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**Meetings:** The **society meetings** will be held four times a year, **dates** to be determined. The **meetings** are held at a New Hanover Library branch, **Wilmington, NC**, unless notified differently.

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Cover photograph: Ward Cemetery, New Hanover County. Photo by Pete Ambler

## **SOCIETY NEWS**

The editors wish to acknowledge **Kay Berg** for the monumental task of indexing the four *Clarendon Couriers* published in 2005 and included in the Fall 2005 edition. She undertook this laborious project and accomplished it in a timely manner. It makes our Journal much more usable for our members. Thank you, Kay!

Also, thank you to **Helen Sammons, Joseph Sheppard, Jim Edwards, Stephen Carroll Pearsall** and **Beverly Tetterton** for their contributions to this *Courier*.

The **May Picnic** will be held May 6, 2006, at 10:30 a.m. at the Northeast Branch of the New Hanover County Library, located on Military Cutoff Road. A noted genealogist, **Margaret Gentges**, who lives in Northern Virginia, will be our guest speaker. Check out her website: <http://www.mindspring.com/~mgentges/>. Plan to attend this interesting program and to enjoy fellowship with other genealogists.

The schedule of meetings for 2006-2007 are: **September 16, 2006; November 18, 2006; January 20, 2007; March 17, 2007 and May 19, 2007**. All are on Saturdays and will commence at 2:00 p.m. Meeting places will be announced.

The editors are always interested in material for the *Courier*. If you have an unpublished article, please submit it to one of the editors for consideration for this journal.

## ABANDONED CEMETERIES

With the building boom going great guns all over the State of North Carolina, developers are buying up farm and forest lands for housing subdivisions and business parks at a rapid rate. They often don't know they've also bought a family cemetery until a few graves are discovered during the construction phase of their projects.

Existing North Carolina state law requires county governments to keep a list of the public and abandoned cemeteries within their boundaries and are authorized to take possession and control of all such public cemeteries. Problems have arisen, in part, because the law does not define exactly what constitutes an "abandoned" cemetery. A developer is supposed to give 30 days notice before removing caskets or other remains from a site, allowing for the deceased person's relatives to be notified. The developer must have permission from a local government to remove the remains and re-inter them in a suitable location or cemetery. Most public officials think the 30 day period is too short, because, in some cases the decedent's relatives live in another state and/or are completely unaware of the grave site.

When the legislation was passed in 1980, it was estimated that there were about 10,000 abandoned cemeteries in the state. Most knowledgeable individuals think the number has risen in the intervening years. However, no one really knows because efforts to collect data have been hampered by staff and budget cuts, most notably to the Office of Archives and History, which started to collect cemetery information in 1984.

Many legislators have voiced their belief that there is enough confusion and frustration over the current rules and regulations governing the movement and preservation of abandoned burial sites to demand a revision of the existing state law. A recently convened House Committee plans to look at how to handle dilapidated grave sites threatened by development crowding out the once rural and pristine locations.

Beverly Tetterton has been the New Hanover cemetery survey coordinator since Billy McEachern died in 1982. Mrs. McEachern recorded many of the rural cemeteries in eleven volumes that cover New Hanover, Pender, Bladen, Sampson and Duplin counties. Over the years, Tetterton has worked with citizens who report suspicious activity around abandoned cemeteries. She records the location and condition of the graveyard. The survey is then filed locally in the county library and in Raleigh. In the past she has had to call the New Hanover County sheriffs office stop the bulldozers and has worked with the State Archaeology Office based at Fort Fisher to determine grave sites.

About ten years ago, Christine Neal, who works in the New Hanover County Engineering Department, was given the job to follow North Carolina law regarding the county's abandoned cemeteries. She has been an incredible champion for the dearly departed. Neal says, "New Hanover County has over 100 cemeteries within its very small boundaries and we have been dealing with this issue for years. We amended our zoning and subdivision regulations to address cemeteries and the proper procedures for having their boundaries delineated out on the ground. Not to mention, defining the property owners' responsibilities with regards to maintenance of these sites, now and in the future. This has become a rather odd passion of mine and I am so glad to see the state taking the lead on this issue now.

When a development, with a known cemetery on it, comes into our planning department for review, my knowledge of cemeteries and their histories becomes part of that review process. That is, when we are made aware of their existence, on these sites, beforehand. Other times, we are usually the horse, behind a

cart, already in motion and then it becomes a less friendly issue between the county and the developer, with regards to regulations. I always encourage the developers to work around the graves, rather than relocate them. Unfortunately, the current regulations allow them to ask permission of the governing bodies and that issue is subject to their discretion. While New Hanover has an unwritten policy of getting employee recommendations for these removals, for the most part, it is solely up to the desecration of the board and I for one, would like to see the state dictate language that would only permit this to happen, for the good of the community (roads, utility lines, etc., and only if necessary) and not for a few profit dollars.

To date, New Hanover County has five cemeteries that they maintain. Four were taken over based on a definition of "abandonment," that I had our county attorney establish years ago. To date, I have two different cemeteries that are now being incorporated into on-going subdivision plans, rather than having the graves relocated. We encourage and work directly with developers, to prevent these graves and their history, from being destroyed. History makes Wilmington and New Hanover County a wonderful place to live and I would hate to see anything happen to any of our history, or any of its original settlers. Rest in peace, should mean just that."

### **A LOCAL ABANDONED CEMETERY**

In the spring of 2005, several people from Rocky Point met at Paul's Restaurant. The objective was to locate an old cemetery located on the Cameron Tract on Ivershield Road (Country Road #1516). Upon arrival at the end of the country road, the woods were entered from the south. After about ten minutes, the cemetery was located in an easterly direction about 300 yards from the end of the state maintained road. One of the members of the group stated that when he was a young boy, there was perhaps 10 or 12 grave sites. Bricks outlined several of the edges of the grave sites. Almost all of the tops were absent. Cows at one time had roamed the property and destroyed the graveyard. The cemetery appeared to be about 100 feet by 100 feet because several of the grave sites were some distance apart. There were several markers overturned, burrowed deep in the ground and covered with growth and dirt from years of neglect.

