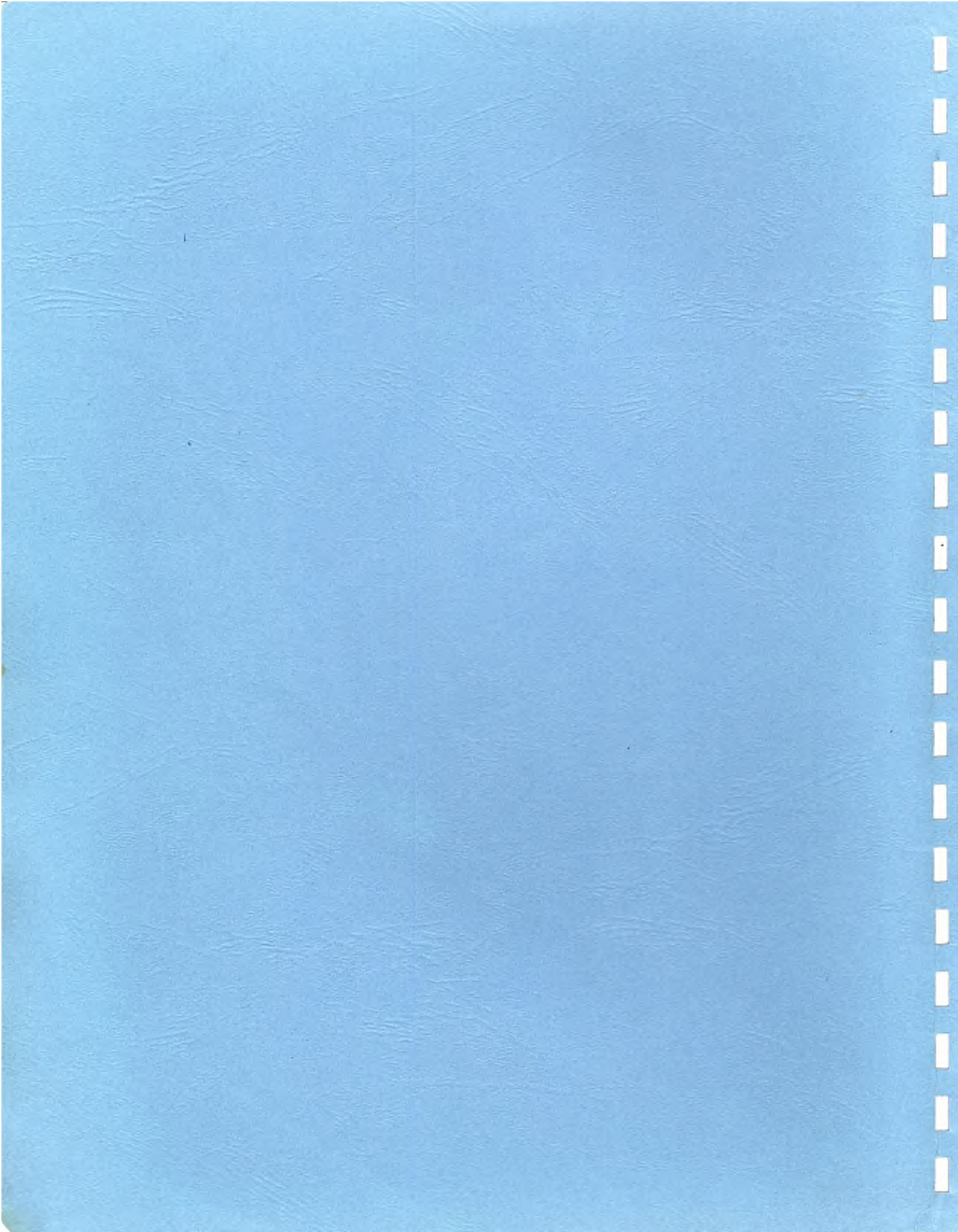


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TYLER FAMILY GUIDE BOOK

JOHN TYLER THE ELDER BOUGHT
200 ACRES OF LAND ON SMITH'S
ISLAND FROM HENRY SMITH ON
AUGUST 8, 1693.

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DEPOSITION PAGE II



THE TYLER FAMILY

First Generation

¹⁶⁵⁵ 1. John¹ TYLER I was born circa 1655: ¹⁶⁵⁵ John¹ died before 1714 in Somerset Co., MD.

He married twice. He married Elizabeth, nee ¹⁶⁶⁵ LITTLETON, Tyler before 1686.¹ Elizabeth, was born on an estimated date of 1665. Elizabeth, died before 08 March 1694 in Somerset Co., MD.²

He married ¹⁶⁷⁰ Alice BUTLER on 8 March 1694 in Somerset Co., MD.³ John Tyler and Alice Butler married by John Huett min. 8 March 1693/4

Alice was born in the estimated year of 1670. Alice died in Somerset Co., MD. John TYLER I resided in Somerset Co., MD in 1676.⁴ John TYLER I resided in Somerset Co., MD in 1686.⁵ Somerset County Maryland Land Records: birth of John Tyler 19 September 1686.

On 19 September 1686, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, John TYLER I and Elizabeth, nee ¹⁶⁶⁵ LITTLETON, Tyler became the parents of ¹⁶⁸⁶ John TYLER² 1st of John.⁶ Somerset Land Records: ¹⁶⁸⁶ John Tyler son of John and Elizabeth Tyler born at Smith's Island 19 September 1686.

On 25 July 1688, in Somerset Co., MD. John TYLER I and Elizabeth, nee ¹⁶⁶⁵ LITTLETON, Tyler became the parents of ¹⁶⁸⁸ Thomas TYLER³ of John I.⁷ Somerset Land Records: ¹⁶⁸⁸ Thomas Tyler son of John and Elizabeth Tyler born 27 July 1688.

On 25 July 1692, in Somerset Co., MD. John TYLER I and Elizabeth, nee ¹⁶⁶⁵ LITTLETON, Tyler became the parents of ¹⁶⁹² Richard TYLER⁴ of John I.⁸ Somerset Land Records: ¹⁶⁹² Richard Tyler son of John and Elizabeth Tyler born 25 July 1692.

He bought property from Henry SMITH on 8 August 1693 in Somerset Co., MD.⁹ 200 acres of land on Smith's Island referred to as part of Smith's patents from Maryland and Virginia.

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On 4 December 1694, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, John TYLER I and Alice BUTLER became the parents of John TYLER 2nd of John I.¹⁰ Somerset Land Records: John Tyler son of John and Alice Tyler born at Smiths Island 4 December 1694.

He made a will in 1717 in Somerset Co., MD which was probated *.¹¹ Wife to administer my estate.

John TYLER I and Elizabeth, nee [LITTLETON], Tyler had the following children:

- + 2 i. John TYLER 1st of John was born on 19 September 1686.¹²
- 3 ii. Thomas TYLER of John I was born in Somerset Co., MD on 25 July 1688.¹³ Somerset Land Records: Thomas Tyler son of John and Elizabeth Tyler born 27 July 1688.
- 4 iii. Richard TYLER of John I was born in Somerset Co., MD on 25 July 1692.¹⁴ Somerset Land Records: Richard Tyler son of John and Elizabeth Tyler born 25 July 1692.

John TYLER I and Alice BUTLER had the following child:

- + 5 iv. John TYLER 2nd of John I was born on 4 December 1694.¹⁵

Second Generation

2. John TYLER 1st of John (John I)¹⁶ was born on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland on 19 September 1686.¹⁷ Somerset Land Records: John Tyler son of John and Elizabeth Tyler born at Smiths Island 19 September 1786. John died before 22 Mar 1734 in Somerset Co., MD.

Circa 1706, in Somerset Co., MD, John TYLER 1st of John and Aisey [-----], Tyler became the parents of Aisey TYLER of 1st John. Circa 1707, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland: John TYLER 1st of John and Aisey [-----], Tyler became the parents of Thomas TYLER of 1st John.¹⁸ Circa 1712, in Somerset Co., MD, John TYLER 1st of John and Aisey [-----], Tyler became the parents of Abdon TYLER of 1st John. Circa 1720, John TYLER 1st of John and Aisey [-----], Tyler became the parents of Richard TYLER of 1st John. John registered to pay taxes in 1723 in Annemessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.¹⁹ John Taylor. Thomas Taylor/2

¹⁶⁸⁶ John TYLER 1st of John was in possession of 200 of Pitchcroft. ¹⁶⁸⁶ John registered to pay taxes in 1727 in Annessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.²⁰ ¹⁶⁸⁶ 114 John Tyler, Thomas Tyler

Before 1728, in Somerset Co., MD, ¹⁶⁸⁶ John TYLER 1st of John and Aisey [---], Tyler became the parents of ¹⁶⁸⁶ John TYLER of 1st John. ¹⁶⁸⁶ John registered to pay taxes in 1730 in Annessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.²¹ ¹⁷⁸⁶ 110 John Tailer Sr., Isaac Parks. Att John Tailor only Isaac Parks taxable.

¹⁷⁸⁶ John registered to pay taxes in 1731 in Annessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.²² To John Tyler Senr.

He made a will on 30 March 1733 in Somerset Co., MD which was probated 22 March 1733/34.²³ To grandson Tyler Crockett my bed and furniture, to garndson Joseph Crockett, the next bed and furniture, to grandson Butler Tyler the next bed and furniture, to son Thomas Tyler the last bed and furniture. To grandsons Tyler and Joseph Crockett, also my son Thomas Tyler all the rest of my whole unmoveables to be equally divided between them.

¹⁶⁸⁶ John TYLER 1st of John was a subject in the sworn deposition of Thomas SOMERS of Benjamin on on 7 April 1740. 29 November 1739 Thomas Tyler: Commission and affidavits. ¹⁷⁸⁶ Commission appointed to examine the evidences on behalf of a certain Thomas Tyler in relation to the bounds of part of a tract of land called Pitchcraft lying in the County aforesaid [Somerset].

17 June 1740 return made.

7 April 1740 - Deposition of Thomas Somers aged 61 or thereabouts deposed that thirty years ago or thereabouts that a certain John Tyler dec'd told the deponent that a pine standing on the south end of a Hammock called Indian Fort Hummock was a bounder of his land and further this deponent saith not.

¹⁶⁷⁹ John Rigger, aged sixty three or thereabouts deposed that about forty five years or thereabouts he the deponent being a liver on Smith Island at that time saith he saw a ditch which leads from the home Hummock to the Indian Fort Hummock which was a small ditch with the turf lying fresh on the bank of the said ditch and that John Tyler dec'd. told him that he dug the said ditch and further this deponent saith not.

¹⁶⁷⁹ Arthur Parks aged sixty three years or thereabouts deposed that about twenty seven years ago or thereabouts that he being conversent with a certain John Tyler dec'd and that the said Tyler told him that a pine which he shewed on the south end of a Hummock called Indian Fort Hummock was a line tree of his land and further this deponent saith not.

¹⁶⁷⁰ George Hopkins aged seventy years or thereabouts deposed that about 50 years ago he being acquainted with John Tyler dec'd saith that he did at several times see the ditch leading from the home Hummock to the Indian

Fort Hummock when it was so small that the deponent stept over it several times and that the woods was lying by the side of the said ditch and that John Tyler dec'd. told him that he got hands and cut it in one day and further this deponent saith not.

William Juet, Charles Roach.

Jemima CULLEN the elder was the widow of John TYLER 1st of John SR. John TYLER 1st of John was a subject in the sworn deposition of David L. TYLER of Thomas on on 29 May 1872.²⁴ Examined by Mr. Wise

I am 53 years of age the 29th of April 1872; born in 1819. I reside now upon the north end of this Smith's Island, not farther than a mile, say from Fog's Point Light. I was born and raised on the land where Thomas Tyler, my father, lived and resided there until I was 29 years of age. Thomas Tyler, my father, was the brother of William Tyler; and they were the sons of David Tyler, who was the son of Thomas Tyler, who was the son of John Tyler, the first of my family of whom I know anything, who came, I am told from England, and where he settled I don't know, but presumed he settled on this Island. David Tyler died, I think, when I was four years old. My father died in 1864, and William Tyler died in 1868. They thought there was a line across the lower part of this island; they lived on a piece of land where their father and old Butler Tyler, their uncle, lived. Butler Tyler owned all the land. I am told at Drum and Black Walnut Points; that he was the eldest male heir under English law, and becoming infirm, he sold the whole of his land to his brother David. David had Thomas, John Nellie, and Severn, William, Zipporah, and Ann, four sons and three daughters, seven children, naming them as their ages ran. Benjamin Bradshaw lives at Drum Point; the next house is Wm. Evans of Jas., next is Wm. S. Bradshaw; next Stuart H. Evans, are all who are living at Drum Point; and Thos. Bradshaw, John Wesley Marshall, Peter J. Marshall, Benj. Marsh and John H. Bradshaw live at Black Walnut Point. The house of Butler Tyler, who owned all of the land, was on Black Walnut Point. I have heard my father, Thomas Tyler say that the line run west from this piece of rock above Horse Hummock more than half a mile across the island. I have seen that rock two or three times; it is out of the passway a little. I have known that rock 20 years I know. it was never moved within my knowledge since I first saw it. I heard them talk about it, and went and saw it. Wm. Tyler said that he was whipped there, when a small boy, to make him remember it was a boundary between the two states. I think, but I am not sure, I understood from them both that it was a southeast corner portion of "Pitscraft," and also a bounder of this land.

