

THE REVOLUTIONARY SOLDIERS OF CATHOLIC PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
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year's rent of one pepper corn". Statute of transferring uses into possession.

In presence of
Jack A. Thompson
John Bishop
Wm. Yarborough

Thomas C. Land

The above deed was certified by William Yarborough before John McCreary, J.Q., Oct. 29, 1799. Deed Book H. p. 162 is recorded July 25, 1800, to which the dower is signed by Elizabeth, wife of Thomas Land. Thomas Land Senr. was dead so this was Thomas Land, Jr., and wife Elizabeth.

Chester County Court House Will Book A, p. 199, Will of John Smith, dated June 8, 1793, probated June 29, 1795, mentions sons: Abner Smith, Caleb Smith, Moses Smith and Joshua Smith; daughter Catherine Gulbird and Mary Ann Land, granddaughters Patience and Mary Ann Land and a grandson Richard Smith. Will witnessed by Charles M. C. Boyd and Daniel Green.

(Signed) John Smith (his mark)

From A Family History and Fifty-two Years of Preacher's Life, in Mississippi and Texas, by Rev. Wesley Smith, page 6, published in 1898 (the author a grandson of Joshua Smith) is learned that John Smith and wife were the parents of six sons and one or two daughters, viz: John, Moses, Caleb, Abner, Amasa, and Joshua; the daughters' names were Mary and Margaret. Of these there is but imperfect knowledge. Joshua Smith,* whose family we are now considering, moved early in the nineteenth century to the West and left his brothers and their families in South Carolina. Mary, the only sister of Joshua Smith, of whose history we have any information, emigrated to Wilkinson County, Mississippi, where she died near the town of Woodville. She had a son by the name of John Land, who settled in northeastern Texas at an early day. He is now dead, but his family are supposed to reside in the vicinity of Clarkville, Texas. Of John Land's father there is no information. Mary was in some way connected with a family of Tidwells. One of her daughters, Mary, became the wife of Edmond Ogden. One of her grandsons, by the name Tidwell, visited the house of Joshua Smith in North Alabama and remained a year or more." (Note: The Rev. Mr. Smith is in error here, as the deed on the following page shows that Mary Land's daughter Mary married Garland Tidwell.)

Book G, p. 53, Chester County, Court House, Nov. 3, 1798, has a deed from "We Mary Land and Garland Tidwell of the County of Chester and state of South Carolina in consideration of forty-six pounds, thirteen shillings and four pence to us in hand paid by Hiram Williams of county and state aforesaid have granted . . . all that tract of land whereon we now live containing one hundred acres cornering on a pine and running to corner on a white oak . . . (regular form of deed). Witness our hands and seals this 3rd day of November 1798.

her

Mary X Land

mark

his

Garland X Tidwell

mark

In the presence of
Thomas Morris
William Williams

On the 1st day of April, 1799, William Williams appeared and made oath that he saw Mary Land, Garland Tidwell and his wife Mary Tidwell sign the above deed. Before John McCreary, J.Q.

This Mary Ann Land, daughter of John Smith and mother-in-law of Garland Tidwell, was also the widow of one of the Lands but whether it was Capt. Land who was killed while "drilling on the muster ground seven miles from Rocky Mount," or some other, the writer has not been able to find out.