The one salvageable grave marker was that of Elizabeth Maria Hill. Her tombstone inscription reads in part:

"Here lies the remains  
of ever rested Mother of Rebecca  
Elizabeth Maria Hill  
beloved wife of  
W. H. Hill  
She died December 14, 1806  
aged 51 years  
Her filial piety----(illegible)... and  
conjugal and material  
virtues were exemplary.  
She was an affectionate relation  
and a steady friend."

Subsequent research reveals that Mrs. William Henry Hill died on 14 December 1806. William Henry Hill, son of William Hill (native of Boston) and Margaret Moore (daughter of Nathaniel Moore of Brunswick County), married Elizabeth Maria Ashe, daughter of General John Ashe and Mary Rebecca Moore. William Henry Hill was first married to Elizabeth Nash, daughter of Governor Abner Nash. By his first marriage, William Henry Hill had a son, William Henry Hill, (Jr.) By his second marriage, he had Anna Hill and Julia Rebecca Hill. William Henry Hill, Jr. married Eliza Marshall. Anna Hill married Charles J. Wright and Julia Rebecca Hill married Ezekiel Hall.

In Craven County, NC, there is a marriage bond for a William Henry Hill and an Elizabeth Moore. This bond is dated 21 Apr 1788. In the New Hanover County records, there is a marriage contract dated 1788 between William Hill and Elizabeth Moore, widow, of Craven County. The bondsman was John Hill. It is thought that Elizabeth Nash may have been married to James Moore. In Craven County, there exists a marriage bond between Elizabeth Nash and James Moore dated 20 May 1782. There is a marriage bond for William Henry Hill and Elizabeth Ashe in Orange County NC, dated 29 Aug 1792. William Henry Hill was referred to as the "late" in a marriage contract in New Hanover County between Ann Hill, daughter, and Charles Wright, dated 4 Feb 1813.

Early plantations in the particular of Rocky Point, where the cemetery is located, were Red Hill Plantation (part of tract called Moorefields), Green Hill Plantation (part of tract called Moorefields) and to the north Moseley Hall. Green Hill Plantation was the residence of General John Ashe. As early as 1798, one James Moore deeded to William Henry Hill, land called and known by the name of Red Hill Plantation on Rocky Point.

William Henry Hill was born in Brunswick County on May 1, 1767. He was the grandson of Nathaniel Moore, great grandson of Governor James Moore and a descendant of Sir John Yeamans, Governor of North Carolina 1665-74. He attended public schools in Boston, MA; engaged in agricultural pursuits; studied law in Boston; was admitted to the bar and practiced in Wilmington and was appointed United States district attorney for North Carolina by President Washington in 1790. He was a member of the State Senate in 1794-1795 from the Wilmington district and was elected as a Federalist to the Sixth and Seventh Congresses (March 4, 1799-March 3, 1803). He was appointed judge of the United States District Court for the District of North Carolina by President John Adams at the close of his term but the designation was withdrawn by President Thomas Jefferson. William Henry Hill returned to his estate near Wilmington, NC where he engaged in agricultural pursuits until his death there in 1809. He was interred in the family burial ground on his estate, "Hilton," near Wilmington and subsequently was reinterred in Oakdale Cemetery in Wilmington.

Note: The final resting place of Eliza Maria Ashe Hill cemetery has not been recorded in any of the gravestone books. Eliza Ashe Hill has been inadvertently included on page 46 of Gravestone Records, Vol. XI, New Hanover County, compiled by Leora H. McEachern, Ruth S. Walker and Mae B. Graves in 1980. The cemetery should not be confused with the Ashe family burying ground which is further up the Northeast River.

Contributed by Stephen Carroll Pearsall  
Fall, 2005

## NEW HANOVER COUNTY DEED INDEX

[The New Hanover County Deed Index is on microfilm in the North Carolina Room of the local library. This series, abstracted by Ann Hewlett Hutteman, covers the years 1725 until 1860. If you desire a copy of a particular deed, you may request a copy, which is also on microfilm from the local history room. Be sure you cite the grantor, grantee(s) and book and page numbers.]

Grantor	Grantee	Type of Instrument	Book/Page	Date
Boone, Byrd	John Costin	Deed	W 429	1837
Boone, Byrd	Samuel B. Rivenbark	Deed	EE 267	1847
Boone, Byrd/Hannah	Joseph Eakens	Deed	BB 69	1845
Boone, Byrd/Hannah	Joseph Eakens	Deed	CC 22	1845
Boone, Nicholas	William Hendry	Deed	P 601	1817
Boone, Nicholas	Isam Hatcher	Deed	S 338	1825
Boone, Nicholas	William J. Wright	Deed	U 54	1830
Boon, Nicholas, by Shf	Isaac Alderman	Shf Deed	U 475	1833
Boon, William	Joseph Hewitt, al	Deed	D 223	1756
Boon, William	Bird Boon	Gift D	P 599	1817
Boon, William	Bird Boon	Deed	P 600	1817
Boon, Ethelred	William Henry, Jr.	Deed	P 602	1817
Boon, Mary/N.	William Mott, al	Deed	V 40	1833
Boon, Theldred	John R. Bonham, TR	D in TR	DD 54	1848
Borritz, John	William Borritz	Deed	K 256	1792
Borritz & Co.	William Borritz	Deed	K 256	1792
Bourman, Henry	Mary Bourman, Atty	P of A	C 62	1745
Bourman, Mary	Francis Veal, Atty	P of A	C 62	1746
Bourman, Henry	Thomas Finney, Atty	P of A	C 196A	1749
Bourdeaux, A. D.	Hinton James	Deed	Q 352	1819
Bourdeaux, A. D.	Margaret Henry	Deed	Q 420	1819
Bourdeaux, A. D.	Samuel B. Rivenbark	B for T	DD 536	1847
Bourdeaux, A. D.	John D. Moore	Deed	HH 688	1851
Bourdeaux, A. D.	William T. P. Vann	Deed	QQ 659	1860
Bourdeaux, Anthony	Alfred Pridgen	Gift D	EE 537	1848
Bordeaux, Anthony	James Flinn	Deed	S 291	1824
Bordeaux, Anthony D.	Reddings Rollings	Deed	O 513	1813
Burdeaux, Anthony D.	Wright Register	Deed	M 345	1808
Burdeaux, Anthony D.	John Corbett	Deed	O 333	1812
Burdeaux, Anthony D.	Samuel B Rivenbark	Deed	II 579	1852
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Burdeaux, A. D./Eliza J.	Alfred M. Moore	Deed	HH 574	1851
Burdeaux, Anthony D./Eliza J.	Elizabeth Bourdeaux	Deed	HH 741	1851

