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Richard Bland, (1710-1776) in lower-left foreground in Peter Frederick Rothermel's painting "Patrick Henry Before the House of Burgesses" (1850)

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INTRODUCTION

Welcome to Volume 27-28 of Among Cousins, 2009-2010. First a few words of explanation. There hasn't been a publication of Among Cousins since 2008 and you would be forgiven for thinking I went into hibernation. Only partly so for the past dozen years or so have been marked by a weird kind of relationship to work that would bore you to hear it. Trust me, the past two years have been very busy and while I have tried to develop a newsletter, progress has been fitful and scattered. But there has been progress and much of that progress has been due to the efforts and tangible contributions of two cousins, Barbara Bland and Terese Bland Bueker (see "Two Indispensable Cousins" below).

I retired on August 18, 2012 and have found that I have, or will have, much more time to devote to Bland genealogy. There has been other progress and working through files to reach a point where writing is possible. I recently did an inventory of what has been written and what is at the state of ready for writing, and found that I had around 300 pages, enough for two Newsletters. My original intent was to come out with Volume 27-30, for 2009-2012, which would be my final newsletter, but after discovering the volume on hand, I decided to bring out this first volume 27-28 in time for the Bland Reunion at Sumter South Carolina, September 21-23. Volume 29-30 will be out in early January 2013, about the time we all get over our Christmas \$\$ headaches.

So Volume 30 will mark an end to the printed version of Among Cousins. Afterward, I hope to continue receiving genealogical correspondence and information and posting new findings on Blandheritage.org, the official site of the Bland Heritage Foundation and working with historians of various branches of the family to further develop the history of the Bland family.

TWO INDISPENSABLE COUSINS

Among Cousins 27-28 contains three main sections. First is a very special development from the National Bland Reunion at Manassas Virginia, August 2010. A Guest Speaker, Dr. Donald Wilson, Virginian Librarian at the Ruth E. Lloyd Information Center for Genealogy and Local History, Prince William County Virginia Public Library, delivered a talk about the Blands in Virginia, at which he disclosed the maiden name of the only extant wife of the immigrant of our Group Two family, James Bland (1661-1709) from Penrith town, Cumberland County England, now part of the vast territory of Cumbria. Her name is Margaret Straughm. Her name was deduced from a document that was undiscovered until years after publication of my book A Vision of Unity (1982; 1990). Margaret's maiden name is deduced from a document in which our James Bland declares the intent of his "brother in law" to visit a relative, and the context makes clear that "brother in law" means he is the brother of James Bland's wife. It's a remarkable find that fills a gap in our knowledge about the man who must be the most important of the ancestors for Group Two, the largest of the historical Bland families in America and we are deeply grateful to Dr. Wilson for this discovery. (see below, pp. 8-20)

Second and third requires an interval qualification. Charles DeGaulle once observed that the graveyards are filled with indispensable men. I can tell you that life is inhabited by indispensable women, and while I know and have known many, I want to express my gratitude and appreciation to two of them who were indispensable to completion of this newsletter: Cousins Terese Bland Bueker, Woodlands Texas, a suburb of Houston and Barbara Bland, Providence Forge Virginia:



*Illustration 1: Terese Bland
Bueker*



*Illustration 2: Barbara Marie
Bland*

Both women are very involved in Bland Family research. Cousin Terese Bland Bueker has for the past ten years developed the DNA project now sponsored by the Bland Heritage Foundation (BLANDHERITAGE.ORG, go to DNA Project). I know from experience and from continuing correspondence with her that Terese has put her heart and soul into developing the DNA information and also recently undertook to apply the Modern Henry System to her organization of the DNA site and to synthesize this with the Family Lines that I publish with every Newsletter. Hers is one of two parts of this newsletter that I would not have been able to complete on my own, (see below, pp. 21-43)

I met Cousin Barbara Bland in 2011 first in e-mail correspondence and then in-person during visits to Virginia in spring 2011 and winter 2012. Barbara has her own website devoted to the James River Bland family, Group One in Terese Bland Bueker's new Modern Henry System, (see below, pp 24-27 and 44-149).. Cousin Barbara is a descendant of the James River Family and based on her knowledge and expertise, helped me to expand what would have been a very limited review of the James River Bland family into what is indisputably the most thorough exploration of any branch of the overall Bland family that we have. This section is the very core of this edition of the Among Cousins and the reason for the special cover depicting Richard Bland (1710-1776), a son of Richard Bland (1665-1720) and grandson of Theodorick Bland (1629-1671) of Westover, Prince George County Virginia. As it happens, the only child of Richard Bland (1665-1720) and his wife Elizabeth Randolph, who produced male heirs, was the above younger Richard Bland. This was our baseline framework for the essay that appears below (pp. 44-149).. This means that broad as it is, it may be just the first installment of a work in progress.

I have been absolutely astounded at the energy and cheerful enthusiasm both Terese Bland Bueker and Barbara Bland have brought to this newsletter. They deserve 90 percent, maybe even 91 percent, of credit for its preparation and I am deeply grateful to both ladies.

THE BLAND FAMILY CREST

For many years now, I have adorned the upper right corner of covert page of *Among Cousins* with the image of the Bland Family Crest, which is displayed in Nicholas Carlisle's *Collections for a History of the Ancient Family of Bland* (London: 1826), at page 120. It was identified with Richard Bland (1624-1692) "of Beeston Hall" in Leeds, York County, England. Richard was a son of John Bland the Grosser (see pp. 24-27 below) and thus associated with the branch of the Bland family that immigrated to the Virginia Colony in the 17th Century. In my estimation, this would have made it the nearest thing to an actual representation of the Crest that Blands in America could rightfully display and for that reason, I persuaded Bland Heritage Board at the 27th Annual Bland National Reunion in Alton Illinois to adopt this iteration (there are many) to display at the Bland Heritage website. This summer, Roland Bland, Kampsville Illinois, sent me his own version of the Crest which he had painted on the side of a building on his property. At about the same time, the indefatigable Barbara Bland (see above p. 5) stirred up considerable interest on Facebook about the proper design of the crest for our American usage. The result was that the Bland Heritage Board asked Barbara to research a proper design and to present her findings at the Annual Board Meeting in September when we meet at Sumter South Carolina. For this issue, the old version will appear. For the forthcoming Issue, Volume 29-30, hopefully we will have a new design as close to genuine authenticity as Americans can accomplish for this very British activity.

NATIONAL BLAND REUNIONS IN 2009 AND-2010

The 25th National Bland Reunion convened July 17-19 2009, in Shelbyville Kentucky. The Reunion Host was Patricia Bland Marsh of Sellersburg Indiana. In keeping with the locale, which is usually our custom, we devoted most of our genealogical attention to issues about Kentucky and specifically to the descendants of Benjamin Bland (1724-1771) and Mary Gwatkins (C1730-1782) from Prince William County Virginia, whose sons James Bland (C1752-1802) and Charles Bland (1765-1842) settled in Mason and Garrard/Shelby Counties. I am pleased to display a photograph of the Reunion Group below:



The 26th National Bland Reunion was convened July 23-25 2010 at Manassas Virginia, sponsored by Thomas H. Bland, William Goode Bland, twin brothers from Burke and Alexandria Virginia and Wendy DeWolfe, Gaithersburg Maryland. Inasmuch as 17th Century Virginia was the original mother colony/state for subsequent Bland settlements south and west, the reunion had a more general focus on Virginia history and genealogy but undoubtedly the highlight was the presentation by Donald Wilson, Virginian Librarian for the Prince William County Virginia Library who presented the reunion group with identification of Margaret Straughm as the full name of the wife of James Bland (1661-1709) (see below, pp. 8-20). A good photograph of the Reunion Group with much better resolution than I could show here may be seen at Blandheritage.org, enter National Reunions and press the 2010 hyperlink.

A group photo of the 27th National Bland Reunion at Alton Illinois, September 16-18, 2011 sponsored by Ed and Linda Bland, Alton Illinois, may also be seen at the Bland Heritage site using the same procedure. I will discuss this Reunion further in Volume 29-30 forthcoming. The 28th National Bland Reunion will be held at Sumter South Carolina September 21-23 2012, at approximately the time this issue of Among Cousins is available, and will also be discussed in more detail in Volume 29-30, forthcoming.

LOIS HUDSON TAYLOR (1934-2011) RIP

We lost one of the best friends of the Bland Family with the passing of our good friend and cousin Lois Hudson Taylor, (November 17, 1934 – April 2, 2011). Cousin Lois, of Shelbyville Indiana, was the daughter of Clifford Hudson and Leila Bland. Her mother was a Bland descendant through the line of Moses Bland (C1718-1800, p. 30 below). Lois was a good and enthusiastic participant in the Bland Reunions from 1986 until 2000, after which she became disabled and was unable to attend. She and her husband David Taylor, whom she married in 1970 and who passed away in 2003, sponsored two of our National Reunions, the seventh in 1991 at Jennings County Indiana and 1997 at Shelbyville Indiana. Lois is remembered with love, fondness and gratitude for all she did to make our Bland Reunions a success. I am pleased to display her photograph below:



Illustration 4: Lois Hudson Taylor (1934-2011)

**NEW DISCOVERIES ABOUT THE BLAND FAMILY OF ST. ANDREWS
CHURCH PENRITH PARISH,
CUMBERLAND COUNTY ENGLAND
AND MARGARET STRAUGHM, WIFE OF
JAMES BLAND (1661-1709) OF STAFFORD COUNTY VIRGINIA**

As laborers and workers from the outlying counties and parishes of England poured into London during the 17th century, some found jobs, some ended up on the poor rolls, and some, invariably, found their way to the American colonies, contracting with ship captains and representatives of merchants and planters in the new world. Those who ventured to the new world between 1682 and 1692 were first filtered through a registration process, their names and other occupations recorded in some twenty-one large tomes known as the Lord Mayor's Waiting Books.

On March 17, 1684/85 the Waiting Books of the Lord Mayor of London records James Bland, a "glasier and plumber" of St. Andrews Church, Penrith, Cumberland County England, now under the broad domain of present day Cumbria. James was "age 22" bound for East Jersey in the New World, under the indenture of a proprietor named William Dockwra. Information sent to me by Loretta Heyen of Ellettsville Indiana shows that on August 30, 1685, James arrived in East Jersey with an assortment of other servants bound to Dockwra, including one Thomas Gibbs.¹ This information is of interest for two reasons:

(1) Our ancestor James Bland was known to be in Stafford County, Virginia records as early as 1687, involved in a land work lease with Thomas Gibbs and Richard Gibson. Inasmuch as the names recorded on the 1685 servant list appear to be alliterative in some cases, the connection with Thomas Gibbs and Richard Gibson may be significant.

(2) Most significant is the high probability that the man who was born in Penrith England in 1661 is the same man who arrived at East Jersey in August 1685, was in Stafford County Virginia in 1687, and shuttled back and forth between Stafford County and St. Mary's Maryland before settling at Stafford in 1701, where he died late in 1708 (James' will was made December 22, 1708 and probated March 9, 1708/09).²

In the 17th century, Cumberland County was a maritime province in the extreme northwest of England on the borders of Scotland, flanked on the south by Lancaster, Westmoreland and York Counties (called Shires in those days). As were most of the areas in the far north of England, it was low in population density, consisting primarily of small scattered towns that supported an agricultural base. Penrith was a small town with a hearth (home) count of 378 in 1664, located in southeast Cumberland County along the northern frontier with Westmoreland County. The chief economic pursuit in Penrith in the 17th century was sheep farming.

Penrith, as well as much of the southern Cumberland and northern Westmoreland county area, was devastated by a series of plagues between 1587-1640, including typhus, smallpox, influenza, famine, malnutrition, and its concomitant death by starvation. This information points to a continuing atmosphere in which disease and death was an extremely common occurrence and a grim part of the everyday lives of residents of Penrith during the

¹ William Nelson ed., Documents Relating to the Colonial History of the State of New Jersey, XXI, 1664-1703, (1899), p. 65.

² The Cumberland County England Family as the origin of James Bland was first introduced by me in my book, Vision of Unity, pp. 249-254. Up until 1752, the New Year began March 25, thus a will proved on January 9, 1708 in our reckoning would have followed the filing of the will by about three weeks and would have occurred in 1709. Thus, James Bland died late in 1708, old style, or early in 1709 according to our calendar.

late 16th and early 17th centuries. Typically, the population was not mobile in those times. Before the birth of our relative James Bland (1661-1709) and continuing after him, was the time of the great enclosures in which old wealth was giving way to new Capitalism, old landed wealth was giving way to the power of the British Crown. James' great grandparents James and Alice may have been part of a manorial order. For the most part, residents of a particular place were born, raised, married there (particularly women, who were traditionally married in their own parish, although they might move to the groom's home after marriage), raised children, and died. In one town comparable to Penrith, Easingwold, in the North Riding of York County, one researcher estimated that between 1644-1813, sixty-seven percent of all marriages occurred within the parish, and only three percent occurred with a partner who lived more than twenty miles away. By James' time, however, the times were a changing. Residents of outlying towns and counties, particularly the young men, were the flotsam that was attracted inexorably to London, which offered work, adventure and in some ways, a processing point for other destinations: London, and from there, sometimes Virginia, that dreadful sink hole that the British had occupied but never settled slowly and fitfully.

Records for Cumberland County are hard to come by, but the Church of Latter Day Saints' (LDS) Collection (Family Search.org) shows the following family structure for four generations of Blands in St. Andrews Parish, Penrith, spanning the 17th century: ³

1. **JAMES BLAND:** (C1578 -) James Bland married Ellis Pattinson or Alice Patterson on June 4, 1599. Ellis died June 8, 1620. ⁴ There is a record of a daughter Agnes born to James and Ellis who died October 14, 1629. There is also in the LDS records a William Bland born April 11, 1636, whose father is recorded as "Willm" Bland and a Thomas Bland (see below, p. 16). This elder William would be a son of James Bland (C1578-after 1620) Apart from these dates in the LDS collection, nothing more is known of James or Ellis:
 - A. **JAMES BLAND** (C1599 – February 24, 1651/1652) married Susan Cooke (C1602 – February 21, 1653/1654) on December 16, 1620. His approximate birth year is established from the marriage of his parents and assumption of marriage at age 21. This James Bland and Susan Cooke are the family's second known generation and they had eight children which comprised the third generation. Two children, James and Susan may have died in the severe famine in Penrith of 1623/1624. What happened to the next three is uncertain: ⁵
 - (1) Thomas Bland, (November 28, 1621 - March 9, 1621/1622)
 - (2) James Bland, (January 10, 1622/1623 – April 26, 1623)
 - (3) Susan Bland, (June 29, 1624 -)
 - (4) Ann Bland (May 12, 1627 – April 16, 1690) died a "maid."
 - (5) Henry Bland, (February 15, 1630/1631 – May 5, 1639)
 - (6) Agnes, (July 19, 1632 – June 13, 1641)

³ This essay is reproduced with slight changes from VU pp. 249-254. For source information refer to those pages.

⁴ The more modern alternate name would be Alice. I favor Ellis because in the same township there was a girl named Ellis born to William Pattinson June 10, 1613. Dates noted in this essay come from England: Births and Christenings, Marriages and Deaths and Burials 1538-1800, Family Search.org, LDS Library on-line and also some records found at the Family History Center Library, Amherst NY, a branch of the main LDS library. I have favored the dates listed in these files, if they contradict dates cited earlier.

⁵ All dates for the children of James Bland and Susan Cooke are christening dates; John was christened at an unspecified date.

The final two children, both male, appear to have lived with some longevity and to have married and had families of their own:

- (7) George Bland, (July 3, 1636 – July 23, 1691)⁶ is the critical link for our American family. In 1658 married Grace _____ (C1640- July 23, 1691). There are possibly two George Blands born on July 3, 1636; one a son of James Bland and the other a son of Thomas Bland. This creates the possibility that our George could be a son of Thomas Bland, a brother of James (1599-1652) (see page 16 below). Both George and Grace died on the same day. They had eight children (fourth generation), including:
- (a) Susan Bland , (March 31, 1659 -)
 - (b) James Bland , (October 31, 1661 - January 9, 1708/1709) in Stafford County Virginia.
 - (c) William Bland, (February 24 or 25, 1664/1665)
 - (d) George Bland , (April 12, 1666 – July 6, 1666)
 - (e) Joan Bland (C1667 – February 22, 1667/1668)
 - (f) Margaret Bland, (January 7, 1669/1670 – April 5, 1687).⁷
 - (g) Elizabeth Bland, (October 5, 1671)
 - (h) Jane Bland (November 1, 1675)
- (8) John Bland (1639 -) noted in parish records as a merchant and church warden, married twice. John married (1st) Margaret Walton, (April 4 or November 3, 1633- August 18, 1675) on February 12, 1660/1661 in St. Andrews Parish.⁸ There were no children by this first marriage. About 1676, John married (2nd) to Julian _____ (c1658 – April 8, 1727) and by her, had five children, including:
- (a) Margaret Bland (October 25, 1677 - July 12, 1696). When Margaret died or whether she married is uncertain.⁹
 - (b) Thomas Bland, (November 25 or 28, 1678 -)¹⁰
 - (c) Miles Bland, (August 8, 1680 – December 30, 1683)
 - (d) Edward Bland, (May 11, 1685 – August 8, 1699)
 - (e) Arthur Bland, (March 7, 1689/1690 -)
 - (f) Jane Bland (March 23, 1689/1690 -)¹¹

Among all these descendants of the first four generations, attention is drawn to James Bland (1661-1709), second child of George and Grace Bland. When I first assembled this information there were three possible contradictions:

⁶ Two death dates appear for George Bland, the other is for George Bland, son of George Bland July 6, 1666, making it fairly certain that this date of death of for the younger Georges father.

⁷ For mild confusion see Margaret Bland, daughter of John Bland and Julian, page 20..

⁸ On April 4, 1633, a girl named Margaret was born to Matthew Walton. On November 3, 1633, Margaret Walton was born to Gerrard Walton, both births occurred in St. Andrews Parish, Penrith.

⁹ Note above 7F, Margaret Bland, daughter of George and Grace Bland.

¹⁰ I have previously sought to attach Thomas to the family that settled in King and Queen County Virginia, (see AC 9-1, pp. 14-36 and my comment in AC 14, p. 17. Subsequent DNA testing not only places the King and Queen County family in a larger family group whose English origins are not fully known (see below p. 33) but DNA evidence completely refutes any relationship with the Northern Virginia family.

¹¹ Jane was christened at Kirkland near Penrith and May not be a part of this family. If she is, possibly she and Arthur are twins, with Christening dates entered incorrectly for one or the other

1. An October 18, 1691 marriage in St. Andrews Parish, Penrith, between a James Bland and Isabel Lowther in St, Andrews Parish would have negated the above information for it is extremely unlikely that James would have raced back and forth between England and her North American colonies to marry. But the problem was solved when later research by Conrad and Nelle Mang showed that both James Bland and Isabel Lowther came to Penrith from nearby Westmoreland County, to be married. So James Bland who married Isabel Lowther was not the man who was born October 31, 1661.
2. A will by "Maggue Barratt" made February 14, 1683/1684 in St. Mary's County Maryland and probated May 28, 1684 in Old Rappahannock County Virginia, was witnessed by Henry Lawrence and James Blann.¹² James signed with his mark, thus the recorder may have misspelled his name. This raises the question whether the James Blann in Rappahannock in May 1684 was the same man as the James who arrived at East Jersey, August 1685. Speculation includes the following possibilities:
 - A. James Bland's birth record in St. Andrews Parish, October 31, 1661, would make him 22 at the time of signing the Rappahannock will and 23 when he shipped out from London and still 23 when he arrived at East Jersey. He was noted as 22 when he left London. Loretta Heyen finds that transactions made by John and Margaret Carrington, also bound to William Dockwra did not appear until as many as four years later. In other words there are broad variations between recorded and actual travel time, and James could have-owing to weather or shipping/commercial exigencies for the vessel upon which he traveled, have landed at St. Mary's Maryland/ Old Rappahannock Virginia, prior to traveling on to East Jersey. He could have worked off two years of his indenture to Mr. Dockwra by the summer of 1687, after which some change in his relationship with Dockwra, e.g., his escape, his purchase of his freedom from the indenture, or Dockwra's trading him could have resulted in his leaving New Jersey, and appearing in Stafford County, Virginia by October 1687 to lease lands from Richard Gibson. This is not an altogether incongruous assumption, because of the close geographic proximity of East Jersey, St. Mary's Maryland and Stafford County Virginia. I hope, however, that future researchers who come upon this piece will remain critical and skeptical of the assumptions that are implicit.
 - B. A second possibility is that there were two James Blands, one who signed the Rappahannock Will at probate in May 1684 and another who traveled from London to East Jersey in 1684/1685. In this event, the Rappahannock will would be irrelevant to our inquiry. The man who traveled from London to East Jersey in 1684-1685 would still be the same man who turned up as a worker for Richard Gibson in Stafford County Virginia in 1687. One should note, however, that "our" James Bland, who died in 1709, was found repeatedly in records of St. Mary's County Maryland between 1692-1698. Logic, the principle of Ockham's Razor (named for an ancient fellow named William of Ockham whose principle amounts to "keep it simple stupid"), compels me to think that the person who signed these later documents was the same man who witnessed the will in 1684.
 - C. Less problematical was the thinking at the time Vision of Unity was published that James was a son of the Maryland Lawyer Thomas Bland. The idea was to

¹² William W. Sweeney, Wills of Rappahannock County Virginia: 1656-1692, (1947) p. 107. This document was provided to me by the late and much missed Leslie Dawson.

prove that James was a descendant of the James River Blands, a notion long discredited by historical and DNA evidence, which has revealed that there is no blood relation between what we call the James River Blands and the Northern Virginia Blands. The theory that James Bland descends from the James River Bland's London family derives from a letter written to Robert Linn Bland by a researcher Christopher Johnston, on December 14, 1905. Johnston was attempting to validate hypotheses made by Mr. Bland that his descent through James Bland, linked him to Thomas Bland, a notorious and fraudulent lawyer who lived in Maryland for a time during the late 17th Century. Mr. Johnston said "There would be a certain semblance of a connection between Thomas and James Bland," but hedged his assertion by adding, "on the other hand, we must bear in mind that the evidence is by no means clear, and that after all these may be no more than an accidental coincidence."¹³ What Johnston referred to was that Thomas and James Bland lived in the same proximity at one point and that there were common signatories by men who evidently knew the two men, on documents that appeared at the same time.¹⁴ There is not any evidence that concretely links Thomas Bland of Maryland to the London stem family of the James River Blands or that links Thomas Bland to James Bland. In other words, Thomas Bland of Maryland had no significant and known family linkages in the New World. Thomas Bland went back to London about 1700 because in Maryland he was only one step ahead of the law. One notes that when he filed his will in November 1700, he called himself a merchant, feeling perhaps that his lawyer's masquerade would not stand up among his relatives. In his will, he betrayed no trace of a relationship with any of the London family that descended from Adam Bland and he was completely silent about James Bland. In my book I subscribed to Robert Linn Bland's hypothesis about James Bland¹⁵ which, much to my embarrassment and horror, has encouraged others to accept it although I have long since and repeatedly disavowed it. One should note that earlier I wrote that I thought further research would confirm that Thomas Bland-James Bland linkage, but "one should not accept these conclusions at the expense of what appear to be other alternatives to the parentage of James Bland."¹⁶ I am pleased to note that most researchers who are interested in the question, have come to accept the formula expressed above that James Bland (1661-1709) was the son of George Bland (1636-1691) from St. Andrews Parish, Penrith town in Cumberland County England.

All that said, the founder of the Northern Virginia line is James Bland, (1661-1709), who first appeared in the Virginia Records in 1687. In 1701, he purchased 600 acres in Stafford County (part of it would become Prince William County) and lived out his life there.

At the time of his death, James was married to Margaret Straughm a woman who appears to be his second wife.¹⁷ That we can now cite Margaret's maiden name with

¹³ Charles L. Bland, *A Vision of Unity*, pp. 191-240, passim, read with skepticism and caution.

¹⁴ VU, pp 221-223.

¹⁵ VU p. 254

¹⁶ VU, p. 240.

¹⁷ James left these 600 acres to his widow and children when he died. Until August 2010, no one had ever identified Margaret's maiden name. For the possibility she was named Sisson or Sison, see VU, pp. 222-223, 258, a possible family relationship but discredited for a marriage bond, per the discovery of Mr. Wilson. James and Margaret were probably married around 1685, for the evidence is pretty clear that their eldest child, William Bland, was born close to 1686, since he was listed as the eldest of three sons who had reached adulthood or near to it when James made out his will in 1708.

some reliance is credited to Dr. Donald Wilson, who presented the information to those assembled at the 26th National Bland reunion in Manassas Virginia in August 2011.¹⁸ The evidence of James Bland's wife was found in a book that went missing until about twenty years ago; the document was dated October 7, 1691. It had been stolen from the Stafford courthouse during the Civil War.¹⁹

Thomas Brian aged Twenty seven or thereabouts sworne & Examined saith that hee this Depont beinge at Mr. Gibson's Mill (same Richard Gibson noted above in a 1687 document) in or about ye month of July (1691) last past ye said Gibson did desire this Depont to goe to *James Bland* and sue him to come downe to ye Mill wch ye said *Bland* did & then ye said Gibson & ye said *Bland* did seek for a monthes worke ye sd *Bland* and Patrick Wallin had done for ye said Gibson att his Mill & then ye said Gibson did say to ye said Wallin, *James Blande* will pay you yor share of ye worke & I will pay it him ye wch ye said Wallin was contented Then ye said Gibson asked ye said *Blande* whether he would worke with him another monthe and he answered

[H]ee would not Ingage for a Month for his Brother in Law David Straughm designed suddenly for Maryland to his Mother and hee did intend to goe himselfe and his Wife alonge with him

...*[B]*utt he would worke with him by ye Day att Twenty pr Day & his Diett but would Ingadge for noe hire. [signed] Thomas Brian. Recorded ye 7th day of October 1691.²⁰

Dr. Wilson's reasoning: It is clear from this paragraph that David Straughm is James Bland's brother-in-law. Brother-in-law had multiple meanings during the late 17th century, including brother of his wife, the husband of his sister, or even a step-brother. Straughm has decided to go to Maryland to visit "his Mother." Context suggests that "his" refers either to David's or James' mother? Either way, it would be a reference to James mother, but we know (see above p10) that James' actual mother, Grace _____, died in England the previous summer. So logic compels one to understand David is referring to his mother and James' mother in law. Notice also that James has declared his intention to take his own wife with him. In this construction David Straughm's mother is also the mother of James' wife, whom we know to be Margaret. A long note below identifies transactions in which David Straughm is involved and also invokes the surname Sisson (or a variant) at several points, a name that was prominent in the previous search for Margaret's surname.²¹

¹⁸ Dr. Wilson is the Virginiana Librarian, Ruth E. Lloyd Information Center for genealogy and Local History (RELIC) Prince William County Virginia Public Library System, Bull Run Regional Library, Manassas Virginia. The following relies heavily on an e-mail from Dr. Wilson to Charles L. Bland, October 6, 2011.

¹⁹ Stafford County Record Book D (1686-1693), p. 212a [from abstract by Ruth and Sam Sparacio, Deed & Will Abstracts of Stafford County, Virginia, 1689-1693 (Mclean, Va.: R & S Sparacio, 1989), October 7, 1691, p. 73.

²⁰ The microfilm copy provided by Dr Wilson shows Theodorick Bland, surveyor of Stafford County close to Brian's deposition.

²¹ The connection of James Bland and the *SISSONS* family is found in VU pp. 222-223 and 258-260. Explanatory notes for the following documents were made by Donald Wilson in his e-mail to Charles L. Bland, October 6, 2011. 13 Nov. 1691. County Levy for 1691: [includes] to paid Ocquon [Occoquan] ferry last year to David STRAHAM. [pp. 216-218] this suggests David ran the ferry across the

Wilson writes the following regarding my assertion that Margaret Straughm was probably James' second wife. ²²

"In your book you theorize that James Bland had two wives, and that Margaret, as the second wife, was the mother of his younger children. It may be feasible for all his children to have been born to the same woman. In James' will, 22 Dec. 1708, he names the following children:

- a) William, over age 21 in 1708 (c1686). Author note: *There is evidence of William making a legal transaction in 1707 so he could have been born no later than 1686.*

Occoquan River, linking what are now Prince William and Fairfax counties. "Know all men by these presents that I Edward *SYSENS* of Marylande, of St. Maries County doe by these presents appoint my loveinge Friend David STRAWHAM to bee my true and lawfull attorney for mee to arrest Richard Knight and to implead cast into prison & out of prison to release ye said Richard Knight and whatsoever my said attorney shall doe in that behalfe I doe allow as wittness my hande & seale this 213d day of February 1690/1. [signed] Edward *SYSENS*. Presence of Edw. Thomason. Recorded ye 13th day of November 1691." This suggests that some relationship between Edward *SYSENS (SISSONS)* and David STRAUGHAM, and a link to St. Mary's County.

3 Sept. 1692. "The deposition of Anne Barton aged about 27 yeares beinge sworne and examined said that David STRAHAM and Burr Harris Junr. being att ye sd deponts house went to cards and playinge att putt at 60 or 70 per gam a considerable time butt at length leaveing off David STRAHAM was 600 poundes of tobacco looser [loser] wch ye said STRAHAM said hee would pay to ye said Harris sayinge hee had made a good afternoons worke and farther said not. Sworne to before me Martin Scarlett. [signed] Ann (mark: A) Barton. Recorded ye 13th day of September 1692. p. 263a." Martin Scarlett, whose tombstone is now at Rippon Lodge, lived at Deep Hole, a peninsula at the mouth of the Occoquan River. Burr Harrison Jr. (sometimes shown as Harris), was b. ca. 1668 [John P. Alcock, Five Generations of the Family of Burr Harrison of Virginia (Heritage Books: 1991), pp32f. We might expect he is contemporary in age to David. Burr Harrison Jr. was a brother-in-law of Ann Green Barton -- probably the same as the Anne Barton of the deposition, see Alcock, op. cit. p. 192.

14 Nov. 1692. "John Glasse of Stafford County binds himself a servant unto David STRAUGHAM of the same county to serve two full years. STRAUGHAM to pay Glasse the sum of 2400 poundes of tobacco in caske before the expiration of the said term [signed] John (mark: J) Glasse, David STRAWHAM. Wit: Jon Pike, Richard (mark R) Henwood. p. 265a.

13 Dec. 1692. Laying of ye county levy for Stafford. To David STRAUGHAM for Ocquaon ferry. p. 271a.

Stafford deeds and wills are lost between Feb. 1692/3 and 1699. An order book exists between 1689 and 1693. It also includes numbers of records for David STRAUGHAM. The earliest:

10 Mar. 1689/90." David STRAWHAN a member of a jury. Order Book, p. 17," from abstract by Ruth and Sam Sparacio This proves he was born no later than 1668/9.

Several people named STRAUGHAM or phonetic variants settled in Maryland in the 17th century:

STRAHAM, James, 5:411. Transported 1663.

STRAWHAN, Adam, 17:474. Transported 1672.

STRAWHAN, Mary, 17:474. Transported 1672.

STRAWHEN, David. WC2:321. Immigrated 1680 with wife.

STRAWHEN, Elizabeth. WC2:321. Transported 1680. Wife of David.

Here is another item that probably refers to the same David STRAUGHAM: "Mr. Simon Robins. Estate account. Payments made to ... [including] Mr. David STRAUGHAN. James Bourne exhibited the account. 27 Feb. 1705 [1706 new style]." Westmoreland County Virginia Deeds & Wills no. 3, 1701-1707, p. 399-400, from abstract by John Frederick Dorman.

- b) James, under 21 (b. aft. 1687) [c1688] Author note: *Inasmuch as James was also granted "tuition and bringing up" over three of the younger children, he would have been born not later than 1687.*²³
- c) John, under 21 (b. aft. 1687) [c1690] Author's note: *James' will written December 22, 1708 and probated March 9, 1709, implies that John will soon turn 21; hence his age is projected as 1688.*
- d) Alice, eldest daughter, under 18 (b. aft. 1690) [c1692]
- e) Patience, 2nd daughter under 18 (b. aft. 1690) [c1695]
- f) Ellen, 3rd daughter under 18 (b. aft. 1690) [c1697]
- g) Hannah, youngest daughter, under 18 (b. aft. 1690) [c1700]

Now I find that David STRAUGHAN (the usual spelling) appears in the court minutes for Northumberland County, Virginia, many times after 17 March 1697 [1698 new style] and he lives there at least until 1722. His family appears in the register of St. Stephens Parish, in that county:

"Ja's STRAUGHAN Son to Dav'd Born May 28 1712
 Mary STRAUGHAN Daug'r to Do Born Feb'y 17 1704
 Winif'd STRAUGHAN Daug'r to Do Born Feb'y 22 1706
 Dav'd STRAUGHAN Son to Do Born Feb'y 26 1708
 Jo'n STRAUGHAN Son To Do Born May 12 1710
 Margret STRAUGHAN Daug'r to Do Born March 22 1715
 Ann STRAUGHAN Daug'r to Do Born Nov'r 8 1719
 Rich'd STRAUGHAN Son to Do Born Oct'r 22 1722."

Beverly Fleet, Virginia Colonial Abstracts (Baltimore: Genealogical Pub. Co., 1988), v. 1, p. 455"
 You will notice he has a daughter named Margaret, possibly a namesake of Margaret BLAND (her aunt?).

15 Sept. 1697. Upon the motion of Mr. William PARKER, a commission of administration is granted him on the estate of Laurence WHITE deceased, he giving caution for his due administration on the said estate according to law. [Northumberland County Court Order Book 1678-1698, p. 789, from abstract by Charles and Virginia Hamrick]

17 Nov. 1697. Upon the motion of Ruth Parker, executrix a probate is granted her of the last will and testament of William Parker, deceased, proved by the oaths of Mr. Richard Haynie, James Oldham and Thomas Petty, witnesses.

Upon the petition of Ruth Parker a Commission of Administration is granted her on the estate of Laurence WHITE, deceased, she giving caution for her due administration on the estate according to law. [Northumberland County Court Order Book 1678-1698, p. 797, from abstract by Charles and Virginia Hamrick]

16 Feb. 1698 [1697/98 in this case]. Upon the Motion of David STRAUGHAN and Ruth his wife administratrix of Laurence White deceased, Capt. Rodham Kenner and Mr. Thomas Bushrod are appointed sometime before the next court to dispose of the estate of the said Laurence White at public auction and ordered that the said STRAUGHAN and his wife exhibit an inventory thereof to the next court upon oath. Northumberland County Court Order Book 1678-1698, p. 802, from abstract by Charles and Virginia Hamrick.

20 July 1698. Upon the motion of Mr. David STRAUGHAN, who married Ruth, the executrix of Mr. William Parker deceased, she being also deceased, a commission of administration is granted him on the said Mr. Parker's estate he giving caution for his due administration of the said estate according to law. "Ibid., p. 829"

David's wife Ruth was apparently the widow of William PARKER. She took over PARKER's administration of Laurence WHITE, who might be her own father. Since she died in 1698 she cannot be the mother of his children born between 1704 and 1722.

²² VU, pp. 257-263.

²³ VU, pp. 260-261.

h) Robert, youngest son, apparently under 21 in 1723 (b. aft. 1702) [c1703]"

Dr. Wilson goes on: "This gives us an even distribution of birth years with no unusual gaps. If naming patterns mean anything, I would look for a William BLAND as a possible father for James.²⁴ James Jr. may be named for his own father, but he might also be named for his maternal grandfather.²⁵

I continue to think that Margaret was a second wife. The structure of his will, made in 1708, suggests that at the time of his death, James had two adult sons, William and James, and a third, John, who was on the cusp of his majority. He also had five minor children, including four daughters, Alice, Hannah, Patience and Ellen, and a son Robert.²⁶

Information for Future Research: Following is somewhat random information for Cumberland County by parish that appears in the Church of Latter Day Saints site Familysearch.org based on information about christenings, marriages and burials in England for 1538-1991. Information displayed is by parish. When I can, I will structure family groups, but must caution the reader that what the on-line site provides is summary information. If you have any doubts, you should, locate the nearest branch center and request a hard copy of the actual document. I will list Penrith and Kirkland-Near-Penrith, townships first and the remainder alphabetically.

PENRITH Two entries are of immediate interest:

1. There is an entry for William Bland, christened April 11, 1636 whose father is listed as William Bland. No other siblings appear, and, William's birth information includes nothing about the older William or his wife. This older William would most likely be a brother of James Bland (c1599-1652).
2. George Bland, born July 3, 1636 is shown as the son of Thomas Bland. The older Thomas is new to what we know about the family and would also be a sibling of James Bland (1620-1652). Too coincidental however, is the birth date of George, which is identical to the birth date of George Bland, (1636-1791) son of James Bland (C1599-1652). (see above page 11).

*The remainder of names listed by category and date:

Christenings

1. Ann Bland, listed as age 61 in Plumbland in the 1841 census.
2. James Bland listed as age 65 in Plumbland in the 1841 census.
3. John Bland listed as age 60 in Penrith in the 1841 census.
4. John Bland (spelling) birth listed as September 8, 1782 in Penrith, 59 in the 1841 census.

²⁴ If the theory that James comes from Penrith, St. Andrews Parish, Cumberland County England, holds up, his father clearly is George Bland (1636-1691, above p. 10)

²⁵ Dr. Wilson identifies James STRAWHAM, transported to Maryland in 1663, who appears to be the namesake of one of David STRAUGHAN's sons -- James STRAUGHAN is listed first, but the date transcribed puts him third. Born "1702" instead of 1712.

²⁶ VU, pp. 260-263. One of the elements of Bland research that is lacking is what happened to these daughters. One of my earliest associates, Mr. Leslie Dawson, descended from Ellen Bland, who married William Davis, a business associate of James' sons William and James. Nothing else is known of the daughters. Leslie Dawson, History of the Dawson-Davis Family and Related Families of Fairfax and Prince William Counties Virginia (1984) pp. 150-195 passim. Dawson notes the marriage of Ellen Bland and William Davis but offers no supporting evidence.

5. Mary Bland listed as age 50 in Penrith in the 1841 census.

Marriages

1. Anthony Bland on October 22, 1767 to Mary Carleton.
2. Bland (born 1769) on June 12, 1797 to Thomas Milburn (born 1763).
3. James Bland on August 18, 1691 to Isabel Lowther. Both from outside the parish, (see above p. 11).
4. Joseph Bland (born 1756) on July 8, 1778 to Ann Green, (born 1755).
5. Mary Bland on February 23, 1793 to Thomas Madgin (born 1769).
6. Annas Bland on May 27, 1763 to Christopher Thompson.

Burials

1. Barbara Bland March 13, 1759.
2. Jane Bland December 2, 1729.
3. John Bland February 16, 1796.
4. Mary Bland February 25, 1733/1734.
5. Richard Bland December 12, 1794, Noted as a son of Elizabeth Bland
6. Thomas Bland May 17, 1783, noted as a son of Elizabeth Bland

KIRKLAND-NEAR-PENRITH

Christenings

1. James Bland, son of Richard Bland, March 19, 1692.
2. Jane Bland, daughter of John Bland, March 23, 1689.
3. John Bland, son of "Jo" Bland July 1, 1694.
4. John Bland, son of Thomas Bland, August 10, 1710.
5. John Bland, son of John Bland, March 23, 1734.
6. Joseph Bland, son of George Bland, March 2, 1692/1693
7. Mary Bland, daughter of Thomas Bland August 3, 1712.
8. Richard Bland, son of Thomas Bland, September 23, 1719.
9. Thomas Bland, son of Richard Bland June 27, 1696.
10. Thomas Bland, son of Thomas Bland May 16, 1717
11. Thomas Bland, son of John Bland, January 24, 1732/1733.
12. William Bland, son of Thomas Bland February 13, 1714/1715.

Marriages

1. Jane Bland on April 26, 1711 to Henry Dobinson.

CARLISLE: In this township, there are evidently two parishes: (A) St. Mary's and (B) St. Cuthbert's.

Christenings

1. (A) Jane Bland, March 14, 1752, daughter of Joseph Bland
2. (A) John Bland, January 25, 1754, son of Joseph Bland
3. (A) John Bland, November 11, 1791 or 1792, son of Elizabeth Bland
4. (A) Joseph Bland, January 21, 1755, son of Joseph Bland
5. (A) Mary Bland C1797, noted in the census of 1861, born in Carlisle, living in Durham, age 64.
6. (B) Matthew Bland, November 24, 1769, son of Jane Bland.

Marriages

1. Joseph Bland married Mary Gill April 29, 1749.
2. Joseph Bland married Jane Ralston, November 4, 1756.

Burials

1. Elizabeth Bland, March 11, 1795.
2. Jane Bland, February 22, 1755, wife of Joseph Bland.
3. Jane Bland, June 19, 1766, daughter of Joseph Bland.
4. John Bland, August 16, 1794.
5. Joseph Bland, January 22, 1755, son of Joseph Bland.
6. Mary Bland, April 29, 1767, daughter of Joseph Bland.

COCKERMOUTHChristenings

1. Margaret Bland, Born 1787, age 74 in 1861, born in Whitehaven, in Cocker-mouth in 1861.
2. Margaret Bland, Born 1791, age 50 in 1841, born in Whitehaven, in Cocker-mouth in 1841. It is probable that these two Margarets are the same person.

Marriage

1. Christopher Bland married Doloras Narkin or Sarkin, June 22, 1764.

EGREMONTChristenings:

1. Eleanor Bland, April 6, 1800, daughter of James and Eleanor Bland.
2. Joseph Bland, July 17, 1796, son of James and Eleanor Bland.
3. Mary Bland, February 25, 1794, daughter of James and Eleanor Bland.

GREYSTOKE (Home of Tarzan, how about that?)Marriages

1. Annas Blande married Thomas Westray, August 20, 1663.
2. Mary Bland married William Holme June 24, 1729.

HAYTON BY BRAMPTONChristening

1. Mary Bland, December 20, 1782, daughter of Thomas Bland.

HESKETT IN THE FORESTMarriage

1. Deborah Bland, Aged 24, married George Little, age 30, June 8, 1797.

KIRKOSWALDChristenings

1. Dinah Bland, October 31, 1796, daughter of William Bland and Dinah Moffett.
2. Edward Bland, July 13, 1788, son of William Bland and Dinah Moffett.
3. James Bland, December 12, 1794, son of William Bland and Dinah Mofett.
4. Jane Bland, December 28, 1800, daughter of Thomas Bland and Ann Carruthers.

5. Joseph Bland, September 10, 1782, son of William Bland and Dinah Moffett.
6. Margaret Bland, March 19, 1790, daughter of William Bland and Dinah Moffett.
7. Mary Bland, May 22, 1785, daughter of William Bland and Dinah Moffett.
8. Thomas Bland, October 3, 1776, son of William Bland and Dinah Moffett.
9. William Bland, October 31, 1787, son of William Bland and Dinah Moffett.

Marriages

1. Thomas Bland married Ann Carruthers, November 12, 1798.
2. William Bland married Dinah Moffett, March 3, 1776.

Burials

1. Margaret Bland, born 1790, buried May 19, 1792 (see Christenings) daughter of William Bland and Dinah Moffett.
2. William Bland, B. 1787, buried August 5, 1791, (see Christenings). Son of William Bland and Dinah Moffett.
3. William Bland born 1793, died May 9, 1793, son of William Bland and Dinah Moffett.

LAZONBY

Marriages

1. Hannah Bland married James Brough, February 27, 1777.
2. Mary Bland married Samuel Thompson, August 10, 1774
3. Richard Bland married Mary Edmondson, March 7, 1708/1709.
4. Richard Bland married Mary Hall May 11, 1740.

NEWTON REIGNY

Marriage

William Bland married Elizabeth Waterfield on February or September 22, 1747.

SAINT BEES:

Marriage

1. John Bland, age 36, married Mary Wood, age 21, on September 26, 1792.

WORKINGTON: Some entries have (A) no parish listed; (B) St. Michael; (C) Chapel Alston; (D) Redwing Congregational; (E) Carragill

CHRISTENINGS

1. (C) Ann Bland 1781, Workington Census of 1841.
2. (C) Caleb Bland June 2 or 9 1766, son of Thomas and Margaret Bland.
3. (A) Hannah Bland October 20, 1769, daughter of Thomas and Margaret Bland
4. (A) Jane Bland, 1799 per Lancashire Census for 1861
5. (B) John Bland February 7, 1799, son of Caleb Bland and Mary Vipond. This is probably the man listed in the Workington Census of 1841 as age 41.
6. (D) Margaret Bland January 4, 1793, son of Caleb Bland and Mary Vipond.
7. (A) Rachel Bland 1800 Workington Census for 1841
8. (A) Sarah Bland 1791

9. (A) Thomas Bland March 18, 1794
10. (A) Thomas Bland July 26, 1795, son of Caleb Bland and Mary Vipond.
11. (A) William Bland 1800, Workington Census for 1841

Marriages

1. (E) Caleb Bland to Mary Vipond May 12, 1792.
2. (C) Hannah Bland to George Atkinson October 1, 1752
3. (A) Hannah Bland to Matthew Goodfellow June 22, 1787
4. (B) James Bland to Ann Brown, May 19, 1800.
5. (B) Robert Bland to Mary Richardson, May 27, 1727.

Burials

1. (E) Caleb Bland September 12, 1762 son of Robert Bland
2. (A) Margaret Bland January 4, 1793, daughter of Caleb Bland and Mary Vipond.
3. (E) Mary Bland, September 1772

There is a clear cut three generation family here: Caleb Bland (1766 -) married Mary Vipond May 12, 1792 and by 1800, by my count, had five children. There were evidently two Caleb Blands born about the same time, one son of Robert Bland who died in 1762. Thus, it would seem that Caleb Bland who married Mary Vipond would be the child of Thomas and Margaret Bland. Thomas' and Margaret's name and Margaret's maiden name is uncertain, but logic would dictate they were born sometime in the 1740s. Who their parents were or whether they have linkage to the key family in Cumberland County, Penrith, St. Andrews Parish, is unknown.

Bland Family Lines Integrated With The New Henry Numbering System for the DNA Project

One thing high on the priority list for my Cousin Terese Bland Bueker last year was trying to bring the jerry rigged organization of families that I made up decades ago for my book, *A Vision of Unity: The Bland Family in England and America 1555-1900* and the subsequent twenty-six volumes of "Among Cousins" to renumber these works in harmony with new state-of-the-art genealogy organizing systems for DNA research.²⁷

By now, the DNA project begun ten years ago by Terese Bueker has grown to impressive proportions, almost 100 donors.²⁸ Her previous alpha grouping system was based on "first come, first enumerated." "Group A," the Northern Neck, VA Blands were simply the first family to be tested. They are also the largest DNA group by far. "Group B" was the James River Blands, and an individual from this family was the next tested. "Group C" was the third identified and so on.

It is my good fortune to be surrounded by lots of female genealogical researchers, none of them shy to tell me what they think. Terese, at the last Bland heritage Board Meeting in Alton Illinois, August 2011, observed, "Charles' numbering system is a combination of several factors and is not really an accepted genealogical numbering system." So, while Terese was updating the DNA numbering system, she decided to also integrate it with the numbering system used to establish family references for my book and newsletters, which were also used at Blandheritage.org and for the name tags cousins

²⁷ For example, AC 24-26 pp. 28-35.

²⁸ Go to blandheritage.org and go into DNA Results.

wear each year at the Bland Reunions. The new numbering system harmonizes the DNA Group numbers with Bland Family Line numbers and replaces the system heretofore used by me in my works. We begin using the new system with this newsletter. You will see below the new system cross referenced with the old. It will also be used for the first time at the 2012 Bland Reunion at Sumter, South Carolina, September 21-23, 2012.

The Modern Henry Number System

The Bland Heritage Foundation Board voted last year to adopt a “universally accepted” numbering system. We picked the “Modern Henry System” out of four or five accepted systems because it is an intuitive, descendant numbering system which suits our purposes quite well. Remember, there are basically two ways to keep your research – based on ancestor or descendant databases. An example of a method of numbering by the ancestors method is a pedigree chart. You start with yourself and go back in time. At family reunions, one normally identifies people who descend from a common ancestor, thus we needed a descendant number system.

The Henry System was first introduced to genealogists in 1935 by Reginald Buchanan Henry in his “Genealogies of the Families of the Presidents.” In his system, the progenitor, or oldest known ancestor, was assigned the number 1. The progenitor’s oldest child became 11; his next child was 12, and so on. The oldest child of No. 11 was No. 111, then 112, etc. In this system, if a family contains more than 9 children, the 10th child was capital X, and then capital A, B, C for 11th, 12th and 13th children, etc. The Modern Henry System, much better suited to the computer age, makes much more sense and dispenses with the X in favor of A, B, and C for 10th, 11th and 12th children.

The Modern Henry System is also an excellent tool for allowing quick identification of individuals. The Henry number tells you (a) which generation (the number of digits in the ID), (b) the ID numbers of previous generations in that line (lop off the last digit to get the individual’s father’s name, etc.), and (c) the person’s birth order within the family (115 is the 5th child of 11).

Group Numbers and Family Line Numbers

As illustrated below, to stress the importance of DNA research to our family organization, those families who have at least one DNA participant will be designated by a “Group Number.”

G02.1172 James Bland (1661 - 1709), known as “James, The Immigrant,” was the first of this line to come to America (discussion above, pp. 8-20)

Those Family Lines without DNA results will be designated by a “Family Number.”

F18. Theophilus Bland (ca 1814-1883) of Halifax Co., NC.

If a volunteer comes forward from one of the Family Lines, the Family Number will be replaced by a Group Number. Right now we have 24 Groups, so the next DNA test which doesn’t match the first 24 Groups will be designated as Group 25. If the new DNA participant is from a previously identified Family Line that number will show this designation (as an example):

F18. ~~Theophilus Bland (ca 1814-1883) of Halifax Co., NC. See Group 25.~~

In this case, the "F" number 18 will not be used again. This should stop the confusion that results when Family Lines are renumbered every few years due to family lines merging into groups.

Group 01

The new numbering system is based on the book, *A Vision of Unity: The Bland Family to England and America 1555-1900* by Charles L. Bland, and his subsequent 28 volumes of Newsletters named "Among Cousins." Readers should bear in mind that the historical information cited in the book has been amended considerably by the present 28 volumes of the "Among Cousins" newsletters.