Examined by Mr. Jones

The same stone has been taken and held as the beginning boundary of this

tract of land called Horse Hummock. John Tyler, my uncle lived here, he died in 1834. Peter Evans bought it under a mortgage deed from John Tyler to Wm. Tyler. I was a small boy, and know but little of the business at that time. I cannot say when that stone was first called a bounder of this place called Horse Hummock. My father lived here more than 54 years ago; he removed from here about 1818, I think, and as I have heard, and he always held the stone as the beginning bounder of this land called Horse Hummock. I wrote one deed from Peter Evans and wife to John W. Marsh, dated in 1857, recorded at Princess Anne Md. in 1857, and the other was from John W. Evans and his wife to his father, Johnson Evans, in the year 1872, recorded I don't know where. I never examined any other deed for this land. When Wm. Tyler gave Peter Evans a deed, there was a right smart dispute about where it ought to be recorded. Evans wanted it recorded in both States. Tyler told him that was unnecessary, and it was recorded in Princess Anne, and Evans got a copy and carried it to Drummondtown, the Court House of Accomac, and had it recorded there, as he told me. I have no knowledge of where any deed for this place called Horse Hummock, prior to this deed, were recorded. John Tyler was Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland before 1830, when he lived here. I never heard my father or uncle William say that this house, called Horse Hummock, was in Maryland, but acted as though it was. My father thought it was in Virginia, and I heard a strong argument between him and James Hoffman about where the line was, Hoffman insisting that all Smith's Island was in Maryland down nearly to old Herrie Island, while my father contended that part of Smith's Island was in Virginia. My father thought the boundary stone I have named north of this house was on the line between the two States. My uncle William told Peter Evans that the deed to him was sufficient to be recorded in Maryland, and refused to give another deed, and Evans had a copy recorded in Virginia. I never put the quantity of the land, by naming the number of acres, in the deed I wrote. The persons residing in this house, within my recollection, I have known to vote in Maryland, and sent their children to the free schools of Somerset County. Four years ago a public road was laid out from this Kirtelage to the church on this Island, as a county road of Somerset County Md., built at the expense of that county at a cost of about thirteen hundred dollars. I have no knowledge of the manner and cause of appointing my uncle John Tyler, a Justice of the Peace of Maryland. There had to be two Justices of the Peace on the Island to certify deeds, and I believe my uncle and Solomon Evans were appointed at the same time. Solomon Evans lived at the north part of Smith's Island. I never knew Justices to be appointed on this island before James Hoffman was elected a Justice of the Peace of Maryland by the people in 1853, and served two years. He then lived where John Tyler now lives on Hog Neck, and there is a piece of land, south of where John Tyler lives, conveyed by Hoffman, or his son, to William D. Bradshaw, I think, and I took the deed and took the acknowledgment as Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland, but I don't know where it was recorded. (Mr. Jones here produced a copy of a deed dated the 11th day of May 1872, from John W. Evans and Polly, his wife to Johnson Evans, describing the lands as situated in Somerset County, writted by the witness, filed herewith as an exhibit.) The witness then added that the stone mentioned

in his affidavit is the same mentioned in this deed.) -- David Tyler

¹⁶⁹⁸ John TYLER 1st of John¹ and Alsey [~~1700~~], Tyler had the following children:

- 5 i. Alsey¹⁷⁰⁶ TYLER of 1st John was born in Somerset Co., MD circa 1706. In John TYLER 1st of John's will on 30 March 1733 in Somerset Co., MD, Alsey was named as an heir.²⁵ To grandson Tyler Crockett my bed and furniture, to garndson Joseph Crockett, the next bed and furniture, to grandson Butler Tyler the next bed and furniture, to son Thomas Tyler the last bed and furniture. To grandsons Tyler and Joseph Crockett, also my son Thomas Tyler all the rest of my whole unmoveables to be equally divided between them.
- 7 ii. Thomas TYLER¹⁷⁰⁹ of 1st John was born circa 1707.²⁶
- 8 iii. Abdon TYLER of 1st John was born in Somerset Co., MD circa 1712. In John TYLER 1st of John's will on 30 March 1733 in Somerset Co., MD, Abdon was named as an heir.²⁷ To grandson Tyler Crockett my bed and furniture, to garndson Joseph Crockett, the next bed and furniture, to grandson Butler Tyler the next bed and furniture, to son Thomas Tyler the last bed and furniture. To grandsons Tyler and Joseph Crockett, also my son Thomas Tyler all the rest of my whole unmoveables to be equally divided between them.
- 9 iv. Richard TYLER¹⁷²⁰ of 1st John was born circa 1720. In John TYLER 1st of John's will on 30 March 1733 in Somerset Co., MD, Richard was named as an heir.²⁸ To grandson Tyler Crockett my bed and furniture, to garndson Joseph Crockett, the next bed and furniture, to grandson Butler Tyler the next bed and furniture, to son Thomas Tyler the last bed and furniture. To grandsons Tyler and Joseph Crockett, also my son Thomas Tyler all the rest of my whole unmoveables to be equally divided between them.
- 10 v. John TYLER of 1st John was born in Somerset Co., MD before 1728. In John TYLER 1st of John's will on 30 March 1733 in Somerset Co., MD, John was named as an heir.²⁹ To grandson Tyler Crockett my bed and furniture, to garndson Joseph Crockett, the next bed and furniture, to grandson Butler Tyler the next bed and furniture, to son Thomas Tyler the last bed and furniture. To grandsons Tyler and Joseph Crockett, also my son Thomas Tyler all the rest of my whole unmoveables to be equally divided between them.

John registered to pay taxes in 1748, in Annessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.³⁰ John Tyler Jr.

John registered to pay taxes in 1757, in Annessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.³¹ John Tyler Jr., John Tyler secundus.

5. John TYLER 2nd of John I (John¹) was born on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland on 4 December 1694.³² Somerset Land Records: John Tyler son of John and Alice Tyler born at Smiths Island 4 December 1694.

In the estimated year of 1719, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, John TYLER 2nd of John I and [JEMIMA,] nee [PARKS], Tyler became the parents of John TYLER of 2nd John. Before 1720, John TYLER 2nd of John I and [JEMIMA,] nee [PARKS], Tyler became the parents of Thomas TYLER of 2nd John. Before 1722, John TYLER 2nd of John I and [JEMIMA,] nee [PARKS], Tyler became the parents of David TYLER of 2nd John. John registered to pay taxes in 1723 in Annessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland. John Taylor Junr/1.

2ND JOHN OF JOHN SR. & ALICE TYLER
John registered to pay taxes in 1727 in Annessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.³³ 115 John Tyler

John registered to pay taxes in 1730 in Annessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland. John Tailer Jr.

John registered to pay taxes in 1731 in Annessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.³⁴ John Tyler Junr.

John registered to pay taxes in 1733 in Annessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.³⁵ John Tyler Junr.

John registered to pay taxes in 1734 in Annessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.³⁶ John Tiler.

John registered to pay taxes in 1735 in Annessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.³⁷ John Tyler, John Tyler.

John registered to pay taxes in 1736 in Annessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.³⁸ John Tyler Senr., John Tyler Junr. Thomas Tyler.

John registered to pay taxes in 1737 in Annessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.³⁹ John Tyler senr., John Tyler Junr., Haes Tyler.

John registered to pay taxes in 1738 in Annessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.⁴⁰ John Tyler Senr., John Tyler Junr. Thomas Tyler, David Tyler.

John registered to pay taxes in 1739 in Annessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.⁴¹ John Tyler, David Tyler, Thomas Tyler.

John TYLER 2nd of John I and [ALCY,] nee [BOLLE], Tyler had the following children:

- 11 i. John³ TYLER of 2nd John was born on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland in the estimated year of 1719. On the Somerset County MD Tax List in 1735 John TYLER of

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2nd John was listed in the household of John TYLER 2nd of John I in Annessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.⁴² John Tyler, John Tyler.

On the Somerset County MD Tax List in in 1736 John TYLER of 2nd John was listed in the household of John TYLER 2nd of John I in Annessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.⁴³ John Tyler Senr., John Tyler Junr. Thomas Tyler.

On the Somerset County MD Tax List in in 1737 John TYLER of 2nd John was listed in the household of John TYLER 2nd of John I in Annessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.⁴⁴ John Tyler senr., John Tyler Junr., Haes Tyler.

On the Somerset County MD Tax List in in 1738 John TYLER of 2nd John was listed in the household of John TYLER 2nd of John I in Annessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.⁴⁵ John Tyler Senr., John Tyler Junr. Thomas Tyler, David Tyler.

John registered to pay taxes in 1740 in Annessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.⁴⁶ John Tyler Sr., Thomas Tyler, David Tyler.

John registered to pay taxes in 1740 in Annessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.⁴⁷ John Tyler Junr.

12 ii. Thomas TYLER of 2nd John was born Before 1720. On the Somerset County MD Tax List in in 1736 Thomas TYLER of 2nd John was listed in the household of John TYLER 2nd of John I in Annessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.⁴⁸ John Tyler Senr., John Tyler Junr. Thomas Tyler. JOHN TYLER 1ST OF JOHN I DIED IN 1734 - 47 YEARS OLD

On the Somerset County MD Tax List in in 1737 Thomas TYLER of 2nd John was listed in the household of John TYLER 2nd of John I in Annessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.⁴⁹ John Tyler senr., John Tyler Junr., Haes Tyler.

On the Somerset County MD Tax List in in 1738 Thomas TYLER of 2nd John was listed in the household of John TYLER 2nd of John I in Annessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.⁵⁰ John Tyler³ Senr., John Tyler Junr. Thomas Tyler, David Tyler.

On the Somerset County MD Tax List in in 1739 Thomas TYLER of 2nd John was listed in the household of John TYLER 2nd of John I in Annessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.⁵¹ John Tyler, David Tyler, Thomas Tyler. SONS of John

On the Somerset County MD Tax List in in 1740 Thomas TYLER of 2nd John was listed in the household of John TYLER of 2nd John in Annessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.⁵² John Tyler Sr., Thomas Tyler, David Tyler.

13 iii. David TYLER of 2nd John was born Before 1722. On the Somerset County MD Tax List in in 1738 David TYLER of 2nd

¹⁶⁹⁴ John was listed in the household of John TYLER 2nd of John I in Annessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.⁵³ John Tyler Sennr., John Tyler Junr. Thomas Tyler, David Tyler.

On the Somerset County MD Tax List in in 1739 David TYLER of 2nd John was listed in the household of John TYLER 2nd of John I in Annessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.⁵⁴ John Tyler, David Tyler, Thomas Tyler.

On the Somerset County MD Tax List in in 1740 David TYLER of 2nd John was listed in the household of John TYLER of 2nd John in Annessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.⁵⁵ John Tyler Sr., Thomas Tyler, David Tyler. In John FISH's will on 4 April 1765 in Accomack Co., VA., David was named as an heir.⁵⁶ "I bequeath all South Pint the whole patten belonging to me unto Joseph Crockett." To Spencer Tyler all my part of Hog Neck. To Lazarus Bacor. To Jacob Tyler. To David Tyler. Joseph Crockett Exr. Wit: Butler Tyler, Arthur Parks, Sarah Tyler.

Third Generation

7. Thomas TYLER of 1st John (John², John¹) was born on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland circa 1707.⁵⁷ Thomas died after 1783 on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland.

He married Jenima CULLEN the elder in the estimated year of 1730. Jenima was born in the estimated year of 1712. On the Somerset County MD Tax List in in 1723 Thomas TYLER of 1st John was listed in the household of John TYLER 1st of John in Annessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.⁵⁸ John Taylor, Thomas Taylor/2

Thomas TYLER of 1st John was summoned to court on on 1 June 1727.⁵⁹ Thomas Tyler Accused of fornication with Mary Hopkins. Fined 30 shillings.

On the Somerset County MD Tax List in in 1727 Thomas TYLER of 1st John was listed in the household of John TYLER 1st of John in Annessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.⁶⁰ 114 John Tyler, Thomas Tyler

Thomas registered to pay taxes in 1730 in Annessex Hundred, in the

Province of Maryland.⁶¹ 109 Thomas Tailer

Thomas registered to pay taxes in 1731 in Annamessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.⁶² Thomas Tyler

Circa 1732, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Thomas TYLER of 1st John and Jemima CULLEN the elder became the parents of Butler TYLER of Thomas elder.⁶³ 1733, 3d March session of Court in in Somerset Co., MD Joseph CROCKETT of Sampson orphan of Sampson CROCKETT was bound by the court to Thomas TYLER of 1st John.⁶⁴ Joseph Crockett, son of Sampson Crockett, dec'd is of his own free consent bound by the court to Thomas Tyler until he arrived at teh age of 21 years. Said Joseph Crockett being 12 years of age the 19th day of May last. Said master shall teach Joseph Crockett to read, write and cypher to the rule of three and the trade of a weaver. Arthur Parks is Tyler's security.

In John TYLER 1st of John's will, Thomas was named by John to handle his estate on 30 March 1733 in Somerset Co., MD.⁶⁵ To grandson Tyler Crockett my bed and furniture, to garndson Joseph Crockett, the next bed and furniture, to grandson Butler Tyler the next bed and furniture, to son Thomas Tyler the last bed and furniture. To grandsons Tyler and Joseph Crockett also my son Thomas Tyler all the rest of my whole unmoveables to be equally divided between them.

Thomas registered to pay taxes in 1733 in Annamessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.⁶⁶ Thomas Tyler, William Salisbury

1733 In the March session of Court in in Somerset Co., MD Tyler CROCKETT of Sampson orphan of Sampson CROCKETT was bound by the court to Thomas TYLER of 1st John.⁶⁷ Tiler Crockett, son of Sampson Crockett, dec'd is of his own free consent bound by the court here unto Thomas Tyler until he arrives at the age of 21. Said Tiler Crockett being 9 years of age the 1st day of February last. Said master shall teach Tiler Crockett to read, write and cypher to the rule of three and the trade of a weaver. Arthur Parks is Tyler's security.

Circa 1734, in Somerset Co., MD, Thomas TYLER of 1st John and Jemima CULLEN the elder became the parents of Thomas TYLER of Thomas elder. Thomas registered to pay taxes in 1734 in Annamessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.⁶⁸ Thomas Tiler, William Salisbury, Joseph Goff

Thomas registered to pay taxes in 1735 in Annamessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.⁶⁹ Thomas Tyler.

Thomas registered to pay taxes in 1736 in Annamessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.⁷⁰ Thomas Tyler.

