

DUKE

William Duke lived at Martin Brandon in Charles City Co., Va., 3/2/1672 when the Va. Council ordered him to take possession of the fruit belonging to the London Merchants then at the old house at Martin Brandon. In 1673 he was one of auditors appointed to examine the accounts between Mr. Roger Greene and Mrs. Bland.

3/3/1675, William Duke, who had m. the admx. of est. of William Bird [his wid., Hannah Grendon Bird], was ordered to pay Anthony Wyatt certain sums of money. He was Hannah's third husband, Hannah, the dau. of Col. Thomas Grendon, a London merchant, latter being m. to Elizabeth Stegge, the widow of Col. Thomas Stegge, Puritan Commissioner who was lost at sea in 1651. Elizabeth Stegge, the widow, was the mother of Grace Stegge who m. John Byrd, Goldsmith, of London, and was the grandson of the first Col. Byrd of Westover. Col. Thomas Grendon's LWT was pvd in London 12/15/1678. He described himself as "of St. James Duke Place, London, Citizen and Draper", giving his dau., Hannah Duke "now of Virginia", certain property there. After Col. Grendon's death, John Duke became the representative of said Merchants.

William Duke d. 1678 and on 11/28/1681 William Archer was granted 600 acres of land due his predecessor, Colonial Surry, P. 91-92, states that Hannah Grendon first m. Thomas Jennings, a London Merchant, 2d, William Bird, 3rd, William Duke, 4th, John Sadler, and 5th, Thomas Quincy. One of Thomas Quincy's brothers was married to Shakespeare's dau., Judith. William Bird owned a grist mill in Surry and by 9/29/1672 he was decd, as his son and heir, Thomas Bird, was in possession of sd mill. Thomas Bird, then, was a stepson of William Duke. Son of William:

Capt. Henry Duke, landowner in Charles City Co., Va., called "Martin Brandon". He was J. P. in Prince George Co. Va. 1712, and m. to Elizabeth, dau. of Capt. John Taylor, s. of Richard Taylor of "Flowerdiew Hundred" and his wife, Sarah Barker, dau. of William Barker, Mariner. William Barker, Master of the ship "America", sailed from Gravesend 7/23/1635 with 88 persons and patented 1300 acres 5/11/1639 for transporting 26 persons. 500 of these acres were known as "Flowerdiew Hundred." William Baker represented Charles City Co., Va. in the House of Burgesses in 1645. He was decd before 3/1635 and had three children who quarreled about the divisions of "Flowerdiew Hundred". His w. was Frances, dau. of James Ward who m. 2d Robert Netherland and 3rd Lt. Col. Thomas Drew. Baker, Bradford, Taylor in Virginia Historical Genealogies, P. 146.

John Taylor was J. P. and Burgess of Charles City Co. 1692 and 1693. His LWT, Prince George Co., formerly Charles City Co., Va. dtd 4/5/1707, pvd 11/9/1709, leaving his dau., Elizabeth Duke, two negroes and horse named Trooper. Other children named: Frances Taylor who m. Mr. Greenhill; Henrietta Maria Taylor and Sarah Taylor who m. Bros., John and Francis Hardyman. "Flowerdiew Hundred" was later sold by the heirs of Capt. John Taylor to Joshua Poythress. John Duke, John Taylor Duke and Henry Duke were witnesses to their mother's deed for her portion of the sd estate, which yet remains in possession of Joshua

Poythress' descendants. Capt. Henry Duke d. 1/1718, the inv. of his estate dtd 1719 Prince George Co., Va. Prince George Records, 1713-1728, P. 337, Statement of Mrs. Elizabeth Duke, admx of Henry Duke, decd. "Since an Act of the Assembly calling negroes, indians and mulattoes real estate, all such slaves as her father, the late Capt. John Taylor of this county died possessed of should not be included in Henry Duke's inventory as property of the estate, and is her property by sole right." Recorded 7/14/1719.

