

Dobbs County, NC - Deed Abstracts for Bell, Barnes, Harper, Edwards, Dickinson,
Handley, Batchelor, Newsome & others

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I abstracted this microfilm at the local LDS library about 1/2 mile from my house in Olympia Fields. I would like to dedicate it to my great, great grandfather James Henry Bell, Sr., 55th North Carolina Infantry, Company A from Wilson County. He was wounded in the right arm on 5 May 1864 at The Battle of the Wilderness and died 24 May 1864 in one of the Confederate Hospitals in Lynchburg, Virginia and is buried in the Confederate Burial Ground in the Old City Cemetery in Lynchburg. The reason I am submitting this to the Wayne County site is that just about all these families end up in Wayne when Dobbs vanishes in 1790.

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BELL, BARNES, HARPER, EDWARDS, DICKINSON, HANDLEY, BATCHELOR,
NEWSOME and
RELATED FAMILIES, PROPERTY AND NEIGHBORS IN DOBBS COUNTY, NORTH
CAROLINA,
1765 - 1797 as revealed in Land Grants from the Government of North
Carolina.

[Source: NORTH CAROLINA, DOBBS COUNTY, MISC. LAND RECORDS, 1765 - 1797, FILM #0018802. Order Card (from the LDS Library in Salt Lake City): 7459681. The title of the document assigned by the Dobbs County, NC Recording Clerk: ENTRIES OF CLAIMS FOR LANDS WITHIN THE COUNTY OF DOBBS, 1765 - 1797. Further, in the hand of the Dobbs County Clerk he designates numbers in five parts by specifying Item 1, Item 2, etc. The North Carolina Land Grant numbers assigned by the Dobbs Clerk are divided as follows: Number 1 #1 - 371; Number 2 #372 - 954; Number 3 #955 - 1780; Number 4 1- 180, 1 - 4; and Number 5 1- 112. I have only abstracted land grants for people bearing the surnames of my family plus adjoining land owners. Further, on the Bells and Harpers, I have added some of my other research including records from Wayne and other North Carolina and Virginia counties. All citations are from Dobbs County, North Carolina, Misc. Land Grants, 1765 - 1797 unless otherwise indicated. If you are an Aycock descendant check the extensive research I submitted to the Wayne County Genweb Site under "families."]

AYCOCK [BELL]

6 Jan. 1778 #56(1). 150 acres to JOHN AYCOCK, south side of Aycock's Swamp
ADJ: JOSIAH PELLE, WILLIAM FORT and ARTHUR BRYAN.

16 Jan. 1778 #184(1). 640 acres to WILLIAM FORD, both sides of Aycock Swamp
ADJ: ARTHUR BRYAN.

17 Jan. 1778 #200(1). 640 acres to JOHN AYCOCK, on branch of Aycock's
Swamp.

20 Jan. 1778 #215(1). 500 acres to JESSE AYCOCK, both sides of Little Swamp
joining Great Swamp.

24 Jan. 1778 #216(1). 400 acres to JESSE AYCOCK, south side of Reedy
Branch.

2 Feb 1778 #253(1). 400 acres to BENJAMIN SHERROD, north side of the
Nahunty, Aycock Swamp ADJ: JOHN [SHERROD]

4 Feb. 1778 #264(1). 300 acres to RICHARD DURDING; north side of Aycock's
Swamp. ADJ: WILLIAM FORD.

CENSUS OF 1790.

1. Newbern District, DOBBS COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

AYCOCK, William 1-2-0-0-0

2. Newbern District, WAYNE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

AYCOCK [spelled Alcock], Jesse 2-4-2-0-3

7 Jan 1801. Wayne Co.,NC DB8, pages 176 - 177. GILES WILLIAMS to RICHARD
CROOM, both of Wayne county, NC, south side of Bear Creek. ADJ: ARTHUR
WILLIAMS, BENJAMIN SMITH, ABSALOM WILLIAMS, JOHNSTON. WIT: SIMON
AYCOCK
[his mark], JESSE HARE CROOM. [check deed book]

BARDIN [AYCOCK]

6 Jan. 1778 #77(1). 400 acres to JAMES BARDIN, both sides of Burke Swamp
ADJ: JACOB BARDIN.

6 Jan 1778 #40(1). 100 acres to BENJAMIN BRIDGES on Bardin's Branch.

4 Feb. 1778 #263(1). 300 acres to SIMON BARDIN on both side of Bare Branch & his Lord Granville lines.

8 April 1778 #331(1). 400 acres to SOLOMAN PARSONS, east side of Moccasin Swamp ADJ: JESSE BARDEN, RICHARD WORRELL, BENJAMIN WORRELL, DANIEL LOFTON, JOHN BRUTON.

20 May 1778. #364(2). 250 acres to JOHN FULGHUM; both sides of Myrtle Spring Branch. ADJ: JOHN BARNES, JACOB BARDEN.

7 Oct. 1778 #454(2). 640 acres to JACOB BARDIN, both sides of Wolf Branch, on north side of his Lord Granville lines beginning SIMON BARDEN's line.

7 Oct. 1778 #455(2). 100 acres to HARDY HOOKS on the west side of Burke Swamp. ADJ: JAMES BARDIN.

16 Nov. 1778. #500(2). 200 acres to DANIEL LOFTON between Norhunty and the Slew, head of Watery Branch. ADJ: JESSE BARDIN, JESSE WOODARD, JOHN ROWEL and SOLOMAN PARSONS.

29 Feb. 1780 #985(4). 100 acres to PETER PEACOCK on south side of Norhunty ADJ: JAMES BARDEN

BARDIN in Wayne County Deed Books During these Years:

27 Oct. 1786. State of North Carolina Grant #153 to JESSE BARDEN, 53 acres in Wayne Co., NC on Mogason Swamp. ADJ: ARNOLD, SOLOMON PIERSON, WILLIAM BELL, GUNDY [Source: Wayne Co., NC DB 4, page 110 -111 (27 Oct. 1786)].

BARNES [AYCOCK]

13 Jan. 1778 #175(1). 640 acres to BENJAMIN CHANCE, west side of Bass' Swamp ADJ: EZEKIEL DANIEL, JOHN BARNS, PASCO PEELLE [PEELE]

31 Jan 1778 #51(1). 640 acres to JOHN BARNES on both sides of Great Swamp ADJ: JOHN FULGHAM

4 April 1778 #321(1). 400 acres to JESSE BARNES, south side of Black Creek beginning at SAMUEL WATSON's line.

26 Oct. 1778 #406(2). 400 acres to SIMON BARNES, both sides of the

Pocoson Branch ADJ: JOHN BARNES.

31 Jan. 1778 #47(1). 640 acres to JOHN BARNES, both sides of the Great Swamp ADJ: JOHN FULGHAR.

4 April 1778 #321(1). 400 acres to JESSE BARNES, south side of Black Creek beginning at the land of SAMUEL WATSON.

26 Oct. 1778 #466(2). 400 acres to SIMON BARNES, both sides of the Pocoson Branch ADJ: JOHN BARNES.

BATCHELOR [HARPER]

21 Aug. 1778 #396(2). 300 acres to JOEL HERRING on north side of Neuse River, east side of Stony Creek ADJ: JAMES BALCHER, ANTHONY HERRING, DAVID JERNIGAN

21 Dec. 1778 #519(2). 500 acres to JOHN WILLIAMS, north side of Sandy Run ADJ: JOHN BATCHELDER BRANCH, Granville lines, JOSEPH RASBURY.

21 Dec. 1778 #520(2). 200 acres to JOHN WILLIAMS on north side of Sandy Run ADJ: JOHN BATCHELDER BRANCH & his own line.

10 March 1780 #995(2). 600 acres to JOHN BATCHELDER BRAND, north side of Sandy Run ADJ: JOHN WILLIAMS, SARAH BRITT, WILLIAM MATTHEWS.

10 March 1780 #996(2). 100 acres to JOHN BATCHELDER BRAND on north side of Sandy Run ADJ: ALEXANDER MATTHEWS.

BELL

GRANVILLE LAND GRANTS APPEARING IN HALIFAX COUNTY, NC DEED BOOKS AND THE NORTH CAROLINA ARCHIVES, RALEIGH, NC FOR THE BELL SURNAME.

25 March 1749, Lord Granville Land Grant to WILLIAM BELL of Edgecombe Co., NC, 392 acres on south side of the Roanoke River. Register in Edgecombe County Court, Feb. Ct. 1756 [Source: Halifax Co., NC DB 2, page 387 (25 March 1749)]

25 March 1749. Lord Granville Land Grant to THOMAS BELL of Edgecombe Co., NC, 443 acres on Swift Creek. Registered in Edgecombe County Court, May Ct., 1756 [Source: Halifax Co., NC DB 2, page 444 (25 March 1749)].

25 March 1749. 312. #325. Lord Granville Land Grant to GEORGE BELL of Edgecombe Co., NC. E. S.S. L. G. 11-D.

20 Sept. 1749. Lord Granville Land Grant to GEORGE BELL in Edgecombe Co., NC, 312 acres on Deep Creek [Source: Halifax Co., NC DB 2, page 445 (20 Sept. 1749)].

