

SC.032 HARRISON FAMILY HISTORY OF VIRGINIA AND SOUTH CAROLINA

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The data from which this history is based was found in family bibles belonging to the Harrisons, Elzeys and Powells, as well as entries made in vestry books of various parishes in Prince William County, Virginia, found in a document that was written in 1865 by Burr W. Harrison, just before his death. Also the information comes from information written on a "flyleaf" of an old Prayer Book known as the "Harrison-Powell Prayer Book," which for many years was in the possess of Misses Anne Maria and Elizabeth G. Harrison of Leesburg, Virginia and further from family letters and notes made by many of its members from time to time.

THE HARRISON FAMILY

The Coat of Arms of the Harrison Family is an azure shield upon which are three demi lions rampant. The crest, a demi lion rampant or holding a laurel branch or semi wreath. The motto, Vincit Qui Patitur. This description is taken from the Harrison-Powell Prayer Book and checked by research in the Congressional Library and is further vouched for by family history transmitted down by word of mouth from generation to generation and also by written family notes. According to documentary evidence, it was granted in 1593 to SIR THOMAS HARRISON, Knight Lord Mayor of the City and Ainsty of York, England, from whom Cuthbert Harrison 1/ was directly descended.

According to the best information obtainable, the first Harrison of this particular line that came to Virginia, was Cuthbert Harrison 1/, Esquire of Ancaster, Caxton and Flazley, Yorkshire, England and his son Burr Harrison 2/, who according to the register of Dittingen Parish, Prince William County, Virginia was baptized in the Parish of St. Margaretts, Westminster, England on the 29th day of December 1637. On the register he is spoken of as "Burr Harrison of Chappawamsic, son of Cuthbert Harrison." The date that Cuthbert Harrison 1/ and his son Burr Harrison 2/ came to Virginia is unknown.

Cuthbert Harrison 1/ and son Burr Harrison 2/ settled in what was then Stafford County, Virginia, on the northern side of the Chappawamsic Creek, near Dumfries. There today lies the old estate called "Chappawamsic" with its quaint old graveyard where once lived and now rest, so far as known, the

first Harrisons of this line that came to America.

Old deeds in Prince William & Stafford Counties show that in the latter part of the 17th century (late 1600s) large tracts of land on the Chappawamsic Creek were granted to Burr Harrison 2/. The site of this estate is easily accessible from Washington. A ride of about an hour over the Southern Railway brings one to Iuantico (Quantico?) and from Iuantico (Quantico?) to Chappawamsic Creek is only one mile. Crossing the Creek, you turn inland and a ride of a few miles will bring you to a quaint old graveyard, where rest the earthly remains of the first Harrison (of this line) that came to Virginia. (During World War II a military camp was built on the estate and the graveyard was destroyed).

Burr Harrison 2/ of Chappawasmic was born on 28th December 1637 Westminster, England, christened on 29th December 1637 in Parish of St. Margaretts, Westminster, England. He married a Mrs. Mary Smith, widow of Edwin Smith but the date of this marriage is unknown. He (Burr) died in Stafford County, Virginia in 1706. Mary Smith (wife) died in 1700 in Stafford County, Virginia. His second marriage was to Sarah Frances Burdette.

In April of 1690, Burr Harrison 2/ was sent by the Virginia House of Burgess of which he was a member, as Ambassador to the Piscataway Indians, on which trip he was accompanied by Giles Vanderville, Esquire.

From the marriage of Burr Harrison 2/ and Mary Smith were born two sons, William Harrison 3/, who married Sarah Hawley and Thomas Harrison 3/, who was born on 7th of September 1665. Thomas 3/ became an officer (militia) in Stafford County, Virginia where on 10th July 1700, with the names of John Washington, Rice Hooe, George Mason and others (of his Majesty's officers both "Civil and Military" in a petition for protection against the Indians).

Thomas Harrison Sr. 3/ died on August 13, 1746. He had four sons, Burr Harrison 4/, born 12th May 1699; Cuthbert Harrison 4/, who married Anne Grayson; William Harrison 4/, Thomas Harrison 4/, who married Frances Barnes and three daughters, Sarah Elizabeth Harrison 4/, who married Benjamin Bullitt, a prominent lawyer; Frances Harrison 4/, who married Valentine Peyton and Anne Frances Harrison 4/, who married John McMillian.

Thomas Harrison Jr. 4/ moved across the line into what is now Prince William County, formerly a part of Stafford County and was elected to the office of high sheriff of that county in 1732. In the records he is spoken of as "Captain Thomas Harrison." Wife was named Ann---? They had the following children: Benjamin Harrison 5/, born on 17th August 1744; Ann Harrison 5/, born 29th October 1749; William Harrison 5/,

Thomas Harrison 5/, Burr Harrison 5/, and Mary Harrison 5/.

THE HARRISON-POWELL PRAYER BOOK.

According to the paper written by Burr Harrison 7/ in 1865, the Harrison-Powell Prayer Book was an old family affair. The Prayer Book of my Grandfather or Great Grandfather, given by old Mrs. Sarah Powell, (Sarah Harrison 5/) "mother of Major Burr Powell, (was given) to him because he was named Burr after her brother and father." This book is now in the possession of Judge Thomas W. Harrison 9/, of Winchester, Virginia and contains much valuable family data.

Excerpts from the Virginia Magazine of History and Biography, Volume 23, dated July 1915, Number 3, Pages 332, 333, state that Thomas Harrison Jr. 4/ (son of Thomas Harrison Sr. 3/) of Prince William but in Fauquier County died in December of 1773 or January 1774. The will of Thomas Harrison Jr. 4/ was dated September 26, 1773 and proved in Fauquier County on 25th January 1774. Legatees were: sons William 5/, Thomas 5/ and Burr Harrison 5/; daughters: Susannah Gibson 5/, Mary Fowkes 5/, Ann Gibson 5/ (apparently married names); Grandsons: Thomas 6/ and John Gibson 6/; Granddaughter Ann H. Fowks 6/ etc..The Inventory of Thomas Harrison Esquire, recorded in Fauquier County, gives a very large estate including 73 Negroes and 45 books.

