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GLOUCESTER MINUTE BOOKS

Book 1 Page 534 - Beverley Dunston is appointed guardian of Martha Elizabeth - Mary Susan and Ophilia Jane Dunston, his children.

Book 3 Page 249 Deed-M.B.Seawell to William Shackelford May 2 1876. Containing 48 ac. lying in Guinia Neck.

Same to same May 2 1876 23 and one eighth ac. bounded by lands of John Robins.

Page 254 Payton N. Page trustee to M.B.Seawell deed dated Oct.17,1876. All that track aflow known as Elmington.

James Ducan to Payton N. Page trustee deed Oct.19.1876.

10 horses 6 colts 10 sheep

4 mules 2 cariages 1 buggy

30 hogs 1 open wagen

10 head catle 10 calves & yearlings

household and kitchen furnit:-= and farming emplements carts and wagons.

In turn for the sale and suport use of Mary F.Ducan wife of said James Ducan.

Page 275 William Shackelford and wife to George A.Hogg Jr. Sept.9,1876. Containing 7 ac. bounded by Seymoun Brown.

Page 237 A license is this day granted to James M.Rowe on his application to sell by retail wine ardent spirits malt liquors or any miscture of them at his house in Saddlers Neck. In this county for the period beginning on th 4th. day of Sept. and expiring on the 30th. day of April 1877.

A license is this day granted B.C.Nuscomb <to sell the same> at his house at the Sassafras.

A license is this day granted J. and A.Hall on their application to sell retail and also to be drunk where sold at their house in Saddlers Neck.

A license is this day granted to John ? Fosque to be drunk where sold at his house on Timber Neck Creek.

These applications were shortened but spelled as written.

A TANGLED KINSHIP

THIS IS THE STORY OF THE MELUNGEON PEOPLE OR RACE

I am aware that many people have never heard the name Melungeon. I never heard the name myself until a few years ago. As I was researching the Cherokee people and their entangled relationships with the white and black races, when I read the word Melungeon. I read it again thinking that there must be an error in typing and that the word was mulatto. But I was wrong, upon pursuing the definition I learned that it meant a people of mixed blood. That of Indian - Black and Mediterranean. Who settled mostly in the Appalachian Mountains. "History of East Tennessee" says "Newmans Ridge was occupied by a people representing a strange mixture of white and Indian blood. But why had I never heard of them? Well now that I knew the name I was determined to know more about these people who lived in the same area as I had been born in. After searching Libraries I came across a book by Brent Kennedy, and was in for the shock of my life. First of all a picture on the front page looked so much like my grate grand father's brother that it could be the same man. I have never seen a picture of my Grate Grand Father, but as my Mother described him with having been tall with black hair and eyes and dark skin, he would have looked like his brother Will Collins. When I saw the name of the man on the front page picture I was dumfounded. His name was Uncle Will Collins! Needless to say I was off and running. A list of common Melungeon names for Nc. Va. Ten. and Ky. included eleven of my family surnames. Although I had never heard the name Melungeon before, I had heard people say those black Gibson,s and those black Mosley,s.

And one needs to understand that in the mountains of Kentucky I had never experienced seeing a black person. My grate - grate Grandmother Katherine Gipson had entered Kentucky from Wise Co. Va. with her children, John Ramey and the other children all listed as Gipson. Until many years latter when Will changed his name to Collins.

My first encounter with the Melungeon blood line was actually in the 1960,s when my Mother became ill with what her Dr. was treating as a simple arthritis. She became progressively worst until she could no longer walk. Upon seeing a specialist (who was from the mountains of Va.) He questioned me as to time that Mother had spent abroad. I repeatedly assured him that she was never out of this country. He couldn't believe that she was never in the Mediterranean area. We were told the name of her disease ERYTHEMA NODOSUM SARCOIDOSIS and that it was extremely rare for a caucasian who had spent no time in the Mediterranean. As it was winter and Mothers skin was fair (it took only a few minutes in the sun and she looked as if she had sunbathed for weeks) and blue eyed the Dr. had no reason to suspect her background. And I was completely ignorant about it.

Many times I would take her to the emergency room and argue with the attending Physician that her arm or wrist was not broken. One could actually watch as the affected spot would swell, turn red and felt hot to the touch. The pain was unbearable.

