

NC.042 INFORMATION I HAVE GATHERED, ALONG WITH COMMENTS,  
IDEAS WHILE RESEARCHING THE ROBERT HILL 3/ FAMILY OF HALIFAX  
COUNTY, N.C.

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Source of Information for this research: My own research based on Land Deeds of Edgecombe, Northampton, Nash, Halifax and Chatham Counties of N.C., Wills (located in Document below), DAR files, family information by Jerry R. Hill of Siler City, N.C., Mrs, Winn Jacob of Beaverton, Oregon and many other various sources.

Note of Explanation by R. Hill: The figure found after a name indicates what KNOWN generation that individual belongs to. This figure WAS NOT on the original documents. In reference to the females, when a Hill daughter married into another family and had children, I have treated the children as a Hill generation (i.e. Tabitha Hill 4/ married David Chapman Sr. and their children are treated as 5th Hill generation.

I would like for the reader to understand that I am of the opinion that Robert Hill 3/ was born ca. 1678, married in Virginia between 1710-1712 and died about April of 1766. Both the birth and marriage dates still needs to be proved as do the birth dates of the children, which I suspect is about 10 years too late in time.

### ROBERT HILL 3/.

Robert Hill 3/ is said to have been born anywhere from 1678 till 1684 in Surry County, Virginia. Since he paid his own tithes in Surry County in 1699, it would appear he had reached the age of 21, and was required to pay tithes. On the 1st July 1679, his father Sion Hill, administered the estate of the deceased John Spiltimber. It is known that the widow, Elizabeth Spiltimber, married Sion Hill & they were the parents of Robert Hill 3/. So a birth of 1680 seems probable.

The will of Robert Hill 3/ was drawn up on 18th June 1762 and probated in April of 1766 in Halifax County, N.C. He has been said by some researchers to have married his wife Tabitha (Greene-West?) ca. 1721, probably in Isle of Wight County, Virginia (Ref: "East Goes West," by Craft, Page 121, Sibling Section).

The book East Goes West simply states that the wife Tabitha

was born before 1690 and died in 1765 in Halifax County, N.C.  
I question some of these dates for the following reasons:

Assuming the marriage date of 1721, and if the other above dates are true, then Robert Hill 3/ was about 43 years old when he married in 1721 and Tabitha (his wife) would have been at least 31 years old when married (assuming birth was in 1690, older if born before 1690). This would seem to have been quite old for a man to have first married in those days, also it seems to be too old for a woman to have married and then have his wife bear eleven (11) children, UNLESS the wife was a very young woman.

In the 1699 Tithes List for Surry County, Virginia, Robert Hill paid his own tithes. In the 1702 list Robert Hill 3/ was not listed but his father, Sion Hill 2/, was listed as paying tithes for sons Sion Hill Jr. 3/ & Richard Hill 3/.

My understanding has been that all males, 18 or over, had to pay tithes but I have been told recently (by a professional genealogist) that the age required to pay tithes was 21 and over. This is confusing.

In a family, the head of a household was responsible for ALL WHITE MALES 21 and over to pay their tithes, but did not necessarily have to pay them himself or herself. This seems to imply that Robert Hill 3/ was considered an adult in 1699 and therefore seems logical that his birth of 1678 may be correct.

Robert Hill 3/ & wife Tabitha were granted 145 acres of land in Isle of Wight County, Virginia in 1724. Their son Thomas Hill 4/ is said to have been born in 1725 in Virginia, but it appears his birth was more like 1715. This is based on a land deed to him in 1730, and requirement to be 21 years old to own land.

Robert Hill 3/ is thought to have married Tabitha ca. 1707. All evidence that I have found suggest to me that Thomas 4/ was the fourth or fifth child.

I am of the opinion that Robert Hill 3/ married Tabitha--? ca. 1707 and their eldest child was the son Sion Hill 4/, born ca. 1708 or 1709. This reasoning is mostly due to two things: The first being that Robert Hill's 3/ father and the paternal grandfather of his sons was named Sion Hill Sr. 2/. It was a popular custom of these times to name the first born male after the paternal grandfather.