The first family covered in Charles' book was the James River Blands. Formerly called Group B, we have elected to call this Group 01 now. The oldest English progenitor identified in Charles' book was Roger or Robert Bland (b. ca 1500). The Henry Number for Robert will be 1; his son, Adam, the second generation, will be 11; and oldest grandchild, also Robert Bland, will be 111. To distinguish the different groups, these will be preceded by the group number. The progenitor, Robert's, number would be G02.1. Adam would be G02.11, etc.

Group 02

The next family to be discussed in Charles' book was the Northern VA Blands. Originally called Group A, they are now Group 02. The progenitor of this family was James Bland (b. ca 1575). His Henry Number will be 1; his son James (b. ca 1600) will be 11; his grandson George, the 7th child and father of The Immigrant will be 117; and the Immigrant James Bland (b. 1661), a 2nd child, will be 1172. To distinguish the different groups, the Henry Number will be preceded by the Group Number. Therefore, the new numbering system of all American descendants (so far) in the Northern VA Blands will begin with the prefix "G02." James Bland (1575) would be G02.1; his son, James (1600) would be G02.11, George would be G02.117, etc.

As an example, under the old system William Bland (C1748-1816) was number 25A-6A(1a). His new Henry number is G02.11721111. Just by looking at the new Henry Number, you can tell that William Bland is from Group 02, the Northern VA Blands. He is in the 8th generation (8 digits after G02), and he is the 1st child of G02.1172111, who was the 1st child of G02.117211.

Group 3 and the Future

From here on it will be a slow process to apply Henry Numbers to the rest of the Bland Groups. Group 03 is our former Group C, scattered around several counties in Virginia: King & Queen, Isle of Wight, Rockingham, Pendleton and Hardy Counties, Virginia, several of which were located in the territory that became West Virginia. They are our second largest group in the DNA Project. Even so, however, because all the participants have yet to be linked to a common ancestor, it is not possible at this time to assign them individual numbers. Currently there are 5 identified "oldest ancestors" who

are unlinked. For example, James Bland (ca 1717 -) of Isle of Wight Co., Virginia will be designated G03.A. William Bland of King and Queen County Virginia, (ca 1717 – 1803) is G03.B, and so on. If they can be linked to a common ancestor at some time in the future, the Henry System will be used, with the “G03.” prefix.

**Bland Family Lines from England and America and the
New Group Numbering System for those with DNA Results
[Numbers from Old Numbering System in Brackets]
*DNA Participants Identified by Family Line***

Group 01 – The James River Blands ²⁹

The "James River Blands" were the earliest line to settle in the American colonies. They are the Blands we find in history books, and so this is often the first line that captures a genealogist's imagination. A word of caution is in order. We don't all descend through this branch.

One of the earliest of these Blands was John Bland (ca 1515 -), a Protestant minister who was burned to death by the fiercely Catholic Queen Mary Tudor in her purges of 1555. Others frolic through the pages of the great London Diarist Samuel Pepys; in our history books we find their names in the rolls of the Virginia Company of London; and one of them was an inept drunkard who contributed mightily to the collapse of Bacon's Rebellion of 1676, thus contributing mightily to set back the cause of freedom for a century.

One of these Blands, Richard Bland (1665-1720), was in a dream disclosed in William Byrd's Virginia Diary. Another was the great grandmother of General Robert E. Lee; another was a notable pre-revolutionary spokesman and mentor to Thomas Jefferson; another still a quirky politician of the early Republic who scandalized the hallowed halls of Congress by attending with a whip in hand and a fat old female dog. The whip was ok, but females were not allowed in Congress. Some of them claim descent from Pochohontas. The English origin of this branch was Orton Parish in Westmoreland and Sedbergh in York County in what is now Cumbria.

The oldest known Bland was identified by the venerable historian Ralph Thoresby as Roger Bland, but I believe good old Thoresby misheard the name of Robert who was born about the turn of the 16th Century and was the putative father of Adam Bland (c1528-1594). About 1551 Adam married Jane or Joan Atkyns and with her raised a family of 13 children. By 1559 Adam was a high-ranking member of the Skinner's Company of London and in 1560 was chosen personal skinner to Queen Elizabeth I, a post he held until his death. He was succeeded by his son Peter, who by 1618 was crazy as a bed-bug. He was kicked upstairs to the title of Master Warden. The post of Skinner to, now, King James I devolved to his son-in-law, Thomas Lanhghorne. This intimate relationship in the early Bland family with the Skinner's Company and the Crown seems

²⁹ The James River Family story is told in VU, pp 1-190, and is updated in its 18th and 19th century manifestation below, pp. 44-149. The story of the James River Settlement in Virginia, inextricably intertwined with the politics and military action of Bacon's Rebellion, 1675-1676, is told in a separate pamphlet, Charles L. Bland "The Undeserved Misfortunes of Our Unhappie Family," which is available for purchase. Send a payment of \$15.00 to the Bland Heritage Foundation, addressed to Charles L. Bland, 2459 Osprey Lane, Niagara Falls NY 14304. All proceeds go to the Bland Heritage Foundation DNA project.

to have been a source of great wealth. Crazy Peter was reputed to wander the streets of London begging, "I am but a poor man. But no one would confuse this behavior with that of his younger brother John Bland (1572-1632), a large volume merchant, sometimes erroneously called "the Grocer" but more accurately "the Grosser." A great family conflagration over Peter Bland's estate left John, already a shareholder in the Virginia Company of London, a wealthy man. John quickly made his will, which pointedly excluded a brother, Gregory, and an infamous nephew, Lawrence Lownes and all their children. Shortly after he died in 1632, John's widow, Susan, appealed to the King for relief of debts amounting to £15,000, an immense sum, worth about \$15 million in today's currency.

Adam and Joan were parents of 13 children, including the above named Peter, (ca 1557-1627), Gregory (1567 -), and John (1572-1632). Children of Gregory and John settled in Virginia about the middle of the Seventeenth Century. From this settlement, primarily from the children of Theodorick Bland (1629 - 1671), youngest son of John Bland and his wife Susannah Doebbler (1590-1665), the 18th Century Bland Family #1 had its origins. They are the family we now know as the James River Blands.

The following listing of members of this group is presented in the new (2012) numbering system format. (Also note in brackets the old numbering system Charles Bland originally used.) The prefix "G01." refers to the group number. After the period ("."), the modified Henry system begins. DNA Participants listed are identified by name unless anonymity is requested, in which case they are identified by DNA Kit #.

G01.1 [1-1] Robert or Roger Bland (ca 1500 -), Westmoreland County England, wife unknown.

G01.11 [1-2] Adam Bland (1528-1594), Westmoreland County and London, married Joan Atkyns, (ca1530 - 1596). Adam and Joan had thirteen children including:

G01.111 Robert Bland (1552 - before 1559).

G01.112 Jane, or Joan Bland (1554 -) who married William Hope 1586/1587.

G01.113 Peter Bland (1557 – soon after June 27, 1625) who married Susan _____ about 1584.

G01.114 Thomas Bland (ca 1558 – 1617) who had two or three wives: (1st) perhaps Alice Garmain; (2nd) Elizabeth Harrison Yeardley; and (3rd) Mary Catcher Moody.

G01.115 Elizabeth Bland (1560 – after 1627) who married William Burie.

G01.116 Frances Bland (1561-1566).

G01.117 Richard Bland (1562 – died in infancy).

G01.118 John Bland (1563-1564). Note that the younger John Bland "the Grosser" was named for this child.

G01.119 William Bland (1566-1596) who married Judith Wood.

G01.11A Gregory Bland (1567- after 1627) who married, but wife unknown

G01.11B Jasper Bland (1568-1596).

G01.11C Mary Bland (1569 – before 1617) who married _____ Gilbie.

***G01.11D [1-3] John Bland** (1572-1632), "The Grosser" of London, who married Susan Doebbler (1590-1665). John and Susan had a family of 17, of whom 12 lived to adulthood. Of these, the following four (marked with *) were responsible for settlements in Virginia: Mary Bland Proby, Susan Bland Pearson, Edward Bland, and Theodorick Bland. Edward Bland received a 1300 acre headright of land in Virginia whose voucher included himself and these siblings.

* **G01.11D1 Mary Bland** (1607 – after 1652) who married Emmanuel Proby.

* **G01.11D2 [1-4A] Susan, or Susannah, Bland** (1609 – died in Stafford County, VA after 1664) who married Thomas Pearson.

G01.11D3 Thomas Bland (1610-1678), who married: (1) Elizabeth Witham, (2) Anne Jegon, and (3) Katherine Sandys.

G01.11D4 John Bland (1612-1680) who married Sarah Greene.

* **G01.11D5 [1-4B] Edward Bland** (1613-1652) who married Jane Bland, daughter of Edward's Uncle Gregory Bland. He settled in VA ca 1647.

G01.11D6 Adam Bland (1616-1647) who did not marry.

G01.11D7 Robert Bland (1617-1669) who married Mary Hinton.

G01.11D8 Anne Bland (1619 - ?) who married Stephen Jackson.

G01.11D9 Elizabeth Bland (1620 – died after 1673) who married William Beard.

G01.11DA William Bland (1622 – died after 1658) who did not marry.

G01.11DB Hester Bland (1623-1624).

G01.11DC Richard Bland (1624-1692) who married Jane Lane Pott.

G01.11DD Rachel Bland (1626-1633).

G01.11DE Arnold Bland (1627-1634).

- * **G01.11DF [1-4C] Theodorick Bland** (1629-1671), who married Anna Bennett. He was a Speaker in the House of Burgesses. He came to Virginia to oversee Bland affairs after the death of his brother Edward. His VA estate was called Westover.

The “*” indicates which Blands settled in the New World.

DNA participants for this line are:

Edward Cole Bland
Robert Oliver Bland

G01.11DG Joan Amy Bland (1631-1632).

This family is discussed in A Vision of Unity (VU), pp. 1-75. The Virginia experience of this family is found in VU, pp. 76-239. Information about this family in the Seventeenth Century was enlarged in the newsletters, “Among Cousins” (AC), Volume 8-2, pp. 5-40; The Eighteenth Century line was updated by AC3-1, p. 6; AC3-2, pp. 7-8; AC5-1, pp. 7-25; AC7-1, pp. 7-11; AC8-1, pp. 6-8; AC8-2, p. 41; AC11-1, pp. 7-8, 33; and AC18, pp. 52 & 56 and AC 24-26, pp. 35-44; See discussion below, pp. 44-149.

Group 02 – Northern Virginia

The records of the St. Andrews Church in Cumberland County (now Cumbria) England, provides us with the name of James Bland (ca 1575-1620) who is the founder of this Family Line. Most living American Bland descendants belong to this Family Line. It originates in Penrith Township, which is just north of the known origins of Family #1, Westmoreland and Sedbergh. The close geographic proximity to the James River Blands seemed to indicate a common link for the two families. Alas, modern day DNA evidence has ruled this out.

James' son, James (1661-1709), escaped the northern hinterland, as did many of the succeeding Bland generations, and migrated to London as a young man, although he didn't obtain the same success as Family #1 migrant, Adam Bland from Orton Parish. From London he went to East Jersey and thence to the Virginia Colony in North America.³⁰ James appears to have married twice, as his will displays a cluster of older brothers who take charge of five younger siblings. Most living Blands today descend from elder son William Bland (ca 1686-1744) and to a lesser extent his brothers James (ca 1687-1756) and John (ca 1688-1762). A fourth and much younger son, Robert, died before reaching his majority. Significantly, apart from the discovery that Ellen (one of James' daughters who married William Bland's associate William Davis), no known research has been done into the daughters, Alice, Patience, and Hannah.

G02.1 [2-1] James Bland (ca 1575-) of Penrith, St. Andrews Parish, Cumberland County England, married Ellis Pattinson.

G02.11 [2-2] James Bland (ca 1599-1651/1652), of his father's town and parish, married Susan Cooke.

³⁰ See discussion above pp. 8-20.

G02.111 Thomas Bland (November 28 1621- March 9, 1621/1622)

G02.112 James Bland (January 10 1622/1623-April 26, 1623)

G02.113 Susan Bland (June 29, 1624-)

G02.114 Ann Bland (May 12 1627 – April 16, 1690) died a “maid”.

G02.115 Henry Bland (January 15, 1630/1631- May 5, 1639)

G02.116 Agnes Bland (July 19, 1632 – June 13, 1641)

G02.117 [2-3] George Bland (July 3, 1636 – July 23, 1691), of his father's town and parish, married Grace _____ (c1640 – July 23, 1691).

G02.117 [2-4] James Bland (October 31, 1661 – January 9, 1708/1709), known as “James, The Immigrant,” was the first of this line to come to America. (See above pp. _____ and immediately below.

G02.118 John Bland (baptized at an unspecified date in 1639).

James Bland, “The Immigrant”

G02.1172 [2-4] James Bland (1661 - 1709), son of George Bland (1636) of his father's town and parish, moved to London and to East Jersey in 1684, was in VA by 1687, and died in Stafford Co. in 1709. He may have married twice, but at the time of his death was married to Margaret _____.

Sources: The Blands of Penrith, St. Andrews Parish, Cumberland County England, see VU, pp. 249-254 and AC3-1, pp. 8-9; AC6-1, pp. 5-8; AC10-1, pp. 8-11, AC14, pp. 10-18, AC 19-20 pp. 16-19. Now disproved theories about the parentage of James Bland (1661-1709) appear at VU, pp. 191-248, inter alia, and pp. 255-266.

G02.11721 [25A] William Bland (ca 1686-1744), eldest son of James (1661-1709). William resided in Stafford/Prince William Co., VA. He married twice, to an unknown woman and to Catherine Key. See VU, pp. 267-275; AC12-2, p. 18; AC14, pp. 10-18; and AC 19/20. pp. 16-21.

By his first wife, William had the following sons:

G02.117211 [25A-6A] James Bland (C1704-1774), Prince William Co. VA and New Hanover/Duplin Co. NC. James married Mary (Buchanan?). Sources: VU, pp. 275-342 and AC1-1, pp. 3-6; AC1-2, pp. 4-6; AC2-1, pp. 5-8; AC2-2, pp. 32-34; AC3-1, pp. 15-20; AC3-2, pp. 30-39; AC4-1, pp. 4-6; AC4-2, pp. 18; AC22; 5-2, p. 25; AC6-2, pp. 5-7; AC7-1, pp. 20-21; AC7-2, pp. 18-20; AC8-1, pp. 11-15 & 27; AC8-2, p. 42; AC9-2, pp. 31-32; AC11-1, pp. 10-32; AC11-2 pp. 4-8; AC12-2, pp. 32-36; AC14, pp. 18-102; AC15/17, pp. 124-134; AC18, pp. 131-132; and AC19/20, pp. 19-66.

DNA participants for this line are:

George Sayles Bland
Remer Ellis Bland (tested with Ancestry, not FTDNA)
Robert Purdy Bland
William Goode Bland
Aubrey Byron Bland
Johnnie Ralph Bland
Wallace W. Bland

G02.117212 [25A-6B] Robert Bland (ca 1708-1760) of Prince William and Loudon Counties Virginia. Robert Married Jane _____. See: VU, pp. 484-544 and AC1-1, pp. 10-13; AC1-2, pp. 20-21; AC2-1, p. 15; AC2-2, pp. 13-14; AC3-1, pp. 33-40; AC3-2, pp. 44-51; AC4-1, pp. 15-16; AC4-2, p. 23; AC6-1, pp. 8-35; AC6-2, pp. 26-33; AC7-1, pp. 28-30; AC7-2, p. 26; AC8-1, pp. 31-32; AC8-2, p. 45; AC 9-2, pp. 35-36; AC 10-1, pp. 12-16; AC10-2, pp. 26-29; AC11-2, pp. 8-19; AC 12-2, pp. 36-39; AC 13, pp. 85-86; AC 15/17, pp. 21-22, 114, and 134-146; AC 18, pp. 135-140; AC 19/20, pp. 100-139.

NB: Robert Bland's linkage to William Bland (ca 1686-1744), though probable, remains hypothetical. For the hypothesis that Robert was the son of William Bland, (ca 1686-1744), see AC2-2, pp. 13-14. Terese: do we still have to call this hypothetical, given that we have a clear picture from DNA of the two brothers? If not, just erase this. [We really don't have a clear picture that distinguishes the 3 brothers. We only know that they all are from James, The Immigrant.]

DNA participants for this line are:

Julian Pickens Bland II
Charles Allan Bland
Michael Ryan Bland
Charles Lewis Bland
Donald Nelson Bland
David Timothy Bland
James Melton Bland

Though traditional genealogical research suggests the two DNA participants below, descendants of Elisha's sons, Simeon & John, belong

with this group, DNA proved they were not part of **Group 02**. (See **Group 9 – Washington Co., GA.**)

Kit #83364

Frederick Hemming Bland, IV

By his second wife, Catherine Key, William Bland (C1686-1744) had three sons:

G02.117213 [25A-6C] Moses Bland (ca 1718-1800) of Prince William Co., VA and Randolph Co., NC, married Jane Wiggonton. See: VU pp. 342-363 AC1-1, pp. 7-8; AC1-2, pp. 13-18; AC2-1, pp. 9-11, AC2-2, pp. 34-35; AC3-1, pp. 21-26; AC3-2, pp. 39-40; AC4-1, pp. 6-11; AC5-2, pp. 23-25; AC7-1, pp. 21-23; AC8-1, pp. 15-25; AC9-2, pp. 29-30; AC10-1, pp. 16-39; AC10-2, pp. 9-26; AC11-1, pp. 34-35; AC12-2, pp. 31-32; AC13, pp. 81-85; AC15/17, pp. 130-133; AC18, pp. 11-12 and 56-60; AC9/20 pp. 139-156; AC24/26 pp. 45-90.

To date, there have been no DNA donations from descendants of Moses Bland .

G02.117214 [25A-6D] Thomas Bland (ca 1719-1788) of Fauquier Co., VA, married Jane (English) Smith. Sources: VU, pp. 367-390, 396-398 and 478-479 and AC1-2, pp. 8-9; AC2-2, pp. 37-38; AC3-1, pp. 11-13 and 30-32; AC3-2, pp. 27-30; AC4-1, pp. 13-15 and 21-23; AC4-2, pp. 8-9 and 31-32; AC5-2, pp. 10-13; AC6-2, pp. 23-25; AC7-1, pp. 14-17; AC7-2, pp. 15-17; AC8-1, pp. 8-9; AC15/17, pp. 46-50. AC21/23, pp. 159-169. AC 24-26, pp. 189-190.

For many years we theorized that Thomas Bland (1719-1788) was the father of Joseph Bland (ca 1752-1820) of Frederick Co., VA, see AC4-2, pp. 8-9 and AC9-2, pp. 7-10. This link was disproved in 2009 by DNA results from Joseph Bland descendant, Richard Warren Bland. Richard does not belong in **Group 02** at all, but is part of **Group 8, Frederick Co., VA**.

There have been no DNA participant/Donors from the family of Thomas Bland.

G02.117215 [25A-6E] John Bland (ca 1725-1795) of Prince William Co., VA and Nelson Co., KY married Margaret Osborne. See: VU, pp. 417-462, and AC1-1, pp. 8-9; AC1-2, pp. 7-13 & 24-25; AC2-1, pp. 11-13; AC2-2, pp. 25-26 and 29-32; AC3-1, pp. 8-9 and 26-30; AC3-2, pp. 9-15, 43-44 and 51; AC4-1, pp. 11-13, 20-21 and 30-32; AC4-2, pp. 26-31 and 38-39; AC5-2, pp. 25-27; AC6-1, pp. 35-37; AC6-2, pp. 10-23; AC7-1, pp. 24-27; AC7-2, pp. 21-22; AC8-1, p. 30; AC10-1, pp. 45-46; AC11-1, pp. 36-37; AC11-2, pp. 19-36; AC12-2, pp. 39-40; AC13, pp.

37-79; AC15/17, pp. 50-76; AC18, pp. 12-13, 40, 44, 60-80, 133-134, and 136-137. AC 24-26, p. 90-103.

Discussions about whether John Bland (ca 1725-1795) is a son of William Bland (ca 1682-1744) or William's brother, John (ca 1688-1762), appear in VU, pp. 419ff and AC2-1, pp. 11-12. See also: AC4-1, pp. 13-15; and AC13, pp. 13-16. Historical evidence is now overwhelming that John is descended from William Bland (1686-1744).

For critical information about a hypothetical parent-child relationship between John Bland's son Osborne (ca 1748-1828) and John Bland (ca 1770-1842), Daniel Bland, (ca 1780-1848) and Moses Bland (ca 1781-1849), see AC6-2, pp. 13-14 and 20-22. The theory that Osborne is the father of John Bland has been disproven by DNA evidence See below Group 10, p. 37.

DNA participants for this line are:

Lebert Roy Bland
Doland Milford Bland
Roland Lee Bland
LaVerne Bland
Bobby Eugene Bland
John Robert Bland, Jr.
Lloyd Lester Bland
David Bland

G02.11722 [25B] James Bland (ca 1687-1756) of Prince William Co., VA married Mary Gwatkins. James is discussed in VU, pp. 401-416, esp. 401-403. James and Mary had two known sons.

G02.117221 [25B-6A] Benjamin Bland (ca 1724-1771) of Prince William Co., VA married Mary _____. Benjamin's line is discussed in VU, pp. 403-415, and AC1-2, p. 22; AC4-2, pp. 23-26; AC5-2, p. 35; AC6-2, p. 33; AC7-1, pp. 27-28; AC7-2, pp. 23-24; AC8-1, p. 8; AC9-2, pp. 34-35; AC10-1, pp. 40-44; AC11-1, pp. 37-39; AC12-2, pp. 40-41; AC15/17, pp. 22-46; AC18, pp. 10 and 80-84. AC 24-26, pp. 103-118.

DNA participants for this line are:

Robert Eugene Bland
Jeffrey Carl Bland
Leland Harris Bland
Atwell McKenna Bland
*Charles Layman Bland Cauble ***
*Steven LeRoy Bland ***
Leon Edward Bland

**Indicates those who show the distinctive mutation at Marker 464d (now called the "Thomas Pope Bland Mutation").

The following two DNA participants, may or may not belong with this group. However, as they both show the distinctive mutation at Marker 464d and their ancestors lived in Missouri, they could possibly be descended from Thomas Pope Bland (C1791-1844), his father, Charles Bland (1765-1842) or grandfather Benjamin Bland (C1724-1771) above and are grouped here:

*Gary Leland Bland [Family #15] ***

*Edwin Wayne Bland ***

G02.117222 [25B-6B] Arthur Bland (C1725-1763), of Prince William County Virginia, married Mary _____. Benjamin's line is discussed in VU, pp. 415-416. There are no known historians of this family line and no DNA Donors/ Participants to date.

G02.11723 [25C] John Bland (ca 1688-1762), of Prince William Co., VA married Prudence _____. It would seem plausible that Prudence was not John's first wife. John is discussed in VU, pp. 417ff and 463-477, and AC4-2, pp. 7-8 and AC4-2, pp. 7-8. John and Prudence appear to have had two sons, John Bland and Jesse Bland.

G02.117231 [25C-6A] John Bland, (ca 1742-1803),³¹ of Prince William Co., VA and Washington Co., KY, married Rachel _____ (C1745-1799). John's line is discussed in VU, pp. 463-477 and AC1-1, pp. 6-7; AC1-2, pp. 13-18; AC2-1, pp. 13-15; AC2-2, pp. 27-29; AC4-2, pp. 33-37; AC5-2, pp. 27-32; AC6-2, pp. 33-34; AC7-2, pp. 4-8; AC8-1, pp. 27-30; AC9-2, pp. 33-34; AC12-2, p. 41; AC13, pp. 17-37; AC15/17, pp. 77-81; AC18, pp. 84-88.

DNA participant for this line is:

Walter Bruce Bland

Richard Parks Bland

*Edwin Brent Bland****

*Thomas Darrell Bland****

*Herbert F. Bland III ****

***If Edwin Brent Bland is descended from Samuel Bland (ca 1777-1848), as his historical research indicates, then DNA seems to put the other two marked participants also with Samuel. If this is the case, John Bland (C1742-1783) may be the same John Bland who appears in the records of Amherst County Virginia in 1765. This possibility will be discussed in detail in Volume 29/30 of Among Cousins, forthcoming.

G02.117232 [25C-6B] Jesse Bland (1756-1835), of Prince William and Greenbrier Counties Virginia. did not marry. Jesse is discussed in VU, p. 419 and AC4-2, pp. 7-8; AC18, pp. 40, 45.

³¹ There will be an extended reevaluation of John and Rachel Bland and their descendants in the next issue of Among Cousins Volume 29/30.

G02.11724 [25D] Robert Bland, dates unknown, was a minor child noted in the will of James Bland, (1661-1708). A later document attests that he died without issue. Robert is discussed in VU, pp. 484-488. It is my belief that this child died young, and that the Robert Bland who lived to adulthood and whose children migrated to Edgefield Co., SC, was a son of William Bland (ca 1682-1744), cf AC2-2, pp. 13-14.

G02.11724 [25E] Alice Bland, dates unknown, was a minor in 1709. Nothing more is known of this daughter of James Bland (ca 1661-1709). The daughters are discussed in VU, pp. 260-261 and 267.

G02.11725 [25F] Hannah Bland, dates unknown, was a minor in 1709. Nothing more is known of this daughter of James Bland (ca 1661-1709). The daughters are discussed in VU, pp. 260-261 and 267.

G02.11726 [25G] Patience Bland, dates unknown, was a minor in 1709. Nothing more is known of this daughter of James Bland (ca 1661-1709). The daughters are discussed in VU, pp. 260-261 and 267.

G02.11727 [25H] Ellen Bland, dates unknown, was a minor in 1709. Ellen married Isaac Davis. Nothing more is known of this daughter of James Bland (ca 1661-1709). The daughters are discussed in VU, pp. 260-261 and 267.

DNA Participants who clearly belong with **Group 02**, but have not yet connected to the rest of us are:

Kit #22566

Kit N9125

Delbert Bland

Charles Bernhardt Bland, Jr.

James Peter Bland (Kit #161911) (UK)

David Ernest Bland

Philip Alan Bland

Donald Dale Bland

Alfred Jackson Bland

Leslie O. Bland

Group 03 - Isle of Wight, King & Queen, Caroline & Rockingham Counties, Virginia; Pendleton and Hardy Cos. Virginia, West Virginia

Ancestors of those who tested into **Group 03** originated from: Isle of Wight County, Virginia (1634 original shire); King and Queen County, Virginia (1691 from New Kent); Caroline Co., Virginia (1727-28 from King & Queen, Essex & King Williams Cos., VA); Rockingham County Virginia (1778 from Augusta Co.); Hardy County (1785 from Hampshire Co.), and Pendleton County (1787 from Augusta, Hardy, Rockingham, and Bath Counties), these latter two counties in the territory became part of West Virginia in 1863). Although the DNA participants clearly share a common ancestor, that ancestor has not yet been identified, so right now there are five distinct lines. The Henry Numbering System cannot be used until we find that common ancestor. Until that time this line will be numbered with both numbers and alpha.

G03.A James Bland [Family #19] (ca 1717 -) of Isle of Wight County., Virginia. See: AC21/23, pp. 169-177 and AC24/26, pp. 21-27.

DNA participant from this line is:

#Kit 38066

G03.B William Bland [Family #10] (ca 1717-1803), of King and Queen County, Virginia. See: VU, pp. 392-396 and AC1-2, pp. 26-27; AC2-1, pp. 19-22; AC2-2, pp. 24-26; AC3-1, pp. 8-9 and 39; AC3-2, pp. 9-10 and 15-22; AC4-1, pp. 17-20; AC4-2, pp. 5-7; AC5-2, pp. 13-15; AC6-2, pp. 3-5; AC7-1, pp. 12-14; AC7-2, pp. 13-15; AC8-1, pp. 9-10; AC9-1, pp. 14-36. AC9-2, p. 28; AC18, p. 98; AC21/23, 104-107; AC24/26, pp. 143-146.

DNA participants from this line are:

Virgil Leslie Bland, Sr.
Samuel Russell Bland

G03.C Thomas Bland [Family #34—2nd 34] (1783/1788 – 1863) of Caroline County Virginia , See: AC21/23, pp. 177-185; AC24/26, pp. 119-125.

DNA participant from this line is:

Bernard Leo Bland

G03.D Josiah Bland [Family #31] (1820-1898) of Hardy County, Virginia. See: AC21/23, pp. 185-191.

DNA participants from this line are:

John Richard Bland
Robert Miles Roscoe Bland

G03.E Thomas Bland, [Family #9] (ca 1739-1826) of Pendleton County, Virginia See: VU, pp. 398-399 and AC2-2, pp. 14-23; AC3-2, pp. 23-27; AC4-2, pp. 9-20 and 41; AC5-2, pp. 15-18; AC7-1, pp. 19-20; AC8-1, p. 10; AC12-1, pp. 7-54; AC12-2, pp. 17-18; AC13, pp. 79-81.

DNA participants from this line are:

John Morris Bland
Joseph William Bland
Richard Erskine Bland
Kit #159368
Neil Carlton Bland
Joseph Barrett Bland
Marvin Ted Schartiger (not a Bland surname, but Bland by blood)

This participant only ordered 12 markers and did not respond to my queries about his ancestry, but he is a match for **Group 03**.

Kit #200375

Group 04 - Prince William County, Virginia and Illinois

The Most Recent Common Ancestor of all those who tested into **Group 04** has yet to be determined.

G04.A John Bland [Family #24] (ca 1792-1853) of Prince William Co., VA. See: AC21/23, p. 198.

DNA participant in this group is:

Wilbur Preston Bland

G04.B John A. Bland [Family #25] (1837-before 1889) of Clark Co., IL, AC24/26, pp. 91-94. This John was erroneously linked to Osborne Bland (ca 1748-1828).

DNA participants in this group are:

Gary Dean Bland

Murrel Wesley Bland

Group 05 – Greenbrier/Monroe County Virginia/West Virginia - I

Ancestors of those who tested into **Group 05** originated from: Greenbrier VA/WV (created 1777 from Montgomery Co. VA) and Monroe Co., VA/WV (created 1799 from Greenbrier Co., VA/WV).

Robert Bland [Families #5 & #34—1st 34] (ca 1734-1795) of Greenbrier/Monroe Co., VA/WV. See: VU, p. 399; AC 2-2, p. 14. These two sections hold early theories that the Greenbrier and Pendleton Co. families are related. DNA proved they were not. See: AC3-1, p. 10; AC4-2, pp. 7-8; AC7-2, p. 31; AC8-1, pp. 43-45; AC9-1, pp. 41-42; AC18, pp. 40-46. The family of Rueben Bland, (1790 -) of Wayne, Greene, and Pulaski Cos., KY, has been shown by DNA evidence to be part of this family line. See: VU, pp. 479-483; AC1-1, p. 9; AC1-2, p. 26; AC2-1, p. 24; AC4-2, pp. 39-40; AC6-2, p. 34; AC7-2, pp. 24-26; AC8-1, p. 28; AC15/17, pp. 81-88; AC18, pp. 90-92; AC24/26, pp. 125-143.

DNA participants from this line are:

J. C. Bland

Ronald Uhlis Bland

John Elmon Bland

Gary Kenneth Bland

Joshua Bland [Family #30] (ca 1790-1843) of Virginia, AC12-2, pp. 43-45.

Group 06 – Greenbrier/Monroe County Virginia/West Virginia I

Ancestors of those who tested into **Group 06** originated from: Greenbrier Co. VA/WV (created 1777 from Montgomery Co., VA) and Monroe Co., VA/WV (created 1799 from Greenbrier Co., VA/WV). The two individuals tested do not match those in **Group 5**. The question remains:

Does this indicate that there were at least two separate Bland families in Monroe Co.?

G06.A Joshua Bland (ca 1761 -) AC18, pp. 90-92; AC24/26, pp. 125-143.

DNA participants in this group are:

Kit #110012

Kit #152579

Or, was there a non-paternal incident somewhere in the **Group 06** line?:

Group 07 – Mecklenberg County, Virginia

Samuel Bland, [Family #6] (ca 1700 -) of Mecklenburg Co., VA. See: VU, pp. 547-590 (First Ed.) and 548-552 (second Ed.); and AC2-1, p. 24; AC2-2, pp. 36A-37; AC5-2, pp. 18-20; AC12-2, pp. 21-22; AC 15/17, pp. 146-151; AC18, pp. 92-94; AC21/23, pp. 79-104.

DNA participants in this group are:

Forrest W. Bland

Clayton Earl Bland

Williamson Bland - AC1-1, pp. 15-16; AC1-2, pp. 23.

Because a member of the Bassett DNA Project matches this family, and he is a U.K. resident, it is possible, if not probable, that this line goes back to the many Blands of Lincolnshire, England.

DNA participant in this line is:

Kit #168509 - #201 in Bassett DNA Project

John Bland (1803) – AC4-1, pp. 26-27

Group 08 – Frederick County, Virginia

Joseph Bland [Family #4] (ca 1752-1820) of Frederick Co, Virginia. See: VU, pp. 396-398 and AC9-2, pp. 6-28; AC10-1, pp. 47-48; AC12-2, pp. 18-21; AC21/23, pp. 159-169.

DNA participants in this group are:

Neil Wilson Bland

Larry Roger Bland

Richard Warren Bland

Group 09 – Washington County, Georgia

G02.117212 [25A-6B] Robert Bland (C1708-1760) of Prince William and Loudon Counties Virginia.

G02.1172122 [25A-6B(2)] Robert Bland (C1732-1787) VU, pp. 496-501

G02.11721227 [25A-6B(2g)] Elisha Bland (1775-1836) AC 6-1, pp. 21-24; AC19/20 pp. 77-100.

DNA of descendants of Elisha's sons, Simeon & John, match each other, but do not match the **Group 02** Bland DNA; therefore either Elisha was not a Bland (although his birthdate appears in Darwin Bible record) or these two sons were not his. (Was Elisha's wife a widow? Non-Paternal Event?) Though traditional genealogical research suggests the two individuals below belong with **Group 02**, DNA has proved otherwise.

DNA participants in this group are:

*Kit #83364 (This participant is no longer in the Bland DNA Project)
Frederick Hemming Bland, IV*

Group 10 – Cumberland County, Kentucky; Ray and Livingston Counties, Missouri

John Bland (ca 1770-1842) of Cumberland County, Kentucky. See: AC2-2, pp. 24-26; AC3-1, pp. 8-9; AC3-2, pp. 8-15; AC4-1, p. 20-21; AC4-2, pp. 38-39; AC, 6-2, pp. 13-14 AC13, pp. 43-44; AC15/17, pp. 51-53. At one time, genealogists tried to link John to Richard Bland (1710-1776) of the James River Bland family. I believed John was a son of Osborne Bland (1748-1828) on the basis of their living in Cumberland County Kentucky simultaneously, (AC 6-2, pp. 20-22 and AC 13, pp. 43-44) but DNA evidence has disproven both ideas.

DNA participant in this group is:

Edward Dewey Blann

Group 11 – Pitt County North Carolina

George Bland [Family #8] (ca 1734-1797) of Pitt County, North Carolina. See: AC1-1, p. 15; AC1-2, pp. 22-24; AC2-1, pp. 22-24; AC2-2, pp. 38-39; AC3-2, pp. 40-42; AC6-2, pp. 7-9; AC7-1, pp. 23-24; AC8-1, pp. 25-27; AC9-2, p. 36; AC12-2, pp. 42-43; AC 15/17, pp. 98-114; AC18, pp. 95-97 and pp.101-122; AC21/23, pp. 70-78.

DNA participants in this group are:

*Billy Dan Bland
Lee Ander Bland*

These two participants **do not match each other** or anyone else in Bland DNA Project, but their historical research links them to George Bland (C1734-1797).

Group 12 – Martin & Craven Counties, North Carolina

William Bland [Family #8] (1805 -) of Martin County, North Carolina. See: AC15/17, p. 97; AC18, p. 131.

DNA participant in this group is:

Kit #103164

Unconnected Blands in these counties:

Thomas Bland [Family #8] (ca 1712-1780) seems to fit in with other Blands of Beaufort, Bertie, Craven, Edgecombe, Martin and Pitt Cos., NC, but no proof has been found. It still remains a theory at this time. See: AC1-1, p. 15; AC1-2, p. 27; AC2-1, pp 22-24; AC2-2, pp. 38-39; AC3-2, pp. 40-42; AC5-1, pp. 28ff; AC6-2, pp. 7-9; AC7-1, pp. 23-24; AC8-1, pp. 25-27; AC9-2, p 6; AC12-2, pp. 42-43; AC15/17, pp. 88-113; AC18, pp. 95-97 and 101-131; AC21/23, pp. 5-12 and 60-70.

John Bland (1815/1820 -) of Martin Co., NC; AC18, pp. 128-129; AC21/23, Cover and pp. 5-12.

John Bland (ca 1815-1862) of Craven Co., NC. See: AC 15-17, p. 96 and AC 18, p. 129.

Stephan Bland (ca 1800 -) of Martin Co., NC. See: AC15/17, pp. 96-97; AC18, p. 130.

Thomas Bland (ca 1736-1791) of Halifax Co. NC. See: AC15/17, p. 90; AC18, pp. 123-126.

William Bland (ca 1735-1804) of Edgecombe Co., NC.

Group 13 – Beaufort Co., NC

Joseph Tobitha Bland [Family #8] (ca 1826 -) of Beaufort Co., NC. See: AC15/17, pp. 88-113; AC18, pp. 127-128.

DNA participant in this group is:

Kit #106065 (Also a member of the Burroughs DNA Project)

Kit #106065 did not match the other Blands in the DNA Project, but he found a 65/67 match in the Burroughs Family DNA Project and has also become a member of that DNA Project. While not yet fully proven, the birth father of James Henry Bland (1851, son of Joseph Tobitha Bland) might have been Frank Burroughs. James was raised by Joseph Tobitha Bland as his son, but James worked with Frank Burroughs later in life. Since James (1851) was raised by Joseph (1826) as his son and given the Bland name, this line is linked to both the Bland and Borrroughs lineages by this event in history. There is speculation that Joseph

Tobitha's other children were his natural children. If so, and if male descendants of James Henry's brother, John Bland (ca 1857-1934) can be located, it is possible that Joseph Tobitha Bland's true DNA could be ascertained.

Group 14 – Guilford County, North Carolina & McNairy County, Tennessee

Arthur Bland, [Family #12] (ca 1794-1850) Guilford Co., NC and McNairy Co., TN. See: AC3-2, p. 53; AC5-2, pp. 32-33; AC18, p. 99. AC 5-2, p. 34. AC15/17, p. 151; AC18, p. 99; AC19/20, p. 15 [No. 26, Morris Brewer Bland (ca 1829-1902), has been merged with **Group 14.**] AC21/23, pp. 107-114; AC24/26, pp. 184-190.

DNA participant in this group is:

John Thomas Bland

Group 15 – Dallas County Alabama

Stephen Bland [Family #7] (C1782-1850) and Silas Bland (1792-1858) of Dallas Co., AL. See: AC:2-1, pp. 16-19; AC5-1, pp. 27-41; AC6-2, p. 34; AC15/17, pp. 114-124; AC18 pp. 94-95 and 125-126.

DNA participant in this group is:

Bennie Joe Blann

Group 16 – Kanawha County, Virginia

Allen Bland, [Family #11] (ca 1819-1872) Champaign , IL. See: AC1-2, p. 25; AC24/26, pp. 147-151.

DNA participant in this group is:

Melvin Lanny Bland

Group 17 – Kentucky and Wayne County, Illinois

George Bland (ca 1795) b. KY. See: AC2-1, pp. 22-24; AC12-2 pp. 42-43; AC15/17 pp. 98-113; AC18, pp. 101-130.

DNA participant in this group is:

Alan Wayne Bland

Group 18 – England, Barbados, Beaufort District, South Carolina

Richard Percival Bland [Family #33—1st 33] (ca 1700-1737) of St. Helena, SC. See: VU, p. 494 and AC21/23, pp. 198-203.

DNA participant in this group is:

Raymond D. Bland

Group 19 – United Kingdom, Ireland, Australia

William Clough/Gouch Bland (1807 – 1886) was born in the United Kingdom, perhaps Yorkshire and died County Mayo, Ireland.

The participant's wife emailed this information:

“It seems to me that his ggggrandfather may have done a bit of a swap around with his parents' names to give himself a new identity...so instead of being William Clough Bland he was really William Clough whose mother's maiden name was Bland.”

If this is true, this participant would have Clough DNA, not Bland DNA. However, if William picked the surname “Bland,” all of his descendants are now Blands, so conceivably a future Bland participant (probably from Ireland or Australia) could have this DNA.

DNA participant in this group is:

Kit # 38642 (Australia)

Group 20 - Bedfordshire, England

William Bland of Bedfordshire, England who married Ann Osborne 1781.

DNA participant in this group is:

James Peter Bland (Kit #60739) (UK)

Group 21 - West Yorkshire, England

William Bland who married Eliza Sugden in Otley, West Yorkshire, England in 1816. William, a millwright, went to Trinidad to make his fortune, but died there. The DNA participant is from an older son who stayed in England.

DNA participant in this group is:

Malcolm Harold Bland (UK)

Group 22 - Virginia and Washington D. C.

James Alexander Bland (ca 1843 -) was b. VA, and the next generation b. in Washington D.C.

DNA participant in this group is:

Curtis Marvin Bland

Group 23 - Berks County, Pennsylvania

Henry C. Bland (1858 – ca 1904) was b. Birdsboro, Berks Co., PA.

DNA participant in this group is:

Edward Dominic Blandy

The Blands in PA are discussed in AC6-2, pp. 35-36, including Robert Bland [Family #30—2nd #30] (1783-1836) of Berks County Pennsylvania. Robert had a son Henry Bland, but no date of birth is given for Henry. See: AC 6-2, pp. 35-36.

Group 24 - Norfolk Co., Virginia

George Washington Bland b. 1842 or 1836; died 1911 or 1912 in Norfolk Co., VA.

DNA participant in this group is:

William Marshall Bland

Ungrouped Participants

The following DNA participants will not be assigned group numbers for various reasons.

Benjamin Franklin Hale, Jr.

This DNA Participant wrote:

I am attempting to find the parents of Bland Hale who in 1843 married Mary Brown in Washington DC. Bland and Mary had one & only child John Hale born 1846 in DC whom I can trace my ancestry to. Bland was not in the 1850 Census with Mary & John so was assumed to have died before 1850. Bland and Mary were both born in Virginia. Bland is not a common first name and may have been his mother's maiden name. One county in Virginia, now West Virginia Monongalia District 37, had both Blands and Hales listed in the 1830 census.

My response was:

If Bland was the mother's maiden name, it would never show up on the Y-DNA. That is only passed from father to son. So Bland Hale would have the Y-DNA of his father, Mr. Unknown Hale. Only if his father was a Bland instead of a Hale would he be expected to show the Bland DNA pattern.

The following two participants came to us from the National Geographic DNA Project with only 12 markers. They did not respond to any attempts to inquire about their family lines.

Kit #N30385

Kit #N31434

New Family Numbering System for Those Without DNA Results

Many of the Family Lines previously listed at the Bland Heritage Website (updated 2005 and 2007) have been merged with other families, often thanks to the new evidence supplied by the 21st century science of DNA identification. When DNA results are available the Family Number becomes a Group Number (G+number). Those families without DNA participants will be identified by the new family line numbers (F+number). Numbers from Old Numbering System are in Brackets []

F01. Arthur Bland (ca 1777-1821) Davidson County, Tennessee. See: AC 24-26, pp. 181-183.

F02. Charles B. Bland [**Family #13**] (ca 1819-) of Mississippi. See: AC8-2, pp. 42-43.

F03. Elizabeth Bland Ballard, [**Family #14**] Spotsylvania County, Virginia, See: AC3-2, p. 51; AC4-2, pp. 41-42; AC8-1, pp. 28-29; AC21/23, pp. 195-198.

F04. George Gideon Bland, [**Family #16**] (1790-), of North Carolina, Georgia and Alabama. See: AC3-1, p. 39; AC4-1, pp. 32-33; AC4-2, p. 4; AC5-1, pp. 29-30.

F05. ~~Gladwin Bland [**Family #17**] (1876-1932) of Ireland and Mexico.~~ See **F07** below.

F06. Isaac Bland, [**Family #18**] (C1813-1853) of Louisiana. See: AC5-2, p. 35.

F07. James Bland (ca 1668-1728) of Ireland. See: AC2-2, p. 40; and AC24/26, pp. 152-155. Also of this line --Gladwin Bland [**Family #17 and F05**] (1876-1932) of Ireland and Mexico. See: AC2-2, p. 40 and AC 24-26 pp 152-154. .T. Gladwin Bland (F05) above is a part of this line.

F08. James Bland [**Family #20**] (ca1793-1871) of Henry County Tennessee. See: AC6-2, pp. 36-37; AC7-1, pp. 30-31; AC21/23, pp. 124-125.

F09. Jane Bland Forrester [**Family #21**] of Stokes County, North Carolina. See: AC, 3-1, p. 41.

F10. John Bland [**Family #22**] (ca 1776-) Marshall County, Tennessee. See: AC 21/23, pp. 114-117; AC24/26 pp. 167-171.

F11. John Bland [**Family #23**] (1791-1878) of Toronto Gore Canada. See: AC1-2, p. 26 and AC2-1, pp. 24-25

- F12.** John W. Bland [**Family #26**] (ca 1822 -) of Williamson County, Tennessee. See: AC 21/23, pp. 124-125; AC24/26, p. 183.
- F13.** John Bland, [**Family #27**] (ca 1827 -) Davidson County., Tennessee. See: AC 21-23, p. 125.
- F14.** John Bland, [**Family #28**] (1832-1908) of England and Greenwood County, Kansas. See: VU p. viii and AC3-2, pp. 52-53; AC18, pp. 141-142.
- F15.** John Bland Smith [**Family #29**] (1590-1668) of Martha's Vineyard, Massachusetts. See: AC4-1, p. 34; AC8-1, p. 34; AC8-2, pp. 40-41.
- F16.** Peregrine Bland [**Family #32, 1st #32**] (ca 1596-1654). See: VU, pp. 240-243, AC2-2, pp. 9-10 and AC 3-2 p. 9.
- F17.** ~~Samuel Bland, [**Family #31, 2nd #31**] (ca1803- living in 1850), Blount County- Alabama. See: AC4-1, p. 29-30; AC5-1, pp. 49-50, AC21/23, pp. 117-124. DNA Participant, Philip Alan Bland, is from this line. See Group 02.~~
- F18.** Theophilus Bland (ca 1814-1883) of Halifax County., North Carolina. See: AC 18, p. 130.
- F19.** Thomas Bland [**Family #33, 2nd #33**] (-1667) of London. See: VU, pp. 243-249; AC21/23, pp. 169-170.
- F20.** Thomas Bland [**Family #35**] (ca 1789-) of England. See: AC -2, p. 52.
- F21.** William Bland [**Family #36**] (- 1786) of Nottinghamshire England. See: AC19/20, pp. 157-160.
- F22.** William Bland [**Family #37**] (1772-1857) of Pike and Barbour Counties, Alabama. See: AC1-2, pp. 21-22; 3-1 pp. 37-38 & 42; AC4-1, pp. 28-29; AC5-1, pp. 42-49 and AC8-1, pp. 33-34 & 43.
- F23.** ~~William Bland [**Family #38**] (1792-1868) of Union County South Carolina See: VU, pp. 524-544 and AC6-1, pp. 32-34; AC19/20 pp. 70-73. DNA Participants, Charles L. Bland and Michael Ryan are from this line. See Group 02.~~
- F24.** William Bland [**Family #39**] of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania See: VU, pp. 365-366; AC1-1, p. 8; AC1-2, pp. 25-26.
- F25.** William Bland (ca 1812 -) and Sabra Parrish, Lincoln County, Tennessee. See: AC24/26, p. 164.
- F26.** William Bland [**Family #40**] (1813-1898) of North Carolina and Mississippi. See: AC8-2, pp. 43-45.
- F27.** William Bland [**Family #41**] (1817-1875) of Wheeling, West Virginia. See: AC3-2, p. 54.

- F28.** William Bland [**Family #42**] of England. See: AC2-2, p. 41; AC3-1, p. 39.
- F29.** Willson Bland [**Family #43**] (ca 1804 -) of Maury County., Tennessee. See: AC21/23, p. 125; AC24/26, pp. 183-184.

THE JAMES RIVER BLANDS PROLOGUE

Welcome to the world of the James River Bland family. This is the Bland family that we all discover first in our genealogical research and also because, for those who are among the dying breed of people who read history, several of its members are visible in Virginia history: Giles Bland (1647-1677, Bacon's rebellion), Richard Bland (1710-1776), mentor of Thomas Jefferson, his second cousin (Illustration 3), and John Randolph of Roanoke (1773-1833, certifiable, Illustration 9 and VU p. 190A). John was the son of Frances Bland (1752-1788, Illustration 11) and John Randolph.³² If you scan the indexes of biographies of General Robert E. Lee, (Illustration 2) you might find his great grandmother, Mary Bland (C1704-1764 VU p. 146). Mary married Henry Lee (1691-1747) and their son Henry Lee (1730-1787) has the distinction of beating out George Washington (yes, *that* George Washington) for the affections of the famous (well sort of) "Lowland Beauty" Lucy Grymes (1734-1792) who is described by her descendants as, "Very fair. Her eyes were blue and her hair exceptionally blonde, soft and light as a baby's."³³ Henry and Lucy were parents of Henry "Light Horse Harry" Lee who was the father of the famous Confederate general. Some histories of the revolution make note of Colonel Theodorick Bland (1741-1790, Illustration 5 and VU, P. 170A), an active military participant in the American Revolution. My book, A Vision of Unity devoted the first five chapters to this family's English antecedents and its history in Colonial Virginia up to about 1800. Presentation of the family up to about 1700 was good I thought, and has stood up to time reasonably well. Beyond that there were several limitations when I wrote my book:

1. I was enthralled with the Blands of the 16th and 17th centuries but, at the time my book was published, had little information about the James River family after Bacon's Rebellion, the upheaval in Virginia that led to the hanging of Giles Bland and the withdrawal of the family save for the children of Theodorick Bland (1629-1671) and his brother Edward (1614-1652). I was not the first to get caught up in the notion that this historically visible family might be my own, but I survived the disappointment.
2. The original design of my book was to encompass the period only to 1800. However, with the information I had about the James River Family I could not do an adequate job of pushing it even that far. With contributions from descendants of other lines, I was able in a newsletter published in 1987, to push the information across the 20th century boundary. This essay more than compensates.
3. At the time I wrote the book, I did not have sufficient contact with members of the James River family to write very much about the later generations. On October 26, 1985, I delivered a keynote speech at the rededication ceremony at Jordan's Point Virginia. This expanded my acquaintance with James River descendants, which was expanded still further by the Second National Bland Reunion at Petersburg Virginia, August 1986. Over the following few years, they and others who descend from the family filled me in about the later history of the family. Until recently, it seemed that in the intervening years contact had waned and not a lot of new information has developed to warrant a re-write. Then I met on-line and later in person, Barbara Bland of Providence Forge Virginia who has developed a website (at MyHeritage.com) for the James River Bland family and has organized and developed an amazing amount of history of the James River Blands. Like me, Cousin Barbara collects and analyzes information from her numerous contacts, but

³² VU, PP. 181-190.

