

The Taylor Family

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The will of William Reynolds, dated February 28, 1800, proved 1802, is recorded at Yorktown. It mentions, but does not name, his children. Requests Thomas Griffin and William A. Rogers to act as executors.

The will of Thomas Reynolds is also recorded there. Dated June 17, 1800, and proved 21 July, 1800. Names brothers George Norton Reynolds and Lewis Reynolds, and sister Harriet Reynolds. Makes William A. Rogers and Thomas Griffin exors.

The will of Capt. William Rogers, father of Susanna Reynolds, is also recorded at Yorktown; names wife Theodosia, daughters Sarah and Hannah Rogers, son William, under age, and daughter Susanna Reynolds. He gives to them much plate and silver marked F P M and W F R, his silver hilted sword, lot No. 75 in Yorktown, with their brick house bought of Francis Moss, etc. Proved Dec. 17, 1739. His inventory was valued at £1224, 5s. Among the items were one Dutch picture in a gilt frame, 7 Car-toons, 4 glass pictures, 4 maps and three small pictures, "a neat picture of Charles II." etc.

THE TAYLOR FAMILY.*

This register is a copy from Mrs. Mary Blackwell's Bible, which once belonged to John Taylor, who was born November 18, 1696, and died March 22, 1780.

The ages of myself and my wife and children are as follows:

John Taylor, son of James Taylor and Mary, his wife, was born November 18, 1696; died March 22, 1780.

Catherine Pendleton, daughter of Phillip Pendleton and Isabella, his wife, was born December 8, 1699, was married to John Taylor, February 14, 1716, and died July 26, 1774.

Mary, daughter of John and Catherine Taylor, was born May 30, 1718, and died September 13, 1757.

Catherine, daughter of John and Catherine Taylor, was born December 30, 1719; died November 4, 1774.

Ann, daughter of John and Catherine, was born May 10, 1721, and died August 10, 1761.

Edmund, son of John and Catherine, was born May 12, 1723.

* Communicated by Mr. Woodson T. White, of Waco, Texas, as from Joseph W. Taylor, Esq.

Isabella, daughter of John and Catherine Taylor, was born June 26, 1725.

John, son of John and Catherine Taylor, was born July 17, 1727, and died October 26, 1787, between 5 & 6 o'clock A. M.

James, son of John and Catherine Taylor, was born Sep. 7, 1729, and died Sep. 26, 1750. Age, 21 years.

Phillip, son of John and Catherine Taylor, was born Feb. 17, 1732, died Sep. 7, 1765.

Elizabeth, daughter of John and Catherine Taylor, was born July 9, 1735.

William, son of John and Catherine Taylor, was born December 19, 1735; baptized January 18th; died November 5, 1803.

Joseph, son of John and Catherine Taylor, was born Feb. 19, 1742, at 10 o'clock in the morning, and baptized 20th of same month.

[Catherine Pendleton was a sister to Judge Edmund Pendleton, a distinguished jurist of Virginia, and was a sister to the mother of Gen. Edmund P. Gaines, also sister to the mother of Phillip P. and James Barbour.]

William Taylor married Elizabeth Anderson, July 28, 1763.

Sarah, daughter of William and Elizabeth Taylor, was born March 5, 1766.

Anderson, son of William and Elizabeth Taylor, was born October 18, 1761; died 1808.

William, son of William and Elizabeth Taylor, was born December 9, 1770; died December 26, 1854.

John, son of William and Elizabeth Taylor, was born Feb. 20, 1773. Died 1847.

July 4, 1739, I gave my daughter Catherine in marriage to Moses Penn, who died Nov. 4, 1759.

John, son of Moses and Catherine, was born May 6, 1740, and died Sep. 14, 1788. He was one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence.

February 3, 1735, I gave my daughter Mary in marriage to Joseph Penn.

———, son of Joseph and Mary Penn, was born Dec. 13, 1736. [The name is obliterated in the manuscript. Perhaps George.]

Joseph, son of Joseph and Mary Penn, was born Sep. 27, 1738, died ———.

Catherine, daughter of Joseph and Mary Penn, was born March 11, 1741.