On an estimated date of 1736, Thomas TYLER of 1st John and an unknown person became the parents of John TYLER of Thomas elder. Thomas registered to pay taxes in 1737 in Annamessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.⁷¹

Province of Maryland.⁷⁴ Thomas Tyler, Selvay Clayweel, Joseph Crockett.

Circa 1742, in Somerset Co., MD, Thomas TYLER of 1st John and Jemima CULLEN the elder became the parents of Jemima TYLER of Thomas² elder. He attested to the validity of Arthur PARKS of John elder's will on 30 August 1743 in Somerset Co., MD.⁷⁵ To youngest son Job Parks, all that manor and tract of land called "Hog Neck," lying on Smith's Island in Somerset County MD., containing 75 acres, being part of a tract lying upon Dogwood Ridge Creek, containing 150 acres and "He my said son Job Parks to possess the said 25 acres of land known by the name of "Hog Neck." Wit: John Evins, Thomas Tyler, Thomas Evins, John Evins Jr., Solomon Evins. (Som. Wills 4:14, 75.)

Thomas² registered to pay taxes in 1748 in Annemessex Hundred in the Province of Maryland.⁷⁶ Thomas Tyler, Butler Tyler.

Conflicting evidence states that Thomas and Jemima CULLEN the elder became the parents of Arrabella TYLER of Thomas² elder circa 1750 on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland. On 8 February 1751, in Somerset Co., MD, Thomas TYLER of 1st John and Jemima CULLEN the elder became the parents of Littleton TYLER of Thomas² elder. In John EVANS² of John elder's will, Thomas¹ was named by John³ to handle his estate on 20 November 1752 in Somerset Co., MD.⁷⁷ John died in Somerset County, leaving a will written 20 November 1752 and probated 7 March 1758 leaving to wife Arrabella as Executrix lands during widowhood then to son John 200 acres of the plantation where the testator lives, son Nathan 100 acres of North End and after his death to grandson Thomas Evans who is under 21 [1752] to Solomon, Richard, Leah and Rachel Evans, Tabitha Parks, Comfort Mister and Ann Crockett. Thomas Tyler executor. Witnessed by Solomon Byrd, Thomas Tyler and David Bird. (Som. Wills EB:64.)

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Circa 1755, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Thomas TYLER of 1st John and Jemima CULLEN the elder became the parents of Arrabella TYLER of Thomas elder.⁷⁹ Conflicting evidence states that Thomas and Jemima CULLEN the elder became the parents of David TYLER of Thomas elder in 1755.⁸⁰ Tombstone inscription: David Tyler born 1755-died 1823.

On 16 June 1756, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Thomas TYLER of 1st John and Jemima CULLEN the elder became the parents of David TYLER of Thomas² elder. Thomas registered to pay taxes in 1757 in Annemessex

Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.⁸¹ Thomas Tyler, Butler Tyler, Thomas Tyler, John Tyler.

The inventory of the estate of John EVANS of John elder was performed on on 1 May 1758 by Thomas TYLER of 1st John.⁸² The inventory of John Evans' estate was taken 1 May 1758 and submitted 5 August 1758 by Tyhomas² Tyler, exec. next of kin Nathaniel Evans and Richard Evans Jr.

On on 21 March 1760 Thomas TYLER of 1st John posted bond.⁸³ She was called to court in Princess Anne for having fornicated and produced a bastard. She named the father as Richard Evans Jr., who was fined 30 shillings. Richard Evans and Thomas Tyler, Sr. each posted a L50 bond so that the county would not be saddled with the cost of raising the child.

Thomas registered to pay taxes in 1783 in Little Annessex 100.⁸⁴ Thomas Tylor, 200 acres Pitchcraft, 1 slave 10 black cattle; 5 males 4 females.

The previous owner of Butler TYLER of Thomas elder's land was Thomas, recorded on 28 July 1798 in Somerset Co., MD.⁸⁵ Butler Tyler, planter to Thomas Tyler, palnter. L100 for all that tract or parcel of land called and known by the name of Pitchcraft lying in Somerset County and on certain islands called and known by the name of Smith's Island being all those lands wheron the said Butler Tyler now dwells and containing two hundred acres of land more or less. Wit; J. Wilkins, William Williams

Thomas TYLER of 1st John was a subject in the sworn deposition of David L. TYLER of Thomas on on 29 May 1872.⁸⁶ Examined by Mr. Wise

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Fourth Generation

14. Butler¹⁷³² TYLER of Thomas elder (Thomas¹⁷⁰⁷, John¹⁶⁹⁶, John¹⁶⁵⁶) was born on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland circa 1732.⁹¹ Butler died about 1826 on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland.

He married Rachel Bird BYRD on 15 January 1762 in Somerset Co., MD.⁹² Rachel was born in the estimated year of 1740 in Somerset Co., MD. In John TYLER 1st of John's will on 30 March 1733 in Somerset Co., MD, Butler was named as an heir.⁹³ To grandson Tyler Crockett my bed and furniture, to grandson Joseph Crockett, the next bed and furniture, to grandson Butler Tyler the next bed and furniture, to son Thomas Tyler the last bed and furniture. To grandsons Tyler and Joseph Crockett, also my son Thomas Tyler all the rest of my whole unmoveables to be equally divided between them.

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Butler was listed as the head of a family on the 1800 Census in Somerset Co., MD. Tylor, Butler: 1 male 10-16, 1 male 26-45, 1 female 10-16, 1 female 26-45.

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1732

Butler TYLER of Thomas elder was a subject in the sworn deposition of Abraham SOMERS on on 27 May 1872.¹⁰⁴ I am very deaf. My name is Abraham Somers, and my age, Tradition says, is 79; I was born in 1793; I was born in Sussex County Delaware. I came here when quite a baby; was well acquainted with old "King" Nelson' lived near him--3/4 of a mile off. don't remember how long he has been dead. Have heard him mention the line of Virginia and Maryland. he showed me the tree on Smith's Island that was a mark of the line from Smith's Point. Has been over Smith's Island, but the tree was cut down before I went there. I could see it from King Nelson's house when standing, it was said to be a gum, and stood in Butler Tyler's yard. I _____ is not washed away, and the land is now there. Don't know but the stump may be there yet. He said the line ran by Watkins' Point.

Cross-examined by Mr. Wise.

1732

1756

Butler Tyler I did not know, but I knew David Tyler his brother, and I knew a daughter of Butler Tyler named Nancy; the two brothers lived close together. King Nelson showed me the tree, and told me it was a line tree. This was said by King Nelson to be a mark of the line from Smith's Point to Watkins' Point. -- Abraham Somers, his mark.

Butler TYLER of Thomas elder was a subject in the sworn deposition of John "Taffy" MARSHALL of John A. on on 29 May 1872.¹⁰⁵ I am going in my 63rd year ever since the 19th day of the present month of May. I was born on Sykes' Island. I came to Smith's Island to reside when I was about 17 years of age and have resided on Smith's Island ever since. I have known the greater part of the old inhabitants of Smith's Island ever since. I knew Tommy Tyler, William Tyler, Elijah Evans, John Parks, John Evans, Jacob Bradshaw, Solomon Evans, at Cedar Straits, and Hampden [Hamilton] Bradshaw and Littleton Bradshaw, his brother, and others. These and other old people are now dead, except Mrs. Vina [Levenia] Bradshaw, widow of Jacob. The oldest man I now know of now living on Smith's Island is Mr. Teakle Evans, who is I think close by 80 or 85 years of age, and the next oldest man is Capt. Ephraim Tyler, who keeps the Fog's Point Light House, and the oldest of the junio generation are Hainey [Haney] Bradshaw, Severn Bradshaw, Francis Evans, and Mrs. Maria Guy. and myself and others. I was shown what was said to be the line between Virginia and Maryland on Smith's Island, say from 15 to 20 years ago by old Mr. William Tyler, and he and I were alone. He showed me a boundary stone running up from 3/4 a mile to a mile north of Horse Hummock, where Johnson Evans now resides, and where old Capt. Peter Evans lived at that time. he told me it was fixed there for the boundary stone between the two States of Maryland and Virginia. He told me he was carried to that stone and whipped by his grandfather, I think named Butler Tyler, to the best of my knowledge, and that he was whipped there to make him remember that it was a boundary stone between two states. This was about 15 to 20 years ago. The stone has not been moved to

my knowledge since, but the ice may have moved it two or three feet, but I do not know that it has moved it. I would say, from my knowledge of the movements of the ice, that it has moved it to the south, if it has moved it at all. I was first called to notice the stone since when the case of John Tyler vs. the State of Maryland in 1851. This case involved the case of the schooner Fashion, of which Severn Tyler was owner and John Tyler captain, for dredging oysters in the waters of Maryland contrary to her laws. Witnessess were examined in the trial of that case as to where the line of Virginia and Maryland run across the Tangier Sound. I was examined myself as a witness in the case, and I heard the examination of witnesses in the case. The vessel I saw seized, and she was taken by the said Mr. John Cullen; I know not by what authority, on the westerward part of the Great Rock, That rock lies about from east to southeast from this house. I did not see her in the act of dredging. That rock is a very large rock. It lies north of the Davidson and Lovitt line. I mean it is a large oyster rock, called Great Rock. I don't think any portion of that rock lies north of an east line from the stone described by me. I have never been called to note that stone since, until called on by Mr. Wise and Mr. Adelott, here present, in October 1871. At that time I showed that stone to these Commissioners and To Capts. Brown and Drummond and others. The same stone, which I showed to them at the same place I went to on Friday last, and saw it removed from its place, lying on the edge of the marsh and a stake sticking in the palce it was removed. According to the evidence of William Tyler in the aforesaid case in 1851, I have no doubt that stome was a boundary stone between the two States. He testified in court that he was carried to that stone as a boundary stone, and whipped severely to make him remember thae stone as a boundary. Mr. Thomas Tyler also testified that he was carried to the stone and ducked to make him remember it as a boundary. Mr. John Tyler also testified that he was carried to it and whipped at the same time. These were all that testified about the stone in that trial, and they are all three dead. Mr William Tyler died about three years ago, and I am told his age then was about 60 years. Thomas Tyler died about 1864 I am told, and his age on his tombstone I am told is marked 91 year of age. So that he was about 78 years of age at the time he testified in said case. John Tyler died I am told 17 years ago last September. I dont' know his age when he died, but am told he was between 60 and 70 years of age. So that he must have been about 61 when he testified. William Tyler was the son of David Tyler. Thomas Tyler was the father of David, and William and Thomas Tyler were brothers, and the sons of David Tyler whose father was Thomas. John Tyler is said to have been the father of the last named Thomas Tyler who was the oldest Tyler I have ever heard of. Thomas Tyler, the son of John the elder, lived I am told at the home place on Drum Point, and that place has been, as ling as I have known it, in the Tyler family, until purchased by my son John Wesley Marshall, and others in 1866.

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I am 59 years old. I live close th the place where I was born, on the same tract called "North End." This place very near adjoins, about two miles

north of this, close on the Thoroughfare. I took out my license in Virginia, at Drummondtown, till they changed the Customs House to Cherrystone. [Cheriton.] I was well acquainted with old Tommy, called "King" Nelson, and with old Job Parks, called Jobey. They were two of the oldest men I remember of ever knowing. I think they said Tommy Nelson was 105 years old and Jobey Parks was a little older. They told me they helped to run this line between Maryland and Virginia, and carried the chain. They said they went to Ragged Point, on the Potomac River, and run a southeast course five miles below Point Lookout, down the Potomac, until they got north of Smith's Point; from that five mile point they struck an east course across the bay (the Chesapeake) to Smith's Island, at Mister's Thoroughfare, to a gum tree, and from the gum tree to Beaver Hummock, and put a stone on the Hummock at that point, and from Beaver Hummock between two cedars (and parts of the stumps are there now, and so is the stone,) to a point called the Barn, where also they placed a stone, which is said to be still there, and then an east course to old Jane's Island, where they said a peach orchard stood, leaving a part of Jane's Island on each side of the line, and now I can't say whether they said that they ran an east or easterly course from that point to Pitt's Creek on the Pocomoke River, but they said they ran an east or easterly course to Pitt's Creek on the Pocomoke, which they placed as above stated. I have seen the gum tree of which I speak, and recollect it well; that tree stood on the south side on Mister's Thoroughfare. Beyond Pitt's Creek they did not say anything about running the line. Besides this tradition there were other traditions about where the line was. Some said it was old Herne Island Channel; some said it was up as high as Troy Island in The Thoroughfare, and some said it was up as high as Cage's Straits, I was once a pilot with Blount, the Coast Surveryor about 16 or 17 years ago. he settled a large cedar boundary about ten paces on the sand shore, at Ragged Point, on the south side of the Potomac, and I believe that post is still there. It was put down so very deep in the sand, I can't say how deep. The gum tree spoken of was then on the land of Marmaduke Mister; it is now Severn Bradshaw's land. The cedar post at Ragged point was put on the land of a Mr. Bowie, whose first name I don't recollect. Mr Blount exactly agreed with the statement of Tommy Nelson and Jobey Parks as to the line as far as Pitt's Creek. Mr. Nelson told me about this line, when I lived on Jane's Island, about 36 years ago, counting by the age of my children. I then moved from Jane's Island to the upper house on Tangier Island, about 28 years ago, and Jobey Parks and I became acquainted after I moved to Tangier, and was the father of Stephen Parks, now living. Both Nelson and Parks stated that when the line was run there were a number of officers and other persons engaged in the work, and they had barges, &c., with them--I was told by Nelson and Parks separately, and along way apart from each other and at different times, and they agreed with each other. I have seen the stone at Beaver Hummock between two cedar stumps, when it was in one piece; it is now in two. I cannot say how big it was, but according to my calculation and that of others it weighed about a ton. When I saw it on the bank, before it went down the bank, it looked almost white, showing plainly from afar. There came a very hard freeze about 1832. I know by the death of William Tyler, and there came a heavy storm which drove the ice under the stone and

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There were two large gum trees, and the only two large trees on the island, stood on the Orchard Hummock where I live, as described by me the other day, the other on Sassafras Hummock where Tubman Evans lived. I recollect both trees well. The tree where I live showed more visibly on the Chehsapeake Bay side. We, on the upper part of the island thought the tree where I lived was the State boundary line. The one at my house was marked with several notches on the south side; of this I am positive. Whether the one on Sassafras Hummock was marked I don't know. I don't recollect whether there were any notches on the north side of the tree at my house. Sassafras Hummock ins northwest of Horse Hummock a considerable distance, and I can show it to you. It went by the name of Tyler's gum. Both trees are now gone. I omitted to state fully, being hurried, aal that I now recollect about what Tommy Tyler said in the trial of the vessels Amelia Ann and Edington; in addition to what I have already said, he stated the line between the two states of Maryland and Virginia, his uncle Butler told him, was run twice in his recollection; that he was said to be a hundred years old when he died, and he has been dead at least 45 years. I have seen him; was nearly grown when he died, and was at his funeral. Tommy Tyler said that Butler had told him that at one time the line run through his yard at Black Walnut Point, and at another time it ran a little below Drum Point on Tyler's Creek making a differnece between the two lines of about 3 jundred yards.--I do believe that one or the other of these two lines has been recognized by the people on this island for more than a century back.