³³ "Lucy Ludwell Lee Grymes" geni.com online.

I've discovered also does a lot of digging on her own. Cousin Barbara has provided welcome continuity with an older generation of researchers identified in note 34 below who are passing from the scene. In this essay, she easily deserves ninety percent of the credit, maybe ninety-one percent, for developing information and reducing it to writing!!

The James River family thrived by name clean-up to the dawn of the 20th century. What follows is an attempt to update the 1987 effort³⁴ with subsequent information about the family to bring it as well as possible up to 1900. This essay focuses primarily on the family of Richard Bland (1710-1776) and his wife Anne Poythress, (1712-1758). Some old misconceptions that I may have been responsible for fostering can be cleared up.

1. Recent DNA evidence has clarified that this is a separate family of Blands that is not related to either the Northern Virginia Blands or other branches (see discussion above, pp. 21-43)

2. This revision of the James River family makes extensive use of the vast resources provided by Barbara Bland's James River Bland website as well as a genealogical table prepared in 1987 by William Miles Corey and filed at the Pennsylvania Historical Society. Corey focuses on the families of Richard Bland's sons Peter (1736/1737-1781) and William (1742-1803). To a somewhat lesser extent, I have integrated material provided by new contacts made with descendants of the James River Blands since the 1987 revision.

³⁴ AC 5-1, pp. 8-25 and AC 24-26, pp. 35-49. I am greatly indebted to Barbara Bland, Providence Forge Virginia, as noted above. I confess that without the wealth of information she shared with me and helped to develop this would not have been a worthy rewrite and would not even have been possible. Past contributors are Richard J. Allfriend III, Norfolk Virginia; Anne Armistead, Roanoke Virginia; Linneous Preston Bland, Wakefield Virginia; Robert O. Bland, Deland Florida; Betty L. Clarke, Lovington New Mexico; Jessie Richmond Harper of Estero Florida; Mrs Harry Brandt Humphries, Richmond Virginia; Richard Knight, Virginia Beach Virginia; Mary Kay Lawson, Nevada City California; Sally Cox Lee, Orlando Florida; Jean G. Nedich, Oil City, Pennsylvania; Thomas F. Norris Jr., Hardy Virginia; Holmes Rolston III, Fort Collins Colorado; Mary McCain Smart, Bremond Texas; Robert Wilkinson, El Toro California; and Helen Wright, Amelia Virginia. Also I am grateful to Margaret Joyal, Edward Bland Paisley, Jessie Richmond Harper, Dr. William B. Cleveland, Merle Turnipseed, Helen Wright Bouldin and Robert Werth.

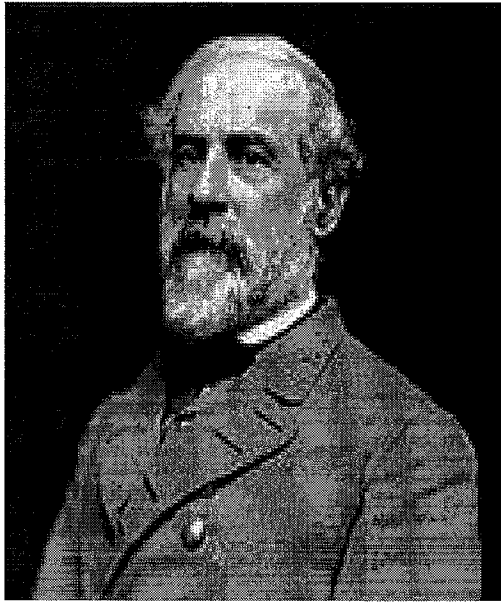


Illustration 5: Robert Edward Lee (1807-1870), great grandson of Mary Bland (1704-1764) and Henry Lee (1691-1747), and great grandnephew of Richard Bland (1710-1776).

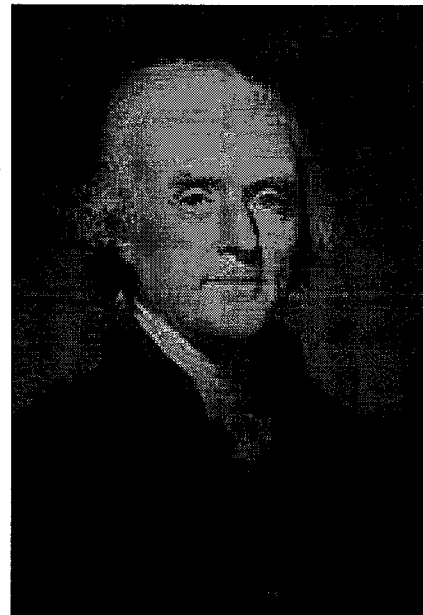


Illustration 6: Thomas Jefferson (1743-1826), whose mother Jane Randolph (1721-1776) was first cousin to Richard Bland (1710-1776)



Illustration 7: Theodorick Lee (1766-1849), grandnephew of Richard Bland (1710-1776).

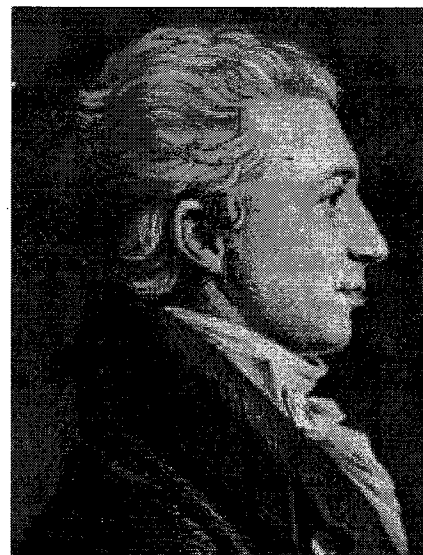


Illustration 8: Col Theodorick Bland (1741-1790), nephew of Richard Bland (1710-1776).



Illustration 9: George Washington Custis Lee (1832-1913), son of Robert E. Lee (1807-1870)

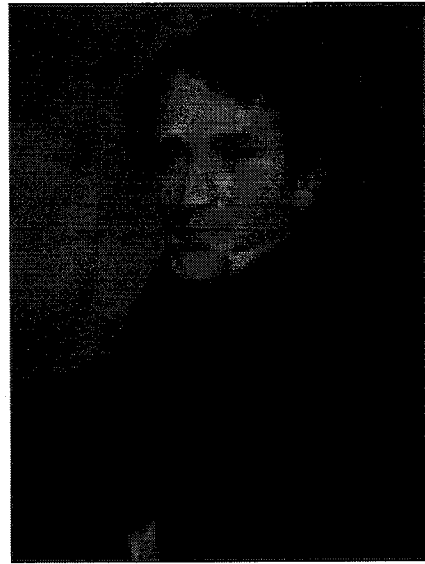


Illustration 10: Theodorick Bland Banister (1780-1829), nephew of Col. Theodorick Bland (1741-1790).

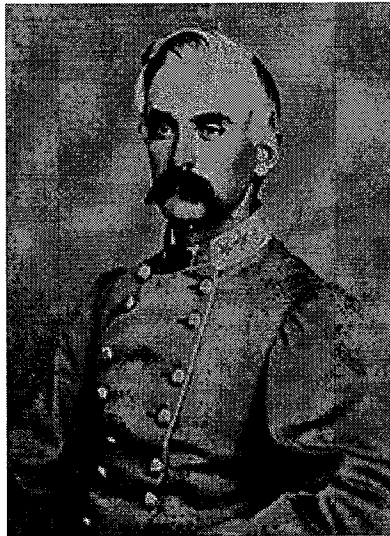


Illustration 11: Brig. Gen. Thomas T. Munford (1831-1918), 3Xgreat grandnephew of Richard Bland (1710-1776) descending from two of Richard's sisters, Anna (Bland) Munford and Elizabeth (Bland) Beverley

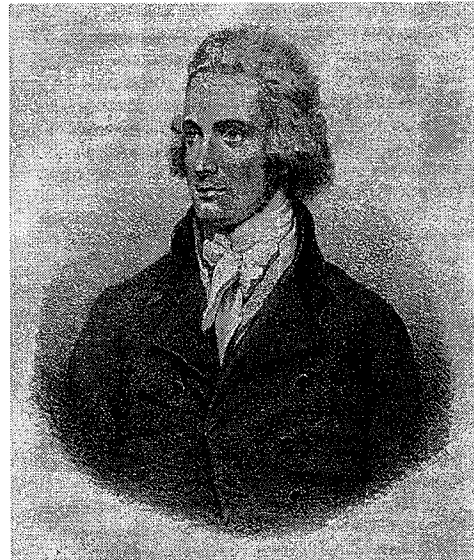


Illustration 12: John Randolph of Roanoke (1773-1833), son of Frances "Fanny" Bland (1744-1788) and grandnephew of Richard Bland (1710-1776)

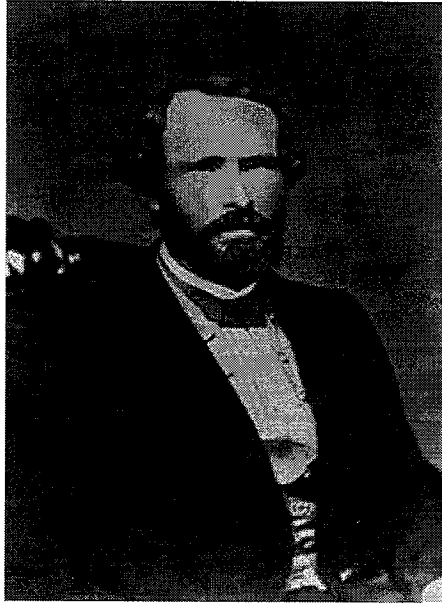


Illustration 13: George W. Randolph (1818-1867), grandson of Thomas Jefferson & Richard Bland's (1710-1776) twice cousin.



MRS. FANNY BLAND RANDOLPH.

Illustration 14: Fanny Bland aka Frances Bland Randolph Tucker (1752-1788), mother of John Randolph of Roanoke.



Illustration 15: Richard Bland Lee II (1797-1875), great grandnephew of Richard Bland (1710-1776), with his three daughters.



Illustration 16: Mary Isham (1659-1735), mother of Elizabeth Randolph (1680-1720) and grandmother of Richard Bland (1710-1776)

RICHARD BLAND (1665-1720)

The story begins with Richard Bland (1665-1720) son of Theodorick Bland (1629-1671) and Anna Bennett, and his wife Elizabeth Randolph (1686-1720), Daughter of William Randolph and Mary Isham, Illustration 13 and VU pp. 144-145.³⁵ Richard and Elizabeth were married February 11, 1701/02 at St. John's Church in Richmond, Henrico Parish, and lived out their lives on the south side of the James River at Jordan's Point.³⁶

In the aftermath of the dispute between the two widows Sarah Green Bland (C1624-1712) and Anna Bennett Bland (C1639-1687), Anna held onto Jordan's as well as Westover plantation.³⁷ When the older sons of Theodorick Bland (1629-1671) and Anna Bennett sold a major portion of Westover to the Byrd family in 1688 they made Jordan's their primary home. Jordan's became part of Prince George County, which was formed from Charles City County in 1702. Richard Bland in 1691, received 593 acres of land in Charles City County west of Jordan's called Causey's Creek, later "Cawson's."³⁸ After the elder Richard Bland's death, Jordan's Point reverted to his eldest son Richard Bland (1710-1776) and Cawson's to his youngest son Theodorick (1719-1784).³⁹

In addition to these two sons, Richard Bland and Elizabeth Randolph had three daughters: Mary (1704-1764) who married Henry Lee and became the great grandmother

³⁵ Elizabeth's dates are provided by Corey.

³⁶ VU, P. 87. In 1678, when he sent his wife to Virginia to settle affairs with his miscreant relations, old John Bland (C1612-1680) boasted of owning the following property: The several plantations of Bartlett's, Kimage's, Herring Creek, Jordans, Westover, Upper Chippoakes, Sunken Marsh Plantation, Basses Choice, Jamestown Lott, Lownes Creeke and all other lands etc. Beside the complexities added by the facts (1) that some of the properties claimed by John were actually owned by the father of Anna Bennett, the former Governor of Virginia, Richard Bennett, and never were the property of any person named Bland, and (2) that John claimed all of his brother Edward's properties by identifying Edward as a single man who had never married even though John well knew Edward had married their own first cousin, Jane Bland, by whom he had a living, breathing son aged 13 years when Edward died, this story of intra-family conflict affected title to vast properties in Colonial Virginia for nearly two hundred years and, indeed, some historians say, gave rise, at least in part, to the first American rebellion against British government cronyism and corruption, Bacon's Rebellion of 1676, participation in which John's own son was hanged. A little revealed portion of this story is told by this author in a pamphlet called "The Undeserved Misfortunes of Our Unhappie Familie" (2003) which may be purchased by contacting the author. Proceeds benefit the on-going DNA project sponsored by Blandheritage.org. Jordans acquired its name as a result of purchase of the land (450 acres) in 1619 by Samuel Jordan. Jordan died in 1623 but his property survived as a small settlement called Jordan's Journey. One source says the property was intermittently owned by Francis Poythress and that Nathaniel Bacon announced his leadership of the Rebellion of 1676 to his forces who were encamped on the property. The Surry County Order Book indicates that Jordans was purchased by old John Bland on September 3, 1657. This is interesting, because all the property indicated above was actually purchased under the name of Old John Bland's brothers Edward (C1613-1652) or Theodorick (1629-1671).

³⁷ The 17th Century story of the James River Bland settlement is told fully in Charles L. Bland's "The Undeserved Misfortunes of Our Unhappie Familie" (2003) revised and updated from VU Ch 4, and AC 8-2, pp. 5-40. This item is for sale by the author, and proceeds are donated to The Bland Heritage Foundation's DNA Project. For details, contact the author.

³⁸ Cawson's was located under the present hospital in Hopewell very near the historical marker for John Randolph of Roanoke.

³⁹ VU pp. 151-190

of General Robert E. Lee Elizabeth (C1706-living 1781) who married William Beverly and for whom he named their plantation home "Blandfield," which survives yet today; and Anna Bland (1711-1770) who married (1st) Robert Munford, (2nd) Edmund Irby and (3rd) George Currie.⁴⁰

The younger son of Richard Bland and Elizabeth Randolph was Theodorick Bland (1719-1784) who married Frances Bolling (C1724-1774). Theodorick and Frances had six children including: Elizabeth Bland (C1739 -); Theodorick Bland (C1740-1790); Mary Bland (C1745-1765); Anna Bland (C1747-); Jane Bland (C1747-); and Frances Bland (C1752-1788), mother of John Randolph of Roanoke.⁴¹ There are no male descendants from the line of Theodorick Bland (1719-1784). His son Colonel Theodorick Bland (C1740-1790) was a prominent soldier and citizen of the American Revolution and early Constitutional era and one of those James River Blands who are visible to history. Notwithstanding that, Colonel Theodorick in his marriage to Martha Dangerfield, had no children.⁴² In this context then, the only Bland male line of descent from Richard Bland and Elizabeth Randolph is that of their son Richard Bland (1710-1776)

⁴⁰ VU, pp. 145-151. In my book, I erroneously indicated that Elizabeth Munford, the daughter of Anna Bland Munford Currie, married John Bannister. In fact, she married Archibald McRobert (by whom she had Theodorick Bland McRobert), while Bannister married Elizabeth Bland, daughter of Theodorick Bland.

⁴¹ VU pp. 166-190

⁴² VU pp. 166-190, esp. 180-181. In VU, I wrote of several wives of Colonel Theodorick Bland but Barbara Bland amended this profligacy: "I see only one marriage for him to Martha Dangerfield--all other "brides" belonged to other Theodoricks ." Theodorick has excited interest among researchers outside the James River family because he owned large tracts of land in what became Nelson County, Kentucky, causing researchers to seek a connection between this Theodorick and that John Bland (C1725-1795) of the Northern Virginia family who married Margaret Osborne. It is instructive perhaps that John and Margaret moved their family into Nelson County about 1781, while Theodorick sold at least some of his land in Nelson County by October 1779, Virginia Land Office Warrant 12, Survey Grant 8987, 5,650 acres. However, any such relationship has been disproven by DNA evidence.

.RICHARD BLAND (1710–1776)

Richard (May 6 1710 – October 28 1776) (cover portrait) was a political notable, influential member of the Virginia House of Burgesses and mentor and first cousin (once removed) to Thomas Jefferson.⁴³ His portrait is on the cover of this newsletter. Richard married three women, most critically Anne Poythress (December 13, 1712 – April 9, 1758), a daughter of Peter Poythress of Flowerdew Hundred, a plantation that is just a short boat ride down the James River from Jordan's Point.⁴⁴ Anne, whom Richard married March 21, 1729/1730, was the mother of all his twelve children.⁴⁵

1. **RICHARD BLAND** (March 3, 1730/1731 – January 25, 1786) born at Jordan's point,⁴⁶ married Mary Blair Bolling, (July 16, 1744 – August 9, 1812) a descendant of Pocahontas on October 8, 1761.⁴⁷ Mary was the daughter of Colonel John Bolling and Elizabeth Blair of Cobbs in Chesterfield County, Virginia. Richard and Mary had a family of five children including:

A. **RICHARD BLAND** (July 23, 1762 – March 26, 1806) who lived at Jordans in Prince George County, Virginia, and married (1st) his first cousin Susanna Poythress (October 15, 1769 - 1839) on December 24, 1787. Both are buried at Jordan's Point. Richard and Susanna had the following children: ⁴⁸

- (1) **Mary Burton Bolling Bland** (October 22, 1788 – January 1789)
- (2) **Elizabeth Bland** (August 20, 1790 – October 17, 1790).
- (3) **Anne Poythress Bland** (November 27, 1791 – June 22, 1806).
- (4) **Richard Bland** (December 21, 1793 – June 19, 1864), who was a physician living primarily in Richmond Virginia. Richard married first Adeline Manton about 1828 and had by her:
 - (a) **Anne Bland**, who married Richard Turner.
 - (b) **Unnamed child**, probably a twin of Anne Bland.

Adeline Manton died during the second child's birth and is believed to be buried at Jordan's Point. Richard Bland married (2nd) Martha Elizabeth

⁴³ For Richard Bland's political career see VU, pp. 151-161. Also Clinton Rossiter, "Richard Bland: The Whig In America," William and Mary Quarterly, Vol 3, 1953, pp. 33-79 and Garry Wills, Inventing America: Jefferson's Declaration of Independence, (1978), pp. 82-84.

⁴⁴ Some of this family, by moving or by dent of the surveyor's line, appear in Dinwiddie County, formed from Prince George in 1752, from Amelia County, formed from Prince George and Brunswick Counties in 1734 and Nottaway County, formed from Amelia in 1788

⁴⁵ Richard married (2nd) Martha Macon Massie (C1722-1759). Richard married (3rd) Elizabeth Blair Bolling, who died in 1775. There were no children from these later marriages.

⁴⁶ VU pp. 161-162. Richard Allfriend indicates that Richard's estate was divided October 10, 1786 and Thomas Norris provided an old but unsubstantiated family record that showed Richard died January 25, 1786.

⁴⁷ See AC 18, pp. 23-27 esp. p. 25.

⁴⁸ AC 3-2, p. 8, quoting Charles Campbell, The Bland Papers,(1843) pp. 145-149.

Ledbetter (c 1812 - June 25, 1886 or 1889) on August 13, 1829. Richard and Martha are buried at Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond Virginia. With Martha, Richard had:

- (c) Richard Yates Bland (December 10 1830 – August 11 1847), who died by accidental drowning and is buried at Blandford Cemetery in Petersburg, Virginia.
- (d) Susan Martha Bland (c1834 -) who married John H. Rogers on May 26 1868 in Petersburg Virginia. John was born circa 1837 in Pennsylvania. She appears as Susan M. Rodgers in the 1870 census living with her mother and brother. It seems John was away for a time and fetched her later for they appear in 1880 in West Girard, Erie County, Pennsylvania along with two children, the elder being born in Tennessee and the younger in Pennsylvania. Susan and John had at least:
 - 1) Gertrude B. Rogers (c 1873 -).
 - 2) John B. Rogers (c 1875 -) who is said to have had daughter:
 - a) Susanna Poythress Bland Rogers (c 1904 -) who married Julian Harold Jenkins on February 15 1931 in San Francisco, California.
- (e) Peter Poythress Bland (March 1836 - April 10 1869). In 1860, Peter was a peace officer in Richmond Virginia. He enlisted with the Confederate States Army (“CSA”) on February 20 1863 at Fort Drewry in Epe’s Company, Chesterfield Light Artillery. He survived the war but died of typhoid pneumonia in 1869. According to one of his descendants, Peter married (1st) Augusta Allen, by whom he had at least one child.⁴⁹ Augusta is missing by the 1860 census, when Peter's infant daughter is living with his parents. He married (2nd) Rebecca Hansford Spicely (c 1833 – buried February 14 1908), a daughter of James Spicely (c 1756 - 1849), a Revolutionary War soldier.⁵⁰ Peter and Rebecca had three children whom all died in infancy. Peter and Rebecca are buried at Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond, Virginia.
 - 1) Martha “Pattie” Elizabeth Bland (December 1859 – October 14 1909) who married John Lancelot Kean (February 1845 -) of Virginia, on November 27 1878 in Baltimore, Maryland. Pattie is living with her namesake Grandmother in 1860 and 1870, and the same Grandmother is living in the Kean household in 1880. Pattie and John lived in Baltimore where they had:
 - a) Mary Martha Kean (September 1879 -)
 - b) Robert Bland Kean (October 1881 -)
 - c) Pattie Elizabeth Kean (- September 10 1882)
 - d) Ellen “Nellie” Vaughan Kean (August 1884 -)
 - e) Margaret Poythress Kean (- June 10 1887 or 1889)
- (f) John Bolling Bland (December 23 1844 - November 16 1895) who as an adult was styled “of Richmond and Baltimore.” Sometime after mid-1870, John Bolling Bland married Mary Eliza Boyd (May 15 1853 – June 21

⁴⁹ This information was provided by our new correspondent, Beverly Reeder, a descendant of Peter and Augusta.

⁵⁰ I confused Peter Poythress Bland (1836-1869) with Peter Randolph Bland (1736-1781) and suggested that the latter was married to Rebecca Spicely. This was an error, See pp. 94-95 below.

1914), and they are buried at Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond, Virginia, together with four of their children who died in infancy. John and Mary had:

- 1) John Bolling Bland (January 7 1880 - June 12 1880)
 - 2) John Boyd "Boyd" Bland (August 1 1881 - December 26 1949) who married Susan Davis, daughter of Dr. Wythe Davis. They lived in Richmond Virginia, are buried there at Hollywood Cemetery, and had no children.
 - 3) Mary Virginia Bland (c 1885 – after 1914).
 - 4) Theodorick Bland (September 1885 – October 1886), possibly Mary Virginia's twin. He is buried at Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond.
 - 5) Mary Bolling Bland (February 11 1887 – October 1 1888) who was born and died in Baltimore, Maryland. Mary is buried at Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond, Virginia.
 - 6) Richard Nalle Bland (February 11 1890 - July 17 1890) who is buried at Hollywood Cemetery.
 - 7) Fannie Bland (c 1892 – after 1914), about whom nothing more is known.
- (5) Sarah "Sally" Tazewell Bland (March 2, 1796 -) married Thomas Bott. According to the Eppes and Field families, they had:
- (a) Susannah Bland Bott (c 1818 - c 1847) who married Dr. Peter Eppes (June 12 1814 - July 25 1876) also of Prince George County Virginia on December 13 1844 in Prince George County. Susanna and Peter had:
 - 1) Mary Poythress Eppes (c 1846 – August 19 1930) who married Dr. Theophilus Field Gilliam (November 24 1830 - November 29 1904) on October 30 1876 in Prince George County. Theophilus was the son of John Gilliam and Elizabeth Smith Shore. After the deaths of both parents, Mary is living in 1860 with her mother's first cousin, Eliza B. Woodlief Alfriend at age 16. Mary and Theophilus are buried together at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia. They had:
 - a) Eliza Shore Gilliam (September 9 1877 - September 12 1913) who never married and is buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia.
 - b) James Skelton Gilliam (August 25 1879 - November 23 1962) who married Virginia Ruffin (November 24 1880 – April 8 1956) on December 31 1907 in Prince George County Virginia. Virginia was the daughter of George Champion Ruffin and Alice Teller Cocke. James and Virginia are buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia. They had three sons and four daughters.
 - c) Mary Eppes Gilliam (June 3 1882 - November 10 1951) never married and is buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia.
 - d) Annie Jeffery Gilliam (January 27 1884 - May 3 1947) never married and is buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia.
 - 2) Peter Eppes Jr. (April 27 1847 - December 24 1933) who married Addie N. Bryant (October 11 1857 – June 8 1903) on September 1 1876 in Prince George County Virginia. Peter and Addie had:
 - a) Addie Bryant Eppes (1877 - 1953) who married J. A. Wilkinson of Richmond Virginia.
 - b) Peter Eppes (June 24 1879 -)

- c) Virginia Eppes (c1880-) who lived in Clifton Forge Virginia and never married.
 - d) Henry Bryant Eppes (September 27 1881 -)
 - e) Robert Bland Eppes (c 1883 - February 11 1953) who married Gertrude Elizabeth Koknat (c 1896 - April 15 1999). According to Robert's obit, he had lived and worked for the W.G. Swartz Company in Norfolk as a merchandise buyer for 39 years. He was buried at the Forest Lawn Cemetery in Norfolk. According to her obituary Gertrude was a native of Dayton Ohio and lived to age 103. They had two sons, Robert Bland Eppes Jr. of Richmond and James Grant Eppes of Norfolk.
 - f) James Roy Eppes of Cleveland Ohio.
 - g) Mary Eppes who married A. B. Stewart of Richmond Virginia.
- (b) Thomas Bott
 - (c) John Bott
- (6) John Bolling Bland (July 17, 1798 – 1863). John was known as “John Bland of Fountains” located near Jordan’s Point. John married three times, (1st) Mary Eppes by whom he had:
- (a) John Theodorick Bland (1826 - July 26 1862). Up through the 1855 agricultural census, John lived at “Mitchell’s Plantation” at City Point Virginia.⁵¹ Mitchell’s is the same house identified as “Bull Hill” from which address the Chancellor Theodorick Bland received letters from his uncle John Bland. Bull Hill was the neighboring house to Cawson’s and is believed to have been owned also by Theodorick Bland of Cawson’s.⁵² John enlisted on April 20 1861 in Company F, 5th Virginia Cavalry, alongside his brother, Robert Eppes Bland. He received a disability discharge on October 9 1861, and then reenlisted on April 24 1862 in Company H, 26th Virginia Infantry. He died at the Brigade hospital on July 26 1862. It appears that John was buried where he died, then was moved to Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg, in May 1865, giving rise to confusion about his date of death. John married three times: (1st) his cousin Elizabeth “Betty” Poythress Marks (see below pg. 63); (2nd) Rebecca Ruffin (- November 28 1855) and (3rd) Priscilla Read Watkins. John and Priscilla, along with their two sons who died in infancy, are buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia. Rebecca's obituary notes that she died at “Blandfield” plantation in Prince George County. She is believed to be buried with her infant son in the Ruffin family plot near her father Edmund Ruffin. Betty Marks' burial location is unknown and likely is either at

⁵¹ E-mail, Barbara Bland to Charles Bland, September 5 2011.

⁵² Some Colonial Mansions and Those Who Lived In Them by Thomas Allen Glenn, H.T. Coates & Company 1897, pp. 452-454. Also, according to the present owner, Bull Hill/Mitchell's burned during the Civil War, but in recent years was restored by a Bolling descendant using the original bricks and today is called The Kelly House.

Jordan's Point or at the Marks family cemetery in the area.⁵³ By Miss Ruffin, John had:

- 1) Edmund Ruffin Bland (c 1851 - November 23 1853) died at "Blandfield" plantation in Prince George County and is buried in the Ruffin family cemetery on the bank of the James River near his grandfather Edmund Ruffin.

By Miss Watkins, John had:

- 2) John Bolling Bland III, (March 22 1858 - April 7 1894) who married Harriotte Henderson Osborne of Louisville Kentucky, the daughter of John Dunlop Osborne and Harriet Henderson Graves, on October 9 1882. John died from injuries sustained in the explosion of the Romaine's Fireworks Factory in Petersburg, which was located next door to a tobacco warehouse John owned with his brother Charles, which also was destroyed. After John's death, Harriotte returned to Louisville, Kentucky with their children. John and Harriotte are buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia. They had:
 - a) John Osborne Bland (July 2 1883 - September 23 1955) who married Ethyl Bacon Swann and by her had three children. They made their home in Louisville Kentucky and are buried in the Cave Hill Cemetery in that city.
 - b) Emily Graves Bland (January 28 1890 - April 13 1957) who married John Henry Aaron (February 11 1889 - December 5 1953), son of Christopher and Laura Aaron, by whom she had two children. Emily and John made their home in the Richmond area and are buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia in the same section as her parents.
- 3) Charles Watkins Bland (January 2 1860 - October 14 1925) who married Jane Louise "Janie" Patrick (November 27 1891 - February 17 1977) on June 1 1915 in Petersburg Virginia. Charles apparently rebuilt the tobacco company and ran it with his mother's younger nephew/cousin, then sold out in his late years to the Dunnington tobacco firm owned by the husband of his cousin, India Knight Dunnington (see below pg. 133). Charles and Janie are buried in the Watkins/Bland section of the Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia, with his parents. They had no children.⁵⁴
- 4) William Bolling "Willie" Bland (December 1860 - June 28 1862), who is buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia near his parents.
- 5) Robert Henry Bland (January 1863 - March 28 1865), who is buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia near his parents.

⁵³ Rebecca Ruffin was the daughter of Edmund Ruffin (1794-1865) who owned the property "Evergreen Plantation" between Jordan's Point and Hopewell Virginia. Edmund, a true southerner, fired the first shots at Fort Sumter. He committed suicide when General Lee surrendered. Barbara Bland to Charles L. Bland, September 5 2011.

⁵⁴ Barbara Bland surmises that these Bland brothers lost everything in the explosion and fire. Charles Watkins never replaced the tobacco warehouse, but worked as a clerk in a "trunk factory" through 1920 and lived with his mother and her sisters even after his late marriage. In 1930 his widow lives in a house she owns worth \$4,000 with one female boarder. Note to Charles Bland from Barbara Bland, November 10, 2011.

- (b) William Eppes Bland (January 8, 1828 – July 16, 1877), who married Sarah Russell “Sally” Bland (January 8, 1844 – June 7, 1905) at Petersburg Virginia on June 18, 1863. Sarah was a first cousin, daughter of Theodorick Bland (1804-1859), a brother of John Bolling Bland (1798-1863), (see below pg. 57) William enlisted on April 20 1861 in Company F, 5th Virginia Cavalry, but transferred to Company F, 13th Virginia Cavalry. After furnishing a substitute to that unit on February 22 1863, William re-enlisted with the same unit on October 10, 1864. William and Sally are believed to be buried at Jordan's Point, and William's marker was one of only two intact markers when cemetery preservation began in the 1980's. Their three sons who died in infancy are believed to be buried there also. William's and Sallie's family included seven children:
- 1) William Eppes Bland (March 13 1864-July 4 1866)
 - 2) John Theodorick Bland (November 29 1866- June 29 1868)
 - 3) Mary Brooke “Brooke” Bland (September 13, 1868 – May 19, 1895) who is buried at Blandford Cemetery, Peterburg, Virginia, and married Richard Emmett Hite (c 1861 – June 22 1931) by whom she had:
 - a) Mary Brook Hite (1894 -) who married Paul Greely, by whom she had at least two children.
 - 4) Sarah “Sallie” Russell Bland (October 18, 1870 – August 14 1904) who married her sister's widower, Richard Emmett Hite, on November 3 1897 in Prince George County, Virginia. Richard and both wives are buried together at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia, along with a daughter of Richard in the same section and identified as Julia R. Hite who died in 1904. It appears that Julia was an infant daughter of Sallie and perhaps a twin of Wilmer. Sallie and Richard had:
 - a) Richard Emmett Hite Jr. (1901 – 1979) who is buried at the Appomattox Cemetery in Hopewell Virginia.
 - b) Sadie Russell Hite (August 29 1902 – February 24 1988) who married Jessie E. Birchett (1898 – 1989). Sadie and Jessie are buried at the Appomattox Cemetery in Hopewell Virginia.
 - c) Julia R. Hite (c 1903 – September 29 1904).
 - d) Wilmer E. “Maddie” Hite (1904 –) who married Mr. E. Mappe Maynard, by whom she had at least one child, E. Mappe Maynard Jr.
 - 5) Robert Eppes Bland (July 29, 1872 -)
 - 6) Magdalene “Maggie” Pickett Bland (June 19, 1875 - May 3, 1965) married Edward Graves Temple, the widower of her aunt, on December 27 1933. She is buried at Blandford Cemetery.
 - 7) William Eppes Bland (May 26, 1877 – August 6, 1877)
- (c) Robert Epes Bland (March 27 1836- April 8 1902) married Hettie Evelina Rives on December 14 1869. Robert attended the University of Virginia. He enlisted on April 20 1861 in Company F, 5th Virginia Cavalry. He was promoted to full 2nd Lieutenant in 1864 of Company F, 13th Virginia Cavalry and surrendered at Appomattox on April 4 1865. He was superintendent of the Central State Hospital, Petersburg, Virginia. Robert and Hettie had no children and are buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia.
- John Bolling Bland (1798-1863) married (2nd) Rachel Reed (1816-1841) and with Rachel had:

(d) Rachel Magdalene Bland (May 21 1841-June 24 1864) who married James Drury Proctor (July 1832 - August 3 1900) of City Point Virginia on June 14 1859 at "Fountains" Prince George County Virginia.⁵⁵ Rachel, James and their two eldest children are buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia. They had:

- 1) Sarah Virginia Proctor (c 1860 – September 18 1861) who died of intestinal inflammation.
- 2) James Drury Proctor Jr. (c 1861- November 2 1862) who died of diphtheria.
- 3) Christopher Bland Proctor (August 6 1863 - March 6 1941) was born in City Point Virginia and died in Memphis Tennessee. He married Laura Natalie Woodward (December 17 1862 - April 30 1944) on June 14 1882 in Lexington Kentucky. They lived in Kentucky and Memphis Tennessee, and are buried at the Memorial Park Cemetery, Shelby County, Tennessee. They had:
 - a) James Dugger Proctor (October 9 1883 -January 21 1941) was born in Kentucky and is buried at the Memorial Park Cemetery, Shelby County Tennessee. He married Kathryn _____, by whom he had one daughter, Loraine Proctor.
 - b) Christopher "Bland" Bland Proctor Jr. (May 23 1886 -July 21 1920) was born in Kentucky and lived in Tennessee at the time of his death. Bland was a "private detective" who died in McCreary Kentucky of, according to his Kentucky death certificate, "a gunshot wound and bruises on his head." He married Ethel Lillian Pannell (May 1886 – July 1973), by whom he had at least three children. Christopher and Ethel are buried at Memorial Park Cemetery, Memphis Tennessee.
 - c) Virginia M. Proctor (c 1890 -) was born in Kentucky.
 - d) Laura N. Proctor (c 1902 -) was born in Tennessee.

John Bolling Bland (1798-1863) married (3rd) Elizabeth Cargill and had by her:

- (e) Nathaniel Cargill Bland (April 1851 - August 25 1855).
- (f) Mary Harrison Bland (December 4 1854 - November 24 1922) who married (1st) John Henry Bryant and (2nd) Julius S. Johnson.

- (7) Peter Poythress Bland (December 8, 1800 - September 11 1820) who died unmarried.
- (8) Mary Bolling Bland (October 16, 1802 – December 25, 1824) who married Elgin Russell. They had no children.
- (9) Theodorick Bland (September 24, 1804 – February 28, 1859). He was styled "Dr. Theodorick." He married Mary Brooke Harrison (June 6, 1809 – August 3, 1860) at her home in Brunswick County, Virginia on December 18, 1834. Both Theodorick and Mary are buried at Jordan's Point. They had a family of ten children:
 - (a) John Harrison Bland (October 6, 1834 -)
 - (b) Susannah Poythress Bland (1837 – died young)
 - (c) Mary Cocke Bland (December 7, 1839 -)
 - (d) Pocahontas Harrison Bland (November 14, 1842 -)
 - (e) Sarah Russell Bland (January 8 1844-June 7 1905) who married twice: (1st) her first cousin William Eppes Bland (1828-1877), (see above p. 55) on

⁵⁵ Daughters of the American Revolution database.

June 10 1863 and (2nd) William H Taylor (c 1853 -), son of William H. and Rosaie Epes (Harrison) Taylor, on November 15 1879 in Prince George County, by whom she had:

- 1) Rosalie Taylor (July 1880 -) who married _____ Lester.
 - 2) Edward H. Taylor (July 1883 -)
 - 3) William H. Taylor (May 1885 -)
- (f) Theodorick Bland (June 21, 1846 – May 30, 1899) who did not marry. He was a family historian once interviewed by historian of the Bland family, Anna Donigan.⁵⁶ According to Thomas Norris, Theodorick served in a unit of younger Virginia CSA soldiers, Company C of the 44th Battalion, and later during 1864-1865 in Company E of the 56th Regiment. ,He was captured at Farmville after the Battle of Petersburg and was imprisoned by the Yankees at Lookout Point until released on July 1, 1865. , Military Records describe Theodorick as dark complexion, dark hair, gray eyes, about 5'5.”
- (g) Pocahontas Harrison Bland (November 14 1848 – November 24, 1848).
- (h) Mary Susannah Bland (August 30, 1849 – October 8, 1909). Mary married George Ajax Armistead (1848-1934) in Petersburg on January 17, 1871. ⁵⁷ Mary and George are buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia.
- 1) Anne Harrison Armistead (c 1872 -)
 - 2) Jennie Banister Armistead (c 1873 -) .
 - 3) George Clayton Armistead (October 13 1875 -) who married Mary White Grace (c 1886 -). They were living in Roanoke in 1920. They had:
 - a) George Clayton Armistead Jr. (c 1916 – June 1990) was a physician who specialized in internal medicine and hematology. After graduating from the University of Virginia Medical School, he joined the Army Medical Corps and served during World War II. He was affiliated with New York Hospital and the Memorial Hospital-Sloan Kettering Institute where he was in charge of the diagnostic clinic. He also taught at Cornell University Medical School. George married Margaret Skinner by whom he had two sons and a daughter.
 - b) Mary B. Armistead (c 1918 – after 1990) who never married.
 - c) Anne “Annie” Armistead (c 1921 – after 1990) who never married.
 - d) John G. Armistead (c 1924 -).
 - e) Theresa B. Armistead (c 1930 -) who married Mr. Bouldin.
 - 4) Mary Jeffreys Armistead (c 1878 – February 9 1955). Mary never married and is buried at Blandford Cemetery near her parents.
 - 5) John Clayton Armistead (c 1882 – September 18 1964) who married Estelle Ruffin Marks (c 1880 – December 5 1957) and had no issue. John and Estelle are buried at Blandford Cemetery near his parents.
 - 6) Sallie Bland Armistead (May 14 1890 – August 8 1967) who married Thomas Fendol Norris (January 12 1877 – January 7 1954) on June 20 1916 at City Point, Virginia. Sallie and Thomas are buried at Oakwood Cemetery in Charlottesville Virginia.

⁵⁶ VU pp. 196-196A

⁵⁷ This is the line through which correspondents Anne and Mary Bland Armistead and Thomas F. Norris Jr. descend.

- (i) Anna Bland (November 28, 1851 – April 18, 1900) married Charles Gee (September 18 1849 - October 24 1913) on March 5 1873 in Prince George County Virginia. They are buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia. Anna and Charles had:
- 1) Emily T. Gee (January 20 1874 - June 16 1916) who married Joseph Heath (c 1864 – April 10 1916). Emily died of an overdose of medicine. She and Joseph are buried at Blandford Cemetery.
 - 2) Susan “Susie” Bland Gee (October 13 1875 -) who married John Armistead Williams (c 1869 – February 4 1947) on November 30 1897 in Prince George County Virginia. Susie and John are buried at Blandford Cemetery.
 - 3) Charles Gee Jr. (February 20 1878 - December 28 1945). It appears that Charles married sometime before the 1920 census and divorced between the 1920 and 1930 censuses. Gee Family accounts are silent about whom he married or if there were children. He is buried at Blandford Cemetery.
 - 4) Anna Bland Gee (March 7 1881 - November 1 1932) who married James Oscar Faison (August 3 1870 - January 7 1948) on May 14 1902 in Prince George County Virginia. They are buried at Blandford Cemetery. Anna and James had two sons:
 - a) James Oscar Faison Jr. (March 15 1903 – December 25 1965) who is buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia.
 - b) Charles Gee Faison. (January 23 1912 – July 9 1988) who married Elizabeth Garrett and is buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia
 - 5) Allen Gee (1885 -) who appears with his father in the 1900 census, then disappears. Unlike all his other immediate family members, Allen does not appear to be buried at Blandford Cemetery.
 - 6) William Mahone Gee (April 26 1887 - December 10 1936) who never married and is buried at Blandford Cemetery.
- (j) Susannah “Sue” Poythress Bland (March 25, 1854 - March 6 1922) who married Edward Graves Temple (c 1856 – May 11 1945) on November 30 1880, both of whom are buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia. Susannah and Edward had:
- 1) Elmira Graves Temple (December 18 1882 – September 21 1958) who married Herbert Rogers (c 1882 -). She died in San Francisco, California. She had:
 - a) Alice B. Rogers (c 1909 -)
 - b) Susanna P. Rogers (c 1911 -)
 - c) Herbert Rogers Jr. (December 9 1913 -) who married Nancy Innt, by whom he had at least one son.
 - d) L. Bland Rogers (c 1917 -)
 - 2) Mary Bolling Poythress Temple (August 17 1886 – June 8 1971) who married (1st) Charles Fenton Collier (January 4 1883 – April 13 1915) and (2nd) Edward S. Stainback. Charles died of a self-inflicted gunshot wound at age 31 and is buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia, with his parents. Mary is buried in her parent's plot also at Blandford Cemetery along with her two eldest children. By Charles, she had three children

- 3) Sarah Randolph Temple (c 1888 - 1962) who married Alfred Beverley Grant (c 1888 – April 27 1937), a railroad engineer of Richmond Virginia. Both are buried at Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond Virginia. Sarah and Alfred had Mary Bolling Grant (c 1918 – 1969) who married Clement Barksdale “Barky” Lathrop (1912-2008) in 1947. They are buried at Hollywood also and had at least one daughter.
- 4) Edward Graves Temple Jr. (August 13 1891 - June 26 1949) who married Frances “Fannie” Mason Harwood in 1915. They had no children. Both are buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia.

B. ANNE POYTHRESS BLAND (May 27, 1765 - 1806) married (1st) John Morrison (c 1760- August 10 1791) and (2nd) Major Peter Woodlief (c 1760 – c 1816). Peter appears in the 1810 census in Northampton County Virginia. By John, Anne had:

(1) Wallace Morrison (1786 - 1806):

By Peter, Anne had:

(2) Hannah Woodlief (c 1793 – August 25 1866) who married Dr. Peter Manson Hardaway (c 1777 - 1834) in 1817 in Petersburg Virginia. In 1860, Hannah is living with her nephew John Alfriend at age 67. She is buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia. There is no record of Peter at Blandford or their son at Blandford. Hannah and Peter had:

(a) Emily Agnes Hardaway (c 1814 – July 18 1837) who married .the Reverend John Collins McCabe (November 12 1810 – February 26 1875), by whom she had:

1) Emily Agnes Hardaway McCabe. (c 1833 – July 18 1888) who married Alfred Shield, by whom she had one child, Hardaway McCabe Shield, who died as an infant in 1860 and is buried at Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond Virginia. Emily and Alfred are buried at Shockoe Cemetery, Richmond Virginia.

(b) Peter Woodlief Hardaway

(3) Anna Woodlief who married Dr. Richard Jeffery, who headed a firm of apothecaries in Norfolk. Richard and Anna had five children, only two of whom survived their parents.

(a) William Peter Jeffery (July 14 1813 -).

(b) Mary Sylvester Jeffery (1795 – December 4 1840) married on February 6 1817 in Norfolk, an apprentice physician of her father, Alexander Galt (February 12 1799 – September 22 1855). Alexander died in the yellow fever epidemic of 1855. Mary and Alexander are buried at Cedar Grove Cemetery, Norfolk Virginia.

1) William Richard Galt (November 11 1818 – December 26 1892) who married Mary Williams Ware (October 6 1824 – September 16 1897). William was a school teacher in Norfolk in the 1870 census. They are buried at Elmwood Cemetery, Norfolk Virginia. They had:

a) Mary “Mollie” Jeffery Galt (September 26 1844 – June 30 1922) who is buried at Elmwood Cemetery, Norfolk Virginia. Mary never married but she was honored in 2007 by the Library of Virginia as one of eight Virginia women in history. Mary and two friends (Cynthia Tucker Coleman and Mrs. Fitzhugh Lee) founded in 1889 the Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities and

focused the efforts of its Norfolk branch on preserving Jamestown Island. Beginning in 1894, Mary oversaw the first archaeological work on the island focusing on the Jamestown church, of which only the church foundations and tower survived, and the surrounding churchyard. She occasionally dug with her own hands. In 1902 she moved to New York City where she lived with the children of her brother, a naval officer.

- b) Alexander Patrick Galt (June 21 1846 – October 2 1850) who is buried at Cedar Grove Cemetery, Norfolk Virginia.
- c) Robert Ware Galt (January 13 1848 – March 8 1923) who married Mary Frances Butt (August 6 1850 – January 31 1898). They are buried at Elmwood Cemetery, Norfolk Virginia.
- d) Rogers Harrison Galt (August 11 1850 – August 26 1910) who married Mary Meares. Rogers was Lieutenant Commander in the U.S. Navy. They are buried at Elmwood Cemetery, Norfolk Virginia. They had:
 - e) William Wilson Galt (July 13 1852 – July 3 1934) who married Mary Blair Grigsby (July 3 1890 – November 3 1916). They are buried at Elmwood Cemetery, Norfolk Virginia. They had:
 - f) Susan “Susie” Williams Galt (c 1854 –) who married Alexander Duane (September 1 1858 -) of Malone, New York, on July 14 1891, by whom she had at least one son, Alexander Galt Duane.
 - g) James Sylvester Galt (June 14 1855 – June 18 1884)
 - h) Anne “Annie” Alexina Galt (June 11 1858 – May 3 1941) who is buried at Elmwood Cemetery, Norfolk Virginia.
 - i) John Minson Galt, M.D. (April 21 1859 – January 13 1885).
 - j) Alexander Galt (March 13 1864 -) who married Emily Virginia Cocks (September 28 1872 -) on September 25 1888 in Prince George County, Virginia. Alexander was an Episcopalian minister. They lived in Kentucky, Fairfax County, Virginia, and Maryland, where their five children were born.
- 2) Alexina Galt (November 7 1820 – January 1854) is buried in the Pegram family vault at Cedar Grove Cemetery, Norfolk Virginia, with a memorial mention of her on her sister Anne's stone.
- 3) Anne Jeffery Galt (December 14 1822 – October 20 1855) is buried at Cedar Grove Cemetery, Norfolk Virginia.
- 4) Alexander Galt Jr. (January 26 1827 – January 19 1863) is the sculptor of the marble statue of Thomas Jefferson displayed at the University of Virginia Library. Alex Jr. was on the staff of the Confederate Governor Letcher of Virginia until he contracted smallpox on a visit to Stonewall Jackson's camp. He is buried at Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond Virginia.
- 5) James Dickie Galt, M.D. (June 4 1831 – September 10 1888) who is buried at Elmwood Cemetery, Norfolk Virginia.