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Burdeaux, Anthony D./Daniel John, Richard M.	Moses Bourdeaux	QCD	D 494	-----
Burdeaux, Anthony/ William Samuel	Israel Bordeaux	Deed	S 284	1824
Burdeaux, Armstead H.	William M. Flinn	Deed	OO 58	1856
Bourdoux, Arthur	William C. Marshall	Deed	Y 226	1840
Bourdoux, Arthur	Milton M. Bourdeaux	Deed	BB 542	1845
Bourdoux, Arthur	George Wilson	Deed	MM 496	1856
Bourdoux, Arthur	James Bourdeaux	Deed	PP 816	1859
Bourdeaux, Daniel	Baker Bowden	Deed	H 113	1784
Bourdeaux, Daniel	Baker Bowden	Deed	H 119	1784
Burdeaux, Daniel, Sr.	Daniel Burdeaux, Jr.	Deed	N 318	1808
Berdeaux, Daniel	Prescila Evans	Deed	P 379	1817
Berdeaux, Daniel	Eleanor Newton	Deed	P 552	1817
Berdeaux, Daniel	John Bourdeaux	Deed	Q 77	1818
Berdeaux, Daniel	Robert Larkins	Deed	R 26	1820
Berdeaux, Daniel, TR	Hannah Walker	Deed	V 248	1835
Berdeaux, Daniel	Anthony D. Bourdeaux	Deed	W 234	1836
Berdeaux, Daniel, TR	Hanah Walker	Deed	AA 425	1844
Berdeaux, D.	George Taylor	Deed	FF 313	1848
Bourdeaux, Isaac	Mary Baker	Deed	S 412	1826
Bourdeaux, Isaac	John Bordeaux	Gift D	S 618	1827
Bourdeaux, Isaac	John Bordeaux	Gift D	S 644	1827
Bourdoux, Isreal	James Flinn	Deed	W 154	1836
Bourdoux, Isreal	James Flinn	Deed	W 170	1836
Bourdoux, Israel, William Samuel	Anthony Bourdeaux	Deed	S 286	1824
Bordaux, James	Charles Montague	MTG	Y 74	1839
Burdeaux, James	Abraham Beesly	Deed	H 148	1784
Burdeaux, James	Daniel Burdeaux	Deed	H 405	1787
Burdeaux, James	Daniel Bourdeaux	Deed	K 360	1793
Bourdaux, James	Arthur Bourdaux	Deed	Y 334	1841
Bourdaux, James	John Bunting	Deed	DD 574	1847
Bourdaux, James	Daniel T. George	Deed	EE 509	1848
Bourdaux, James	William T. Bordeaux	Gift D	MM 531	1855
Bourdaux, James	Seyrnore Wagstaff	Deed	MM 242	1855
Bourdaux, James	Arthur B. Bourdeaux	Deed	PP 241	1858
Bourdaux, James	Seymore Wagstaff	Deed	PP 249	1858
Bourdaux, James	Andrew J. Bourdeaux	Deed	PP 813	1859
Bourdeaux, John	Miles Rooks	Deed	L1 172	1795



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Burdeaux, Est. of John By Comrs	Mary Burdeaux	Widow's Dower	LDA 20	-----
Burdeaux, Est. of John	Melton M. Burdeaux, al	D of L	LDA 20	-----
Burdeaux, John J.	Richard L. Bourdeaux	Deed	Z 883	1843
Burdeaux, John J.	S. H. Bell	Deed	FF 282	1848
Burdeaux, John J.	Hugh M. Cowan	Deed	HH 121	1850
Burdeaux, John J.	Hugh M. Cowan	Deed	HH 122	1850
Burdeaux, John J.	Hugh M. Cowan	Deed	HH 150	-----
Bourdeaux, John W.	Benjamin Cooper	Deed	U 258	1832
Bourdeaux, John W.	Daniel J. Bourdeaux	Deed	II 480	1852
Bourdeaux, M. T.	Elizabeth Sauls	Deed	DD 569	1847
Bourdeaux, M. T.	Elizabeth Sauls	Deed	HH 438	1850
Bourdeaux, Moses T.	Daniel J. Bourdeaux	Deed	HH 609	1851
Bourdeaux, Moses T.	John W. Bourdeaux	Gift D	HH 830	1851
Bourdoux, N. F.	Charles Montague	Deed	X 235	1838
Bourdoux, N. F.	Samuel J. Herring	Deed	AA 25	1843
Bourdoux, N. F.	John Jones, Jr.	Deed	AA 817	1844
Bourdoux, N. F.	John Jones, Jr.	Deed	BB 544	1845
Bourdoux, R. M.	Archibald B. Corbett	Deed	X 85	-----
Bourdoux, R. M.	R H. Cowan	Deed	Z 179	1842
Bourdoux, R. M.	Edward D. Walker	Deed	BB 153	1845
Budeaux, R. M.	Edward D. Walker	Deed	BB 155	1845
Budeaux, R. M.	John H. Sauls	Deed	LL 142	1854
Budeaux, R. M.	Dawson T. Durham	Deed	QQ 786	1860
Bourdaux, Richard by Comrs	Hannah Bourdaux	Widows Dower	T 116	-----
Bourdaux, Richard L.	Edward D. Walker	Deed	Z 138	1842
Bourdaux, Richard M.	James Bourdeaux, al	Gift D	T 66	1828
Bouredoux, Richard M.	Richard L. Bourdaux	D of L	Y 158	1840
Bouredoux, Richard M.	Moses W. Bowen	Deed	MM 226	1855
Bourdeaux, Laura/Thomas D.	Moses T. Bourdeaux	Deed	HH 65	1856
Bourdeaux, Laura/Thomas D.	Samuel B. Rivenbark	Deed	II 570	1852
Bourdeaux, Laura/Thomas D.	Aaron M. Lamb	Deed	MM 23	1854
Bourdeaux, William T.	John A. P. Melson	Deed	OO 600	1857
Bourdeaux, William T. by Exrs	Christian Cornehlson	Deed	OO 738	1857
Bordeaux, Dicy	Sarah Buxton	Deed	U 465	1833
Bordeaux, Elizabeth	Jesse Walker	Deed	PP 495	1856
Burdeaux, I. C.	Archibald B. Corbet	Deed	V 117	1834
Burdeaux, Ann H/James M. N. F.	Samuel S. Hemng	Deed	CC 10	1845
Bourdaux, M. T.	Daniel Bourdeaux	Deed	Y 230	1840