Examined by Mr. Jones.

My father owned orchard Ridge, where I live, and made a will and devised it to me, and I was the first who built a house on it. My father's name was Jacob Bradshaw. The gum tree stood south of my house about 125 yards. My father's will was recorded at Princess Anne, the county seat of Somerset County Maryland. My father lived on another part of the same land, south of my house and the gum, at a place called the Forked Oak, and I know where it was said to have stood. It is about 4 1/2 miles northwest of this place. That palce is open to the bay, and it is now washed away badly. The Orchard Ridge and Cow Ridge were once the same and are now separated by a small drain. The orchard Ridge is on the east side and the cow Ridge is on the west. They lie together nearly north and south at the western mouth of the Miste's Thoroughfare, which mouths into the bay. The "Forked Oak" was on Cow Ridge, and a round cedar post, marked with four notches on each side, was palced where the oak was said to have stood, to mark a private boundary. About three or four years the cattle broke the post off by rubbing against it. My father always paid taxes in Somerset County, Maryland, and so have I--that is north of where Butler Tyler used to live all of two miles. Thirty or forty years ago there was scarcely any talk

about the line of the two States in this Island. The taxes were small, and the oysters in the bay were not counted of great value, and were oystered in the creek, but since dredging commenced, about 20 or 25 years ago, oysters have become valuable, and people began to look more closely after the line of the two States; my business was to get oysters where I could, in Virginia or Maryland, and I was not interrupted. Since that time I cannot do so. A man can't tell nowadays, on the Island, whether he is in one State or the other. My father and I, and other people up there, voted and acted as if in Maryland. The first Election district on this Island (called No. 12) was laid off 40 years ago, and before I was a voter, I think. That election was held at the old church, where I live, by Solomon Evans and John Tyler, who lived at this place, and John M. White. Then the election district on this Island was re-established in 1853, and is now District 7. The first and present districts are of the same bounds, both including Horse Hummock, and the proprietors and residents of Horse Hummock, have been, from first to last, judges of election. I myself have been judge of election and clerk of election, and for four or five years past, officer or registration of voters, and I have been a Justice of the Peace for Maryland for two years. The first registers of voters on this Island for Maryland, were David Tyler, Hainey Bradshaw, and Wm. Evans of Jno. Then I was register of voters last fall, and think John Evans, residing here, was registered and voted. There have been four school places on this Island--public school places of Maryland. The first was north of the Thoroughfare, one at Rogue's Point, west northwest from here, and one at Oak Hummock, near Alex. Tyler's store, northwest of this place, and there was another on North End. North of this place there was no school, either at Horse Hummock or south of it. Generally the children at Horse Hummock have attended school in the public schools of Maryland. There have never been any voters registered in Maryland south of Horse Hummock or due west of it. Some at Drum Point and some on Hog Neck have been registered in Maryland; none south of Horse Hummock, and none have been registered as far south as Horse Hummock except those residing at Horse Hummock, I have considered the voters on the upper end of Hog Neck, as far south as John Tyler's residence, to be in Maryland.

Butler TYLER of Thomas elder was a subject in the sworn deposition of John SPENCE of James on on 4 June 1872.¹⁰⁹ Examined by Mr. Wise.

As far as I know and am informed, I am in my 77th year of age; I will be 77 on the 25th day of December next; my age is not recorded. I was born in Hog Neck, on Smith's Island; I was born in a house owned by my uncle John Parks, and on the land where he resided, and he resided where John Tyler now resides. Hog Neck ran up to a creek called the Head Creek, which used to be my boat harbor at the time of the British war. Hog Neck laid lengthwise the island, on the western side, east of Tyler's Creek, on the Chesapeake Bay. Tyler's Creek is called by that name up to Sheep Hummock, and thence it lies north up to Tyler's ditch. Parks' Ditch lies to the westward of Tyler's Creek. David Tyler and Butler Tyler were the original owners of all the land of Oak Hummock. Horse Hummock clear down to Drum Point, where Alex Tyler and John Wesley Marshall, Thomas Bradshaw, Stewart

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Evans, and one of Walter Marsh's sons and Benjamin Bradshaw and Tubman Evans, who lives close to the gum, now live. From John Parks' house to Drum Point was near east by north from a half to three-quarters of a mile, as near as I can guess, John Parks was my mother's own brother, and my mother and father lived on his land, to the westward of his house on the Chesapeake Bay shore. When I was quite a boy, a dispute arose about where the line of Virginia and Maryland run. They said that the law of Virginia forbade Marylanders from skiffing and gunning in Virginia, and several old people were called together to say where the line was. Richard Evans, who lived at Kedge's Straits, and who was called King Richard, because he was best off, I suppose, John Parks and old man Jacob Bradshaw who was quite a young man then, met at old uncle John Parks' where young John Tyler now lives, and uncle John Parks said that the State line ran between his dwelling house and his kitchen. I was then I think, but I am not positive, about 18 or 19 years of age. I followed the water and lived gunning, and had a skiff, and the noise scared the geese, and other wild fowl, of a night. My uncle got mad about skiffing; and Jacob Bradshaw had a fowling point called Fog's Point--where the Light House now stands--and that caused them to meet about my ski

Butler TYLER of Thomas elder and Rachel Bird BYRD had the following children:

- 21 1. Nancy⁵ TYLER of Butler was born in Somerset Co., MD on 30 December 1763.¹⁰ Nancy TYLER of Butler was a subject in the sworn deposition of Abraham SOMERS on on 27 May 1872.¹¹ I am very deaf. My name is Abraham Somers, and my age, Tradition says, is 79; I was born in 1793; I was born in Sussex County Delaware. I came here when quite a baby; was well acquainted with old "King" Nelson' lived near him--3/4 of a mile off. don't remember how long he has been dead. Have heard him mention the line of Virginia and Maryland. he showed me the tree on Smith's Island that was a mark of the line from Smith's Point. Has been over Smith's Island, but the tree was cut down before I went there. I could see it from King Nelson's house when standing, it was said to be a gum, and stood in Butler Tyler's yard. I _____ is not washed away, and the land is now there. Don't know but the stump may be there yet. He said the line ran by Watkins' Point.

Cross-examined by Mr. Wise.

Butler Tyler I did not know, but I knew David Tyler his brother, and I knew a daughter of Butler Tyler named Nancy; the two brothers lived close together. King Nelson showed me the tree, and told me it was a line tree. This was said by King Nelson to be a mark of the line from Smith's Point to Watkins' Point. -- Abraham Somers, his mark.

- 22 ii. Euphemia "Fanny" TYLER of Butler was born in Somerset Co., MD on 21 March 1766.¹¹² In 1796, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Euphemia "Fanny" TYLER of Butler and an unknown person became the parents of Ephraim TYLER of Fanny. Euphemia "Fanny" TYLER of Butler was the mother of Ephraim TYLER of Fanny.
- 23 iii. Jemima TYLER of Butler was born in Somerset Co., MD on 25 March 1769.¹¹³

15. Thomas^a TYLER of Thomas elder (Thomas^s, John^a, John^l) was born in Somerset Co., MD circa 1734.

He married twice. He married Jemima CULLEN the younger of Jacob on 25 January 1759 in Somerset Co., MD. Jemima was born on 10 December 1742 in Somerset Co., MD. He married Ann LEWIS in November 1778 in Somerset Co., MD. Ann was born in the estimated year of 1760. On the Somerset County MD Tax List in 1757 Thomas TYLER of Thomas elder was listed in the household of Thomas TYLER of 1st John in Annemessex Hundred, in the Province of Maryland.¹¹⁴ Thomas Tyler, Butler Tyler, Thomas Tyler, John Tyler.

On 21 February 1762, in Somerset Co., MD, Thomas TYLER of Thomas elder and Jemima CULLEN the younger of Jacob became the parents of David TYLER of Thomas younger.¹¹⁵ In May 1765, in Somerset Co., MD, Thomas TYLER of Thomas elder and Jemima CULLEN the younger of Jacob became the parents of John TYLER of Thomas younger. On March 1769, in Somerset Co., MD, Thomas TYLER of Thomas elder and Jemima CULLEN the younger of Jacob became the parents of James TYLER of Thomas younger. On 4 January 1772, in Somerset Co., MD, Thomas TYLER of Thomas elder and an unknown person became the parents of Thomas TYLER of Thomas younger.¹¹⁵ On 15 January 1776, in Somerset Co., MD, Thomas TYLER of Thomas elder and Jemima CULLEN the younger of Jacob became the parents of Jemima TYLER of Thomas younger. On 26 March 1781, in Somerset Co., MD, Thomas TYLER of Thomas elder and Ann LEWIS became the parents of Jacob TYLER of Thomas younger. In the estimated year of 1782, in Somerset Co., MD, Thomas TYLER of Thomas elder and Ann LEWIS became the parents of Sally TYLER of Thomas younger. In 1762, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Thomas TYLER of Thomas elder and Ann LEWIS became the parents of Littleton TYLER of Thomas younger. On 16 November 1787, in Somerset Co., MD, Thomas TYLER of Thomas elder and Ann LEWIS became the parents of Butler TYLER of Thomas younger. On 18 December 1789, in Somerset Co., MD, Thomas TYLER of Thomas elder and Ann LEWIS became the parents of Ann "Nancy" TYLER of Thomas younger. In the estimated year of 1790, Thomas TYLER of Thomas elder and Ann LEWIS became the parents of Betsy TYLER of Thomas younger. He bought property from Butler TYLER of Thomas elder on 28 July 1798 in Somerset Co., MD.¹¹⁶ Butler Tyler, planter to Thomas Tyler, palnter. L100 for all that tract or parcel of land called and known by the name of Pitchcraft lying in Somerset County and on certain islands called and known by the name of Smith's Island being all those lands wheron the said Butler Tyler now dwells and containing two hundred acres of land more or less. Wit; J. Wilkins, William Williams

He bought property from Butler TYLER of Thomas elder on 28 July 1798 in Somerset Co., MD.¹¹⁷ Thomas Tyler, planter to Butler Tyler, planter. L100 for all that tract or parcel of land called and known by the name of Petchcraft lying and being on certain Islands known by the name of Smiths Islands being all those lands wheron the said Butler Tyler now dwells containing two hundred acres of land mor or less. Wit: J. Wilkins, William Williams.

Thomas was listed as the head of a family on the 1800 Census in Somerset Co., MD. Tyler, Thomas: 2 males under 10, 2 males 10-16, 2 males 16-26, 1 male Over 45, 2 females under 10 1 female 16-26, 1 female over 45.

1ST wife of LEBAN EVANS SR.

Thomas TYLER of Thomas elder was the father of Betsy TYLER of Thomas younger.

Thomas TYLER of Thomas elder and Jemima CULLEN the younger of Jacob had the following children:

- 24 i. David¹¹⁷ TYLER of Thomas younger was born in Somerset Co., MD on 21 February 1762. David died before 1836 in Somerset Co., MD.
- 25 ii. John TYLER of Thomas younger was born in Somerset Co., MD in May 1765. John died before 1836.
- 26 iii. James TYLER of Thomas younger was born in Somerset Co., MD on March 1769. James died before 26 Jan 1836.

Thomas TYLER of Thomas elder had the following child:

- 27 iv. Thomas TYLER of Thomas younger was born in Somerset Co., MD on 4 January 1772.¹¹⁸

Thomas TYLER of Thomas elder and Jemima CULLEN the younger of Jacob had the following children:

- 28 v. Jemima TYLER of Thomas younger was born in Somerset Co., MD on 15 January 1776.

Thomas TYLER of Thomas elder and Ann LEWIS had the following children:

- 29 vi. Jacob TYLER of Thomas younger was born in Somerset Co., MD on 26 March 1781. Jacob died before 1836. Jacob was listed as the head of a family on the 1810 Census in Somerset Co., MD. Jacob Tyler head - 2 males 0-10, 1 male to 45, 1 female 0-10, 1 female to 45.
- 30 vii. Sally TYLER of Thomas younger was born in Somerset Co., MD in the estimated year of 1782.
- 31 viii. Littleton TYLER of Thomas younger was born on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland in 1782. In the estimated year of 1818, Littleton TYLER of Thomas younger and Mary

1ST WIFE of LABAN EVANS SR. ELIZABETH (Betsy) TYLER ^b 1791 ^d 1817-26 ²⁸

STERLING of Ephraim became the parents of Thomas TYLER of Littleton. On 21 May 1783, in Somerset Co., MD, Littleton TYLER of Thomas younger and Mary STERLING of Ephraim became the parents of William TYLER of Littleton. Littleton TYLER of Thomas younger was the father of Thomas TYLER of Littleton.