The second reason is the fact that Robert Hill 3/ left his plantation and lands to his son Sion Hill 4/, which English law granted the eldest son "rights of inheritance" which was so firmly followed that even a will often did not take away that son's rights.

#### SION HILL 4/.

Sion Hill 4/ is thought to have been born ca. 1707-1708, probably in Surry or Isle of Wight County, Va. and he is believed to have been the eldest child & son of Robert Hill 3/. He inherited his father's plantation and was named one of the three executors of his father's estate in 1762 and was alive in April of (1765) 1766 when his father died. He was not the Sion Hill that died in Wake County, N.C.

#### GREEN HILL 4/.

The second child and son appears to have been a son named Green Hill 4/, who has quite often been mistaken by some researchers as the Green Hill 4/, born ca. 1714 that married Grace Bennett, but it was not the same Green Hill. This Green Hill 4/ is thought to have been born ca. 1710-1712, (or earlier) probably in Surry or Isle of Wight County, Virginia. Some researchers say that he was married to Grace Bennett but land deeds show that this Green Hill was a son of Richard Hill 3/ & Hannah Briggs. Green Hill 4/ inherited land from Richard 3/, sold it and moved into North Carolina. Another source says Green Hill 4/ (son of Robert 3/) may have married Letitia Chapman but this has yet to be proven. The fact remains, that other than land deeds between he and his brother, Sion Hill 4/, and the fact that he was named one of the executors of his father's estate, very little is known of this Green Hill 4/.

#### ABNER HILL 4/.

Abner Hill 4/, is thought to have been the fourth child and son of Robert Hill 3/ & wife Tabitha. It is thought that he was born ca. 1713-1714, probably in Surry or Isle of Wight County, Virginia and is known to have been alive as late as April of (1765) 1766 when his father died. Land deeds show he resided in Edgecombe County, N.C. He was one of the three executors of his father's estate. He may have been the Abner Hill that married Rebecca Parham on 15th November 1754. This has not been proved. She is thought to be a daughter of William Parham and who's name coincides to a Parham that later was the guardian to the children of his brother William Clanton Hill Sr. 4/ (see later). Little else is know of Abner Hill 4/.

#### THOMAS HILL SR. 4/.

Thomas Hill Sr. 4/ was born in 1715 in Isle of Wight County, Virginia and his birth seems to be one that is fairly well established. He married Sarah Etheridge ca. 1740 and settled in what was Edgecombe County, later Halifax County, N.C. and was a wealthy man. He is listed in DAR files as a Revolutionary Soldier. His will was dated 27th November 1787

and probated in August Court of 1789. They had ten children.

ANN HILL 4/, DAUGHTER OF ROBERT HILL 3/.

Ann Hill 4/ is thought to have been born ca. 1718 in what was then Bertie County, N.C. but in 1741 became Edgecombe County, N.C. and married a Mr. (John?) Steed. She was the fourth daughter listed in her father's 1762 will. John Steed was said to be a Revolutionary Soldier. There was a son named Green Steed 5/ (5th Hill generation listing).

MARY HILL 4/, DAUGHTER OF ROBERT HILL 3/.

Mary Hill 4/ was probably born ca. 1720-1722 in what was then Bertie County, N.C. but later became Edgecombe County, N.C. She married William Bryant, a Revolutionary Soldier and it appears they moved into Chatham County, N.C. Little else is known of them. One source says they had a son Green Bryant.

TABITHA HILL 4/, DAUGHTER OF ROBERT HILL 3/..

Tabitha Hill 4/ is thought to have been the 3rd child and the eldest daughter of Robert Hill 3/ & wife Tabitha, having been born ca. 1725-1727 probably in Surry or Isle of Wight County, Va. This seems to have been based on her being the first named daughter in her father's 1762 will. She has been listed by some researchers as having married ca. 1757 to David Chapman Sr., a Revolutionary Soldier and son of John Chapman and wife Ann. I am of the opinion that the marriage was about 1747. David & Tabitha Hill 4/ Chapman had eight children.