He (Thomas Jr. 4/) was appointed a Justice of Prince William in 1731, Sheriff of that County in 1773, was probably a Burgess for Prince William (his father was then 77 years old) at the sessions of May 1742 and September 1744 and certainly at the sessions of October 1748, April 1749, February 1752, November 1753, February 1754 etc..; and from Fauquier County March 1760, May 1760, October 1760, March 1761, November 1761, January 1762 and through May 176-?

On the formation of Fauquier County from Prince William County, Thomas Jr. 4/ became a resident of the former county. In Prince William County there is a deed dated 1740 from Thomas Harrison Sr. 3/ to his son Thomas Harrison Jr. 4/. The wife of Thomas Harrison 4/ is said to have been named Ann. It is probable, as will appear from a will printed below that she was a widow Quarles (Iuarles).

The will of Betty Quarles (Iuarles) was dated 19th September 1773? (blurred) and proved on 22nd November 1773? (blurred). Legatees: father in law (stepfather) Thomas Harrison, Thomas Gibson, son of Jonathan Gibson; brother Benjamin Harrison, Burr Harrison, son of brother William Harrison etc..Issue: William Thomas (5) living in 1773. Thomas Harrison Jr. 4/ and Ann his wife of Prince William County, Virginia by deed dated 1771, sold a tract of land formerly purchased by Colonel Thomas Harrison 3/ and sold by him to his son, the said Thomas Harrison 4/, party to the deed.

Thomas Harrison 5/, is said to have removed to Kentucky; Burr Harrison 5/ was living in 1773.

A letter was received in 1908 from a lady of Tusculumbia, Alabama, inquiring in regard to Burr Harrison, who was a son of Thomas Harrison and who had a brother Benjamin Harrison. She stated that this Burr Harrison was a Captain in the Revolution War Department Records in Washington, D.C. This was actually Burr Harrison 5/ and brother Benjamin Harrison 5/, sons of Thomas Harrison Jr. 4/.

"It is shown by the records that Burr Harrison 5/ served as a Corporal in Captain Rich and Lee's Company, and in Captain Francis Mercer's Company, 3rd Virginia Regiment. He enlisted on 18th February 1776 and his name appears last mentioned on 4th June 1776. He served from February 15th under Captain Phillip Francis Lee, 3rd Regiment, transferred in December 1777 to Captain Francis Mercer's Company and was with General LaFayette at Yorktown."

Burr Harrison 5/ was born ca. 1735-38 (two different sources give the two dates?). After the war, Burr Harrison 5/ moved to South Carolina in then Camden District, but today in the vicinity of Chester-Fairfield Counties, where he married Elizabeth Dargon, daughter of an Irishman Timothy Dargon, who had settled in Sumter, South Carolina. Elizabeth Dargon Harrison died in 1825 in Sumter County, South Carolina.

Timothy Dargon & wife Catherine had eight children:

- a. Washington Dargon who was a solicitor.
- b. John Dargon.
- c. William Dargon.
- d. Jernigan Dargon.
- e. Timothy Dargon married Miss Keath, had two sons that were Baptist ministers.
- f. Catherine Dargon married Mr. Strother, the father of General Strother.
- g. a daughter (un-named) married Mr. Russell.
- h. ELIZABETH DARGON married Burr Harrison 5/.

Burr Harrison 5/ died in Chester County, South Carolina on 22nd August 1822, and left a large family. His children are listed below but not in chronological order of birth:

1. Benjamin (Ben) Harrison (Jr.?) 6/, son of Burr Harrison 5/, married Nancy Hartbold of Columbia. They had 5 children and they were: (not in chronological order).
 - a. Elizabeth Harrison 7/, married a Mr. Dunwoody.
 - b. Benjamin Harrison 7/, married Elizabeth Russell.
 - c. Darrell Harrison 7/, married Nancy Ann? Barrett.
 - d. William Harrison 7/.
 - e. Robb Harrison 7/.

2. Mary Harrison 6/, daughter of Burr Harrison 5/, born 1758 Fauquier County, Virginia, married Benjamin May and raised 13 children. She died in Green County, Alabama, date not given.

3. Jonathan Harrison 6/, son of Burr Harrison 5/, married Sarah (Sally) Tyler of Fairfield County and raised 5 children. (Only 4 listed) They were:
 - a. Burr Harrison 7/, married Miss Kato.
 - b. Mary Harrison 7/, married Mr. Rabb.
 - c. Cuthbert Harrison 7/, married ---?
 - d. Elizabeth Harrison 7/, married Mr. Ashford.