- 32 ix. Elizabeth TYLER of Thomas younger was born on an unrecorded date.¹¹⁹
- 33 x. Butler TYLER of Thomas younger was born in Somerset Co., MD on 16 November 1787.
- 34 xi. Ann "Nancy" TYLER of Thomas younger was born in Somerset Co., MD on 18 December 1789.
- 35 xii. Betsy TYLER of Thomas younger was born in the estimated year of 1790. Betsy died before 1819 on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland. She married Laban EVANS of Jesse about 26 December 1812. Laban was born on 29 August 1789 on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland. He was the son of Jesse EVANS of John and Nancy nee [-----] Evans. Laban died 19 Nov 1869 on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland. On 20 February 1812, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Betsy TYLER of Thomas younger and Laban EVANS of Jesse became the parents of James T. EVANS of Laban. Betsy applied for a marriage license to wed Laban EVANS of Jesse on 26 December 1812 in Somerset Co., MD. In the estimated year of 1814, in Somerset Co., MD, Betsy TYLER of Thomas younger and Laban EVANS of Jesse became the parents of Eleanor "Ebing" EVANS of Laban. In the estimated year of 1817, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Betsy TYLER of Thomas younger and Laban EVANS of Jesse became the parents of Tubman EVANS of Laban. Laban EVANS of Jesse married Sally PARKS of Job on about 16 July 1819 in he was the husband of Betsy TYLER of Thomas younger dec'd. Laban EVANS of Jesse married Mary Ann JONES on about 27 August 1838 in in Somerset Co., MD he was the husband of Betsy TYLER of Thomas younger dec'd.

18. Littleton^a TYLER of Thomas elder (Thomas^a, John^a, John^a) was born in Somerset Co., MD on 8 February 1751.

He bought property from Henry SMITH of John in July 1774 in Somerset Co., MD. July 1774 I Henry Smith of Sussex Del. do impower Smith Horey to execute a deed to Littleton Tyler for 50 acres.

In 1793, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Littleton TYLER of Thomas elder and [-----], nee [-----], Tyler became the parents of John L. TYLER of Littleton.¹²⁰

Littleton TYLER of Thomas elder and [-----], nee [-----], Tyler had the following child:

- 36 i. John L.⁵ TYLER of Littleton was born on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland in 1793.¹²¹ John died before 5 October 1854 on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland. On 26 August 1821, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, John L. TYLER of Littleton and Ann TYLER of David became the parents of Elizabeth TYLER of John L.. Circa 1825, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, John L. TYLER of Littleton and Ann TYLER of David became the parents of Adeline TYLER of John L.. On 7 July 1831, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, John L. TYLER of Littleton and Ann TYLER of David became the parents of Alexander D. TYLER of John L..¹²² John was listed as the head of a family on the 1850 Census in Somerset Co., MD. John L. Tylor 56 Lighthouse keeper, Ann Tyler, 55, Alexander Tylor 18 mariner, Cina Evans, 18, Maria Evans, 8.

John was listed as a neighbor of Henry L. DIZE of Daniel on the 1850 Census in Somerset Co., MD.¹²³ Henry Dyse Mariner 33, Charlotte Dyse 30, Noah Dyse 14, James Dyse 10, John Dyse 12, Stephen Dyse 8, Trifamy Dyse, 6, Peter Dyse 5, Sally Dyse 3, Mitchell Dyes 1, Nancy Evans 60.

He attested to the validity of John EVANS of Francis's will on 9 October 1851 in Somerset Co., MD.¹²⁴ To wife Polly 1/3. To son Francis E., land, New Feel. To daughter Rhody. To daughter Meryer Evans' heirs, Rodyanni, Elizabeth Emily, and Merier Jane Evans. To son Jobe, manor place, exec. To son Benjamin, land exec. To sons Johnson and William. Wit: William Evans, Solomon Evans, John L. Tyler.

In Solomon EVANS Uncle Sol's will, John was named by Solomon to handle his estate on 22 July 1852 in Somerset Co., MD.¹²⁵ Solomon named children Denard to get land on Deal's Island; Zekiah's three [unnamed] children; Charity; Mason; Mitchell-land on Deal's Island south of the graveyard during his life and Cow Quarter, grandson Leonard, son of Mitchell, to get Cages and Terripin Sands; Abraham and Zekiah Evans and Solomon Snead Evans, son of Mitchell, as well as making a bequest of \$20.00 to Jemima Parks and mentioned William Hundley.

The inventory of the estate of Solomon EVANS Uncle Sol was performed on on 8 February 1853 by John L. TYLER of Littleton. The inventory of his estate was performed 8 February 1853 by John L. Tyler, executor.

In 1854 John L. TYLER of Littleton was buried on Tylerton, Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland.¹²⁶ John S. Tyler 1793-1854

He made a will 18 August 1854 in Somerset Co., MD which was probated 19 October 1854.¹²⁷ To son Alexander tract called Oak Hummock, exec. To daughters Elizabeth

and Ataline Tyler. To Maria Jane Evans (under 21). To grandson John A. Evans. Wit: John W. Marsh, William D. Bradshaw, John Chambers.

19. Arrabella⁴ TYLER of Thomas elder (Thomas³, John², John¹) was born on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland circa 1755.¹²⁸ Arrabella died in 1836 on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland.¹²⁹

Richard BRADSHAW I was buried on date unknown, on Tylerton, Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland he was the husband of Arrabella TYLER of Thomas elder. Conflicting evidence states that Arrabella was born circa 1750 on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland. On 15 April 1767, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Arrabella TYLER of Thomas elder and Richard BRADSHAW I became the parents of Brittannia BRADSHAW of Richard I. In June 1773, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Arrabella TYLER of Thomas elder and Richard BRADSHAW I became the parents of Richard BRADSHAW of Richard I. Circa 1773, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Arrabella TYLER of Thomas elder and Richard BRADSHAW I became the parents of Littleton BRADSHAW of Richard I. Circa 1779, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Arrabella TYLER of Thomas elder and Richard BRADSHAW I became the parents of Polly BRADSHAW of Richard I. Circa 1780, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Arrabella TYLER of Thomas elder and Richard BRADSHAW I became the parents of Jacob BRADSHAW of Richard I. Circa 1782, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Arrabella TYLER of Thomas elder and Richard BRADSHAW I became the parents of Hamilton BRADSHAW of Richard I. Arrabella TYLER of Thomas elder was the mother of Polly BRADSHAW of Richard I. Arrabella was the mother of Jemima BRADSHAW of Richard I who married Benjamin EVANS of King Richard about 1807. Arrabella TYLER of Thomas elder was the mother of Hamilton BRADSHAW of Richard I. Arrabella TYLER of Thomas elder was the spouse of Richard BRADSHAW I who died in 1816.¹³⁰ Richard BRADSHAW I was buried on in 1816, on Tylerton, Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland he was the husband of Arrabella TYLER of Thomas elder.¹³¹ In 1836 Arrabella TYLER of Thomas elder was buried on Tylerton, Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland.¹³² Although the parentage of Arrabella is not proven there is strong evidence that she was the daughter of Thomas Bradshaw. In doing a indept study of the Graveyards on Smith's Island, it was found that each one of the Churchs on the Islands were not built until the 1890's. The lands that the churchs were built on was privately owned until then. Evans' families owned the lands both at Ewell and Rhodes Point, and the land at Tylerton was, even at that date, owned by a Tyler. The earliest graves at Tylerton were all of Tylers except for Arrabella and her husband Richard Bradshaw. It is because of this that Arrabella is placed as the duaghter of Thomas Tyler.

Arrabella TYLER of Thomas elder and Richard BRADSHAW I had the following children:

- 37 i. Brittannia⁵ BRADSHAW of Richard I was born on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland on 15 April 1767. Brittannia died 25 Jul 1860 on Deal's Island, Somerset

Co., Maryland. On 4 April 1796, Brittannia BRADSHAW of Richard I and Charles PARKS of John became the parents of Arrabella PARKS of Charles. In the estimated year of 1799, Brittannia BRADSHAW of Richard I and Charles PARKS of John became the parents of Polly PARKS of Charles. In the estimated year of 1800, in Somerset Co., MD, Brittannia BRADSHAW of Richard I and Charles PARKS of John became the parents of Thomas PARKS of Charles. On 5 June 1802, in Somerset Co., MD, Brittannia BRADSHAW of Richard I and Charles PARKS of John became the parents of Alsey PARKS of Charles. On 3 August 1804, Brittannia BRADSHAW of Richard I and Charles PARKS of John became the parents of Jacob PARKS of Charles. On 13 July 1810, Brittannia BRADSHAW of Richard I and Charles PARKS of John became the parents of Brittannia PARKS of Charles. In the estimated year of 1811, Brittannia BRADSHAW of Richard I and Charles PARKS of John became the parents of Sally PARKS of Charles. On 1 August 1814, Brittannia BRADSHAW of Richard I and Charles PARKS of John became the parents of Jemima PARKS of Charles. Brittannia BRADSHAW of Richard I was the mother of Alsey PARKS of Charles. Brittannia BRADSHAW of Richard I was the mother of Sally PARKS of Charles. Brittannia BRADSHAW of Richard I was the mother of Arrabella PARKS of Charles. Brittannia BRADSHAW of Richard I was the mother of Jemima PARKS of Charles. Brittannia was listed as a household member living with Charles PARKS of John on the 1850 Census in Somerset Co., MD.¹³³ Charles Parks farmer 75, Brittannia Parks 80, Jacob Parks 45, Julia Ann Parks 38, Elizabeth Snead 19, Julia Crockett 49.

Brittannia BRADSHAW of Richard I was the mother of Arrabella PARKS of Charles.

- 38 ii. Richard BRADSHAW of Richard I was born on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland in June 1773. Richard died 14 Apr 1854 on Holland's Island, Dorchester Co., Maryland. He married Arrabella MISTER of Marmaduke in about the year 1792. Arrabella was born circa 1772 on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland. She was the daughter of Marmaduke MISTER of William and Sarah nee [-----] Mister. In the estimated year of 1793, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Richard BRADSHAW of Richard I and Arrabella MISTER of Marmaduke became the parents of Aaron BRADSHAW of Richard. In the estimated year of 1795, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Richard BRADSHAW of Richard I and Arrabella MISTER of Marmaduke became the parents of Rachel BRADSHAW of Richard. In the estimated year of 1799, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Richard BRADSHAW of Richard I and Arrabella MISTER of Marmaduke became the parents of Charlotte BRADSHAW of Richard. In the estimated year of 1800, on Smith's

Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Richard BRADSHAW of
 1742 Richard I and Arrabella MISTER of Marmaduke became the
 parents of Ann BRADSHAW of Richard. In 1801, on Smith's
 Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Richard BRADSHAW of
 Richard I and Arrabella MISTER of Marmaduke became the
 parents of Haney BRADSHAW of Richard. In the estimated
 year of 1803, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland,
 Richard BRADSHAW of Richard I and Arrabella MISTER of
 Marmaduke became the parents of Eleanor "Ebin" BRADSHAW
 of Richard. In the estimated year of 1806, on Smith's
 Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Richard BRADSHAW of
 Richard I and Arrabella MISTER of Marmaduke became the
 parents of Rhoda BRADSHAW of Richard. On an estimated
 date of 1808, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland,
 Richard BRADSHAW of Richard I and Arrabella MISTER of
 Marmaduke became the parents of Dulecemia BRADSHAW of
 Richard. In the estimated year of 1810, on Smith's
 Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Richard BRADSHAW of
 Richard I and Arrabella MISTER of Marmaduke became the
 parents of Solomon BRADSHAW of Richard. Richard was
 listed as the head of a family on the 1810 Census in
 Somerset Co., MD. Richard Bracher 1 male 0-10, 1 male to
 16, 1 male to 45, 3 females 0-10, 2 females to 16, 2
 females to 26, 1 female to 45.

Richard was listed as Levi THOMAS of William's
 neighbor on the 1810 Census in Somerset Co., MD. Levi
 Thomas 1 male to 26, 1 male 45+, 1 female to 16, 1 female
 to 26, 1 female 45+, 1 slave.

Richard was listed as Benjamin EVANS of King Richard's
 neighbor on the 1810 Census in Somerset Co., MD.
 Benjamin Evans 2 males 0-10, 1 male to 26, 1 female to
 16, 1 female to 26.

In the estimated year of 1812, on Smith's Island,
 Somerset Co., Maryland, Richard BRADSHAW of Richard I and
 Arrabella MISTER of Marmaduke became the parents of Sarah
 BRADSHAW of Richard. In the estimated year of 1813, on
 Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Richard BRADSHAW
 of Richard I and Arrabella MISTER of Marmaduke became the
 parents of Tyler BRADSHAW of Richard. Richard BRADSHAW
 of Richard I was the father of Charlotte BRADSHAW of
 Richard. Richard was listed as Jesse EVANS of John's
 neighbor on the 1820 Census in Somerset Co., MD.¹³⁴ Jesse
 Evans 1 male 10-16, 3 males 26-45, 1 male 45+, 2 females
 16-26, 1 female 45+.

Richard was listed as the head of a family on the 1820
 Census in Somerset Co., MD.¹³⁵ Richard Bradshaw, 2 males
 0-10, 1 male 10-16, 2 males 18-26, 1 male 45+, 1 female
 10-16, 3 females 16-26, 1 female 45+.

Richard was listed as Laban EVANS of Jesse's neighbor
 on the 1820 Census in Somerset Co., MD.¹³⁶ Laban Evans 1

male 0-10, 1 male 26-45, 2 females 0-10, 2 females 26-45, 1 female 45+.

Richard BRADSHAW of Richard I was the father of Ann BRADSHAW of Richard. Richard BRADSHAW of Richard I was the father of Rhoda BRADSHAW of Richard. Richard BRADSHAW of Richard I resided over the "Thoroughfare, (Kedge's), Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland before 1828. Richard BRADSHAW of Richard I was the father of Aaron BRADSHAW of Richard. Richard BRADSHAW of Richard I was the father of Tyler BRADSHAW of Richard.