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Bourdaux, Est. of Mary C. by Comrs	Milton M. Bourdeaux, al	D of L	LDA 169	-----
Bourdaux, Peter	James Bordeaux	Deed	N 22	1782
Bourdaux, Priscilla	Jeremiah Hand	QCD	HH 552	1851
Bourdaux, Thomas D., Agt	Daniel Bourdeaux	Deed	GG 282	1849
Bourdaux, William	Wiley Moore	Deed	MM 447	1856
Bourdaux, James/William L.	William Huffman	Deed	MM 435	1855
Bowden, James O.	Richard L. Bordeaux	Deed	QQ 412	1860
Bowden, James O./Sarah A.	John E. Rivenbark	Deed	QQ 259	1859
Bowden, Jesse	William L. Jacobs	Deed	MM 554	1855
Bowden, Jesse/Sarah C.	William D. Hally	Deed	PP 350	1858
Bowden, J/Sarah C.	Lemuel H. Bowden	Deed	PP 919	1859
Bowden, ElizabethIJohn	James H. Bloodworth	Deed	K 196	1792
Bowden, ElizabethIJohn	James Bloodworth	Deed	K 197	1792
Bowden, Elizabeth/John	John Byrns	Deed	N 494	1804
Bowden, John C.	Morris C. Collins	Deed	HH 587	1851
Bowden, John C.	John C. Latta by TR	Deed	NN 428	1856
Bowden, J. N.	David H. Armstrong	Deed	OO 167	1857
Bowden, John N.	L. M. Bowden	Deed	PP 407	1858
Bowden, L. H.	John Bradshaw	Deed	LL 40	1853
Bowden, L. H.	John N. Bowden	Deed	QQ 299	1860
Bowden, L. H.	Richard L. Bordeaux	Deed	QQ 478	1860
Bowden, L. H.	Hiram N. Polly	Deed	QQ 628	1860
Bowden, Lemuel	Ezekiel Lane	Deed	V 157	1834
Bowden, Lemuel	Ezekiel Lane	Deed	V 161	1834
Bowden, Lemuel	William R. Moore	Deed	W 109	1835
Bowden, Lemuel	Lemuel Bowden, Jr.	Deed	W 111	1835
Bowden, Lemuel	John Moore	Deed	W 124	1835
Bowden, Lemuel	W & R RR Co.	R of W	W 500	1838
Bowden, Lemuel, Sr.	James O. Bowden	Deed	X 294	1838
Bowden, Lemuel, Sr.	John W. Harris	Deed	X 529	1839
Bowden, Est. of Lemuel	J. O. Bowden, al	D of L	AA 661	1844
Bowden, Hrs.of Lemuel by Shf	James O. Bowden	Shf D	CC 521	1846
Bowden, Lemuel	Maurice Bowden	Deed	DD 117	1846
Bowden, Hrs of Lemuel by Shf	James O Bowden	Shf D	QQ 372	1860
Bowden, Nicholas	Daniel B. Ritter, Jr.	Deed	S 362	1825
Bowden, Nicholas	Washington Collance	QCD	W 104	1835
Bowden, Nicholas	Robert N. Bowden	Deed	W 160	1836
Bowden, Nicholas	Morris Bowden	Deed	Z 281	1842
Bowden, Hrs of Nicholas by Shf	Aaron M. Lamb	Shf D	MM 43	1854
Bowden, Richard	Deborah S. J. Rivenbark	Deed	U 59	1830
Bowden, Richard	Henry Shepherd	Deed	Y 128	1840

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Bowden, Richard	William Ormsby	Deed	Y 332	1841
Bowden, Richard	Mathew Bradly	Deed	Y 402	1841
Bowden, Aley/Richard	Boney Player	Deed	U 114	1831
Bowden, Aley/Richard	David Murray	QCD	Y 232	1840
Bowden, Aley/Richard	Owen Murray	Deed	HH 739	1851
Bowden, Hester T/Robert N	Hiram Polly	Deed	Z 312	1842
Bowden, A.	William B. Player	Deed	PP 81	1857
Bowden, Baker	Thomas Beesley	Deed	I 245	1790
Bowdom, E. J./John C.	P. G. Tilly, al	D of L	HH 35	1850
Bowdom, J.	Timothy Rivenbark	Deed	X 44	1837
Bowdom, L./Sarah E.	John J. Moore	Deed	BB 75	1845
Bowdom, Catharine/ Lemuel Nicholas/Susan	George McMillan	Deed	S 306	1824
Bowen, Aaron	Hardy Bowen	Deed	Q 413	1819
Bowen, David/Comfort	James Tate	Deed	G 281	1779
Bowen, Comfort	Benjamin Heron	Deed	F 46	1769
Bowen, David	William Miller	Deed	G 70	1777
Bowen, David	John Futch	Deed	N 167	1807
Bowen, George	Daniel M. Foyles	Deed	AA 769	1844
Bowen, George	Samuel B. Thain	Deed	CC 346	1846
Bowen, George	Cassandria Curtis	Deed	FF 588	1849
Bowen, George	Casander Curtis	Deed	OO 197	1857
Bowen, George F.	Thomas E. Lawrence	Deed	NN 223	1855
Bowen, George F.	Thomas E. Lawrence	Deed	NN 226	1855
Bowen, Goodin E.	John Wooster	MTG	DD 198	1846
Bowen, Goodin E.	Hart & Polly	MTG	EE 338	1847
Bowen, Goodin E.	Thomas C. Miller, al	MTG	FF 1	1848
Bowen, Goodin E.	John A. Johnson	Deed	FF 208	1848
Bowen, Moses	John W. Murray	Deed	EE 395	1847
Bowen, Moses W.	R. M. Bourdaux	Deed	MM 227	1855
Bowen, Moses W.	Richard M. Bourdeaux	MTG	MM 243	1855
Bowen, Moses W.	Solomon Price	Deed	NN 398	1856
Bowen, Jeremiah	John E. Johnston	Deed	PP 724	1859
Bowens, Hardy	James Bonham	Deed	Q 277	1819
Bowens, Silas	Daniel Alderman	Deed	E 378	1767
Boen, Hardy	Kinchin Powers	Deed	R 477	1822
Bowers, John E.	Alexander Lamont	Deed	OO 220	1857
Bowers, John E.	Edward N. Atkins	Deed	GG 249	1849
Bowers, John E.	Thomas Loring, al	MTG	GG 338	1849
Bowers, John E.	Thmas C. Miller, al	MTG	HH 211	1850
Bowers, John E.	Thomas D. Meares, al	MTG	II 155	1851