- (c) Aaron Jeffery (- June 20 1865) married Margaret Roberta Archer (March 22 1823 – August 12 1895) by whom he had seven children.
- (d) Richard Woodlief Jeffery (c 1796 – November 18 1882) who died of typhoid and malaria and is buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia.
- (4) Elizabeth “Eliza” Bland Woodlief (1798 – January 17 1874) who married Dr. Shadrach Alfriend (1794 – 1826), son of Maj. John Alfriend and Martha Manson, on February 27 1817 in Norfolk Virginia. She died from consumption and is buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia. They had:
- (a) Peter Woodlief Alfriend (December 11 1817 – August 6 1876) who never married and is buried at Blandford Cemetery.
- (b) John A. Alfriend (1819 – 1873) who married Eliza Prentiss Vickery (February 18 1834 – December 10 1879). John died of consumption and they are buried at Blandford Cemetery. After Eliza died, their four surviving sons were living in 1880 with their spinster aunt, Margaret A. Vickery, in Norfolk, Virginia. They had:
- 1) John Shadrach Alfriend (c 1859 – 1941) who married Eliza Lilly Daingerfield (May 5 1858 – July 13 1937). John and Eliza are buried at the Zion Episcopal Church in Charles Town, West Virginia. They had:
- a) John Shadrach Alfriend (April 7 1898 – April 7 1972) who married Eliza Harrison (March 30 1907 – November 23 2005). Both are buried at the Zion Episcopal Church in Charles Town, West Virginia. They had at least three children.
- b) Margaret Daingerfield Alfriend (July 6 1899 – January 20 1983).
- 2) Richard Jeffery Alfriend (c 1862 - 1923) who married Mary Emily Hume them at Blandford Cemetery.
- a) Emily Hume Alfriend (October 23 1886 – September 21 1972) who married Hunter Ripley Rawlings, by whom she had at least five children.
- b) Eliza Vickery Alfriend (c 1889 –).
- c) Margaret B. Alfriend (c 1892 –).
- d) Richard Jeffery Alfriend (October 5 1894 – October 26 1971) who married twice and had at least one son named for himself. Richard is buried at Forest Lawn Cemetery, Norfolk Virginia.
- e) John S. Alfriend (July 6 1897 – July 1974) who lived in Norfolk Virginia.
- f) Virginia Blair Alfriend (c 1900 –).
- g) Mary B. Alfriend (c 1904 –).
- h) Theodoric Bolling Alfriend (c 1907 –).
- 3) James Vickery Alfriend (c 1864 - 1951) who married Marie Louise Hume. and is buried with them at Blandford Cemetery
- 4) Jacob Vickery Alfriend (c 1865 - November 1 1866) is buried at Blandford Cemetery
- 5) Virginia Alfriend (c 1865 – August 3 1866) is buried at Blandford Cemetery
- 6) William Wilson Alfriend (c 1867 – 1942) who married Wilmouth Dudley is buried at Blandford Cemetery.
- 7) Annie P. Alfriend (c 1869 – 1871) who is buried at Blandford Cemetery.

- 8) Unnamed Infant Alfriend (c 1873 – 1873) who is buried at Blandford Cemetery.
- (c) Rosa Ann Alfriend (June 23 1821 – June 21 1895) who never married and is buried at Blandford Cemetery.
- (b) Richard Jeffrey Alfriend (April 7 1823 – December 18 1859). Richard died of consumption and is buried at Blandford Cemetery. He married Virginia L. Strachan (c 1827 - July 28 1863) of Surry County Virginia and they both are buried at Blandford Cemetery. They had:
- 1) Jane Strachan Alfriend (September 9 1854 – August 3 1856) who is buried at Blandford Cemetery.
 - 2) Elizabeth W. Alfriend (c 1854 – August 17 1869) who is buried at Blandford Cemetery.
 - 3) Virginia Alfriend (September 9 1854 – August 3 1856) who is buried at Blandford Cemetery.
 - 4) Theophilus Strachan Alfriend (c 1858 – February 25 1895) who died of tuberculosis and is buried at Blandford Cemetery. He never married.
 - 5) Virginia J. Alfriend (January 1861 – August 28 1908) who died unmarried of pulmonary tuberculosis and is buried at Blandford Cemetery.

C. JOHN BOLLING BLAND (1767-1777)

D. ELIZABETH “BETTY” BLAIR BLAND (May 29, 1770 -) married her cousin, William Poythress of “Branchester” (c 1765 – c 1810) (see pg. 79 below) on February 10, 1787 in Prince George County, Virginia, with whom she had:

- (1) Elizabeth Bland Poythress, (c 1797 – 1834) who married Richard Marks (- before 1834) on December 17 1817 in Prince George County, Virginia. They are said to be buried at “Branchester” plantation, Prince George County, Virginia. They had:
- (a) Richard E. Marks (c 1826-1865) who married Ann Maria Green (January 9 1826 – January 7 1886), the daughter of William B. Green and Ann Meeks of Prince George County, Virginia, by whom he had seven children:
 - 1) Richardetta “Nannie” Marks who married Stephen W. Britton
 - 2) Stephen Marks
 - 3) Hugh Stockdell Marks
 - 4) John Keane Marks
 - 5) Mason Marks
 - 6) Kate Stockdell Marks
 - (b) Elizabeth “Betty” Poythress Marks (c 1826-before 1852), who married her cousin John Theodorick Bland (see above page 54).as his first wife. She left no issue.

E. AN UNNAMED MALE INFANT (August 1771 -) died the same day he was born.

2. ELIZABETH BLAND (March 17 1733 - 1792), who married Peter Poythress.⁵⁸ Elizabeth Bland and Peter Poythress had eight or nine children (accounts vary). For the sake of the record, they are listed here with the proviso that some may be erroneous:

⁵⁸ VU p. 162. I am grateful for this information to Sally Lee, who descends from Elizabeth Bland Poythress through her daughter Sally Bland Poythress Lee Newton.

- A. Anne “Nancy” Poythress (1757 – 1804) married John Randolph (1743 – 1803), the son of Henry and Tabitha (Poythress) Randolph “of Blomsbury” plantation in Chesterfield County, Virginia.” Their marriage was announced in the Virginia Gazette on May 2 1777. John was descended from Henry Randolph I, the uncle of William Randolph of Turkey Island. John was murdered by one shot to the head for which the inquest was held on December 27 1803. His son Richard was tried for the crime and acquitted. No other suspect was ever identified. John's will was dated June 6 1803. By John, Nancy had:
- (1) Peter Poythress Randolph (c 1778 – before 1819) who never married. He lived in Amelia/Nottoway Counties, Virginia.
 - (2) Richard Bland Randolph (–) who married (1st) Jerusha Anderson (c 1786 -) on May 14 1805 in Chesterfield County, Virginia, and (2nd) Sally Andrews on January 24 1835 in Chesterfield. By Jerusha, Richard had:
 - (a) Richard Beverly Byrd Randolph (–)
 - (b) Edmund Augustine Randolph (–)
 - (c) Mary Ann Randolph (–) who married Phillip Lawson.
 - (d) Sarah Lee Randolph (–)
 - (3) Mary Ann Randolph (–)
 - (4) Sally Lee Randolph (– November 13 1897) who married (1st) Ludovich Covington, by whom no issue, and (2nd) William Middleton Crabb of Westmoreland County, by whom she had:
 - (a) William Middleton Mayo Crabb (March 17 1814 -) who married Ann Tasker Carter Peck (February 11 1817 – before 1852) of Richmond, Virginia.
 - (b) Sarah L. Crabb (1819 -) who married Lewis W. Quisenbury (c 1813 -) of Richmond, Virginia.
 - (c) Mary Jones Crabb (September 28 1824 – February 11 1888) who married Benjamin Short, by whom she had at least one daughter.
- B. ELIZABETH POYTHRESS (1759-August 8 1806) married William Mayo, the son of John and Mary (Tabb) Mayo, circa 1776 at “Branchester,” Prince George County. They were first buried at their home, “Powhatan Seat” in Henrico County Virginia, but all remains from the family cemetery were moved in 1894 to Hollywood Cemetery. William remarried (2nd) Lucy Fitzhugh in 1807 at Petersburg Virginia.
- (1) Mary Tabb Mayo (December 18 1779 – March 13 1823) who married Robert Atkinson (1772 – 1821), son of Roger “the Immigrant” Atkinson and Anne Pleasants, on December 16 1794 in Henrico County Virginia. Mary's diary for period 1814-1822 can be viewed at the Virginia Historical Society. They lived at “Mansfield” in Dinwiddie County Virginia, where they had:

- (a) William Mayo Atkinson (April 22 1796 – February 27 1849) who married (1st) Elizabeth “Betty” White and (2nd) Rebecca Bassett Marsden (1796 -) on July 1821 in Norfolk Virginia.
- (b) Ann Pleasants Atkinson (December 3 1797 – November 1 1882)
- (c) Elizabeth “Eliza” Mayo Atkinson (December 6 1799 – January 23 1887)
- (d) Roger Benson Atkinson (November 16 1802 – January 25 1862) who married Mary Timberlake Withers. He died at “Sherwood” in Lunenburg County, Virginia.
- (e) Jane Jones Atkinson (March 10 1805 – February 22 1884) who married Benjamin Carter Minge (August 20 1801 -) of Weyanoke, Charles City County Virginia, on February 3 1825, by whom she had:
 - 1) Mary Atkinson Minge (March 1827 -)
- (f) Thomas Atkinson (August 6 1808 – 1881) who died in North Carolina.
- (g) Agnes Atkinson (January 26 1810 – December 5 1885) who married George Harrison Burwell (October 6 1799 -) of “Carter Hall,” Clarke County Virginia, on August 4 1831, by whom she had:
 - 1) George Harrison Burwell, Jr. (November 19 1848 – September 25 1926) who married Lucy Burwell Whiting (January 20 1863 -) on June 10 1886 in Clarke County Virginia, by whom he had
 - a) George Harrison Burwell III (c 1891 -).
- (h) Robert Alexander Atkinson (c 1812 – c 1883)
- (i) Lucy Fitzhugh Atkinson (March 31 1815 – January 4 1894) who married Churchill Jones Gibson (October 24 1819).
- (j) John Mayo Atkinson (January 10 1817 -)
- (k) Joseph Mayo Atkinson (January 7 1820 -)
- (2) Peter Poythress Mayo (October 9 1787 -) who married (1st) Mary Elizabeth Helms (May 4 1791 -) on October 9 1811 in Jonesboro, Tennessee, and (2nd) Ann Eliza Gregory (December 1804 -) on May 12 1831 in Washington County, Virginia. Peter was a lawyer. With Mary, he had:
 - (a) Caroline Louisa Mayo (July 27 1812 – September 8 1823) who died unmarried at “Powhatan Seat” plantation in Henrico County, Virginia.
 - (b) William Helms Mayo (March 8 1814 – June 4 1864) who married (1st) Mary Ann E. Fort (c 1821 -) in Columbus, Mississippi, and (2nd) Rebecca Pollock Barbour (c 1820 -) on September 18 1843 in Jefferson County, Kentucky. William lived primarily in Kentucky where his first seven children were born, then moved to Pilot Grove, Missouri, where he is said to have been killed by “bushwhackers”--who were usually of the Confederate persuasion—near his home during the Civil War. With Rebecca, William had:
 - 1) Walter Powhatan Mayo (c 1844 -) who married Lucy Elizabeth Young, by whom he had:

- a) Walter Young Mayo (November 21 1874 – March 7 1895) who was born in Louisville, Kentucky, and died in New Mexico. Walter is buried at the Woodland Cemetery in Jefferson City, Missouri.
- b) Rebecca Jessamine Mayo who married George H. Wyatt (October 29 1863) of Cole County, Missouri, on December 17 1886 in Louisville, Kentucky, by whom she had four children:
- 2) Ann Mayo (c 1846 -)
- 3) Mary Virginia Mayo (c 1847 -) who was unmarried in 1880.
- 4) Robert Mayo (c 1849 -)
- 5) Frances E. Mayo (c 1854 -)
- 6) Junius Barbour Mayo (April 1856 -) who is said never to have married.
- 7) William Kentucky Mayo (February 1857 -) who married Sophia _____, by whom he had:
- a) William C. Mayo (October 1882 – March 7 1895).
- b) Robert T. Mayo (May 1885 – March 7 1895) .
- c) Emily B. Mayo (July 1887 – March 7 1895).
- d) Mildred R. Mayo (November 1890 – March 7 1895).
- 8) Thomas Mayo (c 1860 -)
- (c) Alexander Marcus Mayo (October 8 1815 – August 18 1875) who married (1st) Laura Salmon (July 10 1819 -) on December 28 1838 in Moulton Alabama, and (2nd) Margaret McFarland (July 19 1828 -) on October 30 1853 in Owensboro, Kentucky: With Laura Salmon, Alexander had:
- 1) Mary Josephine Mayo (-)
- 2) Elizabeth Fulton Mayo (c 1841 -)
- 3) Peter William Mayo (c 1843 -)
- 4) Thomas Helms Mayo (-)
- With Margaret McFarland, Alexander had:
- 5) Laura Salmon Mayo (c 1855-)
- 6) Mary Bransford Mayo (c 1857 -)
- 7) Sallie Helms Mayo (June 1866 -)
- (d) Thomas Helms Mayo (June 19 1819 – June 19 1896), who was a physician, married Mary Ann John Pouncey (August 9 1836 -) on March 30 1859 in Columbus, Mississippi, by whom he had:
- 1) John Pouncey Mayo (c 1860-)⁵⁹
- 2) Peter Poitric Mayo (-).⁶⁰
- 3) Caswell Armstrong Mayo (c 1863 -)

⁵⁹ “Pouncey” is a French Protestant anglicized name for “Pouance” dating from the Loire Valley circa 13th Century and arriving in Virginia as early as 1634. Barbara Bland

⁶⁰ “Poitric” is an old spelling and pronunciation of Poythress, dating from the French Protestant migration especially to the Whitechapel area of London in the 1500's. Barbara Bland

- 4) Thomas Helms Mayo (-)
 - 5) Frances Elizabeth Mayo (-)
 - 6) Mary Helms Mayo (-)
 - 7) Annie Laurie Mayo (-)
 - 8) Pamela Armstrong Mayo (-)
 - 9) Susan Sheppard Mayo (-)
 - 10) Louisa Mayo (-)
- (e) Laura Fitzhugh Mayo (August 5 1820 – May 11 1885) who married (1st) Edwin E. Slade (June 16 1807 -) on June 20 1837 in Columbus, Mississippi, and (2nd) Watson Porter Diltz (July 22 1801 -) circa 1859. With Edwin Slade she had:
- 1) Fannie Johnson Slade (c 1839 -)
 - 2) Marmaduke D. Slade (c 1844 -)
- With Watson Diltz, Laura had:
- 3) Rebecca Mayo Diltz (-)
- (f) Sarah Anne Mayo (May 29 1821 – 1881).
- With Mary, Peter had:
- (g) Frances E. Mayo (c 1832 – February 13 1852) who died in Owensboro, Kentucky.
- (3) Elizabeth Bland Mayo (- September 9 1848) who married Alexander Smythe Fulton (c 1774 – September 4 1823), a native of Scotland, on September 24 1803. Elizabeth and Alexander and many of their descendants were originally buried at “Powhatan Seat” plantation in Henrico County, Virginia, and then were moved in 1894 to Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond, Virginia. They had
- (a) Elizabeth Mayo Fulton (September 6 1806 – June 13 1869) who married Carter N. Gilliam (c 1799 -) on June 25 1828 in Henrico County, Virginia.
 - (b) Alexander Smythe Fulton (January 1809 – September 5 1810).
 - (c) John Bell Fulton (c 1812 -) who married Juliana Jacob of Maryland. John was a farmer in Anne Arundel County, Maryland in 1860 and 1870. They had:
 - 1) Elizabeth Bland Fulton (c 1853 -)
 - 2) Clara Belle Fulton (May 25 1856 -) who married Mr. Kent, by whom she had a daughter, Clara Bell Kent, about whom nothing more is known.
 - 3) John Fulton (c 1858 -)
 - (d) James Alexander Fulton (June 12 1813 – September 17 1886) who married (1st) Matilda Jacob (October 25 1813 -) and (2nd) Jane Ann Linthicum (c 1838 -). With Matilda, James had:
 - 1) Mary Alexander Fulton (July 8 1842 – October 23 1924) who died unmarried and is buried at Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond, Virginia.
 - 2) Alexander Fulton (December 17 1843 – June 20 1864) who never married. Alexander died at the battle of Gaines Mill and is buried at Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond, Virginia.

- 3) John C. P. Fulton (June 1851 – April 13 1873) who never married. John was a druggist in Richmond, Virginia. He is buried at Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond, Virginia.
- 4) Matilda Jane Fulton (June 19 1852 – October 7 1896) who married Mr. Richard Davenport Batte (July 26 1852 -) of Prince George County, Virginia, on October 20 1892 in Richmond, Virginia. Matilda had no children and is buried at Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond, Virginia.
- (e) William Mayo Fulton (January 1804 – June 28 1853), who married Cornelia Patton (December 1823 -) of New Orleans. William studied law at Yale which he practiced at Richmond, Virginia, except for a ten-year stint serving as a captain in the U.S. Army from 1836 to 1845. They had four sons, all of whom died unmarried, including:
 - 1) William Fulton (-)
 - 2) Claridon Fulton (c 1848 -)
 - 3) Mayo Fulton (c 1850 -)
- (f) Mary Jane Alexander Fulton (December 12 1818 – December 21 1886) who died unmarried and is buried at Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond, Virginia.
- (4) Joseph Hearne Mayo (November 4 1784 – November 16 1828) who married Elizabeth DuBurrow Blair (September 23 1786 – September 4 1854) on April 28 1808 in Richmond, Virginia. Joseph and Elizabeth are buried at Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond, Virginia. They had:
 - (a) Mary Blair Mayo (March 13 1812 – c 1876) who married James Jefferson Binford (February 15 1801 – January 15 1877) as his second wife on December 24 1839, by whom she had:
 - 1) Joseph Hearne Binford (c 1840 – c 1842).
 - 2) Thomas Mayo Binford (March 21 1843 – June 7 1902) who married Johngeline Eliza Woolfolk (April 2 1853 – April 3 1931).⁶¹ Thomas migrated to Georgia, where he met and married Johngeline and where their children were born, then returned to Richmond, Virginia. Thomas was a bookkeeper. Thomas and Johngeline are buried at Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond. They had:
 - a) Mayo Moore Binford (June 28 1874 – March 14 1927) who never married and is buried at Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond.
 - b) Joseph Woolfolk Mayo Binford (January 7 1884 – March 7 1895) who never married and is buried at Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond.
 - 3) Julian Binford (September 15 1844 – May 1 1904) who married Ella McCormick Clower (September 4 1843 – August 12 1916) on November 12 1872 in Richmond, Virginia. Julian served in Otey's Battery of the Confederate States Army. Both are buried at Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond. They had:
 - a) Julian Binford (September 6 1873 – January 30 1943) who married Elizabeth Rodman Kennon (August 2 1878 – December 28 1949) on June 6 1900 in Powhatan County, Virginia, by whom he had five children. Julian was Vice President of the Tower-Binford Electrical

⁶¹ There are several spellings of her name, but "Johngeline" is on her tombstone.

- & Mfg Company. He and Elizabeth are buried at Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond, Virginia.
- b) Mary Blair Binford (September 28 18753 – January 19 1934) who married Frank Archer Hobson (October 21 1876 -January 10 1947) on December 3 1902 in Richmond, Virginia, by whom she had three children. Mary and Frank are buried at Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond, Virginia.
 - c) Walter Clower Binford (October 1878 – September 20 1960) who married Mabel Toms (- April 20 1968). Walter was a bridge engineer and lived in Richmond, Virginia. Both are buried at Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond, Virginia.
 - d) Ella Clower Binford (July 25 1879 – June 15 1945) who never married and is buried at Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond Virginia.
 - e) Edith Binford (–) .who died in infancy.
 - f) Guy Randolph Binford (October 23 1882 –November 27 1977) who married Irma Fulgham (November 14 1885 – January 9 1979) and lived in Atlanta, Georgia. They are buried at Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond Virginia.
 - g) Lillian M. Binford (May 1884 – May 18 1970) who married Frank Johnson McCarthy (July 22 1875 – June 11 1927) on November 5 1910 in Richmond, Virginia, by whom she had at least three children. Both are buried at Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond, Virginia.
- 4) Walter Blair Binford (c 1849 – December 24 1877). In about 1870, Walter moved to Wilmington, North Carolina, with a friend where they established the Binford, Crow & Co. wholesale grocery business. Walter married Caroline Haig Anderson (c 1849 – c 1911), the daughter of another large grocery merchant, James Alexander Anderson and Anne Maria Green, circa 1870. In 1880, Caroline and their three surviving children were living with her widower father in Wilmington. Walter and his son James are buried at the Oakdale Cemetery in that city. They had:
- a) James “Little Jimmie” Anderson Binford (March 1872 – June 20 1873) who is buried at Oakdale Cemetery, Wilmington, North Carolina, next to his father.
 - b) Walter Blair Binford Jr. (c 1874 c 1944). In 1920 Walter is married to Louise A. Smith (c 1874 - 1951) and lives in Griffin, Georgia, with their two children, Walter B. and Caroline, where he is in the wholesale grocery business. Walter and Louise are buried at the Oak Hill Cemetery in Griffin Georgia.
 - c) Maria “Ria” Green Binford (April 10 1876 – November 17 1924) who married DeLos Thomas (May 19 1861 - 1918) of New York and Virginia circa 1897. They are buried at the Evergreen Burial Park in Roanoke Virginia. In her documentation for the Daughters of the American Revolution, Maria traces her lineage to both Richard Bland (1710-1776) and John Mayo (1736-1786). They had twins

Delas Jr. (a graduate of the University of Virginia and a naval aviator who was lost at sea over the Bermuda Triangle on February 23 1923) and Maria Binford (August 7 1896), son William Stephenson (April 5 1899 – June 2 1978), daughter Helen Gordon (February 24 1904 – March 16 1987)

d) Frank Mayo Binford (February 5 1878 – February 28 1948) who married Mary Parker Good (January 30 1883 – August 18 1922), daughter of J. E. Good and Sarah Wood of Georgia circa 1904. In 1910, they were living in Bluefield, West Virginia and by 1920 they had returned to Griffin, Georgia. In both places, Frank is in the wholesale grocery business. Frank and Mary appear to have had only one child, a son named for his father. They are buried at the Oak Hill Cemetery, Griffin Georgia.

(b) Lucy Fitzhugh Mayo (August 4 1814 – March 9 1873) who married John DuBurrow Blair (October 4 1814 – March 15 1879) on August 28 1839 by whom she had:

- 1) Alice Blair (c 1840 – February 12 1919) who never married.
- 2) Adolphus Blair (January 31 1843 – November 1 1893) who married (1st) Ellen Gray Beirne (September 22 1848 -) and (2nd) Sarah Enders Palmer (January 11 1846 – September 5 1927) on January 15 1879 in Richmond, Virginia. Adolphus Blair served as a captain in the Confederate States Army. All three are buried at Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond, Virginia. Adolphus and Ellen Bierne had:
 - a) Andrew Beirne Blair (c 1866 -).
 - b) John DuBurrow Blair (c 1867 -).
 - c) Lucy Mayo Blair (March 20 1869 -).
 - d) Ellen Beirne Blair (March 20 1871 -).
 - e) Adolphus Beirne Blair (c 1875 -).With Sarah Palmer, Adolphus had:
 - f) George Palmer Blair (July 18 1881 -).
 - g) Irving Blair (March 20 1871 -).
- 3) Elizabeth Mayo Blair (c 1846 – April 13 1881) who never married and is said to be buried at Shockoe Cemetery in Richmond, Virginia.
- 4) John Harvie Blair (c 1853 – August 23 1917) who married Lucy Ragland (c 1858 -) on February 5 1885 in Richmond, Virginia, by whom he had:
 - a) Harvie Mayo Blair who married Maude Purcell Miller. They had no children.
 - b) Ethel Blair who married Lucian Jordan.
- 5) Joseph Mayo Blair (August 1855 – September 1910) who married Norma Williamson Hanes (c 1861 -). They are buried at Shockoe Cemetery in Richmond, Virginia, and had three children:
 - a) Alice N. Blair (November 1880 –) was a music teacher in 1900. She married Douglas E. Clarke.

- b) Elizabeth Mayo Blair (December 1882 –) who married John Bleton Lyles, by whom she had Elizabeth Blair Lyles.
- c) Joseph Mayo Blair (March 1887 –) who married Nancy Miller, by whom he had no children.
- (c) William P. Mayo (December 29 1816 – January 2 1881) who married Alice Cornelia Reeve (December 8 1825 -), by whom he had:
 - 1) Eva Hazlett Mayo (c 1848 – September 22 1906) who never married.
 - 2) Elizabeth Mayo (c 1850 – December 19 1883) who married Thomas Nelson Berkeley Noland (September 19 1846 – March 2 1913) on June 26 1883 in Ashland, Virginia.
 - 3) Alice Reeve Mayo (c 1856 – February 22 1891) who married Gilbert Whittall Carrington, by whom she had:
 - (a) Mayo Carrington (–) who married Lois Cutter, by whom he had two children.
 - 4) Mary H. Mayo (c 1858 –) about whom nothing more is known.
- (d) Elizabeth Poythress Mayo (March 23 1818 – December 25 1836) who never married.
- (5) Abigail Dehart Mayo (c 1791 – December 30 1830) who married John Watson Triplet Thom (November 11 1771 – May 22 1855) of Culpeper County Virginia on July 25 1815. John was a colonel in the War of 1812. They are buried at Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond, Virginia, and had:
 - (a) Elizabeth Mayo Thom (May 17 1816 – c 1874) who married William Buckner Ross (c 1808 – October 1869) on October 5 1837. They are buried at Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond, Virginia. They had:
 - 1) George Ross, M.D. (October 22 1838 – March 30 1926) who married Anne Elizabeth Beckham (April 5 1838 -). George was educated at the Medical College of Virginia, where he was later a professor. He served as a surgeon in the Confederate States Army. They are buried at Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond, Virginia. They had two daughters, both of whom married but neither had children:
 - 2) John Dehart Ross (May 1 1840 – December 12 1912) who married Agnes Jane Reid (February 20 1838 -) on April 7 1862. John was a Lieutenant Colonel in the 52nd Virginia Regiment, C.S.A. They had five children:
 - a) William Alexander Ross (c 1865 – April 20 1927) who married Eva Steele McClure, but had no children.
 - b) Agnes R. Ross (January 27 1872 – January 15 1942) who married James Nicholas Veech (c 1873 -), by whom she had two children, both born in Kentucky.
 - c) Elizabeth Mayo Ross (February 28 1874 –) who married Frank Alexander Nelson, but had no children.
 - d) John McDowell Ross (April 10 1876 – June 30 1938) who married Barbara Brand (May 8 1880 -), but had no children
 - e) Mary Cameron Ross (August 1 1879 –) who married John A. Jonestone, but had no children.

- 3) William Alexander Ross (November 27 1842 – May 30 1864) who was killed in the battle of Bethesda Church, Hanover County, Virginia while serving in the 52nd Virginia Infantry, C.S.A. He is buried at the Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond, Virginia.
- 4) Erskine Mayo Ross (June 30 1845 – December 10 1928) who married (1st) Inez Hannah Bettis (Jan 1853 -) on May 7 1874 in Los Angeles, California, and (2nd) Ida Hancock. By Inez, Erskine had one son:
 - (a) Robert Erskine Ross (March 1875 –) who married twice, but had no children.
- 5) Mary Cameron Ross (March 27 1848 – January 7 1916) who married (1st) Robert Quarles Strother (1844 – 1873) and (2nd) Algernon Sidney Buford (January 2 1826 – May 26 1911) as his third wife. All three are buried at Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond, Virginia. By Robert Strother, Mary had:
 - a) Elizabeth Mayo Strother (November 22 1868 –) who married Frederick William Scott (August 30 1862 -), by whom she had five children. They are buried at Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond, Virginia.By Algernon Buford, Mary Cameron Ross Strother had:
 - b) Algernon Sidney Buford (December 19 1880 – November 28 1958) who married Elizabeth Lanier Dunn (March 20 1884 - 1980), by whom he had three sons. Algernon and Elisabeth are buried at Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond, Virginia.
 - c) Mary Ross Buford (January 6 1883 – February 3 1962) who married Frederick Ernest Nolting (December 70 1872 -), by whom she had two children.
 - d) William Erskine Buford (July 2 1887 – September 22 1954) who married Sarah Sergeant Oppenheimer (July 5 1894 -), by whom he had four children.
- (b) Janett Marion Thom (May 17 1816 – April 27 1878) who married Bartholomew Labuzan on March 5 1839 in Culpeper County, Virginia. Their children all were born in Alabama:
 - 1) Charles Labuzan (February 29 1840 – June 7 1930) who married Ida Lillian Marshall (March 18 1857 -) on March 31 1885 in Gainestowne, Alabama.
 - 2) Anna C. Labuzan (c 1843 –) who married James C. Stafford on November 23 1865, by whom she had two children.
 - a) Hartwell Stafford (c 1866 –).
 - b) Bartholomew L. Stafford (c 1868–).
 - 3) John Catesby Labuzan (c 1844 –) who married Emma Louvinia Marshall (July 17 1855 -) on August 7 1883 in Gainestowne, Alabama.
 - 4) Joseph Pembroke Labuzan (c 1848 – April 21 1908) who married Emma Rowland on February 24 1876 in Mobile, Alabama.
 - 5) Elizabeth Labuzan (c 1855 –).

- 6) Ellen M. Labuzan (-) who married Stanton Slaughter Field (April 1 1832 -) on July 19 1860 in Mobile, Alabama, by whom she had at least three children, all born in Mississippi:
 - a) Charles Field (c 1861 -).
 - b) Lilley Field (c 1865 -).
 - c) James Field (c 1867 -)..
- (c) William Alexander Thom (July 20 1820 - May 16 1899) who married Anne J. Parker (August 16 1819 -) on April 11 1844 in Hungar's Church, Virginia. William was a surgeon in the 39th Virginia Infantry, C.S.A.. He lived in Norfolk, Virginia, at the time of his death. With Anne he had :
 - 1) Jacob Parker Thom (August 25 1845 -).
 - 2) Marion Elizabeth Thom (March 30 1848 -).
 - 3) William Alexander Thom, M.D. (March 20 1853 - November 1 1894) who married (1st) Kate Brooke Baylor on January 20 1887 and (2nd) Frances Maria Myers (September 1859 -). With Kate, William had:
 - a) Anna Parker Thom (December 1887 -).
 - b) Lucy Latane Thom (February 1889 -).With Frances, William had:
 - c) William Alexander Thom (August 11 1892 -).
 - 4) Alfred Pembroke Thom (December 15 1854 - November 18 1935) who married (1st) Virginia Williamson Turnstall (December 7 1844 - December 30 1913) on September 20 1881 and (2nd) Jessie Gertrude Repass (c 1875 -). By Virginia, Alfred had:
 - a) Alfred Pembroke Thom (December 3 1881 -).
 - 5) Gertrude Stratton Thom (May 31 1857 - July 10 1858) who is buried at the Park Hall Cemetery in Eastville, Virginia.
 - 6) Anne Parker Thom (May 29 1859 - June 7 1863) who is buried at the Park Hall Cemetery in Eastville, Virginia.
- (d) Arabella Jane Thom (June 3 1823 - December 27 1829) who is buried at Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond, Virginia.
- (e) Cameron Erskine Thom (June 20 1825 -) who married (1st) Elizabeth Lucille Beach on August 1 1851 in Sacramento, California, by whom he had one daughter, and (2nd) Susan Henrietta Hathwell (September 9 1839 - August 16 1862) in Sacramento and (3rd) Bette Cameron Hathwell (c 1859 -). Cameron was a lawyer. By Susan he had:
 - 1) Charles Hamilton Thom (February 19 1859 - May 15 1859).
 - 2) Henry Pacheco Thom (July 29 1860 - October 2 1860).
 - 3) Albert Mayo Thom (October 26 1861 - before 1880).By Bette, Cameron had:
 - 4) Cameron Dehart Thom (August 12 1875 - November 4 1954) who married Susan Livingston (September 27 1879 -) by whom he had two children..
 - 5) Catesby Charles Thom (October 1876 - c 1959) who married May Livingston (March 12 1878 -). Catesby was a lawyer.
 - 6) Belle Buford Thom (July 3 1879 - March 10 1969) who married Arthur Peltham Collins (c 1864 -) circa 1901. Belle living in London, England.

- 7) Erskine Pembroke Thom (April 5 1881 – April 4 1934) who married Ora May Rowe (January 29 1883 -) on February 9 1902 in Los Angeles, California, by whom he had: one daughter.
- (f) Joseph Pembroke Thom (March 13 1828 – August 21 1899) who married (1st) Ellen DeCoursey Lea “Ella” Wright (May 2 1837 -) on October 11 1857 in Baltimore Maryland and (2nd) Catherine Grosh Reynolds (July 29 1841 -) in England. By Ellen Wright he had:
- 1) William Henry DeCoursey Wright Thom (October 14 1858 – c 1932) who married (1st) Mary Pleasants Gordon (c 1864 -) circa 1885 and (2nd) Mary Washington Keyser (November 1874 -) June 14 1910 in Baltimore Maryland by whom he had at least two children.
 - a) Anne Gordon Thom (October 1888 –).
 - b) Mary Gordon Thom (May 1892 –).By Mary Keyser, William had:
 - c) Elizabeth Keyser Thom (September 30 1912 –).
 - d) William Henry DeCoursey Wright Thom (c 1915 –).
 - 2) Pembroke Lea Thom (January 1861 – c 1932) who married Mary Washington Keyser (November 1874 -) June 14 1910 in Baltimore Maryland by whom he had at least two children.
 - a) Isabel Reiman Thom (December 1891 –).
 - b) Ella Lea Thom (April 8 1893 –).By Catherine Reynolds Joseph had:
 - 3) Hunt Reynolds Mayo Thom (May 29 1867 – c 1925) who married Helen Rolfe Hopkins (November 23 1869 -) on October 3 1900 in Baltimore, Maryland, by whom he had:
 - a) Catherine Reynolds Thom (March 30 1902 –).
 - b) Helen Rolfe Condgon Thom (August 19 1903 –).
 - c) Annette Hopkins Thom (March 12 1905 –).
 - 4) Joseph Pembroke Thom (April 1873–) who married Margaret Stirling (c 1877 -) circa 1912 by whom he had at least one daughter.

(g) Abigail Dehart Mayo Thom (December 23 1830 – November 21 1859) who married George Warren Fitzhugh (c 1826 – May 21 1873) of “Dutchland,” Prince William County, Virginia on June 13 1849 in Culpeper County, Virginia, by whom she had seven children.

 - 1) William Dehart Fitzhugh (March 11 1850– May 5 1910) who married Elizabeth Carter Grayson (December 18 1852 -) of “Bacon Hall” in Prince William County, Virginia, on October 18 1871, by whom he had:
 - a) Anne Blanche Fitzhugh (August 5 1872– c 1938) who married Harvey Earleton Hanes (January 1 1871 -) by whom she had three children.
 - b) Roberta Alexander Fitzhugh (October 21 1873–) who married William C. Boswell (c 1873 -). She had no children.
 - c) Mary Lee Fitzhugh (October 27 1875– June 29 1901) who married James C. Martin.
 - d) Pembroke Thom Fitzhugh (May 30 1877–).
 - e) Lena Grayson Fitzhugh (August 7 1879– January 23 1950) who married Stephen Conrad Stuntz (April 4 1875 -) on June 15 1907 in Culpeper, Virginia, by whom she had five children..

- f) William Dehart Fitzhugh, M.D. (August 17 1881–) who married Bessie May Wagner (c 1894 -) circa 1914 in Highland County, Virginia (now West Virginia), by whom he had seven children. William served in World War I.
 - g) John Cooke Grayson Fitzhugh (February 6 1884–) who married Marjorie F. _____, by whom he had three children. John was a dentist.
 - h) Mayo McGill Fitzhugh (June 17 1886–) who married Adele F. _____, by whom he had two children.
 - i) Elizabeth C. Fitzhugh (March 1889–).
 - j) Cameron Pratt Fitzhugh (February 5 1892–) was unmarried and was practicing as a private nurse in Baltimore, Maryland, in 1920.
 - k) Abigail Thom Fitzhugh (May 14 1894–).
- 2) Thomas Cameron Fitzhugh (November 27 1851–) was listed as a sailor on the 1870 census.
- 3) Elizabeth Bland Fitzhugh (May 26 1853–).
- 4) John Alexander Fitzhugh, M.D. (December 4 1854–) who married Agnes Allen Somerby (March 1857 -) .on July 11 1889, by whom he had three children.
- 5) Anne Blanche Fitzhugh (October 25 1856–).
- 6) Eugene Mayo Fitzhugh (November 6 1857–).
- 7) Henry Thom Fitzhugh (November 20 1859–).
- (6) Anne “Annie” Mayo (c 1796 - c 1863), the twin of Agnes, who married Lawrence Taliaferro Dade (c 1785 – Mar 25 1842) on May 4 1815 in Henrico County, Virginia. They are buried at Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond, Virginia. They had:
- (a) Lucy Fitzhugh Dade (June 8 1816 – January 15 1864) who married Junius Brutus Alexander (December 14 1814 – January 14 1893) on December 22 1836. They are buried together in the family plot at Cave Hill Cemetery in Louisville, Kentucky, though Lucy died in St. Louis. Junius' second marriage to Eliza Hickey Newcomb ended in divorce that made headlines and reached the New York Supreme Court in the 1870's. Lucy and Junius had:
 - 1) Eleanor “Ellen” Lee Alexander (February 8 1839– October 15 1926) who married John Henry Fitzhugh Mayo (June 1828 – April 24 1894). They are buried at Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond, Virginia. They had:
 - a) Randolph Emmerson Mayo (1859– 1859)
 - 2) Anita Mayo Alexander (February 15 1841–) who married James P. McAfee (1837 – 1911). They lived in Kentucky and they had:
 - a) Jennie Moore McAfee (August 12 1863 –) who married William Bates (c 1861 -)
 - b) Lucy Dade McAfee (c 1857 – c 1936) who married Lambert Brewer (1857 – 1938), by whom she had:
 - i) Junius Alexander Brewer (May 17 1894 – February 10 1895)
 - c) Ellen Fitzhugh McAfee (c 1867 –) who married Robert L. Courtney (1863 -), by whom she had:
 - i) Anita Alexander Courtney (c 1895 –)
 - d) Mary McAfee (August 20 1870 –)

- 3) Lawrence Dade Alexander (May 12 1843–) who married Orline St. John of Mobile, Alabama, on June 12 1866, by whom he had:
 - a) St. John Alexander (April 9 1867 –) who married Eugenia Louise Leonard on October 23 1895
 - b) Clinton Alexander (August 27 1869 –) who died in infancy.
 - c) Ernest Alexander (September 27 1872 –) who died in infancy
 - d) Lucy Alexander (April 3 1874 –) who married Edward A. W. Everett.
 - e) Lawrence Dade Alexander (September 7 1878 –)
- 4) Ludwell Brooke Alexander (July 21 1845– June 25 1868).
- 5) Welcome Taylor Alexander, M.D. (February 4 1848–) who married Aimee Gabriel Theyer on October 15 1879, by whom he had:
 - a) Ludwell Brooke Alexander (December 25 1880 –)
 - b) Aimee Alexander (August 15 1882 –)
 - c) Lee Francis Alexander (August 22 1888 –)
- 6) Armistead Mason Alexander (May 12 1850– May 16 1889) who married Virginia E. Norton of Lexington, Kentucky..
- 7) Ernest Hopkins Alexander (September 13 1852– March 1 1855).
- 8) Francis Dade Alexander (March 7 1855–).
- 9) Lucy Fitzhugh Alexander (August 10 1857– September 7 1858).
- 10) Elizabeth Henry Alexander (October 21 1860– November 4 1860).
- (b) Mary Jackson Dade (January 12 1821 – May 8 1895) who married Daniel McCarty Fitzhugh Thornton (November 10 1800 – October 12 1865), purser of the U.S. Navy, as his second wife, on October 7 1845 in Richmond, Virginia. Mary is buried at Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond, Virginia. Daniel is believed to be buried near Micauba, Florida. All said to have been born in Norfolk, Virginia, they had:
 - 1) Lawrence Dade Thornton (November 10 1846– July 1 1869), who is buried at Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond. Lawrence serviced in Co G, 3rd Regiment, C.S.A.2)
 - 2) Mary Jackson Thornton (July 16 1848– February 4 1885) who married Catlett Fitzhugh Conway (January 5 1840 – December 6 1929) of Madison County, Virginia, and her sister's widower: They are buried at Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond.
 - 3) Lucy Fitzhugh Thornton (April 20 1850– June 16 1881) who married Catlett Fitzhugh Conway (January 5 1840 – December 6 1929) of Madison County, Virginia. They are buried at Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond. Lucy and Catlett had:
 - a) Mary Conway (c 1872 –).
 - b) Virginia Conway (c 1876 –).
 - c) M. C. Conway (c 1879 –), a son.
 - 4) Foxhall Alexander Parker Thornton (January 26 1852– December 11 1939) who married (1st) Sarah Frances Flournoy (May 7 1853 – June 8 1886) on October 20 1875 in Richmond, Virginia, and (2nd) Lucy Hanes. By Sarah, he had:
 - a) Annie Flournoy Thornton (May 21 1876 –)
 - b) Lawrence Dade Thornton (c 1877 –)
 - c) Parker James Thornton (October 10 1878 –)

- d) Grayson Daniel Thornton (October 10 1879 – January 11 1947) who married Elizabeth New Crowder, by whom he had at least five children.
- e) Alexander Thornton (January 1881 –)
- f) Sarah Thornton (May 21 1882 –)
- g) Maggie Thornton (November 8 1883 –)

By Lucy Hanes , Foxhall had:

- h) Virginia D. Thornton (January 23 1889 –)
 - i) Foxhall Parker Thornton (September 11 1890 –)
 - j) Carrie L. Thornton (c 1891 –)
 - k) Nannie D. Thornton (November 24 1893 –)
- 4) Baylor B. Thornton (February 2 1854–) who married Olive Mary Smith in St. Louis, Missouri, by whom he had:
- a) Lawrence Dade Thornton (May 10 1895 – January 16 1958) who was born in Hannibal, Missouri, and died in New York City.
 - b) Mary Olive Thornton (April 23 1897 – November 1978) who was born in St. Louis, Missouri, and died in Minneapolis, Minnesota.
- 5) Hay Taliaferro Thornton (May 7 1857– July 27 1935), who is buried at Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond.
- 6) Daniel McCarty Fitzhugh Thornton (February 17 1859– December 2 1941) who married Anne Ellen Fluornoy (May 24 1857 – March 19 1945) on July 4 1883 in Richmond, Virginia. They are buried at Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond. They had:
- a) Daniel McCarty Fitzhugh Thornton, Jr. (April 27 1885 – July 16 1978) who married Edith Argyle Carneal (September 4 1891 – September 26 1990) on October 14 1915. In 1930, Daniel was assistant treasurer of a hotel in Richmond, Virginia. Daniel and Edith are buried at Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond, Virginia. They had at least three children.
 - b) Mary Dade Fitzhugh Thornton (November 24 1886 –).
 - c) Parke Poindexter Thornton (February 2 1888 – March 1 1966), who is buried Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond.
 - d) Elise Archer Fitzhugh Thornton (September 22 1889 –).
 - e) Sarah Flournoy Thornton (June 8 1892 –).
 - f) James Mayo Thornton (November 13 1897 –).
 - g) Virginia Elizabeth Thornton (September 21 1899 –).
- 7) Arthur Conway Thornton (May 23 1865–).
- (c) William Mayo Dade (– December 1880) who is buried at Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond, Virginia.
 - (d) Frances Cadwallader Dade (March 22 1829 –)
 - (e) Lawrence Alexander Dade (–)
 - (f) Virginia Elizabeth Dade (January 17 1833 – April 23 1906) who is buried at Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond, Virginia
 - (g) Agnes Macon Dade (c 1837 – December 20 1920) who married Robert Hunter Fitzhugh (1836 – 1919). She died in Montgomery, Alabama. He died in Alaska.

- (h) Anne "Nannie" Mayo Dade (December 26 1839 – November 9 1918) who is buried at Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond, Virginia.
- (7) Agnes Mayo (c 1796 – June 1869), the twin of Anne, who married Catlett Conway Macon (c 1792 -) on March 5 1816 in Henrico County, Virginia, by whom she had six children.
- (8) Robert Atkinson Mayo (February 22 1799 – July 4 1872) who married Sarah Atkinson Taliaferro (October 8 1799 -) by whom he had seven children.
- C. MARY POYTHRESS (c1763 - December 17 1815), who married John Batte (June 17 1757 - September 19 1816), the son of Robert Batte and Martha Patterson. Mary is said to be buried in the Batte family graveyard at "Mancelle" plantation in Virginia. John died while visiting White Sulphur Springs in West Virginia and is buried at the Old Stone Church, Lewisburg, West Virginia. They had:
- (1) Anne "Nancy" Bland Batte (October 20 1785 - July 15 1870), who married Charles Russell in 1807. She is buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg, Virginia. They had:
- (a) Ann Russell (c 1809 -).
- (b) John Y. Russell (c 1810- February 1 1891) who married Julia A. Brandon of Georgia (c 1824 - February 11 1849), by whom he had:
- 1) Ann B. Russell (c 1846 - August 28 1850).
- 2) Julia E. Russell (December 5 1848 - March 8 1940) who married Chapman Johnson Syme (September 7 1842 - January 26 1925), son of Dr. William Henry Syme and Ann Mays, and they had:
- a) Ann B. Syme (c 1872 -).
- b) William Henry Syme (February 24 1873 – March 11 1927) who married Rosalie French (February 26 1876 – January 29 1942) circa 1906. It appears that they had no children.
- (c) Julia Brandon Syme (July 1875 – January 20 1978) who is a stenographer and a bookkeeper at a "tobacco factory" in the early 1900's when she is living with her parents. Julia lived to be 102 years old and is buried at Bland ford Cemetery in Petersburg Virginia with her parents.
- (d) Laura Russell Syme (August 31 1881 - November 21 1960) who in 1910 is a public school teacher and living with her parents..
- (e) Bernard Chapman Syme (June 19 1888 - September 28 1945) who is living with his parents in 1910 at age 21 and practicing as a lawyer. He married Nannie Byrd Trigg (c 1888 - March 31 1939), daughter of Thomas P. and Betsy Trigg of Abingdon Virginia. Bernard and Nannie had at least three children, Bernard C. Syme Jr. (November 1915 - March 1981), Preston T. Syme (April 13 1918 - December 12 2010) and Betsy T. Syme (c 1923 -). Bernard Sr. was elected president of the Petersburg Bar Association in 1922.
- (c) Coriolanus Russell (April 8 1812 - April 1 1900), who married Mary Peyton Mason (1817 - 1903), by whom he had:
- 1) Mary Mason Russell (c 1839 - January 10 1922) who never married.
- 2) Anne Bland Russell (c 1842 - 1864? Or 1900?) who never married
- 3) Francis "Frank" Rives Russell (c 1844 - February 28 1923) who never married.

- 4) Charles Sidney Russell (August 3 1847 - February 12 1919) who never married.
- 5) Laura Mason Russell (c 1851 - November 12 1917) who never married.⁶²
- 6) Corinna (or Caroline) R. Russell (October 10 1855 - March 14 1904) who married Benjamin Lyon (c 1849 - September 22 1928) on December 7 1881. They were parents of:
 - a) Mary R. Lyon (c 1884 -)
 - b) Corinna R. Lyon (c 1890 -)
 - c) unnamed infant Lyon (March 17 1891 - March 17 1891).
 - d) Elizabeth Lyon (c 1894 -)
 - e) Agnes E. Lyon (c 1894 -)
 - f) Charles Sidney Lyon (c 1895 -)
- (d) Susanna Russell (c1814 - February 8 1894) who never married.
- (e) Mary P. Russell. (c1816 - February 17 1882) who never married.
- (2) Elizabeth Bland Batte, who married Patrick Madden, by whom she had:
 - (a) Mary C. Madden, who married John W. Syme (- November 26 1865), a lawyer and owner/editor of the Petersburg Intelligencer in Virginia and the Raleigh Register in North Carolina before the Civil War, which he opposed. John was the son of the Rev. Andrew Syme (1755 - 1845) of Scotland, rector of Blandford Church and St. Paul's Church, both in Petersburg Virginia, for over 40 years, Mary and John had:
 - 1) Andrew Syme (June 24 1841 - July 5 1894), who married Blanche Bragg (1843 - 1870) on April 28 1869 in Raleigh North Carolina. Blanche was the daughter of the former North Carolina Governor and Senator Thomas Bragg. They had:
 - a) Blanche Syme (January 1870 - January 7 1960), who married Charles MacAlester Gilliam (January 21 1860 - December 26 1941). Blanche was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution as a descendant of Richard Bland and Anne Poythress (DAR ref. #35633). Blanche and Charles had three children.
 - (3) John Henry Batte (February 25 1803 - December 10 1882), who married Martha Ann Mason, by whom he had:
 - (a) Robert Bolling Batte (1842 - 1880). Robert married his Bland cousin, Helen Bland French (see pg. 147).
 - (b) Rosa Bland Batte (-) who married Robert R. Hill.⁶³

D. LUCY BLAND POYTHRESS (c1764 -) married John Eppes on January 23 1806 In Prince George County, Virginia. It is not evident that Lucy had children. John remarried in 1823. In February 1801, Lucy freed slaves: Kate, Cressee (daughter of Kate), Harriett (daughter of Cressee), and John (son of Cressee).

⁶² Laura was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution as a descendant of Richard Bland (1710-1776) and Anne Poythress (ID #35042).

⁶³ Rosa was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution as a descendant of Richard Bland (1710-1776) and Anne Poythress (#35036).

- E. WILLIAM POYTHRESS (1765 - 1810) of "Branchester" who married his cousin Elizabeth "Betty" Blair Bland (1770-) (see above, p. 63) on February 10 1787 in Prince George County, Virginia.⁶⁴
- F. SARAH "SALLY" BLAND POYTHRESS (c 1768 – May 28 1828) married (1st) in 1786 her cousin Richard "Squire" Lee (1726 - 1795), the son of Henry Lee I and Mary Bland, and (2nd) Willoughby Newton (- June 1812) on May 23 1796 in Westmoreland County Virginia. As Richard was 60 and Sally 17 at the time of their marriage, they were lucky the Richard survived ten years to produce their five children
- (1) Richard Lee Jr. (c 1788 – 1790).
 - (2) Mary Lee (February 12 1790 – 1848).
 - (3) Letitia Lee (c 1792 – 1827), who married John Augustine Smith (August 29 1782 – February 9 1865) on April 3 1809 in Westmoreland County Virginia. John was a descendant of John Smith who was Speaker of the Virginia House of Burgesses in 1658. He was a physician and educator, born in Westmoreland County, President of the College of William and Mary, and president of the College of Physicians and Surgeons. He died in New York City. Letitia and John had:
 - (a) Sally Poythress Smith who married John Campbell.
 - (b) Martha Burwell Smith who married John H. Hitchburn.
 - (c) Mary Dabney Smith.
 - (d) Augustine Smith.
 - (4) Infant Son Lee (c1793 – 1793).
 - (5) Richardia Lee (c 1795 – c 1850) who married Presley Cox (c 1790 -) of Chesterfield County Virginia and had by him:
 - (a) Elizabeth Cox (c 1818 -) who married E. C. Griffith.
 - (b) Sarah Lee Cox who married Thomas Brown, by whom she had:
 - 1) Thomas Brown Jr.
- With Willoughby Newton, Sally had:
- (6) John P. Newton. (c 1798 –) who married Mary E. Cox on June 24 1822 in Westmoreland County Virginia, whom he had Sallie Poythress Newton.