- 39 iii. Littleton BRADSHAW of Richard I was born on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland circa 1773. Littleton died before 27 Aug 1850 on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland. He married Delitha MISTER of Marmaduke in about the year 1793. Delitha was born circa 1773 on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland. She was the daughter of Marmaduke MISTER of William and Sarah nee [---] Mister. In the estimated year of 1799, Littleton BRADSHAW of Richard I and Delitha MISTER of Marmaduke became the parents of David BRADSHAW of Littleton. Littleton was listed as the head of a family on the 1800 Census in Somerset Co., MD. Bratcher, Littleton: 1 male under 10, 1 male 16-26, 1 female 16-26.

In the estimated year of 1802, Littleton BRADSHAW of Richard I and Delitha MISTER of Marmaduke became the parents of Elisha BRADSHAW of Littleton. In the estimated year of 1810, Littleton BRADSHAW of Richard I and Delitha MISTER of Marmaduke became the parents of William BRADSHAW of Littleton. In the estimated year of 1815, Littleton BRADSHAW of Richard I and Delitha MISTER of Marmaduke became the parents of Richard BRADSHAW of Littleton. In the estimated year of 1820, Littleton BRADSHAW of Richard I and Delitha MISTER of Marmaduke became the parents of Littleton BRADSHAW of Littleton. Littleton was listed as the head of a family on the 1820 Census in Somerset Co., MD. Littleton Bradshaw 2 males 0-10, 2 males 18-26, 1 male 26-45, 1 female 10-16, 1 female 16-26, 1 female 45+.

Littleton was listed as William EVANS of Jesse's neighbor on the 1820 Census in Somerset Co., MD.¹³⁷ William Evans of Jesse 1 male 0-10, 2 males 10-16, 1 male 26-45, 2 females 0-10, 1 female 26-45.

Littleton was listed as John EVANS of Francis's neighbor on the 1820 Census in Somerset Co., MD. John Evans 3 males 0-10, 1 male 10-16, 1 male 16-26, 1 male 26-45, 2 females 0-10, 2 females 10-16, 1 female 26-45. Neighbors: Hembleton Bradshaw, Littleton Bradshaw.

In the estimated year of 1822, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Littleton BRADSHAW of Richard I and Delitha MISTER of Marmaduke became the parents of

Nathan BRADSHAW of Littleton. Littleton BRADSHAW of Richard I resided on Long Branch, Tylerton, Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland before 1828. Littleton BRADSHAW of Richard I was the father of Richard BRADSHAW of Littleton. Littleton BRADSHAW of Richard I was the father of Littleton BRADSHAW of Littleton. Littleton BRADSHAW of Richard I was the father of David BRADSHAW of Littleton. Littleton was listed as a household member living with Nathan BRADSHAW of Littleton on the 1850 Census in Somerset Co., MD.¹³⁸ Nathaniel Bradshaw mariner 28, Zeporah Bardshaw 25, Elisha Bradshaw mariner 48, Belitha Bradshaw 8/12 (male ?,) Littleton Bradshaw 78, William Pruitt 13.

- 40 iv. Polly BRADSHAW of Richard I was born on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland circa 1779. She married Solomon EVANS Jr. of Solomon about 24 December 1799. Solomon was born in the estimated year of 1775. He was the son of Solomon EVANS of John younger and Nancy EVANS * wife of Solomon. Polly applied for a marriage license to wed Solomon EVANS Jr. of Solomon on 24 December 1799 in Somerset Co., MD. In the estimated year of 1809, Polly BRADSHAW of Richard I and Solomon EVANS Jr. of Solomon became the parents of Lovey EVANS of Solomon Jr.. Polly BRADSHAW of Richard I was the mother of Robert EVANS of Solomon Jr.. Polly BRADSHAW of Richard I was the mother of Robert EVANS of Solomon Jr..

- 41 v. Jacob BRADSHAW of Richard I was born on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland circa 1780. Jacob died about Sep 1843 on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland. He married Levenia EVANS of King Richard about 30 July 1800 in Accomack Co., VA,. Levenia was born circa 1787 on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland. She was the daughter of Richard EVANS "King" of Richard and Keziah EVANS of Nathan. Jacob applied for a marriage license to wed Levenia EVANS of King Richard on 30 July 1800 in Accomack Co., VA,.¹³⁹ Jacob Brochshaw to marry Levinear Evans daughter of Richard Evans, Severn Tyler sec.

On 15 December 1806, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Jacob BRADSHAW of Richard I and Levenia EVANS of King Richard became the parents of Severn BRADSHAW of Jacob. In the estimated year of 1810, Jacob BRADSHAW of Richard I and Levenia EVANS of King Richard became the parents of Jacob Bain BRADSHAW of Jacob. Jacob was listed as Josiah EVANS of Thomas's neighbor on the 1810 Census in Somerset Co., MD. Page 312 Great Anniamessex Josiah Evans 1 male to 45, 1 female to 16, 1 female to 26 1 female to 45, 1 female 45+, All others 2, Slaves 2.

Jacob was listed as the head of a family on the 1810 Census in Somerset Co., MD. Jacob Bradshaw 2 males 0-10, 1 male to 26, 1 female 0-10, 2 females to 26, 1 slave.

Jacob was listed as John EVANS of Francis's neighbor on the 1810 Census in Somerset Co., MD. John Evans 1 male 0-10, 1 male to 26, 1 female 0-10, 1 female to 26.

In the estimated year of 1815, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Jacob BRADSHAW of Richard I and Levenia EVANS of King Richard became the parents of Elizabeth BRADSHAW of Jacob. In the estimated year of 1816, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Jacob BRADSHAW of Richard I and Levenia EVANS of King Richard became the parents of Caroline BRADSHAW of Jacob. Jacob was listed as Solomon EVANS of Elijah's neighbor on the 1820 Census in Somerset Co., MD.¹⁴⁰ Solomon Evans of E 1 male 16-26, 2 females 16-26.

Jacob was listed as the head of a family on the 1820 Census in Somerset Co., MD.¹⁴¹ Jacob Bradshaw 1 male 0-10 1 male 10-16, 1 male 26-45, 2 females 0-10, 1 female 10-16, 1 female 26-45.

On 14 April 1825, Jacob BRADSHAW of Richard I and Levenia EVANS of King Richard became the parents of Levenia BRADSHAW of Jacob. Jacob BRADSHAW of Richard I resided at Rhodes Point, Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland before 1828. In the estimated year of 1828, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Jacob BRADSHAW of Richard I and Levenia EVANS of King Richard became the parents of Keziah BRADSHAW of Jacob. In the estimated year of 1830, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Jacob BRADSHAW of Richard I and Levenia EVANS of King Richard became the parents of Richard BRADSHAW of Jacob. In July 1834, Jacob BRADSHAW of Richard I and Levenia EVANS of King Richard became the parents of William E. BRADSHAW of Jacob. Jacob BRADSHAW of Richard I was the father of Elizabeth BRADSHAW of Jacob who married Johnson EVANS of John about 1835. Jacob was listed as John SPENCE of James's neighbor on the 1840 Census in Somerset Co., MD. John Spence 1 male 10-15, 1 male 40-50, 2 females 0-5, 2 females 5-10, 1 female 10-15, 2 females 15-20, 1 female 40-50.

Jacob was listed as the head of a family on the 1840 Census in Somerset Co., MD. Jacob Bradshaw 2 males 5-10, 1 male 40-50, 2 females 15-20, 1 female 50-60.

Jacob BRADSHAW of Richard I was the father of Levenia BRADSHAW of Jacob. Jacob BRADSHAW of Richard I was the father of Levenia BRADSHAW of Jacob who married George POE * about 22 December 1841 in Somerset Co., MD. Jacob BRADSHAW of Richard I was a subject in the sworn deposition of John SPENCE of James on on 4 June 1872.¹⁴² Examined by Mr. Wise.

As far as I know and am informed, I am in my 77th year of age; I will be 77 on the 25th day of December next; my

age is not recorded. I was born in Hog Neck, on Smith's Island; I was born in a house owned by my uncle John Parks, and on the land where he resided, and he resided where John Tyler now resides. Hog Neck ran up to a creek called the Head Creek, which used to be my boat harbor at the time of the British war. Hog Neck laid lengthwise the island, on the western side, east of Tyler's Creek, on the Chesapeake Bay. Tyler's Creek is called by that name up to Sheep Hummock, and thence it lies north up to Tyler's ditch. Parks' Ditch lies to the westward of Tyler's Creek. David Tyler and Butler Tyler were the original owners of all the land of Oak Hummock, Horse Hummock clear down to Drum Point, where Alex Tyler and John Wesley Marshall, Thomas Bradshaw, Stewart Evans, and on of Walter Marsh's sons and Benjamin Bradshaw and Tubman Evans, who lives close to the gum, now live. From John Parks' house to Drum Point was near east by north from a half to tree-quarters of a mile, as near as I can guess, John Parks was my mother's own brother, and my mother and father lived on his land, to the westward of his house on the Chesapeake Bay shore. When I was quite a boy, a dispute arose about where the line of Virginia and Maryland run. They said that the law of Virginia forbade Marylanders from skiffing and gunning in Virginia, and several old people were called together to say where the line was. Richard Evans, who lived at Kedge's Straits, and who was called King Richard, because he was best off, I suppose, John Parks and old man Jacob Bradshaw who was quite a young man then, met at old uncle John Parks' where young John Tyler now lives, and uncle John Parks said that the State line ran between his dwelling house and his kitchen. I was then I think, but I am not positive, about 18 or 19 years of age. I followed the water and lived gunning, and had a skiff, and the noise scared the geese, and other wild fowl, of a night. My uncle got mad about skiffing; and Jacob Bradshaw had a fowling point called Fog's Point--where the Light House now stands--and that caused them to meet about my skiffing. There was some contention about the skiffing, and they came down upon uncle John Parks, on whose land I lived, about my skiffing, and they all agreed that that was the line; neither one said that that line between the house and kitchen was not the line. I stopped skiffing, and that line was always regarded by me, and respected by me, as the State line. I don't recollect of hearing about any marriages at the place, but the dwelling house was in Maryland and the kitchen in Virginia--and that line was always upheld by us on the island as the line between the two States. I know where Cow Ridge used to be. I always called it Battle Ridge.

Old uncle Solomon Evans always owned the place. It lies to the north and eastward side of the Little Thoroughfare, next to Barn Cove and White's Cove. Terripin Sands is still above, to the northward of that. The reason they gave it the name of Battle Ridge was, that some of the boys went down to dig a cow hole, and they got to disputing and fighting as I am told. There was no stone or tree, or other mark, on the line said to be at John Park's house. I never heard of any mark of a State line except the gum tree where Tubman Evans now lives, and a stone at the mouth of the Little Thoroughfare, at the end of Otter Island, Otter Island is say 100 strides from the main marsh of White's Cove, and Barn Cove is above, say half a mile, all on the Sound side. I have seen the stone; it was not free stone, and was not flint stone, I think, but was like any other stone washed deep in the ground. I mean to say that it looked as if buried deep in the ground, and, by washing, had got rusty and mossy. It was not square or round, but was like a ridged coffin, and looked to be a pretty large stone. The old people always told me it was a State line stone. Horse Hummock, where the house stands, was always in Virginia as long as I remember. I left Smith's Island 27 years ago the 14th day of last November past. I lived north of John Parks' dwelling house and always paid taxes in Maryland. I don't remember that John Parks ever paid taxes in Maryland. I don't remember that John Parks ever paid any taxes; he would go from one house to the other, so they told me. South Point and Sheep Hummock, to Fishing Creek, always paid taxes in Virginia. I can't say where the people who lived where Johnson Evans now lives, on Horse Hummock, paid taxes. Old man Jacky, or John Tyler, owned it until he ran through it. I have always heard of a stone about a mile or three quarters of a mile north of Horse Hummock, on the east side of Smith's Island. The one I have described at Otter island was put there to mark the State line, as they told me. The old man, Solomon Evans, who used to own the place I am telling you about is dead. John Parks died before I removed from Smith's island to Sykes, where I now live. I think he told me a short time before he died he was 82 or in his 83rd year of age; he was a very old man. That is about all I know, and these things I have told are very plain in my mind, as plain as my fingers. I have seen the gum tree at Tubman Evans; I can't say how long since I saw it last, and can't say whether it was cut down or rotted down.

- 42 vi. Hamilton BRADSHAW of Richard I was born on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland circa 1782. Hamilton died 1869 on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland. He

married Eleanor EVANS of Elijah about 7 January 1811 in Somerset Co., MD. Eleanor was born in the estimated year of 1800 on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland. She was the daughter of Elijah EVANS of Nathan and Lovey EVANS of Solomon. Hamilton applied for a marriage license to wed Eleanor EVANS of Elijah on 7 January 1811 in Somerset Co., MD. In the estimated year of 1812, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Hamilton BRADSHAW of Richard I and Eleanor EVANS of Elijah became the parents of Polly BRADSHAW of Hamilton. He bought property from Richard EVANS "King" of Richard on 15 May 1813 in Somerset Co., MD.¹⁴³ Richard Evans sold to Hambleton Bratcher 25 acres of King Richard's Garden on the east side of Smith's Island on Well Ridge Creek and 4 acres of Middle Ridge. (JP:138.)

In the estimated year of 1817, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Hamilton BRADSHAW of Richard I and Eleanor EVANS of Elijah became the parents of Thomas BRADSHAW of Hamilton. In the estimated year of 1815, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Hamilton BRADSHAW of Richard I and Eleanor EVANS of Elijah became the parents of Brittannia BRADSHAW of Hamilton. Hamilton was listed as Laban EVANS of Jesse's neighbor on the 1820 Census in Somerset Co., MD.¹⁴⁴ Laban Evans 1 male 0-10, 1 male 26-45, 2 females 0-10, 2 females 26-45, 1 female 45+.

Hamilton was listed as the head of a family on the 1820 Census in Somerset Co., MD. Hambleton Bradshaw 1 male 0-10, 1 male 10-16, 1 male 26-45, 3 females 0-10 2 females 10-16, 1 female 16-26, 1 female 26-45, 1 female 45+.