3 Feb. 1752. 600. #140. Lord Granville Land Grant to BURWELL BELL in Bertie Co., NC. E. S.S. L.G. 4-L.

3 Feb. 1759. 160. #53-141. Lord Granville Land Grant to BURWELL BELL in Bertie, Co., NC. E. S.S. L. G. 4-L.

3 Feb. 1759. 450. #50. Lord Granville Land Grant to BURWELL BELL in Bertie Co., NC. E. S.S. L.G. 4-M.

10 Dec. 1760. 685. #37. Lord Granville Land Grant to ARTHUR BELL in Halifax Co., NC. E. S.S. L.G. 62-E.

BELLS MENTIONED IN LAND GRANTS, TAX LISTS, ETC. IN DOBBS PRIOR TO 1778:

20 December 1763. Grant #018. Entry #261. 288 acres to ARCHIBALD BELL on the head of the Briery Branch.

20 December 1763 at Wilmington, NC, signed by Arthur Dobbs. Warrant #261. 640 acres to ARCHIBALD BELL beginning up Briery, head of Little Briery ADJ: MILLWRIGHT BROWN, COL. CASWELL, JOHN COLLIER, GEORGE BELL, PRICE.

23 December 1763. North Carolina Land Grant #136. Entry #163. Book 17, page 20. 200 acres to GEORGE BELL, northside of Briery Branch. #347.

1769. DOBBS COUNTY TAX LIST, 1769: JOHN BELL, GEORGE BELL, WILLIAM BELL [eds. note: ARCHIBALD BELL not mentioned].

1771, February. GEORGE BELL, Lieutenant, Muster Roll of Dobbs County, NC Militia, February, 1771. ALEXANDER HARPER listed as Corporal [See complete list of men who served under ALEXANDER HARPER]

1771. COLONIAL CENSUS OF NORTH CAROLINA, Land Rights Proved, 1771 - GEORGE BELL of Dobbs County, North Carolina.

1771. ACCOUNT OF SUNDRY FIRELOCKS PRESSED INTO HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE IN THE EXPEDITION AGAINST THE INSURGENTS [eds. note: fight with the Regulators]

located in the back country, Battle of Alamance Creek, 1771] FOR THE DOBBS
[COUNTY, NC] DETACHMENT WHICH WERE LOST, BROKEN OR DESTROYED, 1771.
GEORGE

BELL - one lost appraised at 3 pounds, 10 pence.

18 April 1771. North Carolina Land Grant #12. Book 20, page 646. 100 acres
to GEORGE BELL on Wheat Swamp. #722.

20 May 1772. North Carolina Land Grant #217. Book 22, page 53. 200 acres
to GEORGE BELL on the south side of Wheat Swamp. #755.

25 Jan. 1773. North Carolina Land Grant #346. Book 22, page 203. 94 acres
on north side of Wheat Swamp. #792.

29 Feb. 1775. North Carolina Land Grant #368. Book 27, page 72. 200 acres
on north side of Wheat Swamp. #1100.

4 March 1775. North Carolina Land Grant #368. Book 25, page 38. 200 acres
to GEORGE BELL on north side of Wheat Swamp. #1021.

6 Jan. 1778 #82(1). 200 acres to JACOB LASSITER, north side of Wheat
Swamp, south side of Great Cotentney, Rainbow Marsh and Marsh Branch in
Dobbs Co., NC. ADJ: GEORGE BELL, JOSHUA MILLER

6 Jan 1778 #83(1). 100 acres to JACOB LASSITER, north side fo the Neuse and
Wheat Swamp ADJ: MILLER [Joshua], McCLENDON, BRIGHT.

6 Jan. 1778 #79(1). 200 acres to ABRAHAM BAKER, north side of Briery Branch
ADJ: JOHN COLLIER, JOHN PARROT, WILL BRUTON. [Eds. Note: JOHN PARROT owns
land adjoining GEORGE BELL on north side of Briery Branch in a 200 acre
grant to BELL in 1763; McCoy also adjoining - Dobbs County, NC. North
Carolina Land Grant Book 17, page 20. Grant #347]

6 Jan. 1778 #42(1). 300 acres to JESSE PEACOCK, north side of Norhanty
Swamp, head of Peacock's Branch. [eds. note: JOHN PEACOCK, SR adjoining
WILLIAM BELL, SR on the south side of the Slough in Dobbs County in a 1782
315 acre land grant to Bell]

7 Jan 1778 #128(1). 100 acres to ABRAHAM BUSH, north side of the Wheat
Swamp ADJ: BRIGGS HILL, ISAAC STANLEY, JOHN VINING.

10 Jan. 1778 #147(1). 80 acres to JOHN BAKER on north side of the Neuse
River and Loosing Swamp, south side of Wheat Swamp & Joshua's Poccosin in
Dobbs Co., NC. ADJ: GEORGE BELL, HUGH WARD, BENJAMIN BRUTON.

12 Jan 1778 #102(1). 100 acres to AZARIAH MOORE, north side of Briery Branch ADJ: ROBERT ARGOR, WILLIAM MOORE, BENJENMAIN BRUTON, JR.

23 Jan. 1778 #46(1). 200 acres to WILLIAM BELL, north side of Slew Branch ADJ: WILLIAM RADFORD, JOHN ROWELL [eds. note: State of North Carolina Land Grant #1860, Grant #703, Issued: 10 Nov. 1784, Entry #46, Entered: 17 March 1779, Book 5, page 275, granted in Kingston (Kinston), 17 March 1779. 22 July 1779 stating 200 acres to WILLIAM BELL, SR in Dobbs County, NC on north side of Slough Branch, edge of Mochasion Swamp, to mouth of Little Mochasion ADJ: WILLIAM RADFORD, JOHN ROWELL and ARTHUR PEACOCK. CHAINS: THOMAS FERRELL and JOHN ROWELL]

31 Jan 1778 #249(1). 100 acres to ELISHA BAKER, north side of Loosing Swamp ADJ: BAKER, SR., JOHN BAKER, REUBIN BAKER, JOHN PARROT, JAMES BRIGHT.

12 Feb 1778 #255(1). 200 acres to JOHN PEACOCK, JR., south side of Slew ADJ: WILLIAM BENNET, DANIEL HOWELL.

19 Feb 1778 #271(1). 175 acres to ABRAHAM BAKER, north side of Briery Branch ADJ: JOHN PARROT, COLLIER.

28 Feb. 1778 #278(1). 300 acres to JACOB LASSITER, north side of Wheat Swamp, south side of Rainbow Swamp ADJ: GEORGE BELL, ISAAC STANLEY, ABRAHAM BUSH, FREDERICK GIBBLES, EVANS and JACOB LEWIS.

14 March 1778 #290(1). 50 acres to JOHN GRANT, south side of Briery Branch ADJ: THOMAS BOND, THOMAS PHILLIPS, WILLIAM MOORE, JOHN WOOLTERS.

18 March 1778 #297(1). 200 acres to JAMES LEWIS, north side of Wheat Swamp, south side of Rainbow Swamp, both sides of Long Branch ADJ: JOHN LEWIS, CHARLES HILL and GEORGE BELL

11 April 1778 #332(1). 200 acres to GEORGE BELL, north side of Neuse River, south side of Wheat Swamp, both sides of Loosing Swamp including the Great Meadow ADJ: JOHN HARTSFIELD, FREDERICK GIBBLES, JOHN BROWN, ISAAC TULL, BENJAMIN BRUTON, JR.

21 July 1778 #377(1). 60 acres to JOHN HAIL [HALE] ADJ: WILLIAM CAMPBELL, GEORGE BELL.

8 Aug 1778 #391(2). 50 acres to ABRAHAM BUSH, north side of Wheat Swamp ADJ: THOMAS FARMER, WILLIAM BUSH, ABRAHAM BUSH, JOHN VINING.

9 Feb. 1779 #627(1). 100 acres to JOHN BAKER on north side of Neuse River, north side of Loosing Swamp ADJ: JOHN HARTSFIELD, GEORGE BELL, HUGH WARD.

11 Feb. 1779. #638(1). 30 acres to GEORGE BELL on north side of Neuse River, south side of Wheat Swamp, Little Meadow, head of Gum Pond ADJ: JOHN HARTSFIELD, JAMES BRIGHT.

11 Feb. 1779 #639(1). 50 acres to GEORGE BELL, north side of Neuse River, south side of Wheat Swamp ADJ: JAMES BRIGHT, BRUTON, CAPT. WILLIAM WHITFIELD, OWEN DANIEL, HENRY TURNER, BAKER.

10 April 1770 #684(1). 40 acres to GEORGE BELL, north side Loosing Swamp, south side of Wheat Swamp, Joshua's Pocosin ADJ: HARTSFIELD, BENJAMIN BRUTON, JAMES BRIGHT.

10 Feb 1780(1) 150 acres to JOHN PEACOCK on head of Oldfield Branch ADJ: WILLIAM BELL, WILLIAM McKINNIE.

18 Feb. 1787 #151(1). 167 acres to SILES LASSITER on Wheat Swamp ADJ: JESSE LASSITER, HARTSFIELD, BUSH, GEORGE BELL.

5 Sept. 1794 #112(5). 150 acres to SIMON BELL, south side of Wheat Swamp, north side of Loosing Swamp. ADJ: GEORGE BELL, JOHN HARTSFIELD, DAVID HARTSFIELD, JESSE LASSITER, part of JOHN HARTSFIELD'S patent of 640 acres including the plantation where he lives.