So as I read in amazement these words of Brent Kennedy "I lay on the examination table, the cold steel numbing my halfdraped posterior, but in so much pain that a little lack of feeling was a welcomed relief. Whatever I had contracted had grown progressively worse over the past several days, so much

worse, in fact, that I could not walk into the hospital emergency room on my own accord. Instead, my wife had literally pulled me from the car to a waiting wheelchair. Several years of puzzling exhaustion had suddenly erupted into swelling of my extremities, painful breathing, splotched, reddened skin, aching joints and muscles, blurred vision a searing temperature and night sweats." His diagnosis EYRHEMA NODOSUM SARCOIDSIS! I knew then what the Dr. wanted to know, but why did he simply not ask? After reading several books on the Melungeon people, I knew the answer. They kept their heritage hidden and the Dr. having come from that section of Va. had known that fact.

After doing some research to learn more about this debilitating disease Mr Kennedy discovered that the disease is common among Portuguese immigrants in New England. The majority of Sarcoid victims are African-Americans living in the Southeastern United States, and that it is genetic in nature.

The cause unknown, this can be debilitating, crippling, suffocating and even blinding to its victims. A sizable percentage of the cases result in death, usually from advanced pulmonary complications. Symptoms mimic those of crippling Arthritis, Lupus, Tuberculosis, Lyme disease, Hodgkin's Disease and Glaucoma.

Mr Kennedy says that he clawed his way into the closets of his family history. He uncovered layer after layer of purposeful deceit, a veritable diary of self-imposed exile from the land of the living." We had always been on the run. We were Melungeons, a word I seldom heard growing up, but as I would soon learn, a word that would cut to the very heart of our problematic history."

Melungeons were listed as "free persons of color" by early census takers. And that was the ultimate sin, a stigma that permanently isolated its victim from the rest of so-called civilization. Neither white, black, mulatto, nor Indian, the Melungeons were left to fend for themselves, a people who were, as numerous writers have so often stated, "nobody at all". Those words explained why I so many times heard my Mother say "I, m just as good as anybody else" Until I read that I never understood why she would say that.

The term "free persons of color" was used to strip the Melungeon people of their right to be represented in court, to public education, to vote and to own land.

Some protested that they were "Portyghee". On some old census records one can see the term "Port" crossed out and "Mulatto" written in. The varying physical types within the same families only added to the complexity of the census takers job. While most had darker complexions, a few possessed an alabaster skin with light to blond or red hair. And some with blue eyes. These same features have been described on The Trail of Tears.

Eventually anyone of dark completion would be classed as "Mulatto". In the medical registrar of Va. in the 1940's would divide people into only two races: "white" and "black" which meant blacks, mulattos, Indians, Jews, Arabs, Asians, and so forth, or anyone with as much as one-sixteenth of so-called "nonwhite blood".

Marriage in Virginia was prohibited between "whites" and "Melugeons" as late as 1943. There for many crossed into Kentucky to marry.

Dr. Horace Rice expounds on the cultural harrows of such rigid interpretations of race in his exploration of a Virginia mixed-race Indian people known as the "Buffalo Ridge Cherokees." These are a people of obviously heavy Indian component who received a legal government mandate that

- because there is some "black" component in their gene pool - they cannot be Indian!

This recent newspaper article further states the problem of the Melungeon people.

INDIANS GAIN RIGHT TO CORRECT RECORDS.

The Monacan Indians of Amherst Co. Va. say legislation to correct the legacy of the state's outdated racial integrity law and allow tribal members to more easily change their birth records will help accurately reflect their ancestry.

The bill, which amends Va. law concerning copies of vital records, sailed through the house and senate and is awaiting the signature of Gov. Allen.

The amendment states any American Indian or Native American whose certified copy of a birth record was filed before July 1st, 1960, and contains an incorrect racial designation may obtain a corrected copy without charge.

"It was the state's problem so they should be the ones to correct it," said Mary Wade, secretary for the Va. council on Indians, which represents Indians around the state.

Wade said the problem originated with Walter Plecker, a former state registrar of vital records.

Plecker sponsored a "Racial Integrity Law" in 1924 that resulted in inaccurate birth records for many Indians, listing them as "Colored" or "White."

