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President's Message

Asked for a personal photo to accompany the President's message for June, I couldn't find one. As family photographer, I found pictures of my family, my flowers and my dog, Maggie. There are early studio photos of me at significant phases of my life and with my children. But, in recent years I am more interested in the



grandchildren and their poses. Has that happened to you? Framed photos are crowding the corner cabinet with several generations smiling, serious or in a group for a special event; In a word, family. Hopefully, you will enjoy the photo of me with my two grandsons born in the Old Dominion (I have another grandson who was born in the Land of Lincoln) and that it brings the message to you of why we search and record our family histories. Our society, by its constitution, by-laws and logo has stressed the family. Genealogy, in my opinion, is the study of history through our ancestors. Each generation illuminates against the background of community and world events documented and, ultimately, published. These goals are being accomplished in our Society.

The proposed slate of officers will be elected at the annual meeting in November. The Board has been supportive and generous with their talents. The general membership has attended the meetings and become a part of all its activities. It has been a joy and an honor to serve as your organizing president, 1996-1998.

Joan C. Kanter

The People of Gloucester County Virginia in 1850

By Roger C. Davis

It can be said the Colony of Virginia had its beginning in 1607, when Jamestown was first settled. The rich, unknown wilderness extended from the Atlantic Ocean to the Mississippi River and was inhabited for the most part by Native Indian tribes. "The early settlers of Virginia came almost entirely from the Welsh Border and Southern England" ¹

A number of individuals received very large land grants and patents during the 1700's from the British King and appointed Governor. These holdings would result in large plantations and many settlements of smaller working homesteads. This "landed gentry" would become the political backbone and ruling class of the emerging democracy that would soon break ranks with England.

A lot of history transpired on Virginia soil in the 243 years from Jamestown (1607) to the 1850 Gloucester County census. "That census, the first to list the names and ages of individuals living in a household, showed a total county population of 10,509. Of this number, 4,952 were free inhabitants, with 694 of this group free black citizens; 5,557 were still in bondage."

"About 40% of white families owned slaves; only six of the 400 slaveholders were black."

"The principal occupations listed were, in order, oysterman, farmer, laborer, sailor, fisherman, and craftsman (wheelwrights, millwrights, saddle makers, harness makers, coach makers, blacksmiths)."²

Gloucester County was formed from York in 1651. ³ It was one of the original Shires in the Colony of Virginia.

Bean's research into the names of the early people who populated Gloucester showed the following per cents: English (43.8%); Scottish (20%); German (9.5%); Welsh (4.5%); Irish (3.8%); and French (7.6%) ancestry.⁴

Early names in Gloucester will be of interest. I quote from page 86 -87, Peopling of Virginia.

"The earliest land grant was to Augustine Warner in 1635; Thomas Curtis, John Jones, Hugh Gwynne, and Richard Wyatt followed in 1643, and in 1645 James Whiting and John Robins. In the following years others came such as Burwell, Kemp, Willis, Singleton, Armistead, Todd, Taliafero, Peyton, Beverly, (these two married Randolphins), Page, Throckmorton, Nicholson, Van Bibber, Byrd,

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Corbin, West, Buford, Tyler, Selden, Cooke, Lewis, Dabney, Tabb, Mann, Taylor and Sterling. Sir John Peyton, Baronet, fought in the Revolution with the rank of Colonel."

"Other names were Colonel John Washington, Fontaine, Thurston, Yates, Hughes, Lightfoot, Thornton, Buckner, Lee, Carter, Grymes, David Alexander, John Alexander, Scott, Hubbard, Duval, Ware, Cole, Montague, Cary, and Lewis." §

¹ Bean, R. Bennett, *The Peopling of Virginia*, p. v

² Rilee, Cyrus Fleming, Jr., *The 1850 Census of the 4,952 Inhabitants of Gloucester County, Virginia*

³ Bean, R. Bennett, *The Peopling of Virginia*, p. 86

⁴ *Ibid.*, p. 88

⁵ *Ibid.*, p. 87

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GGSV Vice President, Roger Davis, presents donated genealogy books to Mary Boerner for the Gloucester Library in April 1998. Event reported and photographed by Gloucester-Mathews Gazette-Journal.

WHAT THE CENSUS TELLS US ABOUT GLOUCESTER IN 1850

By Ann Earl

There were significant changes in the seventh census of the United States taken in 1850 which are of great benefit to genealogists today searching for their ancestors who lived during that time. This was the first census to list every member of the household and not just the head of the household as previously done. The number of questions asked was also expanded, providing more information about each person.

There were six census schedules in 1850: free inhabitants; slave; mortality (those who died within previous year); agriculture; manufacturing; and social statistics. Thus, we can obtain from census publications a statistical portrait of a county as well as a listing of all the people.

The population schedules of the seventh census (1850) listing all the free inhabitants in Gloucester County, VA are available on microfilm at the Gloucester Public Library, Main Street, Gloucester. Mr. Cyrus Rilee, Jr. has compiled and edited these schedules and published them in book form titled The 1850 Census of the 4,952 Free Inhabitants of Gloucester County Virginia. The paper format plus a surname index make this a very helpful reference. It, too, is available at the Gloucester Public Library.

The 1850 census population schedules of free inhabitants are arranged by dwelling number in order of visitation by the enumerator and then family number in order of visitation is given. For each person, we can learn: name; age; sex; color; profession, occupation, or trade of each male over 15; value of real estate owned; place of birth naming state, territory or country; whether married within the year; in school within the year; persons over 20 unable to read and write; and if deaf and dumb, blind, insane, idiot, pauper or convict.

In 1853, The Seventh Census of the United States: 1850. Embracing a statistical view of each of the states and territories, arranged by counties . . . was published and in 1854, Statistical view of the the United States embracing its territory, population . . . being a compendium of the seventh census . . . was published. These volumes are available in the Old Dominion University Library and provide excellent statistical tables down to the county level for information derived from the census.

The total population of Gloucester in 1850 was 10,527, a decrease from the total population in 1840 of 10,715. In 1850, there were 2,173 males and 2,117 females for a total white population of 4,290. The free colored population numbered 680 with 345 males and 335 females. There were 5,557 slaves: 2,784 males and 2,773 females.

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Statistical tables are available with age groups by color and sex. For example, there were 5 male and 3 female slaves between 90 and 100 years old and 1 female and 3 male slaves over 100 in Gloucester in 1850. The free colored population had 2 females between 90 and 100 and none over 100. There was 1 white male between 90 and 100 and no whites over 100. There was 1 white female listed as age unknown. By looking at the population schedules for Gloucester, I learned that Rosa Gregory and Grace Peyton were both 95 years old when the census was taken and the following were listed as 1 day old: John W. Bailey, Lucy F. Davenport and Mildred E. Templeman.

Most free inhabitants in Gloucester were born in Virginia but 75 were born in the United States outside Virginia and 10 were born in foreign countries.

In Gloucester during the year ending June 1, 1850, 312 births were reported to the census, divided evenly with 156 births to white and free colored population and 156 births to slave population. 38 marriages of whites were reported. 303 deaths were reported: 145 to white and free colored population and 158 to slave population.

In 1850 in Gloucester, the white and free colored population consisted of 1,006 families with 1,000 dwellings. There were 12 public schools with 13 teachers and 253 pupils. There were 7 academies and other schools with 7 teachers and 95 pupils. Families reported that 517 whites attended schools during the year: 274 males and 243 females. 1,007 free inhabitants could not read and write: 833 white (376 males, 457 females) and 174 free colored (91 males, 83 females).

There were 14 churches in Gloucester in 1850 with a seating capacity of 5,700 and a total value of \$12,835. Of these, 8 were Methodist, 4 were Baptist and 2 were Episcopal.

Gloucester had 573 farms in 1850 composed of 64,515 improved acres and 60,111 unimproved acres of land. The value of farms was \$1,526,584 with farming implements and machinery valued at \$52,810 for a total value of \$1,579,394. From the population schedules, I found that John Tabb, a 65 year old farmer, had the highest value of real estate owned at that time by any person in the county. His was listed at \$158,000.

The value of livestock on farms in Gloucester in 1850 was \$214,868 and the value of animals slaughtered was \$70,817. There were 1,010 horses; 247 asses and mules; 1,716 milch cows; 1,933 working oxen; 3,378 other cattle; 4,109 sheep; and 14,213 swine.

During the year ending June 1, 1850, Gloucester farms produced 65,551 bushels wheat; 57 bushels rye; 336,063 bushels Indian corn; 37,069 bushels oats; 575 pounds tobacco; 62 bales ginned cotton; 11,934 pounds wool; 7,057 bushels peas and beans; 10,696 bushels Irish potatoes; 19,967 bushels sweet potatoes; 795

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bushels barley; \$228 value of orchard products; 63,588 pounds butter; 4,095 tons hay; 354 pounds hops; and 1,480 pounds beeswax and honey.

Manufacturing establishments in Gloucester in 1850 employed 120 hands, had a capital of \$58,010 and an annual product of \$108,278. The value of homemade manufactures that year was \$29,104.

The 1850 census is a very valuable genealogical research source. First, locate your family on the population schedules and obtain all the data available there. Then look at the other schedules and statistical tables generated by all schedules. When writing a family history, it is important to locate your ancestor in the time and place where they lived. The census publications can assist you in doing this. §

EDUCATION

Ann Earl



Our display and workers at the Third Annual Celebrate Families at Petsworth Elementary School in February 1997.

POSTAL SERVICE, GLOUCESTER COUNTY -1850

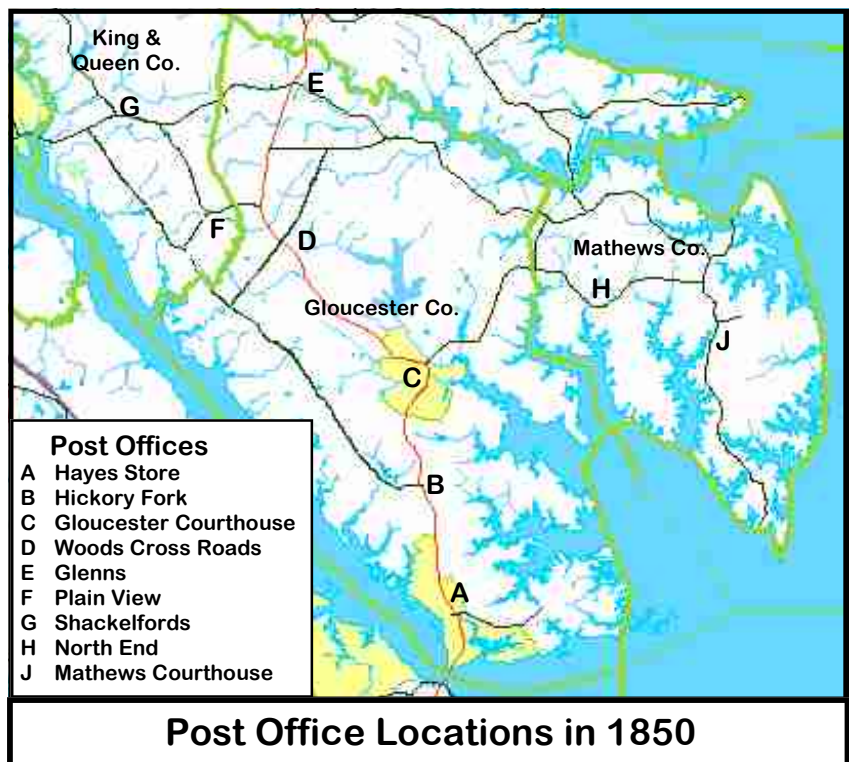
By Donald O. Dowling

The history of the postal service in Gloucester County is in large part, as in most other communities, reflective of the history of the County's development and the interest of its citizens. Ingredients which affect both the postal service and a county's development are somewhat the same. For instance, it is desirable, perhaps essential is a better word, that a majority of the citizens be able to read and write and to have need to communicate outside one's boundaries, whether to communicate with relatives, friends or on business, plus population growth is a factor. The point can be better understood by analyzing the following data.

In 1850 there were five post offices in Gloucester County listed in the following table and located on the map below:

Post Office	Date Established	Postmaster	Profession
Gloucester Court House	1795	Thomas B. Taliafero	merchant
Glenn's	1805	Matthew Glenn	lumber dealer
(Gloucestertown (Gloucester Point))	1818 (Discontinued 1820)		
Woods Cross Roads	1823	Samuel B. Chapman	merchant
Hickory Fork (now White Marsh)	1831	William H. Rowe	farmer
Hayes Store	1849	Joel Hayes	merchant/farmer

The first post office, Gloucester Court House, was located about mid-point in the County. Glenn's, established 10 years later, was located in the northernmost area. Gloucestertown, established 13 years later, was at the southernmost area but only operated less than two years. Woods Cross Roads, established five years later, was in the northern area. Woods Cross Roads was discontinued for a 6-year period and was also known as Amoryville for a 3-year period. Hickory Fork, established eight years later,



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was in the upper -southern area; and Hayes Store, established 18 years later, was in the mid-southern area. Gloucester's east, south and western (and some northern) boundaries were/are surrounded by water, so it's logical that harvesting and retailing of seafood was one of its largest occupations. The inland and mid -south to northern areas were mostly farming areas. Considering the geographical location and slow establishment of post offices, one can theorize where those characteristics mentioned in the opening statement were located within the County. It is also interesting to note that the Gloucester Point Post Office was not established until 1877 or 102 years after Gloucester Court House, or 59 years after the failed Gloucestertown Post Office.

1850 Gloucesterites who did use the postal system could for the first time purchase an adhesive stamp which was adopted in 1847, in a 5 cents and/or 10 cents denomination, which had the likeness of Benjamin Franklin and George Washington, respectively. Perforated stamps followed in 1857.

It is interesting to note the geographical concentration of professional and

Post Offices	Receipts	Salary
Gloucester Court House	\$313.50	\$240.00
Hickory Fork	\$78.26	\$61.20
Hayes Store	\$38.13	\$31.69
Glenns	\$15.90	\$14.85
Woods Cross Roads	\$25.40	\$20.61

business people as indicated by financial reports submitted by the five post offices and the Postmasters' salaries for 1850 presented by the table inset. Even then post offices attempted to be self-supporting.

Mail was received in Gloucester by several routes and schedules; however, the majority was received on Mail Route 2459 from Tappahannock, at 4 a.m., Wednesday and Saturday, south to Saluda, Glenn's and Woods Cross Roads, to Gloucester C.H., by 10 a.m., next days. 54 miles and back between 11 a.m., Monday and Thursday, and 4 p.m., next days. Mail Route 2461 from Yorktown at 9 a.m., Wednesday and Saturday, by Hayes Store, Hickory Fork, Gloucester C.H., and North End, to Mathews C.H. by 5 p.m., 31 miles and back between 7 a.m. and 3 p.m. Tuesday and Friday. Mail Route 2465 from Fleetwood Academy, after arrival of Richmond mail, say at 2 p.m., Tuesday and Friday, by King & Queen C.H., Little Plymouth, Shackelford, Plainview and Woods Cross Roads, to Gloucester C.H., by 7 p.m., next days, 62 miles and back between 7 a.m., Sunday and Thursday, and 1 p.m., next days. (The preceding was copied from list of mail routes, 1851, United States Post Office Guide.)