Hamilton was listed as John EVANS of Francis's neighbor on the 1820 Census in Somerset Co., MD. John Evans 3 males 0-10, 1 male 10-16, 1 male 16-26, 1 male 26-45, 2 females 0-10, 2 females 10-16, 1 female 26-45. Neighbors: Hambleton Bradshaw, Littleton Bradshaw.

In the year 1822, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Hamilton BRADSHAW of Richard I and Eleanor EVANS of Elijah became the parents of Benjamin H. BRADSHAW of Hamilton. In the estimated year of 1825, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Hamilton BRADSHAW of Richard I and Eleanor EVANS of Elijah became the parents of Julia BRADSHAW of Hamilton. In the estimated year of 1825, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Hamilton BRADSHAW of Richard I and Eleanor EVANS of Elijah became the parents of Matilda BRADSHAW of Hamilton. Hamilton BRADSHAW of Richard I resided on Long Branch, Tylerton, Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland before 1828. In the estimated year of 1830, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Hamilton BRADSHAW of

Richard I and Eleanor EVANS of Elijah became the parents of William D. BRADSHAW of Hamilton. In the estimated year of 1830, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Hamilton BRADSHAW of Richard I and Eleanor EVANS of Elijah became the parents of Lovey BRADSHAW of Hamilton. In the estimated year of 1825, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Hamilton BRADSHAW of Richard I and Eleanor EVANS of Elijah became the parents of Sally J. BRADSHAW of Hamilton. Hamilton was listed as a neighbor of Josiah TYLER of Jacky on the 1850 Census in Somerset Co., MD.¹⁴⁵ Josiah Tylor mariner 35, Britannia Tylor 25, John Tylor 13, Polly Tylor 9, Margaret Tylor 8, David Tylor 4.

Hamilton was listed as the head of a family on the 1850 Census in Somerset Co., MD.¹⁴⁶ Hamilton Bradshaw farmer 60, Eleanor Bradshaw 48, William Bradshaw 24, Matilda Bradshaw 17, Sarah Bradshaw 14, William Smith 23. Hamilton was listed as a neighbor of Richard BRADSHAW of Littleton on the 1850 Census in Somerset Co., MD.¹⁴⁷ Richard Bradshaw mariner 27, Rachel Bradshaw 25, Mary Bradshaw 10, James Bradshaw 8, Lovey Bradshaw 4, Nancy Bradshaw 2.

Hamilton was listed as a neighbor of Benjamin EVANS of Jesse on the 1850 Census in Somerset Co., MD.¹⁴⁸ Benjamin Evans farmer 55, Charity Evans 50, Richard Evans 21, Mildy Evans 17, Jesse Evans 16, George Evans 11.

Hamilton was among the members of Smith's Island Church on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland in 1856, 1857, 1858.¹⁴⁹ William Evans Class Leader; meets Smith's Island Church on Sabbath; William Evans, Polly Evans [nee Marshall], Margaret Evans, Thomas Tyler, Polly Tyler, [nee Messick], Alecy Tyler [nee Evans], Laban Evans, Mary A. Evans [nee Jones], Hamilton Bradshaw, Nelly Bradshaw [nee Evans], Levina Bradshaw, Richard Evans, Rachel Evans [nee Evans], Delitha Evans, Ann Tyler [nee Tyler], Priscilla Evans, Ephraim Tyler, Mary Tyler [nee ^{gent} PRUITT], Benjamin Evans, Harney Bradshaw, Polly Bradshaw [nee Bradshaw], Josiah Tyler, Brittannia Tyler [nee Bradshaw], Johnson Evans, Elizabeth Evans [nee Bradshaw], David Mezick, Caroline Mezick [nee Bradshaw], John Marshall, see page 2.

Hamilton BRADSHAW of Richard I was the father of Matilda BRADSHAW of Hamilton. Hamilton registered to vote in 1865 in Somerset Co., MD.¹⁵⁰ Hamilton BRADSHAW of Richard I was the father of Sally J. BRADSHAW of Hamilton. Hamilton BRADSHAW of Richard I was the father of Benjamin H. BRADSHAW of Hamilton who died in 1879 on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland.

20. David^a TYLER of Thomas elder (Thomas^a, John^a, John^a) was born on

Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland on 16 June 1756. David died in July 1823 on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland.

He married Mary Ann, nee [Theresa], Tyler in about the year 1774. Mary was born in the estimated year of 1753. Mary died 1850 on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland. Date unknown David TYLER of Thomas elder was buried on Tylerton, Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland.¹⁵¹ David Tyler born 1755-died 1823.

Conflicting evidence states that David was born in 1755.¹⁵² Tombstone inscription: David Tyler born 1755-died 1823.

In 1774, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, David TYLER of Thomas elder and Mary Ann, nee [Theresa], Tyler became the parents of Thomas TYLER of David. Conflicting evidence states that David and Mary Ann, nee [-----], Tyler became the parents of Thomas TYLER of David in about 1776. Census data states that Thomas Tyler was slightly younger than what his Tombstone says. David Tyler was born in 1756 and would have been only 17 if he married Mary Ann before the birth of Thomas in 1774.

In the estimated year of 1778, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, David TYLER of Thomas elder and Mary Ann, nee [Theresa], Tyler became the parents of John "Jacky" TYLER of David. In the estimated year of 1780, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, David TYLER of Thomas elder and Mary Ann, nee [Theresa], Tyler became the parents of Severn TYLER of David. David served in the military in 1780 in Somerset Co., MD.¹⁵³ In 1780 David Tyler enrolled in Little Annessex Company Somerset County Militia - Henry Miles Captain.

In 1784, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, David TYLER of Thomas elder and Mary Ann, nee [Theresa], Tyler became the parents of Nellie TYLER of David. David TYLER of Thomas elder was the subject when Adam WALLACE wrote his Book-PARSON OF THE ISLANDS.¹⁵⁴ "When I became old enough to think of making my living at some regular wabusiness, it was arranged that I should go and live with David Tyler, and follow the vocation of a waterman."-----"After I was married,----- my faithful friend, David Tyler, told me I might bring my wife and live with him and he would still pay me for my services,-----"

In 1793, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, David TYLER of Thomas elder and Mary Ann, nee [-----], Tyler became the parents of William TYLER of David. In the estimated year of 1795, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, David TYLER of Thomas elder and Mary Ann, nee [-----], Tyler became the parents of Zipporah TYLER of David. He bought property from Butler TYLER of Thomas elder on 28 July 1798 in Somerset Co., MD.¹⁵⁵ Butler Tyler planter to David Tyler planter. L200 for all that tract or parcel of land called and known by the name of Pitcraft lying and being in the County of Somerset and on certain islands distinguished by the name of Smiths Islands containing two hundred acres of land mor or less, reserving to himself the said Butler Tyler during his natural life the one half part of

the said land or the profits arising therefrom, to and for the only proper use benefit and behoof of him the said David Tyler his heirs and assigns forever. Wit: J. Wilkins, William Williams.

David was listed as the head of a family on the 1800 Census in Somerset Co., MD. Tylor, David: 1 male under 10, 2 males 10-16, 1 male 26-45, 2 females under 10, 1 female 10-16, 1 female 16-26, 1 female Over 45.

In 1804, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, David TYLER of Thomas elder and Mary Ann, nee [-----], Tyler became the parents of Ann TYLER of David. David was listed as the head of a family on the 1810 Census in Somerset Co., MD. David Tyler head - 1 male 0-10, 2 males to 26, 1 male 45+, 2 females to 26, 1 female 45+.

David was listed as John "Jacky" TYLER of David's neighbor on the 1810 Census in Somerset Co., MD. John Tyler head - 1 male 0-10, 1 male to 26, 1 female 0-10, 1 female to 26.

David was listed as Butler TYLER of Thomas elder's neighbor on the 1810 Census in Somerset Co., MD. Butler Tyler head - 1 male to 16, 1 male 45+, 1 female to 45, 1 female 45+, 1 slave.

David TYLER of Thomas elder was the father of Zipporah TYLER of David. David was listed as the head of a family on the 1820 Census in Somerset Co., MD. David Tyler head - 1 male 0-10, 2 males 10-16, 1 male 16-26, 3 males 26-45, 1 male 45+, 1 female 0-10, 2 females 16-26, 2 females 26-45, 1 female 45+.

David was listed as Butler TYLER of Thomas elder's neighbor on the 1820 Census in Somerset Co., MD. Butler Tyler head - 1 male 16-26, 1 male 45+, 3 females 45+.

David TYLER of Thomas elder was the father of William TYLER of David. William Tyler of David to marry Alice Crockett of Zachariah, David Evans and Josiah Crockett sec.

David TYLER of Thomas elder died before on 25 August 1823.¹⁵⁶ That a certain David Tyler late of this county departed this life intestate on the -- day of July 1823, siezed in fee simple of a tract of land on Tangier Island containing 3 acres of ariable land and about 100 acres of marsh, commonly called Norse Hummock [Horse Hummock;] that at the time of his death the said David left the following children and grandchildren, viz. your orators and oratrixes, Thomas, William and John Tyler of David, and Nelly Evans, wife of George Evans, Zeporah Croswell, wife of William Croswell, and Anne Tyler, all of whom are his children, and John, George, Thomas land Anne Mary Tyler his grandchildren, they being the children of his deceased son Severn Tyler, formerly of this county; that at the death of the said Dvaidd Tyler intestate the said tract of land and marsh descended to his aforesaid children and grandchildren.

The previous owner of an unknown person's land was David, recorded on 31 December 1823 in Accomack Co., VA.,¹⁵⁷ Land on Tangier Island called Horse Hummock of Horse Island for \$251.00 in hand. Wit; Levin Joynes, Edward S. Snead, John P Lee, Levin Rogers (as to Crockett.) Proved by oath of Levin Joynes and Edward Snead. Certified by Richard Bayly.

Mary Ann, nee [-----], Tyler buried on in 1850, at on Tylerton, Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, she was the wife of David TYLER of Thomas elder.¹⁵⁸ Mary A. Tyler born 1752-died 1850.

David TYLER of Thomas elder was a subject in the sworn deposition of Abraham SOMERS on on 27 May 1872.¹⁵⁹ I am very deaf. My name is Abraham Somers, and my age, Tradition says, is 79; I was born in 1793; I was born in Sussex County Delaware. I came here when quite a baby; was well acquainted with old "King" Nelson' lived near him--3/4 of a mile off. don't remember how long he has been dead. Have heard him mention the line of Virginia and Maryland. he showed me the tree on Smith's Island that was a mark of the line from Smith's Point. Has been over Smith's Island, but the tree was cut down before I went there. I could see it from King Nelson's house when standing, it was said to be a gum, and stood in Butler Tyler's yard. I _____ is not washed away, and the land is now there. Don't know but the stump may be there yet. He said the line ran by Watkins' Point.

Cross-examined by Mr. Wise.

Butler Tyler I did not know, but I knew David Tyler his brother, and I knew a daughter of Butler Tyler named Nancy; the two brothers lived close together. King Nelson showed me the tree, and told me it was a line tree. This was said by King Nelson to be a mark of the line from Smith's Point to Watkins' Point. -- Abraham Somers, his mark.

David TYLER of Thomas elder was a subject in the sworn deposition of David L. TYLER of Thomas on on 29 May 1872.¹⁶⁰ Examined by Mr. Wise

I am 53 years of age the 29th of April 1872; born in 1819. I reside now upon the north end of this Smith's Island, not farther than a mile, say from Fog's Point Light. I was born and raised on the land where Thomas Tyler, my father, lived and resided there until I was 29 years of age. Thomas Tyler, my father, was the brother of William Tyler, and they were the sons of David Tyler, who was the son of Thomas Tyler, who was the son of John Tyler, the first of my family of whom I know anything, who came, I am told from England, and where he settled I don't know, but presumed he settled on this Island. David Tyler died, I think, when I was four years old. My father died in 1864, and William Tyler died in 1868. They thought there was a line across the lower part of this island; they lived on a piece of land where their father and old Butler Tyler, their uncle, lived. Butler Tyler owned all the land, I am told at Drum and Black Walnut Points; that he was the eldest male heir under English law, and becoming infirm, he sold the whole of his land to his brother David. David had Thomas, John Nellie, and Severn, William, Zipporah, and Ann, four sons and three

daughters, seven children, naming them as their ages ran. Benjamin Bradshaw lives at Drum Point; the next house is Wm. Evans of Jas., next is Wm. S. Bradshaw; next Stuart H. Evans, are all who are living at Drum Point; and Thos. Bradshaw, John Wesley Marshall, Peter J. Marshall, Benj. Marsh and John H. Bradshaw live at Black Walnut Point. The house of Butler Tyler, who owned all of the land, was on Black Walnut Point. I have heard my father, Thomas Tyler say that the line run west from this piece of rock above Horse Hummock more than half a mile across the island. I have seen that rock two or three times; it is out of the passway a little. I have known that rock 20 years I know. it was never moved within my knowledge since I first saw it. I heard them talk about it, and went and saw it. Wm. Tyler said that he was whipped there, when a small boy, to make him remember it was a boundary between the two states. I think, but I am not sure, I understood from them both that it was a southeast corner portion of "Pitscraft," and also a bounder of this land.