The U.S. Supreme Court repealed that law in 1967, leaving thousands of Va. Indians with inaccurate records.

Del. Harvey B. Morgan, R - Gloucester was a co - sponsor of the bill.

The civil war presented the Melungeon men with a unique opportunity for vengeance. Bands of Melungeon men formed what came to be known as the "Melungeon Marauders", spreading terror throughout East Tennessee and to a lesser extent, Southwest Virginia.

Well into the 1900's Brent Kennedy's ancestors, the Nashes and Halls were not allowed to vote. His Grate-grandpa Floyd Nash would ride into Coeburn, Va. to vote. He tied up his horse and walked toward the polls, only to find his way blocked by a town tough guy.

There was a fight, Floyd won and continued to walk to the polls, only to be blocked again. In what must have been a defining moment of his life, Floyd drew his gun and fired several bullets at his tormentors feet, then watched as they scattered. A MELUNGEON VOTED IN COEBURN, VIRGINIA that day.

Discovering one's heritage is not an exact science, and ossified family tangles are not easy to untangle. To accurately tell the story of the Melungeons means also telling the story of those with whom they intermarried. You must question what has been handed down from generation to generation. After searching Library and court houses all over Southwest Virginia I have found no trace of Catherine Gipson who said she was born in 1822 and came from Wise Co. Va. With no paper trail of the Melungeon people, I may never know more about her than that she went into Ky. during the civil war with her children, and reared them there alone. She was cooking for a group of loggers when she entered Perry Co. Ky. and stayed there until her death. Grannie Kate told her grandchildren that her husband William Ramey, was taken away by soldiers, during the war and she never saw him again. She had to be one tough lady to cross those mountains with her children, as there was a battle

going on almost constantly at the Va. and Ky line. And that was her only way through.

Some Bowlings say they can trace their heritage to John Rolfe and Pocahontas. And many can trace theirs to Cherokee chiefs, especially The Bench also known as Chief Benge. Who possessed reddish-auburn hair and blue eyes, despite his dark complexion.

No one really knows when the Melungeons were discovered, although by the time Tennessee Governor John Sevier encountered them in August 1784, their numbers were apparently substantial. They lived in sizable communities primarily on the upper ridges of eastern Tennessee counties of Hancock, Hawkins and Rhea. In Ashe, Yancey, Surry and Alleghany counties of North Carolina. In Southeastern Virginia they were in Wise, Scott, Lee and Dickenson counties.

Recent genetic studies show an undeniable link between the Melugneon people and the Mediterranean. A 1990 reanalysis of blood samples taken in 1969 from one hundred and seventy seven Melungeon descendants concludes that they are Portuguese. Significant genetic relationships also appear to be present between the Melungeons of Tennessee and Virginia and certain Indian populations in South America and Cuba. The same 1900 blood sample showed a 10% similarity to native Americans.

It has been concluded that the group of Melungeons that settled in Hancock, Co. Tennessee consisting primarily of Collins, Gipsons, and Mullinses were undoubtedly members of the Powhatan - Pamunky - Moorish population of central Va.

In 1950 there was Melungeon and related groups in some Co.s of these states.

Kentucky	
Letcher Co.	1,920
Knott Co.	2,420
Floyd Co.	1,680
Clay Co.	460
Johnson Co.	420

total	7,890

Tennessee	
Hancock Co.	1,320
Camble Co.	970
Claiborn Co.	630

total	4,430

Virginia	
Lee Co.	1,520
Wise Co.	1,150
Scott Co.	450

total	3,120

To assist those who may be seeking their family roots a list of some common Melungeon names in Va. Ky. Nc. and Tenn.

