

DAY.016 GENEALOGICAL INFORMATION ON THE WOODWARD FAMILY OF
NORTH CAROLINA.

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(Source: "Lost Tribes," by Worth Ray).

WOODWARD FAMILY.

One of the most colorful characters in CAROLINA HISTORY was HENRY WOODWARD, in all likelihood, a close kinsman, if not an ancestor of the HENRY WOODWARD and others of the name, who appear in these pages (1-63). About the time that George Durant was dickering with the old Indian Chiefs for his choice tract on the "neck of land" on Albemarle Sound, (N.C.) HENRY WOODWARD and his companions were exploring the region around the mouth of the Ashley River (S.C.) and learning from the Indians something about the country.

Left there by his companions, the intrepid explorer remained among these Indians many long months, and was finally captured and carried to San (sic) Augustine (St. Augustine?); after his escape, he became a ship's doctor in the West Indies, was finally wrecked on St. Nevis, and picked up by the Sir John Yeaman's contingent, which was trying unsuccessfully to reach the Carolinas.

Later he came to the settlements on Ashley River and, finally became an Indian Trader, of note, whose headquarters were mainly around what is now Augusta, Georgia. I would call it a genealogical co-incidence that a hundred years later, one of the striking characters of that new era, who stalked among the Indians of the same general area was COL. JOSEPH MARTIN, whose wife was a LUCAS, and who was almost surely a kinsman of the famous HENRY WOODWARD, since the HENRY of (1715) married MARY MARTIN, (1-63) and WILLIAM MARTIN and HENRY LUCAS were both the uncles of a JOHN WOODWARD, who died leaving a will in (1734) 1-32, 1-313.

(Note by R. Hill: In the summer of 1987, my wife and I visited Charleston, S.C. While on that visit we went to one of the plantations, located on a river, just a short distance from Charleston. That plantation (which I have forgot the name) is like a huge garden and a tourist can walk a long ways among the trees, flowers etc. In our walk, right on the river bank was a tombstone of a HENRY WOODWARD. At the time the name meant nothing to me and I failed to take note of the dates etc... but I seem to remember that he is listed among S.C. records as being the 1st white man in that area of S.C. and was an Indian Trader. This may be the above's grave).

Other information on some Woodwards..

EDWARD WOODWARD died in Chowan (County, N.C.) in 1822 with Jacob Parker & Samuel Privatt as witnesses (2-38); the estate of another EDWARD WOODWARD was administered by Abigail Slaughter (1754) in (1-455).

GINNY WOODWARD died in Chowan (County, N.C.), Will in (2-38).

HENRY WOODWARD (of Virginia) married Mary Martin, daughter of John Martin of Bath (County?), who died in (1715) in 1-63. (Vol 1, p. 63).

JOHN WOODWARD died leaving a will in Bath in (1734) in which he mentioned two uncles, as William Martin & Henry Lucas (1-82); also see (1-513).

RICHARD WOODWARD owned lands next to Thomas Piland and James Hambleton (1729) in (2-446 & 2-454).

SAMUEL WOODWARD, bought land from Thomas Bray next to John Robertson in 1718 (1-629); made a deed to Paul Brunch in 1735 and witnessed by Robert Robertson (3-128); In 1750 married Mrs. Sarah Purcell with Luke White security on the bond (1-237); bought land from Job Meader in 1728, next to John Jordan and Isaac Williams (2-445 & 2-144); he was receiver of POWDER MONEY in 1739 (2-301); made deed to Phillip Browne ca. 1715 (1-286); and one to William Yates in 1721 (2-616); his wife was Elizabeth and they sold land to Isaac Zehinden in 1713 (1-99); that same year he witnessed a deed by Ardeb Carlton (1-296); he bought land from Edward Howcott in 1718 (1-620); he bought land from Caleb Stevens in 1720 (2-614); also from Luke White in 1718 (1-625); had land grant in 1719 (1-18); he sold land to Thomas Bray which he had bought from James Blount in 1718 with William Sharp a witness (1-628).

WILLIAM WOODWARD, left a will in 1691 and in it named his wife SARAH and made her Executor & Edward Wadw?? a Trustee; Edward Bonner and William Charlton among witnesses (1-510).

WILLIAM WOODWARD obtained a grant of land in 1719, next to David Ambrose (1-18).

