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Two Extraordinary Surveys: The 1737 Brent Town and 1824 Bristow Tract Maps

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A 1737 map², drafted fifty years after the 30,000-acre Brent Town Tract was granted to George Brent, Richard Foote, Nicholas Hayward, and Robert Bristow, illustrated 39 house locations and names of owners and residents, a virtual gold mine for archaeologists and historians (Figure 1).



Figure 1: Digital image of the 1737 map (photo by author)
Courtesy of Special Collections, University of Virginia Library

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The south western quarter of the large 1687 grant is in northeastern Fauquier County, with the majority of the tract situated in west Prince William County. Information for the eastern quarter of this patent, commonly called the Bristow Tract (a.k.a. Bristoe), was drafted in an 1824 map³ based on

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² Plat of Brent Town, original located at the Albert and Shirley Small Special Collections Library, University of Virginia, MSS 5200.

³ Map of the Bristoe Tract. Original located at the Office of the Prince William County Clerk of the Circuit Court, Manassas, Virginia.

an 1824 land distribution settlement and is well documented⁴ (Figures 2 and 3). The 1824 map showed the shapes of 54 tracts and the town of Brentsville, as the 7500-acre Bristow Tract was subdivided almost 140 years after it had been patented. No buildings were drawn on the 1824 map, but deed records⁵ revealed the names of many owners, renters, and roads, as well as fence line and creek locations.



Figure 2: Northern half of the Bristow Tract in 1824 (photograph by Charlotte Cain)

⁴ Darlene L. Hunter, “The Bristow Tract – Rent Rolls, Map, and History,” *Prince William Reliquary*, vol. 3, no. 4 (October 2004): 81-88.

⁵ Prince William County Deed Book 19, pages 398-407.



Figure 3: Southern half of the Bristow Tract in 1824 (photograph by Charlotte Cain)

As a professional archaeologist, I have conducted several projects at and near the Bristow Station Battlefield. I use the Hunter article for the starting point of my historical research in the area for finding landowner names and basic boundary locations from the 1824 tracts. However, no one had ever ground truthed the 1737 and 1824 maps to a modern map, and an archaeologist needs to know exactly, usually within a few feet, where they are located on the surface of the Earth at any point in time.

To help historic research within the Brent Town Tract and Bristow area, I developed a series of maps relating the cartographic details from both the 1737 and 1824 maps in Adobe Photoshop Elements™ 4.0. Photoshop allows for the importation of digital images and make them opaque so the underlying image can be viewed through a faint image of a second map superimposed over it. The faint image can then be stretched and skewed to align with the underlying layer. As each historic map is stretched and skewed, the common details, as well as the interesting oddities, can be observed and drafted onto a new layer to superimpose on any layer/map imported into the file.

Modern United States Geological Survey (USGS) topographic maps⁶ encompassing the area covering the 1737 map between the western end of Cedar Run and Broad Run were used for the base map for the series. USGS topographic maps are known for accuracy in scaling and for placement of tree stands, fences, buildings, drainages, and other landmarks. Once the images were melded together to form a single base map (Figure 4), I was ready to go.

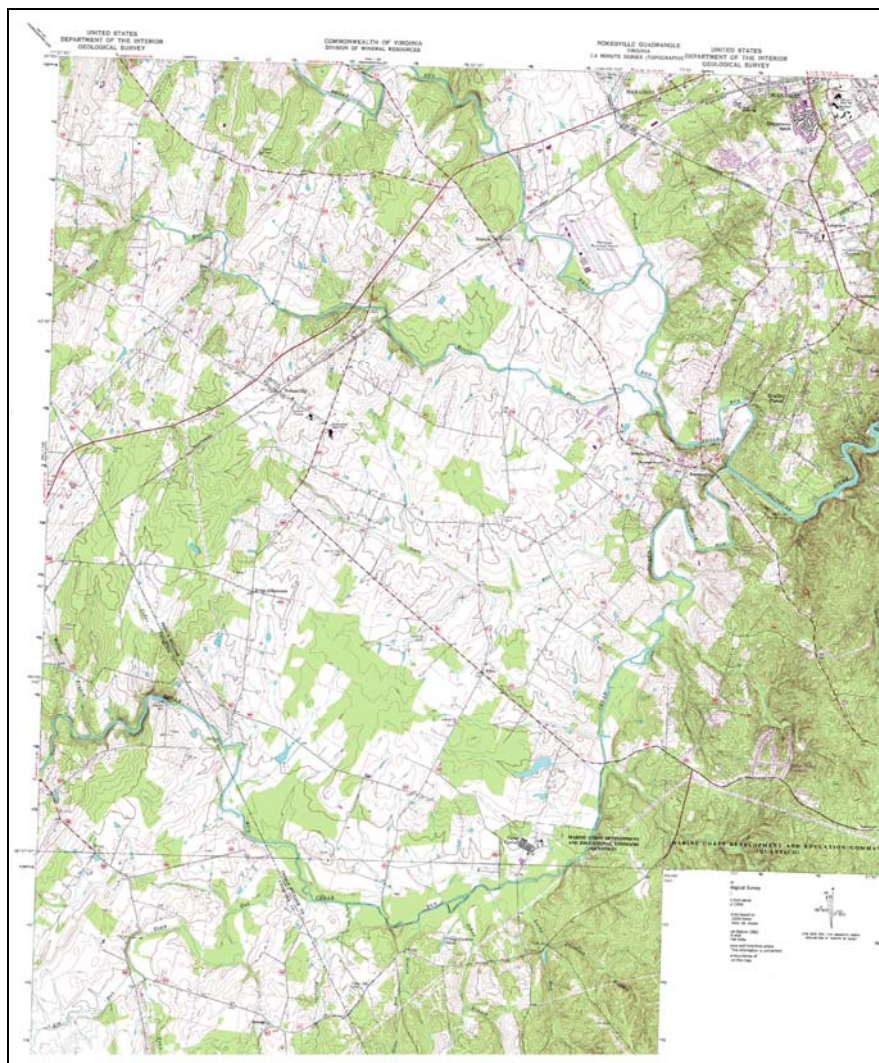


Figure 4: Compilation of the *Nokesville*, *Somerville*, and *Independent Hill* USGS maps

⁶The base map included all of *Nokesville*, northern edge of *Sommerville*, western edge of *Independent Hill* 7.5 minute USGS maps; found at http://fisher.lib.virginia.edu/collections/gis/vagaz/search_by_quad.php.

Some historic maps can be quite tricky when trying to conform them to modern maps, as the original surveyor may have had mapping errors, misnamed landmarks, or may have simply fabricated information to complete the map. The 1737 map was fairly easy to stretch and skew over the modern USGS map overlay (Figure 5), since Broad Run and Cedar Run were fairly accurate in not only their individual 1737 map configurations, but their relationship to each other as well. In reverse, the information from the modern map was then easily transferred to the 1737 map (Figure 6), showing the common and distinctly different details.