Adams	Coal	Goins	Osborn
Adkins	Coffey	Gorvens	Perry
Baker	Cole	Gwinn	Phelps
Barns	Coleman	Hall	Polly
Becker	Collier	> Hammond	Ramey
Bell	Collins	Hendricks	Rasnick

Bennett	Collinsworth	Hill	Reeves
Berry	Cox	Hopkins	Roberson
Biggs	Davis	Jackson	Sexton
Bolen	Denham	Kennedy	Short
Bowman	Dye	Kiser	Sizemore
Branham	Ely	Lawson	Stanley
Byrd	Evans	Lucas	Stell
Campbell	Fields	Maggard	Swindall
Carrico	Freeman	Mosley	Tolliver
Carter	French	Minor	Watts
Castell	Gann	Moore	White
Caudill	Garland	Mullins	Williams
Chavis	Gipson	Nash	Wright
Clark	Gibson	Orr	Wyatt

If you think you could be a descendant of a Melungeon person although you may be fair and blond as one of my cousins is. Do not discount it. After Dr.s could not find her problem, for several months. And she was enduring more and more pain. As well as having several unpleasant test and the expense of them, she got only guess as to her condition. I encouraged her to ask for a blood test and her condition was indeed Erythema Nodosum Sarcoidosis. She was having severe pain in her lungs. And was told by her Dr. that the affects of this disease and that of cancer <which is what he had though was her problem> on the lungs is identical. she is being treated with steroids and antibiotics and is slowly progressing.

N.Brent Kennedy, Ph.D. founder of the Melungeon Research Committee, can be contacted in care of Mercer University Press.

There will be a reunion of Melungeon descendants in Wise Co.Va. on July 24th. 25th. and 26th. 1997. And a cookbook of old and Melungeon related recipes will be available and I,m certain that there will be several books on the Melungeon people for sale at this event. Every one is invited to come and learn. If you think that you may have Melungeon blood perhaps this will enable you to prove your family ties. If you are simply interested in learning more about an elusive people, then by all means attend. You might want to make reservations early because accommodations are limited in the town of wise but there are two nice motels in the adjoining town of Norton, ten minutes away.

Tennessee is also very close and you can take the turnpike from Norton, you are about 50 miles from the Kentucky state line. Also close to North Carolina and West Virginia. So if you have any researching to do in those areas you might wish to visit this event also.

To go to Wise Co. you take rt.# 64 from Richmond Va. that combines with rt.# 81. leave # 81 at Abingdon Va. from there follow signs to Norton and Wise. It is about a six hr. drive to Abingdon. That is a nice little town to visit. With several antique and craft shops, as well as some nice dinning and fast food restaurants. There is also the Martha Washington Inn and across the street is located the Barter theater. You may decide to spend a day or so in Abingdon.

A WEST FAMILY TREE

HOWARD WEST
THE SON OF FRANCIS WEST AND RACHEAL
BORN 1N 1816 GLOUCESTER CO. VA.
DIED 1870
MARRIED NANCY GREEN
DAUGHTER OF GEORGE GREEN AND NANCY
BORN 1828
DIED 1885

CHILDREN

1. WARNER HOWARD	1840
2. RACHEL	1844
3. NANCY	1846
4. SUSAN	1851
5. HOWARD	1852
6. VIRGINIA	1854
7. THOMAS	1856
8. GEORGIANA	1857
9. JIMMIE A. <jack>	1858

MARRIED
MARGARET ANN HUDGINS

RALPH BELVIN
ROBERT OLIVER

ANDREW COTTEE
IDA WEST
GEORGE W. GREEN
MARY E. WHITE

HOWARD MARRIED 2ND. ANN-----
BORN
DIED

CHILDREN OF HOWARD AND NANCY

#1 WARNER HOWARD WEST
BORN 5, SEPT. 1840 GLOUCESTER CO. VA.
DIED 30, OCT. 1928 MATHEWS CO. VA.
BURRIED IN HORN HARBER CEMETERY

WARNER WAS ENLISTED IN THE 26TH. VA. INFANTRY. CO. E. OF THE LINCOLN HUNTERS. HE WAS WOUNDED IN 1864.

MARRIED MARGARET ANN NORMAN HUDGINS
DAUGHTER OF WILLIAM H. HUDGIND AND MARY A.
BORN JUNE 1844 MATHEWS CO. VA.
DIED 1920

#2 NANCY WEST
BORN FEB. 1846 GLOUCESTER CO. VA.
DIED 1920
BURRIED
MARRIED RALPH BELVIN
SON OF LEWIS BELVIN AND NANCY <ANN>
BORN SEPT. 1844 GLOUCESTER CO. VA.
DIED 1900 MIDDLESEX CO. VA.