AGNES HILL 4/, DAUGHTER OF ROBERT HILL 3/.

Agnes Hill 4/ is thought to have been born ca. 1727-1729 (or earlier) in what was then Bertie County, but in 1741 became Edgecombe County, N.C. She was the second daughter listed in her father's 1762 will. She married ca. 1747 to Charles Arrington Sr., a Revolutionary Soldier. Other sources say she married ca. 1757. The name of Arrington was (over time) later changed to Harrington. They had nine known children. She died in Chatham County, N.C. in 1797. I do not think she was a twin of Thomas Hill 4/, as some have stated, but no proof.

WILLIAM HILL SR. 4/, YOUNGEST SON OF ROBERT HILL 3/.

William (Clanton?) Hill Sr. 4/ was born ca. 1731 in what was then Bertie County, N.C. but later in 1741, became Edgecombe County, N.C. He often signed land deeds as "William Hill Sr." and since he had a son named William Clanton Hill 5/. He may actually be William Clanton Hill Sr. 4/, but the use of the term "Senior" was not used as restrictively as it is today and may have been used to separate him from his son

named William Clanton Hill 5/. Some researchers say that he married first to a Elizabeth Clanton, who died in child birth in 1800 in Chatham County, N.C. and then he later re-married in Georgia, the 2nd time to a widow named Lydia White Jones of Greene County, Georgia. Both of these marriages are wrong!

North Carolina wills and land deeds imply that William Hill 4/ was probably married only once, to Charity Lewis. There is no record of a second marriage. The marriage took place about 1753. Charity Lewis was a daughter of Richard Lewis and his wife Ann Lewis.

Charity was obviously the only wife of William Hill 4/ because she out lived him. William Hill Sr. 4/ is thought to have died between 1803-1806 in Hancock County, Ga. Charity Lewis lived to be quite old, and went to Hancock County, Georgia with her husband. Charity died on the 4th of August 1820 in Hancock County, Georgia and was buried on a Brantley plantation,

Charity Lewis Hill was mentioned in her mother's will (Ref: 1785 Will of Ann Lewis Williams, who had remarried to Wilson Williams).

William Hill Sr. 4/, lived in what was at that time Edgecombe County, N.C., which in 1777, split off and then became Nash County. William Hill Sr. 4/ later (ca. 1779) moved to Chatham County, N.C. and ca. 1803 he moved to Hancock County, Georgia. He is thought to have died there ca. 1803-1806. Contrary to what others have said, he did not marry Lydia White Jones, as land deeds show he was still in N.C. at the time Lydia remarried a William Hill and had two children (1802).

#### LAWRANNA HILL 4/, DAUGHTER OF ROBERT HILL 3/.

Lawranna Hill 4/ is thought to have been born ca. 1733 in Bertie County, later Edgecombe County, N.C. and married William Arrington (Harrington). She was the third daughter listed in her father's 1762 will and she is mentioned in the 1803 Will of her nephew, William Clanton Hill Jr. 5/ as "my Aunt Lurancy Arrington." This William Clanton Hill 5/ was a son of her brother, William Hill Sr. 4/ & Charity Lewis.

#### MILBRY HILL 4/, YOUNGEST CHILD & DAUGHTER OF ROBERT HILL 3/.

Milbry Hill 4/ was born ca. 1739 in what was then Bertie County, N.C. but later became Edgecombe County, N.C., and she married Matthew Gibbs some time between 1762 when her father's will was wrote and April of 1766 when her father died and left her land. She and her husband had moved into Craven County, S.C. and they sold the N.C. land she inherited from her father, who listed her in his will as Milbry Hill.

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## NOTE & INFORMATION ON WILLIAM HILL SR. 4/

There has been and still is a problem in dealing with this William Hill Sr. 4/. There are three sets of dates listed for him by other researchers, one being that he was born ca. 1735 and his death was 1809 in Jasper County, Georgia.