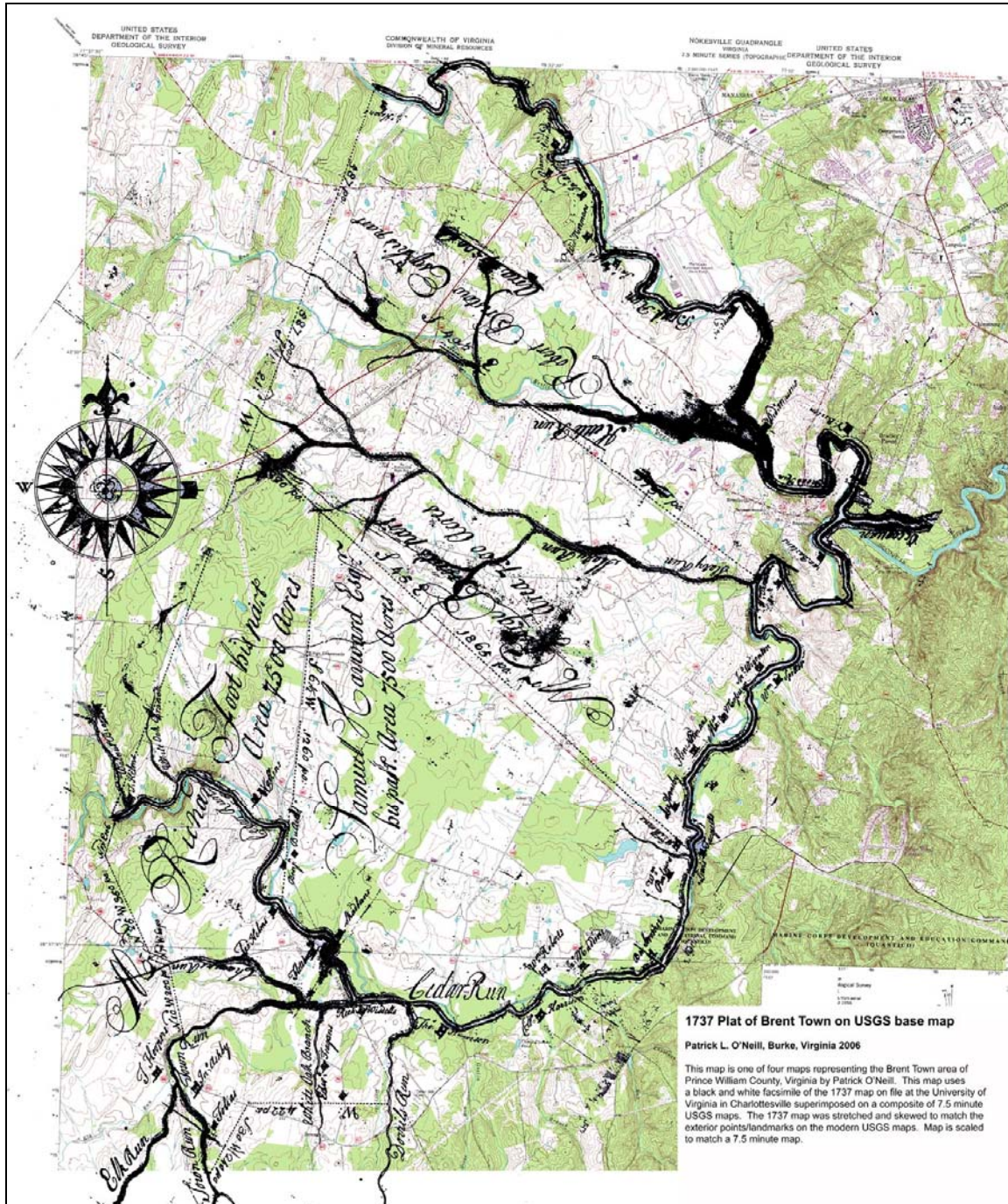


Figure 5: A black and white facsimile of the 1737 map over the modern USGS map



Figure 6: Modern USGS map information over the 1737 map

The 18th century surveyors of the Brent Town Tract may have never traveled very far from the creek beds into the interior of the tract as the buildings on the 1737 map are only located along the major drainages, perhaps used for lines of sight for surveying. It is possible, however, also that no one was living in the interior uplands at that time period, something archaeology may be able to prove or disprove over time. Different shapes and sizes of the houses on the 1737 map could suggest differences in social and financial status (Figure 7); i.e. some houses were drafted with two chimneys, some with none.



Figure 7: Select house styles from the 1737 map

The configuration of Slaty Run was fairly accurate on the 1737 map, but when compared to the modern location of the creek on the USGS map, it was actually situated further east than it should have been. This could have been the result of a simple mapping error placing a couple of survey turns in the wrong place.

Probably the most lasting and most easily identified landmarks from the 1737 map are two property boundaries. The boundary line between the Robert Bristow and George Brent parcels has been well preserved in the property boundaries shown in deed records and fence lines for the past 275 years (Figure 8). All of Crockett Road (Route 709) and the west edge of Valley View Park are part of the surviving boundary line between the Brent and Bristow tracts.

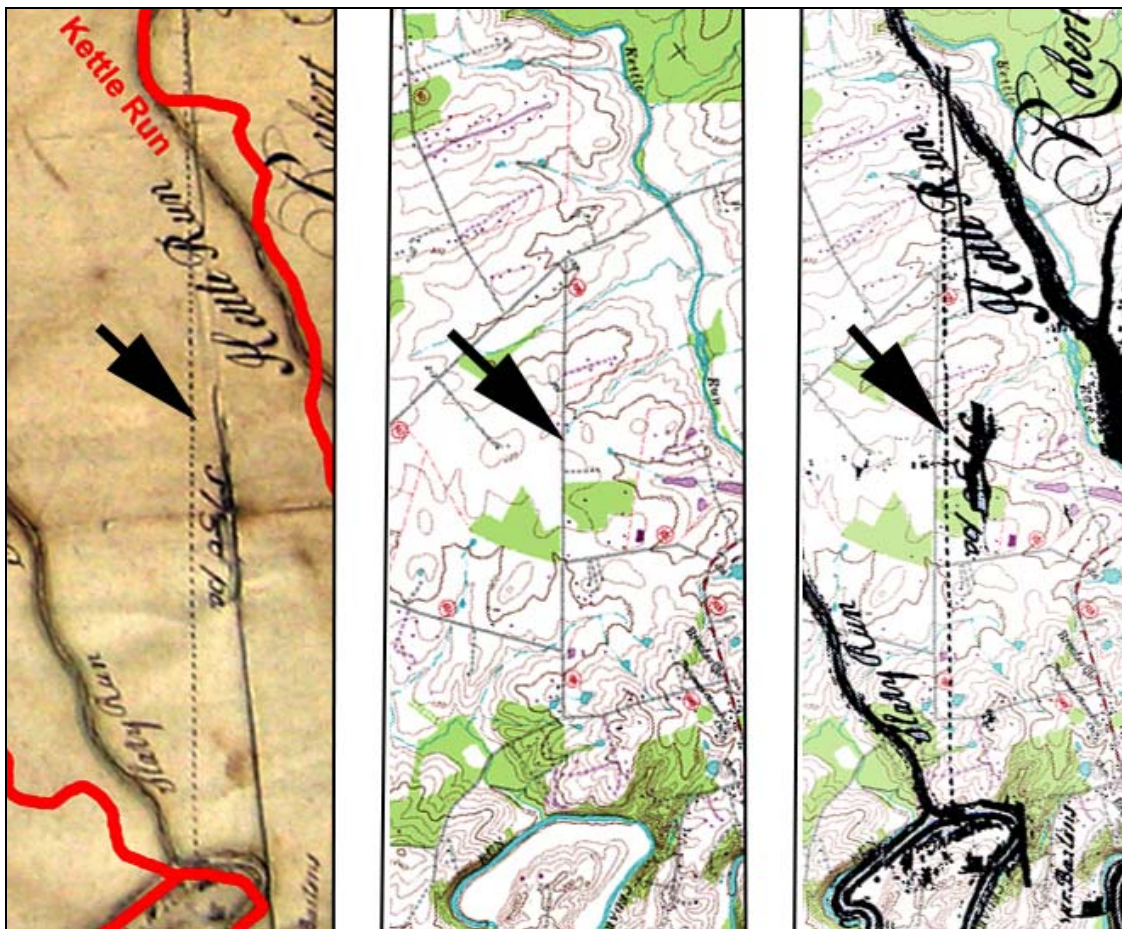


Figure 8: George Brent and Robert Bristow boundary in 1737 and modern times

The boundary line between George Brent and Samuel Hayward has also been preserved much in the same way (Figure 9). Aden Road (Route 646), from Victory Baptist Church on the northwest to just north of Cedar Run on the southeast, represents the majority of this portion of the 1737 map. A small portion of the western boundary of Richard Foot's tract may be represented in the first leg of Foulks Road, extending south of Dumfries/Warrenton Road (Route 606). Except for the stream courses, none of the other survey lines from the 1737 map appear to have been preserved in major modern landmarks.