CHILDREN

1*CATHRINE BELVIN
BORN APRIL 1870 GLOUCESTER CO.VA.
DIED
MARRIED GARY DOBSON
BORN 28,APRIL 1875 GLOUCESTER CO.VA.
DIED 1900

CHILDREN

1.MILLIE DOBSON 1894 MIDDLESEX CO.VA.

1*CATHRINE BELVIN
MARRIED 2ND.GEORGE WASHINGTON ROWE
SON OF WASHINGTON ROWE AND BETSY
BORN 1852 YORK CO.VA.

CHILDREN

1.SAMUAL FRANKLIN ROWE
BORN SEPT.1900 MIDDLESEX CO.VA.
DIED 30,JUNE 1985 GLOUCESTER CO.VA.
MARRIED LADY VIRGINIA WEST
DAUGHTER OF LEWIS H. WEST AND MARGARET E. WEST
BORN 3,AUG.1908 GLOUCESTER CO.VA.
DIED 13,NOV.1986 GLOUCESTER CO.VA.

CHILDREN

1. ARTHUR C. ROWE	1928
2. LILLIE MAY ROWE	1929
3. LINWOOD F. ROWE	1940
4. HARRY LEE ROWE	
5. ALICE J. ROWE	
6. MYRTLE ROWE	
7. ANNIE RUTH ROWE	
8. SAMUAL F. ROWE JR.	
9. JAMES D. ROWE	
10. JOHN R. ROWE	
11. HERMAN W. ROWE	
12. ALBERT B. ROWE	

MARRIED

JUNE CREW
ALLEN B. MARSHALL
SYLVIA L. OLIVER

2. JOHN ROWE
BORN 1906
MARRIED NAOMI BURCH
BORN

3. BETTY LEE ROWE
BORN 1910 MIDDLESEX CO.VA.
DIED

MARRIED RUSSELL G. WEST
SON OF GEORGE WASHINGTON D. WEST AND GEORGEANA ROBINS
BORN 1901 MIDDLESEX CO.VA.
DIED 19,NOV.1963 GLOUCESTER CO.VA.

CHILDREN

- 1. MERTON WEST
- 2. WILLIAM WEST
- 3. AMOS WEST
- 4. FANNIE WEST
- 5. ERNEST WEST
- 6. MARION EARL WEST 1939

MARRIED

FLETA BELL OLIVER

4. WILLIAM ROWE

- 2*ANNIE BELVIN 1873
- 3*ELIZABETH JANE BELVIN 1879
- 4*MARY F. BELVIN 1883

#3 SUSAN WEST

BORN 1851 GLOUCESTER CO. VA.

DIED

MARRIED ROBERT OLIVER

SON OF THOMAS OLIVER 1805 AND CATHARINE BELVIN 1810 <DAUGHTER OF ALICE>

BORN 1844 GLOUCESTER CO. VA.

DIED

CHILDREN

- 1*SUSAN OLIVER
- 2*MARTHA ELLEN OLIVER 1874

#4 JIMMIE A. <JACK> WEST

BORN 1858 GLOUCESTER CO. VA.

DIED

MARRIED MARY ELIZABETH WHITE

DAUGHTER OF WILLIAM WHITE AND MARY ANN MORGAN

BORN 5, FEB. 1870 MATHEWS CO. VA.

DIED

CHILDREN

- 1*CORA ANN WEST 1889
- 2*GLADYS WEST
- 3*CHARLES
- 4*ROBERT
- 5*FLOYD J.
- 6*ELMA

MARRIED

CHARLES L. PARKER

CHARLES POST

CHILDREN OF WARNER HOWARD AND MARGARET ANN

1*WILLIAM HOWARD <JETT> WEST
BORN 27 JAN. 1869 MATHEWS CO. VA.
DIED MARCH 1952
BURIED ST. PAUL, S CEMETERY, MATHEWS CO. VA.
MARRIED FLORA TEMPLE HUDGINS
DAUGHTER OF EZEKIEL L. HUDGINS AND MARTHA FRANCIS DAVIS
BORN 3, APRIL 1869 MATHEWS CO. VA.
DIED 17, NOV. 1954 MATHEWS CO. VA.
BURIED ST. PAUL, S CEMENTERY