LAND TRANSACTIONS BY THE BELLS IN DOBBS COUNTY, NC AFTER 1778

8 Feb. 1779. North Carolina Land Grant #1494m Book 45, page 40. 315 acres to WILLIAM BELL, SR on the south side of the Slough ADJ: JOHN PEACOCK, DANIEL HOWELL, JOHN HANDLEY. CHAINS: WILLIAM FARRELL, DANIEL LOFTON.

30 September 1780. North Carolina Land Grant #101. Entry #971. Book 58, page 34. 150 acres to JOHN PEACOCK on the head of the Oldfield Branch ADJ: WILLIAM BELL, WILLIAM McKINNEY.

25 Oct. 1782. North Carolina Land Grant #38. Entry# 794. Book 46, page 78. 50 acres to JOHN HOWELL on north side of the Slough, Little River, head of Buck Swamp ADJ: WILLIAM ALFORD

29 Oct. 1782. North Carolina Land Grant #394. Entry #638. Book 45, page 62. 5 acres to GEORGE BELL on south side of Wheat Swamp. #1537.

29 Oct. 1782 North Carolina Land Grant #334. Entry #684. Book 45, page 31. 40 acres to GEORGE BELL on both sides of Wheat Swamp. #1477.

29 Oct. 1782 North Carolina Land Grant #354. Entry #894. Book 45, page 41. 6 acres to GEORGE BELL on south side of Wheat Swamp. #1497.

29 Oct. 1782. North Carolina Land Grant. 315 acres to GEORGE BELL on south side of Slough ADJ: JOHN PEACOCK, DANIEL HOWEL, JOHN HANDLEY.

29 Oct. 1782. North Carolina Land Grant #335. Entry #332. Book 45, page 32. 200 acres to GEORGE BELL on both sides of Loosing Swamp. #1478.

13 Feb. 1783. North Carolina Land Grant to JOHN PEACOCK 150 acres on Oldfield Branch ADJ: WILLIAM BELL (mentioned twice), WILLIAM McKINNIE, SR.

10 May 1784. North Carolina Land Grant #544. Entry #627. Book 57, page 240. 100 acres to GEORGE BELL on north side of the Neuse River. #1791.

10 Nov. 1784. North Carolina Land Grant #703. Entry #46. Book 57, page 275. 200 acres to WILLIAM BELL on north side of Slough Branch, edge of Mockason Swamp up Swamp to the mouth of Little Mockason ADJ: WILLIAM RADFORD, BOSWELL, JOHN ROWELL, ARTHUR PEACOCK.

1 Oct. 1784. HENRY BAKER, Gates County, NC sells 400 acres to WILLIAM BELL, SR. in Dobbs County, NC. The land was formerly owned by RICHARD THOMAS, WILLIAM and BLAKE BAKER and now the property of BURWELL MOURNING and THOMAS BURK. Sold by JOHN WEAVER, Sheriff of Dobbs County, NC to BLAKE BAKER, bearing the date of 1 April 1768 [Source: Wayne Co., NC DB 1, page 353 (1 October 1784)]

1786. WAYNE COUNTY, NC TAX LIST, 1786. 705 acres for WILLIAM BELL, SENIOR, one free poll & one black poll.

27 Oct. 1786. North Carolina Land Grant of 90 acres to WILLIAM BELL on south side of Norhanty Swamp, south side of Beaverdam Swamp. ADJ: BURRIL MORING. CHAINS: JAMES SHADDING, SHADRACK BRUTON.

27 Oct. 1786. State of North Carolina Land Grant #153 to JESSE BARDEN 53 acres in Wayne County on Mogason Swamp ADJ: ARNOLD, SOLOMAN PIERSON, WILLIAM BELL, GRUNDY WIT: RICHARD CASWELL, Esq. Governor, at Kinston. Recorded 9 July 1788 [Source: Wayne Co., NC DB 4, ages 110 -111]

1787. GEORGE BELL conveys property to SIMON BELL [Source: N.C. State Archives, Dobbs County, NC, Deeds and Grants. Also, recorded in the Oct.

Term of the Dobbs County Court]

1787. WAYNE COUNTY, North Carolina, April County Court, 1787. Deed of Sale WILLIAM BELL to JOHN HANDLEY acknowledged.

19 Feb. 1788. WILLIAM BELL, SR. to JAMES BEAMAN 100 acres of land in Wayne County, formerly Dobbs County, on the Oldfield Branch ADJ: SHADRACH PATE, JOHN PEACOCK, part of grant to WILLIAM BELL, SR., patent bearing the date of 29 Oct. 1782. WIT: DREAD HOWELL. [Source: Wayne County, NC DB 4, page 121 (19 Feb. 1788)]

15 April 1788. WILLIAM BELL, SR. to JOHN WILSON. 214 acres in Wayne Co., NC, formerly Dobbs County, NC, on south side of Slough ADJ: JOHN PEACOCK, DANIEL HOWELL, JOHN HANDLEY, PATE, BEAMAN, part of a tract granted WILLIAM BELL, SR. by patent dated 29 Oct. 1782. TEST: ZACHARIAH HAMM, HOWELL HOPKINS. [Source: Wayne Co., NC DB4, pages 112 - 114.]

10 July 1788. North Carolina Land Grant #774. Entry #639. Book 65, page 617. 50 acres on north side of Neuse River to GEORGE BELL of Dobbs Co., NC. #1923.

14 July 1788. Wayne Co., NC. Land sold by WILLIAM BELL, SR. to JAMES DEAN.

13 April 1789. Wayne Co., NC. Land sold by WILLIAM HAMM to JAMES BELL.

July, 1789. Wayne Co., NC County Court order that JOHN HANDLY, JAMES DAVIS, DEMPSEY DEANS, ARCHELUS HOWELL, WILLIAM THOMPSON, THOMAS THOMPSON, DAVID PATE, URIAH LANGSTON, JOSEPH BOEET, OZIAS BEEMAN, JOHN THOMPSON, JAMES PATE

and JOHN HANDLEY, JR. be appointed a Jury to lay off and mark a new road from the Old Road near OZIAS BEEMAN, the most convenient and nearest way to Waynesborough and that JOHN HANDLEY, JR. be appointed Overseer of the said road and that EVENEZER COMBS, JAMES BEEMAN, OZIAS BEEMAN, JAMES DEENS, DEMPSY DEEN, JOHN HANDLEY, Esqr., JOHN THOMPSON, JAMES PATE, ELIAS PATE,

DANIEL PATE, JOHN DAVIS, JAMES DAVIS, ARCHILUS HOWELL, THOMAS THOMPSON,

URIAH LANGSTON, JOSEPH BOYET, DANIAL DEAN, WILLIAM THOMPSON, JACOB BOYET,

ISOME PATE, WILLIAM HOWELL, JOHN BELL and WILLIAM BELL, SR.

October, 1789. Wayne Co., NC Court. Ordered that the following persons be appointed to lay off and mark a road from Button Branch to West Point.

JAMES HANDLY, WILLIAM BELL, JONATHAN WASDEN, JAMES SHADEN, JOHN

BELL, JAMES
GRACE, JAMES BEEMAN, THOMAS HOLLOWELL, JOHN HANDLEY, JAMES DAVIS,
DEMPSEY
DEAN, ARCHILUS HOWELL, WILLIAM THOMPSON, JAMES PATE and JOHN
HANDLEY,
BURWELL MORING, ANDREW SCOTT AND JETHRO THOMPSON.

10 Jan. 1791. GEORGE FRAZER, Wayne Co., NC to JESSE JERNIGAN, Sampson Co.,
NC land that was part of the Estate of the late ARCHIBALD BELL and JOSEPH
BELL, deceased to which the said GEORGE FRAZIER is entitled in right of his
wife SARAH BELL FRAZIER, daughter of ARCHIBALD BELL, sister of JOSEPH BELL,
deceased in the presence of BENJAMIN BELL

5 Aug. 1791. State of North Carolina Land Grant #336. Entry #741. Book
65, page 22. of 150 acres to WILLIAM BELL on east side of Nauhunta Swamp,
Hood's Swamp. ADJ: BURREL MORING, JAMES GRACE, WREST HAM, ISUM SPANER.

Jan. 1793. Wayne County Court, NC, January Term. SARAH BELL, widow of
RICHARD HAMM, deceased granted the right to administered the Estate of JAMES
BELL late of Wayne County, NC. Court order the administrators of JAMES
BELL, deceased.

DOBBS COUNTY, North Carolina, Tax List, 1780. GEORGE BELL listed as owning
225 acres with 3 polls, living in District 9 [the area in present-day North
Carolina is in Lenior County, east of Kinston, north of the Neuse River,
including the Tower Hill Vicinity and Kinston north to Wheat Swamp and east
of Snow Hill Road.

8 January 1801. DB 7, page 176. Wayne Co., NC. WILLIAM HOLLOWELL to JOHN
COX of Wayne Co., NC. Land given as a gift by his father. ADJ: SAMUEL
WESTERLY.