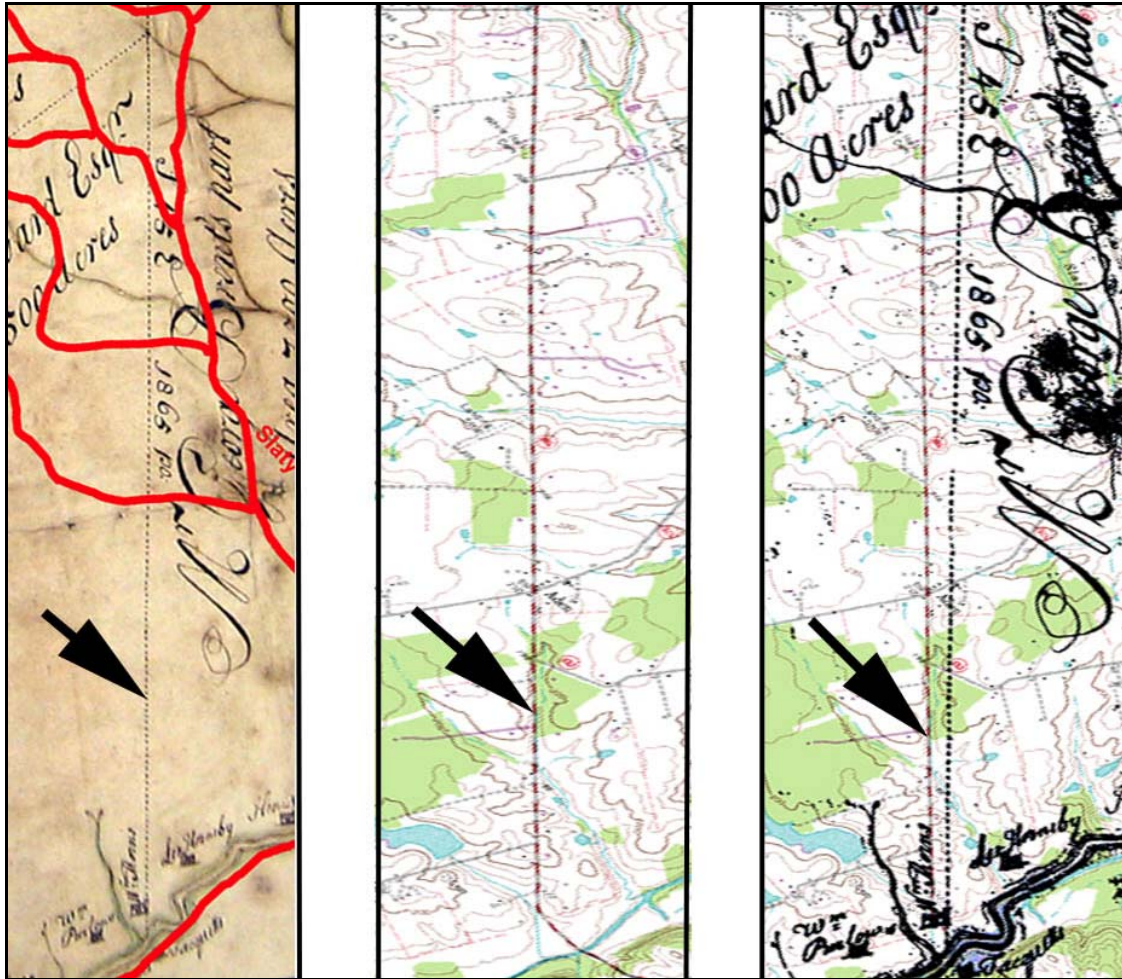


Figure 9: George Brent and Samuel Hayward boundary in 1737 and modern times

One of the largest benefits from the map overlays was the ability to identify the locations of the 39 named residences from the 1737 map on the modern USGS map (Figure 10). Nine of the houses from the 1737 map were actually located outside the Brent Town Tracts, more than likely drafted as landmarks or lines of sight during the 1737 survey. The placement of the house sites on the USGS map has already correlated a few locations with known archaeological sites, which will help in future research in the path of construction/development in the Brent Town Tract area.

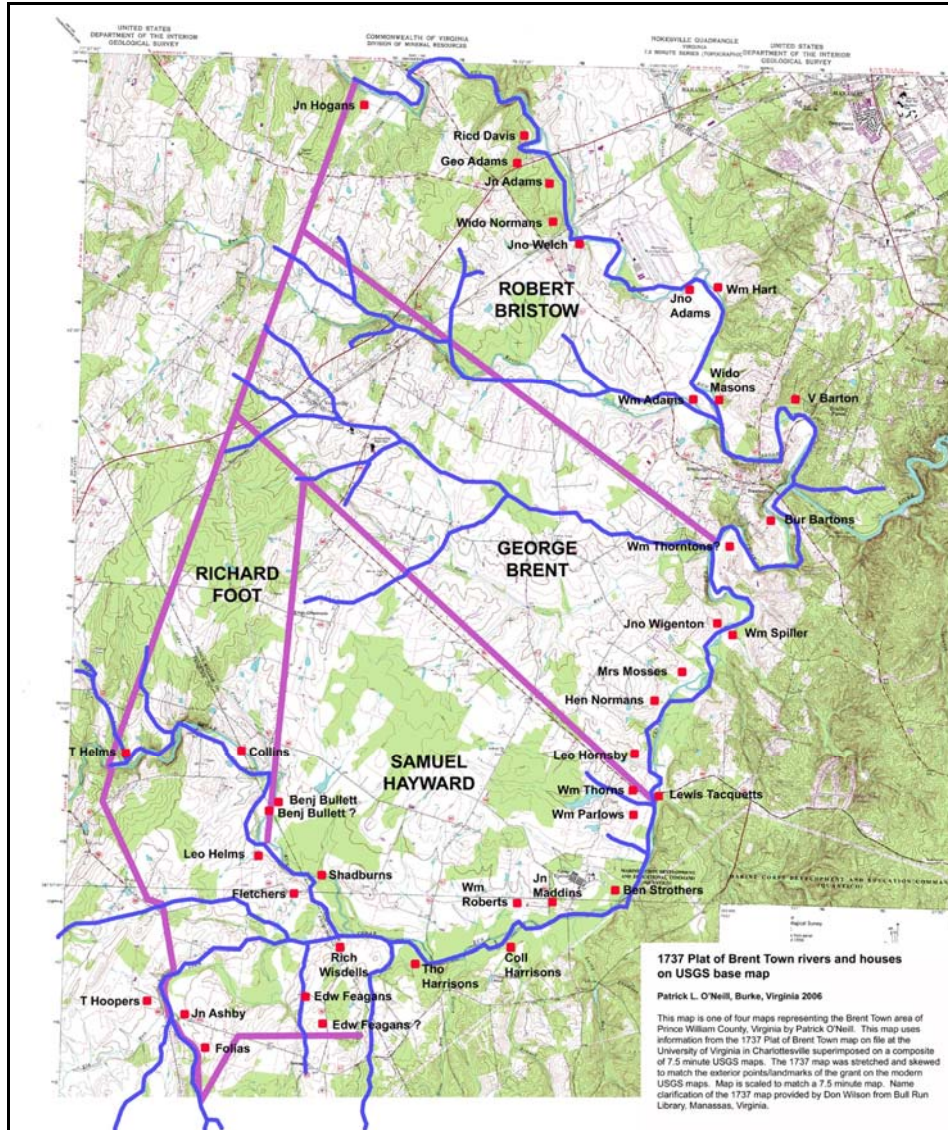


Figure 10: 1737 map information on the modern USGS map

Adjusting the 1737 map to the modern USGS then allowed for importation of the cartographic details from the deeds of the 1824 Bristow Tract land distribution⁷. Deedmapper⁸ was used to configure the boundaries of the 54 tracts of the 1824 land distribution to check for accuracies between the 1824 map and the 1824 deeds. Even though some adjustments had to be made, the majority of the tract boundaries conformed to modern fences, roads, and tree lines (Figure 11).

Vint Hill Road, Bristow Road, and Route 28 are just some examples of the historic road system represented in the 1824 map and deed records that still exists today (Figure 12). Bristow Road

⁷ Prince William County Deed Book 19, pages 398-407.

⁸Deedmapper™ is a program to configure deeds using bearing and distances. The Ruth E. Lloyd Information Center (RELIC) Bull Run Library in Manassas uses Deedmapper to compile data on Prince William County patents and deeds. For more information, see <http://www.directlinesoftware.com/>.

(Route 619) bisected the rectangular parcel set aside for Brentsville, which by 1820, contained the site for the Prince William County Courthouse⁹ (Figure 13).

The overlays of the 1737 Brent Town Tract and the 1824 Bristow Tract onto modern USGS maps was a great success. Land boundaries and house locations and residents from the early 18th century and land tracts from the 1820s were plotted onto modern maps. The digital files will be printed using the original large format scale to use for detailed historic research in northeastern Fauquier County and western Prince William County. Donated copies of the digital maps have been given to the RELIC, the Albert and Shirley Small Special Collections Library at the University of Virginia, and the Geography and Map Division of the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C.