4. Katy Harrison 6/, daughter of Burr Harrison 5/, married Samuel Johnson and had 5 children (not listed).

5. Elizabeth Harrison 6/, daughter of Burr Harrison 5/, died single.

6. Rebecca Harrison 6/, daughter of Burr Harrison 5/, married Nathaniel Cockrell and had twelve children. They were:
 - a. Mary Cockrell 7/, married Caleb Joiner.
 - b. James Cockrell 7/, married Martha Haynes.
 - c. Ann Cockrell 7/, married R. D. Barker.
 - d. Elizabeth Cockrell 7/, died single.
 - e. Burr Cockrell 7/, married Mary Rose.
 - f. Moses Cockrell 7/, born 28 February 1799 in S.C., d. 9th April 1867 Noxubee Co., Mississippi. He and his family lived with his uncle Mordica Harrison (Number #11) and are there listed in the 1850 Census of Noxubee County, Mississippi. Both he and wife buried in Soul Methodist Churchyard, Noxubee Co., Miss. He married in 1824 to Charlotte Louise Hill, (b. 8 Aug. 1809 in Fairfield County, S.C., d. 28 Oct. 1864 in Noxubee Co., Miss. They moved first to DeKalb Co., Ga., then to Noxubee Co. Mississippi. Charlotte was the daughter of Thomas Hill & Jemima Woodward, and the granddaughter of Moses Hill & Savilla Roden, of Fairfield County S.C. She was a sister to Nathaniel Barrett Hill, 2nd great grandfather of Robert R. Hill Sr. (The compiler). They had 5 children: Caroline, William W., Thomas, Moses B., & Dent Cockrell.

7. Susan Harrison 6/, daughter of Burr Harrison 5/, married William Head. Their children were:
 - a. Burr Head 7/ married Miss Hughes.
 - b. Sallie Head 7/ married W. R. Coleman.
 - c. Nancy Head 7/ married John Murphy.
 - d. Eliza Head 7/ married J.B. McLelland.
 - e. William Head 7/ married Mary Taylot.

8. Sophy Harrison 6/, daughter of Burr Harrison 5/, married Christopher Thompson on 26 September 1797 and raised eleven children. They were:
 - a. Betsy Thompson 7/ married Dr. Woodson.
 - b. John Thompson 7/ married-----?
 - c. Christopher Thompson 7/ married Miss Scott.
 - d. Harrison Thompson 7/ married Miss Kennedy.
 - e. Susan Thompson 7/ married Mr. Fouville.
 - f. Rebecca Thompson 7/ married Mr. Williamson.
 - g. Harriet Thompson 7/ married Dr. Ruff.
 - h. Sophy Thompson married Ben Rook.
 - i. Mary Thompson married Reese Perkins.
 - j. Nancy Thompson (died young).
 - k. a child was unlisted.

9. Dorcas Harrison 6/, daughter of Burr Harrison 5/, married 1st James Russell, second Hartwell Macon. Had no children.

10. Narcissa Harrison 6/, daughter of Burr Harrison 5/, married James Ragsdale. His War Record of the Adjutant General's Office of Tennessee, shows that James Ragsdale fought against hostile Creek Indians and was discharged on 11th May 1814. Their children were:
 - a. William Parker Ragsdale 7/, born 1803 Bears Creek, Fairfield County, South Carolina, moved to Georgia, married Bethuel Chapman, (b. S.C.). They had 10 children.
 - b. Burr Harrison Ragsdale 7/, was born 10th January 1806 in Chester County, South Carolina, died 3rd September 1859. Married Elizabeth Smith Wall, daughter of Charles Wall and Frances Thorn, who lived in Beckhamville, South Carolina, now Great Falls. Both are buried in family cemetery, Rossvile, South Carolina.
 - c. Sophia Ragsdale (oldest daughter) 7/, born ca. 1808, died 30 June 1890. Buried Union Cemetery Lot County, Texas. There were children.
 - d. John or Jonathan Ragsdale 7/, was born in 1810 in Tennessee, (See 1850 Census), died between 1880-1888, buried in Chester County, South Carolina. He married Akey Wilson (no issue).
 - e. Nathan Ragsdale 7/, (no information) f. Benjamin Dargon Ragsdale 7/, born in May of 1817, died 12th February 1881. He was buried in Liberty Hill Cemetery, Acworth, Georgia and was married to Nancy Nichols on 28th February 1844. Nancy was born 6th April 1815, died 24th June 1886. Had 3 children.
 - g. Caroline Ragsdale 7/, was born in South Carolina in 1818, married Jonathan Harrison, her first cousin (Grandson of Burr Harrison and Elizabeth Dargon

Harrison). They lived in Noxubee County, Mississippi, later moved to Kaufman County, Texas. Had 12 children.

- h. Narcissa Ragsdale 7/, was born 16th July 1824, died 6th February 1863 in Noxubee County, Mississippi. She married John Westly Honeycutt of Georgia (b. 23 March 1813, d. 26 October 1859 (See 1850 Census).
- i. Burr Augustus Ragsdale 7/, born 9th November 1849, died 21st April 1919. Was a Confederate Soldier in Company D, 1st S.C. Volunteers, married Janie More (Moore) Grafton on 8th November 1877. She was born 27th July 1853, died 9 May 1904.. A daughter ??, Eliza Amelia Ragsdale was born 5th October 1887, married Dr. William DeKalb Wylie (MD) in February of 1896, Rossville, S.C. was a member of the Daughters of the Confederacy, Member of the Order of Eastern Star, Chapter 213, Richburg, S.C. Children: Dr. William Augustus DeKalb Wylie was born 12 January 1897, married Rebecca Sterling Thornton at Brookneal, Virginia on 15 July 1929, 2 children. They were:
 - (1) Sterling Thornton Wylie, born 10 March 1935.
 - (2) Elizabeth DeKalb Wylie, born 20 Sept. 1939.

Mary Eliza Wylie, a daughter of Dr. William DeKalb Wylie and Eliza Amelia Ragsdale was born ?????, graduated from Chicora College. Member of Richburg (S.C.) Methodist Church. During WW II she worked as Inspection Supervisor Apt. U.S. Navy 20 M.M. Anti Aircraft Shell Plant, Charlotte, N.C. that was operated by U.S. Rubber Company December 1942 to September 19, 19--? Married August 12, 1948 to Andrew Carter, who was born 7th April 1894.