18 May 1801. DB 7, page 260. Wayne County, NC. WILLIAM BELL, SR. to JAMES
SHADDING, both of Wayne Co., for 280 silver dollars sells one plantation
containing 150 acres on Beaverdam Swamp, Will Bell, Sr.'s homeplace ADJ:
JOHN GRAVES, ARTHUR HOWELL, RICHARD CROOM, GRAVES WIT: WILLIAM
EXUM, JOHN
EXUM.

BOON [PROCTOR]

6 Jan 1778 #25(1). 200 acres to THOMAS COOR on Neuse River ADJ: JOHN
HOLLAND, JOSEPH BOON, COLONEL PARMER, JESSE WATKINS.

6 Jan 1778 #55(1). 200 acres to ROBERT FOWLER ADJ: ROBERT FOWLER, THOMAS FOWLER, JOSEPH BOON. [Might be Towler].

DANIEL [AYCOCK]

1771. ACCOUNT OF SUNDRY FIRELOCKS PRESSED INTO HIS MAJESTRY'S SERVICE IN THE EXPEDITION AGAINST THE INSURGENTS [eds. note: a reference to the fight against the Regulators in the back country, Battle of Alamance Creek, 1771] IN 1771 FOR THE DOBBS [COUNTY, NC] DETACHMENT WHICH WERE LOST, BROKE OR DESTROYED. NATHANIEL DANIEL, one appraised to 3 pounds.

7 Jan 1778 #120. 200 acres to NATHANIAL DANIEL, west side of Bear Creek ADJ: WILLIAM ROACH, THOMAS UZZELL, JAMES DANIEL

13 Jan 1778 #175. 640 acres to BENJAMIN CHANCE, west side of Bass' Swamp ADJ: EZEKEIL DANIEL, JOHN BARNS, PASCO PEELLES [PEELE]

16 Jan 1778 #188(1). 200 acres to BIBBY BUSH, east side of Bear Creek ADJ: CAPT. CROOM, JOSHUA HERRING, ISAAC TRIVANS, ISHUM UZZELL.

16 Jan 1778 #189. 640 acres to MATTHEW TURNER, south side of Black Creek ADJ: WILLIAM PRIDGEON, REUBEN HAYES, DANIEL.

13 Feb. 1778 #259. 200 acres to JAMES HALL, south side of Marshy Branch ADJ: JOHN DANIEL.

27 Feb 1778 #277(1). 65 acres to JOSHUA HERRING, east side of Bear Creek ADJ: JOHN LAWSON, WILLIAM TAYLOR, DANIEL TAYLOR.

24 March 1778 #306(1). 640 acres to THOMAS WIGGINS, north side of Black Creek, north side of Long Branch, Miery Branch ADJ: THOMAS WATERS.

4 April 1778 #323(1). 640 acres to WILLIAM DERDINO, west side of Great Swamp ADJ: JOHN DANIEL.

4 April 1778 #324. 200 acres to EPHRAIM DANIEL, east side of Penright Swamp.

4 April 1778. #326. 350 acres to SOLOMAN ROWE on north side and west prong of the Marsh Branch ADJ: JOHN DANIEL.

17 July 1778 #374. 400 acres to BRYANT McCULLEN, south side of Falling

Creek on Buck Swamp ADJ: JAMES DANIEL

3 Oct. 1778 #446. 200 acrs to JACOB LAMB, north side of Black Creek
beginning at the county line ADJ: JOSEPH ARNELL, JOHN DANIEL

10 Oct 1778 #402. 200 acres to HANNAH BROOKINS on the south side of Great
Swamp ADJ: EPHRAMIN DANIEL, JOHN DURDIN, SR.

10 Oct. 1778 #464. 185 acres to MATTHEW TURNER, south side of Black Creek
ADJ: WILLIAM PRIDGIN, ABRAHAM DANIEL.

31 Dec. 1778. #533(4) 200 acres to SAMUEL ROWELL ADJ: JOHN SPILKER (?),
ISAAC ROBERTS, WILLIAM ELLIS, ELIJAH DANIEL.

11 Feb. 1779 #639. 50 acres to GEORGE BELL, north side of Neuse River,
south side of Wheat Swamp ADJ: JAMES BRIGHT, BRUTON, CAPT. WILLIAM
WHITFIELD, OWEN DANIEL, HENRY TURNER, BAKER.

9 April 1792 #2(5). 75 acres to JOHN DANE, north side of Neuse River, west
side of Bear Creek ADJ: JAMES DANIEL, EDWARD HERRING, WATCHEL HERRING.

13 Aug 1793 #86(5). 30 acres to JOHN COX ADJ: THOMAS DANIEL.

DICKINSON [NEWSOME]

10 Jan. 1778 #148(1). 200 acres to THOMAS DEAN on the "drains of Black
Creek that marks out of the Great Contentnea" ADJ: BENJAMIN COOK, ELISHA
WOODWARD, JOSHUA WOODWARD and JOEL DICKINSON

12 Jan. 1778 #157(1). 640 acres to ROBERT SIMMS, south side of Contentnea
Creek, north side of Black Creek ADJ: JOHN DICKINSON, JOEL DICKINSON.

3 Feb. 1778 #153(1). 400 acres to SHADRACK DICKINSON, south side of Black
Creek, Marshy Branch ADJ: FISKE, PASCO PEELLE transferred to SILAS
HOLLOWELL, 1 Oct. 1778.

5 April 1778 #152(1). 200 acres to SHADRACK DICKINSON on south side of
Contentnea. ADJ: JESSE WOODARD.

29 Sept. 1778. #430(1). 250 acres to ELISHA WOODARD on south side of
Contentnea Creek ADJ: SHADRACK DICKINSON.

31 Oct. 1778 #474(1). 200 acres to JACOB HERRING on the north side of the
Neuse River and upper Bogue Swamp ADJ: JOSEPH AND JACOB HERRING, SIMON

HERRING, CHARLES HINES, and JOHN DICKINSON.

4 Nov. 1778 #489(1). 200 acres to JOHN DICKINSON, south side of Contentnea Creek ADJ: JOEL DICKINSON.

EDWARDS [GRIFFIN, HARPER]

6 Jan 1778 #66. 200 acres to THOMAS PRIDGEON, north side of Tyson's Marsh ADJ: THOMAS EDWARDS, JOEL HALL

6 Jan. 1778 #97(1). 100 acres to Benjamin Caswell, south side of Contentnea Creek ADJ: THOMAS EDWARDS, ISAIAH McNUSE, JOHN SUGGS, EVERITT HORN.

17 Jan 1778 #198(1). 200 acres to COL. ABRAHAM SHEPPARD ADJ: THOMAS EDWARDS, PETER HAGAN.

20 Jan 1778 #223. 200 acres to WILLIAM LAMB, south side of Rainbow and west side of Clavis Branch ADJ: ROBERT HILL, BENJAMIN CASWELL, BRIGGS HILL and THOMAS EDWARDS.

28 Feb 1778 #282. 200 acres to JAMES GLASGOW, east side of Tison's Marsh ADJ: JAMES WOODS, JOHN GARLAND, THOMAS EDWARDS and WOLF.

13 July 1778 #372(2). 100 acres to BENJAMIN SHEPPARD, north side of Tison's Marsh ADJ: JAMES WOOD, THOMAS PRIDGEON.

4 Aug 1778 #387. 100 acres to JOHN JONES on north side of Rainbow ADJ: ABSALOM SUGGS, THOMAS EDWARDS, JOHN SUGGS.

20 Aug 1778 #393(2). 100 acres to JOHN TINDAL, south side of Contentnea Creek, both sides of Long Branch of Tyson's Marsh ADJ: BENJAMIN SHEPPARD, JAMES WOOD.

11 Sept. 1778. #414. 100 acres to THOMAS PRIDGEON on Fort Run ADJ: DAVID WARD and THOMAS EDWARDS.

1 Oct. 1778. 100 acres to SHADRACK HANDLEY, north side of Contentnea between Fort Run and Tyson's Marsh ADJ: BENJAMIN EDWARDS, THOMAS EDWARDS, HOSIA PRIDGEON, JEREMIAH HINSON.

5 March 1779 300 acres to ABRAHAM SHEPPARD, south side of Great Contentnea ADJ: EDWARDS, NORRIS.

EVANS [BELL]

12 Jan. 1778 #156. 300 acres to BRITAIN SIMMS, north side of Black Creek.
ADJ: JOHN EVANS.

GRACE [Neighbor in Dobbs and Wayne]

6 Jan. 1778 #61. 100 acres to JAMES GRACE on west side of Britton's Branch
ADJ: WILLIAM MORING, ISOM LAMB, BURREL MORING.

18 March 1778 #296(1). 150 acres to JOHN COLE, both sides of Rainbow and
Sowel's Marsh ADJ: JOHN MAXWELL, THOMAS EVANS.

4 April 1778 #325(1). 500 acres to DAVID EVANS, north side of Juniper
Swamp.

GRIFFIN [HARPER]

6 Jan 1778 #32(1). 250 acres to WILLIAM WHITFIELD, JR, north side of Neuse
River ADJ: BENJAMIN GRIFFIN, CHARLES HORNE, HERRING.