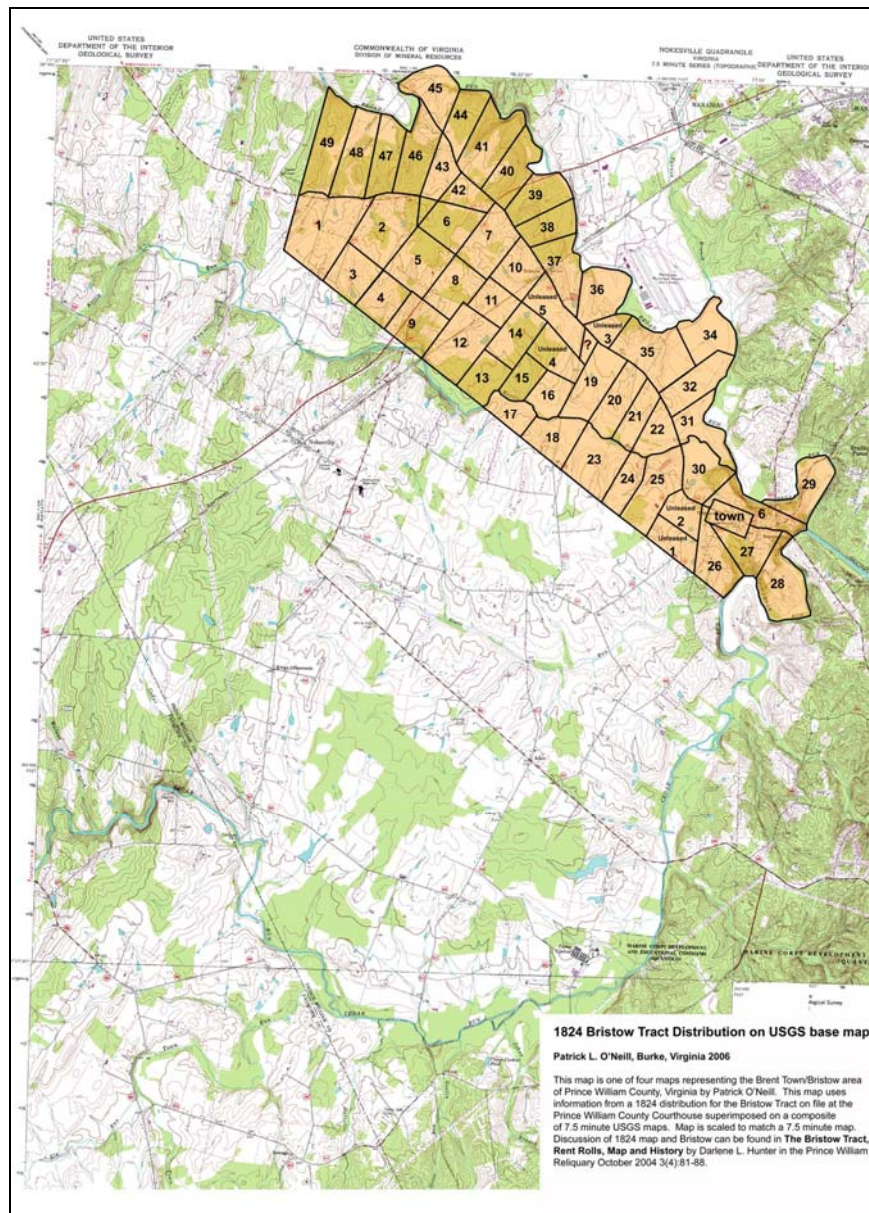


Figure 11: Map details from the 1824 map on a modern USGS map

⁹ Brentsville Courthouse Historic Centre online at www.pwcgov.org, click on Visitors, Historic Preservation, Education and Research; the courthouse was completed by 1822.

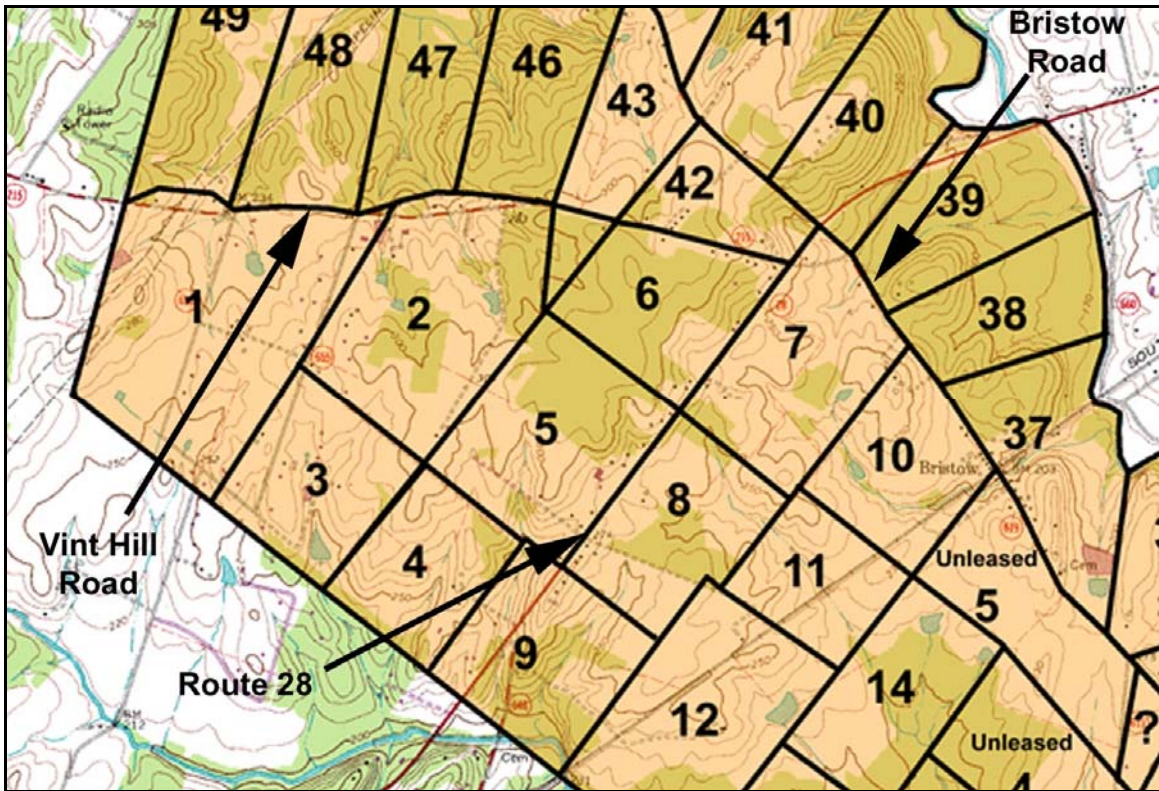


Figure 12: Road locations from the 1824 map on modern map

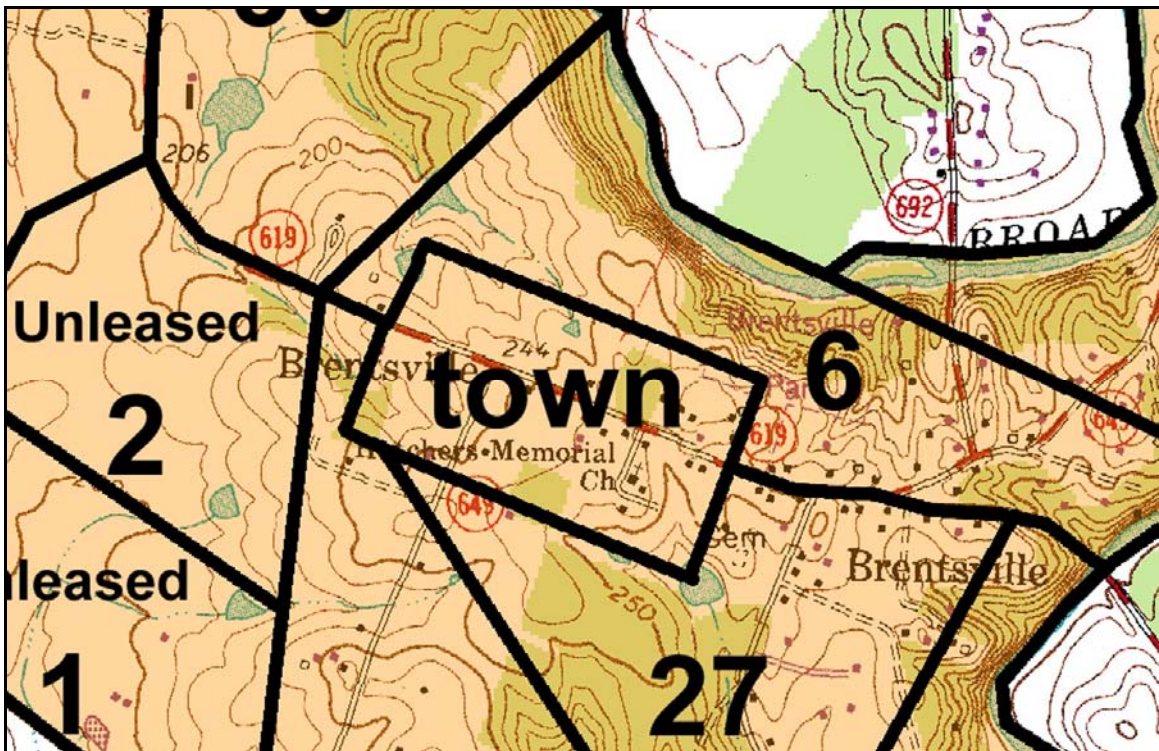


Figure 13: 1824 Brentsville boundaries on modern map

Dr. David C. Cline's Business Ledger 1911-1930

Abstracted by Beverly R. Veness

(Continued from vol. 6, no. 1)

Dr. David C. Cline was a physician in the Dumfries area from about 1905 until his death on 16 August 1931, at age 63¹. He lived at the Alexander Henderson house in Dumfries with his second wife, Miss Annie G. Keys of Joplin, Va., coming here from Wardensville, West Virginia, where he was born.^{2,3} He served the residents not only as their doctor but was active in politics and business (helping to create the Quantico National Bank) and for four years served as acting postmaster of Quantico.⁴ He opened the first Chevrolet dealership in Prince William County and owned the first car in the Dumfries/Triangle area.⁵ His son David loaned his father's day book to the Library of Virginia in 1991 for filming. An interesting note by his son (which was filmed as a part of the ledger) says: "Thank you for accepting this research and gen. material for the Prince Wm. archives. It covers dozens of descendants all over this country. I have been in touch with most of them. Dr. Cline was not much on keeping accounts, as you will see. The book covers people from 1905 to 1931 here in Pr. Wm. David C. Cline."