(To be continued)

**Wills of Brunswick County, North Carolina**  
**Record of Deeds Book B 1772 – 1790**  
**By Joseph Sheppard**

The wills of Brunswick County Deed Book B are a third series in a continuation from the *Clarendon Courier* Summer 2005. The wills were read from microfilm housed in the Special Collections Department of the New Hanover Public Library. Please contact the author or the Old New Hanover Genealogical Society for a copy of any printed or original source listed in this series.

Samuel Leonard DBB, pages 153 & 154

. . . I **Samuel Leonard** of this State of Brunswick County. . .

First I Give & bequeath to my well Beloved Son **Samuel Leonard** a part of my plantation or Tract of Land as I shall here mention By Boundaries . . .

Item I Give unto my Well Beloved Son **Henry Leonard** a part of my Plantation or Tract of Land . . .

Item I Give unto my well Beloved Son **Jacob Leonard** a part of my plantation or Tract of Land . . . and all my personal Estate Except what I shall hereafter mention which I give unto **William Morgain**

Item I give unto my Worthy Friend **William Morgain** all my Coop of Corn & Crops of all kinds now growing on my Plantation . . . and I hereby constitute . . . **Jacob Leonard & Henry Leonard** to be my Executors of this my Last will . . . my hand & seal this 12<sup>th</sup> day of July One Thousand Seven hundred and Eighty Two

Signed . . . In this Presence of us

**Samuel Leonard**

*seal*

**John Bell**

**Thos Russ**

William Dry DBB, panes 162,163, 164 & 165

In the name of God Amen I **William Dry** of Blue Banks Brunswick County in the State of N Carolina Gentleman being in perfect health & of sound mind memory & understanding but reflecting on the uncertainty of this life do make publish and declare this to be my last Will & Testament hereby making all forms and other Wills by me heretofore made

First I return my soul unto God as he gave it hoping for a Resurrection at the last day & my Body I commit to the Earth to be buried in plain decent manner in the Church Yard at Brunswick near my Father & Children And as to such worldly Estate as it hath pleased God to bestow upon me I give devise and bequeath the same in manner following That is to say I Will and direct that all such Sums and Sums of Money as may be due owing or payable unto me at the time of my decease shall be immediately called in and my just debts and funeral Expenses fully paid and satisfied as soon as possible and for that purpose in case it should be necessary I do hereby authorize & empower my Executor and Executors herein after named to sell & dispose of any part of my real Estate not herein particularly devise to & bequeath to and to make good & sufficient Titles to the same

Item I give devise and bequeath unto my beloved wife **Mary Jane Dry** & to her Heirs and Assigns forever my tract of Land joining Brunswick commonly known by the name of

Belfont I also give and devise unto my said Wife & to her heirs forever fifty Acres of Land near the Town of Newburn being part of the Lands I purchased of **George Pollack** situated on Neuse River and joining to and above the Lands I sold to **John Wright Stanley** - I also devise six Lots of land of an half acre each out of what Laid out joining the Town and the Palace I μ her Heirs & Assigns forever - But in case my Wife should prefer a small neat House & Lot in Charles Town, to fifty Acres of Land & six half acre lots in Newburn I then devise that on her quitting claim to the above devises a Neat House and Lot may be purchased for her in Charles Town at the expense of my Estate - I further devise and bequeath unto my said Wife for and during the term of her natural life & no longer my Plantation Joining the Blue Banks which I bought of **Frederick Gregg & William Purviance** joining on each side of the No West River on lands belonging to the Estate of **John Rowan** on Blue Banks and partly on Thoroughfares & from & immediately after her decease I devise the same unto my dear Daughter **Sarah Smith** & to her Heirs & Assigns forever

Item I further give and bequeath to my said Wife & to her heirs forever ten Negro Slaves together with the Issue & increase of such as are female I also give to my Said Wife and to her heirs forever all my Household furniture Plate Carriages Horse Cattle and every other kind of Stock not fore in after bequeathed -

Item Whereas I have given unto my daughter on her marriage fifty seven Negroes and intend that all my Negroes not herein after others are bequeathed shall be equally divided between my Wife and Daughter I therefore desire that a division may be made by my Executrixes & Executors as soon as convenient after my decease so as to make the number & of each as equal [page 163] as possible and therefore it is my intentions that the 57 Negroes already given to my daughter and the above bequeathed ten Negroes to my Wife shall be regarded in the division as parts of their respective proportions or Moieties be it therefore understood that I do hereby give and bequeath unto my said Wife for & during the term of her natural life & no longer Except the ten Negroes which are above given to her absolutely on Moiety half of my Negroes that I shall die possessed of to be divided in manner above mentioned nevertheless desire that the following Negroes may be particularly allotted to her in the said division Viz **Virgil** & his Wife **Chloe**, Mulatto **Sam**, Mulatto **Hagar** & her daughter **Judith**, **Izabel** & her five children **Bob**, **Sam**, **Nancy**, **Dick** & **Simon**, **Alick** the Cooper his wife **Betty** & her Children **Pompey**, **Chloe**, **Alick**, **Charlotte**, **Moses** also young **Johnno** the Cooper his wife **Judith** & her Children **Jack**, **Sam**, **Manuel** & **Jimmy** together with the Issue & increase of such as are female And from and immediately after the decease of my said Wife I give and bequeath the said Negroes that are above given to her for life unto my daughter **Sarah Smith** to her, her Heirs & Assigns forever but should my said Wife survive my Daughter without her having left Issue then I give and bequeath twenty five of the above Negroes left to my wife for life unto her, her Heirs and Assigns forever

Item I give devise & bequeath unto my dear Daughter **Sarah Smith** . . . the Island commonly Known by the name of the Cape Land or Bald head which I purchased from the Heirs of **Landgrave Smith** . . . but should she die underage and without Issue living at the time of such death under age I then & in such case I give devise & bequeath all and each of them to my Son in Law **Benjamin Smith** to him his Heirs & Assigns forever

. . . Item I devise and bequeath unto my niece **Sarah Moore** & to the Heirs of her body

Lawfully begotten Six half acres Lots of Land adjoining the Town of Newburn which bounds on the Street landing from the Palace to Neuse Ferry . . .