CHILDREN OF WILLIAM AND FLORA

1*GOLDIE LOUISE WEST
BORN 26, OCT. 1896 MATHEWS CO. VA.
DIED 8, MARCH 1958
BURIED ST. PAUL, S CHURCH.
MARRIED ROBERT MARCHANT HUDGINS
SON OF BOYD M. HUDGINS AND NELLIE HUDGINS
BORN 1895 MATHEWS CO. VA.
DIED 12, FEB. 1959 N. J.
BURIED ST. PAUL, S CHURCH

CHILDREN

1. NELL HUDGINS
BORN
DIED
MARRIED RAYMOND WILLIAMSON
BORN
DIED

2*RUBY MASON WEST
BORN 9, SEPT. 1893 MATHEWS CO. VA.
DIED 3, SEPT. 1972 MATHEWS CO. VA.
MARRIED HAROLD LESLIE MORGAN
SON OF CHARLES P. MORGAN AND VICTORIA HUDGINS
BORN 4, APRIL 1890
DIED 9, NOV. 1970

CHILDREN

1. AUBRY MASON MORGAN
BORN 25, DEC. 1915 MATHEWS CO. VA.
DIED
MARRIED GRACE ELIZABETH MOUGHON
SON OF BENJAMIN F. MOUGHON AND EMMA HELENA STEPHNS
BORN 9, AUG. 1915 SASSAFRAS GROVE FARM, MATHEWS CO. VA.
DIED 27, NOV. 1984 MATHEWS CO. VA.

CHILDREN

1. FREDERICK G. MORGAN 1942
PAYNE GRAVES

MARRIED
CONSTANCE S. ARMISTEAD 2ND. JUDITH
10

2. CHARLES F. MORGAN 1945
3. FLORA MASON MORGAN 1945

MARY ANN FATULA
WILLIAM F. CLARK

3*RUTH FLEET WEST

BORN 8, JAN. 1895 MATHEWS CO. VA.
DIED 6, DEC. 1978 MATHEWS CO. VA.
BURIED ST PAUL, SCHURCH
MARRIED JESSE MONROE HUTSON
SON OF JAMES M. HUDSON AND ANNIE C. KIRK
BORN 1869 MATHEWS CO. VA.
DIED 3, APRIL 1977 MATHEWS CO. VA.

CHILDREN

1. RUTH HUTSON
MARRIED GEORGE L. AILSWORTH

4*MARGARET W. WEST

BORN JUNE 8, 1899 MATHEWS CO. VA.
DIED 20, SEPT. 1964 MATHEWS CO. VA.
BURIED ST. PAUL, S CHURCH
MARRIED WALTER DIGGS HUDGINS
SON OF COLES DIGGS HUDGINS AND CHARLOTTE
BORN 15, MAY 1897 MATHEWS CO. VA.
DIED 5, JAN. 1973 MATHEWS CO. VA.

CHILDREN

1. VIVIAN HUDGINS
BORN
MARRIED AUBRY BROWN
SON OF
BORN MATHEWS CO. VA.

CHILDREN

1. MARGIE ANN BROWN 1947

2. COLES HUDGINS
3. CLYDE WALTER HUDGINS 1926
4. SHIRLEY HUDGINS

5*EVA L. WEST

BORN 1903 MATHEWS CO. VA.
DIED
MARRIED JAMES LESLIE HUDGINS
SON OF ROBERT G. HUDGINS AND ADA
BORN 1904 MATHEWS CO. VA.
DIED 1978
BURIED HAYNES CEMETERY

CHILDREN

1. BETTY ANN
2. JOYCE

MARRIED

TABB HUDGINS

6*LAURA KATHERINE WEST
BORN JAN. 1, 1905 MATHEWS CO. VA.
DIED 4, JAN. 1984 MATHEWS CO. VA.
MARRIED HORACE HUDGINS
BORN

CHILDREN

1. EDWARD EARL HUDGINS

7*GERNVA HUDGINS WEST
BORN 1910 MATHEWS CO. VA.
DIED
MARRIED

8*WILLIAM CLYDE WEST
BORN 3, JULY 1912 MATHEWS CO. VA.
DIED 1, MAY 1993 MATHEWS CO. VA.
MARRIED CATHERIN MATTHEWS
DAUGHTER OF JOSEPH H. MATTHEWS AND ANNIE MAY ADAMS
BORN
DIED

CHILDREN

1. WILLIAM C. WEST JR. 1941
2. ROBERT WEST
3. JO ANN WEST

MARRIED
BEVERLY J. PHELPS

SURNAME SEARCH

Listed below are names of persons for which additional information is needed. If you can provide assistance concerning any of those listed, please contact the appropriate submitter.