All names in the ledger were abstracted from the microfilm at the Bull Run Regional Library.⁶ Not all of Dr. Cline's notes about his patients are included, only those thought to be of genealogical or historical interest. Some names only appeared in the index or on the cover sheet where he wrote notations. Names on the inside of the front cover are indexed as IC, the first or flyleaf page is indexed as F, and the page on the reverse of the flyleaf is indexed as RF. Back Cover indexed BC. Some names were only found in the index. It seems Dr. Cline erased the entry in the ledger if he needed the page. When names were spelled differently in the index than in the ledger, I've taken note. As his son wrote, Dr. Cline was not much for keeping books so I had to guess on some years which you will see in brackets. Place names are italicized. The word Obst is the abbreviation for Obstetrics. His standard fee for delivering babies was between \$5 and \$15. Many times he took produce as payment.

Name	Dates	Associated names, interesting notes, etc.	Page
Redmen, Emery	1928		439
Redmond, Henry	1916	Obst Feb. 10, 1916 ⁷	303
Reeves	1913		195
Reid, Chas. & Fannie	1912-16	<i>Dumfries</i> ; Owen; girls leg	70, 292
Reid, Dan	1912-[17]	Acc't summary Dec. 27 includes note "Dead." Last visit Dec. 15 [1917]	65
Reid, Ernest	1916	Obst Nov. 11, 1916	353
Reid, Joe	1912-[13]		78

¹ David C. Cline death notice, *Manassas Journal*, 20 Aug. 1931, pages 1 and 8.

² "May 16 Program Features Story of Early Prince William Physician," *The Newsletter of the Prince William County Genealogical Society*, vol. 8, no. 11 (May 1990): 1.

³ Marriage of David C. Cline to Annie G. Keys (1907), Ronald R. Turner, *Prince William County Virginia Marriages 1854-1938* (Manassas, Va.: R. R. Turner, 2002), 71.

⁴ William C. Ritter, *Post Offices and Post Masters of Prince William County, Virginia 1776-1971* (1992), indexed by Margaret B. Binning (Manassas: RELIC, 2002), 20, 34. Shows David C. Cline served from December 1921 to June 1926.

⁵ David C. Cline [Jr.], *The Cline Family of Virginia* (Triangle, Va.: D. C. Cline, 1990), 7-11.

⁶ David C. Cline, *Dr. D. C. Cline's Business Ledger, 1911-1930*; 570 pages; microreproduction (Richmond, Va.: Virginia State Library and Archives, 1991); Library of Virginia miscellaneous reel 1099.

⁷ Jas. Milton Redmond, born 9 Feb. 1916, Coles Dist., s/o Harvey Elsworth and Winiford Ruth (Tapscote_?) Redmond of Independent Hill. Turner, *PWC Births*, 84. Note: Date and father's first name differs.

Reid, Sam	1912-28	Obst Jan. 30, [1916]; Obst May 22, 1919; Obst Nov. 20, [yr.?] James; Obst Feb. 15, 1923; Obst Jan. 31, 19[24?]	10, 386
Reid, Squire	1912-1928	Kent Reid; Obst May 3, 1919	91
Reid, Wallace	1912-13	Obst Mar. 2, 1913 ⁸ ; Dead ⁹	36
Renner, Tobe	1912-1914	Harry Reener [sic]	108
Retzer, William	1912		66
Reynold, J. A.	1912-[15]	Ed Shepherd	52
Reynolds, Joe (<i>Colored</i>)	1913	Starkweather (says Col. in index)	1
Reynolds, Thos. (<i>Colored</i>)	1912-18	Obst Apr. 20, 1913 ¹⁰ ; Obst Aug. 30, [1915] ; Obst Sept 6, 1915.	48
Reynolds, Thos. (<i>White</i>)	6/18/1916		RF
Riley, Kyle	1912		71
Riley, Tom		See Williams, Fenton	
Riley, Tom	1927	<i>Cherry Hill, Va.</i> Obst Mar. 10, 1928; Obst June 26, 1929; Mr. Crow; Mrs. Cline	433
Risen, Harvey	1914		262
Risen, Marshle	1915		262
Rison (Risen), Tom	1914-28	<i>Cherry Hill</i> Marshel Rison; Obst Jan. 26 [1917] ¹¹ ; Obst Feb. 25, 1918	245, 392
Rison, Jim	1916		337
Rison, John	1912-18	Mrs. Clark; Mrs. C.	8
Roberson, Louise		See Cabin Branch Mine	
Roberson, Louise	1913		218
Robinson, Maria	1915-21		246
Robinson, Ruben	1928	<i>Joplin, Va.</i>	441
Roles & Carter	1913	County lunacy	F
Roles, Ida (Mrs.)	1916-21	Obst June 5, 1919	345
Roles, Jim (<i>Colored</i>)	1914	Index says Colored	238
Roles, Malon	1913		153
Roles, Maurice	No date		Index
Roles, Raymond	1912-14		4
Roles, Sam	1913		178
Roles, William (Old)	1916-21	Obst Sep. 6, 1916	345
Rothwell, Jane (Mrs.)	1921		426
Russell, Cleve	1928		434
Russell, Geo.	No dates		F
Russell, Geo.	1913-29		169
Russell, W. T.	1912-[13]	Medicine for baby	29
Sanders, Bob	1913		143
Sang (Mrs.)	1914		235
Saunders, William	1912-15		197
Scroggins (Mr.)	No date		Index
Shakleford (Mr.)	1919-21	<i>Agne[w]ville</i> Obst July 13, 1919	397
Shepherd, Ed		See Reynolds, J. A.	

⁸ Girl Reid, born 2 Mar. 1913, Dumfries Dist., d/o Wallace and Pauline (Bates) Reid. Turner, *PWC Births*, 85.

⁹ Wallice Read, born 18 Jan. 1893 Virginia; died 18 Dec. 1917; father was Daniel Read, mother was Maggie Thomas. Buried home cemetery. Turner, *PWC Death Records*, 53. Note: Last name differs slightly.

¹⁰ Girl Reynolds, born 20 Apr. 1913, Dumfries Dist., d/o Thomas Lee and Grace (Davis) Reynolds. Turner, *PWC Births*, 85.

¹¹ Girl Rison (stillborn), born 26 Jan. 1917, Dumfries Dist., d/o Thomas and Eva (Morgan) Rison of *Cherry Hill, Va.* Turner, *PWC Births*, 86.

Shepherd [Shepperd], Ed & Thos. Sr.	1912-[16]	Mime, Ed Shepherd-to see wife, Thos. To see wife; M. Shepperd; Tom Sr.; Under Ed-Obst Dec. 3 [1915?]; Ed. Jr.; Ed-son [in index]	52, 248, 308, 309
Shepperd, Joe	1920-28		402
Simms, Dan	1926		400
Simons, Dan	No date		Index
Simpson, Hattie	1912-18		34
Sims, Iz or Ig	19??-21		158
Sims, Joe	2/1919		IC
Sisson, Geo.		Erased on page	125, Index
Sisson, Henry	1912	Operation	159
Sisson, Irvie	1912	Died; last entry date Aug. 29, 1912	48
Sisson, Joe Sr. & Jr.	1920	Joe Jr.	316
Sisson, Lucian	[1913]-15		130
Sisson, Mamie	1912-20	Ed; W. W. Sisson; Mr. Sisson Sr.	93
Sisson, Mathew	1915-19	<i>Quantico</i>	317
Sisson, Tom	1915		316
Sisson, W.		See Cabin Branch Mine	
Sisson, W. W.	1912		28
Skidmore, Bettie	1917		180
Slansky, Mike	1921	Obst Sept. 11, 1921	424
Slav	No date	<i>Near Hayes</i>	RF
Slave	1913	(believe Dr. Cline is referring to his Slavic ethnicity) At Ed Clarks	F
Slingerland, Jake	1915		281
Slingerland, Ozie	1913-21	Obst July 21, [1913]; Obst Jan. 22, 1917 ¹²	170
Smith (Mr.)	1919	<i>In Stafford</i>	Index
Smith (Mr.)	1915	<i>At Shepperds</i>	316
Smith, Gen. and Annie Smith	1912-17	Obst for Hester [no date]; setting leg; crutches	96, 356
Smith, General	1916-17		356
Snapp (Mr.)	1915	<i>Agne[w]ville, Va.</i>	320
Souter, Ione	No Yr.	Arm attention	350
Souter, Lillie (Mrs.)	No Yr.		149
Speake, Clay	1913-19	For Annie; Mrs. S.; setting leg; Mrs. Anna Speak	220, 369
Speake, Willie (Colored.)	1912		109
Stalls, Amos (Mrs.)	1912-13		15
Starke, B.W.(Wallace)	1912-21	Index has first name Wallace	46, Index
Starke, Clifton	1913	Obst Sept. 8, 1913 ¹³	206
Starke, J. S.	[1913?]		170
Stevens, Earnest (Jr.)	1916-[17]	<i>Quantico, Va.</i>	339
Stevens, John	1920		339
Stevenson (old man)	1913	<i>At Quantico</i>	121
Sting, W. E.	No Yr.	Arville's husband	413, End
Stone, Alex (Mr.)	1914-[15]	<i>Cherry Hill</i> Obst Feb. 23, 1914 ¹⁴ ; Obst Nov. 4, [1915]	227

¹² Boy Slingerland (stillborn), born 22 Jan. 1917, Coles Dist., s/o Osie O. and Jennie (Ruckett) Slingerland of Bellfair Mills. Turner, *PWC Births*, 95.