11. Mordecai Harrison 6/, son of Burr Harrison 5/, born ca. 1789, South Carolina (1850 Census), married Susan Alston, moved to Alabama then Noxubee County, Mississippi. They had eight children. They were:
 - a. Burr Harrison 7/, married Miss Liddle.
 - b. Jonathan Harrison 7/, married Caroline Ragsdale, a cousin.
 - c. Elizabeth Harrison 7/, married Mr. Mitchell.
 - d. Rebecca Harrison 7/, married Mr. Cole.
 - e. Thomas Harrison 7/, born ca. 1828 in Alabama married Miss Sykes.
 - f. Lucinda Harrison 7/, born ca. 1831 in Alabama, married Mr. Nordite.
 - g. Joseph Harrison 7/ born ca. 1834. He is not listed as a child in data from Fairfield County MUseum.
 - h. Ben Harrison 7/, died single.
 - i. William Harrison 7/, , died single.
12. Anne Harrison 6/, daughter of Burr Harrison 5/,

married a Scotsman named Mr. McLelland. They had three children. They were:

- a. Jane D. McLelland married F. J. Moses.
- b. James Burr McLelland married Eliza G. Head.
- c. George Kendrick Dougherty McLelland married Margaret Mayrant. The mother Anne Harrison 6/, died when George was three weeks old. Year later, the father McLelland died.

MISCELLANEOUS DATA ON HARRISON FAMILY OF SOUTH CAROLINA

In a graveyard in Fairfield County, on the west bank of Big Cedar Creek, west of the bridge on Highway 321 is an old cemetery with the following graves. The names may have a connection to the Harrison Family.

1. James Alston
August 16, 1841
aged 68 years
2. Frances Alston
Consort of James Alston
November 29, 1823
Aged 46 years
3. Dr. Joseph Kirkland
November 12, 1817
Aged 48 years
4. William Lennox
Son of Joseph & Marianne Kirkland
June 21, 1828
Aged 31 years
5. John D. Kirkland
March 1802
October 11, 1836
6. Mary Kirkland
Daughter of James G. & Mary T. Harrison
December 6, 1846
November 10, 1848
7. A vault type tomb with top off
8. Unmarked grave
9. Unmarked grave

Note: The Alstons, Kirklands inter-married with the Harrisons.

THE FOLLOWING CHART WAS ENCLOSED:

Thomas_Harrison_Jr.____

m. Mrs. Ann Quarles

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|_Burr_Harrison_____

m. Elizabeth Dargon

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|Rebecca_Harrison_____

m. Nathaniel Cockrell

1815

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|Burr_Cockrell_____

1789-1861

m. Mary Roseborough

1806-1848

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|Margaret_Cockrell__

1831-1928

m. Thomas J. Caldwell

1818-1866

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| (had 6 children)

(chart ends here)

Thomas Harrison Jr.

Justice of Peace, Prince William County, Virginia 1731,
Sheriff 1733; Member of the House of Burgess 1742-1769.

Burr Harrison was a Revolutionary Soldier

A HILL-HARRISON CONNECTION IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

Researched by Robert R. Hill from several S.C. documents in
Winnsboro and Columbia.

My interest in the Harrison line is because we researchers of
the Moses Hill family strongly believe that there is a
connection to the two families.

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The exact relationship of William Harrison to the Harrisons
that descended from Cuthbert-Burr Harrison line (if any) is
unknown at this time, however I do believe that they are
related.

It is known that Captain Richard Kirkland of Maryland had a

daughter named Ann, and moved into Fairfax County, Virginia. Later, ca. 1745, he again moved, this time from Fairfax County, Virginia to Craven County, South Carolina. The daughter Ann Kirkland married William Harrison.

South Carolina records shows that William Harrison and Ann Kirkland had 5 known children: (1) Patience Harrison, (2) Reuben Harrison, who was a neighbor of Moses Hill in Fairfield County, S.C., (3) Mary Harrison, (4) James Harrison and (5) Willibee Harrison.

William Harrison's will was recorded and proved in Charleston. It was proved on 15th April 1774. Listed in the will were the children: a daughter Mary McKenney, son James Harrison, son Willibee Harrison as well as the daughter Patience and another son Reuben Harrison.

Patience Harrison received from her father, land that was adjacent to Cager (Micajah) Pickett, whose daughter Elizabeth Picket Whitehead later married Samuel Mobley and they were the parents to Edward Pickett Mobley, who married Harriet Windham Hill, the daughter of Moses Hill & Savilla Roden, of Fairfield County, S.C.

Shortly after the death of William Harrison, the daughter Patience Harrison married a Thomas Hill. Thomas Hill shows up as a witnesses, etc. in many of the Kirkland-Harrison records.

Thomas Hill was born on the 6th of March 1758 in Monks Corner, located in Berkley County, South Carolina, not far from Charleston. He was the son of Jonathan Hill and his wife Margaret Hall, daughter of George Hall and wife Miriam. Jonathan Hill moved into Camden District, S.C. (today's Fairfield County). Jonathan Hill died here ca. 1772, date of the inventory of his estate. When the wife died is unknown.

Thomas Hill fought in the American Revolution and later filed for (in Kentucky) and was granted a Pension (Number S-31131), application dated 28 August 1832. After the war. Thomas moved to Green County, Tennessee, then Logan County, Kentucky then into Calaway County and finally Caldwell County, Kentucky. He died on 5th January 1837.

When Thomas Hill and his wife Patience Harrison moved to Kentucky, ca. 1797, they sold their land to her brother, Reuben Harrison.

OTHER HARRISON INFORMATION

Source: Provided by Rita Hill Pullum

Note: This Harrison Family is believed to have originated from S.C., thus, while the following affairs were in Alabama, it is being placed here on the S.C. disk.

R. Hill

ALABAMA RECORDS, VOLUME 77, DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA , Compiled by Pauline Jones Gandrud.