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION RELATES TO THE STATE OF VIRGINIA BUT MAY HAVE CONNECTIONS TO THE WOODWARDS OF NC.

HENRY WOODWARD (born 1595, England) came to Virginia on the ship "Diana" in 1619.

On 16 May 1620, Mary (ATWATER or WATERS) Honeywood, died at the age of 93 years. She had married in February of 1543, ROBERT HONEYWOOD, of Kent (England) who died 22 April 1576. She lived to see 367 descendents, including 16 children, 114

grandchildren and 228 great-grandchildren, up to the time of her death. One daughter, KATHERINE married William Fleete and had a grandson, Henry Fleet, who came to Virginia. Another daughter, ELIZABETH, married GEORGE WOODWARD, of

Buckinghamshire, England on 9th September 1579, and from this family alliance emerged several immigrants to Virginia: Robert Honeywood, Sir Philip Honeywood, Nathaniel Bacon Sr., George Lydall, perhaps Thomas Woodward, of Isle of Wight County Virginia and Christopher Woodward, of Charles City County, and possibly others.

In 1649, CHARLES I., King of England, was decapitated and many Royalists fled from England, some of them coming to Virginia, namely:

1. HENRY BISHOP, who served the King in the English Civil Wars.
2. COL. JOSEPH BRIDGER, who died in Isle of Wight County.
3. MAJOR-GENERAL MAINWARING HAMMOND; his brother FRANCIS HAMMOND also came to Virginia. (of further mention).
4. COL. PHILLIP HONEYWOOD, of further mention.
5. PETER JENINGS (JENNINGS), whose father served the King, became Attorney-General of Virginia.
6. ANTHONY LANGSTON, Ensign in Prince Maurice's Regiment, stayed 14 years in Virginia.
7. COL. FRANCIS MORRISON, in the King's Army, became Governor of Virginia.
8. SIR GREY SKIPWITH, son of SIR HENRY SKIPWITH; left many descendents in Virginia.
9. THOMAS WOODWARD, Assay-Master of the Mint in London, who was dismissed by parliamentary authorities, came to Virginia, and settled in Isle of Wight County. (of Further mention).

THOMAS WOODWARD was born in England, in 1600-1609, and came to Virginia in 1649. He was Clerk of Assembly in Isle of Wight County in March of 1655 and was appointed the first SURVEYOR-GENERAL of the Carolinas in 1662.

Note by Robert Hill: The above Thomas Woodward Sr. was Thomas Woodward 4/ (of Isle of Wight County, Va.) was the son (questionable) of Christopher Woodward Jr. 3/ & his wife Katherine Audley, of England, and is named in his mother's will (Elizabeth Westwood Oldberry, widow of Christopher Woodward Sr. 2/).

It is known that Isle of Wight County, Virginia, as well as Norfolk, Nansemond County all are very close to Pasquotank, Perquimans, Chowan & Gates Counties of N.C. and the Woodward family in Virginia owned land in and near Albemarle, N.C.

In September of 1649, SIR PHILLIP HONEYWOOD came to Virginia, where he obtained a large land grant in New Kent County. According to Boddie, in "17th Century Isle of Wight County Virginia" "SIR PHILIP HONEYWOOD had some relatives, then living in Isle of Wight County. They were THOMAS WOODWARD, formerly Assay-Master of the Mint to CHARLES I, and Col. NATHANIEL BACON.

In November of 1661, "Petition of JOHN WOODWARD, son of THOMAS WOODWARD, to the King. To be put into possession of the house and office of Assay-Master of the (London) Mint, held by his father till the late troubles, when JOHN BRADSHAW, so-called President of the Council of State, on October 23, 1649, dismissed him for refusing obedience to the usurped powers and put in SAMUEL BARTLETT. On this, his father went to Virginia, publicly declaring that he would not see England again until his Majesty's return, is forthwith sending him the joyful news and wishes to keep the office for him till his return or, if he be dead, to have a grant of it for himself."

On the 10th of November 1661, THOMAS WOODWARD, age 61 years, signed a deposition, in Isle of Wight County Virginia.

In 1662, THOMAS WOODWARD of Isle of Wight County Virginia, was appointed sole SURVEYOR-GENERAL of the Carolinas (then called Albemarle).