Sixty-five to seventy post offices have existed during Gloucester's history. Discontinuance of a great number was caused by changing times, but insufficient justification for initial establishment caused a number to close in a few years. Today 13 continue in operation.

The data in this article was researched in The National Archives and Postal History Section of U.S. Postal Service, Washington, D.C. The rationalization and opinions expressed in this article are those of the author, and to my knowledge do not reflect the opinions of any other person. I expect and would gladly welcome any

Hand-Me-Down Tales from Guinea

By

Nan (Nannie Mae) Belvin McComber

The watermen of Guinea have a long history of surviving where the water meets the land in lower Gloucester County, Virginia. They farmed the land and worked the water to feed and clothe their families. In the 1800's, working the water was often accomplished without a boat. My families of Belvins, Browns, and Bonnivilles provide examples of this style of life.

The turn of the 19th Century found my clan of Belvins ¹, Browns², and Jenkinse³ living on the lands at water's edge in Guinea. By mid-1800 they had been joined by the Bonnivilles ⁴, who were followed by the Butlers ⁵ just after the Civil War.

The Belvins, Bonnivilles, and Browns are the source of stories of life in Guinea handed down to me from my parents, uncle, and grandparents. The family ways of living changed very little until the time my father and his brother set out in their mid-teens to earn their living from the water. They were following in the footsteps of the Belvins before them who lived from the water and the land at the water's edge. My father and his brother Frank were born in early 1900, and by the early 1920's, were the first in their family to have their own boat to harvest the Guinea waters. This boat, not only supplied the means of supporting these two young men, but it allowed them to support their aging parents. The boat, though simple by today's standards, opened up a new world for my Belvin family. It provided a means of transportation for them to meet



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their future wives, two beautiful young Bonnaville ladies from Robins Neck. It gave them a chance to afford the Belvin land so their own children could enjoy the land of their ancestors. And, lastly, this boat was a bond of partnership between two brothers that lasted throughout their lifetime.

Listening to Father⁶, Mother⁷, Uncle Frank⁸, and Grandpa Joe Frank's⁹ stories was entertainment for me, but I now realize they weren't just stories -- They were a window through which I could look back at my family's way of life, to the 1850's and beyond.

My family lived as their fathers and grandfathers had lived, using the land to farm and the Guinea waters to harvest. The families had little -to-no money, but they helped each other to be fed and stay alive. Amongst this family, there was something richer -- a family bonded together with love and support. And now, to the Belvin, Bonnaville, and Brown "Hand -Me-Down" tales --

Smooth Talking My Dad

My Dad and I were sitting in my home in Falls Church, VA, when I decided this was the day to get stories about our family. He was a little hesitant to get into the details of family, so I sat down beside him, hugged him, and patted him on his arm, just like I always did as a child when I wanted something. I asked, "Daddy, who were your grandparents?" Without hesitation, he answered, "Tom and Gracie Butler¹⁰. I've told you over and over. They were Mammy's¹¹ parents." "No, no, not the Butlers. I want the Belvins," rubbing his arm all the more gently. There was a long and complete silence as I waited. To get the discussion going again, I said, "Okay, the last time we talked, you told me Grandpa Joe Belvin's¹² mother's name was Martha¹³ and her parents were George and Fanny¹⁴. What was her husband's name? Who was Grandpa Joe's daddy?" He sat a while, and I could see a long familiar expression on his face as he thought about it. Then, suddenly, he started laughing out loud and replied. "Maybe, back then, they were hatched. Maybe he didn't even know his father. You know they didn't talk of that stuff much back then." We both laughed about the hatching comment, and I finally said, "Daddy, you and I are gonna sit on this couch all day until you tell me, and then if you don't, I'm gonna keep you right here in Falls Church forever!" I knew that would get his attention because he would leave Guinea for a short while, but counted the days until he returned. Dead silence again. Then, finally, he said, "I don't know, but I think Papa's Mammy and Daddy were Jim and Martha Belvin. I think she had a brother named Ben." "Was Jim short for James?" I asked. "Nannie Mae, I don't know the difference in James and Jim. Back then, you got a name, and that's what you were called. Jim, James ... what difference did it make? No one worried about names. You were lucky to stay alive!"

Grandpa Joe Belvin's Boat

"Daddy, what kind of boat did Grandpa Joe Belvin¹⁵ and Uncle George Butler¹⁶

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have for clamming and oystering?" I asked. He looked at me as if I should know better and replied, "None, people back then didn 't need a boat to get seafood out of the Guinea waters. And, if any of them did have a boat, it would have been a little skiff or punt. And, Papa used to tell of people using dug -out logs. I think they called them dug-out canoes." "But how? For instance, how did they get the clams out of the water?" I asked. "They treaded for clams. The clams were in the creek or river mud, and people would wait for low tide. When the tide got low, they treaded until they felt the clams, picked 'em up and tossed them in the bucket." "And, oysters?" I asked. "Well, oysters were a little different. Oysters attached themselves to old logs, marsh grass, the shoreline, anything that was available, even empty shells. They were picked up along the shorelines and in shallow water. Now, that doesn't mean some of them didn't have little boats. Brother George Butler, I believe, did have a little boat just before he died, but Papa didn't. Remember, Papa didn't depend on the water for his living, but George did. Papa made what little money he had doing carpenter's work for other people. Worked himself to death tending the land too, but never sold a thing from it in his life. Planted and worked the farm for food for the family, which included a lot of families. Not just back here (now the end of Belvin Farm Road). There were many families all around us, and Mammy canned the vegetables and fruit for the winter months. There were no freezers back then. Anyone who wanted a jar of something knew where to find it. Back in those years, they came to Mammy and Papa. We always had food from the land and water, milk from the cows, and meat from the hogs and chickens. George had no way to make a living other than the water. The Shackelfords used to say George could catch more clams with his feet than anyone they had ever known. I believe, though, that George did have a little skiff, or punt, after he married Old Lady Sarah Gray¹⁷. I don't know for sure, but I think Papa helped him to build it."

"Do you think Grandpa Joe and Uncle George would be typical of families living in Guinea back then?" I asked. "Well, I would think that George, being the hard - worker he was, certainly made enough from the water to feed himself, his wife and three children... He made his living solely from the water, and mostly from clamming. As far as I knew, he always sold to the Shackelfords. You know, we lost George from the 'old timey flu' in 1918. Just couldn't save him. As for Papa, the little he made came from his carpenter's work. He may have sold a few clams or oysters, but the little he got from the water, I believe he brought home to feed the family or anyone else that needed it."

The Butterfish Rake

I often wondered how butterfish were harvested since they were always in short supply, and when cooked, all my family considered them a delicacy, something very special. So, I asked my Dad how they were caught. "Caught? They weren't caught. Clams are actually easier to get than the butterfish. You can tread the mud and feel a clam, but the butterfish, you watch for the bubble when he breathes. The clams, you can just stoop down and pick them up, but not those butterfish. He'll sink right back in the mud if you're not fast, and the only thing to get him with is a

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butterfish rake. Frank and I, as children and young men, would spend most of a day trying for those things and come home with less than a bucket full. Enough for a meal and a few to share with someone else. Good eating though, but I don't remember anyone selling them, except maybe neighbors to neighbors. No commercial buying that I know of."

The Fishmongers

One day my Mom fascinated me by telling how her Grandpa Billy Brown ¹⁸ sold fish from a two-wheeled cart along the road to the courthouse. "How did he do that?" I asked. "Well, as you know, Grandpa Billy lived right down there at Munges Creek (now Munday's Creek). He would start his day out at the creek, catching anything he could, fish, clams, oysters, butterfish. Anything he could put a price on and sell on the road to make a living. By mid -morning, that poor fella would be back home from the creek loading up the cart with the day's catch to sell on the road. Once the cart was loaded, he'd set out pulling that little cart up the road. People knew he'd be coming, I guess, and they would buy the day's catch. Mostly, these were people up the road who couldn't get the seafood from the water like we could. Sometimes, he sold for money, and other times, he traded for store merchandise or things other people had that he or his family needed. All of it meant money though. He learned it from his father George Brown ¹⁹. Probably the only way they knew to make a living. Very poor people, I tell you. Grandpa Billy's father was back before the Civil War, but I was a very small child when Grandpa Billy sold fish from a cart. I can barely remember it, but Papa and Mama talked about it many times. Later on, Grandpa Billy had an old horse. I think he and his son-in-law George Hogg²⁰ owned the horse between them. As Grandpa Billy got older, he and George would gather the seafood, mostly fish, from the creek, load up the cart, hitch up the horse, and go all the way to the Courthouse most days to sell the day's catch. Those were hard times, but they made an honest living."

Many years later, I read a reprinted article by Sally Nelson Robins, which was written around 1911.* It said:

Guinea was the land of the "fisher folk", and on certain days its fish carts, heralded by conch shell trumpets, would distribute seafood along the various thoroughfares. Chief among these fish peddlers were the Browns of Guinea whose voices were almost as strong of sound as the awkward trumpet which they used, and the cooks were always at the various gates before them to buy the fish for dinner.

Possum and Snapping Turtle Delicacies

My maternal grandparents Grandpa Joe Frank ²¹ and Grandma Lou (Brown)

*Robins, Sally Nelson. "Old Article About Guinea." *Glo-Quips* (September 6, 1994), p. 13.

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Bonniville²² lived with us for a few years before Grandma Lou died, and he continued to live with us off and on for many years. I didn't know it then, but I have since found out that Grandpa Joe Frank's family came from the Eastern Shore of Virginia (Accomac County) to Guinea. After they were married, my grandparents moved from Guinea to Robins Neck. One day, Grandpa Joe Frank came to our door and told my Mom he had killed a possum and asked her if she'd cook it for him. I first thought he was kidding, but I should have known better since he definitely was not a kidder. He was a very serious person, to say the least. "Papa, I've never cooked a possum, but if you'll clean it and tell me what to do, I'll certainly try," she said. Typically, none of his children ever refused him. They always did as he asked or told. I just knew if I didn't find somewhere else to eat that night, I certainly would go without, considering I was feeling squeamish already. This was to be the first of a number of elegant feasts prepared for my Grandpa Joe Frank. Although she probably did, I can't remember my Grandma Lou eating the delicacies Grandpa Joe Frank brought home for our table. My Mom prepared the possum as instructed, "cut him up and wash him well; draw (soak) him in salt water; change the water and parboil him until tender; take him out of the pot and let him dry a little; salt, pepper, flour, and fry him just like you would a chicken." My Dad and Uncle Frank were away at James River oystering for this possum cooking episode, but there were more during their time home. I can't remember who ate what, but on possum nights I always managed to find a good meal next door at my Aunt Emma's²³.

One day, curious about these elegant meals of possums, snapping turtles, ducks, wild geese, and rabbits, so enjoyed by Grandpa Joe Frank, I asked him why he liked that stuff and where did he learn about eating it. To this, he replied, "Well, child, why not? It's good eating, so why not eat it?" No argument from me on that one! I knew better! No one questioned Grandpa Joe Frank! But, eager to know more, I said, "Well, you could be eating chickens and stuff like that." Appearing a little impatient, he replied, "Chicken is not the same. Sure chicken is good, but you know chickens were not always available, and neither was beef and pork. And, besides, they all taste different. When I was growing up, my Pappy²⁴ would come home sometimes with three or four possums or a couple of snapping turtles, and that would make us a couple of meals. With some of Mammy Indie's²⁵ hot biscuits, that's all we'd need. Times back then were not like they are today. You just couldn't go to the store and buy like you can today. Took money to buy with, and people lived on what they had around them. As a boy, my Pappy taught me early how to kill a bird with a sling-shot. When it snowed, we would open the window, throw some bread out for the birds, load our sling-shot, and pluck-em off as they came for food. If we were lucky, we had a meal for Mammy Indie to cook for us that night." "But, Grandpa, didn't it make you sad to bait the birds and kill them like that?" I asked. "What? Sad? No one thought about sad when it came to getting something to eat. Children did what they were told and asked no questions." "But, how did you keep the stuff? There was no refrigeration, right?" "Oh, we salted it if the weather was warm, and in cold weather, we set it outside."

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Guinea Medicine

Grandpa Joe Frank always had a medical treatment or a cure for any ailment. For my wasp or bee stings, he applied a piece of his "Apple" chewing tobacco; if a baby tooth needed pulling, he tied one end of a string to the tooth and the other end to a doorknob, closed the door quickly, and wham! The tooth was out; and cuts and scratches were immediately soaked in salt water or wiped with coal oil (kerosene). He always took a baking soda tonic before going to bed (cleansed the stomach); and an upset stomach or stomach disorder always called for a good dose of epsom salts. My Grandpa Joe Frank died when I was in my early 20's, but the times I had with him in my early years have taken on a different meaning. Back then, I marveled at his bizarre and antiquated habits, but now, I realize that what I saw in him had been handed down from generation to generation in our family.

As the years passed, I came to realize that my childhood and that of my Grandpa Joe Frank were very, very different. He had grown up in a time when killing the wild animals was a necessity for putting food on the table for a family, as in the days when the Eastern Shore of Virginia was nothing more than a wilderness.

Grandpa Joe Frank's Homemade Molasses

I had heard my Mom and Aunt Emma talk about the delicious molasses that my Grandpa Joe Frank made, and I wondered how he did it, especially in Gloucester, Virginia, climate. "Grandpa, is it true you grew your own sugar cane and made molasses?" I asked. "Why certainly, child. I grew my own sugar cane. Planted it; cut it, and cooked it in a big iron pot over the hot fire outside. All you have to do is keep stirring it until its done and put it in the jars. It'll keep for a long time. And, it's good! People used to wait for my molasses." "Did you sell it?" I asked. "Sell it???? Why, no! It takes a lot of cane to make a little molasses. I gave it to people. Made sure I had enough for my family and gave the rest away. That was sure good with Lulie's (wife) hot biscuits. And, add some of that good possum gravy and you've got a good meal." As a child, I thought he was kidding about the possum gravy, but now I know he was serious. He told me one time that people back then made gravy with the grease they fried the meat in and saved the gravy to make another meal.