Page 61 of Alabama Records, January Court Term 1845, Book 13, Part 1, Page 304:

HARRISON, et al (and others)

The petitions represent that they are entitled to 5/8 of the personal estate of R. B. Harrison, deceased, and that the remainder belongs to Kirkland Harrison, the administrator, James Harrison, and the representatives of Mary Moores, deceased.

Page 65 of Alabama records, January Court Term, Book 14, Part 1, Page 185

Error to County Court of Dallas.

Petition on behalf of a portion of distribution of the estate of Richard B. Harrison to compel the administrator with will annexed to make distribution.

The petition sets out that decedent was, at the time of his death, a resident of Dallas County, and possessed of real estate and personal estate of great value. Letters of administration with will annexed to defendant, Kirkland Harrison, soon after the death of decedent, in 1843.

Petitions assert they are entitled to distribution, or descendents of children, as the brothers and sisters, or descendents of brothers and sisters in common with the administrator, and the unknown descendents of another sister of decedent. Many of the distributees are minors and most of them reside out of the state.

Respondent admits that the distributees of estate are correctly described in petition, except that the children of Mary Moores, deceased, are not set forth.

She died leaving children and grand children, but how many there are, or what are their names, he does not know. They are, however, residents of Texas.

It ascertains that the estate is distributable into eight shares, of which the petitioners are entitled to six, administrator to one, and the legal representatives of Mary Moores to one.

The administrator had returned no inventory of debts against the estate except some parole evidence, tending to show some

responsibility of estate for estate of one Rochelle, and for estate of William R. Meyer, deceased.

Will of R. B. Harrison, which is to this effect:

"I hereby amancipate and set free the following slaves (here follow their names) and wish they should remain in the State of Alabama, provided there can be a special act of Legislature obtained for that purpose. And if not, then it is my will and desire, they be removed to some free state, and be supplied out of the trust property hereinafter mentioned, with suitable means for a comfortable location in the State to which they may be removed. I give and bequeath unto Ephraim Poole, for the sole and exclusive use, benefit and begood of the said slaves (naming 27), the same to be kept and managed by the said Poole so long as he continues in the County of Dallas, State of Alabama, as a citizen thereof, for the sole and exclusive use, benefit and begood of the said amancipated slaves. Certain lands are devised to Poole, for the same trusts, and in the event of his removing from the State, a nephew of the decedent is named to the same trusts."

Page 94 of Alabama Records, June Court Term, 1850, Book 18, Part 2, Page 220:

POOL vs HARRISON

Error to Circuit Court of Dallas.

Action to detinue instituted by plaintiff against defendant in error to recover certain slaves. Clause in will of Richard Harrison. First, I hereby emancipate and set free the following slaves, to-wit: Harriet, Sally, Margaret, Jim, Celia and Fernandez, wish them to remain in State of Alabama, provided there can be a special act of Legislature obtained for that purpose and if not, then it is my will and desire that they be removed to some free state and supplied out of the trust property hereinafter mentioned, with suitable means for a comfortable support, etc.

Kirkland Harrison, administrator of Richard Harrison, deceased, made distribution of them among the next of kin.

Later called the will of "Richard B. Harrison."

Page 98 of Alabama Records, June Court Term, 1851, Book 19, Part 1, Page 212:

HARRISON vs HARRISON, et al (and others)

Error to Court of Probate of Dallas (County, Ala.)

DIVORCE. The defendant, Harriet Harrison. Kirkland Harrison filed his bill in Alabama on the ground of 3 years voluntary abandonment. Applicant and said Kirkland were separated by a decree of the Chancery Court of South Carolina and had been for years before.

Applicant was married to said Kirkland in State of S.C. This was an application to Court of Probate of Dallas by Harriet Harrison, claiming to be the widow of Kirkland Harrison, deceased, and praying that dower might be allotted to her of the lands of decedent.

Facts are: In 1828, Kirkland Harrison, the decedent, intermarried with Harriet Ellison, the plaintiff in error, in the State of S.C. where both parties then resided and continued to reside until the year 1834, when they removed to this State with view of making it their permanent home. In a few months, however, after residing in this State, the plaintiff left her husband, and returned to S.C. where she had ever since remained; but the decedent, her husband, continued to reside in this State until his death, which took place in the year 1850. In year 1835, the plaintiff in error filed her bill in equity (court) of S.C. alleging cruelty on part of her husband towards her, and praying alimony.

Decree was rendered in July 1841, and in pursuance thereof an Act was passed by Legislature of Alabama on 15 January 1841, divorcing said Kirkland Harrison from his wife, Harriet. In the year 1845, Kirkland Harrison intermarried with Margaret Smith in this state, with whom he lived as his wife until his death, and had by her one child, who is now an infant.

Kirkland and Harriet were married in South Carolina, where divorce is not possible.

FOLLOWING FROM "ALABAMA RECORDS, VOLUME 90, DALLAS COUNTY."
by Gandrud

From Minor's Reports of Cases to Alabama Supreme Court.

Page 31:
Census of 1850, Dallas County Alabama, Pence Beat, Family
Number 1212:

HARRISON, Margaret 26, Born Ala.
Henry C. 4, Ala.

Book 19 of Alabama Records, Part 2, Page 265, June Court Term
1852:

HARRISON & SAUNDERS vs HARRISON

Error to Circuit Court of Dallas County

Action of debt by Harriet Harrison against Margaret Harrison and Francis A. Saunders, the personal representative of Kirkland Harrison, deceased, to recover from them, or such representatives, the sum of \$ 55,000 upon a decree of Chancery Court of Fairfield District, S.C.