Phillip, son of Joseph and Mary Penn, was born Feb. 6, 1742-'3.

Moses, son of Joseph and Mary Penn, was born Dec. 3, 1744.

Elisabeth, daughter of Joseph and Mary Penn, was born 174—.

James, son of Joseph and Mary Penn, was born Aug. 12, 174—.

Thomas, son of Joseph and Mary Penn, was born April 25, 174—.

January 25, 1750, I gave my daughter, Isabella, in marriage to Samuel Hopkins.

Samuel, son of Samuel and Isabella Hopkins, was born April 9, 1753.

Catherine, daughter of Samuel and Isabella Hopkins, was born March 3, 1755.

James, son of Samuel and Isabella Hopkins, was born July 27, 1755, at 9 o'clock in the morning, and departed this life on the 20th of August, 1758.

Elizabeth, daughter of Samuel and Isabella Hopkins, was born Oct. 30, 1759.

John, son of Samuel and Isabella Hopkins, was born Feb. 20, 1762.

Mary, daughter of Samuel and Isabella Hopkins, was born Mar. 13, 1764.

Edmund, son of Samuel and Isabella Hopkins, was born Feb. 27, 1767.

Ages of Edmund Taylor's children :

Lewis, son of Edmund and Ann Taylor, was born Aug. 17, 1751.

Richard, son of Edmund and Ann Taylor, was born Jan. 17, 1753.

Howell, son of Edmund and Ann Taylor, was born Oct. 16, 1754.

John, son of Edmund and Ann Taylor, was born Dec. 4, 1756.

Mary, daughter of Edmund and Ann Taylor, was born Dec. 3, 1760.

Edmund, son of Edmund and Ann Taylor, was born July 3, 1763.

Eliza, daughter of Edmund and Ann Taylor, was born 1767.

Frances, daughter of Edmund and Ann Taylor, was born July 24, 1771.

James Taylor, born 1763 (mistake, I think—compare with the history).

Ages of James Taylor's children and Ann, his wife.

John, son of James and Ann Taylor, was born Dec. 19, 1753 (Col. John Taylor, of Caroline).

Elizabeth, daughter of James and Ann Taylor, was born January 5, 1756.

The ages of Phillip Taylor's children and Mary, his wife:

Walker, son of Phillip and Mary Taylor, was born Nov. 3, 1752. Died, Oct.

Catherine, daughter of Phillip and Mary Taylor, was born November 4, 1754. (Dead.)

John Taylor, Jr., answered for Mary, daughter of Phillip and Mary Taylor, who was born Dec. 14, 1756, and died.

Phillip, son of Phillip and Mary Taylor, was born Mar. 28, 1759.

Ann, daughter of Phillip and Mary Taylor, was born Mar. 20, 1761.

John, son of Phillip and Mary Taylor, was born Feb. 10, 1763, and died August, 1792.

James, son of Phillip and Mary Taylor, was born Jan. 8, 1765.

December 25, 1752, I gave my daughter Elizabeth in marriage to James Lewis.

Catherine, daughter of James and Elizabeth Lewis, was born Nov. 27, 1753.

James, son of James and Elizabeth Lewis, was born Aug. 28, 1755.

John, son of James and Elizabeth Lewis, was born Oct. 10, 1757.

Charles, son of James and Elizabeth Lewis, was born Aug. 2, 1760.

Mary, daughter of James and Elizabeth Lewis, was born November 22, 1762.

Capt. James Lewis departed this life May 21, 1764, on Monday at 10 o'clock.

Joseph Taylor was born Feb. 19, 1742, and Frances Anderson, his wife, was born Mar. 30, 1743, and they were married April 7, 1763. Great-grandfather of Howell Lewis Taylor.

Elizabeth, daughter of Joseph and Frances Taylor, was born Octo. 31, 1764.

Mary Ann, daughter of Joseph and Frances Taylor, was born Sep. 24, 1769.

Thomas, son of Joseph and Frances Taylor, was born July 18, 1771.

Joseph, son of Joseph and Frances Taylor, was born Aug. 14, 1773, about 3 o'clock in the morning. Grandfather of F. L. Taylor.

Lucy Penn, daughter of Joseph and Frances Taylor, was born Dec. 9, 1782; died Aug. 22, 1787.