[page 164] Item Whereas I some time since gave unto my late son in law **Thos McGuire** Esqr Six lots of Land containing half an acre each joining the Town of Newburn . . .

Item I give devise . . . unto **William Dry Junr** Alias **William Moor** his Heirs & Assigns forever the tract of land Lately took up on the East side of the North West River between the Lands of **John Rowan & B Moor** deceased by compacted in six Hundred and forty acres I also give . . . the following Negroes Viz old **Marcus** his wife **Sue** with their Son **Mathis** a young fellow, **Penelope** with her three children **Dorcus, Daniel & Pomba** also **Abraham** the son of **Pomba** to have and to hold the said tract of Land & Negroes on his express condition that he do under Hand & seal before he take possession of the same remove release & forever quit claim to any other part or parcel of my Estate . . . Item I give . . . unto the four Daughters of **Thomas Davis** Esqr viz **Rebecca, Sophia, Jane & Ann Davis** on an Acre lot of land each out of that part joining Newburn . . . Item . . . I give to each of my friends **Robert Ellis, William Hill & Cornelius Harnett** Esquires mourning Rings & also one to Mrs. **Mary Davis** It is also my desire that my Wife and daughter do take care of Miss **Sarah Moore** till she marries or arrives at the age of twenty one years . . .

[page 165] Item I do hereby order that the Mulatto boy **Tom Greenwood** the son of **Hagar** be put out to some trade till he arrives to twenty one years of age and after that it is my Will and I hereby to all intent and purpose manumit & set him free from the contract of any Person whatever - I give . . . my real Estate not herein before devised and which may not be sold by my Executors in the following manner that is to say on half to my niece **Sarah Moultrie** & to her Heirs forever one fourth to my son in Law **Benjamin Smith** & to his Heirs forever . . . and appoint my Wife & Daughter Executrixes & my son in Law **Benj Smith** my friends **Thomas McGuire & Cornelius Harnett** Esqr executors . . . I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this twenty first day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & seventy Nine -

. . . Witness thereto -

**William Dry**                      *seal*

**James Dorrey**  
**Susanna Dorrey**  
**William Andrews**

Wilmington District) May Term 1783

This Last Will & Testament of **Willm Dry** Esqr deceased late of Brunswick County was exhibited in open Court by **Benj Smith** Esqr the Executor

John Gause DDB pages 166 & 167

In the Name of God Amen I **John Gause** of Brunswick County Planter being very weak & Low in body but of sound mind & memory . . . bequeath unto my loving Wife during her life the use of my Sea Shore Plantation after her decease to be divided to my sons **Benjamin Gause** and **Charles Gause** Randals Branch to be the dividing line between them . . .

Item I give . . . to my loving Wife during her life the use of five Negroes **Yanaca, Jack, Lucy, Sonny, June**

Item I give to my loving Wife all my Household furniture & one horse called Noble with saddle & bridle . . .

Item I give . . . my dutiful Daughter **Charlotte Gause** . . . one Negro wench **Jenny** with the increase she may have after my decease and my Horse called Project . . .

Item I give . . . my dutiful son **John Gause** that piece or tract of Land I purchased of **Stephen Daniel** known by the name of Skippers Neck and one Negro girl called **Rose** to be delivered him with her increase after my decease when he comes of age, also one Negro wench **Yanaca** with his property after the decease of my loving Wife **Susanna Gause** I give & bequeath to my Son **John Gause** one Horse called Boston. . .

Item I give . . . my dutiful Son **Benjamin Gause** to be delivered him with her increase when he comes of Age one Negro girl **Mealya** with an equal share of all my neat cattle . . .

Item I give . . . to my Daughter **Elizabeth Gause** to be delivered her after the decease of my Loving Wife one Negro girl **Lucy** with her increase . . .

Item I give . . . to my Son **Charles Gause** . . . one Negro boy **Jack** and an equal part of all my neat Cattle . . .

Item I give . . . to my Son **Needham Gause** after the decease of my loving Wife one Negro Boy **Sonny** and an Equal part of all my Stock of Neat Cattle . . .

. . . and appoint my Loving Wife **Susanna Gause** Executrix & my Loving brother **Charles Gause** & my Son **John Gause** Executors to this my Last Will & Testament . . . I have here unto set my hand & seal this twelfth day of June one thousand seven hundred & Eighty

**John Gause** *seal*

[page 167] Signed and Acknowledged in Presence of)

**Dennis Hankins**

**Martha Frink**

Brunswick County Sepr Term 1783

The within will was proved in open court September 15<sup>th</sup> 1783 by **Dennis Hankins** Esqr one of the Subscribing Witnesses thereunto and was ordered to be Published By order of **William Goodman** C.C.

Henry Neal DBB pane 171

. . . I **Henry Neal** of Brunswick County in North Carolina aforesaid gentleman . . . bequeath to my Loving Brother **Thomas Neal** one of my Guns which is at Mr. **Dupre's** on the Lake –

Item . . . bequeath to my loving brother in Law **John Swann** my other Gun which he has now in his possession –

Item . . . bequeath to my dearly beloved Wife **Elizabeth Neal** . . . all the rest & residence of my Estate . . .

