

where he was born about 1742. He was a student at the College of William and Mary 1754-1757.<sup>29</sup> Captain Fox resided at "Greenwich" an elegant plantation in Petsworth Parish, Gloucester County. In the *Virginia Gazette* of March 3, 1768 John Fox advertised that a negro slave had run away from "Greenwich" his plantation in Gloucester. John Fox served as an Ensign in the Gloucester Militia during the Revolutionary War<sup>30</sup> and in 1777 was appointed Captain of the Gloucester county Militia.<sup>31</sup> He owned considerable property and many slaves. He appears on the tax lists of 1782 as owning over 3000 acres of land in Gloucester county. He represented Gloucester County in Va. Assembly in 1779.

Captain John Fox died at "Greenwich" in 1785. His will was dated 5 August 1780 and proved at Gloucester Court in May, 1785.<sup>32</sup> Tradition relates that John Fox married Ann Macon.

#### MACON

The maiden name of the wife of John Fox of "Greenwich" comes to us only by tradition, however, in view of the name of one of the daughters of John and Ann Fox it seems more than probable that tradition is correct in stating that Ann Fox was the daughter of William Macon (1694-1773) and his wife Mary Hartwell (1703-1770). The Bible record of this family has been published in the *William and Mary College Quarterly* Volume 6, page 34 et seq., and it must suffice here to say that their daughter Ann was born July 31, 1747.

William Macon was born in New Kent County November 11, 1694, the son of Gideon and Martha (Woodward) Macon.<sup>33</sup> Martha married as her second husband Captain Nathaniel West, brother of Anne (West) Fox. William Macon married September 24, 1719 Mary Hartwell, daughter of Captain William Hartwell of James City county, Virginia. Captain John<sup>5</sup> and Ann (Macon) Fox had issue:

1. John<sup>6</sup> Fox, Jr., who married Eleanor Lewis, daughter of

<sup>29</sup>6W (1)188 and 1W (2)33.

<sup>30</sup>*Virginia Gazette* of 21 October 1775.

<sup>31</sup>Gwathmey, *Virginians in Revolution*, page 285.

<sup>32</sup>Crozier, *Williamsburg Wills*, page 25.

Original will in possession Mrs. E. Macon Jones, Huntington, W. Va.

<sup>33</sup>6W (1)34 and King William Records Vol. I, page 109.

Warner Lewis, Jr., Esquire, of "Warner Hall", Gloucester county.<sup>84</sup> He inherited "Greenwich" from his father. He died in 1796 when a young man as this is the last year he appears on the Gloucester tax lists. In 1797 the "Estate of John Fox Jr." is listed with 788 acres. In 1799 Eleanor Fox is listed as the administratrix of John Fox, deceased, in a Mathews county Fee Book.<sup>85</sup> Eleanor (Warner) Fox married secondly Augustine Oliver and had issue three children.

John<sup>6</sup> and Eleanor (Warner) Fox had issue two children:

1. John Warner<sup>7</sup> Fox of "Greenwich", Gloucester County.
2. Elizabeth Lewis<sup>7</sup> Fox who married in 1821 Dr. George Daniel Baylor (1789-1868) of "New Market", Caroline county, Va.

2. Thomas Booth<sup>6</sup> Fox resided in Gloucester county where he was sheriff in 1812. He married Courtney Orange Baylor of Caroline county the marriage bond having been dated March 23, 1803.<sup>86</sup> He died in 1825.

Thomas Booth<sup>6</sup> and Courtney O. (Baylor) Fox had issue:

1. Frances Ann<sup>7</sup> Fox who married Warner Lewis Oliver of Staunton, Va., son of Eleanor (Warner) Fox Oliver.
2. Mary<sup>7</sup> Fox.
3. Ann<sup>7</sup> Fox.
4. John<sup>7</sup> Fox.

3. William<sup>6</sup> Fox. He appeared on the Gloucester county tax lists in 1794 owning 1020 acres of land. He is said to have married a Miss Ball and to have left issue.

4. Henry<sup>6</sup> Fox also appeared on the land records of 1794 with 621 acres which he had inherited from his father Capt. John Fox. He married Katherine Cheveries. He died in 1821.

5. Isabella Catherine<sup>6</sup> Fox married first Emanuel Macon Jones (1776-1815). She married secondly John Segar Stubbs of "Mulberry Hall", Gloucester county. By her first marriage she had one child who survived infancy:

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<sup>84</sup>Sorley, *Lewis of Warner Hall*, page 88.

<sup>85</sup>Mathews County Fee Book for 1799, page 54 in the Mathews Court House Public Library.

<sup>86</sup>Caroline County Marriage Register, Volume I, page 3.

1. Emanuel Macon<sup>7</sup> Jones (1807-1875). His descendants in Huntington, West Virginia, have several valuable Fox heirlooms. These were pictured in the *Huntington Herald Advertiser* of June 29, 1930. Among them is a silver cup inscribed: "The Gift of Mrs. Ann Fox to her son John Fox II". The will of Captain John Fox is also preserved by this family.

6. Mary Hartwell<sup>6</sup> Fox who married December 6, 1788, Francis Whiting of "Eaton Hill", Gloucester county. The *Virginia Gazette* of December 18, 1788 thus announced their marriage:

"On the sixth instant was married Francis Whiting Esquire of Gloucester to Miss Polly Fox of the said county."

Francis and Mary Hartwell (Fox) Whiting had issue 5 children:

1. Francis Booth<sup>7</sup> Whiting.
2. Eleanor<sup>7</sup> Whiting.
3. Susannah Booth<sup>7</sup> Whiting.
4. John Fox<sup>7</sup> Whiting who married Mary A. Oliver, daughter of Eleanor (Warner) Fox Oliver.
5. William Macon<sup>7</sup> Whiting.

7. Ann Lightfoot<sup>6</sup> Fox, youngest daughter of Captain John and Ann (Macon) Fox, was born in Gloucester county, Virginia. I have no further record of her.

#### JOSEPH<sup>4</sup> FOX OF LOUISA COUNTY

Joseph<sup>4</sup> Fox was born in King William county circa 1702 the third son of John<sup>8</sup> and Frances (Lightfoot) Fox.

He had several land patents, the largest being for 1000 acres in St. Mark's Parish, Orange county, formerly in St. George's Parish, Spotsylvania county, which was dated December 8, 1736.<sup>87</sup> While residing at Hanover Court House he advertised this same property for sale, describing it as 1000 acres "lying about twenty miles above the falls of Rappahannock River."<sup>88</sup>

<sup>87</sup>Land Patent Book #17, page 224 in Virginia State Land Office.

<sup>88</sup>*Virginia Gazette* of April 21, 1738.