Luxuries of the Plain Life

My Mom told me stories about her childhood trips, in her Papa's little punt, from Robins Neck to Munday's Creek in Guinea to visit with her Grandpa Billy ²⁶ and Grandma Chrissie Brown ²⁷. "One part of the house had an old floor with no covering on it, but the other part was just plain dirt," she said. "But, how could they keep warm in these conditions?" I asked. "People kept warm by the old wood stove, but times were hard. I remember Mama ²⁸ telling me a lot of the children had nothing more than a fish box to sleep in. They would put corn shucks in the fish

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boxes or half barrels, and that's what they used for children's beds and baby bassinets. As the children grew, the corn shuck mattresses were laid on the floor for them. They just didn't have enough money for beds. And, remember, these families had a lot of children. Some of them had a homemade bed frame with slats across it, and the corn shuck mattresses laid across the slats. A lot of them just slept on a pallet on the floor." "What is a pallet?" I asked. "Oh, they'd just spread a couple of quilts or old clothes down on the floor and that would make a pallet for the people to sleep on." She answered. "Did you have to sleep on that stuff?" I asked. "No, we always had a bed frame, either made of wood or iron, to sleep on. We children slept together though. And, if it was real hot in the summertime, we'd make ourselves a pallet at the door to stay cool. But, as far as I can remember, Papa and Mama always had a bed for all of us."

Punt Rides

Curious about my Mom's boat rides from Robins Neck to Guinea, I said, "I always thought you were afraid of boats and the water. How did you manage to cross that river in a little punt?" "Well, Nannie Mae, looking back on it, I suppose I was too young to know better. And, besides, if we wanted to get over to Guinea, it was the only way we had to get there. When we were in Guinea, we could make a little money. We children, Ida, Emma, Dick, and I²⁹, used to pick peas over in Guinea. If we made twenty-five cents in one day, we thought we had made a good day's work. And, Mama always liked to come back over to Guinea to see her family." "Where did Grandpa Joe Frank land the boat?" I asked. "Oh, we'd just leave from Robins Neck. We lived on the creek over there, I think it was Whittaker's Creek, very close to Lands End. Papa would herd us into the little punt, and we'd cross the water until we came to the creek landing just down the road from Grandpa Billy's. Back then, they called it Munges Creek." "Could you swim?" I asked. "Swim? Why, no! None of us could swim, not even Papa, but you always knew he'd take care of you. No matter what, he'd always take care of his children."

A Window Through Time

Grandpa Joe Belvin passed away when I was a small child, but the ways of survival on the fringes of the land and water in Guinea were passed down to him by his Grandfather George Belvin and Uncle James Green. My Dad and his younger brother Frank married two Bonnaville sisters in the late 1920's, and the three families lived in Grandpa Joe and Grandma Nannie's house for many years. Just before I was born in 1940, my Mom and Dad moved into their new home which had been built by Grandpa Joe and the two sons. The stories of the Belvin family were told to me by my Dad and Uncle Frank who inherited the Belvin land.

My Grandpa Joe Frank and Grandma Lou Bonnaville lived with us off and on for many years. Great-Grandpa Joe Henry Bonnaville was born in Guinea in mid -1800, the George Washington Bonewell family having migrated from the Eastern Shore of Virginia a little earlier. Grandma Lou came from the Billy and Chrissie Brown

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family of Munday's Creek in Guinea (known then as Munges Creek). My Great - Grandma Gracie Jenkins Butler descended from the Armistead/William Jenkins family, also in Guinea.

The mid-1850's found our beautiful Guinea waters abundant with oysters, clams, crabs, fish, and butterfish; fertile soil to grow vegetables and fruits; and land to raise cattle, horses, and hogs. The Guinea watermen were independent, self sufficient and lived their life almost as a clan unto themselves. Hard work was their forte! Honesty was their motto! Survival, under trying conditions, was simply a way of life. §

End Notes

1. George (ca 1795) and Frances "Fanny" (ca 1.795) Belvin.
2. William (ca 1792) and Susan (ca 1794) Brown.
3. Armistead (ca 1785) and Rebecca Nancy Jenkins (ca 1784); William (ca 1811) and Nancy (ca 1813) Jenkins.
4. George Washington Boneville (b 1813 Accomac Co., VA, d 1876; Gloucester Co., VA) and Nancy "Ann Foster" ROBINS Bonewell (b 1823; d 1882 Gloucester Co., VA).
5. Thomas Henry Butler (ca 1835) and Grace "Gracie" JENKINS Butler (ca 1832).
6. Joseph Henry "Dick" Belvin, Jr. (1902 -1985).
7. Mattie Lee BONNIVILLE Belvin (1910 -1994).
8. Frank Via Belvin, Sr. (1907 -1984).
9. Joseph Franklin "Joe Frank" Bonnville (1881 -1964).
10. Thomas Henry Butler (ca 1835) and Grace "Gracie" JENKINS Butler (ca 1832).
11. Nannie Missouri BUTLER Belvin (1869 -1932).
12. Joseph Henry "Joe" Belvin, Sr. (1861 -1943).
13. Martha BELVIN West (ca 1844).
14. George (ca 1795) and Frances "Fanny" (1795) Belvin.
15. Joseph Henry "Joe" Belvin (1861 -1943).
16. George Robert Butler (1888 -1918).
17. Sarah Elizabeth Gray (ca 1896, Smithfield, Isle of Wight Co., VA).
18. William "Billy" Brown (ca 1850).
19. George Brown (ca 1825).
20. George Washington Hogg (ca 1871).
21. Joseph Franklin "Joe Frank" Bonnville (1881 -1964).
22. Louisa "Lou" BROWN Bonnville (1882 -1953).
23. Emma Lou BONNIVILLE Belvin (1909 --).
24. Joseph Henry "Joe" Bonnville (1851 -1916).
25. Indianna "Indie" ROWE Bonnville (1857 -1911).
26. William "Billy" Brown (ca 1850).
27. Lucretia "Chrissie" BROWN Brown (ca 1840).
28. Louisa "Lou" BROWN Bonnville (1882 -1953).
29. Ida Mae BONNIVILLE Green (1907 -1991); Emma Lou BONNIVILLE Belvin (1909 --); Joseph William "Dick" Bonnville (1913 -1976); and Mattie Lee BONNIVILLE Belvin (1910 -1994).

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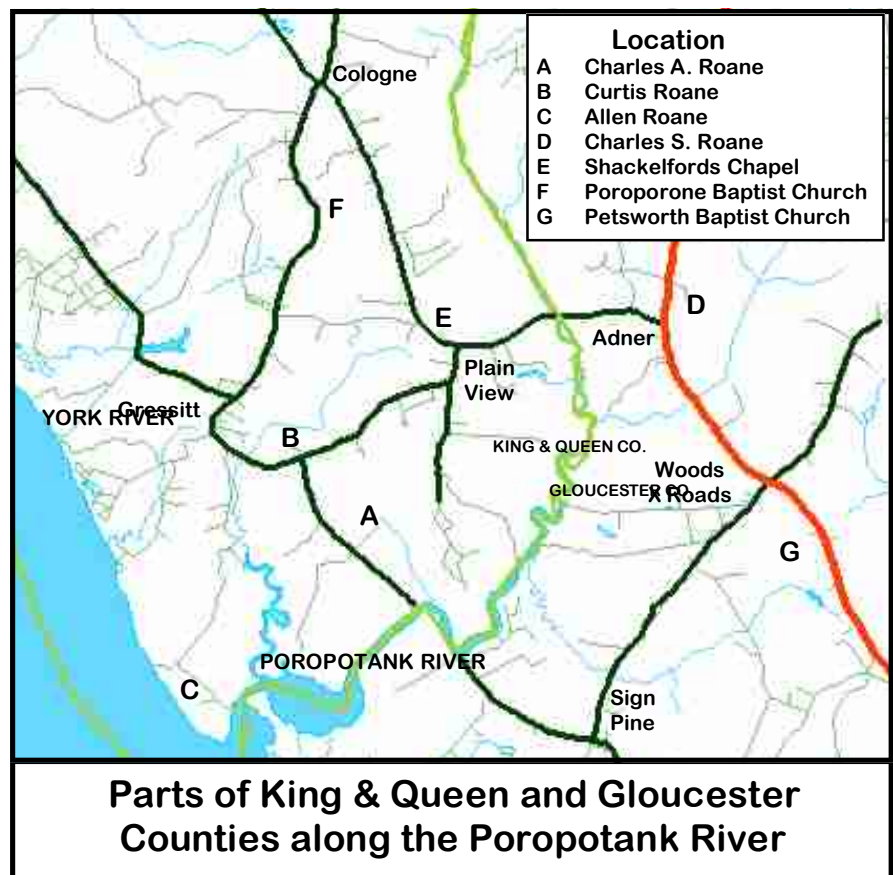
Richard A. Roane in 1850

By L. Roane Hunt

Richard A. Roane was born in Plain View, King and Queen County just north of the Poropotank River on September 18, 1842, and was eight years old when the 1850 King and Queen County census was taken. (See map below.) He was listed at #404 with his father, Charles A. Roane (Location A on map below.) His mother, Sarah Rebecca Roane, died on Oct 28, 1849, two months after the birth of her fourth child, Charles E. Roane. Richard also had an older brother, Luther, and a younger sister, Maria. Their parents, Charles and Sarah, were first cousins, the children of Charles S. Roane and Major Benjamin Roane, respectively. Their grandfather, Charles S. Roane (D), owned the Mount Prodigal Farm in Gloucester County.

The Charles A. Roane farm (A) in Plain View was 220 acres in 1850. In 1848 he added 35 acres to the land he received when he married Sarah. She had inherited the 52-acres home place “Eleven Oaks” of her father, Major Benjamin Roane, who purchased it from John Spencer, the pastor of Poroporone Baptist Church (F). Another 135 acres piece came to Sarah from her mother’s family, the Shackelfords. Sarah received the family inheritance because she was the only child of the five children of Major and Rebecca Roane that survived to adulthood. Rebecca died in 1827, and Major married his second wife, Matilda Taliaferro, in 1828. Matilda was a member of the Taliaferro family that had previously owned a major portion of land in that community. They had four children before Major died in 1837. The 1850 Census of Gloucester County showed that Matilda was keeping Maria Roane, her step-granddaughter, at #929.

Sarah Roane died at the age of 38 and left a baby boy and three older children for their father to



Richard A. Roane in 1850

raise. Later in his life, Richard remembered his mother fondly by comparing her to the biblical Sarah who was loved so deeply by Abraham, her husband.¹ Like Abraham, Sarah's name was changed when her relationship with God changed. Richard said that his mother's name was also changed from "Sarai" to Sarah like the biblical Sarah. He probably meant that she had received a spiritual change with God, not an actual name change. In 1854, Charles married Matilda Mitchell to be the mother of his children as well as his wife.

The Roane family were members of the Methodist Church, and those living at Plain View attended Shackelfords Chapel (E). The Anglican Parish churches of the colonies on both sides of the Poropotank River had closed and failed to revive following the Revolution. The Baptist had formed churches that used the old Petsworth parish church in Gloucester County and the lower Stratton Major parish church in King and Queen County. John Spencer's Poroporone Baptist Church (F) used the Stratton Major building located one mile south of Cologne until about 1881 when they moved four miles north to their present location at Shackelfords. The Petsworth Baptist Church (G) used the Petsworth parish building located south of Woods Cross Roads. Around 1850 the original Petsworth Baptist Church was dissolved and combined with the Ebenezer Baptist Church. In retrospect, it is plain to see that in 1850 the Methodist carried the Christian banner on both sides of the Poropotank River. Most of the Roanes married other members of Shackelford Chapel. Many married their own Roane cousins, and others married members of the neighborhood such as Bland, Shackelford, Anderson, Guthrie, Adams, and Corr.

The 1850 Census listed the Charles A. Roane (A) family at #404 in Plain View. The same census showed two of Charles' brothers living nearby. Allen Roane (C) was listed as an oysterman at #409 and Curtis Roane (B) was listed as a farmer at #405. Allen was probably living on the 172.5 acres located east of Plain View on the York River; his father owned it but Allen became trustee to this land in 1851. Curtis owned the 103.5 acres that he received when he married his second wife, Mary Frances Adams in 1841. Many cousins that would share in their future lives surrounded the children of Charles Roane. In 1850 Allen Roane was listed with his second wife Nancy Pollard and their children: Lucy Ann Roane who would marry Thomas Pollard Fary and Elmon "Buck" Roane who would marry Lucy Frances Bland. Allen Roane, Jr., Allen's first son by his first wife, also lived at home and would marry Virginia F. Anderson, listed at #408. Curtis Roane married Elizabeth Sarah Roane and they had one son, Lemuel Thomas Roane, who would marry Ellen Jane Bland first and then Ella Bascom Anderson. Curtis married Mary Frances Adams second and by 1850 they had a daughter, Rebecca Frances Roane, who would marry William Thomas Fary. Benjamin Curtis Roane, Jr., was born in 1852 and would marry Mary Heflyn Anderson. These children of this generation and in this rural community would soon experience war and religious experiences that would affect them and their descendants of the next generations.

Charles A. Roane kept a diary that began in the early 1850s and continued beyond the Civil War years. This diary is often referenced to describe life during

these years and Rev. Herbert Snips Turner gives some excerpts from the diary. ²

“On March 19, 1856, Charles Alexander Roane began a diary which is completed through January 1872. . . A number of his slaves are mentioned by name. . . The Negro men did the heavier work on the farm, and there are a number of references to their being hired out for work on neighboring farms. There are a number of references to ‘women scattering litter,’ ‘women scattering lime,’ ‘women scattering manure,’ ‘women grubbing,’ ‘women burning brush,’ ‘women putting up fence,’ ‘women spinning.’ When the land was ready for planting corn in the spring, women dug the holes in which the corn was dropped. Ploughing and hoeing corn and harvesting wheat occupied the spring and early summer months. Phil, George, John, and Henry are mentioned as the cradlers who cut the wheat. They also hired out, when they were not needed at home, to cut wheat.”

Turner included some references to Charles’ children,

“The two oldest boys, Luther and Richard lived a care free life, hunting and fishing, and sometimes their father went with them. The slaves also went oystering in the creek and in the York River.”

Two years before his death, Richard A. Roane wrote a spiritual last will and testament to his young children. ³ He wrote,

“Your Earthly Farther Who was once in the Flesh But Now in the Spirit of Truth. I Was Converted Near the age of 12 or 13 Twelve or thirteen Called while Fishing in a Boat in the Month of September if I Mistake not Was Converted in June whil trying to wead corn with a Hoe in my hand and Lived that Life for many years.”

These brief lines show how Richard connected special spiritual events of his life with simple farm chores.

The Charles A. Roane family Bible, in the care of Mrs. Nancy Bouvier of Maryland, contains interesting records of the family and of the “coloured family.” A parallel record was recorded for the white and coloured families in terms of births and deaths.

Births, White Family: Charles Alexander Roane was borne August 7, 1817, Sarah Rebecca Roane was borne February 25, 1821, Luther Major Roane was borne November 28, 1839, Richard Alexander Roane was borne September 18, 1842, Maria Louisa Roane was borne May 22, 1845, Charles Edward Roane was borne August 27, 1849, Matilda Frances Mitchell was borne February 23, 1835, Alton Lee Roane was borne January 26, 1855, Hamilton Mitchell Roane was borne November 2, 1857, Elva Coles Roane was borne January 21, 1860, Floyd Roane was borne December 28, 1861, Carroll Aubrey Roane was borne March 19, 1867, Linwood Roane was borne January 13, 1870.