The plaintiff, whose maiden name was Harriet Ellison without addition of any middle name, was married to Kirkland Harrison in 1828 in South Carolina where the parties then resided and continued to reside until 1834 when they removed from that State into Dallas County, Alabama where they permanently settled. Harriet, the plaintiff, remained in Dallas County three or four months, and then returned to the residence of her mother in S.C. where she has remained ever since; but Kirkland Harrison never returned to S.C. after his removal having continued to reside in Dallas County down to the period of his death.

After the plaintiff's return to S.C. in 1835 she exhibited her bill in equity (court) in Fairfield District, S.C. in which she alleged:

Their marriage on 18 March 1828 in Fairfield District; that after four years his manner changed; that her parents came on a visit to the residence of her husband and took her home with them; that she returned to him and in 1834 they removed to Selma, Alabama. She was in a delicate condition and he continued his abuse. She did return to her home in company with her brother to the residence of her parents in South Carolina; that on her return in the month of June, she availed herself of the hospitality of a near kinsman in the State of Georgia, where she was delivered of a female child, which she alleged was still with her.

On 6th February 1836, Kirkland Harrison filed his answer to the bill. On 28 June 1838, commissioner reported amount due defendant, Kirkland Harrison from Daniel (also written Davie) Harrison and Richard L. Whitaker was \$ 7124, which he paid on 25 September 1837 to William H. Ellison.

In 1845 (after getting a divorce) Kirkland Harrison married Margaret Smith and had by her one child now living; said Margaret being a party to this suit as his administratrix, he having departed this life in January of 1850).

Note: In a letter from Mrs. H.C. Fulgham, 712 E. 28th St., Bryan, Texas, May 25, 1947: "Kirkland Harrison, son of Reuben, who was a native of James River, VA. Kirkland m. Margaret Ann Smith, daughter of Dr. Neal Smith, son of John Smith Jr., son of Malcom, son of John Smith from Scotland. Want Revolutionary line on Harrison."

Page 66 of Alabama Records, June Court Term of Dallas County, Alabama, Book 26, Part 1, page 55:

POOL'S HEIRS vs POOL'S EXTR.

Appeal from Probate Court of Dallas County.

IN matter of last will and testament of Ephraim Pool, deceased, which was propounded for probate by George L. Stewart, the executor therein named. Dr. Tanner, who was attending physician at time of his death, testified.

Testator's will directed his executor to carry certain slaves (to wit): Harriet, a mulatto woman, and several children of another woman, who were principally raised by her, and whose father the testator appears to have been) to Ohio for purpose of emancipation, and to invest in a bank for their benefit the entire proceeds arising from the sale of all this property.

R. K. Harrison testified among other things that he had known Pool intimately for about 16 years; that he brought the woman Harriet with him to Alabama; that Harriet was the reputed daughter of Richard B. Harrison, deceased, who gave Pool after his removal to Alabama 15 or 20 likely Negroes; that Pool had them 8 or 10 years, working them and after Harrison's death, delivered them to his administrators.

1850 Census of Dallas County, Alabama, shows:

Poole, Eph. aged 45 born in SC
(living alone next to Reuben Harrison)

Page 68 of Alabama Records, June Court Term 1858 for Dallas Co., Ala., Book 26, Part 1, Page 101:

HARRISON'S ADMR. vs. JONES' ADMR.

Appeal from Circuit Court of Dallas.

This action was brought by Rebecca Jones as administratrix of William Harrison, deceased, and was founded on a judgement recovered by said William C. Jones in City Court of Mobile on 29 March 1854 against Reuben Harrison and others. Defendant's intestae (Harrison) died on 29 May 1854; James D. Craig was appointed his administrator on 28 June 1854.

Page 84 of Alabama Records, January Court Term of Dallas Co., Ala., Book 27, Part 2, Page 76:

HARRISON vs. BOYD

Appeal from Circuit Court of Dallas.

Action brought by Mrs. Lucy A. Harrison, widow of Reuben Harrison, deceased, against William E. Boyd, administrator of said Reuben Harrison to recover sum of \$ 2,000 for rent of plantation, which Reuben Harrison most usually resided next before his death, from 29 May 1854, when said Reuben departed this life to 16 January 1857, the day on which plaintiff's dower was set apart.

Lands in controversy belonged to one Richard B. Harrison at time of his death, and were sold by his administrator on 20th February 1849. Reuben Harrison became the purchaser, but died 29 May 1854 without having paid any portion of the purchase money.

1850 Census Data of Dallas County, Alabama shows:

Harrison, Reuben age 25, born SC.
Lucy A. 22 SC.
A.F. (female) 3 ALA.
A.S. (male) 1 ALA.

Page 86, of Alabama Records, June Court Term for Dallas Co., Ala., Book 27, Part 2, Page 205:

BOYD vs. HARRISON

Appeal from Circuit Court of Dallas.

Action brought by Mrs. Lucy A. Harrison, widow of Reuben Harrison, deceased, against William E. Boyd, who was the administrator de bonis non, of said Reuben Harrison, to recover the rents of the dwelling house and plantation on which she decedent most usually resided next before his death, from 1 January 1853 to March 1, 1857.

Material Facts are these: The plaintiff and Reuben Harrison were married in the year of 1846, Lands which constituted the homestead plantation were purchased by him on 20 February 1849 at a sale made by the administrator of Richard B. Harrison. Reuben Harrison died on 25 May 1854. After his death, his widow continued to reside in the dwelling house, and was supplied with all the necessaries for herself and family that were raised on the plantation, although Reuben paid no part of the purchase money, at the time of his death.

Note from Rita Pullum: Among those buried in the Pea Ridge Cemetery located near Burnsville, Alabama in Dallas County and which is the land my Hiram Hill and wife Millie, donated to the Methodist Episcopal Church for church building and cemetery are:

KIRKLAND, WILLIAM (Revolutionary Soldier) d. Oct 1838, aged 80. Born in S.C. (ca. 1758)

KIRKLAND, ELIZABETH, d. March 1837 Aged 70 (born ca. 1767).

