was raised as the Col. was on the last line, when his men returned. The captured Torie was taken to the Yarkan River, and there in a field plowing was a young boy. He was told to bring his plow lines to the Wigs, with them the unfortunate man was hanged. That little boy was James Gwynn! In 1841 there came a flood and the bones of the hanged man were exposed.

Col. Thomas Lenoir from Camden, South Carolina came through Wilks County and called on the widow of Richard Gwynn. A marriage followed! Richard Ransom the oldest son married the daughter of Col. Lenoir, as well as James who also married Amelia another daughter. James died in 1850 and Amelia in 1848. The children of James Gwynn and Amelia Lenoir married
1. Ransom Elizabeth Shepard
2. Margret Davidson
3. Elizabeth Martin Hunt
4. Sarah
5. Richard
6. Martha
7. Lenoira
8. Hugh
9. Amelia

< This was taken from the Hudgins Paper and I could find no records to confirm or disprove it >
< I found no wills made by any Gwynn in this timeframe, or deeds to or from these people.

Hugh Gwynn 2nd.
born -
died -
moved - Kingston Parish to Lucy Reed

children of Hugh 2nd. and Lucy married
1. James
2. John Gwynn
   also died a bachelor and gave all that he had to a stranger.
3. Mary Francis Gwynn
   born -
died -
   buried - On first lane after Gwynn's Island Cemt.

married -* William Houlder Hudgen 1st.
born - 1738 Kingston Parish, Va.
died - Dec.12, 1815. age 77 yrs. at "Clifton" Mathews, Co. Va.
buried - "Clifton"
William Houlder was sent to England to be educated under the guidance of his grandparents, the Hudgins.
After the death of his mother. He returned to Virginia in 1768, after serving in the Royal Navy. He built "Clifton", a most stately home, of twenty two rooms. He operated a shipyard at Milford Haven.
He was a member of the house of Delegates of Va. representing Gloucester and Mathews Co. 1790 - 1796.

Will of Houlder Hudgins 2nd.
Written March 8,1866 - Probated Aug. 10th.1868 Mathews Co. Va.
Names wife Julia to receive one third of all my estate during her natural life.
To sell real estate in Hanover and Gloucester Counties.
Children Charles H. by my second wife Elizabeth V. And Mary G. by my third wife Julia.
All of my remaining estate to be divided among my two children.

Will of Houlder Hudgins 1st.
Being week and low in body but perfect mind and memory.
I lend to my beloved wife Harriotte two thirds of the land being in Elizabeth City, also 20 of my slaves
In part - When first written in 1815 he list wife as Harriote and children Houlder, 500 ac. including my
mansion house. - Robert, all my land in Mathews except plantain I purchased of William Hayes. John L.,
Thomas, Mary Winder, all property in Middlesex. 127 ac. in York Co. - Ariaian Vaughan, 550 ac. in
Elizabeth City. Charlotte, William H., Robert, and Nancy Berry.
<another will of Mary E. Gayle gives her estate to her sister Harriote Hudgins in repayment for care received
Grandson Houlder Hudgins, son of John L. Hudgins.

Will of William Houlder Hudgins
Written on Feb. 7th. 1815 probated Jan. 9th. 1871 Mathews Co. Va.
I William H., Hudgins being sick and week but of sound mind.
In part, as long as my daughter Martha Gayle shall remain to live separate from John Gayle and not allowing
the said John Gayle to live with her and do not receive him as her husband. If she should ever marry again my wish
and desire is that she shall profit from her shire. And after her death I give it to be equally devided among all the
children that my daughter Martha may have by her second husband.

My daughter Frances wife of Jacob Blake. At her death I will the estate be equally devided among all her
children. My son Walter Hudgins the remainder of my land, slaves and stock duering his natural life, but if the
said Walter Hudgins undertakes to sell or dispose of any part of the same, my executors shall take possession of
said property and hire it out for the benefit of the said Walter. I Walter should have lawful issue or children
lawfully begotten they shall receive the estate.