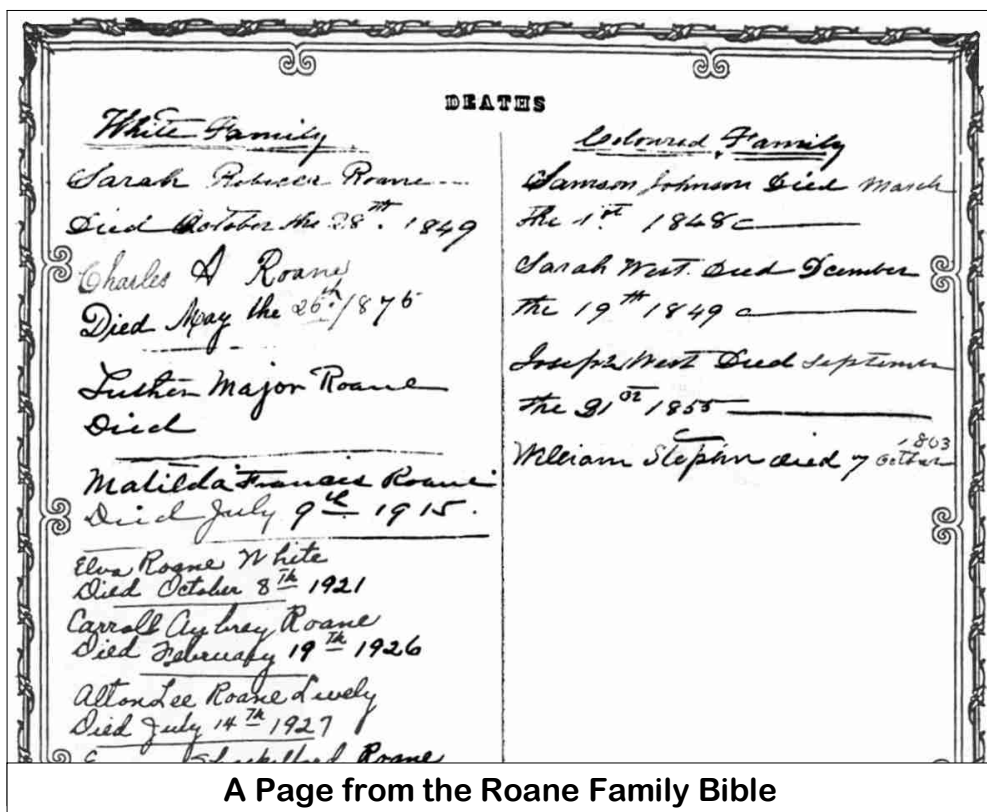
Births, Coloured Family: George Henry was borne April 1, 1806, John Taliferro was borne December 26, 1819, Sampson Johnson was borne March 17, 1822, Tabby Braxton was borne June 1826, Sarah West was borne February 28, 1827, Henry Braxton was born September 1828, William Field was borne March 1, 1832, Benjamin Thomas Braxton was borne October 6, 1846, Augustin West

Richard A. Roane in 1850

was borne April 8, 1847, Catherine Cook was borne January 15, 1843, Joseph West was borne December 2, 1849, Johnson Braxton was borne May 15, 1850, Fanny James was borne June 9, 1822, July Georgeany was borne February 2, 1846, William Stephen was borne August 18, 1861, and Jackson was borne October 1861.

Deaths White Family: Sarah Rebecca Roane died October 28, 1949, Charles A. Roane died May 26, 1876.

Deaths Coloured Family: Samson Johnson died March the 1st 1848, Sarah West died December the 19th 1849, Joseph West died September the 9th 1855, and William Stephen died October 7, 1863 (age 2).



A Page from the Roane Family Bible

These are many of the same names mentioned in Charles' diary.

Charles A. Roane described in his diary some events that would follow: the purchase of additional land and the building of a new home that was completed in the spring of 1861. He also mentioned Civil War experiences of his oldest sons. His sons, Luther and Richard, moved south into Gloucester County after the war, and they established general merchandise stores and post offices at Roanes and Seldens, along with Roanes Wharf on the Ware River. §

End Notes:

1. L. Roane Hunt, The Writings of Richard A. Roane. Jan., 1995, p. 25.
2. Jefferson Sinclair Selden, Jr., Charles Roane the Immigrant and His Wife Frances Roane.

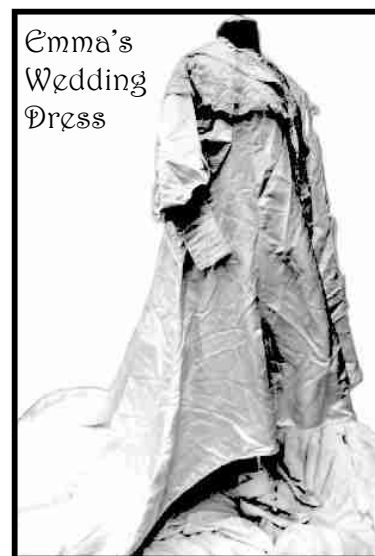
Drawn to the Water, A Tale of One City and Two Shores

The Dunn family of Mathews County and the
Martin Family of Northampton County and
Portsmouth, circa 1820-1904

By John M. Roberts

My ancestral research of Mary Ann Dunn, my great-great grandmother, led to finding Henry Dunn, her father, in Mathews County. Henry and his wife lived in Mathews county during the first part of the 1800's. Though he was a farmer, his sons were quickly drawn to the bays and inlets of the Chesapeake to earn their living. In 1840, sons Joseph, age 25 and Thomas, age 34 pay taxes to “navigate the rivers, lakes and canals of Virginia”, so they were probably either ferrying boats or harvesting seafood. Joseph and Thomas would apparently owe their living to the water for the rest of their long lives. Thomas, in 1840, is married to Maria Lloyd and they have one daughter, Sarah. They later have a son, William born about 1844, and a son John, born about 1846 in Portsmouth. Sarah would marry a Portsmouth ship carpenter, Thomas Dwyer.

By 1843 or so, Henry Dunn has apparently died and the children, including a daughter, Mary Ann Dunn, have moved to Norfolk County where she weds James Bartee, farmer, of the Tinker's Creek area. Mary Ann's brothers have moved to the area of one of the largest shipyards in the Americas, if not the largest, that is: Gosport. Apparently farming was no longer a viable means of fashioning a life for the Dunns and the water around Mathews offered less than the water around Norfolk and Portsmouth. In the 1860 census, Thomas is a “riverman” now living in Portsmouth with his wife, Maria. They are both 54 years old. Mary Ann and her daughter, Emma Jane Bartee, is living with Thomas, her brother. Emma was born in 1853 and never knew her father who, according to oral history, was killed by lightning before Emma was a year old, and indeed, personal property tax records for him end in 1853. Mary Ann fell back on her talent in sewing and supported herself as a seamstress. One of her last pieces of work, on which she and her daughter worked in 1871, is the wedding dress of Emma, which is still in the family possession (1998). Emma marries a 23 year old ship carpenter, Luther Lysander Martin, in the spring of 1871, and Mary Ann Dunn dies from tuberculosis, (consumption), in August. Luther's father's family also came to Portsmouth, around 1830.



Emma's
Wedding
Dress

It is interesting that in the movements of both the Dunn and Martin families, when the family leaves an area, the whole family seems to go. And in both cases, it is 2 brothers and a sister who move.

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The parents of Luther's father, Charles Martin, were Luke Martin and Mary Dalby, of Northampton County, Va. (This was proved through death certificates of their children which gave the parents names Luther and Mary Martin. Census records revealed that the Martins were from the Eastern Shore of Virginia. And finally, searches in Deed records and Minute Books of Northampton County turned up two deeds where Mary is mentioned. Marriage records show Mary Dalby married Luke in 1792.) Luke was also a farmer and apparently, a fisherman who, in 1820 owned Wreck Island, now a state park and barrier island in the Atlantic. I can attest personally that the oystering grounds there are still plentiful, having been there myself in 1997 by seakayak, a 16 mile trip. Though he owned Wreck (375 acres) and 59 acres near Birdsnest, Luke was not well to do, as evidenced by the special personal property tax records of 1815 levied to pay for the War of 1812. The only item taxed in his household is a chest of drawers, "not of mahogany." In most years he owns at least one horse or mule and in 1816 he is taxed for a 2 wheel carriage. In 1824 Luke sells all of his land at auction. Why? Perhaps he fell on hard times. He dies in 1831, for the minute books state that the sheriff is to dispose of his property by law, no one claiming it. By this time, the children of Luke and Mary including Charles, his brothers Thomas and James, and sister Nancy have left the eastern shore, and have mostly settled in Portsmouth where Charles works at the growing Gosport Naval Shipyard as an axman and later, carpenter. The waters around Portsmouth will be Charles' livelihood until his death in 1863 during northern occupation. A mortgage of his entire household belongings in 1858 brings unusual detail to light of their way of life, mentioning among other items two water buckets, a block, 12 plates, cups and saucers, and 3 bedsteads, (one for the couple, and one each for the three boys and three girls!).

The Civil War plays havoc with the Dunn and Martin families as both of Thomas and Maria's sons, William H., and John Thomas Dunn fight on the side of the South. William served in the Norfolk Light Artillery Blues, from 1861 to his capture at Petersburg in 1865. And John was discharged twice from the Confederate Army for being under age. A daughter, Sarah, married Thomas Dwyer, a mechanic, at the Gosport Yard. Dwyer also fought for the South, moving to North Carolina to continue in building vessels. Luther Martin, however, enlists with the U S Navy (National Archives Navy records), when the north takes Portsmouth in April, 1861 shortly after the battle of the Monitor and the Merrimac. In October, he is discharged as underage on the request of his mother. His brothers include Charles Martin Jr., blacksmith, Benjamin Martin, ship carpenter, who married Maggie Overton, Laura who married James Taylor, Ann who married George McHorney, and Margaret who married Alex McCone, a Navy Carpenter.

After the war, Luther Martin enlists in the Navy as a Naval Officer, Carpenter, a duty which carries him away to sea for almost 13 of the next 30 years. His first voyage is to Greenland to resupply the *Polaris* which is looking for the lost Hall expedition. (Hall was poisoned by Germans on board, and his body left on northern Ellesmere Island at the farthest north point reached by any vessel in that region in the last century. Hall's ship turned south, foundered, and many of the men endured a horrendous drift on ice for over 1000 miles before they were finally picked up.)

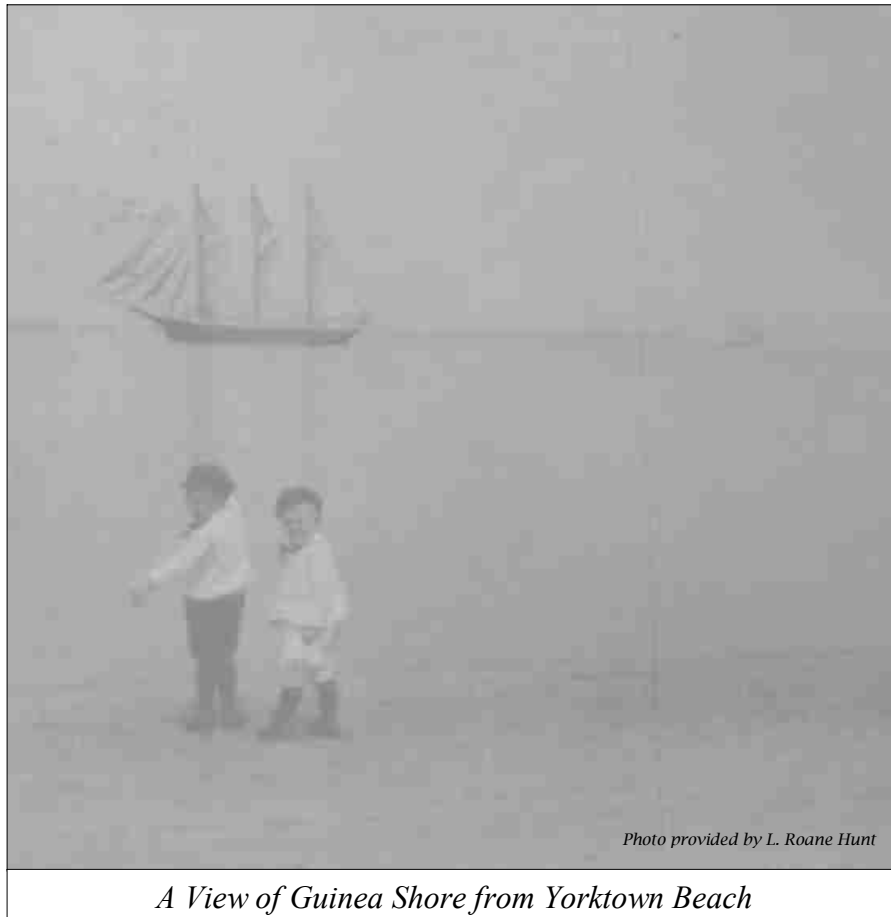
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Luther also went to Europe, the Mediterranean, South America, the Caribbean, and Alaska and California while serving in the Navy . During this time, his wife, Emma apparently leaned heavily on her uncles, the Dunns, for support during her husband's absences. In 1870 Joseph Dunn is still oystering, and his wife is Rebecca, daughter, Sarah.

Thomas Dunn, riverman and Joseph Dunn, oysterman both die in early 1901 in Portsmouth, Joseph living at the time with the Luther Martin family. The bays, rivers, and seas provided them their livelihood initially in Mathews County in 1840 and later, in the burgeoning shipyard town of Gosport - Portsmouth. The tale of both families is one of limited opportunities in the old communities and change with the growth of Norfolk - Gosport - Portsmouth. The Luther Martin family and the children's' families moved again, altogether as in the past, in 1904, when Luther was given work in the Philadelphia Navy Yard.

It would be interesting to know if these Dunns were related to the Gloucester County family of Dr. Thomas Dunn, who died in 1858. §

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Marriages of Gloucester County, Virginia. 1850's

By Frances Haywood

Geo. W. Jenkins, as 23y, farmer, s/o Edmund & Mapy Jenkins; Susan Howard, ae 22y, d/o Thomas & Martha Howard; Aug 3 1853 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins.

Philip R. Dutton, ae 26y, farmer, s/o Henry Dutton; Lucy Ann Mallory, ae 15y, of King and Queen Co VA, d/o Edward Mallory; Sept 22 1853 by Rev. Archer Bland.

Wm. T. Mouring, widower; Elizabeth Minor; Oct 6 1853 by Rev. A. F. Scott.

James H. South, ae 21y 1m, carpenter; Jane B. C. Mallory, ae 17y, d/o Edward T. Mallory; Nov 24 1853 by Rev. A. F. Scott.

