

of the land originally granted to his father by Richard Nelms.

By September 26, 1721, Richard and his family were definitely settled in Stafford County, for on that date "Richard Tydwell, late of Westmoreland County but now of the county of Stafford" sold 150 acres of land on the Nominy to the same William Metcalf who had purchased the land on the Yeocomico (Ibid., p. 332).

Records show that Richard received three grants from Thomas, Lord Fairfax, Proprietor of the Northern Neck as follows:

1. April 10, 1723...272 acres on the head branches of Goose Run in Stafford County (Northern Neck Grants, Vol. A., p. 28).
2. August 20, 1725...570  $\frac{3}{4}$  acres on Lucky Run in Stafford County (Ibid., p. 169).
3. April 7, 1730...553 acres and 116 perches (a perch is a measure of area equal to  $30\frac{1}{4}$  square yards) on Goose Run adjoining his own land and that of John Madin (Ibid., pp. 54-61).

He seems to have bought and sold a number of properties between the dates of these grants and 1735, the date of the last of such transactions. The last entry concerning Richard (II) was in 1739 when he helped pay a debt owed by his son Richard, Jr. (III). He probably died shortly after