The birth date of 1735 appears to be very close to my accepted 1731 birth date, but the death date of 1809 in Jasper County, Georgia is felt to be way too late, due to a confusion with another William Hill that did marry Lydia White Jones and who did die in Jasper County, Ga. in 1809.

The second set of dates has his being born ca. 1712-1714 and his death in 1793 in Chatham County, N.C. all appears to be wrong! Land deeds prove he was alive as late as 1802. Other researchers list him as the eldest son, probably due to the fact that he was first named in his father's will but in fact, he was the youngest son. In colonial days, often times, a man would list his youngest children first in order to make sure the youngest children were well provided before distributing the rest of his estate. William Hill 4/ appears to me to have been so listed in his father's will, which probably caused some researchers to think he was the eldest child and son.

Based on the dates of land deeds made by William Hill Sr. 4/ to his sons in Chatham County, N.C., it is thought that he died between 1803-1806 in Hancock County, Georgia. This still needs to be proved, but it is at this point that William Hill Sr. 4/ disappears from the records.

Another researcher says he was born ca. 1750 and died in Jasper County, Georgia in 1809. This set of dates is completely unacceptable as will be explained below.

Earlier researchers have William Hill Sr. 4/ marriage listed as first to Elizabeth Clanton, however NO ONE has provided any evidence of any kind of a marriage between ANY HILL or ANY ELIZABETH CLANTON. Researchers of the Clanton family have said they too can find no such marriage, thus it is highly skeptical.

This marriage seems to have been conveniently listed due to the middle name of the son, William Clanton Hill 5/, who was thought to have been the eldest son and was supposed to have been named after his said to be mother. I do not accept that.

William Hill Sr. 4/ has been listed as having a second marriage in Greene County, Georgia to a widow, Lydia White Jones, but lands deeds show he was still in Chatham County,

N.C. when Lydia White Jones had already married another William Hill, and who one source (Family Puzzlers) say originated in Chesterfield County, Virginia.

(See discussion in NC.43). Note: Family Puzzlers also has the wrong William Hill. The family of William Hill from Chesterfield County, Va. has been well established and it was not him either.

#### SOME PROOF.

In Halifax County, N.C., a Richard Lewis in his 1759 will, names among his children, a daughter Charity Lewis and two grandsons, Lewis Hill & Richard Hill. Ann Lewis, his widow, later remarried Wilson Williams and in her 1779 will, that was probated in 1785 in Halifax County, named the daughter Charity as Charity Hill. Despite the fact that Richard Lewis named his daughter Charity as "Charity Lewis," (to me) this strongly implies she was the mother of both Lewis Hill 5/ & Richard Hill 5/, especially since Charity's mother, Ann Lewis, later named her as Charity Hill in her 1779 will.

Now land deeds show William Hill Sr. 4/ deeding land to his sons Richard Hill 5/ and Lewis Hill 5/, both being the named grandsons in the 1759 will of Richard Lewis.

Later William Hill Sr. 4/ deeded land to his son William Clanton Hill 5/, who in his 1803 will named his brother Richard Hill 5/ as his executor. He also named his "Aunt Lurancy Arrington," proving that William Clanton Hill's 5/ father was her brother.

We also know that the aunt referred to in the 1803 will was actually Lurancy Hill 4/, m. William Harrington, a daughter of Robert Hill 3/. Therefore, the father of Lewis Hill 5/, Richard Hill 5/ and William Clanton Hill 5/, was a brother to Lurancy Hill 4/ Harrington and in turn, they were children of Robert Hill 3/ & his wife Tabitha.

All of this, along with the land deeds, seems to indicate beyond any doubt that the father of Richard Hill 5/, Lewis Hill 5/ and William Clanton Hill 5/ was William Hill Sr. 4/, the son of Robert Hill 3/ and his wife, Tabitha.

Land deeds shows William Hill Sr. 4/ selling land to all of his sons, (Lewis, Richard, Sion, Wm. C. Hill, Enoch & Henry Hill), proving he was both the husband of Charity Lewis and the father of her children. There is no indication of any female children what so ever.