On 25th September 1663, KATHERINE WOODWARD & PHILARETE WOODWARD, her daughter, 750 acres on W. side of Pasquotank River (in today's N.C.), beginning at a point above the mouth of a large creek, falling into said river, etc.

Transportation of 15 persons: Fra. Ost(?), Jno. Garnell, Mary Well, Alice Jeffry, Jno. Newton, Christian Greene, Jno. Barnwell, Mary Taylor, Robert Cox, Ja. Johnson, Ja. Cooke (or Cocke), Richard Harman, Thomas West, Jno. Smith, Thomas Turvell. (NOTE: This patent was in Albermarle (The Carolinas. Katherine Woodward was wife of Thomas Woodward, and Philarete Woodward was his daughter).

On 25 September 1663, THOMAS WOODWARD SR. & THOMAS WOODWARD JR., his son, 2500 acres, on the N. side of Paspetank River, beginning at the head of easternmost branch of Aranews Creek & c, towards the head of the North River. Transportation for 50 persons: Elizabeth Elaerton, Xpher David, Richard Marr, Edward Rycroft, Henry Greene, Thomas Patman, Jonathan Brathwite, Thomas Robinson, _____Morris,_____, Hilliard, Thomas Oliver, Richard Woford, Jason Charlton, Ann

Bring, William Lovet, Mary Spencer, JNO. HOLLUM, RICHARD WYATT, Mohan Hogan, Katherine Kadlin, Jonathan Rich, Robert Chambers, Thomas Hamton, Ma. Lenox, Rowland Denson, Robert Shepard, Silas Ward, Jonathan Barkerm Humphery Chapman, Thomas Beffin, Jason Murdah, George Petit, Thomas Gilnett, Leo Hathorne, William Thomas, Robert Walters, Jonathan Simpson, Jonathan Partridge, Thomas Carver, Jeff Mumford, Mary Cross, Jonathan Olton, Richard Hamond, Richard James, Mary Simons, Alexander Frizzel, William Hazelwood, William Famill, Thomas Clement, Arspell Forstive & Daniel Fenny.
(This also in Albermarle or the Carolinas).

On 25 September 1663, ROBERT LAWRY, 300 acres, Albemarle (Carolinas, NC to be exact), in a bay at the mouth of NEW BEGIN CREEK, beginning at the mouth of a small swamp which parts this land of HENRY PALIN, running S.W. &c. up the said creek to a marked gum (tree) in the midst of the mouth of a great swamp, which parts this and MR. JENNINGS & assc. Transportation of six persons: Robert Lowry, John Maier, Major RICHARD WOODART (WOODWARD?) Jude Wilson, George Preston & Jonathan Turfe.

On 25 September 1663, THOMAS WOODWARD SR. & THOMAS WOODWARD JR., 2000 acres on the W. side of Chawanoke River, beginning 50 poles below the small creek, which is at the lower part of the Old Indian Towne, running W.S.W. &c. Transportation for 40 persons: Humphery Pawle, Thomas Pryer, Ann Suttan, Robert Black, Arthur Holder, Jacob Browne, Symon Prichard, Ezekiel Williams, William Miller, William Holdren, Robert Corner (or Carvel), John Stevenson, Anthony Wynn, John Hamlin, EPHER WOODWARD (twice), Thomas Marshall, John Bird, Robert Hancoke, Peter Dennis (twice), Elizabeth Jemer (?), Sarah Marshall, Peter Janson, Esther Ruke, Michael Talin, Thomas Richmond, Thomas Parin, Samuel Moses, Stephen Persian & Samuel Henrye.
***(NOTE: Compare this list of headrights with those named by HOWELL PRYSE in his patent for 1200 acres of land in Charles City County a few months later: SEE REF # 115 following this).

12 July 1665

Hampton Court (England)

The King to the Warden of the Mint:

"The Office of Assay Master of the Mint, being vacant by the death of JOHN WOODWARD and absence of THOMAS WOODWARD, his father, who, if alive, is at some plantation on York River, in Virginia, JOHN BRATTLE is to exercise the Office, during the absence of THOMAS WOODWARD, with a fitting allowance."

17 April 1667

THOMAS WOODWARD JR., 1100 acres, Isle of Wight County/or Nansemond County, "Upon the Black Water or towards the head of Chawon (Chowan) or Chawoneck River, including an Old Indian Field called "Mountsack." Transportation of 32 persons.

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