Early Virginia Colonial Family

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Introduction

Please understand this is a work in progress. I will be attempting to update this on a regular basis as I make time to go through my files and add to and build on this written history. I hope to add references and notes along the way as well.

While I will be glad to hear from you, if you try to contact me I cannot guarantee a response at all let alone timely. Circumstances in my life right now are difficult. Please just come back to this link to check for changes, additions and updates.

Thank you for your understanding,

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First Generation

Robert Batte, son and heir of Henry Batte, was of Okewell Hall, near Birstall, Yorkshire, England.

He studied at Brasenose College, Oxford, England. He received his A.B. in 1582/1583; A.M. from University College in 1586; and D.D. in 1596. He was fellow and vice master of University College, Oxford.

He married Mary (or Elizabeth) Parry, the daughter of John Parry of Golden Valley, Herefordshire, England.

Issue of Robert and Mary/Elizabeth (Parry) Batte:

I. John Batte

Second Generation

John Batte, son of Robert and Mary (Parry) Batte, of Okewell Hall was Captain of a Foot Company in the regiment of Agbrigg and Morley in the King's Army at the battle of Adwalton Moor in 1643.

He married Martha Mallory, the daughter of Rev. Thomas Mallory the dean of Chester (see Mallory family history).

They came to Virginia in 1646.

John may have died by 1654 in Virginia.

Issue of John and Martha (Mallory) Batte:

I. John Batte, Jr.

Born England

drowned in the Irish Sea while going to England from Virginia with his father

II. William Batte

Born England

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of whom there are several land abstracts in Nugent's "Cavaliers and Pioneers" pages 152, 147, 197, 436

III. Thomas Batte

Born England

of whom there are records in Henrico County in 1671, 1679, 1690;

Boddie's "Virginia Historical Genealogies" page 112

IV. Henry Batte

V. Martha Batte

Born England

Third Generation

Henry Batte, son of John and Martha (Mallory) Batte, of Okewell Hall.

He came to Virginia circa 1646 with his parents.

He was a Captain. He was a member of the House of Burgess in 1685-1686 and 1692-1693. In 1693 he became a justice in Charles City County, Virginia.

He married Mary Lound(s), the daughter of Henry and Ann Lound(s) of Henrico County, Virginia.

Henry Batte died prior to 1703.

On September 4, 1720 in Henrico County, Virginia, the five daughters of Capt. Henry Batte, and their husbands, agreed as to the division between them of 1200 acres of land in Prince George County, left to them in their father's will.

Issue of Henry and Mary (Lounds) Batte:

I. Mary Batte

Married John Poythress

II. Elizabeth Batte

Married William Ligon by 1704

(see Lygon-Ligon family history)

in 1704 Henry and Ann Lounds gave their granddaughter, Elizabeth Ligon, wife of William Ligon, 258 acres of land

III. Anne Batte

Married Edward Stratton

son of Edward and Martha (Sheepy) Stratton

IV. Rachael Batte

Married James Parham

settled in Bertie County, North Carolina

V. Sarah Batte

Married Abraham Jones

VI. Henry Batte

will dated July 5, 1727, proved October 2, 1727, Prince George County, Virginia

VII. William Batte

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William Batte, son of Henry and Mary (Lound) Batte.

He married Mary Stratton in 1704. She was the daughter of Edward and Martha (Sheepy) Stratton.

Issue of William and Mary (Stratton) Batte:

- I. William Batte
- II. Robert Batte
- III. Thomas Batte

Born July 3, 1721

IV. John Batte

Died October 8, 1729

V. Anne Batte

Died October 6, 1729

VI. Henry Batte

Robert Batte, son of William and Mary (Stratton) Batte, was born on October 16, 1727. He married Martha Peterson the daughter of John and Martha (Thweatt) Peterson. Issue:

I. John Batte

Married Mary Poythress

daughter of Peter and Elizabeth (Bland) Poythress

- II. Robert Batte
- III. Frederick Batte
- IV. Mary Batte

Married F. Eppes

V. Martha Batte

Married 1st Mr. Jones

Married 2nd Nathaniel Colley on August 18, 1791

settled in Prince George County, Virginia

Issue:

A. Sarah Colley

Born 1792 Prince George County, Virginia

Married Thomas Poythress Cocke in 1810

son of Capt. James and Elizabeth (Poythress) Cocke

Issue:

1. Martha Cocke

Married James Cocke (1st cousin)

son of Dr. James Cocke

2. Nathaniel Colley Cocke

Married Virginia Anne Peterson

of "Aberdeen" Prince George County, Virginia

Issue:

a. Mary Herbert Cocke

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Married Richard H. Smith

b. Anne Hayes Cocke
Married Alexander Hall Smith
brother of Richard H. Smith

c. Virginia Peterson CockeMarried William Edward Smith1st cousin of Richard and Alexander

Henry Batte, son of William and Mary (Stratton) Batte.

He married his first cousin Eliza Chamberlain, the daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth (Stratton) Chamberlain.

The will of Henry Batte was probated in Chesterfield County, Virginia in 1770.

Issue:

I. William Batte

Will dated June 10, 1766 Chesterfield County, Virginia

II. Richard Batte

Will dated November 1781 Chesterfield County, Virginia

III. Henry Batte

IV. Thomas Batte

V. Mary Batte

Married 1st Mr. Cox

Married 2nd Mr. Adderson

VI. Elizabeth Batte

Married Mr. Jones

BATTE LINEAGE UNKNOWN

?William Batte, son of Capt. Henry Batte?

Issue:

A. John Batte, Rev. War Soldier

Married Elizabeth -?-

Issue:

1. Martha Batte

Died 1828

Married Rev. Edmund(s) in 1793

Born 1768 Died 1837