7 Jan 1778 #141(1). 160 acres to JAMES DAVIS, head of Beaverdam Swamp
ADJ: HOOKER, GRIFFIN.

26 Jan 1778 #241(1). 400 acres to REUBIN EASTON ADJ: FELLOWS, GRIFFIN,
JONES, FREDERICK HERRING.

14 March 1778 #291(1). 50 acers to SIMON GRIFFIN, north side of Neuse
River, south side of Great Branch, where Dobbs County and Craven County
lines join ADJ: JOHN HARDY

JONES [PROCTOR]

6 Jan 1778 #43(1). 200 acres to PHILEMON ARNETT, south side of Neuse River,
Thunder Swamp. ADJ: THOMAS ENGLISH, WILLIAM JONES.

12 Jan 1778 #163(1). 150 acres to WILLIAM JONES, SR., Loosing Swamp DG:
JOHN JONES, SPINUS CALDWELL, HARDY POWELL, JOSEPH BRUTON, MATTHIAS
HARVEY.

21 Jan 1778. #225(1). 100 acres to FREDERICK K. JONES, north side of
RAINBOW ADJ: JOHN JONES.

23 Jan 1778 #231(1). 150 acres to WILLIAM JONES, south side of Tuckahoe, the Beaverdam, and Folly Branch.

23 Jan 1778 #232. 150 acres to WILLIAM JONES, south side of Tuckahoe ADJ: WILLIAM B.

24 March 1778 #307(1). 125 acres to DANIEL WETHERINGTON, north side of Neuse River ADJ: CLERLY WETHERINGTN, JOHN JONES, JOHN PHILLIPS, RICHARD JONES, SPENCER CALDWELL.

30 Mar 1778 #311(1). 100 acres to JOHN JONES, north side of Rainbow Creek, land patented to MURPHY DIXON and FREDERICK JONES.

13 April 1778 #335(1). 75 acres to RICHARD JONES ADJ: CLEVERLY WETHERINGTON.

4 Aug 1778 #387(2). 400 acres to JOHN JONES, north side of Rainbow ADJ: ABSALOM SUGGS, JOHN SUGGS, THOMAS EDWARDS patent lines.

14 Aug 1778 #392(2). 200 acres to JOHN JONES, south side of Trent River, north side of Tuckeho Creek.

HAMM [BELL]

6 Jan. 1778. #79. 100 acres to MICAJAH PARKER on east side of north prong of Bear Creek ADJ: WILLIAM HAM.

6 Jan. 1778 #64. 300 acres to WILLIAM HAM on fork of Bear Creek, formerly called CAPTAIN JAMES SPIERS' line.

6 Jan. 1778 \$76. 400 acres to WILLIAM HOWELL, both sides of Hood's Swamp ADJ: THOMAS BURKE, ISHAM LAMB, BURREL MORING, WILLIAM HAM and MICAJAH PARKER.

24 Jan. 1778 #237. 300 acres to THOMAS MORING ADJ: JOHN BLOUT, HAM.

26 Jan. 1778 #242. 200 acres to WILLIAM ALDRIDGE, JR. ADJ: WILLIAM HAMM, JAMES WARD.

4 Feb. 1779 #595. 640 acres to WILLIAM FAIRCLOTH ADJ: CAPTAIN PRIDGEON, THOMAS ALDRIDGE, WILLIAM HAM, SIMON TURNER.

13 March 1779 #672. 200 acres to BENJAMIN COBB on southside of the

Contentnea Creek, head of Gum Branch ADJ: HENRY HAM, THOMAS HORNE, BOYKIN PARSON.

3 January 1779. #942. 150 acres to HENRY HAM on east side of Bear Creek ADJ: SIMON TURNER, WILLIAM HAM.

1 Aug. 1783 #1(4). 100 acres to THOMAS COLE on north side of Rainbow ADJ: WILLIAM HAM.

4 April 1786. 50 acres to RYSTON FLOYD on east side of north east prong of Bear Creek, head Spring Branch ADJ: MICAHAH PARKER, WILLIAM HAM, WILLIAM FAIRCLOTH.

HARPER [BELL]

EARLY HARPER IMMIGRANTS TO VIRGINIA

1635. FRANCIS HARPER by HUGH COX, Charles City Co., VA. page 148.

1638. WILLIAM HARPER by EPAPHRODITUS LAWSON, Upper Norfolk Co, VA. page 147.

1642. JOHN HARPER by PETER RIGBY, no county specified. page 147.

1650. WILLIAM HARPER by NATHANIEL JONES. Northumberland Co., VA. page 147.

1650. WILLIAM HARPER by RICHARD BUDD. Northumberland Co., VA. page 147.

1654. JOSEPH HARPER by MARTIN COALE. Northumberland Co., VA. page 147.

1654. FRANCIS HARPER by ROBERT BOWERS. no county specified. page 147.

1654. SYMON HARPER & his wife by ROBERT BOWERS, no county specified. page 148.

1654. JOHN HARPER by TOBY SMITH. Lancaster Co., VA. page 148

1655. RICHARD HARPER by WALTER DICKENSON. Lancaster Co., VA , page 148.

1655. RICHARD HARPER by CAPT. GEORGE FLOYD. New Kent Co., NC, page 148.

1655. ROBERT HARPER by CHRISTOPHER CALVERT, Northampton Co., VA, page 148.

[Source: George Cabell Greer, EARLY VIRGINIA IMMIGRANTS, 1623 - 1666

Richmond, VA: W. C. Hill Printing, 1912] George Greer was a clerk in the Virginia State Land Office.]

10 June 1692. ROBERT HARPER, servant, designated in the Will of JOHN BARBER in Albemarle Co., NC [Source: J. Bryan Grimes, ABSTRACT OF NORTH CAROLINA WILLS, 1690 - 1760: page 17].

20 Nov. 1739. 87 acres to NICHOLAS HARPER, on east side of Goose Creek in Edgecombe Co., NC. Petitions for Patents, Council at Newbern [Source: Saunders, volume 4, page 353]. Also, LAND GRANTS PRIOR TO 1777. EDGECOMBE COUNTY, NC. North Carolina Archives, Raleigh, NC. Land Grant #805 in Edgecombe Co., NC. Book 9, page 329 (20 November 1739) 87 acres. Further, Land Grant #657 in Edgecombe Co, NC. Book 8, page 59 (20 November 1739) 87 acres [eds. note: probably a repeat of the same land grant}.

13 March 1745/46. Land Grand to JOSEPH HARPER, 320 acers in Craven Co., NC. Council at Bath Town, Petitions for Warrants [Source: Saunders, Volume 4, page 799]

1746 - 1880. Johnson-Dobbs Counties, NC. Cross-Index to Deeds. 1746 - 1880. DB 3, page 169 JOHN ROSS to FRANCIS HARPER. DB4, page 1181 ELIZABETH ATKINS to ALEXANDER HARPER. DB 4, page 245 RICHARD CASWELL to FRANCIS HARPER. DB10, page 707 SIMON BRIGHT to FRANCIS HARPER. DB10, page 19 MOSES FIELDS to FRANCIS HARPER. DB10, page 167 ANTHONY CANADA to FRANCIS HARPER. DB10, page 262 MICAJAH PARKER to FRANCIS HARPER. DB10, page 528 JOHN SUGG to WILLIAM HARPER. DB10, page 192 JOHN SUGG to ALEXANDER HARPER. DB11, page 527 WILLIAM MILLER to WILLIAM HARPER. DB11, page 257 THOMAS ? to WILLIAM HARPER.
[Eds Note: This is research I completed 35 years ago, sorry about the absence of dates. I thought the Harper researchers might want me to include everything I have]

2 May 1746. NICHOLAS HARPER, witness to the Will of GEORGE HARKEL in Craven Co., NC [Source: J. Bryan Grimes, ABSTRACT OF NORTH CAROLINA WILLS, 1690 - 1760: page 151]

1 Aug. 1748. JOHN HARPER, witness to the Will of THOMAS CAWDREY in Craven Co., NC [Source: J. Bryan Grimes, ABSTRACT OF NORTH CAROLINA WILL, 1690 - 1760: page 67]

17 May 1749. JOHN HARPER, witness to the Will of JOHN GILLETT in Craven Co., NC [Source: J. Bryan Grimes, ABSTRACT OF NORTH CAROLINA WILLS, 1690 - 1760: page 134].

1 Sept. 1753. GEORGE HARPER, witness to the Will of JOHN MOORE in Northampton Co., NC [Source: J. Bryan Grimes, ABSTRACT OF NORTH CAROLINA WILLS, 1690 - 1760: page 252].