⁶⁴ I've seen different versions of William's marriages and had never made the effort to sort them out. Searching now, I see why the thought of attempting it gave me nightmares. Every one of the "old experts" has a different number of marriages and none of the wives have all the same names. William is alleged to have married a Bland, a Bolling, and the widow Marable. The mother of our Elizabeth Blair Bland was a Bolling, which may have contributed part of the confusion. I suspect William never married the widow Marable due to his young age at the time he married our Elizabeth. Most importantly, it has become certain in recent times that William's surviving widow was his cousin Elizabeth Blair Bland who went by "Betty." Rev. Cameron's Marriage Registers shows their marriage when William was only 21-22. Per his will dated in 1810 as well as census and other records, they had one daughter, Elizabeth Bland Poythress, and no sons. He left his land to the sons of his cousin, also named William Poythress but "of Flowerdew," who was of similar age and to whom one or more of those other marriages may belong. William of Flowerdew had at least four sons, three of whom were orphaned minors for whom Betty was guardian in her own right after both Williams died. Betty was also guardian for the orphaned three infant sons of another cousin, Hardiman/Hardyman Poythress, as early as 1811. Betty raised all of the minor boys at Branchester where her daughter Elizabeth lived throughout her adult life with her husband, Richard Marks. (As a side note, I think that whatever portion of my monologue we print should include laudatory exclamations over those government officials who allowed her guardianship as well as for her obviously deserving self.) Barbara Bland

- (7) Eliza Bland Newton (c 1800 – February 25 1873) who married Robert Murphy on May 18 1818 in Westmoreland County Virginia, by whom she had:
- (a) Thomas Newton Murphy (May 12 1827 -December 7 1902) who married Sarah Elizabeth Bowie (April 15 1829 – October 29 1889) on December 11 1856, both of whom are buried at the Yeocomico Churchyard, Westmoreland County Virginia. They had:
 - 1) Mary B. Murphy .
 - 2) Eliza N. Murphy.
 - 3) Robert Murphy (April 1860 – December 25 1919) who married Mary L. Taylor (March 4 1860 – April 6 1931), both of whom are buried at Yeocominco Churchyard, Westmoreland County Virginia.
 - 4) Ella S. Murphy
 - (b) John Newton Murphy (September 15 1834 – February 12 1897) who married Mary Lee Brown (October 24 1840 -) on October 2 1860, both of whom are buried at the Yeocomico Churchyard, Westmoreland County Virginia. According to the obit in his fraternity magazine, John graduated Williams College in 1854 and lived in Kenmore Virginia when he died, at which time Mary relocated to Machodoc, both in Westmoreland County. They had:
 - 1) Lilly Murphy who married John H. Hitchburn.
 - 2) Mary Lee Murphy, (- 1932)
 - 3) Bessie Murphy,.
 - 4) Gawina Corbin Murphy (May 23 1869 – September 29 1924) who married David Cornelius Kellam (September 28 1854 – March 7 1925) on May 7 1899 in Westmoreland County Virginia. Gawina is buried at Yeocomico Churchyard, Westmoreland County Virginia. David is buried with his first wife at Johnson's Methodist Churchyard, Northampton County Virginia. Gawina and David had:
 - a) David Corbin Kellam (c 1900 – c 1935) who married (1st) Elsie Painter by whom he had David Corbin Kellam Jr., and (2nd) Viola Overton.
 - b) Henry Stafford Kellam (January 17 1906 – c June 1979) who married Esther Trumbull (January 7 1905 -) on October 2 1931 in Plainville Connecticut, by whom he had Martha Lee Kellam who married James E. Couture
 - 5) H. Stafford Murphy (c 1872 – c 1936).
 - 6) Frederica Fenton Murphy (c 1874 – 1925), who married Lloyd Tilghman Tayloe (c 1877 – c 1953) on October 24 1899 in Westmoreland County Virginia.
 - 7) Louisa Murphy,
 - 8) Mary Lee Murphy.
 - 9) Sarah A. Murphy.
- (8) Willoughby Newton Jr. (December 2 1802 – May 23 1874), who married (1st) Elizabeth Armistead (August 29 1782 – c 1826) circa 1825 and (2nd) Mary Stevenson Brockenbrough (September 15 1811 – January 9 1888), the daughter of Judge William Brockenbrough, on May 12 1830. Willoughby was born at “Lee Hall” in Westmoreland County Virginia and lived and died at “Linden” in Westmoreland County. He studied law at William and Mary College and

served in the Virginia House of Delegates from 1826 to 1832, then served in the U.S. House of Representatives from 1843 to 1845. He and Mary are buried at the Newton Family Cemetery located on "Linden Farm" near Hague Virginia in Westmoreland County. By Mary he had:

- (a) Sarah "Sally" Bland Newton (April 7 1830 – April 19 1867) who married Dr. John Philip Smith (January 27 1822 – December 29 1884) on March 27 1849 in Westmoreland County Virginia. They are buried at Mount Hebron Cemetery in Winchester Virginia. Sally and Philip had:
 - 1) Willoughby Newton Smith (February 11 1850 – April 22 1910)
 - 2) Louisa Phillipa Smith (August 4 1852 – April 2 1856)
 - 3) Edward Jaquelin Smith (June 24 1853 – March 13 1857)
 - 4) Philip Bruce Smith (December 15 1855 – March 11 1858)
 - 5) Mary Brockenbrough Smith (May 24 1859 -) who at age 11 in 1870 was living with her Newton grandparents. Mary married Thomas Dulaney Addison (October 1846 -) a farmer of Fairfax County Virginia circa 1887. Thomas and Mary had:
 - a) John D. Addison (January 1888 -)
 - b) Sallie Bland Addison (October 1890 -)
 - 6) William Newton Smith (c 1864 -)
 - 7) Raleigh Colston Smith (February 2 1867 – November 7 1917) who is living with his grandmother and aunt Judith Claybrook in 1880.
- (b) William Brockenbrough Newton (April 15 1832 – October 11 1863). Williams studied law at the University of Virginia, then settled in Hanover County Virginia and was elected in 1859 to represent that County in the legislature. He married Mary Mann Page on May 11 1853. He was a Captain of the Hanover Troop of the 4th Virginia Cavalry (CSA), was captured and exchanged in May-June 1862, then was killed leading at the head of the charge at Raccoon Ford. It is said that his troops wept openly as they encamped that night. William and Mary had:
 - 1) Willoughby Newton (June 4 1855 – November 2 1923) who married Susan Walker Booton (November 21 1867 -). They lived in Hanover County where he was a lawyer and are buried at Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond Virginia. Willoughby and Susan had three children, Mildred Pendleton, Marie P. and William Brockenbrough.
 - 2) Lucy Landon Page Newton (c 1859 -) who married John St. Clair Brookes (c 1850 -) on January 31 1884 in Hanover County Virginia.
 - 3) Catherine "Kate" Brockenbrough Newton (November 23 1859 – January 30 1933) who married Waller Christian (April 5 1858 -) of Middlesex County Virginia on October 23 1884 in Hanover County. They lived in Richmond Virginia where they are buried in the Hollywood Cemetery. They had:
 - a) Lucy Newton Christian (May 5 1886 -) who married James Markham Ambler Johnston (May 18 1885 -) on January 5 1910 in Richmond Virginia. They lived in Richmond where they had three children and are buried there in Hollywood Cemetery.
 - b) Joseph Christian (c 1889 – June 1907) who is buried at Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond Virginia.
- (c) Sarah Newton (c 1833 -) who married Dr. Philip Smith.
- (d) Mary Willoughby Newton (c 1835 -) who died young.

- (e) Willoughby Newton III (October 31 1837 – June 20 1897) who married Elizabeth “Bessie” Lewis Marshall (June 10 1841 – July 10 1888) on November 10 1863. Willoughby died in Washington, D.C., and both he and Bessie are buried in the Leeds Episcopal Church Cemetery in Hume, Fauquier County Virginia. They had:
- 1) James “Jimmie” Keith Marshall Newton (c 1865)
 - 2) Mary Willoughby Newton (November 6 1866 -)
 - 3) Rebecca Peyton Newton (March 7 1868 -)
 - 4) Edward Marshall “Marshall” Newton (c 1872 -)
 - 5) Elizabeth “Bessie” Lewis Newton (November 8 1875 -)
 - 6) William Newton (c 1878 -)
 - 7) Jaquelin Ambler Newton (January 2 1881 -), a lawyer.
- (f) John Brockenbrough Newton (February 7 1839 – May 28 1897). The Right Reverend John Newton was consecrated as a priest of the Episcopal Church in 1873, then as assistant Bishop of the Episcopal Church in May 1894. He was rector of the Monumental Church in Richmond Virginia where the stained glass window of the ascension was placed in his memory at the time of his death. According to his biography which was largely written by his daughter Mary and appeared in the “Scarab,” the newsletter of the alumni association of the Medical College of Virginia (“MCV”), John was also a physician, graduating from MCV in 1860 then returning to his hometown to practice. He later became the first president of the alumni association. John enlisted in 1861 in Company K, 40th Virginia (CSA) as a private, was eventually made a Surgeon and Major in charge of several hospitals in Virginia. He had to amputate his brother's leg after the battle at Chancellorsville. After the War he returned home, started his family and embarked on his theological studies. John also served as rector in Tappahannock and at St. Luke's Church in Norfolk Virginia. John married Roberta Page Williamson and they both are buried at Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond. The biography of their daughter Mary claims she was their “only daughter,” implying that Sarah died in childhood. They had:
- 1) William Brockenbrough Newton (c 1863 -)
 - 2) Mary Mann Page Newton (July 16 1865 – June 5 1929) who married William Glover Stanard (October 2 1858 – May 6 1933) on April 17 1900 in Richmond, Virginia. Both Mary and William are included in the Encyclopedia of Virginia Biography for their separate authorships and other contributions to the preservation of Virginia's history and genealogical records. Mary was the historian of the board of managers of the Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities and was the author of “The Story of Bacon's Rebellion” (1907).
 - 3) Sarah Bland Newton (c 1867 – before 1880) who died young.
 - 4) John Brockenbrough Newton (c 1868 -) who married Laura Neal on October 29 1890 in Marion, North Carolina, by whom he had at least one son.
 - 5) Joseph Newton (December 1869 – before 1880) who died young.
 - 6) Willoughby Newton (November 23 1871 – December 17 1908) who married Alice Oliver. He is buried at Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond Virginia.

- 7) Robert Page "Page" Newton (c 1874 -) who married Euphemia Inglis, by whom he had at least two daughters and two sons. They lived primarily in Middletown, Connecticut, until he retired and moved to Norfolk, Virginia.
- 8) McQuire Newton (May 25 1876 – May 8 1923) who was a physician and never married. He is buried at Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond Virginia.
- 9) Otway "Otta" Byrd Newton (December 1878 – October 22 1933) who married Emily Purvis (September 9 1889 – April 26 1970). They are buried at the Evergreen Burial Park in Roanoke, Virginia.
- 10) Channing Moore Newton (October 17 1879 – December 12 1910) who married Margaret Watson (October 3 1883 – July 25 1911). They lived in Roanoke, Virginia, in 1910 and had no children. They are buried at Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond Virginia.
- 11) Alliene Williamson Newton (March 14 1881 – March 19 1942) who married Harleston T. Lucas (1879 – 1952) circa 1907 by whom he had at least two daughters, Martha J. Newton (c 1908 -) and Mary Page "Page" Newton (April 9 1913 – November 11 1994). Alliene was a bookkeeper in 1920. She and Harleston are buried at the Magnolia Cemetery, Charleston, South Carolina.
- (g) Robert Murphy Newton (May 15 1842 -) who was practicing as a lawyer in Westmoreland County in 1870 while living with his parents.
- (h) Judith "Judy" White Newton. (October 29 1843 -) who married Edwin Claybrook (c 1842 -) on January 15 1867, by whom she had:
 - 1) Richard Atkinson Claybrook (November 27 1867 -)
 - 2) Willoughby Newton Claybrook (September 1 1869 -)
 - 3) Edwin Claybrook (August 10 1871-)
 - 4) Mary Brockenbrough Claybrook (July 29 1873 -)
 - 5) Charlotte Brown Claybrook (May 8 1875 -)
 - 6) Sallie Claybrook (c 1877 -)
 - 7) John Newton Claybrook (February 9 1879 -)
- (i) Annie Newton (c 1847 -) is 23 years in 1870 and living with her parents.
- (j) Edward Colston Newton (April 4 1849 -September 1 1913) who married Lucy Yeats Tyler (1854 – 1919) in October 1875. Edward and Lucy are buried at the Newton Family Cemetery in Westmoreland County. They had:
 - 1) Wat Henry Tyler Newton (August 10 1876 – c 1900)
 - 2) Willoughby Newton (March 1877 -)
 - 3) Edward Colston Newton, Jr. (October 19 1879 -) who apparently died in infancy.
 - 4) Jane Blake Newton (April 3 1882 -) who married William George Walker.
 - 5) Mary Stevenson Newton (February 8 1884 – October 18 1963) who married Thomas Niven Massey (June 11 1883 – December 18 1960) also of Westmoreland County Virginia on February 8 1910 in Westmoreland County. by whom she had:
 - a) Robert Bruce Massey
 - b) Lucy Newton Massey.
 - 6) Edward Colston Newton, Jr. (March 2 1885 -) who apparently died in infancy.

- 7) Frederick Griffith Newton (July 1887 -) who married Kathleen Taylor.
- 8) Blake Tyler Newton (October 22 1889 – April 30 1977) who married Kathleen Taylor.
- 9) William Fairfax Newton
- 10) Robert Murphy Newton (-) who married Margaret Elizabeth Caldwell.
- (9) Thomas F. Newton (c 1804 – who married Presley Cox (c 1790 -) of Chesterfield County Virginia, had by him:
 - (10) Agnes Atkinson Newton (c 1807 –), who married James Muse Smith (October 16 1799 – January 1862) of Northumberland County Virginia and had by him:
 - (a) Sarah Smith (c 1830 -)
 - (b) James Muse Smith Jr. (1832 –) who married Ann O. _____ (c 1828 -), by whom he had Agnes N. Smith (c 1859 -). James was a physician educated at the Medical College of Virginia, Treasurer of Northumberland County Virginia. At some point they moved to Baltimore Maryland.
 - (c) Willoughby Newton Smith (c 1836 – March 4 1866) who was a lawyer educated at the University of Virginia. He served as a Lieutenant Colonel in the Confederate Army artillery.
 - (d) Elizabeth Bland Smith (March 13 1838 – July 19 1905) who married William Fauntleroy Brockenbrough (c 1826 - 1890) of Richmond Virginia on June 5 1860 in Northumberland County Virginia. They are buried in St. John's Church Cemetery in Warsaw Virginia, and there is a large collection of family papers at the University of Virginia Library. They had:
 - 1) Sarah “Sadie” Smith Brockenbrough (July 1 1862 – May 8 1949), who married James Christian Lamb (November 18 1853 -) of “Rural Shades” in Charles City County Virginia, on December 1 1885 in Warsaw Virginia. Sarah and James are buried at Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond Virginia. They had:
 - a) William Brockenbrough Lamb (September 18 1886 -),
 - b) James Christian Lamb (September 27 1891 -),
 - c) Eliza Bland Lamb (October 1898 -).
 - (2) James Smith Brockenbrough (June 11 1865 – December 12 1925), who married Elizabeth W. Powell (June 4 1867 – December 7 1938) circa 1895, both of whom are buried at Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond Virginia. James was a book keeper in 1910. All three of their children are living with their parents in 1930, appear never to have married, and are buried at Hollywood Cemetery. They had:
 - a) Elizabeth Bland Brockenbrough (September 27 1897 – September 27 1985),
 - b) William Fauntleroy Brockenbrough (June 26 1900 -February 26 1971),
 - c) Rebecca Leigh Brockenbrough (June 24 1904 – February 19 2002).
 - 3) Alice “Sis Allie” Waller Brockenbrough (February 6 1870 – 1955) who never married.
 - 4) William Fauntleroy Brockenbrough (November 28 1872 -)
 - 5) Willoughby Newton Brockenbrough (January 1875 – August 4 1875).
 - 6) Agnes Atkinson Brockenbrough (August 1876 – 1967) who was unmarried in 1930.
 - 7) Eliza “Lila” Bland Brockenbrough (December 5 1879 – 1917) who never married.

(e) Mary Smith (c 1844 –) who probably died before 1860.

(f) Agnes Newton Smith (c 1846 – February 4 1863).

G. SUSANNAH POYTHRESS (October 15, 1769 - c 1839) married a first cousin Richard Bland (1762-1806) (see above p. 51), the son of her mother Elizabeth's brother Richard Bland (1730-1786).

H. AGNES POYTHRESS (1771 – November 28 1821) married Roger Pleasants Atkinson (February 28 1764 – April 23 1829) of "Olive Hill" plantation on September 20 1788 at "Branchester" plantation, Prince George County, Virginia. Roger was named in Edward Bland's (1746-1795) will as one of the guardians of Edward's two younger sons, Peter and Colin. Agnes and Roger lived at "Olive Hill" plantation in Chesterfield County, Virginia. They had:

(1) Agnes Poythress Atkinson (1789 –) who married Benjamin Munford Harrison (November 17 1788 – May 22 1857) on April 10 1809 in Chesterfield County, Virginia.

(2) John Atkinson (1790 –) who married (1st) his cousin Mary Ann Pryor (- October 1822), daughter of Richard Pryor and Anne Poythress Bland, (see pg. 118 below). (2nd) Elizabeth Harris. She is said to be buried at the Pryor-Atkinson graveyard located at the Harper's home in Dinwiddie County, Virginia. By Mary Ann, he had:

(a) Anne "Nancy" Bland Atkinson (October 4 1812 – June 12 1863) who married Nathaniel "Nathan" Harrison Baird (March 12 1812 -) of Prince George County, Virginia. They lived in Person County, North Carolina, where most of their children were born. After Anne's demise, Nathaniel married her cousin, Agnes Poythress Atkinson (January 23 1834 -) (see pg. 88). Anne and Nathaniel had:

1) Jane Gilliam Baird (August 16 1831 – April 29 1905) who never married and is buried at the Concord Presbyterian Church, Brunswick County, Virginia.

2) John Atkinson Baird (October 29 1836 – July 8 1918) who married Marie (or Mariah) Campbell Reade.

3) James Dunlop Baird (June 29 1838 -) who married Mary Louisa Dickens, by whom he had at least five children.

4) William Gilliam Baird (January 30 1840 -) who married Elizabeth Watkins Morton on January 23 1867.

5) Donald McKenzie Baird (c 1841 -) who married Martha Jane Edmunds on December 11 1867 in Brunswick County, Virginia, by whom he had at least four children.

6) Mary Anne Pryor Baird (April 23 1843 -) who married John Lisle Scott on November 14 1876.

7) Jane Henry Baird (August 16 1845 – July 8 1847).

8) Anne Maria Baird (September 14 1848 -) who married Edward T. Powell on October 6 1866, by whom she had at least five children.

9) Nathaniel Harrison Baird Jr. (October 23 1849 – March 27 1919) who married his cousin Elizabeth V. Holcombe on December 14 1876 in Dinwiddie County, Virginia. They are buried at the Concord

Presbyterian Church, Brunswick County, Virginia. They had at least eight children.

10) Roger Pryor Baird (July 21 1851 – September 29 1852).

11) Thomas Pleasants Baird (June 27 1852 – April 10 1906) who married his cousin Eliza Cumming Baird (November 15 1851 – November 18 1939) on November 24 1875. They are buried at the Concord Presbyterian Church, Brunswick County, Virginia. They had at least five children.

(b) Roger Pryor Atkinson (August 18 1819 – June 24 1888) who married Clara Fisher Wilson (July 26 1828 – July 28 1912) on December 16 1852 in Brunswick County, Virginia. They are buried at the Concord Presbyterian Church, Brunswick County, Virginia.

1) Anna Westmore Atkinson (January 7 1856– January 28 1946) who married Dr. Hume S. Feild (November 10 1829 – August 15 1891) as his second wife. Hume and Anna are buried at the Concord Presbyterian Church, Brunswick County, Virginia. They had:

a) Lula Osborne Feild (1867 – 1945) who married John Flood Edmunds (1860 – 1938) by whom she had at least two children. Lula and John are buried at the Concord Presbyterian Church, Brunswick County, Virginia. Her daughter Bessie Feild Edmunds married her cousin, Thomas T. Atkinson, below.

2) John Pryor Atkinson (May 24 1858– November 2 1911) who married Sarah “Sally” Green Jones (October 13 1860 – November 14 1943) on May 26 1886 in Dinwiddie County, Virginia. John donated the land for Sunnyside High School in Dinwiddie County, Virginia. John and Sally are buried at the Concord Presbyterian Church, Brunswick County, Virginia. They had:

a) Thomas T. Atkinson (September 18 1890 – March 25 1944) who married Bessie Feild Edmunds (June 8 1891 – November 27 1980) by whom he had at least two children. Thomas and Bessie are buried at the Concord Presbyterian Church, Brunswick County, Virginia.

b) John Pryor Atkinson (March 18 1897 – July 17 1955) who died unmarried. John served in Co. L, 60th Infantry during World War I.

c) Clara Wilson Atkinson (August 18 1901 – January 24 1925) who married Mr. Walton.

d) Margaret Bolling Atkinson (–) who married Mr. Roller.

e) Meade Randolph Atkinson (February 5 1905 – October 13 1987) who married Grace Charlton (June 13 1905 – September 24 1997), by whom he had at least one daughter, Martha Bolling Atkinson Heartwell (1929 – 2003) who was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

3) Maria Jones Atkinson (July 22 1864– September 8 1941) who never married and is buried at the Concord Presbyterian Church, Brunswick County, Virginia.

4) Clara Wilson Atkinson (October 14 1869– November 23 1944) who never married and is buried at the Concord Presbyterian Church, Brunswick County, Virginia.

- (3) Thomas Poythress Atkinson (1797 –), a physician, who married Mary Harrison Baird. He lived in Danville, Virginia, in 1863.
 - (4) Jane Bland Atkinson (c 1799 –) who married her cousin William Bland Pryor, the son of Richard Pryor and Anne Bland (page 119 below)
 - (5) Sarah Bland Atkinson (–) who married her cousin Joseph Jones, Jr., son of Joseph Jones and Jane Atkinson, the daughter of Roger Atkinson and Ann Pleasants.
 - (6) Lucy Epes Atkinson (1800/10 – December 30 1829) who married as his first wife her cousin Theodorick Bland Pryor (January 9 1805 – July 27 1890), son of Richard Pryor and Anne Bland (page 119 below)
 - (7) Caroline Eliza Atkinson (July 21 1806 – February 15 1895) who married her cousin Philip Mayo (November 3 1794 -), the son of Joseph Mayo and Jane Poythress, on February 6 1823 :
 - (8) Robert Atkinson (1808 – April 21 1876) who married Virginia Suit on March 11 1833. They are buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia:
 - (a) Agnes Poythress Atkinson (January 23 1834 – January 10 1919) who married (1st) Hugh Wylie Holcombe on September 23 1856 and (2nd) her cousin's widower Nathaniel Harrison Baird (March 12 1812 -) on March 1 1865 in Petersburg, Virginia. By Hugh she had:
 - 1) Elizabeth Virginia Holcombe (July 29 1857– December 21 1941) who married her cousin Nathaniel Harrison Baird (October 23 1849 – March 27 1919), both of whom are buried at the Concord Presbyterian Church Cemetery in Brunswick County, Virginia. They had at least:
 - a) Harry Davis Baird (May 3 1895 – May 16 1960) who married Margaret Jones Tucker (April 1 1896 – January 29 1962). They are buried at the Concord Presbyterian Church Cemetery in Brunswick County, Virginia.
 - By Nathaniel she had:
 - 2) Robert Atkinson Baird (March 1 1865–)
 - (b) Mary C. Atkinson (August 21 1838 –).
 - (c) Jane Poythress Atkinson (c 1839 –).
 - (d) Robert Atkinson (c 1843 –).
 - (e) Thomas Atkinson (c 1845 –).
 - (f) Roger Atkinson (March 13 1849 –).
 - (g) William Mayo Atkinson (January 23 1852 –).
- (9) Roger Poythress Atkinson (1810 –) who married Margaret M. LittleJohn.
- (10) Ann Pleasants Atkinson (October 1 1813 – May 30 1863) who married Henry Ruffin Baird (January 16 1811 –) on May 19 1831. Henry is the brother of Nathaniel Harrison Baird who married Ann's niece. Ann died in Danville, Virginia at the home of her brother Dr. Thomas P. Atkinson. Ann and Henry had:

- (a) Agnes Poythress Baird (October 18 1835 – January 7 1861) who married George Chambliss.
- (b) Mary Baird (July 24 1838 – September 30 1890) who married George Craighhead Cabell, by whom she had at least five children.
- (c) Elizabeth “Bettie” Baird (July 9 1840 – May 18 1916) who married Francis Fitzgerald Thweatt (August 28 1837 – May 15 1919), by whom she had at least three children. Elizabeth and Francis are buried together at the Concord Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Brunswick County, Virginia.
- (d) William Baird (August 1842 – August 1842).
- (e) Anne “Nannie” P. Baird (February 2 1846 – August 6 1923) who never married and is buried at the Concord Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Brunswick County, Virginia.
- (f) William Feild Baird (January 11 1850 – March 13 1932) who married Maria Louise Edmunds (August 23 1859 – February 15 1935) of Dinwiddie County, Virginia, as her second husband. They are buried together at the Concord Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Brunswick County, Virginia.
- (g) Eliza Cumming Baird (November 15 1851 – November 18 1939) who married her cousin Thomas Poythress Baird (June 27 1852 – April 10 1906). They are buried together at the Concord Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Brunswick County, Virginia.
- (h) Ida Baird (September 10 1856 –).

I. JANE “JENNIE” POYTHRESS (c 1773 – March 20 1837) who married Joseph Mayo (March 21 1771 – October 1 1820) on July 28 1792. They are buried together at St. John's Episcopal Churchyard, Richmond, Virginia, sharing a marker without dates and inscribed “Joseph and Jane Mayo.”⁶⁵ They had:

- (1) Philip Mayo (November 2 1793 – March 21 1857) who married Caroline Eliza Atkinson on February 1823. Philip is buried at Shockoe Cemetery in Richmond, Virginia. By Caroline, he had:
 - (a) Martha Tabb Mayo (c 1840 – June 24 1914) who died apparently unmarried and is buried at Shockoe Cemetery in Richmond, Virginia.
- (2) Joseph Carrington Mayo (November 16 1795 – August 10 1872) who married Marianna Tabb (c 1797 – July 26 1860) on March 16 1819 in Mathews County, Virginia. Joseph was admitted to the Bar in Virginia in 1820, served as a member of the House of Deputies 1841-1851, was City Attorney for Richmond, Virginia, 1822-1852, and sat on the Richmond City Council 1853-1866. They are buried at Shockoe Cemetery in Richmond, Virginia.
 - (a) Abel Upshur Mayo (c 1821 – September 14 1865) who married Rebecca Kennon. Abel graduated from Washington College in 1841. He was a

⁶⁵ This is the same St. John's Church where Richard Bland and Elizabeth Randolph married in 1701 and where Patrick Henry gave his most famous speech.

lawyer in Richmond, Virginia, when he died of a congestive chill and is buried at Shockoe Cemetery in Richmond.

- (b) Sarah Emory Mayo (January 3 1824 – September 17 1854) who never married and is buried at Shockoe Cemetery in Richmond, Virginia.
 - (c) Henrietta Augusta Mayo (c 1829 –)
 - (d) Marianna C. Mayo (c 1832 – July 26 1860)
 - (e) Lottie Mayo (May 12 1836 – April 1 1855) who died unmarried of consumption and is buried “on top of her sister” Sarah at Shockoe Cemetery in Richmond, Virginia.
- (3) Peter Poythress Mayo (June 18 1797 – January 9 1857) who married (1st) Leah Custis Upshur in July 1824 and (2nd) Ann Elizabeth Upshur on March 27 1847 in Hampton City, Virginia. Peter graduated from William & Mary College and practiced as a lawyer in Norfolk, Virginia. He is buried at Cedar Grove Cemetery in Norfolk. By Leah, he had:
- (a) Mary Wilson Mayo who died young at 2 years 9 months and is buried at Cedar Grove Cemetery, Norfolk, Virginia.
 - (b) William Kennan Mayo (c 1828 – April 9 1900).
 - (c) George Mayo (c 1832 -)
 - (d) Ann Mayo (c 1835 – c 1903) who died unmarried.
By Ann, Peter had:
 - (e) John Bland Mayo (c 1842 -) who was living in New York in 1926.
 - (f) Wyndham Robertson Mayo (April 4 1844 – July 25 1926) who married Mary Susan Decatur (June 25 1853 – May 16 1897) of Boston, Massachusetts. Wyndham served in the Confederate States Navy and was the mayor of Norfolk, Virginia, for the periods 1896-1897 and 1916-1918. They are buried at Cedar Grove Cemetery, Norfolk, Virginia. Wyndham's will, probated on July 29 1926, named his three children:
 - 1) Maria Susanna Decatur Mayo (–) who married Morton Deyo and was living in Kittery, Yorkm Maine in 1926.
 - 2) Stephen Decatur Mayo (c 1875 – c 1935) who married Isabella Ritchie Harrison (c 1873 – December 13 1962) and was living in Gloucester, Virginia in 1926.
 - 3) Wyndham Robertson Mayo (March 17 1875 –) who was living in Annapolis, Maryland, in 1926.
- (4) Martha Tabb Mayo (July 31 1799 –)
- (5) Agnes Poythress Mayo (October 14 1801 –)
 - (6) Argyle Poythress Mayo (October 14 1801 –)
 - (7) John Mayo (October 9 1804 – January 17 1806)
 - (8) Robert Mayo (October 25 1806 –) who married Emily Ann Campbell on May 5 1831 in Westmoreland County, Virginia. Robert was a judge. They had:
 - (a) John Campbell Mayo (July 26 1832 – October 19 1871) who married (1st) his first cousin, Mary Lewis Stovin, on May 19 1857 in Fauquier County,

Virginia (immediately below) and (2nd) Ellen Jackson Tyler (August 1 1848 – December 6 1928) on October 30 1866. By cousin Mary, had:

- 1) Charles James Stovin Mayo (March 13 1858 – June 27 1909) who was an Episcopalian minister living in Richmond, Virginia, at the time of his death. He is buried at Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond.

By Ellen, John had:

- 2) John Tyler Mayo (c 1869 –)
- 3) Joseph Mayo (November 4 1870 – May 17 1927)
- (b) Joseph Mayo, Jr. (February 6 1834 – April 11 1898) who married Mary Armistead Tyler (October 19 1846 – February 9 1926) on February 20 1868 in Westmoreland County, Virginia, by the Reverend Andrew Fisher. Joseph was a colonel in the 3rd Virginia Regiment, C.S.A. He is buried at the Yeocomico Churchyard, Westmoreland County. They had:
 - 1) Agnes Atkinson Mayo (–)
 - 2) Emily Campbell Mayo (1869 – 1955) who never married and is buried at the Yeocomico Churchyard, Westmoreland County.
 - 3) Wat H Tyler Mayo (October 10 1870 – 1942) who married Mary _____ (1891 - 1953) Wat is buried at the Yeocomico Churchyard, Westmoreland County.
 - 4) John Campbell Mayo (May 8 1872 – July 21 1923)
 - 5) Robert Mayo (October 27 1874 – October 8 1919)
 - 6) George Pickett Mayo (September 3 1876 – January 15 1954) who married Harriette Coswell Lawrence on December 8 1902 in Westchester County, New York. George graduated from Princeton with an M.A., from Roanoke College in 1928 with a doctorate in divinity, was ordained an Episcopalian minister in June 1903, and founded the Monumental Episcopal Church in Richmond, Virginia, where he was served as rector from 1920 to 1925.
 - 7) Jane Bland Mayo (January 12, 1879 – August 20, 1909) who never married and is buried at the Yeocomico Churchyard, Westmoreland County.
 - 8) Phillip William “Willie” Mayo (January 17 1883 – August 27 1887) who is buried at the Yeocomico Churchyard, Westmoreland County.
- (c) Robert Murphy Mayo (April 28 1833 – March 29 1896) who married Lucy Richardson Claybrook (c 1840 – d 1901) on December 3 1867 in Westmoreland County, Virginia, by Reverend Andrew Fisher. Robert graduated from the Virginia Military Institute in 1857, obtained his law degree from William & Mary College in 1859, served as a colonel in the 47th Virginia Regiment, C.S.A., and was a U.S. Congressman in 1883-1884. Robert is buried at the Yeocomico Churchyard, Westmoreland County. They had:
 - 1) Charlotte Brown Mayo (December 18 1870 –)
 - 2) Richard Claybrook Mayo (March 29 1872 – March 22 1911)
 - 3) Archibald C. Mayo (c 1882 –)

- (d) Phillip Henry Mayo (c 1842 – October 19 1871) who served in the 40th Virginia Regiment, C.S.A., and was imprisoned in the “Old Capital.” After the war he was a teacher in Virginia and in Maryland.
- (e) Agnes A. Mayo (c 1845 –)
- (f) William Mayo (April 28 1847 – April 15 1919) who married Mary Elizabeth Brown on December 19 1872 in Westmoreland County, Virginia, by Reverend D. M. Wharton. William is buried at the Yeocomico Churchyard, Westmoreland County. They had:
- 1) Thomas Brown Mayo (December 15 1873 – 1958) who is buried at the Yeocomico Churchyard, Westmoreland County.
- (9) John Bland Mayo, M.D. (December 26 1810 – November 21 1868) who married (1st) Mary Louisa Campbell and (2nd) Sarah Susan Tenant on March 10 1836. He is buried at Saint John's Episcopal Churchyard, Richmond, Virginia. By Sarah, he had:
- (a) John Bland Mayo (November 1840 –).
- (10) Elizabeth Bland (or Pleasants) Mayo (November 20 1812 – April 29 1864) who married, as his first wife, Charles James Stovin on May 5 1835 in Richmond, Virginia. They had:
- (a) Mary Lewis Stovin (–) who married her first cousin John Campbell Mayo (immediately above) on May 19 1857 in Fauquier County, Virginia.
- (11) Lucy Ann Pleasants Mayo (May 9 1803 –) who married Dr. Hugh Carr McNamara, by whom she had:
- (a) Matilda C. McNamara (July 10 1828 – March 24 1871) who married James Innes Hunton (September 30 1820 – c 1877) on April 29 1856 in Fauquier County, Virginia. Matilda is buried at the Hunton family cemetery near New Baltimore, Fauquier County, Virginia. Matilda and James had:
 - 1) John Heath Hunton (July 24 1857 – October 11 1886) who is buried at the Hunton family cemetery near New Baltimore, Virginia.
 - 2) Mary Brent Hunton (c 1859 –) who is missing from the 1870 census.
 - 3) Hugh Carr Hunton (June 30 1861 – December 1 1885) who is buried at the Hunton family cemetery near New Baltimore, Virginia.
 - 4) James Innes Hunton (c 1867 –) who was a chemical salesman in Newton, Massachusetts, where he married Josetta L. _____ circa 1909 by whom he had:
 - a) Elizabeth Margee Hunton (April 1910 -)
 - 5) Robert M. Hunton (September 15 1865 – December 1 1885) who is buried at the Hunton family cemetery near New Baltimore, Virginia.
 - 6) Elizabeth Marye Hunton (c 1868 – before 1910) who married Charles Catlett (c 1866 -), a geologist. They lived in Staunton, Virginia, where they had:
 - a) Lucy Hunton Catlett (April 26 1891 –)
 - b) Richard Henry Catlett (c 1893 –)
 - c) Elizabeth McNamara Catlett (c 1906 –)

3. **PETER RANDOLPH BLAND** (February 2, 1736/1737 new style – February 16, 1781).⁶⁶ Peter married Judith Booker (November 24, 1748 - 1807) a woman “known for her piety and intelligence”⁶⁷ in Amelia County, Virginia, on November 26, 1761. The division of property for Peter left 74 slaves to his children, including:⁶⁸
1. To Richard Bland (21) Tom, Robin, Frank, John, Betty, Mo, Dilcie, Eva, Mary A., Sarah, Joe, Isham, Critty, Cipio, Sam, Hannah, Pleasant, Gull, Roger, Tom and Will
 2. To Peter Randolph Bland (18) David, Samuel, (or Saul), Harrod, David L., Phyllis, Phoebe, Isabel, Judah, Nancy P. Rachel, Nanny, Jacob, Eliza, Wonder, Harry, Christian, Dick, Harriet.
 3. To Edward Bland: (17) Adam, Billy, Phill, Nell, Betty, Judah, Cato, Lidda, Lucy, Anny, Maria, Old George, Murrier, Mingo, Isaac, Stephen, Emmelia.
 4. To Anne Bland (18) Daniel, Jimmy, Charles, Fanny, Lucy, Ritter, Sukey, Clarissa, Afsey, Patty, Ben, George, Amy, Lin, Rhoda, James, Tom and Grace. Upon her death, Anne bequeathed her “Legacy of Negroes” to brothers Edward, Richard and Peter.

What we know of Judith Booker presents evidentiary problems. If we adopt the commonly accepted birth year, Judith would have just turned thirteen when she married 26-year-old Peter. Though such an early marriage would not be out of the question, it would be very unusual to say the least and also is contradicted by the marriage bond that identified her as a “spinster” which implies that she was beyond the commonly accepted age for marriage and in her society was not expected to marry. Thus I would argue that her commonly accepted birth year of November 24, 1748 is in error and that identification of her as a spinster in a legal document would suggest that she and Peter were about the same age and she was born between about 1736-1740.⁶⁹

⁶⁶ Prior reference to this line is found in VU, p. 163 and AC 5-1, pp. 15-17; AC 7-1, pp. 7-9; AC 8-1, p. 7. Peter was born during the time of the Julian Calendar, in which years ended March 25. In our “new style” Gregorian Calendar, he would have been born in 1737 because the New Year would have begun January 1. England, thus her colonies, adopted the Gregorian calendar in 1752

⁶⁷ AC 7-1, p. 9.

⁶⁸ Amelia County Will Book 4, P. 37.

⁶⁹ Brodnax-Bland, p. 14. See also E-Mail, Henry Williamson Jr. to Charles L. Bland, July 12, 2008, furnishing information about Judith Booker from “Yadkin County NC and Caswell County NC.” The commonly accepted marriage date for Judith and Peter, October 22, 1761, is actually the date Peter executed a bond to marry Judith Booker, William and Mary Quarterly, XV. P. 260. More information has come to light supporting that conclusion. First, Judith, it seems, was well-known to be the daughter of Col. Edward Booker (1680 - 1750) of “Winterham” plantation in Amelia County, Virginia, and Judith Archer (c 1700 – 1750/1), widow of Daniel Worsham. (See the wills of both parents filed in Amelia County, Virginia.) Second, Judith Booker was the only child born of this marriage, and both of her parents had adult children by their previous marriages at the times of their deaths. Both parents left will. Col. Booker left his minor daughter one of his estates with specific provisions preventing claims by Judith's adult half-siblings by her mother, the Worshams. Her mother named a female relative as guardian—and not one of her adult children by Worsham—for her minor daughter by Booker. However, roughly five years later in 1755, the Amelia County Court allowed Judith Booker, though still a minor, to choose a new guardian and she chose her brother-in-law Samuel Tarry. This implies that Judith was

Peter and Judith had four children including his eldest son, Richard, who at first glance would seem to be characterized as an adult in Peter's will, which was made on November 14, 1779,⁷⁰ because the will names both Judith Booker and son Richard Bland co-executors. Ordinarily, we would assume that Richard had to have attained the age of 21 at least, and born no later than 1758, but there is no minimum age requirement to be "named" in a will. By the time the Court approves the division of the estate a few years later, both Richard and the second son, Peter Randolph Bland Jr., were characterized as adults and the two younger children, Edward and Anne, were still construed as minors. If Richard was an adult when his father died, this would have to demand an earlier birth year for Judith.⁷¹

- A. RICHARD BLAND (c 1757 – April 4, 1806)⁷² was a co-executor of his father's will. Richard lived in Nottoway County Virginia probably in a place called Hurricane Valley, now Fort Pickett. He married Elizabeth Ridley Dickens, daughter of Robert Dickens (originally of London, then Norfolk) and Mary Brown in Caswell County, North Carolina, on September 22, 1790. Elizabeth is said by her niece (Mary Hicks) to be buried in the "Bland burial ground in Nottoway County Virginia." Presumably, Richard was buried there too as this cemetery likely was on Richard's land. Richard's will left his "Enfield" plantation to his children:

- (1) Sally Dickens Bland (c1795- April 25, 1861) Sally married (1st) William Francis Brodnax (April 7, 1790 – April 1824) on June 30, 1814. Following Mr. Brodnax' death Sally traveled to Tennessee and lived at Woodlawn with her brother. William F. Brodnax may have been murdered while on a business trip to Mississippi. Sally and William had one child:⁷³
- (a) Richard Thomas Brodnax (May 21, 1815 - December 27, 1877) who married Frances Margaret Feild (September 9, 1818 – August 22, 1910) on December 18 1835 in Fayette County Tennessee.

at least 14 years of age in 1755, which would imply her birth year was at least as early as 1740/41 and perhaps as early as 1738. It's possible that the 1748 date is the result of a simple misreading or mis-recollection of 1738.

- ⁷⁰ AC 5-1, pp. 14-17. This source indicates that I actually read the will, but I have not been able to find it in my files, or to find an abstract. I am grateful for the insights of John Marshall, E-Mail, July 11, 2008, who indicates common practice in Colonial Virginia, when there was a long lapse between making and probating a will, seven years in this case, it indicates a wait for the heirs to turn 21.
- ⁷¹ My earlier construction of Rebecca Spiceley as a possible first wife for Peter has been disproven (see above pg. 52). Brodnax-Bland which attributes all children to Judith Booker, E-mail, John Marshall to Charles L. Bland, July 11, 2008. Marshall points out that daughters and granddaughters, see A(1c) and B(1) below are named Judith Booker Bland.
- ⁷² AC 7-1, pp. 7-9 and 8-1, pp. 6-8. Richard's will is contained in Judith McGhan, compiler, Virginia Will Records (1982) p. 577. There is some discrepancy in Richard Bland's and Peter Randolph Bland's birth year, usually given as 1765 and 1769 by historians of the family. It should be noted however, that both Richard and Peter were adults when acknowledged in their father's will of 1779 and Richard was an executor.
- ⁷³ Information about Sally Dickens Bland is enhanced by William Bingham Cleveland Jr. to Charles Bland, July 12 and September 20, 1989, hereafter called Cleveland. Dr. Cleveland descends from Sally Dickens Bland through her son Peter Randolph Bland Browne, (see b below).

- 1) William Francis Brodnax II (January 2 1837 – 1877) Fayette County, Tennessee who married (1st) Mary Elizabeth Taylor on December 25 1862 in Tipton County Tennessee and (2nd) Eliza Springer Maclin (c 1847 -) on May 15 1865 in Haywood County Tennessee. By the 1880 census, William's two youngest daughters reside in their uncle R. L. Maclin's household. With Eliza, William had:
 - a) Bland Brodnax (c 1865 -after 1910) who in 1910 is living in San Francisco as a single man and is occupied as a dentist.
 - b) James Maclin "Maclin" Brodnax (Augut 1867 – July 22 1904) who married Elizabeth Y. Morgan (February 1868 -) of New Jersey. James graduated from Princeton University in 1894. By 1900 James is a clergyman and is living in Charlottesville, Virginia. James and Elizabeth had at least three children.
 - c) Lucy Lyne Brodnax (- c 1872)
 - d) Willie Frances Brodnax (September 27 1873 – September 7 1949) who married William Rives Seay on June 12 1895 at the home of her Grandmother Brodnax, called "Spring Grove," near Mason, Tipton County, Tennessee. Willie graduated from the Rogersville Synodical College where she had specialized in voice. Willie and William had nine children:
 - e) Mary Alice Brodnax (December 1875 – after 1900)
- 2) Mary Jones Brodnax (November 5 1838 – June 28 1918) who married John Wilkins Maclin (September 3 1839 – April 2 1896) on June 9 1861. They are buried at the Glenwood Cemetery, Haywood County Tennessee. They had:
 - a) Imogene J. Maclin (April 1862 – after 1910)
 - b) Fannie Brodnax Maclin (c 1864 -) who married her cousin, William Taylor Williamson, on January 25 1888 in Haywood County Tennessee. She is buried at the "Woodlawn" plantation family cemetery in Fayette County Tennessee. (See their seven children under William at page 95).
 - c) Alice Brodnax Maclin (May 1866 – after 1910)
 - d) Kate Maclin (February 1868 – after 1910) who resides in the state hospital for the insane in 1910.
 - e) Addie Wilkins Maclin (September 13 1869 – January 28 1945) who married Robert Riley. They are buried at the Glenwood Cemetery, Haywood County Tennessee. They had three children.
 - f) Willie Bullock Maclin (March 1873 – after 1910)
 - g) Sallie Maclin (c 1876 -)
 - h) Mary Maclin (c 1879 -)
- 3) Alex Brodnax (c 1841 –).
- 4) Richard Thomas Brodnax Jr. (c 1844 –) who married Sarah "Sallie" Hunt Taylor (December 1847 -) on January 21 1867. Richard was a leading merchant in Mason, Tennessee. They are buried at Cedar Hill Cemetery near Mason, Tipton County Tennessee. They had:
 - a) Mary Brodnax (c 1867 -)
 - b) George Taylor Brodnax (April 9 1869 – February 19 1917) who married Lucy Watkins. George owned the largest jewelry store in the South circa 1921, which was located on Main Street in Memphis

Tennessee. After his death, ownership of the firm passed to his son.

They had at least three children.

c) Alice Brodnax (November 1872 -)

5) Alice Brodnax (c 1847 -)

6) Florence Brodnax (c 1849 -) who married Dr. James Nathaniel Maclin (1842 - 1897 -), by whom she had:

a) Richard Brodnax Maclin (c 1871 -) who married Jennie _____ (c 1877 -) circa 1904, and is farming in Colorado in 1910.

b) Florence Taylor Maclin (March 27 1872 - April 5 1950) who married John Y. Taylor (March 15 1855 - February 26 1917), son of George A and Jane Frances Taylor. They are buried at Cedar Hill Cemetery near Mason, Tipton County Tennessee. They had at least two children:

c) James Nathaniel Maclin (c 1881 -)

d) George Carey Maclin (c 1887 -)

7) Sallie Dickens Brodnax (c 1852 -)

8) Peter Bland Brodnax (c 1854 -)

9) "Ocie" Brodnax (c 1854 - before 1860), perhaps a nickname for "Osceola."

10) Fannie Brodnax (c 1857 -)

11) Ora Brodnax (c 1860 -)

Sally Dickens Bland Brodnax married (2nd) Jesse Browne (- 1839) in 1831 and they had:⁷⁴

(b) Peter Randolph Bland Browne (May 5, 1836 - February 2, 1878, Illustration 15) who married Willie Etta Feild (April 26, 1840 - October 7, 1904) on December 1, 1859 at Haywood, Tennessee,⁷⁵ by whom he had:

1) Ella Feild Browne (October 1862 - 1930) who married William Thomas Coppedge (1854 - 1889) by whom she had two children. Ella and Thomas are buried at the Stanton Cemetery, Haywood County, Tennessee.

2) Richard Bland Browne (December 1864 - 1950) who was single in 1900. He is buried at the Stanton Cemetery, Haywood County, Tennessee.

3) Thomas Feild Browne (October 25 1866 - August 23 1929, illustration 14) who married Grace Stanton Gibson on December 27 1883 in Stanton, Tennessee, by whom he had at least one son. Thomas and Grace are buried at the Stanton Cemetery in Stanton, Haywood County, Tennessee.

a) Thomas Gibson "Gibson" Browne (c1890 - 1949) who married Nell T. Cleage (June 1897 -) of St. Louis, Missouri, by whom he had three sons. Gibson died in Kentucky.

⁷⁴ According to Woodlawn, p. 23, Sallie and Jesse Brown may have had a child named Sally Dickens Browne. Marshall op. cit. indicates Jesse Brown II had a daughter named Sally Dickens Browne.

⁷⁵ Cleveland, Op. Cit. Peter Randolph Bland Browne was the father of Ella Browne (1860-1930) who married William Thomas Coppedge (1854-1889). Their daughter Ocla Coppedge (1882-1974) married William Bingham Cleveland (1862-1929) and they were parents of my correspondent William Bingham Cleveland Jr.

4) David Browne (c 1870 –)

(c) Jesse Brown II (1838 - c1870).⁷⁶

Following the death of Jesse Browne, Sally returned to Woodlawn. She married (3rd) in 1843 a Presbyterian minister named Samuel Hodge. Legend has it that field hands strapped poor Hodge, who suffered from what we would call Alzheimer's, to a mule. The mule departed with Hodge on board and never returned and neither did Reverend Hodge.⁷⁷

(2) Anne Bland(3) Elizabeth Ridley Bland

(4) Peter Randolph Bland (December 9, 1800 – July 21, 1859).⁷⁸ Peter, reputedly a “stern faced man with a serious nature and apocalyptic voice,” inherited his father's estate, “Enfield,” and married his first cousin Sarah “Sally” R. Bland (August 18, 1797 – August 16, 1856) on July 27 1820 in St. Louis, Missouri (see below pg. 100).⁷⁹ On March 17, 1828, Peter Randolph Bland and Sarah sold their farm in Nottoway County, about 455 acres, to his Uncle Edward Bland (C1767-1831) (see below pg. 105)⁸⁰ and in autumn of 1828 struck out for Tennessee. They were at their “Woodlawn” plantation near Belmont in Fayette County, Tennessee, by Christmas of that year. The family cemetery at Woodlawn was begun in 1834 following the deaths of four of Peter's children, who died of diphtheria. He and his sister Sallie Dickens Bland Brodnax and their children are buried at Woodlawn.⁸¹ Peter presided over an empire of 105 slaves, reflected in the 1860 census, which were eventually passed to his son Osceola. A listing of these slaves by name has not been found. Peter and Sarah had been members of the Presbyterian Church of Nottoway County,

⁷⁶ E-mail, Marshall op. cit. assures me that though Jesse's tombstone is marked 1882, “he was dead by the time the 1870 census was taken.”