Elias Dungee, ae 23y, colored, laborer, of Middlesex CO VA, Parents unknown; Julia Dungee, ae 21y, colored, d/o Mary Dungee; Dec 13 1853 by Rev. Thomas M. Hundley.

William E. Gaines, ae 34y, doctor, of Essex Co VA, s/o John & Matilda Gaines; Ann B. Callis, ae 14y, d/o Lewis B. & Elizabeth Callis; Dec 22

1853 by Rev. Archer Bland.

Elijah Jenkins; Mary Belvin, widow, Dec 20 1853 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins.

Thomas Lewis; Lavinia Bray; Dec 21 1853 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins.

Samuel B. Chapman, ae 26y, clerk, s/o Henry & Sarah C. Bristow Chapman; Harriet B. Davis, ae 16y, d/o Warner O. & Elizabeth C Bridges Davis; Dec 22 1853 by Rev. Archer Bland.

John Perrin Belvin, ae 19y, waterman, s/o John & Maria Belvin; Mary Walker, ae 16y, d/o John & Polly Walker; Jan 16 1854 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins.

Vincent Jenkins Jr, ae 22y, farmer, s/o Vincent & Dier Jenkins; Georgianna Hogg, ae 18y, d/o Warner & Susan Hogg; Jan 20 1854 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins.

Rev. John Bailey, ae 39y, minister of the gospel at M. E. Church South, of ENGLAND, s/o William & Ann Bailey; Elizabeth Lee Robins, ae 22y, d/o Joseph H. & Catharine C. Robins; Dec 20 1853 by Rev. J. H. Davis

William Norton, ae 24y; Catharine Bristow Norton, ae 22y; Jan 12 1854 by Rev. Wm. E. Davis.

James Soles, ae 35y, widower, farmer, s/o James & Lucy Bristow Soles; Harriet Didlake, ae 37y, widow, d/o Benjamin & Harriet Miller Didlake; Mar 18 1854 by Rev. Archer Bland.

Brley Coats, ae 44y, widower, farmer, s/o John S. & Jane Horseley Coats; Lucy Coats, ae 44y, widow, d/o John & Mary Puller Coats; Feb 19 1854 by Rev. Archer Bland.

John M. West, ae 23y, s/o Isaac & Harriet Roane West; Harriet A. Newcomb, ae 24y, of King and Queen Co VA, d/o John & Lucy Roane Newcomb; Apr 1 1854 by Rev. Archer Bland.

Uriah Wrotten, ae 39y, widower, farmer, of Dorchester Co MD, s/o Steavon & Elizabeth Willey Wrotten; Mary Ann Lawson, ae 33y, widow, d/o James & Eleanor Rilee Lawson; Apr 8 1854 by Rev. Archer Bland.

James H. Newcomb, ae 29y, farmer, of King and Queen Co VA, s/o William & Nancy Groom Newcomb; Hester F. Bowden, ae 19y, d/o John & Sarah Roane Bowden; June 15 1854 by Rev Archer Bland at New Hope Meeting House.

Spencer Roane, ae 21y, farmer, s/o Chas. Roane Jr. & Mary Dutton; Susan J. Adams, ae 17y, of King and Queen Co VA, d/o William F. & Lucy Deagle Adams; Apr 12 1854 by Rev. Archer Bland at Wm. F. Adams'.

Alfred Huckstep, ae 36y, widower, farmer of King Willian Co VA, s/o James S. & Elizabeth

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Jackson Huckstep; Elizabeth A. Easter, ae 23y, d/o Willian & Sary Bristow Easter; Apr 22 1854 by Rev. Archer Bland at John F. Bristow's.

Paulin A. Blackburn, ae 23y, farmer, of Middlesex Co VA, s/o Paulin A. & Ann S. Blackburn; Betty Ann Burke, ae 26y, of Caroline Co VA, d/o John M. & Sophia F. Burke; Apr 20 1854 by Rev. R. A. Christian.

Thomas r a Wise, ae 34y, widower, oysterman, of Mathews Co VA, s/o John & Sarah Wise; Diana Barbary Green, ae 40y, widow, of York VA, d/o Robert & Diana Shroud; June 3 1954 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at Wn. Dudley's.

James M. Carmines, ae 21y, oysterman, s/o Smith R. & Elizabeth M. Carmines; Margaret Ann Fosque, ae 19y, of Accomac Co VA, d/o Nathaniel & Margaret Ann Fosque; June 7 1854 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at Jane Crosswell's.

John Cary Robins, ae 22y, farmer, s/o Wm. & Elizabeth C. Robins; Fanny W. Thurston. ae 23y, d/o Chas. B. & Fanny P. Thurston; June 21 1854 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at Benjamin Seawell's

Thomas Rich Kemp, ae 23y, oyster, s/o Peter B. & Sarah Kemp; Elizabeth Seawell, ae 21y, d/o Benja. & Elizabeth Seawell; July 18 1854 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at Benja. Seawell's

James K. Horseley, ae 25y, widower, farm, s/o Kilingham & Eliza Tonlin Horseley; Martha A. Hibble, ae 26y, d/o Lewis & Elizabeth Martin Hibble; July 13 1854 by Rev. Archer Bland at John Watkins'.

Jesse H. Bloodsworth, ae 28y, waterman, of Somerset MD, s/o Nathan & Margaret Bloodsworth; Ann H. Stubblefield, ae 18y, d/o Henry & Susan Stubblefield; Aug 8 1854 by Rev. Jas. Baytop at Thomas W. Campbell's.

James H. Brown, ae 25y, farm, s/o John F. & Mary A. Brown; Lucy Ann Didlake, ae 21y, d/o Philip & Mary Ann Didlake; Sept 27 1854 by Rev. Jas. Baytop at Mrs. Frances Care's.

Henry C. Palmer, ae 54y, widower, farm, of Northumberland Co VA, s/o David & Nancy Condiff Palmer; Mary Moby Duval, ae 39y, of Tarboro N. C. d/o Francis & Elizabeth S. Curtis Duval; Oct 4 1854 by Rev. Thos. B. Evans.

Robert H. Dutton, ae 27y, farm, s/o Lorenzo & Frances F. Chapman Dutton; Mary Ann Purcell. ae 15v, d/o Jos. & Eliza Thrift Purcell; Oct 4 1854 by Rev. Archer Bland at Salem.

William B. Guthrie, ae 23y, farm, s/o Major & Martha Guthrie, of King and Queen Co VA; Susan Elizabeth Graves, ae 22y, d/o John & Frances Graves; Dec 20 1854 by Rev. William A. Robinson at Timberneck.

James H. Bentley, ae 25y, widower, ship

carpenter, s/o Jas. H. & Mary Bentley; Harriet Gayle, ae 25y, of Mathews Co Va, d/o Zelotes & Eliza Gayle; Sept 18 1855 by Rev. P. A. Peterson at Zelotes Gayle's.

Benjamin King, ae 26y, free person of color, blacksmith, s/o Benjm. Brooken & Ruthy King; --, ae 17y, free person of color, d/o Elija & Dinah Hayes; Sept 16 1855 by Rev. P. A. Peterson at Elizabeth Howard's

William Hogg, ae 45y, widower, oysterman, s/o Daniel & Catharine Hogg; Mildred Reynolds, ae 36y, widow, d/o John & Milsey Hogg; Oct 3 1855 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at Mrs. Oliver's

Robert Hill, ae 27y, ditcher, of King and Queen Co VA, s/o Robert & Virginia Hill; Elizabeth Robinson, ae 17y, d/o Louisa Robinson, father unknown; Sept 6 1855 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins

John Harvey, ae 35y, widower, oysterman, s/o Smith & Frances Harvey; Susan Robins, ae 21y, d/o Jesse & Chitty Robins; Aug 26 1855 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at Thos. Kemp's.

John Walden, ae 51y, widower, farmer, lived in King and Queen Co VA, s/o Wm. & Catharine Wiatt Walden; Louisa J. Booker, ae 30y, d/o Louis C. & Polly Ware Booker; June 28 1855 by Rev. Archer Bland at Overton Kemp's

Lewis T. Booker, ae 30y, farmer, s/o Lewis C. & Polly Ware Booker; Lucy F. Fary, ae 19y, d/o Thomas & Sarah Row Fary; Aug 22 1855 by Rev. Archer Bland at Thos. Hogg's.

James P. Mersereau, ae 22y, engaged in oyster business, of Staten Island N. Y, s/o David N. V. S. & Emma Mersereau; Emiline Lucas, ae 23y, d/o Hill & Lucy Lucas; Nov 8 1855 by Rev. P. A. Peterson at Lucy Lucas'.

James C. Graves, ae 25y, engaged in oyster business, lived in Norfolk VA, s/o John & Frances T. Graves; Susan C. Davis, ae 19y, of Mathews Co VA, d/o James & Mary B. Davis; Nov 14 1855 by Rev. P. A. Peterson at Matilda Crosswell's.

Edward Hart, ae 33y, mechanic, of New York City N. Y, s/o James & Isabella Hart; Elizabeth Catharine Hall, ae 20y, d/o Lorenzo & Catharine Hall; Dec 26 1854 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at John White's.

James Daniel White, ae 33y, mechanic, s/o Richard & Elizabeth White; Charlotte Elizabeth Wallington, ae 23y, of Nashville, Tenn, d/o Sterling & Elizabeth Wallington; Jan 2 1855 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at John White's.

John Wm. Puller, ae 21y, farmer, s/o Lawrence & Mary Puller; Emily Simcoe, ae 28y, d/o Henry & Ann Simcoe; Jan 4 1855 by Rev. W.

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S. Hawkins at William White's

Levi Thomas, ae 27y, wood cutter, s/o Levi & Elizabeth Thomas; Sarah Ann Thomas, ae 21y, d/o Jesse & Nancy Thomas; Jan 18 1855 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at Jesse Thomas'.

Wm. Revel Heywood, ae 22y, oysterman, s/o James C. & Mary Heywood; Virginia Elizabeth Hobday, ae 21y, d/o William & Ann Hobday; Jan 18 1855 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at Wm. Hobday's.

James H. Marchant, ae 23y, merchant, of Mathews Co VA, s/o Thomas & Mary Marchant; Lucy A. Dobson, ae 21y, d/o Edward & Lucy C. Dobson; Jan 22 1855 by Rev. A. F. Scott.

William Bayse, ae 26y, merchant, of Northumberland Co VA, s/o William & Harriet Bayse; E. Johnston, ae 22y, d/o Lewis F. & Ann Johnston; Feb 1 1855 by Rev. A. F. Scott.

Geo. E. Shackelford, ae 21y, saddle and harness maker, s/o Wm. & Eliza Shackelford; Martha A. Martin, ae 21y, lived with Wm. R. Stubbs, d/o John & Maria D. Martin; Mar 22 1855 by Rev. P. A. Peterson at Wm. R. Stubbs.

Joseph Coleman Tilledge, ae 31y, widower, oysterman, s/o John & Mary Ann Tilledge; Georgianna Belvin, ae 14y, of York Co VA, d/o John & Ann Belvin; Feb 22 1855 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at Thomas Oliver's.

William Olison Finis, ae 23y, seaman, s/o of Westmoreland Co VA, s/o Wm. & Catharine N. Finis; Sarah Williams, ae 22y, d/o Thos. C. & Joanna Williams; Mar 21 1855 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at Elizabeth Ambrose's.

Edward T. Beverage, ae 21y, waterman, s/o Wm. & Elizabeth Beverage; Virginia Walden, ae 25y, of Middlesex Co Va, d/o Robert & Nancy Walden; Mar 21 1855 by Rev. A. F. Scott.

William Denton, ae 22y, waterman, of ENGLAND, lived Gloucester Co VA, s/o James & Sarah Denton; Susan Ann Edwards, ae 38y, d/o John & Sarah West; Dec 11 1855 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at Mrs. Edward's

James Mattox, ae 21y, waterman, s/o John & Matilda Mattox; Mary E. Woodland, ae 19y, d/o Wm. & Mary Woodland; Dec 25 1855 by Rev. Wm. A. Robinson at Abberdeen.

W. H. Martin, ae 20y, coach maker, s/o John & Mary Martin; Mary M. Kemp, ae 17y, d/o Wm. & Mary Kemp; Jan 7 1855 by Rev. P. A. Peterson at Wm. R. Stubbs.

John L. Blake, ae 35y, widower, farmer, of Middlesex Co VA, s/o W. C. & S. P. Blake; Matilda E. Johnston, ae 30y, d/o John & Nancy Johnston; Apr 16 1855 by Rev. A. F. Scott.

John S. Brown, ae 23y, overseer (farmer), s/o

John S. & Mary A. Brown; Martha A. Pitts, ae 24y, of King and Queen Co VA, d/o Benjm. & Katharine Pitts; Aug 7 1855 by Rev. P. A. Peterson at Sam'l P. Enos'.

Robert P. Bagby, ae 50y, widower, land and pension agent, of King and Queen Co VA, lived City of Richmond VA, s/o Rich'd & Susanna Jeffries Bagby; Mary F. Cluverious, ae 35y, d/o Benjamin & Sally Cluverious; Aug 20 1855 by Rev. A. F. Scott.

James H. Bently, ae 25y, widower, ship carpenter, s/o James H. & Mary C. Bently; Harriet Gayle, ae 25y, of Mathews Co VA, d/o Zelotes & Eliza Gayle; Sept 18 1855 by Rev. P. A. Peterson at Zelotes Gayle's.

Lewis Hogg, ae 38y, farmer, s/o Lewis & Leah Hogg; Martha Ellen Hall, ae 22y, d/o Wm. Polly Hall; Oct 25 1855 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at Mrs. Polly Hall's.

Thomas Sampson Oliver, ae 44y, widower, farmer, s/o Wm. & Susan A. Oliver; Sarah Turlington, ae 26y, widow, d/o Wm. & Susan Brown; Nov 30 1855 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at William Brown's.

Eleaner Philpots, ae 23y, capt. of vessel, s/o John Philpots; Rosa A. Sale, ae 19y, of Mathews Co VA, d/o John Sail; Jan 2 1855 by Rev. Wm. Eastwood.

Waid Stubblefield, ae 33y, merchant, s/o Waid Stubblefield; Maria Leigh, ae 27y widow, d/o Dolly Hughes; July 3 1855 by Rev. Wm. Eastwood at Charter Creek.

Thomas F. A. Aherron, ae 31y, widower, lived an Caffee's Land, Capt. of vessel, s/o Thos. & Harriet Aherron; Harriet Aherron, ae 30y, lived at Thos. Hughes, d/o Frank & Malvina Stubblefield; July 18 1855 by Rev. Wm. Eastwood at Belomys Church.

Edward Belvin, ae 24y, Capt. of vessel, of York Co VA, s/o Thomas & Harriet Aherron; Harriet Aherron, ae 19y, d/o Wm. & Barriet Aherron; Oct 11 1855 by Rev. Wm. Eastwood at Belomys Chureh,

Elijah Easter, ae 21y, blacksmith, s/o Wm. & Sarah Easter; Frances Heath, ae 21y, d/o Joseph & Frances Heath; Dec 18 1855 by Rev. W. E. Davis at Oak Lawn, Gloucester VA.

