

DAY.007 A DEED BETWEEN JOHN WOODWARD OF PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY VIRGINIA & JOHN MERCER, OF STAFFORD COUNTY VIRGINIA, DATED 21ST OCTOBER 1732 (BOOK "B," PAGE 426) PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY DEEDS. .

Obtained, Gathered & Entered by Robert R. Hill Sr in June 1987.

Note: It is suspected that this was the first husband of Mary Simpson, and the father of Thomas (Regulator) Woodward and Ann Woodward.

Robert R. Hill Sr.

KNOW ALL MEN, by these presents, that I JOHN WOODWARD, of the County of Prince William, Smith, (Blacksmith?) for and in consideration of the sum of Six Hundred Pounds of Tobacco, to me in hand, paid by JOHN MERCER, of County of Stafford, Grant? the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge, have bargained and sold and by these presents do bargain and sell unto the said JOHN MERCER all and Sundry the horses, cattle, hogs, tools, money, and household goods mentioned and contained in the schedule hereunto annexed, TO HAVE AND TO HOLD all and singular the said horses, cattle, hogs, tools, money and house hold goods to the said JOHN MERCER and his heirs and assigns forever to his heirs and their own proper use and behoof. IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the 21st day of OCTOBER 1732.

(signed) JOHN WOODWARD (LS)

legal seal

Sealed in the Presence of us, the above named JOHN WOODWARD, having first delivered to the above named JOHN MERCER, a pistol thereby to say the said JOHN MERCER in full and Peaceable possession of the thing, above mentioned.

(signed) CATSBY? COCKE

JOHN GREGG

The schedule or Inventory of the horses, cattle, hogs, tools, money and household goods aforesaid to the above Bill of Sale...

two feather beds

two bed spreads

four blankets

two rugs

(two horses (one whole? (old?) horse (branded) DP on the fore buttocks and the other a black horse, branded on the rear buttocks with a grid iron

one branded cow & calf bought by the said WOODWARD of JOHN GRAHAM

eleven hogs marked with a slit in the fore ear and a slit in

the near ear, the eleven hogs marked with a slit in the
fore ear and a slit in the near ear, the under side of
the _____ ear chopped as low as it is _____ (possible?)

six? hog chains

one Smith's Bellows

one anvil weighing 3 lbs. 2oz. 4 (?)

one _____ ??? (not legible)

seven hammons (josted?) and one sledge hammer

six dishes

12 _____ (not legible) Iron Pots

7 chairs, 7 poles??,

3 hand vicar son files, one weighing 113 pounds

(signed) JOHN WOODWARD

Witnesses: CASBY? (CATSBY?) COCKE JOHN GREGG

In (open?) Court confirmed and held for Prince William County
the 22nd day of March 1734, JOHN MERCER, Gentleman, presented
the above Bill of Sale from JOHN WOODWARD with the schedule
or Inventory (amount?) which was proved by the oaths of the
witnesses hereto subscribed and on the _____ of the said
MERCER admitted to record.

(signed) JOHN CROSBY (C.C.)

Clerk of Court

NOTE BY ROBERT HILL: Note that John Woodward does not sell
any land and I think it is because his wife MARY (SIMPSON)
WOODWARD owned the land by inheritance from her father THOMAS
SIMPSON.....This JOHN WOODWARD is the only male WOODWARD
found in the area and thus he is suspected to be the FATHER
of THOMAS WOODWARD, who later moved to Camden District South
Carolina between 1758 and 1763 and who later became known as
THOMAS (THE REGULATOR) WOODWARD.

Mrs. Jean Holly Day informed me that it is quite possible
that this JOHN WOODWARD may be the one that lived in New Kent
County and who disappeared. Also one of the witnesses was a
CASERBY (CATSBY?) COCKE. The name COCKE was the name of a
well high respected family that settled along with some
WOODWARDS in and around Isle of Wight County Virginia between
1620-1640 and who later moved into Bedford County Virginia
and Fairfield County South Carolina.

This causes great speculation that THOMAS WOODWARD, The
REGULATOR, may also be a part of these same Woodwards,
(through his father JOHN WOODWARD) and not necessarily
through the Woodwards of Maryland as previously stated and
generally accepted. This still has to be researched and
proven.

Note: February 1989...No evidence has been found to
link the Regulator's line to any other Woodward line as of
this date.

Robert R. Hill Sr.

END OF DATA.