Lastly I nominate . . . **Elizabeth Neal** Executrix & my Father in Law **Frederick Jones** and my Brother in law **John Swann** Executors of this my last Will . . . my hand and seal this Ninth day of September 1781

Signed . . . in presence of us)

**Henry Neal**

seal

**Saml Swann**

**Mary Boyd**

**Thomas Johnson**

(To be continued)

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### Tax List

The following is a literal copy of a list handed to the assessors under the laws of Connecticut requiring a sworn list of all taxable property for 1857:

E----- B-----

35 akers of land worth \$400

House and Barn - nothing atall, only a place where theafes and robbers brake into and steels all I put into them

My head which people sez I must put in, which is so weeke and feebl is worth nothin atall

My wife is no use to me atall and she is gone all the time

16 sheepe - \$32

One old Tom cat — 25 cents

One kiten half prise - 12 ½ cents

-Contributed by Helen Sammons

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COUNTY COMMISSIONERS - The following named persons were drawn to serve as jurors at the February term of the Criminal Court, viz: Lisbon Payne, Julius Hahn, John M. Clark, W. T. Eilers, W. H. Northrop, Benj. Farrow, W R. Taliaferro, Baalam Fuller, Henry Schulken, W. E. King, R. Greenberg, James Cowan, A. G. Hankins, Wm. Cromwell, J. C. Walton, T. A. Shephard, Isham Quick, C. H. King, A. G. McGirt, Benjamin Hollis, E. Lilly, W. A. Wright, S. W. Noble, M. J. Heyer, Thos. H. Howey, W. H. Taylor, S. W. Holden, S. G. Hall, J. W. Taylor, E. F. Johnson.

-Wilmington Star, January 1880



### An Important Message from the Society's Secretary

**Carolyn Corbett**, our Society's secretary wishes to pass on the following information:

Legislation was proposed in Congress in January of 2004 that seeks to restrict public access to birth certificates. This bill (H.R. 10) is a response to the threat of terrorism, but the ramifications are wide spread. Access to certified birth certificates could be barred up to 100 years and you may not be a close enough relative to obtain one.

The *Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Act of 2004* was signed into law. The way the bill is worded, it could also limit our access to vital record information for genealogical purposes.

A movement has been underway to get the wording in the bill adjusted by inserting the following language as a new subsection:

"Shall not require a state of change its law or practice with respect to public access to (i) non-certified copies of birth certificates or to (ii) birth certificates or birth records once a period of 100 years has elapsed from the date of creation of the certificate or record."

One provision in the bill reads: "Issuance to Family Members - Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary, in consultation with the Secretary of Health & Human Services and the States, shall establish minimum standards for issuance of a birth certificate to specific family members, their authorized representatives, and others who demonstrate that the certificate is needed for the protection of the requestor's personal or property rights."

The National Genealogical Society, the Federation of Genealogical Societies and the Association of Professional Genealogists are very concerned. Not only will this bill possibly affect our ability to do genealogical research, it will affect research for medical reasons

How can we protect public access to vital records? We must be diligent, keeping abreast of the laws that might affect our ability to do research. We must be willing to speak out if needed. Ideally it would be up to each state and/or county to govern their records. There are some states which have closed their records already.

For more information, check out these web-sites:

Federation of Genealogical Societies

[www.fgs.org](http://www.fgs.org)

National Genealogical Society

[nmsgenealogv.org](http://nmsgenealogv.org)

Ancestry Daily News, Oct 7, 2004

[Ancestrv.com](http://Ancestrv.com)

[Http://thomas.loc.gov](http://thomas.loc.gov) - enter H.R. 10 in the search box for "Bill Number."

Note: Apparently at this time, there is no proof that any identity theft has occurred using anyone's genealogy work.

## ST. PAULS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

## WILMINGTON, NC

Transcribed by James Edwards

Series 5 from Book 2

Birth Place is Wilmington, NC unless noted.

**BAPTISMS**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Name/Age/Parents/Sponsors</u>	<u>Clergyman</u>
1875 Jan.31 <sup>st</sup>	St. Paul's	23 George Morgan Grant July 1870 Richard H. Grant & Malvina A. Grant Sponsors: Parents & Mr. Norwood Giles.	Bishop Atkinson
Jan.30th	St. Paul's	24 Louisa Lamont Grant Nov.27 <sup>th</sup> ,1863 Richard H. Grant & Malvina A. Grant  Sponsors: Parents & Mr.&Mrs. J.N. Hinton	Bishop Atkinson
Mar.5 <sup>th</sup>	Mr.Bernards	25 Kate Williams Bernard  July30,1874 Wm.H. Bernard & Maggie W. Bernard Sponsors: parents & Mrs. L.M. Ambler	L. M. Ambler
April6th	St. Paul's	26 Amie Kelloch Servoss  Aug.12,1874 Courtney L. Servoss & E.H/ Servoss Sponsors: Parents & L.C. Servos & E. W. Servoss	L. M. Ambler
Jun31st	St. Paul's	27 Ella Nora Sheppard Aug.31,1871 Mr.& Mrs. Sheppard Sponsors: Mr.&Mrs. G.N Hinton	L. M. Ambler

1875

<u>Date</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Name/Age/Parents/Sponsors</u>	<u>Clergyman</u>
May 2 <sup>nd</sup>	St. Paul's	28 Cynthia Elizabeth Hedrich Nov.13,1874 Col. John G.Hedrich & Sarah H. Hedrich Sponsors: Miss Mary Harvey, Mr. Thomas Harvey, Miss Cynthia Hedrich & Mrs. Sarah H. Hedrich	L. M. Ambler
May 8 <sup>th</sup>	St. Paul's	29 Alfred Carpenter Wood Jun.9,1975 Mr. Robert Wood, Sr. & Mrs. Joyce Wood Sponsors: Mr.&Mrs.G.N.Hintin	L. M. Ambler
May9th	St. Paul's	30 Sarah Elizabeth Rice .Dec.25,1838, Northwood N. John & Sarah E. Fogg Sponsors: Mr.&Mrs. Courtney Servoss	L. M Ambler
May9th	St. Paul's	31 Sarah Vail Fergus Sep.20,1856 Washington C. &Elizabeth B. Fergus Sponsors: Mr. Frank Mitchell, Miss Anna C. Gause & Mrs. L.M. Ambler	L. M. Ambler
May9th	St. Paul's	32 Eugenia Dozier Shepard  Mar.11,1852 Richard H. Grant & Malvina A. Grant Sponsors: Parents	L. M. Ambler
May9th	St. Paul's	33 Mary Washington Hodges Apr.30,1860, Suffolk, VA David & Mrs. Hodges Sponsors: Mr.&Mrs R.H.Grant & Mrs. Henry Buck Turner	L.M. Ambler
May9th	St. Paul's	34 Joseph Murray Grant Jul.17,1861 Richard H. Grant & Malvina A. Grant Sponsors: Mr. Geo. Davis & Mrs. Ella Southerland	L. M. Ambler