⁷⁷ A more mundane and maybe humane disposition of the good reverend Hodge was that his children by another marriage took him in.

⁷⁸ Peter's dates occur at Woodlawn, p. 16.

⁷⁹ A testament in Notes on Southside Virginia p. 156, states “In my great-grandmother's young days, a Peter Bland lived between ‘Woodland and the Ordinary’ (Jennings Ordinary). They called him Peter Rodney (sic) Bland and he had married a Miss Bacon, kin to Colonel T.G. Bacon and had lost his property.” This appears to be a Peter R. Bland through the line of Edward Bland (1746-1795).

⁸⁰ Deed between Peter R. and Sally Bland and Edward Bland, Nottoway County Virginia, March 17, 1828.

⁸¹ Henry W. Williamson Jr., “The Story of Woodlawn Cemetery” (November 16, 2006) hereafter called “Woodlawn” is a study of the origin and growth of the cemetery on his ancestor's estate, and includes useful information about its inhabitants, which are quoted throughout this essay. Woodlawn, p. 26, identifies “the colored cemetery” five acres of the family cemetery on Thorpe Road. It contains former slaves of the Bland family and their descendants. There are no names for former slaves at Woodlawn but Henry Williamson's “Great Great Great Grandma Martha Wallace Nash Bland Taylor's Petition before Congress in the House of Representatives” hereafter called “Grandma” sites the names of Burrell Taylor, (C1845 -); Frederick Bland (C1845 -) and Lewis Taylor (C1847 -). Marshall, op. cit. names Richard Bland as a brother of Frederick and says later descendants are named Whitmore.

Virginia.⁸² In Tennessee, he became a Presbyterian minister, establishing the First Presbyterian Church at Emmaus in Haywood County and also ministering to a congregation in Bolivar. After the First Presbyterian Church at Belmont opened, Peter assumed the ministry and remained there the rest of his life. Children of Peter and his cousin Sarah were:⁸³

- (a) Richard Edward Bland (October 3, 1821 – June 21, 1834) Richard was one of the four children who died from diphtheria.
- (b) Sarah E. Bland (July 25, 1823, June 21, 1834. Died from diphtheria along with three siblings.
- (c) Judith Booker Bland (September 24, 1827 - June 21, 1834) died with three siblings from diphtheria.
- (d) Martha A. Bland (August 17, 1833 – June 21, 1834) died with three siblings from diphtheria.
- (e) Osceola Bland (1838 - 1861). Osceola was named for the Seminole War Chief Osceola, who led the Seminoles in the Second Seminole War in Florida.⁸⁴ He died the year after his father. Osceola was engaged but his fiancée died before they could be married. He passed on his Woodlawn estate and 105 slaves to his aunt and cousin Eliza Bland Yandell (see below page 103). She is unmarried in the 1860 census living with Osceola along with her sister, the widow Martha Wallace (Bland) Taylor. There is a version online that says Eliza didn't marry Yandell until after Osceola died. She resold the property in 1869 to her nephew and cousin Richard Thomas Brodnax (see (1)(b) above).⁸⁵

B. PETER RANDOLPH BLAND JR. (C1758 - February 1824) Peter in his adult life left Virginia for St. Louis, Missouri after, as family legend has it, suffering a “reversal of fortune.” The Nash family dates this move at about 1818. He was a lawyer in his vocation and was educated at Hampton Sydney College in Virginia and qualified to practice law in Nottoway County in 1796. That same year, he disposed of forty acres in a transaction to Richard Dennis.⁸⁶ Peter married (1st) Elizabeth Morrison (c 1763 – January 25 1808) by whom he had four daughters:⁸⁷

- (1) Judith Booker Bland (c 1792 - January 25, 1828) Judith was born in Nottoway County Virginia and died in St. Louis Missouri. She married Francis Nash III

⁸² Notes on Southside Virginia, p. 51.

⁸³ AC 7-1, pp 8-9.

⁸⁴ See Woodlawn, p. 20 and Wikipedia, “Osceola”.

⁸⁵ E-Mail, Henry Williamson to Charles L. Bland, July 10, 2008 states “Eliza Bland was his aunt not cousin. Well maybe also a cousin too as Osceola's mother Sarah Bland was her husband Peter R. Blend's first cousin and Eliza is Sarah's sister. So Eliza is Osceola's mother's sister and his father's first cousin!”

⁸⁶ Notes on Southside Virginia, p. 88.

⁸⁷ Notes on Southside Virginia p. 78. See AC 5-1, pp. 16-17, for a story that Elizabeth Morrison's grave was violated. This construction varies with Brodnax-Bland p. 15, which takes no notice of the earlier marriage to Elizabeth Morrison.

(C1791 – November 2, 1833) no later than August 1, 1812 in Virginia.⁸⁸

Francis was the brother of Judith's stepmother. Their daughter was:

- (a) Mary Virginia Nash (August 25, 1816 – May 31, 1901) Mary was born in Richmond Virginia and died in Springfield, Sangamon County Illinois. After her father died, Mary lived with her aunt, the wife of Judge Samuel D. Lockwood, where she met and married John Todd Stuart, Esq. (November 10 1807 - November 28 1885), the sometime law partner of Abraham Lincoln, on October 25, 1837 in the residence of Judge Lockwood, Jacksonville, Illinois. They had:
- 1) Elizabeth Stuart⁸⁹
 - 2) Virginia Stuart
 - 3) Frank Stuart
 - 4) Edward Stuart
 - 5) John T. Stuart
 - 6) Robert Stuart
 - 7) Hannah Stuart

(2) Anne Morrison Bland (c 1797 - after 1860) married John Tabb Nash (c 1781 - 1829), another brother of Anne's stepmother. According to a biography on their son Charles, Dr. John Nash died in his 40's, leaving Anne destitute with four children. Charles also informs his biographer that at the age of eight they lived with his brother-in-law, Robert A. Watkins, the first Secretary of State of Arkansas. Mr. Watkins's wife, Martha W. Nash, would have been the stepdaughter of Anne Bland Nash. In 1860 Anne is living with her daughter and son-in-law the Biscos. She died in the home of her son Charles. Anne and John had:

- (a) Charles Edward Nash (c 1824 - after 1900), who was a physician, planter and author living in Little Rock, Arkansas as well as at his plantation in Tunica County, Mississippi. He married (1st) Mary Francis Epps (1826 - 1880) of North Carolina. She is buried in the Maple Hill Cemetery, Phillips County, Arkansas. He married (2nd) Miss Fannie Mosley, daughter of Capt. Mosley of Jackson, Mississippi. Charles authored "Biographical Sketches of Gen. Pat Cleburne and Gen. T.C. Hindman" in which he lauds the legal skills of his kinsman Peter E. Bland of St. Louis.⁹⁰ Gen. Hindman was the stepson-in-law of Charles' sister Laura. Charles and Mary Francis had eight children:

⁸⁸ Mary Kay Lawson to Charles L. Bland, December 29, 1998, hereafter identified as Lawson, gives as a source for Judith Booker Bland's death a letter from Susan F. Nash to Mary V. Lockwood, (sisters of Judith's husband Francis Nash) January 28, 1828, announcing the death of their dear sister Judith on January 25, 1828.

⁸⁹ Lawson Op. Cit. Mary Virginia and John Stuart were parents of Elizabeth Jane Stuart (1839-1869) who married Christopher Columbus Brown in 1859; they were parents of Edwards Brown, (1863-1923) who married Gertrude May Dement on June 10, 1886; they were grandparents of my correspondent Mary Kay Brown Lawson.

⁹⁰ Charles Nash's work also relates correspondence during the war from Gen. Hindman to his wife on the day before the battle at Pea Ridge, "in which [Hindman] stated that he expected to engage the Federal troops under Col. Peter E. Bland of Missouri and that he expected to capture his whole command, in which event he would send her cousin to Helena [Arkansas] and put him under her's and Dr. Nash's charge. He did not capture the colonel as he and his command were too swift in retreat to be caught."

- 1) Mary E. Nash (c 1853 -) who was born in Arkansas. She married William B. Lindsey (c 1848 -), by whom she had:
 - a) Fannie Lindsey (c 1875 -)
 - b) Stella Lindsey (c 1878 -).
- 2) Anna Nash
- 3) Virginia T. Nash (c 1856 -), a daughter, who was born in Arkansas.
- 4) John Tabb Nash (c 1858- 1870) who was born in Mississippi and is buried in the Maple Hill Cemetery in Phillips County, Arkansas.
- 5) Alexander Nash (c 1860 -) who was born in Mississippi. Alexander probably died unmarried of yellow fever in Memphis, Tennessee.
- 6) Shirley Nash
- 7) Charles E. Nash Jr. (c 1862 - 1872) who was born in Mississippi and is buried in the Maple Hill Cemetery in Phillips County, Arkansas.
- 8) Sarah "Sallie" E. Nash (c 1866 -) who was born in Mississippi.
- (b) Laura Elizabeth Nash (c 1826 - March 1899) who married (1st) Henry L. Bisco (c 1802 - c 1861), the widower of her half-sister by her father's prior marriage, sometime after August 1840. She married (2nd) James H. O'Connor, a younger man and a lawyer. It was James and Laura O'Connor who were implored to care for the wife and little ones of Gen. Hindman as he died from several gunshot wounds delivered by assassins in 1868. Mrs. Hindman was the stepdaughter and half-niece of Laura. According to the obituary for her son, Thomas, Laura left a handsome estate which was to go to her son during his lifetime, then revert to the St. John's Episcopal Church of Helena Arkansas in the event that Thomas had "no living heirs of his body." Henry and Laura had:
 - 1) Henrietta Bisco (c 1848 -) who apparently died young without issue.
 - 2) Thomas "Tom" L. Bisco (c 1854 - May 12 1899), who married Miss Blanche Prewett on September 15 1881 in St. Francis, Arkansas. Blanche sued after Tom's death in an attempt to set aside the will of her mother-in-law and claim the sizable estate for herself. She lost her final appeal to the Arkansas Supreme Court in 1905.
- (c) Peter Francis Nash (c 1830 -)

(3) Elizabeth Morrison Bland

- (4) Sally Morrison Bland (August 18, 1797 – August 16, 1856) Sally is defined by Henry Williamson as the "older half-sister" of Martha Wallace Nash Bland (9 below). She married a cousin, the Reverend Peter Randolph Bland (see pg. 97 above).

(5) Benjamin Bland ⁹¹

Peter Randolph Bland married (2nd) Martha Wallace Nash (c 1791 – May 6 1833) on September 30, 1809. According to the Nash family, they moved to St. Louis in 1818 along with two of her brothers who were married to Peter's daughters mentioned above. Their children were:

⁹¹ Lawson, Op. Cit. is the only source I have seen for this child.

- (6) Peter Francis Bland (February 17, 1811 -)⁹² He had a son:
(a) Edward Bland⁹³
- (7) Richard Edward Bland (October 3, 1813 – November 5 1867) who was trained in medicine and practiced his profession at St. Louis Missouri, living primarily in a suburb called Bridgeton. He married (1st) Henrietta Wallace Williams (March 5, 1815 - August 1855) on August 1, 1836. Their children were:
- (a) Martha Bland (1837 -)
 - (b) Mary E. Bland (1840 -)
 - (c) Hilda N. Bland (C1841 -)
 - (d) Edward W. Bland (1842 -)
 - (e) Alice Nash Bland (January 11 1845 - March 26 1906) who was born in Missouri and lived with her sister Virginia (Bland) Williams in Norfolk, Virginia. Alice died unmarried and is buried at the Elmwood Cemetery in Norfolk.
 - (f) Virginia Adelaide Bland (June 4 1847 -) who married her cousin, John Newton Williams, her mother's nephew, on September 27 1870 in Marion County Missouri. They lived in Norfolk, Virginia where they had:
 - 1) Richard Bland Williams, M.D. (June 23 1874 – December 3 1917) who married Virginia Katherine Heath (June 23 1877 -) in Norfolk Virginia. According to his military service record, Richard was an intern at Methodist Episcopal Hospital in Brooklyn NY before enlisting with the U.S. Navy's Medical Corps serving as Lieutenant-Commander on the battleship USS Florida. It appears he was in the U.S. Naval Hospital, Washington DC, from August 10 to November 8 1817 and died at home in Norfolk in December. He had been educated at the Norfolk Academy and the University of Virginia where he obtained his medical degree. In spite of his busy schedule, Richard and Virginia managed to have two children before he passed:
 - a) Catherine Bland Williams (March 14 1909 -) was born in Philadelphia PA.
 - b) Richard Bland Williams Jr. (May 28 1915 -) was born in Norfolk VA.
 - 2) John Newton Williams
 - 3) Alice Bland Williams, who married William Henry Crawford Ellis of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. They resided in Richmond Virginia and were parents of:
 - a) Virginia Ellis.

⁹² E-Mail, Henry Williamson Jr. to Charles L. Bland, July 12, 2008, references General William Tecumseh Sherman's memoirs, in which he notes that Colonel Peter F. Bland, brother to Martha W.N. Bland Taylor was under his command. Sherman noted that his forces entered Memphis on July 21, 1862. However, the enlistment and other papers for the Col. Bland under Sherman are for Peter Edward Bland (see pg. 104 below).

⁹³ There is some question whether "Peter Francis" existed. The two bios and various census records show Peter Edward Bland born in 1824 who is our colonel/lawyer who usually goes by "P. E. Bland." Possibly Peter Francis Bland has been confused with Peter Francis Nash, as the two families were very close and they used the same names interchangeably and repeatedly. That, however, doesn't account for his specific birth date, so perhaps he died young and his father reused the first name Peter? Barbara Bland.

- (g) Anna Bland (1849 -)
- (h) John Randolph Bland (March 24, 1851 – January 6 1923, illustration 17) who lived in Baltimore Maryland where he founded the United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company in 1896. According to several biographies, John was born in Bridgeton, Missouri, and had barely begun his college education when his father died in 1867. He then accompanied his mother's brother to Norfolk Virginia and attended an additional year of college at William and Mary College in Williamsburg. Soon after, he made his way to Baltimore. John is named in William R. Denslow's "10,000 Famous Freemasons." John married Maria Hardin (December 20, 1856 – living 1897) and had three children with her. Two of their children are:
- 1) Emma Hardin Bland (c 1879 -) who married William Wallace Symington (c 1874 -) of Baltimore, by whom she had:
 - a) Emily Bland Symington (September 16 1903 – February 26 1995) who married Frank Cunningham Wilson (March 25 1892 – January 26 1972) of Birmingham, Alabama, by whom she had Emily Symington Wilson, William Wallace Wilson and John Randolph Bland Wilson.
 - b) William W. Symington Jr. (c 1905 - 1984) who married Katherine Slingluff (1910 - 1991), by whom he had three daughters, including Dr. Emily Bland "Bland" Symington (March 30 1942 - December 19 1987).
 - c) Maria Bland Symington (c 1908 -)
 - 2) Richard Howard Bland (March 31 1880 -) who was born in Baltimore and practiced law there after graduating from Harvard Law School in 1905. Richard married Mary L. Paul of Philadelphia on October 25 1905 with whom he had two children:
 - a) John Randolph Bland Jr.
 - b) Richard Howard Bland Jr.
- Richard Edward Bland married (2nd) Laura Edwards (October 1829 – April 29 1904), daughter of Dr. Charles G. Edwards of Loudon County, Virginia.⁹⁴ They married on July 31 1856 in St. Ferdinand, Missouri, and had together at least three children.⁹⁵ In 1880 Laura and her son Charlie are living with her sister in St. Louis. Richard and Laura had:
- (i) Julia Bland (c 1857 -)
 - (j) Edward Richard "Richard" Bland (September 1860 -) who was in Alaska in 1904 according to his mother's obituary. He is listed at Ketchikan, Alaska, in the censuses for 1900, 1910, 1920, unmarried.
 - (k) Charles P. Bland (c 1865 - before 1904) who apparently died without issue before his mother's obituary appeared in 1904.

(8) John Nash Bland (June 5, 1815 - c 1825).⁹⁶

⁹⁴ Lawson, Op. Cit.

⁹⁵ Less than a year before his death, Richard purchased the Archambault House at 603 rue St. Denis in St. Ferdinand, Missouri, which house is now on the National Register of Historic Places.

⁹⁶ Lawson, Op. Cit. states that John died at age 10.

- (9) Eliza B. Bland (July 20, 1817 – October 4, 1897) married in August 1861 Dr. Lunsford P. Yandell Sr. (1805 - 1878), a practicing physician of Louisville Kentucky. Eliza is said to have married Dr. Yandell sometime after the death of her nephew, Osceola, who left to her a portion of the Woodlawn plantation, as well as 105 slaves. Eliza had lived many years with Osceola's parents (see above pg. 98). Eliza and Lunsford had no children, but her stepson, Lunsford P. Yandell Jr., named his daughter, Enid Bland Yandell (1870-1834) apparently in honor of his stepmother and causing some confusion. Enid is the sculptor of the famous Daniel Boone sculpture now located in Cherokee Park in Louisville.
- (10) Martha Wallace Nash Bland (June 7, 1820 - December 19, 1888) Martha's portrait appeared on the cover of *Among Cousins* 24-26 (2006-2008). Martha died at Point No Point, Tennessee, and is buried at the Woodlawn family cemetery.⁹⁷ Martha filed a petition to the U.S. Congress dated September 24, 1885, claiming recompense from the Union Army for property taken during the Civil War. Henry Williamson says of her, "She was opposed to secession but once the South separated her sympathies were with her friends and family, though not necessarily the cause." Her sympathies were split because, after all, she had a brother Peter, (see discussion below pg. 104) who was an officer for the Union. She said, "I sympathized with the South and him too." In 1856, Martha opened up her home to injured passengers from a nearby train wreck. She married William Anderson Taylor (October 1, 1803 – December 1846) on April 24, 1839 in Fayette County Tennessee after his first wife died in 1835. They were parents of:
- (a) Sallie Peter Taylor (April 30, 1840 – August 1, 1887) is buried at the Woodlawn Cemetery. Sallie married (1st) William Lewis Williamson (August 25, 1836 - August 6, 1865) about 1860. Poor Williamson died young when a bolt of lightning struck him on his way home from church.⁹⁸ After his untimely demise, Sallie married (2nd) B.Y. Wilson.
- 1) William "Willie" Taylor Williamson (c 1861 –) who married his cousin Fannie Brodnax Maclin (c 1864 -) on January 25 1888 in Haywood County Tennessee. She is buried at the Woodlawn family cemetery near Mason, Fayette County, Tennessee. They had:
- a) William Lewis Williamson (c 1889 - 1929)
- b) Wilkins Maclin Williamson (c 1890 – 1976) who married Sue Brodnax.
- c) Mary Williamson (c 1892 - 1908)
- d) Francis Brodnax Williamson (c 1894 - 1983)
- e) Benjamin Weldon Williamson (c 1896 - 1982)

⁹⁷ Point no Point, was a property formerly called "Oak Hill" and owned by Martha. Its derivation was that after her hospitality to victims in the 1856 train wreck, she was given a life-time pass and train engineers were instructed to stop if she asks. They called stops "points" thus the Oak Hill property became "Point No Point" from Imogene Williamson Kinney "The Legend of Point No Point", March 2004. Eliza Bland, Martha's sister helped nurse some of the injured back to health including the widower Dr. Lunsford Yandell, himself a physician, whom she subsequently married and moved with to Louisville, Kentucky. At his death she returned to live in West Tennessee.

⁹⁸ Brodnax-Bland, p. 15, shows a line of descent from William Taylor Williamson (1861-1944); Wilkins Macklin Williamson Sr. (1890-1978); Henry Watkins Williamson Sr. (1930 -); Henry Watkins Williamson Jr., my correspondent.

- f) Julian Maclin Williamson (c 1898 - 1963)
- (b) Mary Lucy "Tingie" Taylor (1843-1861) is buried at the Woodlawn family cemetery without dates but aged 17 years and 11 months. She married James A Williamson. She died in childbirth with the only child she bore:
- 1) Robert Williamson.
- (11) Peter Edward Bland (March 29 1824- April 8 1885). Peter married Virginia Adelaid/Adeline "Ada" Clarke (c 1827 - August 20 1870) on April 22 1845 in St. Louis. Colonel Peter Edward Bland lived in Missouri and was an officer in Sherman's Army in the Sixth Missouri of the first Brigade during the U.S. occupation of Memphis. He resigned his commission in 1862 for health reasons, but continued to live in Memphis throughout the War where he provided legal services to the Army and also intervened directly with President Lincoln on behalf of the citizens of occupied Memphis. After the end of the Civil War, Peter returned to St. Louis, Missouri, and rebuilt his law practice.⁹⁹ Peter and Ada had three children who were living at the time of her death in 1870. They are:
- (a) Richard D. Bland (February 1846 - after 1910). Richard appears in the 1850 census with his parents at age 4. He appears to have enlisted as a teenage musician in the same Union regiment as his father, then later was promoted to Second Lieutenant in the same regiment and served through the duration of the war. He appears in the 1900 and 1910 censuses for Los Angeles, California, as a single man.
 - (b) Lucile "Lucy" S. Bland (March 1848 - 1935) married Knight (June 19 1830 - July 27 1901) on February 6 1882. They are buried at the Greenwood Cemetery, River Falls, Wisconsin, where they lived and where their children were born:
 - 1) Virginia Sue Knight (November 1882 -) who apparently married a Mr. Collins, but was living with her mother in 1910 when she had been married less than one year.
 - 2) Ruth H Knight (November 1882 - 1884) who is buried at the Greenwood Cemetery, River Falls, Wisconsin.
 - 3) Edward Leslie Knight (February 8 1886 - 1934) appears not to have married and is buried at the Greenwood Cemetery, River Falls, Wisconsin. According to his draft registration, Edward was missing his left arm just above the wrist.
 - 4) Judson Knight Jr. (January 23 1888 - 1955) was born in Wisconsin and died in West Palm Beach Florida. Judson married Delia A. Harris (August 11-1894 - March 26, 1977) born in Texas died in West Palm Beach Florida. Judson served in the 13th U.S. Cavalry and was stationed in the Philippines in 1910. In 1917 he lived in Galveston, Texas, where he presumably met his wife. They had three daughters:
 - a) Lucy H. Knight (c 1916-1968)
 - b) Martha B. Knight (May 30, 1917 - August 9, 2000) was born in Galveston Texas and died in Lyons New York. She married Rayburn Rice (c 1919- January 22, 1973).¹⁰⁰

⁹⁹ Lawson, Op. Cit. is the only source for this child. Cf, Barbara Bland to Charles L. Bland, August 9, 2011.

c) Amelia Knight (May 13, 1920 – October 16, 1976) was born in Tule Lake, Baron County Wisconsin and died in West Palm Beach Florida. Amelia married Robert Daniel Jackson (1921-) of Vincennes, Knox County Indiana.

5) Oliver Drake Knight (January 17 1890 - October 5 1973) was born in Wisconsin and married Ann R _____.(c 1893 - February 12 1973). According to his draft registration, Dr. Oliver Knight was a chemist with the U.S. Department of Agriculture living in Washington, D.C. They are buried at the Sheridan Municipal Cemetery, Wyoming.

(c) Mary Henrietta Bland (August 31 1850 -February 17 1894)) who never married and is buried in her sister's family plot at Greenwood Cemetery, St. Croix County, Wisconsin.

C. EDWARD BLAND (August 8, 1767 – November 10, 1831) Edward, a lawyer by trade, lived and died on a plantation called “Abbeville” in Nottoway County, Virginia, with his sister Anne acting as mistress of the place. In his obituary, the writer observed “in fact he was Bland from the hands of his maker. Does the bleeding heart of a tender wife – the flowing tears of orphan children – the deep drawn sigh of numerous relatives, or the loud expressed woe of afflicted servants alone proclaim the loss sustained in his death?”¹⁰¹ Edward moved from Prince George to Nottoway County and received permission to practice law there. He married Rebecca Jones (October 20 1791 – September 26, 1841) on June 29, 1808 in Nottoway County. Rebecca was the daughter of Batte Jones and the sister of Martha Jones, who married Edward Bland’s cousin John Bland. Edward and Rebecca had a family of as many as ten children, including:¹⁰²

(1) Judith Maria “Ria” Bland (October 19 1809 – April 2 1856) who married Dr. Henry Cousins Worsham (1801 – October 9 1873) on March 16, 1825 in Dinwiddie County Virginia. Henry graduated from the Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia and owned “the Olden Place” which he used for boarders attending his school for young ladies. Henry and Judith had five children:

(a) Rebecca Bland Worsham (March 28 1831 - February 21 1885) who married Benjamin Franklin Hudgins (November 12 1831 - March 25 1894), a lawyer and planter, November 14 1855 in Dinwiddie County Virginia. Benjamin was Captain in the Hampton Grays and for eight months was on the staff of his wife's cousin, Gen. Roger A. Pryor. Rebecca and Benjamin had nine children, only seven of whom are named here and only four of whom lived to adulthood:

1) Edward Bland Hudgins (c 1857 – before 1870).

2) Maria Bland Hudgins (October 30 1859 – c 1953) who on May 28 1884 married Henry Clay Marrow. (July 21 1848 – December 24 1928) on

¹⁰⁰ I am grateful to Barbara Bland, e-mail, November 15, 2011, forwarding new information from Steven Knight, who descends from this line. Information about Edward and Rebecca’s family is derived in part from their Family Bible, see Edward Bland Paisley to Edward Bland Jr. July 1, 1964

¹⁰¹ Obituary of Edward Bland, Richmond Enquirer, November 22, 1831. Edward’s Will is in Nottoway County Will Book 6, p. 257.

¹⁰² AC 7-1, p. 9

- May 28 1884 They are both buried at St. John's Episcopal Church Cemetery in Hampton, Virginia. They had one child, Henry Franklin Marrow (b 1886 -).
- 3) Benjamin Franklin Hudgins Jr. (May 9 1861 -), who married Louisa Lamar "Lillie" Holladay (May 8 1870 – November 27 1951) in February 1890, by whom he had 11 children, including Rebecca Bland Hudgins (c 1891) and Benjamin Franklin Hudgins III (c 1907 -). Benjamin and Louisa both died in Florida.
 - 4) Judith M. Hudgins.
 - 5) Kenneth Worsham Hudgins. (September 29 1866 – November 20 1951) who married Mary Holmes Love (December 4 1872 – January 31 1949) on November 20 1951 in Hampton, Virginia. Kenneth attended Washington & Lee University. They are buried at St. John's Episcopal Church Cemetery in Hampton, Virginia.
 - 6) Maud Hudgins.
 - 7) Astley Cooper Hudgins (March 24 1871 – March 1 1965) who married Nannie Watkins (October 22 1875 – September 28 1936) on January 7 1898. Astley graduated from the Virginia Military Institute. They are buried at St. John's Episcopal Church Cemetery in Hampton, Virginia.
- (b) Lelia Ann Augusta Worsham (c1833 – 1869) who married Elliott Washington Hudgins (- 1867) on November 17 1857.
 - (c) Patrick Henry Worsham (August 2 1837 – June 5 1862) who died of a fever during the Civil War.
 - (d) Harriet C. Worsham (c 1840 -) who married Thomas Roderick Lee (or Dew?) on November 28 1861 in Dinwiddie County Virginia.
 - (e) Edward Bland Worsham, Esq. who practiced law in Dinwiddie County, then died young.
 - (f) Frances Bland Worsham (c 1843 – 1935) who is buried at St. John's Episcopal Church Cemetery, Hampton, Virginia.
- (2) Margaret Emma "Emma" Bland (July 17, 1811 -) married George W. Harrison (c 1801 - before 1860) on November 20, 1827. George was one of the executors of his father-in-law's will. George from Petersburg Virginia was a descendant of the first Benjamin Harrison. He may have served as 3rd Corporal at the Battle of Buena Vista (Texas War of Independence). Later, Emma and George migrated to Victoria, Fort Bend County Texas, along with two of her sisters and their husbands. They had:
- (a) William Harrison (c 1832 -).
 - (b) Lucy Ann Harrison (c 1835 -).
 - (c) George B. Harrison (c 1838 -).
 - (d) Margaret Emma Bland Harrison (July 1840-), who married David Cogswell Proctor, Esq. (July 16 1835 - May 17 1908) on October 1 1884. David was the widower of Emma's cousin, Ann Augusta Cocke (see 4.b. below, pg. 106).
 - (e) Virginia "Jennie" Lee Harrison (c 1840 -) who married John Henry Major McClanahan (July 18 1835 - September 10 1868). John was from Roanoke County, Virginia, and practiced law in Victoria, Texas. They had:
 - 1) Mabel McClanahan

- 2) Henry Harrison McClanahan (October 7 1868 – December 29 1948) who married Sallie Williams (1880 – 1969) and lived in Paris, Texas, by whom he had two sons. Henry and Sallie are buried at Evergreen Cemetery in Paris, Texas.
- (f) Bland Harrison (c 1844 -).
- (g) Adelia Harrison (c 1845 -).
- (3) Edward Stith Bland (April 11, 1813 – November 7, 1825).
- (4) Ann Augusta Bland, (March 15, 1815 - January 19 1859) who married Reverend Stephen P. Cocke (January 1 1810 - June 24 1856) on November 5, 1833 at the Nottoway Presbyterian Church in Virginia. They moved to Calhoun Texas sometime after 1844. Stephen's and Ann's wills were probated on July 30 1856 and March 28 1859, respectively. After Ann died, their children lived with her sister Rebecca who was married to Stephen's brother. Their children were:¹⁰³
- (a) Edward Bland Cocke (-).
- (b) Harriet Ella Cocke (October 15 1836 – June 10 1921) who married the Reverend John Morton Cochran (November 1825 -) in 1854 in a ceremony performed by her father. They had:
- 1) Anne Augusta Cochran (c 1855 -)
 - 2) Ida Morton Cochran (August 12 1857 – December 15 1949) who married (1st) E. T. Matthews and (2nd) Edwin Rose Arnold (February 1858) about 1887. By Edwin, Ida had:
 - a) John E. Arnold (February 1891 -).
 - b) Henry K. Arnold (August 1893 -)
 - 3) Edwin Goodwin Cochran, M.D. (April 25 1859 – August 6 1929) who married Johnnie Kuykendall (c 1869 -), by whom he had:
 - a) Edward Kuykendall Cochran (December 22 1891 –) who was born in Tampico Mexico.
 - b) Wyley Morton Cochran (November 13 1893 -) who was born in Monterey Mexico
 - c) Ella Morton Cochran (c 1896 –).
 - d) John T. Cochran (c 1898 -)
 - e) James Cochran (c 1903 –).
 - 4) John Isaac Cochran (c 1872 –):
 - 5) Robert Bland Cochran (February 1880 –)
- (c) Ann Augusta "Nannie" Cocke (1840 - October 21 1880) who married David Cogswell Proctor, Esq. (July 16 1835 - May 17 1908) on August 17 1859 in Calhoun County, Texas. David was originally from Shelby County, Kentucky. He graduated Yale University 1854 and Harvard Law School 1856 with an LL B. They had:
- 1) Venable Bland Proctor, Esq. (May 16 1862 - December 22 1936) who graduated from Texas University law school and practiced with his father. He married Nora Frances "Fannie" White (February 1868 -) and they are buried at the Memorial Park Cemetery in Victoria, Texas. They had:

¹⁰³ Notes on Southside Virginia, p. 51

- a) Venable Bland Proctor, Jr. (June 2 1891 – March 18 1939) who died unmarried in Victoria, Texas. Venable was also a lawyer and is buried at the Memorial Park Cemetery in Victoria, Texas.
 - b) David Proctor (August 5 1893 -)
 - c) Frances E. Proctor (July 1897 -)
 - d) Nannie Proctor (December 1899 -) who was unmarried and teaching in the Victoria, Texas, high school in 1920 and 1930.
 - e) Walter Proctor (c 1903 -)
 - f) Frederick Cocke Proctor (September 25 1906 – March 24 1967) who was also a lawyer and a World War II veteran. He is buried at Memorial Park Cemetery, Victoria, Texas.
- 2) Frederick Cocke Proctor, Esq. (February 19 1866 - May 13 1935) who married Lucy Wofford (July 12 1868 – April 22 1933) on December 10 1889 in DeWitt County Texas, after graduating Texas University law school in 1887. They had:
- a) David Cogswell Proctor (November 2 1890 – September 25 1950) who married Hildegard Haggarty (1892 – 1972), by whom he had at least one son. David and Hildegard are believed to be buried in Houston, Texas.
 - b) Josephine Proctor (May 1892 -)
 - c) Lucy W. Proctor (January 1900 -)
- 3) Edna Dean Proctor (June 21 1878 – June 16 1943) who never married and lived in Cuero, DeWitt County, Texas. She is believed to be buried in Victoria, Texas.
- (d) Willie Roberta Cocke (March 1842 -)
 - (e) Stephen Frederick “Fred” Cocke (1844 -)
- (5) Martha Branch Bland (February 4, 1817 - c 1870) married John David Williams (- 1839) on October 1, 1835. John’s father, David Greenhill Williams, gave John and Martha the “Millbrook” house in Nottoway County Virginia as a wedding gift. After John died, Martha lived in and improved the house for 35 years which is now on the National Register.¹⁰⁴ John and Martha had one child:
- (a) Mary Elizabeth Poythress Williams (September 24 1836 - January 27 1874) who married Samuel Freeman Epes (January 6 1827 - November 5 1894) of “Battle View” plantation in Nottoway County Virginia. Mary died seven days after her son Poythress was born. They had:
 - 1) Lilburn Bland Epes (April 21 1857 - June 5 1880)
 - 2) Mary Anne Epes (April 10 1859 - October 11 1873)
 - 3) John David Epes (March 28 1861-October 30 1929) who is buried at Lakeview Cemetery in Blackstone Virginia.
 - 4) Samuel Freeman Epes (December 27 1863-) who married Ms. McAden.
 - 5) Vivian Lee Epes (January 28 1866- April 27 1925) who married Agnes Goode Parrish (1866 - 1925) of Hillsboro North Carolina on November 22 1900, and by her had:
 - (a) Virginia Lee Epes (August 30 1902 - October 13 1989) who married James Wyatt Field (September 20 1897 - December 8 1988), by whom she had two daughters. James was a civil engineer who

¹⁰⁴ Millbrook was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in March 2010.

invented Field's Hydraulics Calculator, a circular slide rule used to compute the gravity flow in pipes.

- 6) Harrison Bland Epes (January 26 1869 - December 26 1932) who married Bena Johnson Haskins (1876 - 1955) on June 18 1908. They lived in Nottoway County Virginia and had three daughters, Mary Poythress Epes, Bena Harrison Epes and Martha Bland Epes. Harrison is buried at Lakeview Cemetery, Blackstone, Nottoway County Virginia.
- 7) Martha "Mattie" Williams Epes (July 7 1872 -) who married Irby Moncure (1867 - 1949) on November 30 1892 in Nottoway County Virginia. They had:
 - a) Annie Lilburn Moncure (September 13 1893 -).
 - b) Mary Poythress Moncure (January 21 1897 -).
 - c) Samuel Epes Moncure (July 22 1899 - August 22 1945) who married Alice Roper Houghston.
 - d) Eustace Conway Moncure (March 1 1903 -).
 - e) Fannie Irby Moncure (June 26 1905 -).
 - f) William "Billy" Irby Moncure (July 23 1911 - June 15 2008) who married Susan Seay Bagwell (1911 -). William and Susan had two sons and one daughter. William attended the College of William and Mary and the University of Richmond School of Law during the Great Depression. He was a lifelong resident of Blackstone, Virginia, where he practiced law, served as mayor from 1945 to 1974 and as General District Judge for the 11th Circuit from 1974 to 1981, when he retired. Billy and Sue are buried at Lakeview Cemetery in Blackstone, Virginia.
- 8) Poythress Roper Epes (January 10 1874 - December 29 1937) who married Elizabeth "Bessie" Irby Jones (1873 - 1954), daughter of Joseph Addison Jones and Mary Frances Irby of Nottoway County Virginia on November 9 1899 in Blackstone Virginia. They had:
 - a) Joseph Samuel Epes (1901-1952)
 - b) Elizabeth Poythress Epes (August 3 1903 - August 27 1974) who never married.

(6) William Richard Bland, Esq. (December 14, 1818 – March 24, 1878, illustration 18), William was a strong Whig and a lawyer. He lived on an estate called "Springfield" at Blackstone, Virginia, and married (1st) Elizabeth Ann Irby (August 1, 1825 – August 1, 1848) on September 27, 1842. Children of William Richard Bland and Elizabeth Irby were:

- (a) Rebecca Bland (July 25, 1844 – May 30, 1879)
- (b) Sarah E. B. Bland (June 14, 1846 – July 29, 1930). Sarah never married. She was deaf and a school teacher. Over the years Sarah lived with an aunt and with her stepmother as she shared her special talents with her students.

William Richard Bland married (2nd) Matilda Oliver Epes (March 6, 1831 – August 18, 1892, illustration 16), the daughter of Peter Epes and Martha Coswell Oliver, on May 15, 1850. Their wedding date is recorded in the bible of Peter Epes (1801 - 1834).¹⁰⁵ William and Matilda had:

¹⁰⁵ Martha Coswell Oliver was the daughter of Isaac Oliver and Mary Ann Bacon. Mary Ann Bacon had a sister who also married a Bland of Nottoway County, i.e. Sarah R. Bacon who married Peter Randolph Bland in 1807 (see pg. 141).

- (c) Edward Bland (May 6, 1851 – October 30, 1901, illustration 19) who married Nannie Cooke at Smith's Grove Kentucky on June 21, 1881. Edward and Nannie had six children:
- 1) Ernest Bland (1883-1884)
 - 2) Mattie William Bland (October 2, 1885 -) who married Mr. Jenie L Burke (April 6 1879 -) on December 24, 1901 at Smith's Grove Kentucky. They moved to Hobart Oklahoma where they had seven children.
 - 3) Helen Epes Bland (June 16, 1886 -) who married Richard Orme of Macon, Georgia.
 - 4) Virginia Bland (Dec 1888 -)
 - 5) Mary Estelle Bland (July 1891 -), who married Thomas Edmund Gossum.
 - 6) William Richard Bland (December 1893 – 1988) who married (1st) Ruth Cole of Kentucky about 1919 ¹⁰⁶ and (2nd) Elizabeth Pankey (July 21 1913 – November 8 2003). William and Elizabeth were living in Greenbrier County, West Virginia, in 1940. Elizabeth is buried at Arvon Memorial Cemetery in Buckingham County, Virginia. By Ruth, William had:
 - a) Edward Cole Bland (c 1920-1967).
 - b) William Richard Bland (1925 - 1998).
 - c) Jeremy Bland (-)
- By Elizabeth, William had:
- d) Robert Louis Bland (c 1935 -).
- (d) William Richard Bland Jr. (May 11, 1854 – August 23, 1854)
- (e) Martha Oliver Bland (June 30, 1855 - September 20, 1925) who married William Mclean Paisley on November 15, 1888. Martha is buried at Lakeview Cemetery in Blackstone Virginia. They moved to Gordon Arkansas and were parents of the genealogist Edward Bland Paisley (1890-1974).
- (f) Judith Maria Bland (June 18, 1858 – March 18, 1938). Judith never married and is buried at Lakeview Cemetery in Blackstone Virginia next to her two sisters, Martha and Emma.
- (g) Peter Epes Bland (October 13, 1860 – January 22, 1863).
- (h) William Harris "Willie" Bland (September 5, 1865 – May 23, 1891). Not much is known about Willie, but his sister Emma's correspondence indicates he was a lawyer.
- (i) Emma Branch Bland (November 14, 1867 – November 18, 1947) who never married and died at Wyandotte Pennsylvania. She is buried beside her sisters Martha and Judith at the Lakeview Cemetery in Blackstone, Virginia. Emma graduated from Clarksville Seminary in Tennessee and Longwood College in Virginia. She taught school in Arkansas, Kentucky and Virginia. ¹⁰⁷

¹⁰⁶ Cousin and correspondent Edward Cole Bland descends from this line.

¹⁰⁷ Emma's papers, primarily correspondence with her brother Edward, are archived at Duke University.

- (7) Rebecca Jones Bland (December 4, 1820 - August 8 1893) Rebecca married Dr. Thomas Robert Cocke (April 23 1816 - June 10 1894) on January 12, 1839. They moved to Victoria Texas with their married respective siblings, Ann Augusta and Stephen. After Ann and Stephen died in 1859/1856, Rebecca and Thomas raised their nieces and nephews along with their own children, who were:
- (a) Gaiel Cocke (1840 -)
 - (b) Medora "Dora" Cocke (March 1840 -) who married Thomas L. Taylor (July 1830) in Victoria, Texas, in a ceremony performed by the Reverend John Morton Cochran, her cousin's husband. They had:
 - 1) Thomas Fielding Taylor (c 1862 -)
 - (c) Ida Cocke (November 27 1844 - April 15 1918)
 - (d) Gualka Cocke (August 18 1846 - October 15 1925)
 - (e) Thomas Venable Cocke (January 15 1850 - March 3 1919) who married Blanche Holloway (January 21 1851 -), by whom he had:
 - 1) Frederick Rivera Cocke (August 8 1877 - December 25 1911) who was a peace officer in Victoria, Texas, and never married.
 - 2) Robert Summerville Cocke (November 20 1879 - October 13 1938) who married (1st Eleanor M. _____) and (2nd) Edwy Beth Matthews (September 1880 -). Robert lived primarily in El Paso, Texas, and worked as a printer and as an advertising salesman for a newspaper company. By Edwy, Robert had:
 - a) Robert Edward Cocke (c 1904 -)
 - (3) Elizabeth Cocke (September 1886 -)
 - (f) Harriett "Hadgie" Cocke (December 30 1859 - July 25 1938) who married Thomas Jones Sterne (November 17 1854 - June 13 1914). They lived in Victoria Texas where they had:
 - 1) Margaritta "Minnie" Sterne (November 18 1871 - April 27 1919).
 - 2) Maye Sullivan Sterne (June 14 1882 - November 15 1918).
 - 3) Guthrie Sterne (May 30 1884 - January 2 1889).
 - 4) Thomas Leslie Sterne (September 4 1885 - August 26 1943) who married Mary Shaw (August 8 1893 - December 6 1969).¹⁰⁸
- (8) Sarah Frances Bland, (June 26, 1823 -) who married the Reverend Edward Clack Robinson on June 5, 1844. They had six children:
- (a) Henry Burrell Robinson
 - (b) Edward Bland Robinson
 - (c) Rebecca Clack Robinson
 - (d) Nonnie M. Robinson
 - (e) Martha Virginia Robinson
 - (f) William Clack Robinson
- (9) Eliza Virginia Bland (July 21, 1825 - October 20, 1825).
- (10) Virginia Bland (February 20, 1827 - December 4, 1870) married Thomas Roper Williams, (1820-1881) on November 11, 1845 in Nottoway County, Virginia. Thomas and Virginia left Nottoway County for Fayette County Tennessee in 1848 and settled near Woodlawn where Virginia is buried. The descendants of Ernest Bland Williams, however, believe that Virginia was the

¹⁰⁸ Correspondent Tom Sterne descends from this line.

only child of Peter Randolph Bland and Sallie (Bland) Bland of Fayette Tennessee to survive the epidemic of 1834. We've decided to mention them in both places until the issue can be resolved. They had:

- (a) Ernest Bland Williams (July 1858 -) was born in Fayette County Tennessee. He married Lizzie L. _____ (September 1865 -) circa 1896 in Tennessee and by her had:
- 1) Ernest Bland Williams Jr. (July 1898 -) who married Anne _____ and lived in Memphis, Tennessee. They had:
- a) Ernest Bland Williams III (1928-2008), who had at least one son, Ernest Bland Williams IV.
- (b) W. E. Williams (1869 -)

D. ANNE BLAND (C1769 -). Anne was a minor in 1787 and appears to have never married. She made her will in Nottoway County on September 4, 1806. In the will, she mentioned her mother and left her slaves to her siblings (see pg. 93).

4. ANNE POYTHRESS BLAND (1735 -) who married John Pryor (c 1735 - c 1785), the son of Col. Samuel Pryor and Prudence Thornton.¹⁰⁹ John's will was probated in Amelia County, Virginia, in 1785 and included their children:

- A. RICHARD PRYOR (c 1759 -) who married in 1773 his first cousin, Anne Poythress Bland, daughter of William Bland and Elizabeth Yates. He was named in his father's will in 1785 and became guardian of his siblings. Richard was a tobacco merchant in Richmond Virginia. (See page 118 below for their children):
- B. SAMUEL BLAND PRYOR (c 1760 -) who married Mary Ann Hamlin in 1821 in Amelia County, Virginia. Mary Ann's mother was Miss Goode.
- C. ELIZABETH PRYOR (c 1762 - after 1785) who married John Timberlake on January 19 1782 in Amelia County, Virginia.¹¹⁰ Elizabeth was named in her father's will in 1785.
- D. PHILIP PRYOR (c 1764 -) who married Susan C. Wilkes in 1802 in Brunswick County, Virginia. Phillip appears in the Brunswick County censuses in 1810 and 1820.
- E. MARY POYTHRESS PRYOR (c 1765 -) who married Alexander Bolling (December 2 1761- before 1831) on December 24 1782 in Amelia County Virginia. Mary made her will in 1830 in which she describes herself as a widow. It seems reasonable to posit that Mary was inspired to settle her own affairs shortly after the death of her husband. They are believed to have had at least four children:
- (1) Samuel Pryor Bolling (c 1781 - before August 1833) who married Ann "Nancy" Willie Elliott, by whom he had:
- (a) John Alexander Bolling (October 23 1803 - September 18 1900) who married (1st) Lucy Burwell Randolph (August 14 1810 -) on August 12

¹⁰⁹ VU p. 163.

¹¹⁰ AC 1-2, p. 3. This information was originally provided by my correspondent, the late Elizabeth LeSueur Scales DeShazo of Martinsville, Virginia, a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution based on this lineage.

1828 in Brunswick County, Virginia, and (2nd) Harriett _____, the widow of H. E. McDowell, in September 1859. After the death of Lucy, John migrated from Mississippi, where their children were born, to California, then Texas. They had at least nine children, including Margaret Ann Randolph Bolling (March 24 1840 – October 12 1917) who married Thomas Thweatt Jones.¹¹¹

- (b) Richard Elliott Bolling (– c May 1876) who is believed to have died unmarried.
- (c) Mary Harriet Bolling (November 21 1810 –)
- (d) Mildred M. Bolling (–) who married William B. Smith on October 28 1833 in Brunswick County, Virginia.
- (2) Alexander E. Bolling (–).
- (3) John Bolling (–) who married Jane _____.
- (4) Mary Harriet Bolling (–) who married Thomas Shore.

F. LUKE PRYOR (April 3 1770 – June 12 1851) who married (1st) Martha Scott (the sister of General Winfield Scott) on October 8 1801 in Dinwiddie County, Virginia, then (2nd) Ann Batte Lane (June 21 1790 – March 2 1864) of Brunswick County Virginia, daughter of Benjamin and Sylvia (Perry) Lane, on May 22 1808. Luke is in the 1830 through 1850 censuses residing in Limestone County, Alabama. By Ann, Luke had:

- (1) Anne Batte Pryor (April 3 1813 – October 27 1856) who married Fredrick R. Shelton circa 1830, by whom she had:
 - (a) Benjamin Shelton (–)
 - (b) Mary Ann Shelton (c 1835 – February 7 1886) who married Bassel-Lee Lindsey, by whom she had:
 - 1) Frederick Holland Lindsey (1860 –) who married Mary Wilson, by whom he had:
 - a) Edward Lindsey (–)
 - b) Frederick Holland Lindsey Jr. (–)
 - c) Frances Lindsey (–)
 - d) Wilbur Lindsey (–)
 - e) Lylia Florence Lindsey (–) who married Sam Haynes.
 - 2) George W. Lindsey (1863 –)
 - 3) Luke Pryor Lindsey (1869 –) who married _____ Burke, by whom he had:
 - a) Mary Jo Lindsey (–) who married O. J. Hite
 - b) Etta Lindsey (–)
 - c) Ida Lindsey (–)
 - d) Luke Pryor Lindsey Jr. (–)
 - e) George Lindsey (–)
 - f) Haywood Lindsey (–)
 - g) Nellie Lindsey (–)
 - h) Bertha Lindsey (–)
 - i) John Lindsey (–)
 - 4) Mary Lee Lindsey (–) who married James Griffen, by whom she had:
 - a) Susie Griffen (–)

¹¹¹ We are grateful to our new correspondents, Randy Jones and Trinkle Jones, descendants of Thomas and Margaret (Bolling) Jones, for shedding light on this branch of the family.

- b) Lee Griffen (-)
 - c) Virginia Griffen (-) who married J. Owens
 - d) Mary Griffen (-)
 - e) Alfred Virgil Griffen (-)
 - 5) Sally Lindsey Lindsey (-)
 - 6) Unknown Lindsey (December 1866 -)
 - 7) Thomas Lindsey (December 1866 - 1867)
 - 8) Virginia Lou Ella Lindsey (December 1866 - March 30 1943) who married Alfred Beauregard Hodgins. They lived primarily in Uniontown, Kentucky. She is said to have died in Decatur, Alabama. They had:
 - a) Ruth Beryl Hodgins (c 1893 - c 1901)
 - b) Elwin Hodgins (c 1895 - c 1898)
 - c) Moris Hodgins (c 1898 -)
 - d) Maynard Hodgins (c 1898 - 1898)
 - e) Alfred-Benjamin Hodgins (August 25 1903 - July 30 1993) who married Mary Elise Warren
 - 9) Benjamin Shelton Lindsey (January 22 1871 -) who married Ivy Parish, by whom he had:
 - a) Lillian Lindsey (March 3 1901 -) who married Joseph Terhorst
 - b) Benjamin Lindsey (-)
 - c) Richard Allen Lindsey (-)
 - d) William Shannon Lindsey (-)
 - e) Robert Lee Lindsey (-)
 - (c) Frederick Atkinson Shelton (May 3 1842 - July 25 1844)
 - (d) Luke Atkinson Shelton (March 25 1845 - March 11 1847)
- (2) Luke Pryor (April 5 1820 - August 6 1900) who was a lawyer and the U.S. Senator from Alabama. Luke married Isabella Virginia Harris (January 7 1826 - June 1889) of Albemarle County, Virginia, on August 20 1845, by whom he had:
- (a) Aurora Pryor (-) who married Robert A. McClellan.
 - (b) William Richard Pryor (-) who married Ida Harris.
 - (c) Memory Pryor (-) who married William Shirley Peebles.
 - (d) Anne Batte Lane Pryor (-) who married Maclin Sloss.
 - (e) Frances Snow Pryor (-).
 - (f) Isabella Benjamin Pryor (-) who died in infancy.
 - (g) Mary Pryor (-) who married Thomas Bass Leslie, by whom she had at least one son.
 - (h) Harriett Emily Pryor (-) who married Robert J. Lowe.

