

bolster, two blankets, one rug and one bedstead now in her lodging roome".

Anna Tydwell, a young widow with six children, soon remarried. On May 27, 1696, "Richard Tydwell son and orphan of Richd. Tydwell of this countie showing that he is neare the age of seventeen years and that estate left him by his father being come into the hands of Lockley Connelin by intermarriage with the petitioner's mother, who administered the estate of his father, the same is in great probability to be embezzled and wasted without the great care of this court, prays leave to chuse his guardian. By his election the guardianship of Richard Tydwell and his estate is committed to Robert Bennett of this Countie." (Order Book 1696-98, p. 70).

From the above paragraph we learn not only that Anna Tydwell had married Lockley Connelin but also that Richard, her son, must have been born either in 1679 or early in 1680 since he was "neare the age of seventeen" in May of 1696.

Although no death records have been found, it must be assumed that Anna Tydwell Connelin was dead by 1701. In that year Richard (II) sold 100 acres of the Yeocomico property to William Walker. (Order Book, 1698-1705, p. 104). This entry suggests that Richard, as the oldest son, may have come into full possession of the property. Also substantiating the theory of Anna's death is the fact that