Frances Anderson, daughter of Joseph and Frances Taylor, was born Oct. 11, 1786, and was married 18 Dec., 1804, to John Somerville. Father of W. L. Somerville.

Comments of Mrs. Agnes K. Taylor, wife of Rev. Howell Lewis Taylor, mother of Joseph W. Taylor, made in 1871:

Edmund Taylor married Ann Lewis. John Taylor married Betsy Lynn, no heirs. James Taylor married Ann Pollard. Phillip Taylor married Mary Walker.

Mrs. E. Lewis afterwards married William Bullock, of whom were born Elizabeth, who married James Maclin; and Frances, married William Boyd; and William Bullock, who married his cousin, Lucy Bullock; and Nancey, who married Mutis.

James Taylor, of Carlisle, England, died in America, in the year 1698. His daughter Mary, at the age of 13, married the eldest son of Phillip Pendelton, who was 18 years old. Their sons were James, Phillip, Nathaniel and Edmund. At the age of 20 years Edmund was licensed to practice law. In a few years we find him in the General Court. He was in the House of Burgesses in the beginning of the Revolutionary war, taking a leading part in its incipient steps. He was also a member of the First Congress. Afterwards, until his death, he was Judge and President of the Court of Appeals. He was eminent for piety. His brother, Nathaniel Pendelton, was the grandfather of Hon. George W. Pendelton, of Ohio.

John Taylor, son of James Taylor, married Catherine Pendelton, daughter of Phillip Pendelton, and aunt of Judge Edmund Pendelton.

James, another son of James Taylor. Frances Taylor, his daughter, married Ambrose Madison, August 24, 1721. Their son James was born March 27, 1722. He was baptized April 21.

Godfathers, T. Madison and James Taylor. Godmothers, Martha Taylor and Elizabeth Penn. He married Nellie Conway, Sep. 15, 1749. Their son, James Madison, Jr., President of the United States, was born at 12 o'clock, between the 5 & 6 of March, 1751.

Elizabeth Penn was granddaughter of John Taylor.

J. W. Taylor's comment:

Howell Lewis, of North Carolina, is the grandfather of Rev. Howell Lewis Taylor, and the great-grandfather of Joseph W. Taylor.

Joseph Taylor, born Feb. 19, 1742, and Frances Anderson, his wife, born March 30, 1743, *supra*, or the great-grandparents of Rev. Howell Lewis Taylor, and the great-great-grandparent of Joseph W. Taylor. Joseph Taylor, son of Joseph and Frances Anderson Taylor, *supra*, are the grandparents of Rev. Howell Lewis Taylor, and great-grandparent of Joseph W. Taylor. And Joseph Taylor, who married Candice High in 1825, is the father of Rev. Howell L. Taylor, and grandfather of Joseph W. Taylor.

WACO, TEX., March 20, 1902.

Mr. Woodson T. White, Waco, Texas.

DEAR SIR: This register was copied by me in 1870 from the old Bible formerly belonging to John Taylor, the son of the original James, of Carlisle, Eng. It was at that time the property of my great-aunt, Mrs. Mary Blackwell, formerly Mary Taylor, who was at that time a very old woman. She promised to give me the Bible in her will, but her residence at Bartlett, Tenn., was burned and the Bible destroyed. She was a sister of my grandfather, Joseph Taylor, and a sister of the Rev. Thomas Taylor, who died in Jackson, Tenn., in 1877, I think.

Your friend,

JOE W. TAYLOR.

LETTERS OF REV. STEPHEN FOUACE.*

TO COL. PHILIP LUDWELL.

The 7. of Jan : 170⁴/₅.

Dear & Hon^{ble} Sir :

This cometh only to wish you an happy new year and joy for ye increase of your family. By ye Birth of M^{rs} Sarah, I wish

* Mr. Fouace was rector of York-Hampton Parish, near Williamsburg, from which he removed to London. The original letters are in the archives of the Virginia Historical Society. Colonel Ludwell lived at Green's Spring, eight miles from Williamsburg. He was son of Col. Philip Ludwell, who married Frances, widow of Sir William Berkeley.