KIRKLAND, SAMUEL P., b. March 1842; d. April 1842.
(During the WPA days, a road was built through this cemetery and many of the graves were plowed under. Descendents of my Mildred Annette Shelton Hill say she was buried here and had

a very large stone with a lot of writing on it. (Jim and I visited the cemetery in the late 1970s. We could not find her grave, but the small building that was the church is still standing. Many of the Hill family and friends are buried here).

MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION ON REUBEN HARRISON OF FAIRFIELD COUNTY, S.C.

Source: "Fairfield County S.C. Minutes of the County Court 1785-1799," by Brent Holcomb (1981)

Note: I believe that this Reuben Harrison was the father of the Reuben M. Harrison of Alabama & Mississippi.

R. Hill

Page 71, JANUARY TERM 1793, Tuesday, 15 January 1793

The citation for the estate of Benjamin McKinney, deceased, being returned duly certified. Ordered that letters of Administration for the said Estate be granted to Jane McKinney. REUBEN HARRISON and John Boykin they taking the oaths and giving security as the law directs.

Page 74, January Term 1793, Thursday, 17 January 1793

Isaac Love vs. REUBEN HARRISON
Case dismissed at the Defendants cost.

Page 81 and 82, January Term 1793, Wednesday 23rd January 1793:

The Court met according to adjournment, Judges present were: John Winn, James Craig and Benjamin Boyd Esquires.

Proceeded to ballot for Grand Jurors when the following Persons were Drawn:

Jno. Buchanan, Edward Martin, Benjamin Harrison, Andrew Thomas, THOMAS HILL JR., John Watson, David McGraw, William Cloud, William McMorris Sr., James davis, Thomas Muse, Thomas Parrot Sr., David Shelton, REUBEN HARRISON, John Hickle, John Derham (Durham?) Robert Adams, David Andrews, Hazekiah Ford, MOSES COCKRELL.

Page 92, January Term 1794, Thursday 16th January 1794, Judges present: James Craig & John Gray Esquires.

Ordered that the following persons who were summoned to appear on the grand jury at last term and failed in their attendance be fined in the sum of three pounds each. John Watson, David McGraw, REUBEN HARRISON, John Mickle, Hezekiah

Ford.

Page 96, July Term 1794 Fairfield County Court, Friday 18th July 1794:

REUBEN HARRISON and John Mickle havinf been fined for non attendance as grand jurors in June Term 1793 and having now made sufficent excuse. Ordered that their respective fines be remitted.

Page 135, Friday 23rd July 1796:

Proceeded to draw the grand and Pettit Jurors when the following were drawn as grand Jurors for next court> (VIZ) William Mcquiston Rolling Williamson, Benjamin Owens, JOHN WOODARD, Ambrose Kirkland, REUBEN HARRISON, PHILLIP PERASON, Hugh Milling, Battee Smith, ISHAM MOBLEY, Robert Hancock, Samuel Alston, Job Owens, James Arthur, Robert Reed, etc...

Page 141, July Term 1797:

Judges Present: John Turner, Aromanos Liles, Richard Winn Esquires.

Fairfield County vs William McQuiston et als. Sci fa. REUBEN HARRISON, excused for Non attendance as a grand juror last court.

Page 142, July Term 1797:

Reuben Harrison appopinted one of the appraisers of the Estate of Burrel Burge.

Page 144, July Term 1797:

John Taylor vs. REUBEN HARRISON, Debt. Settled.

Page 156, July Term 1798:

Reuben Harrison, MOSES HILL, were among 20 men selected as grand jurors.

HARRISON-WOODWARD CONNECTION IN S.C.

Source: Woodward Family researched by Robert Hill in Fairfield-Chester County in May 1986 and other data by Mrs. Christopher in September 1986.

Following from "Chester County Marriages 1778-1879 Implied in Chester County, Based on Probate & Equity Records," by Langdon & Langdon.

1. Benjamin Harrison Jr. married _____ Russell (lived 1822).
2. Charlotte _____ married Henry Harrison. (lived 1801). May have been previously married to a _____ Axum?

3. Charlotte Harrison, widow of Henry, married William McDonald, I believe this is wrong, but think she was a granddaughter of the above Charlotte Harrison. (lived 1849).
4. Charlotte Harrison (widow) married Hugh McMullen (was living in 1846).

Equity Bill Number 276 (A, B and C envelopes) John Woodward** etal va. Caleb Clarke Sr.. Jason Cathcart, etal-Bill for account, Discovery & relief, filed 1846 in Chester County.

**Believe this was John Woodward Jr., son of John, son of Thomas (Regulator) Woodward. He had married Patsey Axum.

Orators and oratrices John Woodward, Osmund M. Woodward, Caleb Clarke Jr., and Cynthia his wife (formerly Cynthia Woodward, & may be the daughter of John Woodward Sr., son of Thomas (Regulator) Woodward. My data says she married John Durham), Thomas Woodward, Henry H. Clarke, Ann C. Clarke, Robert B. Clarke, and Carolina A. Clarke (m. Henry Niel) and Julia B. Clarke by their next friend Henry H. Clarke, and Caleb Clarke Jr., administrator of the estate of Charlotte McMullan, deceased, and Mary C. Lyles and Sarah P. Lyles by their next friend William L. (could be T.) Lyles and William L. Lyles.

Their grandmother Charlotte McMullan, late of Chester County, died 3 March 1831, leaving a husband, the late Hugh McMullan, and 2 sons by the said Hugh McMullan, to wit, James C. McMullan and Joseph J. McMullan, and the orators and oratrices (above), her grandchildren, being the children of the said Charlotte McMullan's children by a former marriage.