1758. NICHOLAS and SAMUEL HARPER living in Craven Co., NC. A list of the comp. of the North Shore, belong to Capt. John Shines, District from the head of Broad Creek down to the mouth of the River [Clark, COLONIAL RECORDS OF NORTH CAROLINA, Volume 22, page 315]

1759. Lord Granville Land Grant #0862 to JAMES HARPER in Halifax Co., NC [Source: North Carolina Archives, Search Room].

1767. Land Grant #101 to ROBERT HARPER in Tryon Co., NC

1767. FRANCIS HARPER, Dobbs Regiment. Officers for which Commission Issued, 1767. RICHARD CASWELL, Colonel, ABRAHAM SHEPPARD, Jur., Lt. Colonel; FRANCIS MACKILWEAN, Major. List also includes: JAMES BRIGHT, BENJAMIN CASWELL, MAJOR CROOM, JOHN ELVERTON, WILLIAM FORT, HENRY GOODMAN, ANTHONY HERRING, JOSHUA HERRING, JESSE JERNIGAN, ISOM LANE, JAMES PARKER, JOHN PEACOCK, JOSEPH PIPKIN, JOHN SHERRAD, WILLIAM SKINNER, FRANCIS SPRIGHT, WILLIAM SPRIGHT, WILLIAM SPRIGHT, JR., STEPHEN TILGHMAN, AND CONSTANTINE WHITFIELD.

1770. Land Grant #011 to MATHEW HARPER, JR. in Tryon Co., NC.

1770. Land Grant #265 to ROBERT HARPER in Tryon, NC.

1771. Land Grant #776 to ALEXANDER HARPER in Dobbs Co., NC

1771. GEORGE HARPER, Muster Roll of Dobbs County, NC Militia, 20 November 1771.

1771. ALEXANDER HARPER, Corporal, Muster Roll of Dobbs County, NC Militia, February, 1771. List also includes: GEORGE BELL, Lieutenant, JAMES BRIGHT, Captain, JOHN HEARTSFIELD [HARTSFIELD], Sergeant, POLL HALL, Sergeant, RICHARD HODGES, Clerk, JACOB LEWIS, Corporal, JOHN COWARD, Ensign. Other listed are: DRURY ALDRIDGE, SAMUEL DUNN, JOHN GARLAND, BURWELL HALL, JOSEPH HARRELL, JAMES HOLMES, JAMES LEWIS, STEPHEN LEWIS, SAMUEL MORRIS, SHARP REYNOLDS, ABSOLAM SUGG, JOHN VINING, WILLIAM VINING, JAMES WADE,

JOSIAH
WHITLEY, JAMES WOOD, GEORGE WRIGHT.

1773. Land Grant #2063 to ALEXANDER HARPER in Dobbs Co., NC

1773. Land Grant #1092 to GEORGE HARPER in Dobbs Co., NC

1775. Land Grant #1083 to GEORGE HARPER in Dobbs Co., NC

DOBBS COUNTY, NC TAX LIST, 1769

* JOHN HARPER - 1 - 0 - 1

* FRANCIS HARPER - 1 - 6 - 7 [Slaves: Harry, Jack, Peter, Cloe, Jude & Beladen]

* ALEXANDER HARPER and son WILLIAM HARPER, Negro slave ROSE

* WILLIAM HARPER and GEORGE HARPER 2 - 0 - 2

"Elsewhere I find FRANCIS HARPER foregoing is son of ALEXANDER HARPER also. WILLIAM HARPER (probably the brother of Alexander) and GEORGE HARPER in the same household but kinship not shown between William and George. The Harpers first are found south of the Neuse River in what is now southern Lenior County, NC about 1750. ALEXANDER HARPER moved to what is now Greene County near Snow Hill and son FRANCIS HARPER is with him then" [Source: Charles R. Holloman, specialist on Dobbs County, NC, in a private correspondence with Earl P. Bell, Jr., Olympia Fields, Illinois in the early 1970s.]

19 May 1776. FREDERICK HARPER #35. 320 pounds. Dobbs Co., NC. Soldiers Receiving Bounties and Drafts. [Source: Dobbs Co., NC: SOLDIERS RECEIVING BOUNDIES, VOLUNTEERS AND DRAFTS, 19 May 1776, North Carolina Archives, Raleigh, NC}

6 Jan. 1778 #97. 1000 acres to BENJAMIN CASWELL, south side of Contentnea Creek ADJ: THOMAS EDWARDS, JOSIAH WHITLEY, JAMES WOOD, FRANCIS HARPER, THYLEUS SINGLETON, ISAIAH McNUSE, JOHN SUGGS and EVERIT HORNE.

12 Jan. 1778 #157. 640 acres to ROBERT SIMMS, south side of Contentea, north side of Black Creek.

10 March 1778 #288. 300 acres to ANN HOLLY, north side of Black Creek, south side of Contentnea, each side of Long Branch.

20 MARCH 1778. #312. 80 acres to WILLIAM HOOKER, both sides of a Branch

springing out of Patrick's Mill Creek ADJ: JOHN GRANGER, ALEXANDER HARPER.

1778. Land Grant #2063 to ALEXANDER HARPER in Dobbs Co., NC.

1 Jan. 1779. #545. 50 acres to JOHN SUGGS on the north side of Rainbow.
ADJ: WILLIAM HARPER, JOHN JONES.

1780 ESTATES & VALUES: FRANCIS HARPER #22. 400 pounds, Captain Carson's District; ALEX HARPER, #7. 766 pounds, 10 shillings, John Granger's District; FRANCIS HARPER, SR., #61. 7896 pounds, 8 shillings, John Granger's District; and WILLIAM HARPER #87/ 1298 pounds, 12 shillings, John Granger's District. [Dobbs Co., NC. Legislative Papers: LIST OF ESTATES AND VALUES, 1780, North Carolina Archives, Raleigh, NC]

27 March 1780. #1013. 850 acres to BENJAMIN CASWELL on the south side of Great Contentnea Creek ADJ: JAMES WOODS, FRANCIS HARPER, ISIAH MILLER.

23 Nov. 1780. #1045. 50 acres to FRANCIS HARPER on the south side of Wheat Swamp ADJ: OWINS, HENRY TURNER, deceased.

1781. ALEXANDER HARPER #35 and FRANCIS HARPER #3. Return of Dobbs Regiment. [Source: Dobbs Co., NC. RETURN OF THE DOBBS REGIMENT, 1781, North Carolina Archives, Raleigh, NC]

12 Nov. 1783. JESSE BATEMAN of Edgecombe Co., NC to WILLIM ALFORD of Wayne Co., NC for 50 pounds, 50 acres on the north side of Toisnot Swamp, south side of Bare Branch ADJ: JOHN HARPER. 1st to WILLIAM BENTLEY, the Elder on 15 Nov. 1743. WIT: JOHN WALTON, JAMES TART [Source: Edgecombe Co., NC DB4, page 288. 12 Nov. 1783]

8 April 1785. #42. 150 acres to NATHAN HARPER on north side of Trent River, head of Turkey Branch ADJ: DAVID GEORGE, THOMAS TORRAN, GRIFFIN JONES, JESSE HARPER.

14 April 1785 #45(4). 100 acres to HUGH HARPER on south side of Great Contentnea Creek ADJ: WILLIAM HARPER, M. PATRICK, ALEXANDER HARPER, deceased, JOHN GRAINGER, WILLIAM HOOKER.

20 April 1785. #50(4). 100 acres to WILLIAM HARPER on the south side of Great Contentnea Creek ADJ: ALEXANDER HARPER, deceased, WILLIAM HOOKER, JOHN GRAINGER.

20 April 1785. #50(4). 100 acres to WILLIAM HOOKER on a branch of Contentnea, south side of Great Branch, west side of Patrick's Mill Creek, both sides of Branch ADJ: JOSEPH MILLER, WILLIAM HARPER, ALEXANDER HARPER

[WILLIAM].

3 May 1785. WILLIAM ALFORD of Wayne Co., NC to WILLIS PEELE of Edgecombe Co., 100 pounds for 125 acres in Edgecombe Co., NC on the north bank of the Toisnot Swamp ADJ: JOSHUA BENTLEY, JESSE BATEMAN, WILLIAM DANIEL, JOHN HARPER, WILLIAM ALFORD. 1st granted to WILLIAM BENTLEY on 15 Nov. 1743. WIT: ROBERT PEELE, SAMUEL BARTLETT, JOHN STANTON [Source: Edgecombe Co., NC DB 4, page 281. 3 May 1785]

10 Oct. 1786 #104 (4). 30 acres to JOHN GRAINGER on north side of Neuse River, south side of Great Contentnea Creek ADJ: WILLIAM KILLPATRICK, HARPER.

29 July 1787 #128 (4). 60 acres to JOHN HARPER, north side of Great Contentnea, west side of Pole Cat Swamp ADJ: WILLIAM ORMON.

2 Oct. 1787. #136(4). 150 acres on north side of Trent River on a pond called Bear Harbour ADJ: DAVID GEORGE, JESSE HARPER, GRIFFIN JONES.

18 Dec. 1787. #143(4). 150 acres to JAMES GOODMAN on Southwest Creek of Trent River ADJ: DAVID GEORGE, JESSE HARPER, JOHN ROBERTS, NATHAN HARPER.

7 Feb. 1788. Marriage of FRANCIS HARPER. Dobbs Co., NC. [Source: Dobbs Co., NC: Misc. List of Marriage License Issued, etc., 1785 - 1790. North Carolina Archives, Raleigh, NC]

9 Sept. 1788. #162(4). 640 acres to JOHN FRANK and JOHN SAUL on north side of Tuckahoe Creek, south side of Trent River ADJ: MOSES SARDER, JOHN LINSEY, deceased, JOHN HARPER, JAMES HANDLEY, ROBERT BAKER, WALTER DORTCH, JOHN FRAZER, RICHARD GILLES [?].