After the death of my beloved wife, < no name > the slaves that were her dower be devided between Frances
Blake and Walter Hudgins.
children of William H. Hudgen 1st. and Harriotte
1. William H.
2. Thomas
3. John L.
4. Houlder 11
5. Robert
6. Nancy Berry
7. Arinda Vaughurn
8. Mary Winder
9. Charolotte

children of Frances Gwynn and William Houlder Hudgen 2nd.  married
1. Martha *  John Gayle - Thomas Edwards
2. Frances *  Jacob Blake - Henery Diggs - Omega Billups
3. Walter Gwynn  Ann Willis Hudgen

children of William Houlder and Elizabeth V.
1. Charles H.

children of William Houlder and Julia.
1. Mary G.

1. Martha Hudgins
children of Martha and John Gayle
1. Louisa Gayle
married - Robert Braxton

2. Frances Hudgins
children of Frances and Omega
1. Walter Scott
2. Adelaid

3. John Walter Gwynn Hudgins
born - 1773?
died - 1849
married -
children
1. William Houlder 3rd.  18
2. Robert Elliott *  1828
4. Martha Payton  1841

William Houlder Hudgen 3nd.
born -
died - 1895

married
* Mary Braxton
never married
Robert Edwards

Tabb
married - Mary Braxton
daughter of Augustine Braxton

Minute book #6 pg. 61
Deed from William H. Hudgins and Mary H. V. to heirs of Thomas Ranier = 50 ac. of land in Piankitank district, a portion of the Hesse Farm which was conveyed by Hudgins to Amos Ranier <deed was destroyed dated 10, March 1890.

children of William H. and Mary
1. Walter
2. Mary
3. Augustine
4. Florence
5. Frances
6. Carolina
7. Virginia
8. William Houlder 3rd.
9. Irene
10. Rowena
11. Clifford
12. Ann Willis

Robert Elliott Hudgins
born - May 19, 1828
died - July 26, 1906
buried - Gwynn's Island
He served in the Civil War
married -
born -
died -
children
1. Virgil G.
2. Lucy
3. Gwynn
4. Robert E.
5. Linneus Gwynn
6. Annie
7. Elliott
8. Walter Gwynn

#3. Gypson Gwynn <adopted son of Jack Gwynn>
married - Frances Gwynn
I could find no information at all on these two.

*William Houlder Hudgins
son of William Hudgen
born - 1702 England
died - 1771 Virginia
married - in England Mary Ann Holder
born - England
died - Virginia
William emigrated to Virginia in 1743. He owned a portion of "Hesse Plantation", purchased from Capt. John Armistead. He subsequently owned all the land surrounding Hesse.

children of William and Mary
1. William Houlder 1735
2. Robert Baptist minister

William married 2nd. Johnnah Dreggs
born -
died -

children of Johannah
1. *Anothey 1757
2. Millie 1759
3. William Houlder 1761
4. Sarah

*Anothey Hudgins
born - 1757
died - 1847
married - Sarah Hundley
daughter of James and Mary Hundley
children of Anthoney and Sarah

1. William Jan.23, 1779
2. Anothney Jr. 1781 Patsy
3. Diggis 1786
4. Peter 1787
4. Sarah 1791
5. Mary 1793

*Anthoney Jr.
born -
died -
marrted Patsy
children of Anthoney and Patsy

1. *Samuel D. Susan Brooks
2. Martha A. Minter
3. Henery

4. Sands 1817
< Will of Sands Hudgins dated 1894 list sons A.F. - Charles - A.R. >

*Samuel D. Hudgins
born -
marrted Susan Brooks
children of Samuel D. and Susan
married
1. Vitalius Washington
2. Cloumbas B.
3. Henery J.
4. Virginia A. 1831 - 1832
5. Elizabeth S.
6. Vicortia S.
7. Exter C.
8. Rhuhemmer T.