Note by R. Hill Sr: Charlotte may have first been married to a man named Axum, had a daughter Patsey, who married 1st son John Woodward Jr. Her 2nd marriage was to Henry Harrison, and 3rd to Hugh McMullan.

Charlotte owned 4 or 5 tracts of land in both Chester and Lancaster Counties, and her last husband, Hugh McMullan, had never paid the grandchildren their shares. Caleb Clarke Sr. lived in Fairfield District and James Cathcart lived in Columbia, SC, and they were the administrators of the estate of Hugh McMullan after the death of his son Joseph J. McMullan. Joseph J. McMullan left minor children, Lucy and Alexander.

The Woodwards named in the case were the children of Patsey Woodward, who was a daughter of Charlotte McMullan by a former marriage. Patsey died before her mother died (date left blank).

The Clarkes were children of Julia B. Clarke, another daughter by a former marriage, who died 17th February 1831. Julia B. Clarke (deceased) was also entitled to a moiety of the estate of her brother Richard Harrison, and her mother Charlotte to the other moiety. Richard was a minor at the time of his death and resided with his mother and stepfather, who had possession of his estate, which consisted of slaves and land.

Most of the grandchildren were minors when their grandmother Charlotte McMullan died (in 1831).

HENRY HARRISON was the father of Richard Harrison and Julia (Harrison) Clarke.

William L. Lyles (Liles) was the father of Mary C. and Sarah P. Lyles and husband of _____ Woodward, a grandchild of Charlotte McMullan, who died after the death of Charlotte McMullan, her grandmother.

In the files is a Writ of Partition which was evidently drawn up before the death of Charlotte McMullan's husband, Hugh McMullan. The Writ gives the shares as follows:

Husband Hugh McMullan, 1/3 of the estate

The two sons Jas.(James?) C. & Joseph J. McMullan each 1/6 share.

The Woodwards and Lyles, all grandchildren, each entitled to 1/5 of 1/6 share.

The Clarkes, 1/6 of 1/6 share, each.

In other words. other than the husband's share of 1/3, 4 children and/or their heirs shared. Charlotte obviously was married 3 times; The name of one husband was never given, but by him she seems to have had one daughter, Patsey, who married a Woodward; one husband was Henry Harrison by whom she had a son Richard Harrison (who d. as a minor) and a daughter Julia B. Harrison, who married Caleb Clarke Sr., who was a lawyer that was born in Maryland in 1777 (History of Camden District); her last marriage was to Hugh McMullan, by whom she had the two sons, James C. and Joseph J. McMullan.

This case was obviously extended over a very long time and filled three (3) envelopes. These Woodwards appear to be connected to the Woodwards of Fairfield & Chester County. Mrs. Christopher stated she talked to Mrs. Louise Crowder, a well known genealogist, who stated she thought Charlotte was nee McDonald of Lancaster County and the Camden area. She also said that Caleb Clarke moved to Atlanta, Georgia, that his grand-daughter was her high school chum! (This had to have been Caleb Clarke Jr.).

The case was still in the courts in 1851 by which time Osmund M. Woodward, (son of John, son of Thomas Woodward, the Regulator) had died, leaving his estate to his wife Eliza R. Woodward. Mathias H. Clarke had died intestate leaving his widow Esther and 3 children, Holland W., Alice J. and Mathias Henry Clarke. Julia B. Clarke had married _____Moore by 1851.

Note by Robert Hill Sr: These Woodwards were children of John Woodward, the oldest child and son of Thomas (Regulator) Woodward of Fairfield County & his first wife Jemima Collins. John Woodward (Revolutionary Soldier) married Esther McDonald in 1772. John Woodward died on 6th May 1817 in Fairfield County. He had the following children:

1. **Major John Woodward, born ca. 1773-74, oldest son, married Patsey Axum and Alice Williamson. They had a son also named John Woodward who married Mary Rebecca Pearson.

** I suspect he is the Woodward (mentioned in the preceding data on Charlotte McMullan) who married her daughter Patsey, and the name of Axum may be the unnamed 1st husband of Charlotte (Harrison) McMullan. This 1st husband (Axum) and wife Charlotte appeared to have had the daughter named Patsey, who married this John Woodward.

2. Esther Woodward, born ca. 1778?, married Mathias H. Clarke, they had 3 children: Holland, Alice & Mathias Clarke. Jr.. ** (see note below)
3. Mary Ann Collins Woodward, born 29 September 1779, died 9th June 1855, married in 1810 to Thomas Lyles, who had sons, Major Thomas M. Lyles, born 1787, died 19th January 1874, aged 87. They had two sons: Thomas M. Lyles (b. 1811, d. 1902, m. 1833 to Eliza R. Peay ** (See note below) (1818-1897); William S. Lyles married a cousin in 1816, also named Mary Ann Collins Woodward. (William Woodward, brother of father John, had a daughter Mary Ann Collins Woodward. My records shows she married 1st William S. Lyles, then 2nd to Arromaionus Lyles. Were they brothers or is this a mistake).
4. William T. Woodward, born 7 April 1792, 2nd son, married 15 August 1842 Jane Starke, 2nd Harriet Smart & 3rd a Mrs. Henry (widow).
5. Cynthia Woodward, b. ca. 1782-83??, married John Durham.
6. Osmund M. Woodward, born 1795 (youngest child) married (Twice?) Martha Williamson & **Eliza R. Peay.

** This appears to be the Eliza R. Woodward, wife of Osmund Woodward mentioned in a court record but my records show his wife was Martha Williamson, which I suspect is wrong or either he married twice.

Robert Hill Sr

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