Charity Lewis Hill died on the 4th August 1820 in Hancock County, Georgia.

Abstract of The Will of Richard Lewis:

Will # 7, dated 23rd November 1759, proved in June Court of 1760)

Richard Lewis of Halifax County in his will names his wife as ANN LEWIS, a son named Nicholas Lewis, a son THOMAS LEWIS, a son WILLIAM LEWIS (both mentioned in the Nash County deeds with William Hill 4/) along with a daughter named CHARITY LEWIS. Also named were his two grandsons: LEWIS HILL & RICHARD HILL.

It was not clear at first who the mother of the two Hill grandsons were, the thinking was that it was a deceased daughter, but later, based on a study of the will of the widow of Richard Lewis, Ann Lewis, along with land deeds, it was determined that their mother was Charity Lewis.

The son, Lewis Hill 5/ was apparently named after the Lewis family, and is thought to have been the eldest of the two grandchildren. He married Rebecca Watkins, sister to Lydia Watkins.

Information from a DAR Magazine shows Richard Hill 5/ was a Revolutionary Soldier and his service was in N.C. In DAR files in early 1991, he was listed as a "new patriot," meaning that some ancestor had just filed for entry into the DAR, and no one had previously listed this Richard Hill 5/ as a Revolutionary Soldier.

These files state that Richard Hill 5/ married Lydia Watkins and both signed a land deed involving one of his brothers. It goes on and states that Richard Hill 5/ was born ca. 1757 and that he died on the 7th of February 1832 at the age of 75 years.

This clearly shows that Richard Hill 5/ was (time wise) one of the two grandsons named in the above will of Richard Lewis and he was probably named after his maternal grandfather, Richard Lewis. This is my reasoning for him listed as the second child. The signatures of both Richard Hill 5/ & wife Lydia (Watkins) Hill are on land deeds with his father William Hill Sr. 4/ and some of his brothers, confirming this fact.

Additional evidence that Charity Lewis was the wife of William Hill Sr. 4/ comes by the will of her mother, ANN LEWIS, who was the widow of Richard Lewis.

Ann Lewis had remarried Wilson Williams, who was one of the witnesses to the will of Robert Hill 3/, the father of Charity Lewis' husband, William Hill Sr. 4/. Information taken from the Abstract of the Will of Wilson Williams is below:

Will # 207 of Wilson Williams, Page 336, Halifax County,



N.C. Wills, dated 16th September 1771, proved in August Court of 1774. (Not copied)

In this will, Wilson Williams names his wife ANN WILLIAMS and a daughter MARY HILL. William Lewis, a son of the deceased Richard Lewis and Ann Lewis, now the wife of Wilson Williams, was a witness to this will. In other words, the step son, William Lewis, signed the will of his step father, Wilson Williams, and proves to this writer that Ann Lewis was indeed the wife of Wilson Williams and was the widow of the deceased Richard Lewis.

Now it should also be noted that Wilson Williams was apparently married before because he named a daughter MARY HILL, and based upon the will of his second wife, ANN LEWIS WILLIAMS, she was not her daughter.

Since Wilson Williams had earlier (ca. 1762) signed the will of Robert Hill 3/ and the above will shows a daughter MARY had married into the Hill family, it is speculated that perhaps this MARY WILSON had married one of Robert Hill's 3/ sons, i.e. Sion Hill 4/, Green Hill 4/ or Abner Hill 4/, all of whom we know very little of.

Still additional proof that Ann Lewis Williams was the widow of Richard Lewis and the mother of Charity Lewis comes from her own Will:

Will # 342 of ANN WILLIAMS, Page 98 of Halifax County Wills, dated 1779, proved in August Court of 1785..

In the will is named sons: Richard Lewis, William Lewis & THOMAS LEWIS (who was often involved with William Hill 4/ in land deeds). Ann Williams gives legacies to her grandchildren, children of her above named sons by her previous marriage to Richard Lewis, and she gives her wearing apparel to her daughter CHARITY HILL. This clearly shows that she was the widow of Richard Lewis and that Charity Lewis Hill was her daughter.