*William Hudgen was the son of
Robert Hudgen
born - 1660
died -
marrird - Charlotte Lewis
of England and Wales.
daughter of Henery Lewis and Elizabeth Vaughan
children of Robert and Charlotte
1. William 1702 - 1771
2. John 1705 - 1784
3. Lewis 1706 - 1799
5. Ariadra

Edmond Gwynn
son of Rev. John Gwynn Rector of Ware and Abingdon Parishes.
in 1679 Edmond Gwynn was given approval to run an ordinary that was located across from the Botetourt Building.
in 1684 Edmund Gwyn received Pat. for 200 ac.
in 1779 he purchased land in the court house area that had descended to John and Sarah Roots in 1769 containing 500 and 50 ac. Sold to John Fox for 900 pds.
In the same year he deeded to the county land that is believed to be where the present old court house is located.

The 1850 Gloucester Co. census list

William Gwyn 37  P. Meth. Clergy
Mary H. 33
William H. 8
John A. 6
Robert A. 4
Samuel W. 2
The William Callis Pension Appellation

Mathews County Virginia

On the 8th. day of May 1834, personally appeared before me, A.W. Braxton, a justice of the court of Mathews Co. William Callis, a resident of the county of Mathews and state of Virginia, aged 69 years. Who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following dictation in order to obtain the benefit of the act of congress passed June 7th. 1832; That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as here in stated. I entered the service in 1780 by order of Sir John Payton, Colonel, to Houlder Hudgins, Captain, to enlist me. I was called out to Cricket Hill and served a tour of duty for three months in 1781. I was called out in like order for two months in the same year, called out when all the Gloucester Militia was called out to Gloucester Town. I marched to Gloucester court house and from there to Hubards old field, then marched to Seawells old field and then down to Gloucester Town, where we had a very severe engagement in that tour of duty. I served three months in 1782. I was called out under Houlder Hudgins at the guard house of Cricket Hill and served a tour of two months. in the same year called out in like order at the same place under the same officers and served a tour of duty for two months and a half. I served all the time as a private and for such service I claim a pension. # 0336

Ripped-------------------Kingston Parish when called into service. I have lived ever since I was called into service as a militia man. I never received no written discharge. I was equaited with Col. Barwell, Col Payton, Col Cary. I can prove my service by Gabril Hughes and Hugh Hudgins who can also testify to my character.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

William Callis       Robert Y. Hundly

We Hugh Hudgins and Gabril Hughes, residing in the county of Mathews do here by certify that we are well acquainted with William Callis, who has subscribed and sworn to the above declaration, that we believe him to be 69 years of age, that he is reputed and believed in the neighborhood where he resides to have been a soldier in the revolutionary war and that we concur in that opinion.

Hugh Hudgins
Gab'l Hughes

#0341 Personally appeared before me, a justice of the peace in and for the county of Mathews and state of Virginia, William Callis who being duly sworn according to law disposeth and said that the reason of his being called out at Cricket Hill to duty at different times mentioned in his declaration that he made before a justice of the court in consequence of bodily infirmity. In order to obtain a pension from the united states on the 8th. of May 1834 is as follows!

In the early part of the Revolutionary War 1777 as well as I recollect, Lord Dunmore came and took possession of "Guyn's" Island and settled his fleet there, Guyn's Island lay on the Chesaspeak Bay opposite Cricket H.
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All the old people that are now living that was in the Revolution know that there was a stand of guard at Cricket Hill and Point Comfort. Whilst we were stationed at the guard house at Cricket Hill we had many little engagements with the barges when they would attempt to land on our shore, the number of them I do not recollect. The reason I was called out to Gloucester Town, Cornwallis was at Yorktown with his fleet and we marched down to drive them off where we had a very severe engagement. We left some men at the guard house at Cricket Hill to guard that place.

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William x Callis

mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me a justice of the peace in and for the county aforesaid. Given under my hand and seal this the 25th. day of June 1834.

Houlder Hudgins J.P.