6 June 1793. #83 (5). 200 acres to NATHAN BYRD on south side of Neuse River, south side of ? Run ADJ: JOHN ROBERTS, JESSE HARPER, ARMSTRONG.

6 June 1793 #87(5). 90 acres to NATHAN HARPER.

6 June 1793 #88(5). 50 acres to NATHAN HARPER.

8 Aug 1793 #90(5). 50 acres to AARON RATLIFF, north side of Tuckahoe ADJ: JOSEPH JARMAN, JOHN ADKISON.

1795. State of North Carolina Land Grant to FRANCIS HARPER, on the north side of Contentnea Creek. Glasgow Co., NC.

2 Jan. 1823. WILLIAM JOHN BATCHELOR HARPER, [SR]. "Inventory of Estate," by David Ricks. Huge estate inventory. The sale includes 26 slaves. Buyers included: WIDOW BATCHELOR, DAVID RICKS, PRIMMY BATCHELOR, POLLY BATCHELOR [HARPER], BERRY BATCHELOR, JAMES BATCHELOR, POLLY BATCHELOR

HARPER. Widow BATCHELOR hired most of the slaves together with ANCY B[atachelor]. HARPER on 3 January 1823. DAVID RICKS paid for services as a guardian. MARY F. ELLEN, ADMINX. [Source: Nash Co., NC. Inventories, Sales, & Current Accounts, Nash Co., NC, 1777-1859. original in the North Carolina Archives, Raleigh, NC. Also, cited in Watson, EARLY RECORDS OF NASH, page 194] [EDS. NOTE: This is my ggggrandfather. WILLIAM BATCHELOR in his will, 1802, left WILLIAM JOHN BATCHELOR HARPER, JR., whom he identifies as his grandson, 1000 acres of land in Nash Co., NC]

HANDLEY [BELL]

6 Jan. 1778 #19. 100 acres to SIMON TOLSON [?] on Stony Creek, to the Swamp
ADJ: THOMPSON and DAVIS.

7 Jan. 1778 #136. 200 acres to JOHN HANDLEY on head of Stony Creek.

7 Jan. 1778. #137. 250 acres to MOSES BOYTE on south side of Stony Creek
ADJ: DAVID JERNIGAN.

25 Feb. 1778 #67. 640 acres to THOMAS BURKE, head of Little Bear Creek, each side of Mocassin Branch, and each side of Weaver's Road

25 Feb. 1778 #68. 300 acres to THOMAS BURKE ADJ: JAMES HANDLEY, FRANCIS BEAMAN, WILLIAM McKINNIE

25 Feb. 1778 #69. 100 acres to THOMAS BURKE, both side of Mill Marsh Branch
ADJ: JONATHAN WASDEN, KINCHIN

25 Feb. 1778 #276. 300 acres to HOSIA BEEMAN, south side of Maxwell's Branch
ADJ: JAMES HANDLEY, WILLIAM McKINNIE, FRANCIS BEEMAN.

12 March 1778. #289. 300 acres to JAMES PATE, north side of Neuse River, both sides of Stony Creek ADJ: JOHN HANDLEY, JAMES DAVIS, BENJAMIN VINSON.

4 Aug 1778 #390(2). 100 acres to BENJAMIN SHEPPARD, south side of Contentnea ADJ: JAMES HANDLEY, POOL HALL.

1 Oct. 1778. 100 acres to SHADRACK HANDLEY, west side of Contentnea Creek, between fort run of Tison's Marsh ADJ: BENJAMIN SHEPPARD, ROBERT HALL, JR.,

HANDLEY.

1 Oct. 1778. 100 acres to SHADRACK HANDLEY, north side of Contentinea, between fort run and Tyson's Marsh ADJ: BENJAMIN EDWARDS, THOMAS EDWARDS, HOSIA PRIDGEON, JEREMIAH HINSON

27 May 1788 #150. 40 acres to ISAAC HANDLEY on north side of Wheat Swamp, east side of Reedy Branch ADJ: CATHERINE DIMNOCKS, her patent.

26 Oct. 1792. #44(5). 130 acres to LOTT CROOM, south side of Neuse River, north side of Trent ADJ: MOSES HANDLEY, JOHN ROBERTS, JOHN TAYLOR

28 Feb 1801. DB 7, page 175. Wayne County, NC. RICHARD CROOM to WILLIAM SMITH, both of Wayne County, NC, south side of Bear Creek ADJ: BENJAMIN SMITH, ARTHUR HOLLOMAN. WIT: JAMES HANDLEY.

NEWSOM[E] (BELL)

ACCOUNT OF SUNDRY FIRELOCKS PRESSED INTO HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE IN THE EXPEDITION AGAINST THE INSURGENTS [eds. note: a reference to the fight with the Regulators in the back country, the Battle of Alamance Creek, 1771] IN 1771 FOR THE DOBBS [COUNTY, NC] DETACHMENT, WHICH WERE LOST, BROKEN OR DESTROYED. AARON NUSOM, 1 gun appraised to 1 pound, 15 pence.

10 Jan. 1778 #150. 640 acres to PASCO PEELLE, east fork of Bass' Swamp ADJ: WILLIAM NEWSOM

2 Feb 1778 #25(1) 400 acres to JOHN FULGHAM, south side of DAVID NEWSOM Branch ADJ: ARTHUR BRYANT

WORRELL [EVANS, BELL]

14 Jan. 1778 #182. 100 acres to PETER BALLARD, head of the Slew ADJ: BENJAMIN and WILLIAM WORRELL.

8 April 1778 #331. 400 acres to SOLOMAN PARSONS, east side of Moccasin Swamp ADJ; JESSE BARDEN, RICHARD WORRELL, BENJAMIN WORRELL, DANIEL EASLEY
[?] AND JOHN BRUTON.

10 Nov. 1778. #494. 200 acres to JOHN APPLEWHITE, south side of the Slew ADJ: JOHN ROWEL, DAVID WARREL

16 Nov. 1778. #501. 150 acres to PETER BALLARD, south side of Norhanty on both sides of the Slew ADJ: DANIEL LOFTON, WM ALFRED, BENJAMIN WORRELL.

18 Nov. 1778 \$509. 200 acres to DANIEL LOFTON, south side of the Slew, head of John Howell's Branch ADJ: WILLIAM ALFORD, JOHN HOWELL, WILLIAM WORRELL.

9 Feb. 1779 #634. 500 acres to ELLIS BALLARD ADJ: DAVID WORRELL, JOSEPH BOYET, JOSHUA HOWELL.

9 Feb. 1779 #969. 300 acres to BENJAMIN ROWELL on Slew Swamp ADJ: DANIEL LOPLEY, WILLIAM WORRELL, JOHN APPLEWHITE, DANIEL HOWELL.

10 Feb. 1780. 20 acres to WILLIAM WORRELL, south side of the Slue Swamp.

11 Feb. 1780 #973 250 acres to WILLIAM WORRELL ADJ: DAVID WORRELL, ELIAS BALLARD.

MISC. LAND GRANTS FOR UNRELATED FAMILIES DESIGNATING A FAMILY RELATIONSHIP.

7 Jan. 1778 #131(1). 200 acres to JACOB PAGE, east side of Little River including plantation his father died on ADJ: WILLIAM SASSER, JOHN PAGE.

ASSOCIATED GEOGRAPHIC PLACES WITHIN DOBBS COUNTY, NC, FAMILY SURNAMES,

NEIGHBORS AND DATES [geographic specifications, in most cases, mention more than one associated river, creek, swamp or branch; various branches that flow into creeks and swamps are only occasionally given a full heading].

All references are to Dobbs County, North Carolina unless otherwise specified.

BEAR CREEK, EAST SIDE OF THE NORTH PRONG

6 Jan 1778 #78(1). JOHN SPANN, HARRY ARTHUR SMITH. 400 acres to MICAJAH PARKER, north side of Neuse River, both sides of BLACK BRANCH.

6 Jan 1778 #79(1). WILLIAM HAMM. 100 acres to MICAJAH PARKER.

6 Jan 1778 #64(1). 300 acres to WILLIAM HAMM, fork of Bear Creek, formerly called CAPTAIN JAMES SPIERS' line.

3 Jan 1779 #942 (2). 150 acres to HENRY HAM, east side of Bear Creek ADJ: SIMON TURNER, WILLIAM HAM.

4 April 1786. 50 acres to RYSTON FLOYD, east side of northeast prong of Bear Creek, head Spring Branch ADJ: MICAJAH PARKER, WILLIAM HAM, WILLIAM FAIRCLOTH.

BLACK CREEK.

10 Jan 1778 #184(1). BENJAMIN COOKE, ELISHA WOODWARD, JOSHUA WOODWARD, JOEL DICKINSON. 200 acres to THOMAS DAVIS [mentions that the land is located on "the drains of BLACK CREEK that makes out of GREAT CONTENTNEA]

12 Jan 1778 #157(1). 640 acres to ROBERT SIMMS, south side of Contentnea, north side of Black Creek.

11 Mar 1778 #288(1) 200 acres to ANN HOLLY on north side of BLACK CREEK, south side of CONTENTNEA, each side of LONG BRANCH.

