

NC.013 THE FAMILY OF WHITMEL HILL OF BERTIE COUNTY N.C.  
AND HIS WIFE WINIFRED BLOUNT.

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Source: Records of N.C. State Archives in Raleigh, N.C. and  
Stuart Hill Papers, Vol. I.

Note: Isaac Hill is still being listed as 1st generation due  
to lack of absolute proof his father was Adam Hill of  
England.

ISAAC HILL 1/, died 1710, SON OF ADAM HILL OF  
ENGLAND (QUESTIONABLE). children:

1. Micajah Hill 2/ (no other data given).
2. Isaac Hill 2/ m. dau. of Lott Stallings.
3. JOHN HILL 2/ married Martha Whitmell Bates. (see below)
4. Nathaniel Hill 2/ married Elizabeth Hardy, and their  
children were:
  - a. Michael Hill 3/ married Elizabeth Collins and  
their children were:
    - i. Mary Hill 4/
    - ii. Hardy Hill 4/, d. 1777 and was married to  
Janet Bryan in 1773 (75?) and left a  
daughter Elizabeth Hill 5/, who married a  
Jacobs.
5. Martha Hill 2/ (no other information)

Isaac Hill 1/ was father of John Hill 2/, who married Martha  
Whitmell Bates (her 2nd) and was the father of Whitmel Hill  
3/..

Whitmell Hill's 3/ mother was Martha Whitmell Bates. He was  
born on 12th February 1743, on his father's plantation in  
Bertie County, N.C. He married his first cousin, Winifred  
Blount, in 1761. She was born in 1743 in Chowan County, N.C.,  
but was living in Martin County, N.C. at the time of their  
marriage.

Whitmell Hill 3/ died at "Palmyra" his home in Martin County,  
N.C. on 12th September 1797 and was buried there. Later his  
remains and those of his two sons were removed to the Old  
Trinity Church Cemetery in Scotland Neck, N.C.

At this time we do not know when Winifred Blount Hill died or  
where she was buried. There are no tombstones in Martin  
County to show she was buried there.

### Their Children:

1. Joseph Blount Hill 4/, born in Martin County N.C. on 5th October 1762, died on 26th November 1795 at age of 33 unmarried. He was buried in Martin County but his remains were removed to Trinity Church in Scotland Neck, N.C.
2. Elizabeth Hill 4/, second child and only daughter of Whitmel Hill and Winifred Blount Hill. She was born in Martin County, N.C. She married ca. 1790 to John Anthony of Philadelphia, who came to Martin County after the Revolution. They had 7 children. He died on his plantation in Halifax County N.C. and his will is on record there, dated 1812. We do not know the date of the birth or death of Elizabeth Hill or where she was buried. Children listed were: Elizabeth 5/; Martha 5/; Henrietta 5/; and Joseph Anthony 5/. Other three names not listed.
3. John Hill 4/, third child of Whitmell Hill 3/ and Winifred Blount Hill. He was born at Hill's Ferry, Martin County, N.C. ca. 1765. He married a cousin, Mary Whitmel Bryan. He lived on his plantation in Bertie County and died in December 1801 without any children. His widow afterwards married his first cousin, Whitmel Hill Pugh of Bertie County N.C. and they had 5 children. The Will of John Hill 3/ (N.C. Hist. and Gen. Register Vol 2, page 518) was dated 16th December 1801, probated February Court Term 1802, mentions wife Polly Hill, nephews Joseph John Anthony, sister Elizabeth Anthony, nieces Elizabeth, Martha and Henrietta Anthony, John Hill Pugh (son of William) Marima and Harriet Bryan and their mother. Cousin William Pugh (son of William) cousin Whit Pugh, brother Thomas B. Hill (Jr.) in child in esse?, Samuel Johnston, Thomas B. Hill, and Joseph Bryan Sr., executors. Test: James Tunstall, John Ruffin and Arnold Milburn.
4. Thomas Blount Hill 4/, youngest child of Whitmel Hill 3/ and Winifred Blount Hill was born at his father's plantation "Palmyra," Martin County, N.C. on 26th February 1775. He married Rebecca Norfleet on 25th November 1799. She was born near the town of Roxobel in Bertie County on 25 January 1783. She was the daughter of Captain Reuben Norfleet and his wife Mary Figures. Rebecca was one of the founders of the Old Trinity Church in Scotland Neck, N.C. in 1832. After his father's (Whitmel Hill) home "Palmyra" was destroyed by fire, Thomas Blount Hill 4/ built a house which he called the "Hermitage," located about 15 miles from his former home, and one half mile from the present town of Tillery, N.C. His son, Thomas Blount Hill Jr. 5/, inherited the plantation and in 1848, sold it to J.R.

Tillery. He moved his family to Hillsboro, N.C. Thomas Blount Hill Sr. 4/ died at the "Hermitage" on 27th October 1815 and was buried about 200 yards in front of his house.

After her husband's death, Rebecca Norfleet continued to live at the "Hermitage" managing her estates, and rearing and educating her children. In May of 1845, she went to visit her daughter, Louisa Hill 6/, now wife of George Evans Spruill, and died there on 19th May (1845). Mrs Spruill lost four children, her husband and mother in just one week from the "Black Tongue." Her mother (Rebecca Norfleet Hill) was buried at the "Hermitage" by the side of her husband (Thomas Blount Hill Sr. 4/). Around 1890, their remains were moved to the Trinity Church, near Scotland Neck, N.C.

Thomas N. (Norfleet?) Hill 6/, was the son of Thomas Blount Hill Jr. 5/ and his wife, Dorothy Barnes, and was born on 12th March 1838 and died at Halifax N.C. on 24th July 1904. Thomas N. Hill 6/ married 1st Eliza Evans Hall and had four sons and six daughters. His second marriage was to Mary Avis Long.

Rebecca Whitmell Hill 7/, a daughter of Thomas Blount Hill Jr. 6/, married Peter Evans Smith. Smith was born on 20th January 1829.

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