Edward Williams, ae 47, widower, farmer, of Middlesex Co VA, s/o Carter & Mary Williams; Rebecea P. Guthrie, ae 39y, of Surry Co VA, d/o Henry S. & Sally Guthrie; Dec 15 1855 by Rev. A. F. Scott.

Thomas B. Montague, ae 38y, widower, farmer, of Richmond VA, s/o Wm. & S. M. Montague; M. A. B. Jones, ae 46y, widow, of King

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William Co VA, d/o Joseph & Sarah A. Pollard; Oct 28 1855 by Rev. A. F. Scott at Marlfield, Gloucester Co VA.

Cary West, ae 25y, oysterman, s/o Francis & Rachel West; Ellen V. Cox, ae 17y, of Hampton/Elizabeth City Co VA, d/o John & Susan Cox; Dec 1 1856 by Rev. Wm. E. Wiatt at Gloucester Court House VA.

Robert C. Crew, ae 22y, painter, s/o John & Miley A. Crews; Hester A. Proctor, ae 22y, d/o James H. & Elizabeth Proctor; Sept 4 1856 by Rev. J. L. Garrett at Belomys church

Robert T. Boss, ae 24y, farmer, of Middlesex Co VA. s/o John J. & M. A. Boss; Bettie G. Gibbs, ae 28y, d/o Mathew & Elizabeth Gibbs; Dec 26 1855 by Rev. A. F. Scott.

John Willis, ae 23y, farmer, of King and Queen Co Va, s/o John & Patsy Willis; Sarah E. Harwood, ae 21y, d/o Christopher & Juliet Harwood; Feb 27 1856 at Rev. Eastwood.

John A. Harwood, ae 50y, widower, farmer, s/o Horatio G. & Mary Harwood; Parke Pharley Clements, ae 23y, lived at Burley, d/o Robert G. & Jaza A. P. Clements; Dec 25 1855 by Rev. Wm. A. Robinson at Burley.

Theophilus Richardson, ae 20y, merchant, of New Kent Co VA, s/o John & Mary Richardson; Clarisa Hayes, ae 23y, d/o Joel & Margaret Hayes; Dec 6 1856 by Rev. P. A. Peterson at Woodville in Gloucester Co VA.

John A. Ward, ae 23y, seaman, of Somerset Co MD, s/o Wm. E. & Patsy Ward; Elizabeth J. Davis, ae 19y, d/o David & Frances Davis; Dec 27 1855 by Rev. H. Billups at John White's.

John W. Shackelford, ae 31y, widower, oysterman, s/o James & Mary Ann Shackelford; Matilda M. Travillian, ae 26y, d/o James & Mary Ann Travillian; Jan 25 1856 by Rev. J. L. Garrett at Mary Ann Travillian's.

Thomas W. Banks, ae 23y, farmer, s/o Wm. & Martha Banks; Margaret E. T. Baytop, ae 20y, d/o James & Lucy Baytop, Dec 25 1855 by Rev. Wm. Eastwood at James Baytop's Springfield.

James Henry Brown, ae 25y, widower, farmer, s/o John S. & Mary A. Brown; Ann Elizabeth Kiningham, ae 21y, d/o John & Nannie Kiningham; Jan 2 1856 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at Wm. Hogg's.

John William Lillaston, ae 28y, waterman, of Accomac Co VA, s/o Elijah & Ann P. Lillaston; Lucy Jane Diggs, ae 24y, d/o Alexander & Frances Diggs; Jan 25 1856 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at Alexander Diggs'.

Benjamin Michell Lewis, ae 27y, oysterman, s/o Wm. & Rebeea Lewis; Martha Allen Jenkins,

ae 20y, d/o Harwood & Susan Jenkins; Jan 31 1856 by Rev. Wm. S. Hawkins at Mr. Levis'.

Warner Washington Hern, ae 37y, widower, lumber getter, of Mathews Co VA; Elizabeth Tillege, ae 34y, widow, d/o Edmund & Fanny Tillege; Feb 17 1856 by Rev. Wm. S. Hawkins at Benja. Seawell's.

John Padgett, ae 25y, farmer, s/o John & Mary Buckner Padgett; Maria Elliot, ae 19y, d/o Richard & Mary Padgett Elliott; Feb 7 1856 by Rev. --- at Wm. Haynes.

William J. Massey, ae 20y, farmer, s/o Robert Randel & Frances L. Kemp Massey; Mary Elizabeth Bohannon, ae 20y, d/o John & Susan Hall Bohannon; Feb 7 1856 by Rev. Archer Bland at John Wilson's.

George D. Rilee, ae 26y, widower, blacksmith, s/o Thomas R. & Susan Lamberth Rilee; Sarah A. Fary, ae 22y, d/o Thomas & Sarah Row Fary; Mar 8 1856 by Rev. Archer Bland at Thomas Fary's.

Richard Hall, ae 34y, waterman, s/o John & Ann Hall; Rebecca Lewis, ae 68y, widow, d/o William & Elizabeth Pippin James; Mar 4 1856 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at Mrs. Lewis'.

Hoalder Crosswell, ae 50y, widower, farmer, s/o Wm. & Nancie Crosswell; Mary Blake, ae 35y, widow, d/o Sam & Milsey Minor; Mar 15 1856 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at Mr. Pierce's.

William Purcell, ae 25y, oysterman, s/o John & Eliza Purcel; Julia Seawell, ae 17y, d/o Benjamin & Mary Seawell; Apr 7 1856 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at Benja. Seawell's.

John M. Rilee, ae 39y, shoemaker, s/o Louis F. & Elizabeth Soles Rilee; Caroline V. Foster, ae 19y, of Mathews Co VA, d/o Augustin & Elizabeth Pew Foster; Apr 8 1856 by Rev. Archer Bland at John Walker's.

John W. Leigh, ae 24y, merchant, s/o Caleb & Elizabeth C. Leigh; Emily Julia Hughes, ae 20y, d/o Jasper C. & Frances A. Hughes; Mar 25 1856 by Rev. P. A. Peterson at Jasper Hughes'.

John F. Boswell, ae 26y, oyster and farm, of King and Queen Co VA, s/o Wm. & Catharine Boswell; Sarah A. Dunston, ae 27y, d/o Dennis & Ann M. Dunston; Apr 3 1856 by Rev. P. A. Peterson at Mrs. Ann Dunston's.

Wm. Yates Massey, ae 51y, widower, farmer, s/o Robert Y. & Rebecca Massey; Harriet A. Hackney, ae 49y, widow, d/o Wm. & Susanna Foster; May 15 1856 by Rev. P. A. Peterson at Lawrence S. Stubbs.

Lewis Hall, ae 21y, carpenter, s/o Lewis & Catharine Hall; Martha Ann Enos, ae 23y, d/o Francis & Catharine Enos; May 29 1856 by Rev.

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P. A. Peterson at Susan Enos'.

Henry Burges, ae 25y, cord vainer, of Lenington ENGLAND, s/o Robert & Sarah Burgess; Maria F. Ransone, ae 25y, d/o James & Lucy Ransone; Apr 15 1856 by Rev. A. F. Scott.

William D. Griffin, ae 23y, blacksmith, s/o Henry & Martha Griffin; Mary A. Griffin, ae 17y, d/o Thos. & Maria F. Griffin; May 6 1856 by Rev. P. A. Peterson at Maria F. Griffin's.

William Benson King, ae 21y, oysterman, s/o James & Susan King; Nancy Jenkins, ae 22y, d/o Margaret Jenkins, father unknown; May 7 1856 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at Peyton Smith's.

Philip Gard Thomas, ae 32y, widower, mechanic, of Portsmouth VA, s/o John & Susan Thomas; Sarah Virginia Spaulding, ae 22y, d/o John & Priscilla Spaulding; May 13 1856 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at Wm. Freeman's.

John Belote, ae 33y, farmer, of Accomac Co Va, s/o George & Elizabeth Heath Beloat; Fanny Carr, ae 32y, d/o John & Mary Fuller Carr; July 17 1856 by Rev. Archer Bland at John Coats'.

William A. Stubblefield, ae 23y, carpenter, s/o Simon & Martha Davis Stubblefield; Sarah A. Corr, ae 25y, widow, d/o Jesse & Sarah Padgett Fary; July 24 1856 by Rev. Archer Bland at Sarah Corr's.

John R. Cutchin, ae 22y, mariner, of Isle of Wight Co VA, s/o Nathaniel & Lidia Cutchin; Emiline M. Hobday, ae 19y, d/o Wm. & Nancy Hobday; Sept 25 1856 by Rev. John R. Wade.

James T. Crowell, ae 29y, widower, tailor, s/o Holder Crowell; Sarah T. Fleming, ae 19y, d/o James T. Fleming; Sept 25 1856 by Rev. Wm. E. Wiatt at Mrs. Ann Robins'.

Lemuel Ambrose, ae 22y, farmer, s/o Wm. Ambrose; Emily Lawson, ae 16y, d/o James & Nelly Riley Lawson; Sept 23 1856 at Nelly Lawson's. No Rev. listed.

John S. Brown, ae 24y, widower, farmer, s/o John S. & Mary A. Brown; Rosia F. Williamson, ae 17y, d/o James & Martha Williamson; Nov 1 1856 by Rev. P. A. Peterson at Elizabeth Pointer's.

Francis Rancies, ae 22y, farmer, Middlesex Co VA, s/o Dudley & Edna West Rancies; Nancy Hodges, ae 25y, d/o Richard & Ellen Hackney Hodges; Jan 3 1857 by Rev. W. D. Howard at Sarah Bridges'.

John T. Brister, ae 50y, widower, farmer, s/o Jno. & Lucy Bristow Brister; Nancy Wiatt, ae 30y, widow, of Mathews Co VA, d/o Jno. & Frances Hudgins Drisgall; June 23 1856 by Rev. W. D. Howard at Nancy Wiatt's.

John Blake, ae 28y, farmer, of Middlesex Co

Va, s/o Jno. & Joanna Lenge Blake; Mary L. Bentley, ae 24y, d/o Jawes H. & Mary E. Bentley; Sept 11 1856 by Rev. Thomas C. Howard.

John Richard Hogg, ae 21y, oysterman, s/o Wm. & Patsy Hogg; Sarah Foxwell, ae 22y, d/o Soloman & Nancy Ann Foxwell; Dec 3 1856 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at Naney Ann Foxwell's.

Edward C. Dutton, ae 41y, widower, farmer, s/o Henry & Elizabeth Dutton; Sarah E. Kemp, ae 23y, d/o Gregory & Susan F. W. Kemp; Sept 23 1856 by Rev. P. A. Peterson.

John Randolph Page, ae 28y, physician, s/o Mann & Ann Jones Page; Delia Bryan, ae 22y, d/o John R. & Elizabeth Bryan; Oct 30 1856 by Rev. Charles Mann, Rector of Ware and Abingdon Parrishes at Eagle Point, residence of the bride.

John Franklin Rowe, ae 23y, merchant, s/o Sterling & Frances Rowe; Rachel Frances Smith, ae 23y, d/o Armistead & Patsy Smith; Dec 9 1856 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins.

Vincent Hogg, ae 25y, waterman, s/o Vincent & Nancy Hogg; Martha Ann Lewis, ae 25y, d/o Henry & Charlotte Lewis; Dec 25 1856 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at Fayette Cluverious'.

Edward Fields, ae 27y, oystering, s/o Jno. & Betsy Fields; Margaret Hogg, ae 17y, d/o Jno. & Julia Hogg; Dec 30 1856 by Rev. William E. Wiatt.

James Rob't Claytor, ae 20y, coach maker, s/o John James & Elizabeth Claytor; Rebecca Ann Adams, ae 20y, of Mathews Co VA, d/o Geo. W. & Matilda M. Adams; Dec 25 1856 by Rev. J. L. Garrett at Geo. W. Adams'.

Joseph Leab, ae 23y, Waterman, of PENNSYLVANIA, s/o Joseph & Adaline Leab; Harriet Banks, ae 37y, widow, d/o James & Elsy Powers; Nov 24 1856 by Rev. Wm. Eastwood at John D. Foster's.

Richard Micure, ae 29y, overseer, of King and Queen Co VA. s/o James & Nancy Micure; Emoline Booker, ae 25y, Dec 1 1856 by Rev. Wm. Eastwood at Salem Church.

Michael Hibble, ae 20y, farmer, s/o Mathew & Letty Hibble; Emiline Booker, ae 17y, d/o Harry & Nancy Booker; Dec 23 1856 by Rev. Wm. Eastwood at Salem Church.

Augustine Dunston, ae 24y, farmer, s/o Richard & Julia Dunston; Anna Dunston, ae 19y, d/o Willy & Harriet; Dec 24 1856 by Rev. Wm. Eastwood at Joseph Lear's.

Benjamin Dudley, ae 25y, farmer, of King and Queen Co VA, s/o Thos. & Patsy Dudley Sarah Gressitt, ae 22y, d/o John & Louisa Gressitt; Dec 25 1856 (No Rev. listed) at

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Rowland Fletcher's.

William R. Leavitt, ae 28y, merchant, s/o Charles & Ann Leavitt; Henrietta Bridges, ae 18y, d/o Richard & Caroline Bridges; Jan 8 1857 by Rev. Wm. Eastwood at Rich'd Bridges'

James W. Gibbs, ae 34y, farmer, s/o Matthew & Elizabeth Gibbs; Julia A. Hughes, ae 27y, widow, d/o Wm. & Ann Leavitt; Dec 18 1856 by Rev. A. F. Scott.

Andrew Carter Crittenden, ae 22y, merchant, of King and Queen Co VA, s/o Richard H. & Mary Crittenden; ---, ae 17y, of King and Queen Co VA, d/o John & Mary Summerson; Dec 25 1856 by Rev. A. F. Scott.

William J. Thrift, ae 26y, farmer, s/o Jeremiah & Mary A. Thrift; Catharine E. Jones, ae 22y, d/o Lewis & Elizabeth Dutton Jones; Nov 25 1856 (No Rev. Listed) at Wm. J. Thrift's.

Thomas Kelly, ae 21y, ditcher, waterman, farmer, s/o Allen & Courtney Dennis Kelly; Mary E. Dungy, ae 20y, d/o Henry & Nancy Dungy; Aug 18 1857 by Rev. Wm. G. Foster.

Aaron Spragg, ae 22y, waterman, of Ocean City N. J., s/o Charles & Julia Spragg; Charlotte Pippin, ae 15y, s/o Richard & Charlotte Pippin; July 27 1857 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at Mrs. Pippin's.

John Edward Davis, ae 22y, mechanic, of Portsmouth VA, s/o David & Frances Davis; Elizabeth Frances Thomas, ae 19y, d/o Jesse & Nancie Thomas; Sept 17 1857 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at Jesse Thomas'.