¹³ Dwight Clifton Storke, born 8 Sep. 1913, Coles Dist., s/o Clifton W. and Malsena (Wine) Storke of Independent Hill. Turner, *PWC Births*, 99. Note: Surname spelled differently.

Stribling, Jim		See Duvall, Katie	
Strobert, Walter	1915	Died; last entry Dec. 28.	322
Stroder, Ed	1914		238
Sullivan, Bob	1913-27	<i>At Mts.[?] Holly</i> ; Roena Sullivan; Mrs. M. E. Sullivan	148
Sullivan, Fred	1913-[16]		212
Sullivan, Milton	1925-28	Obst Sept. 8, 1925; Obst Aug. 19, 1927	430, 435
Sunderland?, Dick	No date		Index
Suning		See Hicks, Walter; See Clan, Joe	
Syncox, Bessie	1913-[14]		213
Tacey (Mrs.)	1916-17	Young Tacey	359
Tacey, Barnes	[1925?]-29	Obst Mar. 12 [1925?]; cash to Mrs. Cline	444
Tapscott	1912-21	<i>Near Williams</i> ; Ed	136
Tapscott, James	1915-19	<i>Independent Hill</i> Setting leg	305
Taylor, Bob	No Yr.	Ex. tooth	270
Taylor, Bud	1915	<i>Agne[w]ville at/or? Hoadly</i> ; Obst June 12, 1915 ¹⁵	160
Tewel, Carrington	1912	Ex teeth	132
Tewell, Clementine	1912	Obst June 18, 1912	135
Tewell, Nora	1914-16		211
Therlow, K. (Mrs.)		See Kincheloe, Billy	
Thomas, Bob	1915-25		275
Thomas, Geo.	1913-16	<i>Minnieville, Va.</i>	151
Thomas, Jack	1913-16	For girl	167, 358
Thomas, Sophia	1912-[14]	Lulu (Lu) Thomas, Bet Thomas; Old Jack Thomas (Jack Thomas, Sr., grandfather – written in index)	7
Thornton	3/21 Yr.?		RF
Tibbs, H.	1915		285
Timmons, Wallace W.	[1913]-14		173
Todd (Mr.)	1913-14	<i>At Mine</i>	138
Toliver (Mrs.)	1917-20		376
Tolson, Jas.		<i>Entry erased</i>	169, index
Tolson, Will	1917-21	Claud Tolson	373
Tubbs, Fred	1912-16	ex. Bells teeth; Harry Tubbs; John Tubbs; setting arm	90
Tubbs, H. C.		See Cornwell, William	
Tubbs, John	1913		190
Turner, Bill	1920		398
Turner, R. W.	1912	<i>Agnewville</i>	15
Tyson, Henry	1920		337
Upton, Hobsom	1929		445
Vargo, Mitchel	1915	Obst Jan. 25, 1915 ¹⁶	272
Vaughn	1913-[14]		87
Waite, Bob	1920		406
Walker		<i>Entry erased</i>	146, index
Washington, Lucy	1914		240
Waters, E. C. (Mrs.)	1913-14		249
Waters, Ruel	1913		173

¹⁴ Girl Stone, born 23 Feb. 1914, Dumfries Dist., d/o Alexander and Laura Virginia (Williams) Stone. Turner, *PWC Births*, 99.

¹⁵ Thornton Cline Taylor, born 12 Jun. 1915, Occoquan Dist., s/o Jas. Franklin and Ellen E. (Tartison) Taylor of Agnewville. Turner, *PWC Births*, 101.

¹⁶ Ann Varga, born Jan. 24, 1915 Dumfries Dist., d/o Michael and Judith (Hundsct) Varga of Minnieville; father born at Bchaba, Austria-Hungary; mother born at Resteo, Austria-Hungary. Turner, *PWC Births*, 105. *Note*: Date and father's name differ.

Watson, Andrew	1913-20		166
Watson, Dick	1928		435
Watson, Flossie Cole	1927	Obst Aug. 21, 1927	413
Watson, Poly Jr.	1928		435
Weber, Philip	1914	Entry erased; index spells surname Webber	219, index
Wedding, Lou	1913		210
Weedon, Geo.	[1913]		202
Weeks, Ed	1912	Died ¹⁷ ; widow; Bessie; for leg	119
West, Jim	1912-16		27, 320
Wheat, Ray	1914		228
Whitly, Andrew	1915	Will Whitely	277
Wigginton, Virginia (Virgie)	1913-[14]		182
Williams, Arthur	1914		184
Williams, Bill	1915		268
Williams, Bob	1916-17		360
Williams, Clarence	1911-21	For his boy	87, 310, 354
Williams, Earl	1913-20		Index, 159
Williams, Ep	1914-15		88
Williams, Fenton	1927	10% due Mr. Crow; pd. by Tom Riley	432
Williams, Frank	1912-14		204
Williams, Harvey	1914-[15]		260
Williams, Jim	1915-29	Obst Jan. 2 [1915] ¹⁸ ; Obst Aug. 31, 1917; Obst July [2?] [1929?]	326
Williams, Mary Ann Davis	1912-27	Lottie; Kile Williams	51
Williams, Preston	1917-21	Lila Williams	359
Williams, Rowena	1927-28	Obst Feb. 26, 1927	342
Williams, Stella	6/27/1915	Written "who is husband"	RF
Williams, Tom	1914		233
Williams, W. A.	1916		328
Williams, W. C.	1912-[13]		88
Williams, Walter	1912		18
Williams, Zeal	1915		275
Willis, Noble	1912	Entry crossed off on page	51
Willis, Peter	1912-16	<i>Bellfire or Bellfur</i>	103
Winsor, Luther	1915-16	Setting arm	249, 331
Wolf or Woolf, Pauline and Brother Geo.	1912		102
Wood, Harry	1913		F
Wood, Henry	1914-15		IC, 296
Woolfenden, Ray	1916		338
Woolfenden, Raymond and family	1912-20	Raymond; Mrs. Woolfenden; old man W.; Tom Woolfenden Jr.; Mable; Walter; Ray; Aunt B.	69
Woolfenden, Thos	1925-26	Walter	350
Wright, Cleve	1912-16		44
Young, Tom	1913		200

¹⁷ Edward Week, born 10 Mar 1873 in Virginia; died 26 Mar 1914 of poliomyelitis; father was Lawrence Week, mother was Harriet. Turner, *PWC Death Records*, 66.

¹⁸ Boy Williams, born 2 Jan. 1916, Dumfries Dist., s/o James and Mary (Randall) Williams. Turner, *PWC Births*, 110. *Note*: Year differs.

**Churchwardens, Overseers of the Poor, Apprenticeships, and Indentures
from Prince William County Court Minute Books, 1752-1755**

Compiled by Joan W. Peters, C.G.

Prince William County Court Minute Book 1752-1753¹

June 23, 1752 Court, page 15.

Churchwardens of Hamilton Parish to bind out **William Boling**, apprentice to Simon Miller as a cordswainer and to learn to read and write, according to law.

July 29, 1752 Court, page 50.

George Neavil & Wm. Russau, Churchwardens of Hamilton Parish v. Mary Areen [Arven?] – In Debt.

George Neavil & Wm. Russau came into Court [represented] by their attorneys. The deft. Mary Areen, although summoned, did not come to Court. Therefore, the Court ordered that an *Alias Capias* [another summons] be issued against her returnable to the next Court.

February 27, 1753 Court, page 99.

Churchwardens of Dettingen Parish [to] bind out **Mary Dimsdim**, a **bastard child of Mary Dimsdim**, to John Simms, according to law.

May 29, 1753 Court, page 114.

Churchwardens of Dettingen Parish [to] bind out **James Withers, an orphan**, to Bertrand Ewell, Gent. as a bricklayer, according to law.