William Hill Sr. 4/, and Thomas Lewis & William Lewis (his two brother in laws) were all involved together in land transactions in Edgecombe, Nash and Chatham Counties, and shows that these transactions were among family members.

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The proof that William Hill Sr. 4/ was the husband of Charity Lewis comes in a combination of facts. One being that Richard Lewis names in his will his two Hill grandchildren, Lewis 5/ & Richard Hill 5/. Another fact is that William Clanton Hill 5/ named his brother Richard Hill 5/ as executor in his 1803. Another fact is the naming of the daughter

Charity Lewis in her mother's will as Charity Hill and finally the land deeds that shows William Hill Sr. 4/ selling land to his sons Lewis 5/ & Richard Hill 5/.

Research on the land deeds involving William Hill Sr. 4/ and his sons, and the fact that his wife, Charity Lewis was alive as late as 1785, the date her mother's will was probated, shows that Charity Lewis was the mother of the following children of William Hill Sr. 4/:

1. Lewis Hill 5/, b. ca. 1755 in Edgecombe County, N.C., married Rebecca Watkins, sister to the wife of his brother Richard Hill 5/. Lewis Hill 5/ died in Nash County, N.C. on 10th July 1795.
2. Richard Hill 5/, REVOLUTIONARY SOLDIER. He was b. ca. 1757 in Edgecombe County, N.C. married on the 3rd of March 1778 in Bute County, N.C. to Lydia Watkins, sister to Rebecca Watkins, the wife of his brother, Lewis Hill 5/. Richard Hill 5/ died in Franklin County, N.C. on 7th of February 1732 at age of 75.
3. Sion Hill 5/, b. ca. 1761 in Edgecombe County, N.C., married Drucilla Lane, daughter of Newt Lane on 2nd October 1783. He died in Nash County, N.C. just prior to the 11th of February 1795, the date when his wife filed an inventory of the estate.
4. William Clanton Hill 5/, b. ca. 1765 in Edgecombe County, N.C., married Sarah Branch ca. 1790, he died in Halifax County, N.C. in May of 1803. They had 3 children, who went to Williamson County, Tennessee as minors. It is possible the mother remarried to Mr. Wm. Parham, guardian of the children, who was also in Tennessee with the children.
5. Enoch Hill 5/, b. ca. 1769-1771 in Edgecombe County, N.C., married 1st Martha Brantley, 2nd her sister, Sarah Brantley ca. 1807, they were last known to have been in Henry County, Georgia in 1748.
6. Henry Hill 5/, b. 25th November 1776 in Edgecombe County, N.C., he married Agnes Fike in Chatham County, N.C. ca. 1800. Henry Hill 5/ died in Chatham County, N.C. between the 1830-1840 census.

Earlier researchers have erroneously listed the following information for William Hill 4/ & (supposedly wife) Elizabeth Clanton: THIS DATA IS WRONG!

1. Elizabeth Hill
2. Sion Lassiter Hill
3. Herbert Hill
4. Isaac Abner Hill

There has not been found any indication of a female child what so ever.

There was a son Sion Hill, but not Sion Lassiter Hill.

Isaac Abner Hill seems to have been a brother to Sion Lassiter Hill and this researcher thinks Herbert Hill was their father.

Herbert Hill 5/, is said to have been a son and is said by some to have been born ca. 1763, but nothing has been found to prove this. It also has been noted that it was not (the said to be father), William Hill Sr. 4/ that sold the land to Herbert Hill, BUT IT WAS HIS SON, WILLIAM CLANTON HILL 5/. I think they may have been cousins. It is thought Herbert Hill was a nephew to William Hill Sr. 4/, perhaps a son of Sion 4/, Green 4/ or Abner Hill 4/.