John R. Potter, ae 26y, farmer, of Middlesex Co VA, s/o John R. & Eliza Mathis Potter; Harriet J. Banks, ae 23y, d/o Jno. & Frances Mildred Hobday Banks; Feb 10 1857 by Rev. Archer Bland at Abraham Satterwhite's.

William Nelson Purcell, ae 40y, widower, farmer, s/o Wm. & Charity Purcell; Joanna Enos, ae 22y, d/o Francis & Catharine Enos; Mar 4 1857 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at Mrs. Enos'.

John Green, ae 24y, oysterman, s/o Geo. & Nancie Green; Anna West, ae 19y, d/o Christopher & Nancie West; Mar 5 1857 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at Benjamin Seawell's.

John Wm. Newton, ae 29y, Waterman, s/o Jno. & Nannie Newton; Myra Ann Harris, ae 13y, d/o John & Elizabeth Harris; Mar 13 1857 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at Mr. Jordan's.

Joseph West, ae 24y, oysterman, s/o Christopher & Frances West; Ann C. Deal, ae 34y, d/o Geo. & Susan Brown; Mar 26 1857 by Rev. W. G. Walker at Rev. Walker's.

Charles E. C. Booker, ae 21y, farmer, s/o James & Elizabeth Booker; Frances Dutton, ae

18y, d/o John W. & Sarah Ann Dutton; Feb 4 1857 by Rev. Wm. Eastwood at Locust Grove.

Thomas Freeman, ae 23y, s/o William & Catherine Freeman; Maria Curry, ae 14y, d/o Soversby & Mary Curry; Feb 11 1857 by Rev. Wm. Eastwood at Sowersby Curry'.

Robert Dee Miller, ae 26y, farmer, s/o James & Mary Miller; Maria G. Thornton, ae 20y, d/o Francis & Harriet E. Thornton; Mar 12 1857 by Rev. A. F. Scott.

James Shackelford, ae 23y, oysterman, s/o George & Elizabeth Shackelford; Ella Adaline Walker, ae 21y, d/o Mead & Maria Walker; Dec 21 1857 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at Mrs. Walker's.

William Smith, ae 23y, oysterman, s/o Wm. & Dolly Smith; Mary Catharine Thompson, ae 30y, widow, d/o Wm. & Elizabeth Ransone; Dec 26 1857 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at Mrs. Thompson's.

Thomas Newton, ae 21y, oysterman, s/o Thos. & Virginia Newton; Elizabeth Ann Jenkins, ae 15y, d/o Edmund & Ann Jenkins; Dec 31 1857 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at Mr. Belvin's.

James William Hogg, ae 22y, farmer, of York Co VA, s/o Wm. & Sarah Hogg; Cornelia Hayes Hogg, ae 19y, d/o Richard & Catharine Hogg; Dec 29 1857 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at Mrs. Hogg's.

Christopher West, ae 30y, oysterman, s/o Christopher & Fannie West; Winnie West, ae 24y, d/o Christopher & Jane West; Apr 10 1857 by Rev. W. G. Walker at Rev. Walker's.

William Bonawell, ae 22y, oysterman, of Accomac Co VA, s/o Wm. & Elizabeth Bonavell; Susan Jenkins, ae 16y, d/o Isaac & Dolly Jenkins; May 15 1857 by Rev. W. G. Walker at Rev. Walker's.

Smith Hall, ae 45y, farmer, s/o Jno. & Nancy Hall; Sarah Rowe, ae 35y, widow, d/o John & Mildred Hall; Dec 21 1857 by Rev. W. G. Walker.

James Smith, ae 22y, oysterman, s/o Anthony & Charlotte Ann Smith; Mary Jane Hogg, ae 21y, d/o James & Rosa Hogg; Dec 23 1857 by Rev. W. G. Walker at Rev. Walker's.

Simon Green, ae 23y; oysterman, s/o Geo. & Nancy Green; Susan Ann Oliver, ae 23y, d/o Thos. & Catharine Oliver; Dec 25 1857 by Rev. W. G. Walker at Rev. Walker's.

James Leigh, ae 21y, merchant, s/o Caleb & Elizabeth Leigh; Fanny J. Harwood, ae 17y d/o John A. & Emiline Harwood; Dec 16 1857 by Rev. Wm. A. Robinson at Seth Pointer's.

George E. Richardson, ae 26y, farmer, of James City Co VA, s/o Allmand & Sarah P. Richardson; Lucy B. Lane, ae 19y, of Mathews

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Co VA, d/o J. H. & Ann P. Lane; Mar 11 1857 by Rev. A. F. Scott.

John A. Bridges, ae 23y, farmer, s/o Robertson & Ann R. Bridges; Florida S. Stubblefield, ae 20y, d/o Thomas M. & Elizabeth Stubblefield; Apr 30 1857 by Rev. A. F. Scott.

John Baylor Foster, ae 29y, farmer, of King and Queen Co VA, s/o James & Fanny Douglas Foster; Lucy Ann Kemp, ae 38y, widow, of King and Queen Co VA, d/o Sterling & Ann Corr; May 19 1857 by Rev. John Spencer.

Claiborne T. Roane, ae 27y, mechanic, s/o Chas. & Mary B. Roane; Lucy F. Chapman, ae 21y, d/o Wm. & Frances Chapman; May 24 1857 by Rev. Jacob Shengh at Woods Cross Roads.

William H. Howlett, ae 26y, waterman, s/o Henry & Sarah Howlett; Elizabeth Walden, ae 18y, d/o Robert & Frances Walden; June 10 1857 by Rev. Jacob Shengh at Thos. H. Wilkins'.

William C. Fary, ae 49y, widower, farmer, s/o Wm. & Frances Elizabeth Fary; Rosay Ann E. Solds, ae 17y, d/o Wm. & Lucy Ann Solds; July 4 1-357 by Rev. Wm. Eastwood at Salem Church.

Uriah Kelly, ae 27y, mechanic, s/o Jesse (slave) & Mary Kelly; Mary West, ae 24y, d/o John West & Sally Scoot; June 18 1857 by Rev. Thomas C. Howard.

Benjamin Rowe, ae 50y, widower, farmer, s/o Edward & Tabitha Rowe; Margaret A. Glass, ae 31y, of Baltimore Md, d/o Andrew & Sarah C. Glass; Sept 15 1857 by Rev. Sam'l Walker.

Franklin Shackelford, ae 32y, widower, merchant, s/o Wm. & Eliza Shackelford; Park F. Harwood, ae 25y, widow, d/o Ro. Y. & Josey Clements; Sept 3 1857 by Rev. Jacob Shengh at Burleigh, Gloucester Co VA.

Washington Robins, ae 26y, mechanic, s/o Thos. & Elizabeth Robins; Nannie Thomas, ae 38y, d/o Jesse & Nancie Thomas; Nov 4 1857

Henry C. Shackelford, ae 35y, widower, harness maker, s/o Warner & Hannah Shackelford; Lilly Ann Wilkins, ae 37y, widow, d/o Richard & Elizabeth Coleman; Dec 15 1857 by Rev. Joshua L. Garrett at the bride's res

Andrew J. Cottee, ae 22y, farmer, s/o Catharine Cottee; Catharine A. Adams, ae 18y, of Somerset Co MD, d/o Sam'l & Jane Adams; May 30 1857 by Rev. Stephen D. Howard at Capt. Sam'l Adams'.

Albert Norton, ae 27y, tailor, s/o Geo. & Eliza Norton; Betsy Hodges, ae 27y, d/o Richard & Ailsy Hodges, Dec 19 1857 by Rev. A. F. Scott.

Thomas J. Catlett, ae 29y, merchant, s/o Temple G. & Martha S. Catlett; Margaret A Hackney, ae 21y, of King and Queen Co Va, d/o

John G. & Elizabeth Hackney; Dec 17 1857 by Rev. James Baytop at Locust Grove.

Cyrus T. Fletcher, ae 33y, merchant, s/o Henry & Rebecca Fletcher; Mira A. Amory, ae 20y, d/o Dennis & Anna Amory; Dec 22 1857 by Rev. A. F. Scott.

Albert Dutton, ae 21y, mechanic, s/o John W. & Sary Ann Dutton; Mary Ann Fletcher, ae 16y, d/o Rowland & Frances Ann Dutton Fletcher; Dec 23 1857 by Rev. Wm. Eastwood at Rowland Fletcher's.

Cornelius R. Coats, ae 22y, farmer, s/o Belchy & Ann Riley Coats; Avery Riler Hosley, ae 25y, d/o Kilingham & Elizabeth Soussen Hosley; Jan 5 1858 by Rev. Archer Bland at James Soles'.

William T. Pointer, ae 24y, merchant, s/o Michael S. & A. B. Harwood Pointer; Fanny Dixon, ae 17y, d/o Anthony T. & Margaret West Dixon; Jan 7 1858 by Rev. Wm. A. Robinson at A. T. Dixon's.

James Norton, ae 25y, farmer, s/o Zacriah & Frances Norton; Frances Bristow, ae 21y, d/o Richard & Mary Proctor Bristow; Jan 13 1858 by Rev. Stephen D. Howard at Mary Bristow's.

Joseph H. Robins, ae 24y, oysterman, s/o Jesse & Mary Robins; Mary Rowe, ae 18y, d/o Joseph & Frances Rowe; Jan 15 1858 by Rev. W. G. Walker at Rev. Walker's.

Elijah Easter, ae 23v. widower, blacksmith, s/o Wm. & Sarah Easter; Virginia Ann Drumon, ae 14y d/o John Prosser & Hetty Drumon; Jan 26 1858 by Rev. Jas. Baytop at Edward Easter's.

William Shackelford, ae 31y widower, farm, s/o Wm. & Lucy D. Burn Shackelford; Mary E. Nuttall, ae 20y d/o Iverson & Lucy D. Bristow Nuttall; Jan 28 1858 by Rev. Stephen D. Howard at Lucy Nuttall's.

James Franklin Padgett, ae 30y, farm, of King and Queen Co VA s/o Fleming & Susan Padgett; Martha Ann J. Fletcher, ae 27y, d/o Wm. & Sarah Fletcher; Feb 20 1858 by Rev. J. L. Garrett at Sarah R. Hall's.

Machen Jenkins, ae 30y, oyster, s/o Reed & Nancy Jenkins; Dicey Jenkins, ae 23y, d/o Winston & Priscilla Jenkins; Feb 27 1858 by Rev. W. G. Walker at Rev. Walker's.

John T. Gwynn, ae 24y, farm and merchant of Freeport Gloucester Co VA, s/o Chas. R. Mary Gwynn; Mary Cary Thruston, ae 20y, d/o Chas. Thruston; Dec 23 1857 by Rev. Chas. Mann. Rector of Abington and Ware Parrishes

Samuel Norman Hudgins, ae 23, waterman, of Mathews Co VA, s/o John & Emily Hudgina; Sarah Emma Parker, ae 19y, of Accomac Co VA d/o Thos. & Mary Parker; Feb 2 1858 by Rev. W.

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S. Hawkins at Capt. John Auld's.

Benjamin Hogg, ae 23, farm, s/o Warner & Susan Hogg, Dolly Belvin, ae 23y, d/o Geo. & Fannie Belvin; Feb 11 1858 by Rev. W. S.

Hawkins at Bena. Seawell's.

Bailey Jenkins, ae 23y, farm, s/o Armistead & Rebecca Jenkins; Emily Frances West ae 19y, d/o Christopher & Ann West; Feb 18 1858 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at Bena. Seawell's.

Beverly Randolph Wellford, Jr, ae 29y 9m 21d, attorney-at-law- of Fredericksburg VA. s/o Beverly Randolph & Mary Alexander Wellford; Susan Seddon Taliaferro, ae 28y 4m 4d of Belle Ville Gloucester Co VA, d/o Warner Throckmorton & Leah Seddon Taliaferro; Mar 3 1858 by Rev. Chas. Mann at Belle Ville.

George Brewer, ae 28y, merchant, of Annapolis Md, s/o The Honorable Nickolas Brewer and wife; Lucy H. Tabb, ae 28y, of Toddsbury Gloucester Co VA, d/o Thomas & Eliza Tabb; Mar 4 1858 by Rev. Chas. Mann at The Exchange, residence of J. R. Dabney.

James M. Cruser, ae 32y, capt. or master of vessel, of Staten Island N. Y., s/o Cornelius C. & Susan Crockrene Cruser; ---, ae 22y, d/o Abram Satterwhite; Mar 18 1858 No Rev. listed at Abram Satterwhite's.

Zachariah Dews, ae 54y, widower, farmer, s/o John & Frances Dews; Mary Ann E. Wilkins, ae 39y, d/o Nathan & Ann Wilkins; Mar 21 1858 by Rev. J. L. Garrett.

John E. Turlington, ae 20y, waterman, farmer, s/o Edward & Sarah E. Turlington; ---, ae 16y, d/o Thos. S. & Lucy Ann Oliver; Apr 1 1858 by Rev. Joshua L. Garrett at Thos. Oliver's.

Thomas B. Blake, ae 29y, farmer, s/o Thos. & Elizabeth Blake; Eliza R. Coleman, ae 19y, d/o Carter & Elizabeth Coleman; Apr 15 1858 by Rev. Jacob Shengh at John Coleman's.

Robert Haywood, ae 24y, tailor, s/o Thos. & Eliza Haywood; Mary A. Shackelford, ae 20y, d/o Geo. & Elizabeth Shackelford; Apr 19 1858 by Rev. Jacob Shengh at John A. Shackelford's.

Henry S. Proctor, ae 27y, farmer, s/o Henry & Elizabeth Proctor; Elizabeth F. Massey, ae May, d/o Chas. & Mary Massey; May 22 1858 by Rev. James Baytop at Clayborne Hudgins'.

John R. Willis, ae 26y, widower, farmer, of King and Queen Co VA, s/o John & Patsy Bowden Willis; Mary E. Hall, ae 22y, of King and Queen Co VA, d/o Thos. B. & Sarah E. Clarke Hall; June 3 1858 by Rev. Archer Bland at Sarah E. Hall's.

Henry Hansford Ambrose, ae 23y, oysterman, s/o Michael & Elizabeth Ambrose;

Margaret Callis, ae 18y, of Mathews Co VA, d/o Daniel & Nancy Callis; June 28 1858 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at Wm. Lemmon's.

William Y. Massey, ae 22y, farmer, of King and Queen Co VA, s/o B. Y. & Catharine Massey; Martha Rowe, ae 22y, d/o Robert & Caroline Rowe; July 18 1858 by Rev. Stephen Howard at Robert Rowe's.

William H. Hunter, 34y, 9m 25d, farmer, s/o James & Mary Williams Hunter; Angelina Clements, ae 20y, 1m 4d, d/o Rob't Y. & Jaza A. P. Clements; July 29 1858 by Rev. Jacob Shengh at Rob'y Y. Clements'.