6 June 1778 #354(1). CHARLES YOUNG, ROBERT SIMS, JAMES SIMS [land grant mentions north side of BLACK CREEK, south side of CONTENTNEA CREEK. 300 acres to JAMES SIMS.

BRIERY BRANCH, north side

20 Dec 1763. N.C. Land Grant. Warrant #261. 640 acres to ARCHIBALD BELL, beginning up Briery, head of Little Briery ADJ: MILLWRIGHT BROWN, COL. CASWELL, JOHN COLLIER, GEORGE BELL, PRICE.

23 Dec 1763. N.C. Land Grant #136. Entry #163. Book 17, page 20. 200 acres to GEORGE BELL, north side of Briery Branch.

6 Jan 1778 #45(1). JOHN COLLIER, JOHN PARROT, WILLIAM BRUTON. 200 acres to ABRAHAM BAKER, north side of Briery Branch.

CONTENTNEA CREEK

12 Jan 1778 #157(1). 640 acres to ROBERT SIMMS, south side of Contentnea, north side of Black Creek.

6 June 1778 #354(1). CHARLES YOUNG, ROBERT SIMS, JAMES SIMS [land grant

mentions north side of BLACK CREEK, south side of CONTENTNEA CREEK. 300 acres to JAMES SIMS.

27 March 1780 #1013. 850 acres to BENJAMIN CASWELL, south side of Great Contentnea Creek ADJ: JAMES WOODS, FRANCIS HARPER, ISIAH MILLER.

CONTENTNEA SWAMP

6 Jan 1778 #82(1). 200 acres to JACOB LASSITER, north side of Wheat Swamp, south side of Great Contentney, Rainbow Marsh, Marsh Branch ADJ: GEORGE BELL, JOSHUA MILLER.

10 Jan 1778 #148(1). BENJAMIN COOKE, ELISHA WOODWARD, JOSHUA WOODWARD, JOEL DICKINSON. 200 acres to THOMAS DAVIS [mentions that the land is located on "the drains of BLACK CREEK that makes out of GREAT CONTENTNEA.

11 March 1778. 300 acres to ANN HOLLY [land grant mentions north side of BLACK CREEK, south side of CONTENTNEA, each side of LONG BRANCH.

GOFF'S SWAMP, formerly known as Miery Cypress Swamp.

12 Feb 1778 #265(1). GEORGE WHITLEY, WILLIAM WHITLEY, JOHN SINGLETON. 640 acres to JOSEPH ELLIS.

GOOSE CREEK [EDGECOMBE COUNTY, 1739]

20 Nov 1739. Edgecombe Co., NC. 87 acres to NICHOLAS HARPER, east side of Goose Creek.

HOOD'S SWAMP

6 Jan 1778. #76(1). 400 acres to WILLIAM HOWELL, both sides of Hood's Swamp ADJ: THOMAS BURKE, ISHAM LAMB, BURREL MORING, WILLIAM HAM and MICAJAH PARKER.

MOCCASIN CREEK

MOCCASIN SWAMP

23 Jan 1778 #234(1). 100 acres to WILL RADFORD, north side of Slough Swamp, both sides of Mocation Swamp.

8 April 1778 #331(1). 400 acres to SOLOMAN PARSONS, east side of Moccasin Swamp ADJ: JESSE BARDEN, RICHARD WORRELL, BENJAMIN WORRELL, DANIEL LOFTON, JOHN BRUTON.

17 March 1779. N.C. Land Grant #1860. 200 acres to WILLIAM BELL, SR. in Dobbs County, NC, north side of Slough Branch, edge of Mochasion Swamp, mouth of Little Mochasion ADJ: WILLIAM RADFORD, JOHN ROWELL, ARTHUR PEACOCK. Chains: THOMAS FERRELL, JOHN ROWELL.

27 Oct 1786. Wayne Co., NC. State of North Carolina Grant #153 to JESSE BARDEN, 53 acres in Wayne Co., NC on Mogason Swamp ADJ: ARNOLD, SOLOMON PIERSON, WILLIAM BELL, GUNDY [Source: Wayne Co., NC DB 4, pages 110 -11 (27 Oct. 1786)].

NEUSE RIVER, NORTH SIDE

6 Jan 1778 #78(1). JOHN SPANN, HARRY ARTHUR SMITH. 400 acres to MICAJAH PARKER, north side of NEUSE RIVER, both sides of BLACK BRANCH.

NEUSE RIVER, SOUTH SIDE, Falling Creek, Beaverdam Swamp.

SLOUGH SWAMP

23 Jan 1778 #234(1). 100 acres to WILL RADFORD, north side of Slough Swamp, both sides of Mocation Swamp.

14 Feb 1786. Oct. Ct. 1788. 36 acres on the north side of the Slough. JOHN ROWELL to JOHN HANDLEY. ADJ: WILLIAM BELL, PEACOCK, WILLIAM RADFORD. WIT: WILLIAM HANDLY, F. HANDLY.

16 Nov 1778 #500(2). 200 acres to DANIEL LOFTON, between the Norhunty and the Slew, head of Watery Branch ADJ: JESSE BARDIN, JESSE WOODARD, JOHN ROWEL, SOLOMAN PARSONS.

17 March 1779. N.C. Land Grant #1860, Grant #703 issued: 10 Nov. 1784.

Entered 17 March 1779, Book 5, page 275 200 acres to WILLIAM BELL, SR. in Dobbs County, NC on north side of Slough Branch, edge of Mochasion Swamp, mouth of Little Mochasion ADJ: WILLIAM RADFORD, JOHN ROWELL, ARTHUR PEACOCK. Chains: THOMAS FERRELL, JOHN ROWELL.

NORHUNTY SWAMP, NORTH SIDE

6 Jan 1778 #39(1). SAMUEL TARVIN, WILLIAM FAIRCLOTH, BENJAMIN EXUM, SHERROD
BARROWS [also mentions COW BRANCH and BUTTON BRANCH].

6 Jan 1778 #61(1). WILLIAM MORING, ISOM LANE, BURREL MORING. 100 acres to JAMES GRACE. west side of BUTTON BRANCH.

6 Jan 1778 #61(1). ISOM LANE. 125 acres to WILLIAM TAYLOR, south side of BUTTON BRANCH.

12 Jan 1778 160(1). MOSES HUSTON. 150 acres to RAFORD FULGHAM [also mentions; BURKE SWAMP]

2 Feb 1778 #253(1). 400 acres to BENJAMIN SHERROD, north side of Nahunty, Aycock Swamp ADJ: JOHN SHERROD.

STONY CREEK

9 July 1778 #384(1). THOMAS DORTERY, DAVID JERNIGAN. 100 acres to R. NICHOLSON.

TYSON'S MARSH, SOUTH SIDE

24 Jan 1778 #226(1). JAMES WARD, WILLIAM BLOUT, JOSEPH H. 400 acres to JOHN GARLAND. Also, mentions MAPLE BRANCH, REEDY BRANCH.

WHEAT SWAMP, north side

6 Jan 1778 #82(1). 200 acres to JACOB LASSITER, north side of Wheat Swamp, south side of Great Cotentney, Rainbow Marsh, Marsh Branch ADJ: GEORGE BELL, JOSHUA MILLER.

6 Jan 1778 #83(1). 100 acres to JACOB LASSITER, north side of the Neuse River and Wheat Swamp ADJ: [JOSHUA} MILLER, McCLENDON, BRIGHT.

28 FEB 1778 #278(1). 300 acres to JACOB LASSITER, north side of Wheat Swamp, south side of Rainbow Swamp ADJ: GEORGE BELL, ISAAC STANLEY, ABRAHAM BUSH, FREDERICK GIBBLES, EVANS, JACOB LEWIS.

18 March 1778 #297(1). 200 acres to JAMES LEWIS, north side of Wheat Swamp, south side of Rainbow Swamp, both sides of Long Branch ADJ: JOHN LEWIS, CHARLES HILL, GEORGE BELL.

11 April 1778 #332(1). 200 acres to GEORGE BELL, north side of Neuse River, south side of Wheat Swamp, both sides of Loosing Swamp including the Great Meadow ADJ: JOHN HARTSFIELD, FREDERICK GIBBLEES, JOHN BROWN, ISAAC TULL, BENJAMIN BRUTON, JR.

9 Feb 1779 #627(1). 100 acres to JOHN BAKER, north side of Neuse River, north side of Loosing Swamp. ADJ: JOHN HARTSFIELD, GEORGE BELL, HUGH WARD.

11 Feb. 1779 #639(1). 30 acres to GEORGE BELL, north side of Neuse River, south side of Wheat Swamp, Little Meadow, head of Gum Pond ADJ: JOHN HARTSFIELD, JAMES BRIGHT.

14 April 1785 #45(4). 100 acres to HUGH HARPER, south side of Great Contentnea Creek ADJ: WILLIAM HARPER, M. PATRICK, ALEXANDER HARPER, deceased, JOHN GRAINGER, WILLIAM HOOKER.

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