Virginia
Mathews County
I Shepard G. Miller clerk of the county court of Mathews do hereby certify that Houlder Hudgins Esquire who's hand and seal are annexed to the forgoing affidavit is a justice of the peace in the county aforesaid, duly commissioned and qualified and that his signature annexed appears to be genuine.

in testimony whereof I have set my hand and applied the seal of the said court the 25th. day of June 1834.

Shepard G. Miller C.C.
Christmas in Mathews and Gloucester Counties in the year 1847.

Exercts taken from letters written by Adam Foster in the year 1847 to his daughter Cynthia, who later married Francis Sorrell Claxton. While he visited with his daughter Ellen Foster Tabb. Third wife of Dr.Henery Wynn Tabb, during the Christmas holidays.

These letters written one hundred and sixty years ago are descriptive of a time of pleasurable and splendid social life in the patrician homes some thirty miles from Williamsburg. They also give a glimpse of conditions in which their hired help and slaves lived, in comparison to the splendor of the plantation owner.

< I have taken the liberty of shortening these letters>

Auburn. Mathews County Virginia

Dear Cynthia,

Now something about Ellen's home. The proprietors of more than half of the plantations are related to Dr. Tabb, and the most friendly intercourse exist between all of them. Everyone keeps a carriage and horses and visiting is kept up every day of the year. I have been to a good many parties and seldom have returned to "Auburn" to sleep.

The plantation of Dr. Tabb is kept in fine order and is more pleasantly located than any in the two counties. "Auburn" contains about 1100 acres, 700 of which are under cultivation, and the balance well wooded. The approach to the mansion house is very beautiful, and the view from the house itself is as fine as can be expected from flat scenery.

The dwelling house contains four large rooms in the story. The northwest room is the parlor, the northeast the dining room, separated from the parlor by folding doors; The southeast Ellen's chamber; and the southwest serves the purpose of a hall, with a staircase winding to the four rooms upon the second floor. These are not as large as below, owing to the wide entry which they open upon, running through the building from north to south. There is a third floor with rooms of lower ceiling, from which two glass doors open upon the north parapets. The Dr. has it in contemplation to put a corresponding wing upon the west side for a greenhouse.

The parlor is handsomely furnished with a sofa, center table, two card tables, piano, chairs <some with cushions>, Brussels carpet, costly hearth rug, brass fender, stuffed stools and etc. There are five portraits, one of Miss Van Bibber, his first wife, and Miss Tompkins, his second wife. Both very handsome woman. The other is of W. Hubard, Esq. brother -in-law to Dr. Tabb. <And husband of Martha Tabb>

The dining room contains a large sideboard, bookcase, tables and etc.
Ellen's room is furnished with every convenience for a chamber -maghogany wardrobe, bureau, a large comfortable bed with white dimity curtains.
In the southeast hall hangs three landscapes in watercolors, drawn by Miss Van Bibber.

The house itself is a very fine one, built of brick and painted with light olive color, the windows large and with ornate caps and stilts of marble. The house itself cost about $10,000.

East of the dwelling house at Auburn, stands a two story brick building, painted like the first, in which is the kitchen and rooms for servants.

Sense I have been in Virginia, I do not remember that I have heard the words Negro or slave used at all. The colored population are uniformly called servants. They live very comfortably. Each one has a half pound of bacon and a pint of molasses or whiskey a day and about a peck of meal a week. They are also furnished with comfortable houses and clothing and well taken care of when sick. Besides these necessaries of life they have a garden to each dwelling and keep poultry as they please. After work they fish and oyster.

So much for Ellen's home, over which she is the mistress, and I am happy to say that she and her husband are devoted to each other.

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In addition to the Auburn Estate, the doctor owns a plantation called Oaklands, containing about 1100 acres. This was originally a part of the great Van Bibber property.

His three daughters will probably have a portion of the Popular Grove Estate which now is owned by Mrs Tompkins, the mother of his second wife. He is one of thirty gentlemen who owne about 30,000 acres of the Dismal Swamp.