Now in reference to Franklin County N.C., Deed Book 7, Page 38, on the 7th of January 1790, William Hill Sr. 4/ of Chatham County, N.C., conveyed certain lands in Franklin County to son Richard Hill 5/. Richard Hill 5/ & wife Lydia later witnessed a deed in Chatham County for his brother, William Clanton Hill 4/.

The purpose of the above discussion is to present evidence that William Hill Sr. 4/, son of Robert Hill 3/, married Charity Lewis (NOT ELIZABETH CLANTON OR LYDIA WHITE JONES) and that they were the parents of: Lewis Hill 5/, Richard Hill 5/, Sion Hill 5/, William Clanton Hill (Jr.?) 5/, Enoch Hill 5/ & Henry Hill 5/. The father William Hill Sr. 4/ sold land to all of the above sons.

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#### ADDITIONAL NOTES

##### LEWIS HILL 5/.

Lewis Hill 5/ appears to have been born in Edgecombe County, N.C. ca. 1755, married Rebekah (Rebecca) Watkins, sister to Lydia Watkins, wife of his brother Richard Hill 5/. Lewis Hill 5/ died in Nash County, N.C. on 10th July 1795. His children named in estate papers were: Henckey Hill 6/; Green Hill 6/; Guilford Hill 6/; John Hill 6/; Henry Hill 6/; & Melba Hill 6/. Remember, these were the great grandchildren to Robert Hill 3/ & wife Tabitha.

##### RICHARD HILL 5/.

Richard Hill 5/, b. ca. 1757, some say Bute County, N.C. but that county was not formed until 1764 from Granville County. I am of the opinion that his birth was in (at that time) Edgecombe County, N.C. He married Lydia Watkins on 3rd March 1778 in Bute County, N.C. Richard Hill 5/ was a Private in

the Revolutionary War, served in N.C., and he died on 7th February 1832 at age of 75 in Franklin County, N.C. No listing of children are known but he did have a daughter (name unknown 6/) that married a Mr. Gant because Richard Hill 5/ made a deed of gift to his granddaughter, Susan Gant 7/. There may have been a son, Dr. Duncan Hill 6/ but this is questionable.

#### SION HILL 5/.

Sion Hill 5/ appears to have been born in Edgecombe County, N.C. ca. 1761. He married on 2nd October 1783 to Drucilla Lane, a daughter of Newt Lane. His widow Drucilla Lane Hill, filed an Inventory of his estate on 11th February 1795, indicating that he probably died in Nash County, N.C. in late December of 1794 or January of 1795. Inventory of his estate was filed by the widow Drucilla Hill on 11th February 1795. In the estate files, only the wife and a daughter Elizabeth Hill 6/ was mentioned. It is believe that the widow, Drucilla Lane Hill, remarried a Mr. Manning, had children and moved to Mississippi.

#### WILLIAM CLANTON HILL 5/.

William Clanton Hill 5/ was born ca. 1765 in Edgecombe County, N.C. and died in May of 1803 in Halifax County, N.C. He married Sarah Branch ca. 1790. His will was dated 25th January 1803 and probated in May court of 1803 in Halifax County, N.C.

The will named three children, Martha Hill 6/, James Hill 6/ & Henry Hill 6/. These were the great grandchildren of Robert Hill 3/ and his wife Tabitha.

In his will William Clanton Hill 5/ left a legacy of slaves to help provide for his Aunt Lawranna (Hill 4/) Arrington. He also named his brother Richard Hill 5/ of Franklin County, N.C. as Executor. William Parham was named guardian of the three children and they were all later found in Williamson County, Tennessee.

Martha Hill 6/ had reached age of 21 in February of 1812 (b. 1791) but the other two children were still minors. It is speculated that William Parham may have married the widow, Sarah Branch Hill before moving to Tennessee, but this has not been proved.