5. **JOHN BLAND** (October 19, 1739 - after April 18, 1777) was the third son and fifth child of Richard Bland and Anne Poythress.¹¹² Over the years he has been confused by some researchers with John Bland (1725-1795) who married Margaret Osborne and left his will in Nelson County Kentucky. In spite of the fact that a solid link between this John Bland (1725-1795) and the Prince William County Virginia Family - I and other researchers call this branch the "Northern Virginia" or "Northern Neck" family - has been well established, and further the two families have been defined as

¹¹² VU p. 163

separate by DNA research (see above pg. 34) some researchers persist in this belief, born, I believe by an uncoordinated innocence about just how many John Blands there were in Virginia during the last half of the 18th century.¹¹³

John attended William and Mary College from 1756-1758. He was deeded 100 acres in Prince George County by his father when he reached age 21. John married Clara Yates.¹¹⁴ An ad appears in the Virginia Gazette, April 18, 1777, announcing the property sale for the estate of "John Bland of Amelia County", deceased. An inventory of John's estate May 15, 1777 (Amelia Will Book 2, p. 309) the day before the estate sale was set, shows that John's administratrix was "Clary Bland". The estate lists property and the following thirty slaves: America, Ned, Robin, Bob, Guy, Davy, Moses, Africa, Peter, Billy, Tom, Venus, Hanner and Child Ned, Cecelia and her child Harry, Annaky and her child Nanny, Betty, Letty, Phyllis, Peg, Hanner Dolly, Beck, Patience, Murrer, Rachel, Milly and another Betty. This would seem to make solid

¹¹³ VU, p. 163. I was obviously incorrect to say that John died in infancy.

¹¹⁴ Jessie Richmond Harper of Estero Florida, asserts that Clara Yates was the daughter of Elizabeth Randolph Yates (-1783) widow of William Yates and second wife of Theodorick Bland (1719-1784), uncle of Clara's husband John Bland (1739-1777). William Yates, Clara's brother, and Elizabeth's son, was called son-in-law in Theodorick's will of July 16, 1783 and is called son in Elizabeth's will. Elizabeth names her granddaughter Ann Bland (C1747 -) who married Thomas Eaton, VU pp. 168-169. This may be Anne Bland Eaton Dudley, Ann Bland Eaton's daughter mentioned elsewhere in the will as Anne Bland Dudley. Very little is known of Anne but she appears in Elizabeth Randolph Yates' will when Elizabeth stipulates that her son William Yates hold several slaves until Anne is married. Elizabeth also names three daughters, Susannah Murray, Clara Bland Bolling and Lucy Lundie. Elizabeth's will names sons in law Robert Bolling and Thomas Lundie as executors and witnesses and include Peter and Edward Bland as witnesses.

John's dates.¹¹⁵ Clara married (2nd) Robert Bolling on December 16 1779 in Amelia County, Virginia. John Bland and Clara Yates had:

A. RICHARD YATES BLAND (C1767 – February 12, 1852). Recently discovered evidence confirms that Richard Yates Bland (1770-1852) was the son of John Bland (1739-1777) and Clara Yates.¹¹⁶ Richard was appointed Sheriff of Nottoway County in 1827 and was said to be a deeply religious man. The 1850 census for Dinwiddie County Virginia places Richard in the home of his son, Richard Yates Bland Jr. He appears to be the same man whose obituary appeared in the Richmond Enquirer, indicating dates noted above at the home of his son, R. Y. Bland Jr., in Dinwiddie County Virginia. Richard Yates Bland settled in

¹¹⁵ AC 3-1, p. 8. A secondary record shows Clara Bland marrying Robert Bolling on December 10, 1779. That particular transcription of the handwritten county record is very poor and led to the identification of Robert Bolling as Bellamy. This marriage record is reinforced by a previously noted deed to a younger John Bland of 414 acres in Prince George County by Robert and Clara Bolling (Ac 3-1, p. 8, and 3-1 pp. 9-10). This would seem to establish clearly that John Bland had a son John, either by Clara Yates or by a previous wife, who was born no later than 1767. Another property transaction was for one John Bland freed five of his slaves, including Sally and her four minor children, John, Polly, Nancy, and Allsey on March 3, 1789, although he reserved guardianship for the children until they reached their majority (Prince George Deeds, 1787-1792, p. 226). There are other property records and one death notice showing that one John Bland died December 11, 1794 and a newspaper notice of the estate sale of John Bland of Amelia County, deceased" occurring in April 1777. Here, one must be cautious. There is also notice in the Virginia Gazette recalling John Bland and others back to military duty in Amelia County on September 8, 1777. Either news of John's death the previous spring had not reached the authorities, which seems unlikely, or there were two adult John Blands in the Amelia area in 1777. Hunter's Familie Minorum Gentium (p. 427) shows a John Bland (December 8, 1741 -) who was the son of John Bland (1712-1787) and Anne Buck (1718-1770) who descended from Theodorick Bland's (1629-1671) third son John (1668-1746), who settled in England after going there for college. This John (1741-) was a contemporary of John Bland (1739-1777) and was said to have been at Scarborough England but moved to London in 1758, then moved to America and settled around Petersburg and Blandford. Hunter wrote that John from Scarborough married a widow in America but had no issue (VU p. 135). Amelia County Marriage records show that one John Bland married a Mary Lang in Prince George County April 23, 1791. Hamlin's They Went Thataway records a grave marker at a Mary Bland graveyard located six miles from Disputana Virginia for Mary Bland, age 71 who died in 1826 (so 1755-1826), the widow of "John Bland formerly of London." Finally one may recall that following the death of Theodorick Bland (1741-1790) his widow, Martha Dangerfield, remarried to one Nathan Blodgett. Richard Knight was good enough to send me a copy of a marriage contract between Blodgett and Martha Dangerfield dated October 4, 1791 and witnessed by John and Mary Bland, who must surely be John Bland and his wife Mary Lang. Hunter confirms that there was no issue from this marriage between John and Mary. I think this is the John Bland who died in Prince George County Virginia on December 11, 1794. Thus I believe we are dealing with two John Blands who lived more or less contemporaneously in Prince George, Amelia, and Nottoway Counties: 1. John Bland (1739-1777), son of Richard Bland and Anne Poythress, who married Clara Yates and had a son Richard Yates Bland. As his widow, Clara married Robert Bolling (C1751-1791) on December 10, 1779. Clara also had two children with Robert Bolling: A son John, born no later than 1787, and daughter Elizabeth Yates Bolling. 2. John Bland (1741-1794), son of John Bland and Anne Buck of England, who married Mary Lang (1755-1826).

¹¹⁶ A biography of Robert Bolling, Clara Yates' second husband, states, "Married (bond Dec. 18 1779), Mrs. Clara (Yates) Bland, the mother of R. Y. Bland (later Col. Bland)." The late L.P. Bland of Wakefield Virginia once proposed to me that John married prior to Clara Yates to Rachel Reed by whom he had a son but Rachel died early in the marriage. Richard 's birth would have been no later than 1767, for LP Bland identified him as a John Bland who purchased land from his step-father in 1788, and manumitted several slaves in 1787-1789. AC 3-1, p. 8 and AC 7-1, pp. 10-11. Cf By Robert A. Stewart The History of Virginia's Navy in the Revolution, (Richmond, VA, Mitchell & Hotchkiss, 1934).

Nottoway County and married Anna Booth, (c 1772- May 23 1853), daughter of Gilliam Booth. They had:

- (1) Martha Ann Bland. Martha would have had to be an older sibling because she could not otherwise have been mother to a child born in 1815. Martha's existence is suggested by indirect evidence from the Jones family, which was prominent and prolific in the area. Martha was believed to have married first Patrick Jones and had at least one child, Ann Eliza Jones, with Patrick before he expired in May 1817. Martha is said to have married (2nd) Austin Watkins. Indeed, in the 1820 census of Amelia County, appears "Austin Watkins, Guardian: C.P.A. Jones," which suggests Watkins may have been the stepfather of a Jones child. Martha is also said to have called home "Dr. Bragg's place which reverted to her children after her death." Last, in the Amelia County records and dated February 18 1825, appears an indenture and deed of trust "from Richard Y. Bland to Peter R. Bland for the benefit of Austin Watkins," which suggests some connections among them. Further research is needed here. Martha and Patrick are said to be the parents of:
 - (a) Ann Eliza Jones (August 28 1815 - April 1 1848) who married William Albert Bragg (May 1 1809 – March 8 1863) both buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia, by whom she had at least four children:
 - 1) Martha A. Bragg (c1835 -) who married William R. Mallory (.
 - 2) Dr. John C. Bragg (c 1835 – September 9 1909) who is identified as the son of "W.A. & Anna J. Bragg" in his burial record at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia. Next to Dr. John is buried "John James Watkins, son of Austin & Ann Watkins" (c 1830 – October 2 1848).
 - 3) William Albert Bragg (January 9 1840 – February 7 1901) who married Elizabeth "Lizzie" Madison Lee (c 1848 - March 18 1907), by whom he had:
 - a) Hancock Lee Bragg (February 23 1874 – August 27 1941) who lived in New York City and is buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg.
 - b) Elise Calvin Bragg (December 1876 – January 2 1970) who married Granville Gray Valentine (1860-1943) on April 5 1904 in Richmond Virginia, by whom she had three children.
 - c) Fannie Madison Bragg (c 1878 -) who married George Small of York, Pennsylvania, by whom she had four children.
 - 4) Daniel Wilson Bragg (August 28 1844 – May 7 1887) who married Rosa Belle Friend (September 27 1848 – November 22 1929), by whom he had at least six children. Daniel was a tobacco dealer in Petersburg. He and Rosa are buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg, Virginia.
- (2) Mary G. Bland (c 1802 – December 12 1884). By 1850, Mary was living in the household of Richard Y. Bland Jr., age 47 in Dinwiddie County. In 1860, she's in the household of Mary Gilliam, Dinwiddie County, with Laura Bland, daughter of Richard Yates Bland Jr. and with his son John a few households away. In 1870, she's living at age 65 (she has graciously made herself two years younger) with Laura and her husband in Dinwiddie. Finally, in 1880, she's living with Laura's family in Richmond where she is identified as "aunt." It appears that Mary raised the children of her brother Richard Yates Bland Jr., finding homes for them as best she could. Mary is buried in the same family plot as her nephew John Bland at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia.

- (3) Richard Yates Bland, Jr. (circa 1813 - before 1860) who married Eliza A. E. Stewart (c 1822 - before 1860). In 1837 Sussex County Virginia, Richard and his wife sue her former guardian seeking the division of property by her father's will among herself and her two brothers, the latter still minors. In 1850, Dinwiddie County census records show they had at least three children as listed below. However, the U.S. Mortality Schedule for Dinwiddie County shows a Richard Y. Bland (1840-1850) who died "of congestion" in that year. By 1860 Richard Y. Bland Jr. and Eliza both have disappeared and these same three children are living in separate households. Laura, age 12, and Mary Bland, age 38, are living with Mary Gilliam, age 48, in San Marino, Dinwiddie County. Down the street in San Marino is John, age 10, in the house of William Thompson, M.D. and farmer. There is a teacher/tutor in the house; perhaps John is getting his schooling here. Robert at about 18 years is not visible in 1860. By 1870 Laura has married and living with her family are her brothers and her aunt Mary.
- (a) Richard Y. Bland (1840 - 1850).
- (b) Robert C. B. Bland (c 1843 – June 3 1899). Robert served in Company E, 13th Virginia Cavalry regiment. In 1870 Robert was working as a clerk in a "tobacco house" where his younger brother John also worked. Robert married Minnie J. _____ (c 1863 – April 26 1951) in August 1883 in Petersburg, Virginia. She never remarried and applied for a widow's pension based on his military service. Robert is buried with his sister and her family at Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond, Virginia. Minnie is buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg, Virginia, with their son and perhaps with her family. They had only one child:
- 1) John Robert Bland (c 1885 – September 15 1905) who died unmarried of tuberculosis.
- (c) Laura Randolph Bland (c 1845 – January 28 1926) who married John A. Cullen (c 1833 – April 24 1889) in about 1869. By 1910, John Cullen is no longer among the quick and Laura is running a boarding house in Richmond where three adult sons live with her. John and Laura are buried at Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond Virginia. They had:
- 1) John A. Cullen, Jr. (c June 1870 - after 1910).
 - 2) Richard R. Cullen (c 1872 – June 17 1915) is buried at Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond Virginia.
 - 3) Robert Conway Cullen (c 1875 – April 6 1922) is buried at Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond Virginia.
 - 4) Edward "Eddie" Simon Cullen (c 1885 - after 1920) of whom nothing further is know. He is not buried with the others at either Hollywood or Blandford cemeteries.
- (d) John W. G. Bland (c 1852 – July 16 1883). In 1870, John is working as a clerk in a "tobacco house" with his brother. He died of consumption and is buried with his Aunt Mary at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia.

6. MARY BLAND (January 15 1740/1741 -) who is believed to have died in infancy.

7. WILLIAM BLAND (December 26, 1742 - 1803) William was the fourth son and seventh child of Richard Bland and Anne Poythress.¹¹⁷ William led a colorful and (in

¹¹⁷ Cf Corey and VU pp. 163-164 and AC 4-1, pp. 17-18 and 4-2, pp. 6-7.

his later years) unhappy and professionally failed life. He was well educated in the ministry at William and Mary College.¹¹⁸ William Bland married three times: (1st) about 1769 to Elizabeth Yates.¹¹⁹ The Randolph and Yates families have maintained that Elizabeth is the sister of Clara Yates, wife of John Bland (1739-1777) the brother of William (see above page 114). Corey, who highlights William Bland in his genealogy, indicates that William and Elizabeth Yates had two children:

A. ANNE "NANCY" BLAND, (1770-1826) who married her cousin Richard Pryor (c 1759 – c 1850), the son of John Pryor and Ann Poythress Bland (see above pg. 111), and they lived their lives in Dinwiddie County Virginia. They were the parents of nine children:

(1) William Bland Pryor (c 1792 - before 1860), who married (1st) Frances Eppes and (2) his cousin Jane Bland Atkinson (c 1799 – after 1870), daughter of Agnes Poythress and Roger Atkinson of Olive Hill (see pg.87 above) on October 12 1818 in Chesterfield County, Virginia. William and Jane lived in Tipton County, Tennessee in 1830, in Madison County, Louisiana in 1850, then moved to Mississippi. The widowed Jane is living in Warren County in the 1870 census. By Jane, William had:

- (a) Richard S. Pryor (c 1820 –) who married (1st) _____ and (2nd) Margaret Highlander (c1823 -) as her second marriage on July 5 1854. Margaret's first husband was W. A. Jolly and her children and grandchildren by Mr. Jolly are living with Richard and his daughters through 1900. Richard was born in Virginia and lived in Vicksburg Mississippi where he was a deputy sheriff in 1860 and a druggist in 1870. By his first wife, Richard had:
- 1) Ann Pryor (c 1848 –).
 - 2) John W. Pryor (c 1850 –).
 - 3) Walter Pryor (c 1853 –).

By Margaret, Richard had:

- 4) Jane Atkinson Pryor (May 1859 –) who married Mr. Moore (- before 1900), by whom she had one son, Harry Moore (December 1878 -).
 - 5) Sallie Bland Pryor (July 1862 –) who never married..
- (b) Agnes D. Pryor (c 1822 –) who married William B. Creasy/Creecy (- before 1860) on November 15 1838 in Warren County, Mississippi. Agnes was born in Virginia and lived in Vicksburg Mississippi with her mother in 1860 when she worked as a school teacher. She had:
- 1) William. P. Creasy (c 1840 –) who lived with his mother and grandparents in 1850 in Louisiana, and with his grandmother Jane B. Pryor in 1870 in Mississippi when he worked as a druggist.
- (c) Ann P. Pryor (c 1825 –) who married _____ Birchett (- before 1870). Ann was born in Virginia and lived in Vicksburg Mississippi with her mother in 1870.
- (d) Mary A. Pryor (c 1824 –) was born in Virginia and lived in Louisiana with her parents in 1850.

¹¹⁸ Goodwin List of Colonial Clergy in Virginia.

¹¹⁹ In my book I erroneously identified Elizabeth as descended from Pocahontas VU p. 164.

- (2) Mary Ann Pryor (c 1794 -), who married her cousin John Atkinson, son of Agnes Poythress and Roger Atkinson of Olive Hill (see p 85 above), by whom she had:
- (a) Ann Bland Atkinson (-)
- (3) Richard Pryor Jr. (c 1800 -), who married Virginia Boyd on December 24 1821 in Mecklenburg County, Virginia. He appears in the Hempstead County, Arkansas, censuses for 1850 and 1860.
- (4) Samuel Pryor (c 1802 -), who married Mary Ann Hamlin of Amelia County. They had:
- (a) Col. William Pryor of Lynchburg, Virginia, who married Margaret Walker, by whom he had two sons:
 - 1) Samuel Morris Pryor.
 - 2) Gilmer Pryor.
- (5) Elizabeth Yates Pryor (-), who married Benjamin Jones (c 1786 – November 6 1856), the son of Robert and Mary Jones, of Petersburg Virginia. Benjamin is buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia. They had at least one child:
- (a) Robert Yates Jones (December 22 1822 – May 21 1870) who, according to his bio contained in “The Class of 1844, Harvard College,” graduated from Harvard College in 1844 where he was nicknamed “Gentleman Jones” .for his warm-hearted and dignified courtesy of manner. On September 4 1844 he married (1st) Elizabeth Amy Dupree Lundy (c 1824 – July 8 1845), who died of childbed fever and left no issue, and then on November 5 1851 he married (2nd).Susan Louisa Roberta Bragg (c 1835 – c 1863). Susan and Robert were cousins, not on the Bland side but on the Yates side as she was a great, great granddaughter of Clara Yates, the widow of John Bland, and Robert Bolling (see above page .114). Though Robert took no active part in the Civil War, his large fortune was reduced to a meager support by the time he died of a long and painful illness. Robert and Susan had:
 - 1) Benjamin McKenna Jones (c 1854 – March 7 1864) is buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia.
 - 2) Roberta Gilliam Jones (c 1856 – August 23 1863) died at age 9 of diphtheria and is buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia.
 - 3) William Bragg Jones (c 1857 -)
 - 4) Robert Yates Jones (1860 – October 31 1907) is buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia.
 - 5) Susan Louise Roberta Jones (1862 – November 30 1927) apparently never married and is buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia.
 - 6) William Bland Pryor Jones, DDR (August 6 1863 – July 14 1923) who was a homeopathic physician in Petersburg Virginia in 1885 and provided the information on his father for the Harvard biography. William married Mary Noland Meacham (September 23 1865 – March 13 1921) on June 22 1887 in Petersburg, and they are buried together at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia.
- (6) Theodorick Bland Pryor, D.D., LL.D. (January 9 1805 – July 27 1890), who married (1st) Lucy Epes Atkinson, daughter of a Bland cousin, daughter of Agnes Poythress and Roger Atkinson of Olive Hill, on October 11 1827 in Chesterfield County Virginia, (page 87 above) and (2nd) Frances Campbell Eppes (May 14 1812 –), daughter of John Epes and Frances Campbell on December 31 1832 in Nottoway County Virginia, on December 21 1832 in

Nottoway County, Virginia, and (3rd) Frances “Fannie” Fitzgerald (April 24 1812 – September 1 1892) on October 6 1868 in Nottoway County, Virginia, by whom no issue. Theodorick was a Presbyterian minister who lived at “Rose Hill” plantation in Nottoway County, Virginia. Rose Hill is the plantation home built by Peter Randolph Bland Sr. in the 1790's. Theodorick and Fannie are said to be buried under the pulpit of the Presbyterian church in Nottoway County.

By Lucy, Rev. Pryor had:

- (a) Roger Atkinson Pryor (July 19 1828 - March 14 1919), member of Congress representing Virginia from 1859 to 1861, Brigadier General in the Confederate Army, Judge of the Supreme Court of New York. Roger married Sarah Agnes Rice (February 19 1830 – February 15 1912)¹²⁰ on November 8 1848. They are buried at the Princeton Cemetery, New Jersey, by whom he had:
- 1) Maria Gordon Pryor (April 18 1850 – June 15 1928) who married Henry Crenshaw Rice (1842-1916), by whom she had three children. They are buried at the Lakeview Cemetery, Nottoway County, Virginia.
 - 2) Theodorick Bland Pryor Jr. (July 8 1851 – October 23 1871, Illustration 27), First Mathematical-Fellow of Princeton University. Young Theodorick never married. After reporting that he would go out for a walk to relieve his headache, his body was found in the river near his father's home in Brooklyn, New York. He is buried at the Princeton Cemetery, New Jersey, in the student's section.
 - 3) Roger Atkinson Pryor Jr. (c 1854 -), a lawyer in New York City.
 - 4) Mary Blair Pryor (c 1856 -), who married Francis Thomas Walker.
 - 5) William Rice Pryor (c 1858 -), a physician, who married Louise Allan of Richmond. William and Louise lived in New York City where they had son:
 - a) Hoffman Allan Pryor.
 - 6) Lucy Atkinson Pryor, who married Arthur Page Brown.
 - 7) Frances Theodora Bland Pryor (December 24 1868) who married William de Leftwich Dodge (c 1867 -) on March 31 1897 in New York City. By William de Leftwich, Frances had:
 - a) Roger Pryor De Leftwich Dodge (January 21 1898 -)
 - b) Sarah Pryor De Leftwich Dodge (July 14 1901 -).
- (b) Lucy Atkinson Pryor (December 14 1829 – March 21 1901), who married Robert Dunn McIlwaine (January 13 1828 – February 21 1875), son of Archibald Graham McIlwaine and Martha Dunn, of Petersburg Virginia. Robert served as a Captain in the Civil War, and it was his home in Petersburg, a palatial house he built in 1858 which still exists, used by Gen. George E. Pickett for his personal headquarters during the war. It was another of Robert's homes, Cottage Farm, to which Gen. Robert E. Lee (another Bland descendant) removed after the fall of Petersburg and from where Lee planned the evacuation. Lucy and Robert are buried at Blandford Cemetery. They had:
- 1) Lucy Ann Baird McIlwaine (March 4 1851 – February 19 1861). Lucy died at age ten of “lockjaw” and is buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia.
 - 2) Martha Dunn McIlwaine (April 15 1852 – October 5 1856). Martha died at age four and is buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia.

¹²⁰ Sara Agnes (Rice) Pryor was a cofounder of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

- 3) William "Willie" Baird McIlwaine (October 4 1854 – August 11 1930) who married (1st) Jane "Jennie" Maury Pegram (November 22 1857 – November 17 1878) on November 7 1877 in Petersburg, Virginia, and (2nd) Sarah Joseph "Joe" Alston Claiborne (October 25 1859 – February 22 1848) on December 28 1882 in Petersburg. Willie had at least one child by Jane and six by Sarah. All three are buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia. This is the same Willie who conveys his uncle Roger Pryor's views on the beauty and intelligence of cousin Nannie Bland (see page 136).
- 4) Hibernia McIlwaine (November 1856 – July 6 1945), who married circa 1875 John Wesley Friend (1842 – October 28 1915), a lawyer of Petersburg, both of whom are buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia. They had:
 - a) Robert McIlwaine Friend (August 26 1876 – November 1 1968) who married (1st) Bessie Meade Patterson (March 31 1892 – January 11 1916) on April 18 1911 in Petersburg, Virginia, and (2nd) Florence Pauline Winfield (December 8 1896 – February 20 1965) on March 25 1941. Robert, Bessie and Florence are buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia. Robert had at two daughters by Bessie.
 - b) Hibernia McIlwaine Friend (January 19 1879 – May 6 1957) who died unmarried and is buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia. Hibernia was a stenographer for an insurance company in 1930.
 - c) John Wesley Friend Jr. (July 22 1881 – May 6 1943) who married Grace Irving Lunsford (February 16 1882 – December 5 1967) on April 6 1904 in Petersburg, Virginia, by whom he had at least six children. They are buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia.
 - d) Lucy Pryor Friend (January 1884 – August 19 1959) who never married and is buried at the Royal Palm South Cemetery, St. Petersburg, Florida. Beginning at the age of 15, Lucy won awards in natural science, French and singing at the Southern Female College where her uncle-in-law Dr. Davis was president. Lucy was a music teacher in 1920 in Petersburg.
 - e) Archibald "Archie" Graham McIlwaine Friend (January 19 1887 – August 24 1979). Archie was female and married in 1914 James W. Hassell (1886-July 31 1979) and they are buried at Oakwood Cemetery, Hickory, North Carolina. They had at least four children, all born in Japan.
 - f) Harriett Friend (c 1892 –) Harriett appears in the 1920 census with her widowed mother. It is said that she died before 1957 which would have been noted in her sister Hibernia's obituary. She is not "home" in 1930 and is not buried with her family at Blandford Cemetery under her maiden name, so she perhaps married someone and is buried somewhere.
- 5) Archibald Graham McIlwaine, (September 5 1858 – April 4 1926) appears to have moved to Hartford, Connecticut, where he was president of the Hartford Insurance Company. He married Elsie _____, by whom he had at least three children.
- 6) Robert Dunn McIlwaine Jr. (c 1866 – July 13 1905) who married Mary Elizabeth Plummer (April 14 1865 – September 3 1936) on September 4

1888 in Petersburg Virginia and by her had at least four children. Robert was a physician. Robert and Mary are buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia.

- 7) Lucy Atkinson Pryor McIlwaine (July 4 1867 – January 10 1943) who married Dr. Arthur Kyle Davis (July 16 1867 – July 9 1953), by whom she had three children. Dr. Davis was president of the Southern Female College in Petersburg. Lucy and Arthur are buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia.
- 8) Martha Dunn McIlwaine (August 25 1869 – June 19 1950) who married David Blackshear Hamilton Chaffe (December 5 1864 – February 2 1924) on February 20 1889 in Petersburg Virginia. David was originally from Louisiana and they moved back to that State between their first and second children. They are buried in the Chaffe family tomb in the Metairie Cemetery, Orleans Parish, Louisiana.

By Frances Eppes, Rev. Pryor had:

- (c) Frances Epes Pryor, who married Thomas Harris Campbell.
- (d) Anne “Nannie” Bland Pryor (September 17 1837 – September 1 1902) who married circa 1857 George William Jones (1834 – 1890) of “Mt Airy” plantation in Nottoway County Virginia. They primarily lived in Petersburg, Virginia, where George was a teacher.
- (e) Archibald Campbell “Campbell” Pryor (July 11 1850 - December 6 1923), who married Anne Augusta Bannister (Feb 1851 – August 18 1937) of Petersburg, Virginia, daughter of William Constable Bannister and Mary Caroline Lewis, on October 9 1873 in Petersburg. In 1870 at age 19 Archibald is living in the household of his sister, Lucy and Robert McIlwaine. In 1880, living with Campbell in his household are two “cousins” Robert Y. Jones (age 21) and Susan R. Jones (age 18). Campbell died in Washington D.C. at age 73. He and Anne are buried at Blandford Cemetery in Petersburg Virginia. Campbell and Ann had:
 - 1) Archibald Campbell Pryor Jr. (April 3 1876 – infancy).
 - 2) Mary Caroline Pryor (December 11 1877 -) who married Gibbs Latimer Baker circa 1899. They were living in Washington, D.C., in 1937.
 - 3) Theodorick Bland Pryor (February 1880 -) who was living in San Francisco in 1937.
 - 4) Freeman Epes Pryor (July 1883 -).
 - 5) Frances Fitzgerald Pryor (June 8 1885 -) who married Gerald P. Tickling of Washington, D.C.
 - 6) William Banister Pryor (September 1892 -) who was living in Washington, D.C. in 1937.
 - 7) Archibald Campbell Pryor Jr. (March 1896 – March 23 1897), who is buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia.

B. WILLIAM BLAND (C1771-1852) whom Corey says died at sea.¹²¹

Corey states that William Bland (1742-1803) married (2nd) Catherine Willis in June 1773 in Warwick County Virginia by whom he had no children. Others identify

¹²¹ AC4-1, pp. 17-18. This William is sometimes confused with William Bland of King and Queen County Virginia who married Mary Ann Corr and was descended from the King and Queen County Family, a branch that has now been set apart from the James River family by DNA evidence.

Catherine as the widow of Mr. Wells. William Bland (1742-1803) married (3rd) about 1784, Ann Harwood (1750-1818) by whom he had:

C. EDWARD BLAND (1786 – September 17, 1822) who married Delilah Walker (April 30, 1791 - November 4, 1855) on December 26, 1808 and moved to Washington DC. They are buried at the Congressional Cemetery, Washington D.C. Edward and Delilah had four children:¹²²

(1) William Harwood Bland (September 26, 1809 - June 2, 1889, illustration 20).

William married Margaret Ann Burey (possibly Berry) (c 1817- October 15 1883) on January 8 1838 in Washington D.C., and both are buried at the Congressional Cemetery in Washington D.C.¹²³ In 1860 William is living in Philadelphia Pennsylvania. In 1880 his occupation is as an “iron founder” and it seems that he had some ownership interest in foundries in the D.C. and Philadelphia areas. His funeral procession commenced at his home at 700 “E” Street SE, Washington D.C. Children included:¹²⁴

(a) Jane Maria Bland (June 13 1839 – February 2 1887) who married Thomas Edward Clark (c June 1837 – January 28 1921), both of whom are buried at the Congressional Cemetery. According to her obituary, Jane had been lately residing near Brightwood and came to the city, Washington D.C., to visit her sister. While conversing with her, Jane exclaimed, “oh, Rosa,” and leaning back in her chair expired of a heart attack. Thomas and their sons were prominent in the building industries of the Washington D.C. area owning lumber and lime/cement companies there. Jane and T. Edward had at least:

- 1) Anna “Annie” Francis Clark (March 19 1859 -) who married Rufus H. Darby by 1880.
- 2) William E. Clark (July 30 1860 -)
- 3) Thomas Edward Clark Jr. (March 19 1864 – March 30 1917) who married Emma C. _____, by whom he had James E. Clark (c 1900 – January 13 1901). Thomas Jr. and his son are buried at the Congressional Cemetery.
- 4) George Bond Clark (June 29 1865 – February 13 1909) who married Lizzie Florence Hinton. According to his obituary, in addition to conducting his building material business, George was an expert at wrecking buildings and had raised more than 200 just to clear the way for the “new” Union Station in Washington D.C... After a lingering illness, George died at the home of his father and is buried at the Congressional Cemetery. He apparently had no children.
- 5) Allen Clark (December 28 1869 -)
- 6) James Burch Clark (1872 – March 16 1884)
- 7) Mary Fowler Clark (April 17 1873 – April 22 1943) who married Henry Storey.

¹²² AC 11-1, pp. 32-33.

¹²³ The 1850 Census finds William H. Bland, age 41, living with Margaret A. Bland, age 31, in the household of James Berry a blacksmith from Missouri. But, in their marriage record Margaret’s surname is spelled Burey

¹²⁴ VU p. 165. Cf AC 8-1 pp. 7-8, Jacob made his will on the latter date in language that suggested his days were drawing nigh.

- 8) Lawrence Ray Clark ((1876 – March 16 1884)
- 9) Clara Louise Clark (April 21 1876 -April 5 1930) who married Theodore Thomas (- April 16 1932), both of whom are buried at the Congressional Cemetery. Clara and Theodore had, at least, Miriam Louise Thomas, and T. Emmett Thomas and Clark H. Thomas.
- 10) Minnie Clark (December 1879 - before 1909)
- (b) Mary E. Bland (1841 -)
- (c) Anna “Annie” Virginia Bland (Dec 1847 - March 31 1859) is buried at the Congressional Cemetery near her parents.
- (d) Charles W. Bland (December 1849 – January 21 1919) who married Jane Trimble (June 1849 -) circa 1887 by whom he had no children. In 1910 Charles still lived at 700 E Street, D.C. Charles and Jane are buried at the Congressional Cemetery, Washington D.C.
- (e) Rosalie Bell “Rose” Bland (c 1852- after 1887) who married on June 7 1868 John Edward Hall Lovejoy (July 23 1841 – before 1880) of Massachusetts, a clerk with the U.S. Treasury Dept. and the son of Rev. Joseph Cammett Lovejoy, the famous or infamous pastor of the Universalist, abolitionist church in Cambridgeport mentioned in Henry David Thoreau's journal. John apparently expired before 1880 as Rose and her son “Willie” are living with her parents. Her sister's obituary in 1887 identified Rosa as Mrs. Dr. Charles H. Bowen in 1887. By 1900 Dr. Bowen is alone again, without wife or children. Rose and John had:
- 1) William Edward Lovejoy (August 13 1870 – March 20 1914) who married on October 17 1900 Mamie T Anderson (May 15 1881-) of Charlottesville Virginia¹²⁵, by whom he had at least two children, Caroline Anderson Lovejoy (August 4 1902 -) and Sue Bland Lovejoy (c 1910 -), before he expired young of valvular heart disease in Alexandria Virginia where he lived at the time. After William expired, Mamie raised their daughters in Charlottesville in the home of her parents. Sue Bland Lovejoy was a teacher in 1930 and a student in 1932 of the University of Virginia's Department of Education.
- 2) Rosa Bland Lovejoy (September 6 1872 -) who married (1st) Frank Mulvehill of Baltimore on May 21 1890, by whom she had (a) Carl B. (or Charles Bland) Mulvehill (c 1891-). Rose married (2nd) Henry G. Schulz in Baltimore on November 29 1899, by whom she had (b) Albert P. Schulz (c 1901 -)
- (f) Elizabeth M. Bland (1854- March 25 1859) is buried in the Congressional Cemetery near her parents.
- (g) Alice F. Bland (c 1858-).
- (2) Ira Bland (c 1811 -) who married Ann P. _____ (1816 -) and by 1850 was living with her in Warwick County, Virginia. Ira seems to belong to the Blands of King William County, Virginia. ¹²⁶
- (3) Sarah Ann Bland (March 6, 1813 - May 13, 1888) who married the Reverend Bignall Appleby on January 23, 1839, by whom she had:
- (a) George Franklin Appleby, Esq. (March 20 1844 - April 30 1930)
- (4) John Davis Bland (February 24, 1815).

¹²⁵ See The Richmond Times Dispatch wedding announcement dated October 17 1900, page 5.

¹²⁶ AC 3-2, p. 18 and 4-2, p. 7, cf AC 7-1, p. 11

D. THEODORICK BLAND (1790-1818). Theodorick is believed by at least one descendant to have married Ann Pollard.¹²⁷ Theodorick was the father of two sons:

(1) Theodorick James Boyd Bland (1810 - 1866) who married (1st) Georgianna Lamb in Chowan County North Carolina on October 8, 1829 and (2nd) Julia A. Miskell in Chowan County on May 15 1850.¹²⁸ Theodorick and Georgianna had:

(a) Frances "Fannie" Lawson Bland (August 9 1830 - July 1 1912) who married the Reverend Francis Marion Edwards (March 31 1826 - November 30 1910) of Walnut Hill, King George County Virginia on December 21 1853 in Chowan County.¹²⁹ In 1870 they lived in Mathews County Virginia; in 1880 in Albemarle County Virginia; in 1910 in Stony Creek, Sussex County Virginia. They had:

1) Howard Edwards (November 7 1854 -) was born in Fauquier County Virginia, graduated from Randolph-Macon College (M.A.) and the University of Arkansas (LL. D.). He was a professor of English in Arkansas and Michigan and president of Rhode Island State College beginning in 1906. Howard married Mildred Elizabeth Smith on January 5 1881 and they had:

- a) Norman Edwards
- b) Bland Edwards
- c) Mildred Edwards

2) Georgia Edwards (c 1858 -)

3) Clarence Edwards (c 1859 -)

(b) Paulina Bland (c 1832 -)

(c) Sarah Bland (c 1834 -)

(d) Robert Bland (c 1836 -)

(e) Pattie Bland (c 1836 -)

(f) Margaret "Maggie" G. Bland (c 1840-1844 -) who married Joshua C. Fletcher on March 24 1864, by whom she had at least four children.

(g) Theodorick Benjamin Bland (January 21 1845 – February 21 1919, see illustration 28), who married Alethia S. Benbury (October 9 1843 – January 27 1917), daughter of Sallie Benbury who also is living in Theodorick's household in 1880 at age 73. Theodorick operated a fishery and lived in Edenton, North Carolina. In 1910 Theodorick and Alethia are living with his daughter Sallie and her husband. It is noted in the 1910 census that Alethia had borne eight children, only four of whom were still living. He and Alethia had:

1) Theodorick J. Bland (c 1872 -)

2) Sarah "Sallie" B. Bland (November 1875 -) who married Albert S. Smith (c 1877-) in about 1902 by whom she had:

- a) Theodoric Bland Smith (c 1903 -)
- b) Albert S. Smith (c 1905 -)
- c) Robert Bland Smith (c 1905 -)

3) Elbert Bland (c 1875-)

¹²⁷ Provided by our new contact, Rebecca Croucher, who descends from this line.

¹²⁸ AC 4-1, p. 17

¹²⁹ AC 3-1, p. 13

- 4) Robert Bland (c 1877 -)
- 5) Georgianna "Georgie" L. Bland (May 19 1879 - February 6 1973) who married William Daniel Holmes (February 29 1880 - June 6 1940) by whom she had four children.
- 6) Alethia B. Bland (December 20 1880 - October 25 1966) who married Xenophen Elihu Copeland (July 12 1873 -) by whom she had:
 - a) Hugh Bland Copeland.
 - b) Mary Lee Copeland.
 - c) Clyde X. Copeland.
 - d) Wendall H. Copeland.
 - e) Elbert Hunter Copeland.
- 7) Penelope M. Bland (May 1887 -) is living with her sister Alethia and family in 1920.
- 8) William Henry Bland

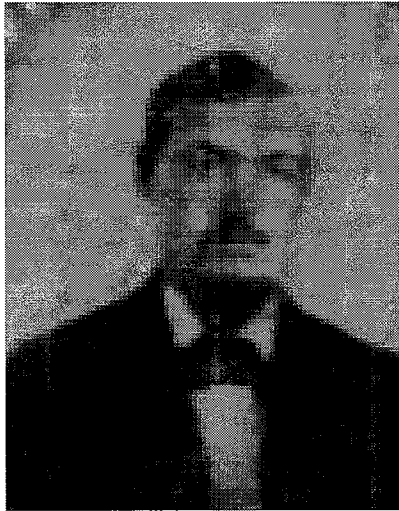


Illustration 17: Peter Randolph Bland Browne (1836-1878), son of Sally Dickens Bland (1795-1861) and great grandson of Peter Randolph Bland Sr. (1736-1781)



THOMAS F. BROWNE

Illustration 18: Thomas Feild Browne (1866-1929), son of Peter Randolph Bland Browne and great great grandson of Peter Randolph Bland Sr. (1736-1781)



Illustration 19: John Randolph Bland (1851-1923), son of Dr. Richard Edward Bland (1813-1867) and great grandson of Peter Randolph Bland Sr. (1736-1781)



Illustration 20: Matilda Oliver Epes (1831-1892), wife of William Richard Bland (1818-1878) and mother of Edward Bland (1851-1901).



Illustration 21: William Richard Bland, Esq. (1818-1878), son of Edward Bland, Esq. (1767-1831) and grandson of Peter Randolph Bland Sr. (1736-1781)



Illustration 22: Edward Bland (1851-1901), son of William Richard Bland (1818-1878) and great grandson of Peter Randolph Bland Sr. (1736-1781).

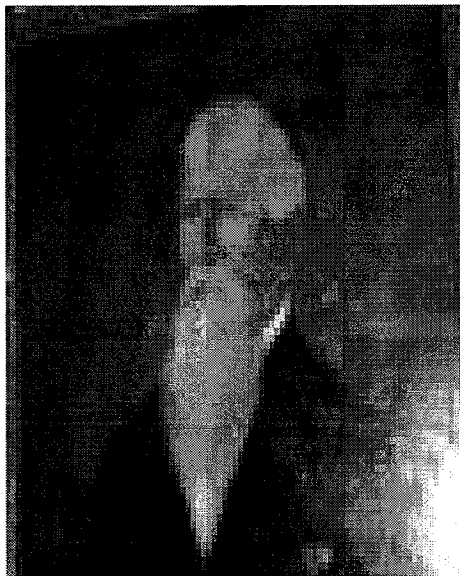


Illustration 23: William Harwood Bland (1809-1889), son of Edward Bland (1786-1822) and grandson of William Bland (1742-1803).

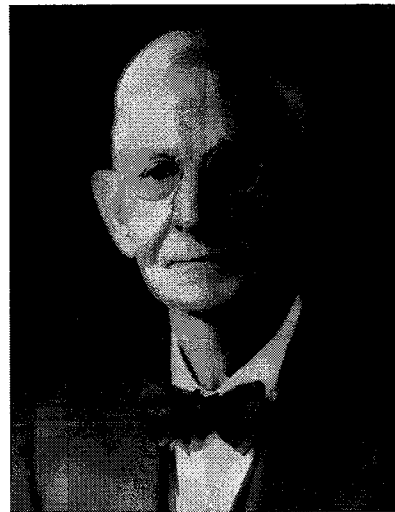


Illustration 24: Richard Lee Bland (1862-1947), son of Dr. Edward Parke Bland (1813-1881) and great grandson of Edward Bland (1746-1795).

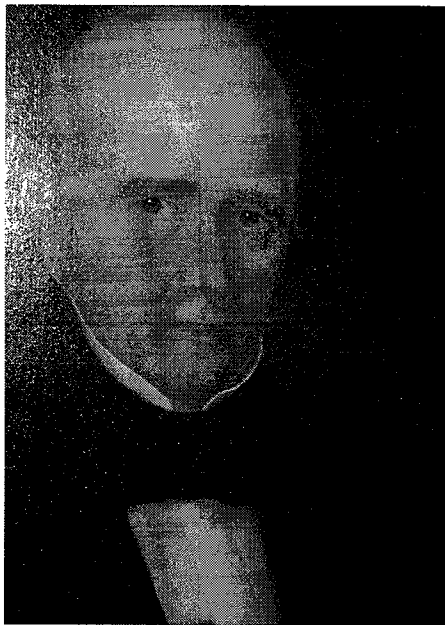


Illustration 25: Dr. John Bland of Centreville (c1774 – 1850), son of Edward Bland (1746-1795)



Illustration 26: Van Harold Bland Sr. (1900-1987), son of Richard Lee Bland (1862-1947) and great great grandson of Edward Bland (1746-1795).



Illustration 27: Cornelia Alice Bland (1831-1899), granddaughter of John Bland of Centreville (c1774-1850) and great granddaughter of Edward Bland (1746-1795).



Illustration 28: Robert Emmett Bland (1833-1896), grandson of John Bland of Centreville (c1774-1850) and great grandson of Edward Bland (1746-1795).

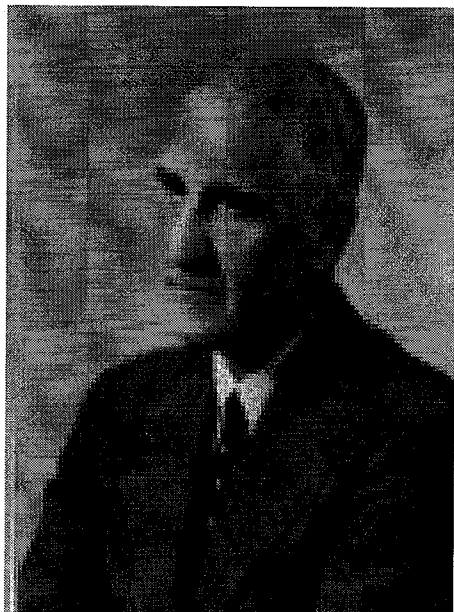


Illustration 29: John Osborne Bland (1883-1955), son of John Bolling Bland (1858-1894) and great great great grandson of Richard Bland III (1730-1786).



Illustration 30: Theodorick Bland Pryor (1852-1871), son of Roger Aikinson Pryor (1828-1919) and great great grandson of William Bland (1742-1803).



Illustration 31: Blands: 5th great grandson of Peter Randolph Bland Sr. (1736-1781)-- and his twin cowboys--and 6th great grandson of Edmund Parke Bacon (1762-1825).



Illustration 32: Blands: 4th great grandchildren of Edward Bland (1746-1795) and 4th great grandchildren of Edmund Parke Bacon (1762-1825).

8. **THEODORICK BLAND** (1744-1754) was the fifth son and seventh child of Richard Bland and Ann Poythress.
9. **EDWARD BLAND** (December 16, 1746 – February 5, 1795). Edward was the sixth son and ninth child of Richard Bland and Anne Poythress. He served in the Virginia General Assembly representing Prince George County in the 1784/1785 and 1785/1786 sessions. He owned 350 acres in Prince George County, Virginia, and additional lands in Amelia County, part of which later became Nottoway County. Inasmuch as Corey is silent about Edward, I am very grateful to Edward's descendants, Richard Knight, Robert O. Bland, and especially Barbara Bland, a human volcano of activity who has done more to organize and articulate not only this line but the James River family than anyone I know.

Edward married (1st) Elizabeth Cocke (March 15, 1745/1746 - 1785/86) about 1777 and (2nd) Lettice Greenhill, the widow of Nelson Jones, on March 17 1786 in Amelia County Virginia. Edward had no children with Lettice Greenhill Jones. Elizabeth Cocke was likely the sister of Colin Cocke, who lived on the portion he owned of the Flowerdew Plantation near Jordan's Point. This Colin Cocke ((1756 - 1808) is also the grandfather of Mary Brook Harrison, who married Theodorick Bland (1804 - 1859) (see above p. 57). Some have speculated that Elizabeth may have been the widow Elizabeth Archer who married James P. Cocke in Amelia County on November 24, 1767; however James P. Cocke outlived Elizabeth Archer by many years during which he had many children with his second wife.¹³⁰ Edward and Elizabeth are likely buried at Jordan's Point, Virginia, as Edward lived in Prince George County when he passed. According to a recently discovered letter at the Virginia Historical Society, addressed from Richard Bland (-) to Roger Atkinson of Olive Hill and dated a few days after Edward's death, Edward's and Elizabeth's two younger sons, Peter and Colin, were still minors, which also implies that eldest son John had already reached age 21. Edward and Elizabeth had:

- A. **JOHN BLAND** (C1774- February 24, 1850, illustration 22).¹³¹ John was a physician and was styled "John Bland of Centreville" in Nottoway County. John likely had finished his medical education before he married (1st) Martha Jones¹³² about 1804. He married (2nd) Mary Bass "Polly" Perkinson (c1792 -) on

¹³⁰ Barbara Bland asserts, "I think Cocke is pronounced as in cock-a-doodle-doo, mostly because many descendants moving west start changing it to Cockes, Cocks or Cox." Barbara then points to a dog in the manger: "I think this theory arose out of someone's effort to explain the naming of John Archer Bland. Note that John Bland of Centreville (1779-1850) was a renegade and did not name any child after his father or his grandfather. John did have an uncle-in-law named Archer Jones who was a popular character in the neighborhood, one of the wealthiest men in the county, and who also was John's cousin Edward Jr.'s (1767-1831) uncle-in-law, as John and Edward Jr. married sisters. Edward Jr. was the executor of Edward Sr.'s (1746-1795) estate and perhaps the guardian of his sons.

¹³¹ John's obituary shows that he died in the seventy-first year of his age, however the letter from his cousin Richard Bland to Roger Atkinson, mentioned immediately above, John was not a minor at the time of his father's death in 1795.

¹³² Martha was the sister of Rebecca Jones who married Edward Bland (1767-1831). They were the daughters of Batte Jones and Margaret Ward of Amelia County, Virginia. They may have been descended from one Rebecca Ford who married a Mr. Jones and whose sister was named Cornelia Ford, all of which might explain the use of these names among John's grandchildren.

September 18, 1814.¹³³ John wrote what is undoubtedly the most abstruse, detailed and interesting will I have ever read in which he noted a wife, six children and two slaves Abby and Claiborne. His will makes it obvious that he was a man of means and had many more slaves. Richard Knight lists nine children for John Bland and divides them this way:

- (1) John Archer Bland (C1805-1840). An inventory of John Archer Bland's estate was filed in Amelia County September 22, 1842, but the inventory was initiated in 1840 suggesting a more likely date of death. John Archer Bland married Mary Ann Dickinson (November 12, 1808 – February 22, 1882) on March 21, 1827 in Chesterfield County Virginia.¹³⁴ John Archer Bland and Mary Ann Dickinson had a family of four children:
- (a) Mary Elizabeth "Bettie" Bland (April 14 1827 – September 6 1851) who never married. Bettie was originally buried on the plantation of her stepfather, Thomas J. Perkinson Jr., then was moved with all other inhabitants of the plantation cemetery to the Ward's Chapel Cemetery in Nottoway County Virginia. Her dates appear on her marker.
- (b) Martha Rebecca Bland (November 1829 – March 4, 1903). Martha married (1st) Charles W. Fitzgerald (- 1869), but had no children by him. Some years after Fitzgerald's death, Martha sued his estate in Amelia County, Virginia, to obtain the considerable value of her dower, in which lawsuit she was represented by her cousin William Richard Bland. Fitzgerald had owned the "West Creek" plantation in Amelia County (775 acres) and "Belfast" plantation (953 acres) in Nottoway County, Virginia. Martha married (2nd) "Colonel" Ezekiel P. Jones of North Carolina circa 1878 in Covington Kentucky.¹³⁵ She appears in the 1880 and 1900 censuses for Covington, Kentucky, wherein she states she had no children.
- (c) Cornelia Alice Bland (December 6, 1831 – January 27, 1899, illustration 24) married John Hughes Knight Jr. (October 25 1829-January 27 1914) on October 12 1853 in Nottoway County Virginia. Capt. John Knight served in Company K, 3rd Virginia Cavalry, CSA. They are buried at Westview Cemetery, Prince Edward County Virginia. Cornelia and John had ten children:
- 1) Elizabeth "Betty" Bland Knight (April 18 1855 – March 22 1949) is buried at Westview Cemetery in Farmville, Prince Edward County Virginia.
 - 2) Indiana "India" Wickliff Knight (June 6 1857 – July 25 1960) who married Walter Gray Dunnington (February 12 1859 – August 2 1922) on October 12 1876. Walter's tobacco business was based primarily in

¹³³ Mary was living with her daughter Louise in 1870.