Still of his surviving brothers, he who has the largest wealth, Capt. Phillip E. Tabb, the owner of Waverly, followed the seas, and is much richer than the Doctor. But his brother John Tabb, formally a wealthy and distinguished merchant at Norfolk, is richer than all the relatives put together. Dr. Tabb is the youngest.

These pages are written in great haste, but I hope will afford you some pleasure. Send everything to Mary inclosed in an envelope, ask her to keep them until my return. The next letter will be devoted to personal matter.

Truly and affectionately,
Adam Foster

Jan. 12, 1847

Dear Cynthia,

I can not take leave of Auburn without saying something about Mr. Saunders, the overseer of the estate and Miss Betsy Thomas, the housekeeper. Dr. Tabb pays his overseer $150.00 per annum and furnish him with a decent dwelling, a horse and cow. He also receives a better supply of rations of pork and meal and a larger garden, than the slaves do. Miss Betsy is paid $3.00 per month.

Henery and Phill <two colored servants> attend the table, bring in the wood, and other things around the house. Isable and another black woman attend Ellen and the girls.
The Doctor I think is somewhat extravagant about his table. I told him one day "they cooked enough food for a regiment of soldiers" I suppose this owing to the frequent visits which are made from one plantation to another. His two youngest daughters, Sally and Patty, are under the charge of a governess. Mary Ellise spends some of her time also, with her grandmother at Popular Grove. Then we often have four at the table upon witch you will find, perhaps, a round of beef, a roast saddle of mutton, a boiled ham, beef steak and oysters cooked in a variety of ways, with dessert and wine.

I arrived at Auburn on Sunday the 20th of Dec.. On Tuesday was the first party of the season. It was given by Dr. Tabb. The rooms were decorated with Holly and other evergreen, and every lamp and candlestick was put in requisition. In addition to which, narrow strips of boards were placed over passages, perforated with holes to hold additional lights. It was like an illumination. The party began to assemble about 7:00 and the dancing, eating and drinking, were kept up until 2:00 in the morning. Sue I think was the bell of the party, and Ellen looked remarkably well. Susan wore a pink satin dress, and Ellen her embroidered muslin. The cook, Ant Lucy begged to see her mistress and upon seeing her said "missie only wanted two wings and she would fly away like an angle.

On the 25th of Dec. we all went to an evening party at Glenroy the seat of William P. Smith, Esq., where the same scene was acted over again. Ellen wore her rose colored silk and Susan her white and pink lace <the party dress I gave to her for a Christmas present>. That night we all slept at Waverly the seat of Capt. Phillip Tabb, rather than ride around the head of the North River to Auburn. On the 25th. we attended church, it itself was quite a curiosity, it is 200 years old and stands in a grove of Pines. And has a stone floor. <Abingdon>

Our party <all relatives> then rode to White Marsh the residence of John Tabb, Esq., to partake of a family dinner and hospitality of that elegant estate. I had heard a great deal about the wealth of Mr. Tabb and Susan had written about the garden greenhouses, and silver goblets lined with gold. The one half, however, had not be told. Before arriving at the home you ride through miles of park like grounds. The house sits on an eminence overlooking all the property, from the Severn River to the Ware.

The dinner table groaned under the load of good things. But the spacious room could not contain all the relatives.
The Tea, as is the custom here, was carried around in the parlor. From which a door leads to a greenhouse filled with Camellias and other choice plants.

Music and dancing were kept up until midnight. One of the best chambers was reserved for Dr. Tabb and Elle. And a very good one was occupied by myself.

In the morning we had a sumptuous breakfast which gave Mrs. Tabb an opportunity to display her silver and gold. Before we left, Ellen and I strolled through the garden and another conservatory near the house. Here we were joined by the three brothers, John, Phillip and Henery W. Mr. Tabb is the oldest and enjoys tolerable good health. He keeps off the gout by being in his saddle from breakfast to dinner time. Capt. Phillip Tabb is somewhat of an invalid and goes to a fox hunt in a buggy. The Dr. enjoys the best health. Ellen's dress at White Marsh was blue and gold silk. Susan's striped silk, both very becoming.