#### HENRY HILL 5/.

Henry Hill 6/ was born in Edgecombe County, N.C. on 25th November 1776 and married Agnes Fike ca. 1800 in Chatham County, N.C. He died in Chatham County sometime between the 1830 census was taken, and when he was listed, and the 1840 census when his wife Agnes was listed as Head of the

Household, along with two daughters. Agnes (Fike) Hill was born in 1773 and was about 3 years older than her husband. Their children were:

(All great grandchildren of Robert Hill 3/ & wife Tabitha)

1. Rhodia Hill 7/.
2. William C. Hill 7/.
3. Lydia Hill 7/, b. 1806.
4. Isaac Hill 7, b. 1809, m. Nancy---?

WILLIAM C. HILL 7/.

(Great grandson of Robert Hill 3/)

William C. Hill 7/, son of Henry Hill 6/, was born on 6th April 1803 in Chatham County, N.C. and died on 7th June 1883. He married on the 29th of July 1839 to Elizabeth Foushee (1800-4 Aug. 1890). All of their children were born in Chatham County, N.C. in Beaumont Community. Children were:

(Great Great Grandchildren to Robert Hill 3/ & wife Tabitha)

1. Julia Ann Hill 8/, b. 1840, d. 1830, never married. She is buried in Lee County, N.C. in the Jonesboro Cemetery.
2. Isaac Newton Hill 8/, b. 1842, ca. 28th February 1863 in Danville, Virginia as a result of wounds received in battle of Civil War. He is buried in the Military Cemetery at Danville (CSA).
3. Lydia Catherine (Kate) Hill 8/, (TWIN) b. 1848 married Thomas Clark.
4. Marie Affair Hill 8/, (TWIN) b. 1848, married Terrell Brooks Brantley.
5. Thomas West Hill 8/, b. 7th January 1859, d. 20th September 1919. Married Elizabeth Ellington on the 24th December 1877. Both buried in Jonesboro Cemetery in Lee County, N.C.

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Now Robert Hill 3/ had a younger brother Richard Hill 3/ who married Hannah Briggs and lived in Surry County, Virginia. They had a son named Green Hill 4/, b. 1714, who married Grace Bennett. He has often been mistakenly listed as the son of Robert Hill 3/, who did have a son by that name but it was not the Green Hill 4/ that married Grace Bennett.

This Green Hill 4/ (m. Grace Bennett) inherited land in Virginia from his father Richard Hill 3/, sold the land & moved his family into North Carolina and lived in the area of today's Northampton, Bertie and Franklin Counties. He also had many children including sons named Henry Hill 5/ and Green Hill Jr. 5/.

There is also a will recorded in Book E, Page 122 of Rowan

County, N.C. for a Henry Hill Jr., dated 4th March 1799 and probated in 1799 that possibly links him to this same Hill family line

I think it possible that Henry Hill Sr. of Franklin County, N.C. was Henry Hill Sr. 5/, the son of Green Hill 4/ & Grace Bennett. I suspect that he was the father of a Harmon Hill (m. a DeLoach) of Northampton County, N.C. I also think Henry Hill Jr. of Rowan County (above) was his son, Henry Hill Jr. 6/. (Still to be confirmed).

The will of Henry Hill Jr. (above) gives his land in Rowan County, N.C. and plantation to wife Nancy, along with three Negro slaves; Chanca, Ester and Daniel. The will mentions land once owned and lived on in Franklin County and also states that if the widow remarries, in order to keep the land, she must marry a Christian man with the consent of her parents. It also names his brothers RICHARD HILL & GREEN HILL. Sister named Sally Hampton.. Executor named was Harry Jones. Witnesses were: Jas. Parks, John Jones & Benjamin (x) Snow.

We have very little information on Henry Hill 5/, son of Green Hill 4/. It is possible that this was Henry Hill 5/ and who named a son Richard Hill after his grandfather (Richard Hill 3/) and a Green Hill after his father (Green Hill 4/).

The point of all this discussion is to have readers to consider the possibility that Henry Hill (SR.) of Franklin County was possibly the son of Green Hill 4/ & Grace Bennett and that it was his son, Henry Hill Jr. 6/ that left the above Will in Rowan County, N.C.,

End of NC.42 data.