¹³⁴ After John's death, Mary Ann married (2nd) Thomas J. Perkinson Jr. of Amelia County, the husband and widower of Martha Maria Bland, John Archer Bland's sister (see pg. 136 below). This is the same Tom Perkinson who is the younger brother of John Archer's and Martha Maria's stepmother. Perhaps it should also be noted that both of Mary Ann's husbands expired in considerable debt, evidenced by her subsequent lawsuit against her stepson John E. Perkinson, the primary heir of his father's estate. Though it has been speculated by others that Mary Ann subsequently married a Mr. Jeter, this likely was a corrupted reference to Mr. Perkinson who lived near Jetersville. Mary Ann is living in 1880 with her daughter Cornelia Alice (Bland) Knight as the widow Perkinson.

¹³⁵ AC 8-I p. 7.

Farmville, Virginia, but also had large interests in Louisville, Kentucky, and extended into several countries in Europe. According to his obit they are buried at "the cemetery in Farmville Virginia." India and Walter lived at "Poplar Hill," the 1100-acre plantation formerly owned by her parents, where they raised their children:

- a) Sarah "Sallie" Everett Dunnington (Aug 5 1878 – October 1968) who married Ashton G. Clapham (November 22 1865 – December 28 1919) of Loudon County, Virginia. They lived in Washington D.C. He is buried at the Union Cemetery in Lovettsville, Virginia. They had five children.
 - b) Lucie Knight Dunnington (September 1881 -) who married E. Southall Shields of Farmville Virginia
 - c) Conrad Langaard Dunnington (February 27 1886 – July 2 1886) who was named for his father's Norwegian friend and is buried at Westview Cemetery in Farmville, Prince Edward County Virginia.
 - d) James William "J.W." Dunnington of (September 24 1890 – October 1 1971) who married Catherine Brown Chamberlain (December 25 1893 -) on December 22 1916 in Oklahoma City Oklahoma. They lived in Farmville Virginia and had four daughters..
 - e) Walter Grey "Watt" Dunnington, Jr., Esq. (December 15 1891 – May 20 1970) who married (1st) a Miss Gray by whom he had two children, (2nd) a Miss Taylor by whom he had one one child, and (3rd) Alice Bennett (c 1904 – 1992).of New Jersey. Watt received the Distinguished Service Cross as a Second Lieutenant, 10th Field Artillery, 3rd Division, A.E.F., U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action in France, July 14-15 1918. Though he was both wounded and gassed, he refused to be relieved and removed his gas mask to make his commands heard above the roar of the guns. He lived in New York City where he founded and was senior partner of the Dunnington, Bartholow and Miller law firm.
 - f) John Hughes "Jack" Dunnington, M.D. (January 12 1894 – October 17 1977) who married Genevieve Parker (c 1895 – May 20 1978) of New York City by whom he had one daughter.
- 3) Lucie Everett Knight (April 28 1859 – March 13 1936) who married John Blackwood. Strachan Jr. (March 26 1860 -), the son of Dr. J. B. Strachan of Petersburg Virginia, on February 18 1891 in Prince Edward County Virginia. They lived in Lynchburg, Virginia, and are both buried at Westview Cemetery in Farmville, Prince Edward County Virginia. Lucie and John had:
- a) Walter Dunnington Strachan (November 26 1891 – Jun 6 1892) who is buried at Westview Cemetery in Farmville, Prince Edward County Virginia and shares a marker with his uncle Conrad.
- 4) John Thornton Bland Knight (April 18 1861 – January 15 1930) who married Edith Young (August 1866 – 1940) on September 2 1886 in Ft. Hancock, Texas. John graduated from West Point in 1884 and the Army War College in 1910 and achieved the rank of Brigadier General in the U.S. Army. John and Edith are buried at the San Francisco National Cemetery. They had:
- a) Alice Margaret Knight (Jul 1888 -) who was born in Virginia

- b) Samuel Young Knight (April 1891 -) who was born in Texas
- c) John Thornton Knight, Jr. (May 9 1894 -) who married Mary Tigner Holmes on December 3 1917 in St. Louis, Missouri. John was born at Ft. Reno in Indian Territory (now El Reno, Oklahoma) and died in San Antonio, Texas
- d) Charles O'Ferrall Knight (December 24 1896 – June 22 1965) who married Mary Josepha Williams on September 25 1918 in Marquette Michigan. Charles was born in Virginia and died at Ft. Lewis, Washington, a Colonel in the U.S. Army. Charles and Mary had three children.¹³⁶
- e) Alexander Knight (-) who married Alice _____.
- 5) Emmett Fitzgerald Knight (c 1863 -) who was a merchant in Colorado.
- 6) McIlwaine Knight (c 1865 -) who married Ida Fleming of Farmville Virginia. McIlwaine was a member of the Atlantic Importing Company of New York.
- 7) Martha "Mattie" Bland Knight (c 1873 – March 4 1903) who is buried at Westview Cemetery in Farmville, Prince Edward County Virginia.
- 8) William Barrett Knight (c 1870 -) who married a Miss Johnson of Litchfield Massachusetts, but had no issue. William was the Main Division Engineer for the Boston and Albany Rail Road.
- 9) Mary Cornelia Knight (September 13 1871 – July 28 1896) who is buried at Westview Cemetery in Farmville, Prince Edward County Virginia.
- 10) Carter Copeland Knight (May 12 1874 – April 30 1902) who is buried at Westview Cemetery in Farmville, Prince Edward County Virginia.
- (d) Robert Emmett Bland (July 18 1833 – November 5 1896, illustration 25) who was born in Amelia County Virginia. His vocation was head bookkeeper for the Norfolk and Western Railroads, the Virginia Tennessee and Georgia Airline Railway plus six steamer lines on the Eastern coast.¹³⁷ He enlisted at Dennisville, Amelia County Virginia on May 19 1861 with Company G, First Virginia Cavalry, known as J.E.B. Stuart's "Amelia Dragoons," alongside his cousin John E Bland (see pg. 137 below) and the future husband, Anderson P. Miller, of his cousin, Theodora Bland (see pg. 137 below). He married (1st) Martha Webster (c 1837 – between 1870 and 1880), daughter of John and Elizabeth Webster on December 5 1855 in Dennisville, Amelia County, Virginia, by whom he had:
- 1) Mary "Molly" Bland (c 1858 – after 1870)
 - 2) Emmet L. Bland (c 1858 – after 1870) seems to have passed before his father remarried in 1894, because his father never mentioned him in his letters to his second wife.
 - 3) William "Willie" T. Bland (c 1859 – January 7 1908). Nothing is known of Willie except that he worked with his pa. He appears to have died in 1908 and is buried near his father in the Elmwood Cemetery, Norfolk, Virginia.

¹³⁶ Charles is the grandfather of my correspondent Richard Knight.

¹³⁷ Read "airline" in this context in the sense of the famous ballad "Seaboard Airline, my Clementine" much beloved by drunks, miscreants and my Uncle Berry, a name for a railroad.

- 4) Patty L. Bland (c 1876 -) who at age four is living with her father in 1880.

Robert Emmet Bland married (2nd) Emma Bates Walton (November 1853 – 1938) on July 18 1894.¹³⁸ Emma was from Jacksonville Illinois and Robert met her when she visited Norfolk Virginia. She was the granddaughter of Frederick Bates, the second Governor of Missouri. After Robert died, Emma returned to Jacksonville and lived with her brother where she raised their only child. Robert's gravesite has recently been discovered at the Elmwood Cemetery in Norfolk, Virginia, along with the grave of "W. T. Bland," who likely is Robert's son, Willie. None of their other family members are listed there and perhaps were buried at his wife Martha's family cemetery in Amelia County. This was a late marriage for Robert Emmet Bland but before passing on he and Emma were parents of:

- 5) Robert Walton Bland (January 14, 1896 – June 21 1987). Robert was the senior guest of honor at the 2nd National Bland reunion in Petersburg Virginia, August 16, 1986. He was the first commander of the American Legion in Bellaire, Texas. Robert married Ruth Olivette McCarty (March 11 1898 – November 25 1985).¹³⁹

- (2) Martha Maria Bland (March 18, 1808 – December 29 1836) who married Thomas Jefferson Perkinson Jr., the younger brother of her stepmother, on January 9, 1823, and lived with him at "West Creek" plantation, Amelia County Virginia. They had:

- (a) John E. Perkinson (1827 – 1887) who married Virginia Frances Williams (1829 1883), daughter of David Greenhill Williams and Mary Epes Poythress Doswell of Lunenburg County Virginia.

With his second wife, Mary Bass "Polly" Perkinson, John had:

- (3) Thomas Perkinson Bland (1815-) who was the executor of his father's will. Turner's Old Homes in Nottoway indicates that Thomas lived at a place called "The Grove." There is a 61-year-old Louise Ford living with Thomas in 1860, apparently to care for his motherless children. It's not known if or how she may be related. He married Mary E. Worsham (- before 1860) and had:

- (a) John Edward Bland (1837 – 1838)¹⁴⁰
 (b) Nannie O Bland (1839 – January 20 1913). Nannie's will left all her possessions to her two sisters.¹⁴¹
 (c) Ella B. Bland (December 22 1841 – March 24 1921) who married Dr. John Robert Hinton (July 13 1833 – October 11 1890), brother of William Hinton (see e. below), by whom she had:

¹³⁸ Photos of Robert Emmet and Emma Walton appeared in AC 5-1 at p. 23.

¹³⁹ Robert and Ruth were the parents of my correspondents Robert Oliver Bland and James E. Bland.

¹⁴⁰ John Edward's obituary indicates that he died in the home of his Worsham grandfather.

¹⁴¹ Nannie didn't marry but was no typical spinster. She apparently inherited the bulk of her father's property and cared for Ella until she married. Walter Watson shares in his diaries, "Went with Willie McIlwaine to Blandford to burial of Matt Bland--a son of Dr. George C. Bland of Nottoway. It was his aunt [she was really an older cousin] Miss Nannie Bland that Willie McIlwaine said his uncle Roger Pryor told him was the prettiest and most brilliant woman he ever saw." This is Nannie's cousin William Bland McIlwaine (see pg 122).

- 1) Eliza Hinton (July 29 1865 – August 17 1866)
 - 2) Orlando Gill “O.G.” Hinton (May 22 1868 – January 14 1906) who married Eloise Imogene White (March 10 1871 – August 12 1949) on November 11 1896 in Norfolk Virginia, by whom he had:
 - a) Orlando Bland Hinton (April 30 1897 – April 14 1940)
 - b) Eloise Minor White Hinton (September 9 1899 – October 9 1954)
 - c) Hilah A. Hinton (c 1903 – May 20 1988)
 - d) William H. W. Hinton (c 1904 – October 20 1963)
 - e) John Robert Carter Hinton (c 1906 – April 14 1940)
 - (d) John Edward Bland (1845 – September 3 1863) was attending college at the University of Virginia from 1861, but enlisted or was drafted on February 1 1863 in Co G, First Virginia Cavalry, known as J.E.B. Stuart’s “Amelia Dragoons,” with his cousin Robert Emmett Bland. John died in camp at Fredericksburg, his father’s only son.¹⁴²
 - (e) Mary Rebecca “Mollie Beck” Bland (c 1846 – September 6 1907) who married William Edward Hinton (c 1843 – April 9 1905), the brother of Dr. John Hinton (see c. above) by whom she had five children:
 - 1) Drury Andrew Hinton (1865 – January 29 1900)
 - 2) Infant Hinton (1866 – September 1 1866)
 - 3) Martha Ann Hinton (1869 – September 16 1936)
 - 4) Gilbert W. Hinton (1872 – July 15 1945)
 - 5) William Edward Hinton (1877 – January 1 1878)
- (4) George Cocke Bland (1818 – November 3 1877) who married Rebecca Strachan (1825 -). George was a physician and was called “of Old Greenhill” plantation located on Greenhill Road in Nottoway County.¹⁴³ He also owned “River View” plantation in Amelia County. George and Rebecca lived primarily in Nottoway County at Greenhill plantation through the Civil War, and then moved to River View plantation in Amelia County. George is buried in the Strachan family plot at Blandford Cemetery in Petersburg Virginia. Rebecca is buried at Grub Hill Church Cemetery in Amelia County Virginia next to her granddaughter, Anne Henderson Bland. George Cocke Bland and Rebecca Strachan had six children:
- (a) Theodora “Dora” Bland (June 16 1848 – November 4 1919) who married (1st) Anderson Perkins Miller (September 12 1832 – February 11 1881) on February 23 1867 in Amelia County Virginia and (2nd) Anderson’s brother George W. Miller (September 10 1850 – April 29 1908) on October 1 1881 in Chesterfield County Virginia. Anderson served in Co G, 1st Virginia Cavalry with Theodora’s cousins, Robert Emmett Bland and John Edward Bland. Anderson is reportedly buried at the Bland Cemetery at River View plantation in Amelia County Virginia. Theodora and George are buried at the Arbor Baptist Church Cemetery in Amelia County Virginia. Theodora

¹⁴² John Edward was a prolific and important family name in the Perkinson family. This second John appears in the 1860 census at age 15. His University of Virginia record also has birth year 1845 and address at Chula Station, Amelia Co. He enlisted at Amelia Court House.

¹⁴³ There is an account of one former slave, Arthur Greene, written and recorded as part of the WPA Slave narrative project “Weevils in the Wheat: Interviews with Virginia Ex-Slaves” by Charles L. Perdue, Thomas E. Barden, Robert K. Phillips (1976). Arthur’s interview was taken about 1937 when Arthur estimates his age to be 83-86 years. Arthur claimed to have been owned by George C. Bland.

bore 16 children, 10 of whom lived to adulthood and four of whom have never been identified by name.¹⁴⁴ With Anderson Miller, Theodora had the following known children:

- 1) Henry Townsend "Harry" Miller (February 7 1867 -) who married Laura Christopher. Henry is buried at the Arbor Baptist Church Cemetery in Amelia County Virginia
- 2) Rebecca Bolling Miller (June 28 1870 – February 22 1944) who married Wade H. Fowlkes (October 3 1868 – March 16 1934). Both are buried at the Centenary Cemetery in Chesterfield County Virginia. They had:
 - a) Dora B. Fowlkes (September 1893 -)
 - b) Maria A. Fowlkes (June 1895 -)
 - c) Mary Louise Fowlkes (March 1897 -)
- 3) George Bland Miller (May 17 1871 – before 1910) who married Amelia Rowlett (August 1861 -) by whom he had one child. George is buried at Moore's Methodist Church Cemetery, Amelia County Virginia.
 - a) Thomas T. Miller (1907 -)
- 4) Theodorick Pryor Miller (September 25 1876- March 23 1938) who married Kate E. Wright (March 24 1887 – March 1 1970) Theodorick and Kate are buried at the Arbor Baptist Church Cemetery in Amelia County Virginia
- 5) John Blackwood "Blackwood" Miller (August 18 1879 – October 3 1941) who married Mary T. Warriner (February 23 1887 – October 1 1965), by whom he had one daughter. John and Mary are buried at Moor's Methodist Church Cemetery in Amelia County Virginia.
 - a) Jessie B. Miller (1908 -)
- 6) Matthew Richard Miller (August 18 1879 -) who married Mattie Eanes (1888 -), by whom he had:
 - a) Gordon Miller (1911 -)
 - b) Helen Miller (1912 -)
 - c) George Miller (1916 -)
 - d) Mary Miller (1918 -)
 - e) Anna Miller (1920 -)

With George, Theodora had:

- 7) Sarah Melville "Melville" Miller (May 5 1882 – February 15 1955) who married William Seymour Wright (January 25 1879 – March 31 1967). They both are buried at Moore's Methodist Church Cemetery, Amelia County Virginia. Melville and William had:
 - a) Alice Melville Wright (1904 – 1941)
 - b) Dora H. Wright (1906 -)
 - c) George Kenneth Wright Sr. (February 17 1908 – February 22 1981) who is buried with his wife, Grace H. Jenkins (1914-1992) and their son at the Emmanuel Episcopal Church Cemetery in Powhatan County Virginia.
 - d) Bernice M. Wright (1910 -)
 - e) Thomas Bland Wright (December 15 1912 – December 2 1914) who is buried at Moore's Methodist Church Cemetery, Amelia County Virginia.

¹⁴⁴ Theodora was the grandmother of William F. Wright, husband of my correspondent Helen Wright. Our new correspondent, Frank Waldrop, also descends from Theodora.

- f) William F. Wright (1917 -)
- g) Jane B. Wright (1918 -)
- 8) Giles Bland "Bland" Miller (April 8 1884 – October 18 1962) who married Lenora Texas Hall (October 22 1903 – April 24 1988), and they had eight children. Bland and Lenora are buried at Arbor Baptist Church Cemetery in Amelia County Virginia
- 9) Townsend Bolling Miller (December 29 1885 – May 30 1887).
- 10) Jackson Townsend Miller (April 10 1887 – January 10 1961) who served in World War I and is buried at the Arbor Baptist Church Cemetery in Amelia County Virginia.
- 11) Mary Catherine Miller (April 26 1887 – June 8 1887).
- 12) William Spears Miller (August 29 1890 – December 10 1950) who married Florence L. Mason.
- (b) Eva Janet "Janet" Bland (December 1849 – May 5 1926) who married Daniel J. Townsend (c 1849 – October 12 1882), by whom she had:
 - 1) George Bland Townsend (December 1880 – July 18 1953) who married Emma Mason Cole (c 1880 – October 17 1954). They are buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia. George and Emma had one daughter:
 - a) Anna Cole Townsend. (October 13 1904 – July 3 2005) who is buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia. Anna married (1st) Lewis Amis Jr. and (2) _____ Dudley. Anne graduated from William and Mary College in 1924 and her papers are held in the Swem Library.
 - 2) Isaac Titus Townsend (February 18 1882 – May 30 1968) who married Margaret Buchanan Cole (August 10 1875 – May 18 1953). They are buried at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia.
- (c) John Blackwood "J.B." Bland (June 2 1852 – September 27 1913), who married Martha "Mattie" Perkins (March 15 1856 – July 15 1927), by whom he had:
 - 1) George Cocke Bland Jr. (December 26 1880 – July 15 1927) who married Margaret Douglas Groom.
 - 2) Charles Palmore Bland (November 25 1882 – June 21 1914) who never married. Charles served as 1st Sargent in the U.S. Marine Corps. He is buried with his parents at Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg Virginia.
 - 3) Anne Henderson Bland (January 9 1886 – June 9 1887) is buried at Grub Hill Episcopal Church Cemetery, Amelia County Virginia. Her grave stone is one of the few that remain standing and legible there. Her grandmother is buried next to her.
 - 4) Rebecca Bolling Bland (May 13 1887 -) who married Frederick Page Coleman. They had two daughters:
 - a) Martha Page Coleman.
 - b) Mary Channing Coleman.
 - 5) Janet Blackwood Bland (March 9 1895 – January 6 1936) who married James Delmon Morris. Janet is buried in her parents plot at Blandford Cemetery. In 1930 Janet and James (born in Ohio c 1896) are living in Richmond Virginia on Grove Avenue and have been married for about nine years. James is the manager of a railway office. There are no children in the household.
- (d) Matthew Richard Bland (c 1855 – April 5 1909).

- (e) Melville Bolling Bland (August 13 1856 – August 16 1931) who married on March 20 1889 in Amelia County Virginia Charles J. Stengel (c June 1864 -), born in Michigan of John J. and Rosa Stengel. Charles was a farmer in Amelia County. Melville is buried at the Amelia Cemetery, Amelia Court House, Virginia. They had:
- 1) Caskill Stengel (February 1892 -).
 - 2) Theodora “Dora” Bland Stengel (May 10 1898 – June 26 1981) who apparently never married and is buried at the Amelia Cemetery, Amelia Court House, Virginia.
- (f) George Randolph Bland (c 1860 – before 1870) who appears on the 1860 census at age six months, but does not appear on the 1870 census and is believed to have died young. Some have provided a death year of 1938 for this George, however, that is likely the George C. Bland of the King and Queen County family of Blands.
- (5) Theodorick Bland (March 17, 1825 -)¹⁴⁵
- (6) Matthew Richard Bland (c 1826 – April 17 1865) who married Mary Susan Buford (or Burfoot) (August 1836 – before 1865) on February 17 1858 in Chesterfield County Virginia. They had no children. Matthew’s and Mary’s wills were probated the same day in Amelia County. His will leaves all to his brother George Cocke Bland’s three sons, with life estates to his mother and wife. Matthew and his wife died of consumption.
- (7) Louise Christine Bland (August 13 1827 – March 3 1911).¹⁴⁶ Louise married (1st) Robert Wiley Harrison (c 1820 – March 8 1861) of Brunswick County on December 1, 1845 and (2nd) Gen. David Addison Weisiger (February 23 1818 – December 23 1899). Robert W. Harrison died of “cerebral spinal sclerosis,” an old name for Multiple Sclerosis. Robert and Louise had:
- (a) Helen “Nellie” B. Harrison (c 1851 – October 18 1910) who died unmarried and is buried at Blandford Cemetery.
 - (b) Matthew Bland Harrison (c 1853 – February 29 1892), who married Lucy Gray “Gracie” Henry (October 17 1857 -) on October 26 1886 in Richmond Virginia. Lucy was a great granddaughter of Patrick Henry and was the last family owner of Henry’s plantation “Red Hill” until 1944 when she sold it to the Patrick Henry Foundation. Matthew and Lucy had:
 - 1) Louise Henry Harrison (December 1 1888 -).
 - (c) Mary Louise Harrison (August 29 1855 – December 18 1927) who died unmarried and is buried at Blandford Cemetery amongst the Weisigers, including her mother.
 - (d) Robert Wiley Harrison Jr. (c 1857 – October 15 1876) who died apparently unmarried from a gunshot wound and is buried at Blandford Cemetery with his sister and aunts.

¹⁴⁵ This is hypothetical. John Bland did not list Theodorick in his will and Richard Knight concluded that Theodorick must have died unmarried, in other words, as a minor. On the other hand a Dupuy family genealogy lists a Theodorick with the above date of birth, as married on March 24, 1862 to Sallie Garnett Wilson (1830-1884). I can’t figure out who this is. The 1825 birth year narrows the field quite a bit. The fact that the Dupuy’s had some interest in him may be helpful.

¹⁴⁶ Previously I listed her erroneously as the daughter of Edward Bland. VU P. 165.

- (8) Elizabeth Ford Bland (c 1832 -) who married Henry Anderson (c 1825 -).
- (9) Imogene Ford Bland (1835 – September 26 1888) who married Erasmus Orlando Hinton (July 6 1830 – March 31 1908) on December 24 1851 in Petersburg Virginia, by whom she had:
- (a) Erasmus Orlando Hinton Jr. (November 12 1852 – February 10 1933) who married Mary Louise Powelson (June 29 1852 – July 23 1927). In 1920 he is a traveling salesman of varnishes and lives in Baltimore through 1930. He died in Miami Florida. No children are evident.
 - (b) Elizabeth Hinton (March 1855 -).
 - (c) John Robert Hinton (c 1856 -).
 - (d) Edmund Hester Hinton (March 12 1860 -).
 - (e) Imogene Bland Hinton (January 19 1862 – October 20 1896), who married William W. Whyte on November 7 1888 in Petersburg Virginia.
 - (f) Osceola Bland Hinton (1863 – 1865).
 - (g) Charles C. Hinton (c 1866 -).
 - (h) Ellen Louisa “Nellie” Hinton (November 24 1869 – 1933) who married Frank Aubrey Massie on November 11 1891 in Petersburg Virginia. They had five children.
 - (i) Elise Bland Hinton (June 15 1874 – September 30 1946), who married Thomas Seldon Macon (December 18 1857 – November 25 1940) of “Kinloch” in Albemarle County Virginia.
- B. PETER RANDOLPH BLAND (c 1782 – c 1835)¹⁴⁷ who married Susanna “Susan” R. Bacon (c 1790 – c 1865), daughter of Edmund Parke Bacon and Martha Pettypool, on November 20, 1807 in Lunenburg County Virginia, and lived with her in Nottoway and Amelia Counties. After losing the major portion of his land bordering Susan’s cousin, Tyree Glenn Bacon, and a mill he owned, they apparently lived for a time in a four room house in Nottoway, where it was said young people gathered frequently to dance. What likely kept things livelier were their seven sons and four daughters. By 1830 they had moved to Amelia County, hopefully to a larger house, and it appears that their youngest son Peter later owned the four-room house through at least 1880. Five of their sons were named as parties to a lawsuit filed in 1883 over title to son Colin’s Texas land which reached the Texas Supreme Court in 1893. Peter and Susan appear in the 1830 Amelia County census, then Susan appears there without husband Peter in censuses through 1860. They had:
- (1) Theodorick Bland (c 1808 – c 1838) who died unmarried in a riverboat explosion on the Ohio River on his way to join his brother Colin in the Texas War of Independence.
 - (2) Elizabeth Cocke. Bland (1808 – after 1872) was unmarried and living with her mother in 1860 at age 52. She was a school teacher. According to her brother

¹⁴⁷ Because most of the Nottoway County records and much of the Prince George County records were burned or stolen by Union troops during the Civil War, finding primary documentary evidence of these branches of the family has been difficult. The first of such evidence discovered documenting this Peter Randolph Bland and his seven sons was the 1883 Texas lawsuit wherein five of his sons were named.

Peter's account, Elizabeth was severely crippled during her later years and was supported and cared for by her youngest brothers Peter and William.¹⁴⁸

- (3) Colin Bland (1810 -1853/54) who was accepted to West Point Academy in 1830 from Nottoway County, Virginia. Though his nephew, Van Bland Sr., believed that Colin never married, in 1834, already with his law degree, he married Aurelia Stafford (c 1821 – October 8 1871) of New York and Maine in Belmont, Tennessee ¹⁴⁹ where his cousin Rev. Peter Randolph Bland of Woodlawn (see pg. 98 above) was a practicing minister at the time. In mid-1834, Colin posted an ad tendering his legal services to the public in the Courts of Shelby, Haywood and Fayette, Tennessee.¹⁵⁰ Between 1836 and 1849 he was living as a single man in Texas under the name “Colin de Bland” where he served in the Texas War of Independence and the Lamar government of Texas for which he received land grants in three Texas counties totaling to about 1500 acres. He practiced law there under his alias, including one stint as solicitor for the district court in Fort Bend County in 1840, until he reappeared in 1850 in New York with wife “Amelia” for the baptism of his son. He also appeared in the 1850 census in New York with his wife and child and was identified as a lawyer. According to the lawsuit against the sister of his deceased widow initiated by his brothers in 1883 to clear title to one parcel of his land in Texas, Colin disappeared from Galveston, Texas, and was presumed dead in 1853/4 by his mother and brothers when they stopped receiving letters from him. His widow and son reappeared in Brooklyn, New York, in 1860. With Aurelia/Amelia, Colin had:

- (a) Marcus Aurelius Bland (May 17, 1850 – October 22 1877) who was baptized at St. Ann's Episcopal Church in Brooklyn, New York, on July 13 1850. As claimed by his maternal aunt in the 1883 lawsuit and as reported in the Brooklyn Union-Argus newspaper at the time, Marcus died in the Kings County (New York) Insane Asylum of an epileptic seizure.¹⁵¹ It's not clear whether the Bland family knew of his existence until the 1883 lawsuit was initiated.

- (4) Edward Parke “E.P.” Bland (December 13 1813 – July 12 1881) who married Julia Ann Padfield on April 9 1856 in St. Louis, Missouri. According to his

¹⁴⁸ There is a strong possibility that Theodorick and Elizabeth Bland were twins. Barbara Bland's grandfather (Van Bland Sr.) mentioned that he thought there were twin brothers in the context of the brothers dying on the riverboat, but none of the ages in the censuses fit for any pair of boys to be twins.

¹⁴⁹ Announced in Boston's Massachusetts Centinal newspaper October 15 1834.

¹⁵⁰ “ATTORNEY AT LAW: Colin Bland, having located in the town of Covington, respectfully tenders his professional services to the public. He will practice in the Courts of Shelby, Haywood and Fayette Counties, and will likewise attend with punctuality, the Supreme Courts of Law and Chancery in the town of Jackson. If diligence and attention to business will entitle him to a portion of the public patronage, he hopes to merit it by promptness and punctuality in the discharge of professional duties. (Randolph Recorder, Saturday, July 5 1834.)” There were other Blands from different lines in Shelby and Haywood Tennessee at the same time.

¹⁵¹ A bill dated in 1871 for the care of Marcus Bland in the asylum is included among the papers of William Richardson (1853-1896), archived at the Brooklyn Historical Society.

published biography,¹⁵² Edward Parke Bland was born in Amelia County, Virginia, and attended William and Mary College. He moved to St. Louis about 1843 where he took charge of the Bridgeton, Missouri, school. This was the same town where his cousin Dr. Richard E. Bland (1813-1867) (see pg. 98 above) lived at the time. Edward studied medicine in St. Louis, then practiced and taught medicine there until he set up practice in Illinois where he met his bride. He is credited with pioneering a procedure for use in difficult childbirths. He retired to his farm near Summerfield, Illinois, in 1862. In his biography Edward is described as, "A man of much mental power. He formed his views regardless of the opinions of others. In the expression of his sentiments he was candid, outspoken and fearless. For popular favor he cared little. As a physician he had a good reputation." He home-schooled his sons, and perhaps is the person who taught his son Richard to play the violin. After Edward Parke's death, Julia moved with their two sons to Kansas to be near her brother, Thomas Padfield.¹⁵³ Edward, Julia and their daughter Emma are buried at the Summerfield Cemetery, Summerfield, Illinois. Edward and Julia had three children:

- (a) Edward Parke Bland Jr. (c 1857 – 1909). Edward Jr. was born in Mascoutah Illinois and died unmarried in Shawnee, Kansas. He studied engineering at McKendree College near St. Louis. Edward was supervising construction of a railroad bridge when a beam fell on him, abridging his life so to speak. Edward is said to be buried in Shawnee.
- (b) Richard Lee Bland (October 12 1862 – July 30 1947, illustration 21) was born in Summerfield Illinois and died in Tulsa Oklahoma. He married Clara Ann Graham (September 1874 – February 13 1925) in Kansas, where their four children were born. Richard seems to have been of an artistic temperament. He was said to play a mean fiddle and worked as a master carpenter creating the ornate interiors of the "art deco" office buildings built by the early oil barons of Tulsa, Oklahoma. Only one of those buildings survives today. From 1911, Richard raised his three sons in Tulsa while Clara lived in Kansas City raising their daughter. He apparently was not an immoral man, as he once spanked son Van, at age 12, for peeking under the saloon doors. Richard and Clara are buried at Rose Hill Cemetery, Tulsa, Oklahoma. They had:
 - 1) Thomas Theodore Bland (August 6 1894 – October 14 1950) who married Bertha Marie Davis (1903 – 1972) in Glenpool Oklahoma. They lived in Tulsa Oklahoma, where they are buried at Rose Hill Cemetery and where they had two children:
 - a) Richard "Dick" Winfield Bland (1925-1997) lived most of his life in Tulsa, Oklahoma, graduated from the University of Tulsa, served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War, supported his mother from an early age and never married. Dick was a legendary captain in the Tulsa Fire Department still spoken of in the Tulsa Fire Academy. He

¹⁵² Newton Bateman, et. al. Ed. Historical Encyclopedia of Illinois, Volume 2, (Munsell Publishing Co: 1907), p. 840 and History of Medical Practice in Illinois, Vol. 1, p. 302

¹⁵³ It should be noted that at the same time Julia Padfield Bland was participating with her brothers-in-law in the prosecution of the lawsuit over Colin Bland's property in Texas, she and her brothers were defending their inheritances from their own father in a lawsuit filed against them by their father's much younger second wife. Julia must have felt embattled indeed, but eventually won in both cases.

- owned farmland in Oklahoma, Kansas and Missouri, and is buried at Rose Hill Cemetery in Tulsa.
- b) Emma Marie Bland (still living) married and had three sons by adoption.
- 2) Charles Lee Bland (August 16 1896 – October 7 1972). Charles was born in Kansas and died in Texas. He served in World War I, and then settled in Dallas Texas. He married Auddie Donald. They had no children and they are buried at Rose Hill Cemetery, Tulsa, Oklahoma.
- 3) Julia M. Bland (July 19 1898 -) who married _____ Duffield. They lived in Kansas City Missouri and had one daughter:
a) Mary Elizabeth Duffield.
- 4) Van Harold Bland Sr. (October 29 1900 – March 28 1987, illustration 23) who married Thelma Marie Wise (March 18 1903 – October 19 1994) on August 6 1921 in Tulsa, Oklahoma, where they lived out their lives. Van was manager of oil and gas accounting for Gulf Oil Corp. He sent his two sons and his nephew Richard to the University of Tulsa. Van and Thelma are buried at Memorial Park Cemetery, Tulsa, Oklahoma. They had two sons.¹⁵⁴
- (c) Emma P. Bland (1872 – 1877) is buried in Summerfield, Illinois, near her parents and maternal grandparents.
- (5) unknown daughter
- (6) Richard Bland (c1817 - c 1838) who died unmarried in a riverboat explosion on the Ohio River while on his way to join his brother Colin in the Texas War of Independence.
- (7) unknown daughter
- (8) John Randolph “Randolph” Bland (1823 – after 1883) who married Emily J. Loudon on November 27, 1845. They lived on a farm in Prince Edward County, Virginia, through 1870. By 1880 they had moved to Orange County where he was a book agent. In 1910, the widowed Emily is living with her daughter, Emma Bland Selden, in Buckingham County, Virginia. John and Emily had:
(a) Richard W. Bland (c 1847 -)
(b) Theodorick B. Bland (c 1849 -) who at age 24 in 1880 is working as a railroad brakeman in Summers County, West Virginia.
(c) Emma P Bland (c 1855 – after 1910) who married Samuel Marshall Selden Jr. (c 1850 – after 1910) circa 1874,¹⁵⁵ by whom she had eleven children. Samuel was the son of Samuel M. Selden Sr. and Caroline Elizabeth Hare and was born in Lynchburg, Virginia.¹⁵⁶ Emma and Samuel lived in Buckingham County, Virginia. Several of their children are identified in the census records:

¹⁵⁴ Our correspondent and collaborator Barbara Bland descends from this line. Barbara Bland to Charles L. Bland, September 5, 2009.

¹⁵⁵ Daughters of the American Revolution database.

¹⁵⁶ Samuel's father died when Samuel was less than one year old. His mother remarried to James Madison Booker. Samuel's sister, Cassie, was the wife of Gen. Edmund Kirby Smith.

- 1) Samuel M. Selden Jr. (c 1875 -);
 - 2) Churchhill Bland "C.B." Selden (January 10 1876 – March 13 1931) who lived in Summers County, West Virginia; and married Leona August Hamer in about 1904.
 - 3) Elvira Selden (c 1878 -);
 - 4) Emily Selden (c 1887 -);
 - 5) Marie Selden (c 1892 -);
 - 6) Grace Selden (c 1895 -)
 - 7) Esther Selden (c 1898 -)
- (d) Anna Poythress Bland (c 1858 -)
- (e) John Randolph "J.R." Bland Jr. (May 1859 – January 13 1903) who married and had two daughters. John was living in Clifton Forge, Virginia, when he died already a widower. After his death, his daughters lived with his sister, Emma Selden, and their Grandmother Bland until they relocated to Portsmouth, after which they returned to their Aunt Emma's home during summer recesses. They were:
- 1) Lillian B. Bland (October 1889 -) who lived in Portsmouth working as a school teacher in 1910 and boarding with another family along with her 16-year-old sister, Carrie, who was attending school there.
 - 2) Carrie S. Bland (July 1893 -)

(9) unknown daughter

- (10) William Henry Taylor Bland (c 1825 – after 1894) who in 1850 at age 25 was overseer on a plantation in Nottoway County, Virginia. He was named after his maternal aunt Narcissa (Bacon) Taylor's husband, William Henry Taylor. In 1860 he was living with his mother Susan and sister Elizabeth C. Bland and farming at age 35. According to his brother Peter's account, William was arrested by a Confederate recruiting officer at Amelia Court House, Virginia, for disloyalty (i.e., refusing to enlist) in April 1863. He was imprisoned for several months at the infamous "Castle Thunder" prison for political prisoners in Richmond, Virginia, where he was very ill for a long period. Eventually he succumbed to pressure because he enlisted sometime in 1863 and reenlisted on July 27 1864 in Company G, 61st Virginia Infantry. He is described in his 1864 enlistment papers as William H. Bland, in the 1883 lawsuit as William H. T. Bland, and in his 1894 application for residence at the Confederate Soldiers' Home in Richmond as William H. Taylor Bland, age 70, single, residing in Oral Oaks, Lunenburg County, Virginia, with nearest relative being Peter R. Bland.¹⁵⁷ William participated in the 1883 lawsuit concerning his brother Colin's Texas property.

- (11) Peter Randolph Bland (November 1826 – after 1900). In the 1870, Peter is unmarried at age 44 when he is employed as a magistrate in Amelia County and owns a farm in Nottoway County near Jetersville, Virginia. From various descriptions, it appears that this farm is the same four-room residence where all the lively dancing occurred in his youth. In 1872, Peter filed a claim with the Southern Claims Commission for property stolen or destroyed in April 1865 by

¹⁵⁷ William's application was accepted but he might have died before he moved in for he never occupied his allocated space.

Gen. Meade's army as they passed his farm in Nottoway County on the road from Lee's surrender at Appomattox. In his supporting statements, Peter maintained that he had never owned any slaves, was always a Union sympathizer and was known as such by all in the neighborhood, some of whom threatened to hang him for it. Like his brother, he was arrested and sent to the Castle Thunder prison in Richmond, Virginia, in mid-1863 for disloyalty, but only for a few days before he agreed to sign whatever required to gain his release so that he could care for his elderly mother and invalid sister.¹⁵⁸ His brother William was already imprisoned there, so Peter also signed whatever was required to obtain passes to visit William in the Confederate prison. Peter's property was taken or destroyed during the two days he was detained in a Union Army camp right after Lee's surrender, so that his elderly mother, invalid sister and "two negro hired hands" were the only witnesses. The Union soldiers not only stole their food stores and Peter's oxen and burned his timber, they also entered the house where his mother and sister were alone and broke up his mother's furniture. Peter was later appointed a magistrate for the district by the occupying Army. One of his supporting witnesses, a "negro freedman" before the war who "grew up next door" to Peter, volunteered that, "None of their white neighbors would sell Peter a pound of meat or a bushel of corn and that no one would hire him except the black folks who employed him to teach at their school," all of which was attributed to Peter's anti-secessionist sentiments. At the time of these statements, Peter's mother had died, but he was still caring for his sister who was too crippled to leave the house. His claim was denied. Peter participated in the 1883 lawsuit concerning his brother Colin's Texas property and was still living, a single man, in 1900 in Lunenburg County, Virginia, at age 74.

C. COLIN BLAND (1783/84 – 1805) who died unmarried. John Bland and Peter R. Bland, Colin's brothers, divided his estate between them by an agreement they executed and filed in 1806 in Amelia County, Virginia. His estate sale was held in January 1806 and the return was recorded in June 1807. The appraisers of his estate were his brother John Bland, Archer Jones (uncle of John's wife) and Richard Eggleston. The major purchasers at his estate sale included his two brothers, his cousin Edward Bland (1767-1831), and Peter Branch Jones, who was the brother-in-law of both John and Edward.

10. SARAH BLAND (September 19 or 30, 1750 – May 13, 1807).¹⁵⁹ Sarah married Robert B. Goode (1743-1809) on June 18, 1768. Sarah Bland and Robert Goode died at Whitby Virginia. They had:

A. ROBERT GOODE (1769-1788)

¹⁵⁸ A supporting news article was printed in Richmond's "The Daily Dispatch" newspaper on July 6 1863 which states in part, "Committals at Castle Thunder: W. L. Reese, of Ransom's division, was committed to Castle Thunder Saturday, charged with murdering a guard...Peter Bland was sent in charged with disloyalty."

¹⁵⁹ VU p. 165 and AC 3-2, pp. 7-8. I am grateful to Mary McCain Smart, descended from Sarah Goode, (1771 -) and to Betty L. Clarke, descended from Sally Bland Goode (1779-1816) for this information.

- B. RICHARD BLAND GOODE (1770-1812) married Sally Woodson in 1796. He graduated from William and Mary College in 1790.
- C. FRANCES GOODE (1773-1814)
- D. THEODORICK GOODE (1774-1800)
- E. MARY GOODE (1776-1847) married John Spotswood.
- F. SARAH "SALLY" BLAND GOODE (August 5 1779 – January 19 1816) married (1st) James Lyle of Manchester, Chesterfield County, Virginia, (2nd) Colin Douglas, and (3rd) Tarlton Saunders. With Mr. Lyle, Sally had:
- (1) James Lyle (June 18 1796 – c 1850) who married Jane LaVert Davidson, and by her had:
 - (a) Helen Bland Lyle (January 27 1827 – December 28 1910) who married Samuel Bassett "Chester" French (March 31 1820 – April 25 1898) of Norfolk Virginia. Samuel studied law at Hampden-Sydney College, practiced in Chesterfield County where he was appointed Commonwealth's Attorney in 1849, and served as Judge of the Manchester City Corporation Court from 1880. He also served in the House of Delegates from 1852 to 1885. Chester was a colonel in the Army of Northern Virginia (1861-65) and an aide-de-camp to both Generals Lee and Jackson. Helen and Samuel had nine children:
 - 1) James Lyle French who died in infancy.
 - 2) Jane Lyle French (February 1847 – August 4 1857)
 - 3) Frances "Fannie" Mosely French (1849 – 1929). Fannie was a spinster school teacher who shared a home with her brother John.
 - 4) Helen Bland French (January 31 1851 – May 27 1919) who married Robert Bolling Batte (September 5 1842 – July 8 1915). This was another marriage between Bland cousins as Robert was the son of John Henry Batte and Martha Ann Mason and the grandson of Peter Poythress of Branchester and Elizabeth Bland (see pg.79). Helen and Robert had:
 - a) Samuel Bassett French Batte (March 15 1876 – November 8 1933) who married Mary Campbell Jones (December 30 1878 – 1957), by whom he had Robert Bolling Batte (August 13 1906 – 1996).¹⁶⁰
 - b) Macon Randolph Batte (December 3 1885 – June 27 1947) who married Martha "Mattie" Mason Cook (1887 – 1973).
 - c) Robert Bolling Batte Jr. (c 1878 – March 24 1894) who died at age 16.
 - d) Frances Cary Batte (- August 19 1880) who married Martha "Mattie" Mason Cook (1887 – 1973)
 - 5) John Marsden French (August 6 1853 – June 27 1926) who married Florence D. Holland (1853 – 1893) on August 7 1884 in Washington D.C., by whom he had:
 - a) Lewis Marsden French (November 12 1885 -) who married Edna Ackerly, by whom he had one daughter, Frances Moseley French.
 - b) Sarah Brownleigh French (January 31 1887 -)

¹⁶⁰ Robert, according to Barbara Bland, was a genealogical master who created 30,000 index cards of information before he passed on. E-mail, Barbara Bland to Charles L. Bland, November 15, 2011.

- c) Henry Holland French (December 8 1889 -) who married Ellen Lucille Lumpkin, by whom he had two daughters, Marian and Constance Lucille.
- d) Francis Marion French (November 27 1891 – September 16 1917)
- 6) Sallie Bassett French (January 10 1857 – October 11 1934) who married George Ellis Gary.
- 7) Annie Cooper French (1861 – 1935) who married Robert Stanley Robertson (1855 – 1933), by whom she had:
 - a) Helen Robertson (October 1883 – 1945) who married Mr. Smith and is buried with her parents.
 - b) Stanley Robertson (December 1885)
 - c) Janie Holmes Robertson (March 1894 – 1919) who is buried with her parents.
 - d) Brodnax A. Robertson (November 22 1896 – July 4 1966) who served as a sergeant in the U.S. Army 319 Field Artillery during World War I.
- 8) Robert Lee French (1864 – 1912) who in 1910 was single, working as a general contractor and sharing a home with his brother John and sister Fannie.

(2) Mary Goode Lyle (October 25 1801 -). According to the “National Register Sons of the American Revolution,” Mary Goode Lyle married Colin Clarke and had:

- (a) Powhatan Clarke, the father of
 - 1) Powhatan Henry Clarke. The latter served in the U.S. Army and died July 21 1893, according to his registration with the Sons of the American Revolution as a descendant of Richard Bland (1710-1776) and Anne Poythress.

G. MARTHA C. GOODE (1787-1814) married James Scott.

H. THOMAS GOODE (1789-1810)

11. SUSAN BLAND (February 20 1752 -). Miles Corey says she married a man named Peter Wood, of whom nothing further is known.

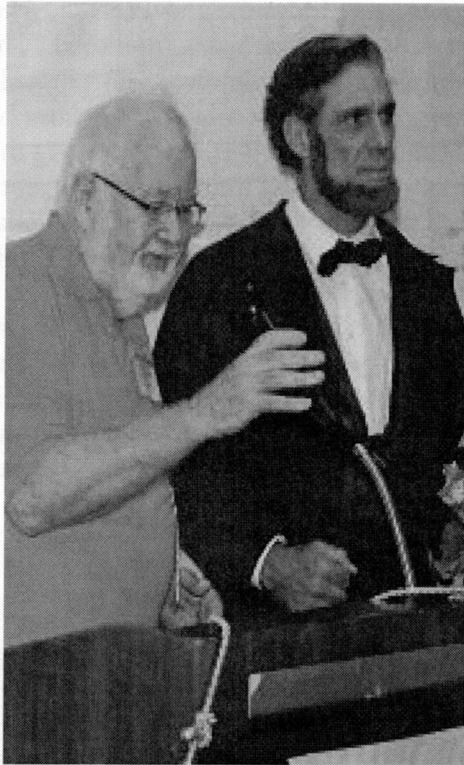
12. LUCY BLAND (1754 – before 1792) who married Jacob Rubsamen (April 4, 1745 – March 22, 1792) on May 31, 1780. Rubsamen was born in Giessen Germany and operated a grist mill at Manchester in Chesterfield County Virginia. In the 1790 census, Jacob was enumerated with three whites and 10 slaves. In his will Jacob left his estate to relatives back in Germany, suggesting that Lucy Bland had passed on by that date.¹⁶¹

OLD ABE AND ME

It was our great pleasure to welcome Abraham Lincoln to our Reunion at Alton Illinois on the night of September 17, 2011. Abe was a wonderful guest and refrained from any political commentary. The same could not be said for me. In the picture below, I

¹⁶¹ VU p. 165. Cf AC 8-1 pp. 7-8, Jacob made his will on the latter date in language that suggested his days were ending.

described a story, apocryphal perhaps, of the early Mormons who settled near Independence Missouri in the 1830s. As they were anti-slavery the good people of Missouri cast them out and they resettled in Commerce, (formerly Quashquema and Venus) in Hancock County Illinois, near the Iowa/Missouri Border, which they renamed Nauvoo. As Illinois residents who carried a strong grievance against the Democrats in Missouri, they voted, as was done in those days for a slate of Whigs, forerunner to the Republican Party. But the Mormons wanted to credit one good Democrat who had been compassionate and helpful to them, so they scratched out the name of the little known Whig from Illinois, Abraham Lincoln. I am pleased and very proud to attach this photograph of Old Abe and me.



*Illustration 33: Charles Lewis Bland
and Old Abe Lincoln*

OSBORNE BLAND (2009-)

Let us welcome one of the newest members of the Bland family, our good cousin Osborne Bland, who was born in early July 2009. My wife and I and everyone who knows him call him "Ozzy." Ozzy's name has a long lineage. My daughter and son as children in the late eighties asked for "Cabbage Patch" dolls and I agreed with the proviso that we would name them Osborne and Lettice, for Osborne Bland (C1748-1828) and his wife Lettice, descendants from Group 2 of our family (see pg. 26 above). That didn't work out so well, but when my wife and I discovered there was a motherless litter of kittens in Toronto in summer 2009, we agreed to adopt one even though we already had three kitties. Ozzy and his siblings were abandoned by their mother when they were only infants. They were cared for principally by a Chinese lady named Cindy but also with help from two other ladies named Claudia and Theresa. The kittens were so young and their lives so fragile that two of the five kitten litter died. They desperately needed a mother's milk and substitute food did not help them. Fortunately, the Toronto ladies discovered the existence of a beautiful white mother cat whose babies had recently died and who was still lactating. The mother cat was placed among the three surviving babies who were greedy for her breasts and almost immediately began to improve. Also, because of so much interest in their survival, the kitties had an easy familiarity with humans. My wife and I visited the three survivors and their mother in early September 2009 and from the time I saw Ozzy, he was mine. As a long hair orange tabby, he reminded me of a beloved old Tom Cat from the 70s and 80s, a short hair orange tabby called Tom, who developed an inability to stand in early 1985 and had to be put to sleep. When I saw Ozzy, there was also no discussion about his name, it was Osborne Bland. When my wife and I took him to the vet for a preliminary checkup, the nurse who handled him told us that he was the sweetest kitty she had ever known, and so he has been. Welcome to the world Osborne Bland.



Illustration 34: Osborne Bland