Prince George Co. Records 1713-1728, P. 336, Inv. Est. of Capt. Henry Duke, appraised 7/22/1718 at over 202 pds. by John Poythress, John Hatch and Gilbert Hay, presented by Elizabeth Duke, admx. Also, P. 1061, Evaluation of Slaves of est. of Henry Duke. Value 170 pds, 10/28/1727 by Thos. Ravenscroft, William Hamlin, Gilbert Hay. John Duke, heir-at-law. Also, P. 879, Elizabeth Duke of Martins Brandon Parish, widow, to Robert Hall of same, land on n.s. of Blackwater Swamp, bounded by swamp, land lately bought of Elizabeth Duke by Robert Hall, including the other full moiety or half of patent, being 500 acres. Also, P. 687, John Woofe of London, Merchant, appts Mrs. Elizabeth Duke of Flowerdew Hundred in Prince George County his atty to receive what is owed to him, 12/4/1722. Issue of Capt. Henry Duke:

I. John Duke, b. ca 1699. On 4/5/1733, Nicholas Hatch and his wife, Susannah of Prince George Co. sold to John Duke of Brunswick Co. 285 acres in Lawnes Creek Parish in Brunswick Co. on n.s. of Three Creeks, Deeds and Wills, Bk I, P. 36-39, Brunswick Co. Va. He was Capt. of the militia, for on 10/21/1733 an inv. of James Fletcher was shown and sworn to before Capt. John Duke. John Duke and John Taylor Duke wtd the LWT of James House. On 2/9/1735, Capt. John Duke was exr of LWT of Thomas House of Brunswick Co. dtd 2/16/1734, and John Taylor Duke, witness. John Duke d. before 8/1753, for on that date, Edward Goodrich was apptd gdn of his orphan child, Susannah Duke.

II. Henry Duke was in Brunswick Co., Va. in 1742 and in Lunenburg Co. Va. in 1749, where he and his w., Elizabeth, deeded some land.

III. William Duke, in Brunswick Co. 1733. His w., Elizabeth, joined him in a deed for land in that county in 1742. They later settled, together with their son, Samuel, in Granville Co., N. C., where William d. in 1773. Issue: William, Jr.; John; Samuel; Joseph; James; and Robert.

IV. John Taylor Duke, b. ca 1715. He and his w., Jane, made several deeds in Brunswick Co., Va. Their home lay in that part of the co. which later became Lunenburg in 1745 and later fell into Mecklenburg Co. in 1764, where they were in 1769. According to Historical Southern Families by Boddie, both John Taylor Duke and his son were granted lands in Georgia for services during the Revolution. Issue:

1. John Taylor Duke, Jr., received 287 1/2 acres in Washington Co. Ga. 5/17/1784, and is on Certified List of Ga. Troops who served in Rev. War. His LWT pvd 1/5/1824 Bulloch Co., Ga. Misc. Estates, P. 144-145, left all his property to his wife. He drew headright lands in Bulloch and Camden Cos., first grant in Camden Co. being 1796 and subsequent ones in Bulloch dtd 1808 and 1819. He m. Mary Wootten, prob a second wife, on 4/17/1792 Wilkes Co., Ga., and had issue:

- a. Albert N. Duke, b. ca 1800, m. 1/17/1833 in Tattnall Co., Ga., Permelia Smith, dau. of John H. Smith and his wife, Celia Lester of Baldwin Co. Ga. He d. 1853 Tattnall Co., Ga., and had issue:
- i. John H. Dukes, b. 1833 Tattnall Co., Ga., m. Martha R. Surrency on 11/25/1857 in Tattnall Co., who was b. 1838 Tattnall Co., the dau. of Samuel D. Surrency of Tattnall Co., listed on 1850 Census of that county. John H. Dukes was listed in household of Henry Smith in 1850 Tattnall Co., along with Elizabeth and Elbert Duke. John H. Dukes had a dau., Temperance E. Dukes, b. 7/3/1867 Tattnall Co., Ga., who d. 11/14/1931 Toombs Co., Ga.
 - ii. Elizabeth Dukes, b. 1836 Tattnall Co., Ga.
 - iii. Elbert Dukes, b. 1838 Tattnall Co., Ga.

The Southern Recorder 9/19/1837: "On the 31st ult, at the residence of William C. Tucker Mr. Hardy H. Dukes to Miss Haney Garland Nelson, all of Jasper County."

The Southern Christian Advocate 11/11/1818: "Died near Camden, S. C., on the 30th ult., Maj. Greene B. Duke in his 45th year...."

New Additions by Jeannette Holland Austin

Temperance (age 16), Robert (age 18) and Louisa Dukes (age 19), niece and nephew of Citha Linda Grace, resided with her in Perrys Mills, Tattnall County, Georgia (1880 census). John H. Sukes (born 1833) had a daughter, Temperance, born 7/3/1867 in Tattnall County, died 11/14/1931 in Toombs County so these two children most also belong to him.