Send this to Mary.

Truly and Etc.
A. Foster
Dear Cynthia,

I shall reserve the description of the splendidly furnished parlor and other attractions of White Mars until I see you, regretting also that you could not have listened with me to the playing of Miss Matilda Lee <of Mrs Tabb> accompanied by herself upon a harp which cost $1100.00. Mr. Tabb put into Miss Lee's stocking a $100.00 note for a Christmas present.

On the 30th. I attended a party given at Cowslip Green, the residence of Alexander Taliaferro, Esq. Ellen and Susan remained at home, as two carriages drove up with visitors to Auburn at about 12:00 o'clock. Mrs. Taliaferro has a reputation of preparing the best preserves in the neighborhood, and they were furnished very liberally to her guest. The dinner was first rate. The evening was so pleasant that some of the company took a row upon the water. Returned to Auburn about 10:00 pm.

On the 1st. of January we all attended one of the gayest parties of the season at Waverly, home of Capt. Phil Tabb. It was a dinner and evening party, the dancing continued until 2:00 in the morning, when we rode to Auburn. At Capt. Tabb's I was instructed in the making of egg nog. I danced more upon this evening than I have done in years. Ellen wore her white lawn and Susan her Christmas party dress.

When at Capt. Tabbs I was invited to join a hunting party on the following day. Early in the morning of the 2nd Mr. Tabb drove to Auburn in his buggy for the same purpose, and after partaking of a good breakfast we started in a conoe for Elmington home of Mr. John Tabb <nephew of the Doctor>. After being supplied with horses we assembled at Glenroy home of William P. Smith, Esq. A good day was had by all. After dark, Mr. Tabb and the Doctor and Myself took a conoe for Auburn. After tea we took a game of whist, when I almost fell asleep at the table from fatigue.

(Seddon)

All of the visitors from other parts of the state have now left, and I shall leave in a day or two. Miss Martha L. has gone to Richmond, to make her debut. One of her dresses cost $75.00 and a head dress $11.00. The sweet and lovely Susan Taliaferro <daughter of Warner Taliaferro and Leah Seldon> has gone to Washington. She stays with her uncle, Mr. Seldon, a member of congress. Great preparations were made for this lady. Susan said that she carried twelve dresses, namely, one black embroidered silk, one white silk, one blue, one gold, one pearl gray, one raw silk, one pink tulle, one tartan, one cashmere, one purple cashmere and one magnificent party dress and coat.

Tomorrow I expect to leave for Poplar Grove where we take the packet for Norfolk. Susan will go with me. She expects to spend three or four weeks in Baltimore to see her friends. Perhaps go to Mrs. Archer's school until July. Miss Sallie Tabb goes there.

Will write again upon arrival at Philadelphia. Love to all.

Truly and affectionately

A. Foster

Ellen Foster had been a school mate of Dr. Tabb and his first wife's daughter Mary Elise. Dr. Tabb and Ellen Foster had three daughters.

1. Cynthia married Capt. John Newstead Tabb Sanders
2. Sussie Vandrepool
3. Ellen died young
4. Martha died young
5.
Cynthia Foster
died - 11 June 1878
married Col. Frances Sorrel Claxton
born - Maryland
died - Jan.1874
son of Commodore Axelandre Claxton, USN. and Rodolphine
who died at sea March 7, 1841.
buried - Oct.28 1843.

He was member of the American cancle in Moscow 1857-1861.
In Paris, France as of Dec.24th.1867. Where he was appointed administrator of the estate of his younger brother,
Alexandre Claxton Jr.
one daughter - Estelle Claxton
all are buried in lot #137, area 1, Green Mont Cemt. Baltimore Maryland.

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Shipbuilding in Mathews County

Mathews county was the shipbuilding center of Virginia until the civil war. In the 18th. and 19th. centuries over 1000 vessels were built in the county. The early ships were built to carry tobacco to England. Some Mathews built vessels carried as many as 28 cannons and served as naval war ships. Others sailed as Pirate and slave ships.