NAME	LOCATION	YEARS	CODE
Bank, James Thomas		1840 - 1887	07
Belvin, John Ned		b. 1903	04
Billups, John	Gloucester; Mathews	1800 - 1850	06
Brooks	Kingston Parrish	1750's-1900	01
Brown, John A.	Middlesex	1800 - 1880	02
Brown, Samuel	Middlesex	1800 - 1880	02
Calles	Kingston Parrish	1754 - 1760	01
Cannon	Mathews	1880 - 1900	01
Carmine, Smith R.		ca 1788	05
Carney	Mathews	1824	01
Carr, Mildred	Middlesex	1800 - 1880	02
Davis	Mathews	1700's-1840's	01
Dawson	Mathews	1860's	01
Dunston, Thomas		1840	05
Fowler	Mathews	1800 - 1850	06
Green, Charles	Gloucester	1600 - 1700's	03
Hall, Charles		b. 1870	04
Hall, James Elijah		b. 1900	04
Hogge, Thomas, Sr		b. ca. 1764	05
Howard, James M.		b. ca. 1829	05
Iverson, Abraham	Gloucester	1600 - 1700's	03
Jones, Thomas L.	Gloucester	1840 - 1850	07
Kintingham, William	Middlesex; Gloucester	1820 - 1840	02
Lilley, Richard	Mathews	1800 - 1850	06
Lilley, William	Gloucester	d. 1781	06
Oliver, Thomas Jefferson	Gloucester	1836 - 1880	04
Oliver, William Powell	Gloucester	1883 -	04
Robins, Lucy	Gloucester	b. 1899	04
Townsend, Kendall		b. 1800	05
Williams	England	1750	02
Wynne, Lucy	Gloucester; Mathews	1740 - 1790	06

PERSONS SUBMITTING SURNAMES

- 01 Godsey, Mary Cannon, 3921 Waterford Dr., Charlotte, NC 28226 - 7829
- 02 Brown, G. Watts, 4096 Hickory Fork Rd., Gloucester, VA 23061
- 03 Cotton, Peggy, 930 Vanguard, Austin, TX 78734 (512) 261-5135
- 04 Jordan, Harry R., 1829 Azalea Point Rd., Gloucester Pt., VA (804) 642-2179
- 05 Jones, Nancy S., 151 East 79th St., #14, New York, NY 10021
- 06 Johnson, Myles, 1400 Floral St., NW, Washington, DC 20012 (202) 829-5426
- 07 Kessler, Mabel, 7505 River Road, 12-E, Newport News, VA 23607

ANTICIPATING D.C.

IN PLANNING A FUTURE BUS TRIP TO WASHINGTON D.C. AND IN CONSIDERATION OF THOSE BUDDING GENEALOGIST WHO HAVE YET TO CONQUER D.C. WE ARE OFFERING THIS ORIENTATION IN HOPE THAT IT WILL NOT ONLY PROVE HELPFUL, BUT ALSO TAKE AWAY SOME SMALL BIT OF APPREHENSION.

#1 all surnames that you intend to research should be soundexed.

example - Jones Watts Moore Thorneberry
 J520 W332 M600 T625

to do this take #1 for letters B-P-F-V
 #2 C-S-K-J-Q-X-Z
 #3 D-P
 #4 L
 #5 M-N
 #6 R

Disregard A-E-I-O-U-W-Y-H- You do start with the first letter of the name.

J O N E S J\5\2 add 0 to make three numbers. Jones = J520

T H O R N S B E R R Y = T \ \ 6 5 2 \ \ \ = T652. only use a number one time.