May 30, 1753 Court, page 118.

John Cook agrees in Court to serve his master Benjamin Rush for one year after his time by Indenture has expired [on] consideration of his teaching him ... the trade of Blacksmith, which is approved by the Court and ordered certified.

May 30, 1753 Court, page 129.

Churchwardens of Hamilton Parish [to] bind out **Reason Young** to Thomas Bullitt as a Cooper. Cuthbert Harrison, Gent. became Bullit's security for performing the same.

May 30, 1753 Court, pages 132-133.

Churchwardens, Hamilton Parish v. **Margaret Johnson** – For Bastardy
Judgment is granted the Churchwarden of Hamilton Parish against the deft for their costs expended by the occasion of the above presentment.

Churchwardens, Hamilton Parish v. **Mary Shields** – For Bastardy
Judgment is granted the Churchwardens of Hamilton Parish against the deft for 500 pounds of tobacco and a cask or 50 shillings current money, which the deft is ordered to pay the Churchwardens for the use of Hamilton Parish, [along] with costs.

¹ Minute Book 1752-1753; Prince William County Court Records, microfilm reel 25, Library of Virginia.

May 31, 1753 Court, page 141.

Churchwardens, Dettingen Parish v. **Sarah Preston** – [For] Bastardy
The Sheriff, returning that the debt was not to be found, the Court ordered an *Alias Capias* issue against her, returnable to the next Court.

May 31, 1753 Court, pages 143-144.

Churchwardens, Dettingen Parish v. **Mary Rowser** -- [For] Bastardy
This day the debt was solemnly called and failed to appear. The order against her and John Neaville her security is confirmed for five hundred pounds of Tobacco and cask or fifty shillings current money which they are ordered to pay the church wardens of the said Parish for the use of the poor of the said parish with costs *alias* execution.

May 31, 1753 Court, page 146.

Churchwardens, Dettingen Parish v. **Mary Connell** – [For] Bastardy
This suit is continued until the next Court.

May 31, 1753 Court, page 147.

Churchwardens, Dettingen Parish v. **Elizabeth Davis** – [For] Bastardy
The Court ordered that a *plurias Capias* issue against the debt, returnable to the next Court.

Churchwardens, Dettingen Parish v. **Margaret Sowell** – [For] Bastardy
The Court ordered that a *plurias Capias* issue against the debt, returnable to the next Court.

May 31, 1753 Court, page 149.

Churchwardens, Dettingen Parish v. **Mary Garner** – [For] Bastardy
The Court ordered a *plurias Capias* issued against the Deft returnable to the next Court.

Churchwardens, Dettingen Parish v. **Mary Jones** – [For] Bastardy
The Court ordered a *plurias Capias* issued against the Deft returnable to the next Court.

Churchwardens, Hamilton Parish v. **Mary Arvin** – [For] Bastardy
The Court ordered a *plurias Capias* issued against the Deft returnable to the next Court.

May 31, 1753 Court, page 150.

Churchwardens, Hamilton Parish v. **Mary Ayres** – [For] Bastardy
This suit is dismissed.

May 31, 1753 Court, page 155.

Churchwardens, Hamilton Parish v. **Jane Jewers [Jervers?]** – [For] Bastardy
The Court ordered an *Alias Capias* issued against the Deft returnable to the next Court.

June 25, 1753 Court, page 160.

On the petition of **Paul Keehone** against William Lashbrook for freedom dues. The Court ordered that Lashbrook be summoned to answer the same at the next court.

June 25, 1753 Court, page 162.

On the petition of William Pritchett, it is ordered that the Churchwardens of Hamilton Parish bind **Elizabeth Magussio [Maguffie?]** to him according to law.

July 27, 1753 Court, page 182.

The petition of John Baysie to have a **child of Gibson's** bound to him is dismissed.

August 27, 1753 Court, page 219.

On the **petition of Mildred Thompson**, it is ordered that the Churchwardens of Dettingen Parish bind **John Kelly** as a house carpenter to her according to law.

November 26, 1756 Court, page 307.

Churchwardens of Dettingen Parish [to] bind out **Caleb Blage** to James Nesbitt, Gent as a carpenter, according to law.

November 26, 1753 Court, page 309.

John Lee came into Court and acknowledged to [that he would] serve Bertrand Ewell Gent for three years from the last of May next ensuing.

November 27, 1753 Court, page 313.

Churchwardens of Dettingen Parish [to] bind out **Samuel Dobbins** to George Calvert the Younger as a shoemaker.

November 27, 1753 Court, page. 315.

Churchwardens, Dettingen Parish v. **Mary Rowser** – [For] Bastardy
This suit is continued until the next court.

Prince William County Court Minute Book 1754-1755²

January 28, 1754 Court, page 3.

On hearing the complaint of **Edward Thompson, an orphan**, against John Diskin, it is ordered that Thompson be discharged from any further service to John Diskin.

January 28, 1754 Court, page 6.

Churchwardens of Dettingen Parish [to] bind out **Thomas Howell, orphan of Henry Howell**, to James Grinstead as a carpenter until he is 21.

January 28, 1754 Court, page 8.

Chandler Carter, orphan of William Carter decd, by his own free and voluntary consent is bound to Solomon Jones as a blacksmith until he is 21.

March 27, 1754 Court, page 17.

The Court ordered that **Sarah Ogleby** be summoned to appear at the next Court to answer the [complaint] of the Churchwardens of Hamilton Parish against her.

March 27, 1754 Court, page 21.

The complaint of **Catherine Murphy** against her master Bailey Johnson was heard. The Court ordered her to return to Bailey Johnson for her service.

² Order Book 1754-1755; Prince William County Court Records, microfilm reel 25, Library of Virginia.

April 22, 1754 Court, page 38.

Churchwardens of Hamilton Parish [to] bind out **Richard Hall** to William Jones as a joiner according to law.

September 24, 1754 Court, page 146.

On the petition of John Cargyle, it is ordered that the Churchwardens of Dettingen Parish bind **Thomas Jones, orphan of Thomas Jones**, to him as a blacksmith according to law.

May 25, 1755 Court, page 230.

Churchwardens of Hamilton Parish [to] bind out **Sarah Sutton, orphan**, to Charles Martin until she attains lawful age.

May 27, 1755 Court, page 249.

Churchwardens of Dettingen Parish [to] bind out **William Fewell, orphan of John Fewell decd.**, to Benjamin Rush Jr as a blacksmith, until he attains lawful age.

July 28, 1755 Court, page 264.

Churchwardens of Hamilton Parish [to] bind **William Robinson Holliday, an orphan child**, to James Young as a weaver.

July 28, 1755 Court, page 265.

Ann Brown [having been issued and execution] at the suit of the Churchwardens of Hamilton Parish delivered a schedule of her estate under oath. Thereupon the Court discharged her according to law.

August 25, 1755 Court, page 275.

The Court ordered the Vestry of Dettingen Parish to divide their Parish into precincts and to appoint two or more freeholders in every precinct to see the lands there in processioned according to law.

The Court ordered the Vestry of Hamilton Parish to divided their parish into precincts and appoint two or more freeholders in every precinct to see the land therein processioned according to law.

August 27, 1755 Court, page 282.

Churchwardens, Dettingen Parish v. **Elizabeth Welch** – Presentment [for bearing a bastard child?] This suit abates, the deft being dead.

September 22, 1755 Court, page 309.

Churchwardens of Dettingen Parish [to] bind out **Barnaby Colwell, a base born child of Margaret Colwell** to John Foley as a shoemaker, until he attains lawful age.

**DUMFRIES DISTRICT COURT
LAND CAUSES 1793-1811**

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[Page 134] [*Marginalia*] M^cDANIELS &^c vs. M^cDANIELS &^c

To the Worshipfull Court of Prince William County in Chancery. Humbly complaining your orator and oratrix's Esme SMOCK & Behethelen his wife, James WIGGINTON and Winifred his wife (which said Behethelen and Winifred are two of the heiresses of the late William M^cDANIEL) and Flora M^cDANIEL Alfred M^cDANIEL and James M^cDANIEL another heiress and heirs of the same William M^cDANIEL deceased all infants under the age of Twenty one Years by the said Esme SMOCK their Guardian and Sophia M^cDANIEL and William M^cDANIEL another heiress and another heir of the said William M^cDANIEL and both infants under the age of Twenty one Years by the said James WIGGINTON their Guardian shew unto your Worships that the said William M^cDANIEL the father of those of your Orators and Oratrix's who are heirs and heiresses as herein before mentioned lately departed this life leaving a Very Considerable real estate undisposed of by will and leaving besides those of your Orators & oratrix's who are his Children as aforesaid, others namely Jane M^cDANIEL Betsy M^cDANIEL and Polly M^cDANIEL all of full age and Narcissa M^cDANIEL Kitty M^cDANIEL & Reuben M^cDANIEL infants under the age of Twenty one Years which last mentioned children are with those named in Your Orators and Oratrix's equally entitled to a proportion of their dec^d father[']s Estate and which last named Children your Orators and Oratrix's pray may be made defendants to this their Bill. Your Orators and Oratrix's further Shew that the said William M^cDANIEL also left living his relict and Widow Lucy M^cDANIEL who your Orators & Oratrixs also pray may be made a Defendant to their Bill.