From 1650 to 1775 the most important crop grown in Mathews co. was tobacco. Kingston Parish was the site of many tobacco warehouses, most along the East River. Poplar Grove containing 745 ac. was one such place, containing a store, a water mill and warehouse. As well as a customs office. Later a wharf was built.

Some emigrants from England who came to Kingston Parish in the late 1600's and early 1700's as shipwrights were the Gayles, Billups and Hudgins.

In 1740 Hugh Gwynn was captain of the Ruby on several voyages to the West Endies. He brought back rum, sugar, oranges and spices to grace the tables of Gwynn's Island. In 1749 he built the Betty and Jenny in Milford Haven for further use in the highly profitable trade with the West Endies.

In 1766 Hugh Gwynn and Humphrey Keeble designed and built the faster schooner vessel James.

Other shipbuilders were John Brownley, Lewis Hudgins and Hunley Gayle. As well as Gregrey Williams, James Roy, Thomas Smith, Joshua Gayle and Henery Diggs.

There were so many ships traveling up and down the Chesapeake Bay that the New Point Comfort Lighthouse was commissioned by Thomas Jefferson's administration in 1806.

For use in the Revolutionary War, local shipbuilders produced the largest vessel of the state navy. The Gloucester. The Montezuma and Globe was built by Hunley Gayle.

In 1861, when Virginia seceded from the union, a prominent shipbuilder on the North River was Gabriel Miller. He built the gunboat Mobjack, designed by Fontaine Maury.

< taken from a booklet of the Mathews Historical Society.>

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If you are interested in participating, contact one of the co-chairs or just come to the next meeting. Locations will be announced.

Meeting dates for 1998:
21 January 10:00AM Wednesday
21 March 10:00AM Saturday
12 May 7:00PM Tuesday
15 July 10:00AM Wednesday
19 September 10:00AM Saturday
17 November 7:00PM Tuesday

Topics:
1) On-line access to the Virginia and North Carolina Archives.
2) Good genealogy sites on the Web and how to find and exchange information.
3) Family Tree Maker program—types of Reports and the Book Format.
4) Use and access to Census Records for building and confirming your database.
5) How to put photographs into your documents.

Purpose: Our specific interest is to use computer technology for genealogy work. This can involve searching for information, storing data, writing accounts about family, recording sources (bibliography), and finally, publishing the results of our genealogy efforts.

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NOTICE: Our next Society Meeting is 23 February 1998
at 10:00AM at Abingdon Episcopal Church Parish House.

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Gloucester Genealogical Society of Virginia
RE: Creative Memories Workshop for January 12, 1998, 10AM-2PM at Abingdon Episcopal Church Parish house.

Confirm your reservation: Send your check for $10 each, made out to Janet Thrush, and mail to Jean Pruden, 4262 Wigeon Circle, Gloucester, VA, 23061. Questions: Call her at 693-7565. Maximum—14 people. (May be five places left).

WORKSHOP PREPARATIONS

CONGRATULATIONS on your decision to attend a workshop and get a fast, solid start on your album project! I know you’ll be glad you did.

To take total advantage of your time at the Workshop and make lots of progress, please prepare as follows:

* Choose and bring only the photos you want in the album you’ll be working on and place them in chronological order. I’d suggest at least 75-100 photos your first time. By making these decisions at home, you won’t waste your time here on that effort.

* Keep in mind you don’t need ALL the photos for an album to get started—just a portion that includes the photos and memorabilia for specific time period; the pages can be moved/inserted in the correct location within a book at a later time.

* The second step is to start at the beginning of your chosen photos and separate them in stacks that will be on a single page together. I suggest 5-8 photos per page, depending on size and ‘cropability’.

* Place each stack/page in a separate envelope and plan to bring 10-12 envelopes to your first Workshop. This way all the decisions have been made and you’ll simply proceed with each page, using special tools and quick/easy/cute ideas from Shoptalk, me, Idea Layout Book, Idea picture file, and other participants!