There are three major places to search the D.A.R. will be the first stop. there you will find on shelves, state histories - genealogies - Indian census - bible records and more. There is a \$5.00 fee for nonmembers. And there is a snack bar (machines only) in the basement. Closing time is four pm. There for if you wish to split your day and research at two places, I suggest that you go to the D.A.R. first. If you get the bus there on the way home you will have a thirty min. wait.

The Library of Congress will be your next bus stop. If you are going there, you may preorder any books you wish to see. If not you must order them when you arrive and they will be delivered to you by library personnel. There is a large assortment of eaterys in the underground section of the Library. You may go from one section to another and make your choice from a snack to a full luncheon.

The last stop will be the National Archives. That will also be the last pickup in the afternoon.

You will need a pictured ID. And your belongings will be scanned. As you leave that area directly ahead is the elevators. To your left there is a small book shop. There are free publications as well as very reasonable books listing for example the census by state and county. Giving you the roll number. That saves time. As once you are upstairs many people will use the book that the Archives provides.

The research room is on the fourth floor. after leaving the elevator, to your right and down the hall is the bathrooms. Going back to the other end, on your right is a small room where you may view a film on researching at the Archives. If it is a busy day someone will be at the door to assign you a reader, if not proceed through the door and sign in. On your left is the charge card machine, for this you should have new one dollar bills. This card is good for future trips, so put in a little extra to prevent running out of money in the middle of copying. There is usually several people waiting for you to finish. On your right there is provided forms for all the census. So

take some as you go in. Go past the desk and find your reader. You will see as you go that the wall to your left is all file cabinets. These are filled with microfilm. Half way down there is a door, in that room are ships passengers - foreign country and Indian records. There is two small rooms to the left of the copy machines, where printed census are keep. There are no chairs and standing room is tight.

In the Archives you will find - census for all states, passenger list - land records and military records. For Revolutionary war look up the name in the alphabetical index to military service records. in cabinet #41 drawer #09. Find what state and unit he served from. On top of the cabinet is a list for M881 there are 1096 rolls. Find the roll you need.

Look for pension and bounty land application files in cabinet #37 drawer #01 through cabinet #40.

War of 1812, Indian wars, Mexican war and the Patriot war are in cabinet #43. You must fill out a request slip <in the front of the room> and the records will be brought to room #203.

Civil war union - check state index cabinet #44 drawer #04 through cabinet #45. If the soldier was from a regular northern state, fill out a request slip and go to room #203. If the soldier served from a southern state the records are on film. Cabinet #45 - #47.

There are union pension application index cabinet #44. Request the records be brought to room #203. <this process can take about two hrs.>

Confederate records - look at the index M253 in cabinet #47. You need State and unit. Find film in cabinet #48 - #52. All other records are in Richmond or the state from witch the soldier served.

Room 203 is located on the 2nd. flour. Because you will be using original papers the room is garded and folders are checked before you return them. You will be required to place all belongings with the exception of pencil and paper into a locker, before entering the room.

A hot and cold snack bar is located in the basement. If your diet requires, you may eat a bag lunch there.

A very nice guift shop is located in the very back side of the building. To reach this one must go out the front door and around eather side, to the back entrance. There are several steps to reach the door.

This is a wonderful place to research. So go prepared and come home thrilled.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Researchers,

The society is GROWING! Our involvement in the community continues in many areas. These are some of the exiting projects.

- #1 STAFFING THE DEBTORS PRISON on the court house green every Sunday to give genealogical help and dispense information on Gloucester Co.
- #2 PROVIDING ANCESTOR BIOGRAPHICAL MATERIAL for a middle school play t interest the students in genealogy and geography.
- #3 CELEBRATION OF THE FAMILY -EXHIBITION DAY AT PETSWORTH SCHOOL.
- #4 COMPUTER GROUP meetings at the L.D.S. church library.
- #5 TOUR OF VIRGINIA ARCHIVES Richmond Va.
- #6 PROCURE AND MAINTAIN FAMILY HISTORY FILES at the Gloucester library.
- #7 PROVIDE INTERESTING PROGRAMS AT THE MEETINGS.
- #8 COPYING FOR PUBLICATION - DEATH'S OF GLOUCESTER CO. 186 - 1900.

THANKS TO OUR ENTHUSIASTIC LOCAL MEMBERS FOR THEIR SUPPORT.

JOAN C. KANTER
PRESIDENT