[Page 135] That by law the said Widow is entitled to Dower and threatens unless it be assigned to her to keep possession of the Mansion house and the messuage and Tenement thereunto belonging without paying any rent for the same which said Mansion house and Tenement lying in prince William is by far the most considerable part of the said M^cDANIELs Estate[.] But now so it is may it please your Worships that for Want of proper process at Law & because of the Infancy of Many of the said M^cDANIELs Children Shewn in this Bill and of the Want of the Consent of others such assignment of dower cannot be made without the aid of this Worshipful Court. All which premises tend to the Great injury of your Orators & Oratrix's And forasmuch as a Court of Equity only hath Cognizance in the Case to grant full and adequate relief To the End therefore that the said Defendants may upon their corporal oaths full true & perfect answer make to the premises and that Commissioners may be appointed by your Worships to assign to the said Widow her dower in all the said M^cDANIELs Lands and that such Dower as may be assigned to her may be decreed to be enjoyed by her & that such further relief may be Granted and such other decree made as to your Worships shall seem meet. May it please your worships to grant unto your Orators and oratrix's the Commonwths most gracious Writ of Sp^a & Injunction &^c.

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The Joint Answer of Jane M^cDANIEL Betsey McDANIEL & Polly M^cDANIEL of full age and Narcissa M^cDANIEL Kitty M^cDANIEL and Reuben M^cDANIEL infants under the age of Twenty one Years by Lucy M^cDANIEL their Mother and guardian together with the Answer of the said Lucy M^cDANIEL for herself as Widow

[Page 136] And Relict of the William M^cDANIEL to the bill of complaint exhibited against them by Euma SMOCK and others in the Worshipful the County court of Prince William. These respondents Answer to so much of the Complainants bill as is material for them to ans^r to and say that they admit the facts as stated in the Complainants bill and they are Willing to abide by & perform such decree as this court may deem equitable and proper and these Defendants pray to be hence dismissed with Costs &^c.

Lucy M^cDANIEL for myself & as Guardian to Narcissa, Kitty &
Reuben M^cDANIEL my children.

Betsy M^cDANIEL
Jane M^cDANIEL
Polly M^cDANIEL

In Court August 4th 1800 This cause came on to be heard by consent of the parties on this 4th day of August term for 1800 And it appearing to the Court that the Equity of the Compl[ainan]ts bill is not denied upon mature consideration and upon Arguments of counsel, the Court doth adjudge, order and decree that Mathew HARRISON, John LAWSON[,] Willoughby TEBBS, George GRAHAM[,] Wm BEALE & John GIBSON or any three of them together with the Surveyor of Prince William County do on the 11th day of this present month go upon the Lands of the said William M^cDANIEL decd and that the said Mathew HARRISON, John LAWSON, Willoughby TEBBS, George GRAHAM, William BEALE & John GIBSON or any three of them after having such lines run by said Surveyor as to their

[Page 137] To their Judgment shall seem necessary on such Day or on any Subsequent day to which they shall adjourn to lay off and set apart by metes and bounds one equal third part of the said William M^cDANIELs Land (they having regard to the Quality as well as to the Quantity of the said Lands and that they make Report thereof to this Court.

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In Court Sept^r 1st 1800. It appearing to the Court that the order for Survey made in this suit at the last Court hath not been Executed. It is ordered that the Comm^s named in the said Order or any three of them together with the Surveyor of this County do proceed to have the said order executed on the 19th day of this Instant and that they adjourn from time to time as shall be necessary for that purpose.

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In Court September 2nd 1800. On the Motion of the Complainants a Rule is Granted them against the Surveyor of Prince William County to shew cause why he should not be fined for not attending the survey ordered made in this Cause according to Law.

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In Court June 1st 1801. Ordered that the Surveyor of this County do proceed further to survey and run such lines, and make such platt and Corrections in his report as the Commissioners may direct.

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Commissioners Report.

In Obedience to an Order of the Worshipful Court of Prince William County made at August Court 1800 & to us directed, in a Suit in Chancery between James WIGGINTON & others Plfs and Jane M^cDaniel & others Defendants We the Subscribers after Viewing a Platt of the Lands of William

[Page 138] William M^cDANIEL decd which was made out by the Surveyor of the County under our direction and after taking into Consideration the Quality as well as Quantity of said Lands did allott to the defendant Lucy M^cDANIEL Widow of the said William her Dower in the said Lands as included in the platt hereto annexed & marked by figures 1. 2. 3. 4. 6. 10 & 11 Containing One hundred & fifteen Acres and directed the Surveyor to run the dividing line from 10 to 6 so as to include the said Quantity of 115 Acres & return a platt thereof to the Commissioners, in Consequence of which direction the annexed platt was by him returned to us[.] Upon Examination we found the platt correct as to course and distance, but it being Suggested to us that the lines were not run & marked as expressed in the platt especially from 10 to 6 we declined making report at that time Whereupon the Court made an additional Order at June Court 1801 in Consequence of which we on the first day of August 1801 met the Surveyor on the premises & directed him to begin at figure 11 & run 100 poles on the dividing line between CANNON & McDANIEL to figure 10 as in the platt expressed : upon running this line we discovered that to the Stake at figure 10 in the platt and report mentioned was two poles Short of the Actual distance This being corrected we proceeded to Run the dividing line S^o70east 140 poles which we found to differ materially from the former running, tho' we made no Variation in either Course or distance, at the same Time we find that there is no

[Page 139] No error in the Platt, the said Dividing line we have now fully marked & Report the Same as the proper line Which Ought to be Established. Witness our hands this 5th day of August 1801.

J. LAWSON
Will^y TEBBS
John GIBSON.

[*Overlay on Page 139*]

Pursuant to an Order of Worshipful Court of Prince William County bearing date the [*blank*] day of Aug^t 1800 Requiring me to Survey and Set apart Mrs. M^cDANIELs Dower by the direction and Aid of John GIBSON Willoughby TEBBS and John LAWSON Commissioners therein named. I commenced the Survey at Figure **1** a large Gum on the North side of Powells Run extending thence N70° 45 W^c 48 po[les] to Figure **2** two Marked Saplings thence S 75° 30W^c 60 po to **3** a marked black Oak Sapling on a stony hillside thence S19°W^c 40 po to **4** a stump thence S 64° W^c 60 po to **6** thence S 19¼° W^c 142 po to **7** thence N70° W^c132 po to **9** thence N 17° 40 E 243 po to **11** thence S 73° E 278 po to Begin^s including two Hundred & thirty five Acres two Rods & Seven poles[.] Then began for the upper Tract at **A** a White Oak at the

head of a branch extending thence down the s^d branch with the Meanders thereof to **8** in the line of the other Tract thence N 70° W^e 266 po to **B M^r**. HENDERSONs Corner on Bacon Race Road

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thence down s^d Road Tacketts Road thence up Tacketts Road to **C** a Corner to s^d HENDERSON & GIBSONs Lands thence S 26° E 267 po to **D** in Edward HARDENs Corn field thence N 89° E 249 po to **E** several mark[ed] bushes near the head of a branch thence N 58°45' E 56 po to the first Station including three hundred and forty five Acres one Rood & sixteen Poles. I was then directed to Lay off the lot No. **1** Beginning at Figure **1** a large Gum as above described extending thence N 70°.45' W^e 48 po to **2** thence S 75° 30' W^e 60 po to **3** thence S 19° W^e 40 po to **4** thence S 64° W^e 58 po near a Marked Pine & also near figure **6** thence N 70° W^e140 po to **10** a stake in CANNONs line thence N 17° E 100 po to a marked White Oak in TAYLOEs line thence with his line S 73° E 278 po to the Beginning including one Hundred and fifteen Acres for the Dower given under my hand the 25th day of September 1800.

Henry D. HOOE S[urveyor]. P. W^m Co^{ty}.

[Includes a plat of the entire tract and the widow's dower. "Dower" is 1-2-3-4-6-10-11-2, 115 acres 2 roods 7 poles. Parcel above it (6-7-8-9-10-6) is 235 acres 2 roods 7 poles. Larger parcel above that (includes intersection of B[acon] R[ace] Road and Tacketts Road) is A-8-9-B-C-D-E-A, 345 acres 1 rood 16 poles. Scale is 100 poles to an inch.]

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{torn}llis GRAVIT & John CALVERT } Chain Men.

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Henry D. HOOE S[urveyor]. P. W^m County

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