Charles Dennis, ae 22y, farmer, s/o Samson Stubbs & Peggy Dennis; Eliza Dennis; Aug 12 1858 by Rev. S. D. Howard at Peggy Dennis'. They are free persons of color.

William Slaughter, ae 22y, free person of color, oysterman, s/o Jefferson & Elizabeth Slaughter; Susan Rilee. ae 20y, free person of color, d/o Richard & Polly Rilee; Sept 7 1858 by Rev. Joshua L. Garrett at Polly Rilee's.

Christopher A. Williams, ae 27y, farmer, s/o James & Polly Williams; Victoria A. Williams, ae 17y, d/o Andrew & Palina Williams; Sept 16 1858 by Rev. Joshua L. Garrett at Andrew Williams.

William W. Crosswell, ae 21y, oysterman, s/o Wm. & Matilda Crosswell; Mary Gibson, ae 21y, widow, d/o Benjamin & Mary Seawell; Sept 30 1858 by Rev. Wm. E. Wiatt at Benja. Seawell's.

Tazewell Thompson, ae 24y, farmer, of Norfolk VA, s/o Wm. H. Thompson & wife; Susan Lewis Byrd, ae 23y, d/o Samuel Powell Byrd and his late wife, Catharine Byrd; Oct 2 1858 by Rev. A. F. Scott at Ware Church.

Joseph Jackman, ae 46y, widower, farmer, s/o Sally Jackman; Mary Robinson, ae 51y, widow, d/o Humphrey & Polly Casey; Oct 21 1858 by Rev. A. F. Scott.

James Washington Thomas, ae 28y, machanic s/o John & Mildred Thomas; Maria Jane Walker, ae 17y, d/o Meade & Maria Walker; Oct 28 1858 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at Mrs. Walker's.

Samuel Emerson, ae 23y, laborer, s/o Elijah & Sarah Jane Emerson; Mary Eliza Hall, ae 21y, of Mathews Co VA, d/o Jas. & Warner Hall; Jan 16 1881 by Elder R. Latimore.

Benjamin F. Blake, ae 28y, merchant, of Mathews Co VA, s/o Wm. & Caroline Blake; Martha A. Dutton, ae 20y, d/o Benja. & Martha Dutton; Nov 2 1858 by Rev. S. D. Howard at B. B. Dutton's.

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Robert F. Lyall, ae 24y, blacksmith, s/o Wm. & Rosa Lyall; Margaret H. Hall, ae 16y, d/o John & Asenath Hall; Dec 23 1858 by Rev Joshua L. Garrettt at John A. Teagle's.

John Mathews Walker, ae 23y, carpenter, s/o Wm. & Margaret Hibble Walker; Mary E. Brooking, ae 17y, d/o Henry & Valinda Bland Brooking; Dec 23 1858 by Rev. Archer Bland at Henry Brooking's.

John W. Blake, ae 30y, farmer, s/o John & Mary Drisgall Blake; Ann M. Howard, ae 23y, d/o John & Susan Powers Howard; Dec 23 1858 by Rev. Stephen D. Howard at Nancy Powers'.

Jefferson Robins, ae 38y, widower, oysterman s/o James & Jedica Robins; Sarah C. Ransone, ae 28y, d/o Thos. & Joice Ransone; July 31 1858 by Rev. W. G. Walker.

William J. Lial, ae 29y, carpenter, s/o Wm. & Patsy Wiatt Lial; Adaline Rilee, ae 22y, d/o Thos. R. & Susan E. Lamberth Rilee; Jan 4 1859 by Rev. Archer Bland at Thos. R. Rilee's.

Jeame R. Beers, ae 22y, waterman, of Long Island, NEW YORK, s/o Jorge & Johana Satby Beers; Leaura Warrenton, ae 22y, of Accomac Co VA, d/o John & Elizabeth Oliver Warrenton; Jan 4 1859 by Rev. Archer Bland at John W. Coleman's.

William Henry Jenkins, ae 25y, mechanic, s/o Warner & Margaret Jenkins; Mary Jane Brown, ae 19y, d/o Thos. & Mildred Brown; Jan 27 1859 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at Joseph Shackelford's.

Seymour Brown, ae 23y, mariner, s/o Cary & Elizabeth Brown; Sarah Jane Hogg, ae 18y, d/o Geo. & Rachel Hogg; Feb 1 1859 by Rev. W. S. Hawkins at Geo. Hogg's.

George D. Mathews, ae 26y, farmer, s/o John C. & Elizabeth Padgett Mathews; Mary Frances Dunston, ae 20y, d/o John & Lucy Coats; Feb 2 1859 by Rev. Archer Bland at Belcha Coats'.

John H. S. Leigh, ae 22y, medical profession, s/o Richard D. & Dorothy D. Leigh; Martha A. Harwood, ae 19y, d/o John A. & Emiline Harwood; Feb 10 1859 by Rev. Joshua L. Garrett at Seth Pointer's.

Elijah Morriss, ae 24y, oysterman, s/o Seth & Polly Morriss; Lucy Saunders, ae 19y, d/o Isaac Lancaster (slave) & Polly Saunders; Feb 10 1859 by Rev. Joshua L. Garrett on the Marifield plantation.

John Morriss, oysterman, s/o Seth & Polly Morris; Cathrine Sterges, d/o Thos. & Fannie Sterges; Feb 19 1859 by Rev. Joshua L. Garrett on the farm of W. S. Field's.

Atwood C. Chapman, ae 30y, farmer, lived Mathews Ct VA, s/o Thos. & Fannie Chapman;

Courtney A. Blake, ae 23y, d/o Thos. & Mary P. Blake; Feb 23 1859 by Rev. Stephen D. Howard at Mary Blake's.

Charles M. Bohannon, ae 28y, farmer, of upper Gloucester Co, s/o Jno. & Susan Hall Bohannon; Sarah E. Wood, ae 18y, Middlesex Co VA, lived upper Gloucester Co VA, d/o Lewis L. & Mary Ann Bristow Wood; Feb 24 1859 by Rev. James C. Crittenden at Wm. Bristow's.

J. F. Powers, ae 22y, saddle and harness maker, s/o Jno. & Nancy Powers; Mary C. Dutton, ae 19y, d/o James C. & Mary A. Dutton; Feb 24 1859 by Rev. A. F. Scott.

Jeams K. Dutton, ae 21y, farmer, s/o Jeams & Jane S. Booker Dutton; Doratha E. Jones, ae 22y, d/o Lewles & Elizabeth Dutton Jones; Mar 10 1859 by Rev. Archer Bland.

Smith Horseley, ae 25y, farmer, s/o John & Mary Riley Horseley; Elizabeth Horseley, ae 24y, d/o Kininham & Elizabeth Fendly Horseley; Mar 17 1859 by Rev. Archer Bland.

Thomas B. South, ae 33y, farmer, Middlesex Co VA, s/o Toddy & Polly South; M. A. Sears, ae 28y, widow, d/o Thos. C. & Nancy Edwards; Mar 29 1859 by Rev. A. F. Scott.

George W. Cox, ae 24y, blacksmith, of Essex Co VA, s/o Wm. & Mary W. Dunn Cox; Sarah F. Williams, ae 21y, d/o James & Mary Thruston Williams; Mar 31 1859 by Rev. W. W. Towill at W. H. Williams.

John W. West, ae 28y, widower, farmer, of upper Gloucester Co VA, s/o Isaac & Harriet Roane West; Martha A. Bohannon, ae 19y of upper Gloucester Co VA, d/o John & Susan Hall Bohannon; Apr 1859 by Rev. James C. Crittenden at New Hope Meeting House.

Alexander W. Hayes, ae 25y, sailor, s/o --- & Mary Hayes; Frances Dennis, ae 24y, d/o Samson & Peggy Dennis; Apr 12 1859 by Rev. Stephen D. Howard at Fanny Dennis'.

William Richerson, ae 18y, farmer, of King and Queen Co VA, s/o Henry & Susan Richerson; Mary F. Brushwood, ae 45y, of King and Queen Co VA, d/o Elijah & Ann Brushwood; May 19 1859 by Rev. Cyrus Doggett at Salem Church.

James H. Butler, ae 23y, waterman, of Richmond City VA, s/o Nathan & Susan Butler; Elizabeth Townshend, ae 19y, d/o Kendall & Elizabeth Townshend; Dec 22 1859 by Rev. Wm. E. Wiatt at Kendall Townshend's.

Alexander Hogg, ae 29y, Liantiate Univ, of York Co VA, lived at University of VA, s/o Lewis & Elizabeth Hogg; E. B. Cooke, ae 24y, d/o John M. & Julia E. Cooke; Dec 29 1859 by Rev. Cyrus

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First Census of the United States — Heads of Families
Abingdon Parrish, Gloucester County, Virginia —List of John Seawell

Submitted by Marie Hodges from Internet

Name of Head of Family	White Souls	Dwell-ings	Other Buildings
Warner Lewis	11	2	41
Samuel Cary	16	3	12
John Perrin	7	2	21
Christopher Stoakes	3	1	2
Francis Henderson	6	1	---
Issac Haywood	6	1	---
James Jenkins	7	1	2
Caleb Jenkins	7	1	---
Shem Cooke	4	---	---
Thomas Stoakes	3	1	1
William Fleming	3	1	1
George Hogg	4	1	---
Elizabeth Easter	5	1	---
Estate of Lewis Burwell	26	5	36
John Foster	8	2	2
Catherine Leavit	6	1	---
Francis King	7	---	---
Lewis Cake	4	1	---
Anthony Cake	9	1	1
Catherine Haywood	2	1	6
Sarah Thurston	2	1	8
Zachariah Shackelford	10	1	1
Edmund Powell	6	1	---
Warner Shackelford	6	1	---
Thomas Hall	2	1	---
John Jenkins	5	1	---
Addison Lewis	4	1	5
Ptolemy Leavit	5	---	---
Thomas Jerdone	5	1	---
James Shackelford	6	1	---
Edward Walker	8	1	---
Jeremiah Cake	3	1	---
Mansil Walker	7	1	---
Richard Mitchell	4	1	---
Beverly Hall	5	1	1
Mary Scott	6	1	5
John Dobson	2	1	---
Benjamin Cluverius	9	2	12
Mary Tomkies	7	1	7
Grace Dobson	3	1	1
James Smith	5	1	1
Christopher Lewellyn	3	1	---
Rebecca Camp	2	1	---

Name of Head of Family	White Souls	Dwell-ings	Other Buildings
Jacob Pate	7	1	---
John Harvey	5	1	1
Ann Evans	4	1	---
John Gardner	3	1	---
James Dixon	4	1	6
John Mourning	11	---	---
William Haywood	9	1	2
William Dudley	3	1	---
Thomas Mitchell	3	1	---
John Witherspoon	1	1	---
Thomas Powell	9	1	2
Edward Busbie	8	1	1
Joseph Hall	3	1	1
Richard Hall	3	1	3
Lewis Hall	5	1	---
Martin Walker	6	1	---
Obadiah Pate	3	1	---
William Belvin	7	1	---
William Teazle	9	1	4
Robert Walker	5	1	---
Spencer Walker	5	1	1
John March	6	1	---
John Oliver	5	1	---
John Hobday	7	1	5
James Lewis	2	1	4
William Lucas	5	1	---
Stephen Hogg	5	1	---
Mildred Dews	5	2	---
John Vincent	6	1	4
Francis Thornton	4	1	6
Robert Hudgen	10	---	---
Southey Raphel	6	---	---
John Burton	5	1	---
John Evans	4	2	---
Thomas Freeman	4	1	1
Richard Haywood	9	1	---
Richard Hobday	7	1	5
John Camp	8	1	7
Mary Powell	5	1	1
Charles Thompson	8	1	1
Elizabeth Vaughan	4	1	1
Hansford Row	9	1	8
Bannister Row	10	1	3

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William Vaughan	5	1	6
John Powell	8	1	---
John Vaughan	6	1	1
Sarah Thurston, Junr	6	2	8
Catherine Stevenson	2	---	---
Charles Lively	2	1	2
Thomas Smith	7	1	3
Richard March, Junr	4	1	1
William Saunders	5	---	---
Rebecca Row	2	1	6
Thomas Mason	5	1	1
Zachariah Rowe	7	1	5
Seymour Powell	1	1	1
John Page(Rosewell)	21	1	6
William Pepin	3	1	1
Richard March, Senr	4	1	1
Charles Crutchfield	7	1	2
Thomas Oliver, junr	6	1	1
Thomas Oliver, senr	2	1	5
John Belvin	5	1	---
Solomon Rider	4	---	---
Michael Smith	9	1	---
Jacob Haywood	10	1	---
Gabriel Austin	4	1	---

Name of Head of Family	White Souls	Dwell-ings	Other Buildings
John Austin	9	1	---
Charles Brown	9	1	---
James Rider	3	1	---
James Pointer	6	1	---
Richard Davis	8	1	---
Joseph Hall junr	7	1	---
Fielding Hogg	9	1	---
Thomas Hall junr	7	1	---
Abraham Haywood	9	1	---
John Mufie	5	1	---
James Powers	5	1	---
Zachariah Shackelford, junr	7	1	---
Obdh Jenkins	12	2	---
Caleb Jenkins	3	1	---
Richard Hogg	3	1	1
Francis Hobday	6	1	1
Edward Moore	7	1	1
William Pigg	3	1	1
Isaac Moore	6	1	1
John Seawell	7	1	6
Elizabeth Seawell	1	---	---
Joseph Seawell	9	1	3
James Wadlington	5	1	2

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- C. CARMINE, CARY, CATLETT, CHAPMAN, CLAYTON, COLEMAN, COLLIER, and COOKE. D. DAVIS, DEAL, DEDMON, DIGGS, DIXON, DUNN and DUTTON. E. ELLIOTT, EMERSON, and EPPS.
- F. FIELD, FIGG, and FOSTER.
- G. GIBBS, GRAVES, GRAY, GREENE, GROOME, GUIBOT (CUIOT), and GWYN.
- H. HAINES, HARRIS, HOPKINS, HIGGENBOTHAM, HOGG, and HUDSON.
- I. ISHAM
- J. JAQUELIN, and JONES. K. KEMP, and KING.
- L. LEWIS
- N. NUNNALLY, and NUTTALL.
- O. OLIVER, and OVERTON.
- P. PATE, PHILPOTTS, and PURCELL.
- Q. QUILLIN.
- R. RANSONE, READE, ROBINS, ROWE, and ROYSTER.
- S. SEARS, SHACKELFORD, SINGLETON, SMITH, STEVENS, STONE, STUBBLEFIELD, and STUBBS.
- T. TALIAFERRO, TAYLOR, TEMPLEMAN, TENNIS, THOMAS, THURSTON, and TIMBERLAKE.
- W. WALKER, WARNER, WASHINGTON, WATERS, WEST, WIATT, WHITE, WILSON, and WOODLAND.
- Y. YATES.