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Name/Age/Parents/Sponsors</u>	<u>Clergyman</u>
May9th	St. Paul's	35 Willis Hintin Grant Feb.2, 1866 Richard H. Grant & Malvina A. Grant Sponsors: Mr. Joseph N. Hintin & Mrs. Ella Southerland	L. M. Ambler
May16th	St. Paul's	36 Julia Florence Reese Mar.1,1875 George& Sarah Reese Sponsors: Mrs. Wescott , Mrs.Gurrell & Col. J, W. Atkinson	L. M. Ambler
May 16th	Private	37 Eliza James Cumber Jan.1,1873 James D. & Eliza Cumber No Sponsors	Bp/ Atkinson
May 27th	Private	38 Adeline Allen age abt.50, b. NC not known Sponsors: Mrs.Margaret Dalmer & Mrs.Sarah Bumett	L. M. Ambler
Sep14th	Private	39 Mary Jane Givens Aug.15,1875 Charles Edward & Mary A. Givens Sponsors: Washington C. Fergus & Mrs, Elizabeth Leslie	L. M . Ambler
Oct.24 <sup>th</sup>	St. Paul's	40 William Gordon Fergus Oct.17, 1868, SC Washington C. & Elizabeth Vail Fergus Sponsors: Parents, Mrs. Anne Fergus & Mrs. Frank Mitchell	L. M. Ambler
Oct.24 <sup>th</sup>	St. Paul's	41 Harry Blackwell Fergus June 29, 1874, SC Washington C. & Elizabeth Vail Fergus Sponsors: Parents, Anne Fergus & Mrs. Frank Mitchell	L. M. Ambler

<u>Date</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Name/Age/Parents/Sponsors</u>	<u>Clergyman</u>
Dec.25 <sup>th</sup>	St. Paul's	42 Minnie Bisbey Oct.6, 1875, Joseph & Ann Jane Bisbey Sponsors: William H. & Mary Ann Hinsworth, & Elizabeth Hardwicke	L. M. Ambler
<b>1876</b>			
Jan.19 <sup>th</sup>	St. Paul's	43 Fannie Cocknower age 49 Oct.21,1849,Cincinnati, OH Edward & Sarah Shoemaker Sponsors: Col. Atkinson, Miss Lizzie Shoemaker	L. M. Ambler
Jan.19 <sup>th</sup>	St. Paul's	44 Katie Lucille Cocknower Oct.10,1874, Cincinnati, OH William & Fannie Cocknower Sponsors: Col. Atkinson, Mrs. Fannie Cocknower & Lizzie Shoemaker	L. M. Ambler
Feb.9 <sup>th</sup>	St. Paul's	45 Erma Hilburne Jan.7,1876 Mary E. & James Theophilus Hilburne Sponsors: Mrs. Adam Empie	L. M. Ambler
Feb.9 <sup>th</sup>	St. Paul's	46 John Weeks Feb.27, 1875 Thomas & Thalia Elinda Weeks Sponsors: Mrs. Green Daniel	L. M. Ambler
Feb.9 <sup>th</sup>	St. Paul's	47 Maud Hilburne Feb.15,1873 Mary E. & James Theophilus Sponsors: Mr. Atkinson	L. M. Ambler
Feb.16 <sup>th</sup>	St. Paul's	48 Thomas Atkinson Smith June 6, 1875 William & Josephine Smith Sponsors: Parents, Mrs. Bishop Atkinson & Miss Virginia Smith	Bp Atkinson
Feb.20 <sup>th</sup>	St. Paul's	49 Robert George Rankin Oct.8, 1875 Robert G. & Mary Ranklin Sponsors: Parents, Rev. L. M. Ambler, Mrs. Quince	Rev. L.. M. Ambler

<u>Date</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Name/Age/Parents/Sponsors</u>	<u>Clergyman</u>
Mar 5	St. Paul's	50 Alexander MacRae Payne Oct.26,1875, Argyle, NC James F. & Emily Payne Sponsors: Parents, Miss Mary S. MacRae	Rev. L. M. Ambler
May 14 <sup>th</sup>	St. Paul's	51 Charles Claibourne Mar.9,1861, Petersburg, VA Daniel & Mary Clairbourne (Now Mary Hughrs) Sponsors: Mrs. Laurence & Miss Annie Gause	Rev. L. M. Ambler
May 14'	St. Paul's	52 Lizzie Grant Hintin Feb.25, 1876 Joseph N. & Susan Elizabeth Hintin Sponsors: Parents, Mrs Robert Wood (To be continued)	Rev. L. M. Ambler

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### Belfont Plantation

On the upper North West Cape Fear River, two miles above Elizabethtown, NC, is Bellefont plantation, former home of Colonel Hugh Waddell and his wife, Mary Haynes.

On Bellefont, is buried the distinguished Lieutenant Colonel Webster, Lord Cornwallis' favorite officer, who was wounded at the Battle of Guilford Court House in 1781. Apparently, he died enroute to Wilmington, while retreating with the British armies.

In 1810, a party of gentlemen, which included Judge John D. Toomer and the Honorable Alfred Moore, inquired where Webster was buried. An aged slave named Birdee Lisburn, who had belonged to Colonel Waddell and was named after Waddell's birthplace in Ireland, pointed out the grave to the gentlemen since he had witnessed Webster's funeral. The grave was opened and upon removing the decayed lid of the coffin, there lay the British officer hero, perfect for an instant in the sight of all, but in a moment there was only a handful of dust.

- Statement of Hon. John D. Toomer and Hon. Alfred Moore.  
in the Bill Reaves File, "Honorable Alfred Moore."

### ONE LAST WORD...

"Open wide ye golden gates  
That lead to the heavenly shore.  
Our father suffered in passing through  
And Mother weighs much more.

-Epitaph in England, source unknown

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