Examined by Mr. Jones

The same stone has been taken and held as the beginning boundary of this tract of land called Horse Hummock. John Tyler, my uncle lived here, he died in 1834. Peter Evans bought it under a mortgage deed from John Tyler to Wm. Tyler. I was a small boy, and know but little of the business at that time. I cannot say when that stone was first called a bounder of this place called Horse Hummock. My father lived here more than 54 years ago; he removed from here about 1818, I think, and as I have heard, and he always held the stone as the beginning bounder of this land called Horse Hummock. I wrote one deed from Peter Evans and wife to John W. Marsh, dated in 1857, recorded at Princess Anne Md. in 1857, and the other was from John W. Evans and his wife to his father, Johnson Evans, in the year 1872, recorded I don't know where. I never examined any other deed for this land. When Wm. Tyler gave Peter Evans a deed, there was a right smart dispute about where it ought to be recorded. Evans wanted it recorded in both States. Tyler told him that was unnecessary, and it was recorded in Princess Anne, and Evans got a copy and carried it to Drummondtown, the Court House of Accomac, and had it recorded there, as he told me. I have no knowledge of where any deed for this place called Horse Hummock, prior to this deed, were recorded. John Tyler was Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland before 1830, when he lived here. I never heard my father or uncle William say that this house, called Horse Hummock, was in Maryland, but acted as though it was. My father thought it was in Virginia, and I heard a strong argument between him and James Hoffman about where the line was, Hoffman insisting that all Smith's Island was in Maryland down nearly to old Herne Island, while my father contended that part of Smith's Island was in Virginia. My father thought the boundary stone I have named north of this house was on the line between the two States. My uncle William told Peter Evans that the deed to him was sufficient to be recorded in Maryland, and refused to give another deed, and Evans had a copy recorded in Virginia. I never put the quantity of the land, by naming the number of acres, in the deed I wrote. The persons residing in this house, within my recollection, I have known to vote in

Maryland, and sent their children to the free schools of Somerset County. Four years ago a public road was laid out from this Kirtelage to the church on this Island, as a county road of Somerset County Md., built at the expense of that county at a cost of about thirteen hundred dollars. I have no knowledge of the manner and cause of appointing my uncle John Tyler, a Justice of the Peace of Maryland. There had to be two Justices of the Peace on the Island to certify deeds, and I believe my uncle and Solomon Evans were appointed at the same time. Solomon Evans lived at the north part of Smith's Island. I never knew Justices to be appointed on this island before James Hoffman was elected a Justice of the Peace of Maryland by the people in 1853, and served two years. he then lived where John Tyler now lives on Hog Neck, and there is a piece of land, south of where John Tyler lives, conveyed by Hoffman, or his son, to William D. Bradshaw, I think, and I took the deed and took the acknowledgment as Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland, but I don't know where it was recorded. (Mr. Jones here produced a copy of a deed dated the 11th day of May 1872, from John W. Evans and Polly, his wife to Johnson Evans, describing the lands as situated in Somerset County, writted by the witness, filed herewith as an exhibit.) The witness then added that the stone mentioned in his affidavit is the same mentioned in this deed.) -- David Tyler

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As far as I know and am informed, I am in my 77th year of age; I will be 77 on the 25th day of December next; my age is not recorded. I was born in

Hog Neck, on Smith's Island; I was born in a house owned by my uncle John Parks, and on the land where he resided, and he resided where John Tyler now resides. Hog Neck ran up to a creek called the Head Creek, which used to be my boat harbor at the time of the British war. Hog Neck laid lengthwise the island, on the western side, east of Tyler's Creek, on the Chesapeake Bay. Tyler's Creek is called by that name up to Sheep Hummock, and thence it lies north up to Tyler's ditch. Parks' Ditch lies to the westward of Tyler's Creek. David Tyler and Butler Tyler were the original owners of all the land of Oak Hummock, Horse Hummock clear down to Drum Point, where Alex Tyler and John Wesley Marshall, Thomas Bradshaw, Stewart Evans, and one of Walter Marsh's sons and Benjamin Bradshaw and Tubman Evans, who lives close to the gum, now live. From John Parks' house to Drum Point was near east by north from a half to three-quarters of a mile, as near as I can guess, John Parks was my mother's own brother, and my mother and father lived on his land, to the westward of his house on the Chesapeake Bay shore. When I was quite a boy, a dispute arose about where the line of Virginia and Maryland run. They said that the law of Virginia forbade Marylanders from skiffing and gunning in Virginia, and several old people were called together to say where the line was. Richard Evans, who lived at Kedge's Straits, and who was called King Richard, because he was best off, I suppose, John Parks and old man Jacob Bradshaw who was quite a young man then, met at old uncle John Parks' where young John Tyler now lives, and uncle John Parks said that the State line ran between his dwelling house and his kitchen. I was then I think, but I am not positive, about 18 or 19 years of age. I followed the water and lived gunning, and had a skiff, and the noise scared the geese, and other wild fowl, of a night. My uncle got mad about skiffing; and Jacob Bradshaw had a fowling point called Fog's Point--where the Light House now stands--and that caused them to meet about my skiffing. There was some contention about the skiffing, and they came down upon uncle John Parks, on whose land I lived, about my skiffing, and they all agreed that that was the line; neither one said that that line between the house and kitchen was not the line. I stopped skiffing, and that line was always regarded by me, and respected by me, as the State line. I don't recollect of hearing about any marriages at the place, but the dwelling house was in Maryland and the kitchen in Virginia--and that line was always upheld by us on the island as the line between the two States. I know where Cow Ridge used to be. I always called it Battle Ridge. Old uncle Solomon Evans always owned the place. It lies to the north and eastward side of the Little Thoroughfare, next to Barn Cove and White's Cove. Terripin Sands is still above, to the northward of that. The reason they gave it the name of Battle Ridge was, that some of the boys went down to dig a cow hole, and they got to disputing and fighting as I am told. There was no stone or tree, or other mark, on the line said to be at John Park's house. I never heard of any mark of a State line except the gum tree where Tubman Evans now lives, and a stone at the mouth of the Little Thoroughfare, at the end of Otter Island, Otter Island is say 100 strides from the main marsh of White's Cove, and Barn Cove is above, say half a mile, all on the Sound side. I have seen the stone; it was not free stone, and was not flint stone, I think, but was like any other stone washed deep in the ground. I mean to say that it looked as if

buried deep in the ground, and, by washing, had got rusty and mossy. It was not square or round, but was like a ridged coffin, and looked to be a pretty large stone. The old people always told me it was a State line stone. Horse Hummock, where the house stands, was always in Virginia as long as I remember. I left Smith's Island 27 years ago the 14th day of last November past. I lived north of John Parks' dwelling house and always paid taxes in Maryland. I don't remember that John Parks ever paid taxes in Maryland. I don't remember that John Parks ever paid any taxes; he would go from one house to the other, so they told me. South Point and Sheep Hummock, to Fishing Creek, always paid taxes in Virginia. I can't say where the people who lived where Johnson Evans now lives, on Horse Hummock, paid taxes. Old man Jacky, or John Tyler, owned it until he ran through it. I have always heard of a stone about a mile or three quarters of a mile north of Horse Hummock, on the east side of Smith's Island. The one I have described at Otter island was put there to mark the State line, as they told me. The old man, Solomon Evans, who used to own the place I am telling you about is dead. John Parks died before I removed from Smith's island to Sykes, where I now live. I think he told me a short time before he died he was 82 or in his 83rd year of age; he was a very old man. That is about all I know, and these things I have told are very plain in my mind, as plain as my fingers. I have seen the gum tree at Tubman Evans; I can't say how long since I saw it last, and can't say whether it was cut down or rotted down.

David TYLER of Thomas elder and Mary Ann, nee [-----], Tyler had the following children:

- 43 i. Thomas⁵ TYLER of David was born on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland in 1774. Thomas died before 04 Apr 1864 on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland. He married Sally HOPKINS about 10 September 1801. Sally was born in the estimated year of 1780. Conflicting evidence states that Thomas was born in about 1776. Census data states that Thomas Tyler was slightly younger than what his Tombstone says. David Tyler was born in 1756 and would have been only 17 if he married Mary Ann before the birth of Thomas in 1774.

Thomas had marriage banns to Sally HOPKINS published on 10 September 1801 in Accomack Co., VA,. In the estimated year of 1802, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Thomas TYLER of David and Sally HOPKINS became the parents of William TYLER of Thomas. Circa 1808, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Thomas TYLER of David and Sally HOPKINS became the parents of Severn TYLER of Thomas. On 29 April 1819, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Thomas TYLER of David and Sally HOPKINS became the parents of David L. TYLER of Thomas. In the estimated year of 1822, Thomas TYLER of David and an unknown person became the parents of Eliza Ann TYLER of Thomas. On 25 August 1823 Thomas TYLER of David

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Thomas TYLER of David resided on Drum Point, Tylerton, Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland before 1828. In the estimated year of 1845, Thomas TYLER of David and an unknown person became the parents of Zipporah TYLER of Thomas. On 3 May 1848, Thomas TYLER of David and an unknown person became the parents of Thomas TYLER of Thomas. In March 1850, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Thomas TYLER of David and an unknown person became the parents of Christina TYLER of Thomas. In the estimated year of 1850, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Thomas TYLER of David and Polly TYLER * 2nd wife of Thomas became the parents of Thomas TYLER of Thomas. Thomas was listed as a neighbor of James Harvey HOFFMAN of James on the 1850 Census in Somerset Co., MD. James Harvey age 36 mariner, Ciner age 35, Griffen age 22, Sally age 22, Betsy age 20. John age 18, Jane age 16, Nancy age 13 James age 11, William age 9, Laura age 7. infant 6/12. Neighbors: Thomas Tyler, Haney Bradshaw.

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Thomas was among the members of Smith's Island Church on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland in 1856, 1857, 1858.¹⁶⁶ William Evans Class Leader; meets Smith's Island Church on Sabbath; William Evans, Polly Evans [nee Marshall], Margaret Evans, Thomas Tyler, Polly Tyler, [nee Messick], Alecy Tyler [nee Evans], Laban Evans, Mary A. Evans [nee Jones], Hamilton Bradshaw, Nelly Bradshaw [nee Evans], Levina Bradshaw, Richard Evans, Rachel Evans

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I am 53 years of age the 29th of April 1872; born in 1819. I reside now upon the north end of this Smith's Island, not farther than a mile, say from Fog's Point Light. I was born and raised on the land where Thomas Tyler, my father, lived and resided there until I was 29 years of age. Thomas Tyler, my father, was the brother of William Tyler, and they were the sons of David Tyler, who was the son of Thomas Tyler, who was the son of John Tyler, the first of my family of whom I know anything, who came, I am told from England, and where he settled I don't know, but presumed he settled on this Island. David Tyler died, I think, when I was four years old. My father died in 1864, and William Tyler died in 1868. They thought there was a line across the lower part of this island; they lived on a piece of land where their father and old Butler Tyler, their uncle, lived. Butler Tyler owned all the land, I am told at Drum and Black Walnut Points; that he was the eldest male heir under English law, and becoming infirm, he sold the whole of his land to his brother David. David had Thomas, John Nellie, and Severn, William, Zipporah, and Ann, four sons and three daughters, seven children, naming them as their ages ran. Benjamin Bradshaw lives at Drum Point; the next house is Wm. Evans of Jas., next is Wm. S. Bradshaw; next Stuart H. Evans, are all who are living at Drum Point; and Thos. Bradshaw, John Wesley Marshall, Peter J. Marshall, Benj. Marsh and John H. Bradshaw live at Black Walnut Point. The house of Butler Tyler, who owned all of the land, was on Black Walnut Point. I have heard

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There were two large gum trees, and the only two large trees on the island, stood on the Orchard Hummock where I live, as described by me the other day, the other on Sassafras Hummock where Tubman Evans lived. I recollect both trees well. The tree where I live showed more visibly on the Cehsapeake Bay side. We, on the upper part of the island thought the tree where I lived was the State boundary line. The one at my house was marked with several notches on the south side; of this I am positive. Whether the one on Sassafras Hummock was marked I don't know. I don't recollect whether there were any notches on the north side of the tree at my house. Sassafras Hummock ins northwest of Horse Hummock a considerable distance, and I can show it to you. It went by the name of Tyler's gum. Both trees are now gone. I omitted to

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There were two large gum trees, and the only two large trees on the island, stood on the Orchard Hummock where I live, as described by me the other day, the other on Sassafras Hummock where Tubman Evans lived. I recollect both trees well. The tree where I live showed more visibly on the Cehsapeake Bay side. We, on the upper part of the island thought the tree where I lived was the State boundary line. The one at my house was marked with several notches on the south side; of this I am positive. Whether the one on Sassafras Hummock was marked I don't know. I don't recollect whether there were any notches on the north side of the tree at my house. Sassafras Hummock ins northwest of Horse Hummock a considerable distance, and I can show it to you. It went by the name of Tyler's gum. Both trees are now gone. I omitted to state fully, being hurried, aal that I now recollect about what Tommy Tyler said in the trial of the vessels Amelia Ann and Edington; in addition to what I have already said, he stated the line between the two states of Maryland and Virginia, his uncle Butler told him, was run twice in his recollection; that he was said to be a hundred years old when he died, and he has been dead at least 45 years. I have seen him; was nearly grown when he died, and was at his funeral. Tommy Tyler said that Butler had told him that at one time the line run through his yard at Black Walnut Point, and at another time it ran a little below Drum Point on Tyler's Creek making a differnece between the two lines of about 3 jundred yards.--I do believe that one or the other of these two lines has been recognized by the people on this island

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Circa 1825, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Ann TYLER of David and John L. TYLER of Littleton became the parents of Adeline TYLER of John L.. On 7 July 1831, on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland, Ann TYLER of David and John L. TYLER of Littleton became the parents of Alexander D. TYLER of John L..²⁰⁶ Ann was listed as a household member living with John L. TYLER of Littleton on the 1850 Census in Somerset Co., MD. John L. Tylor 56 Lighthouse keeper, Ann Tyler, 55, Alexander Tylor 18 mariner, Cina Evans, 18, Maria Evans, 8. 1842

Ann was among the members of Smith's Island Church on Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland in 1856, 1857, 1858.²⁰⁷ William Evans Class Leader; meets Smith's Island Church on Sabbath; William Evans, Polly Evans [nee Marshall], Margaret Evans, Thomas Tyler, Polly Tyler, [nee Messick], Alecy Tyler [nee Evans], Laban Evans, Mary

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Ann was listed as a household member living with Alexander D. TYLER of John L. in the 1860 Census in Somerset Co., MD. Alexander Tylor sailor 30, Sarah Tylor 25, Ann Tylor 60, Edward Tylor 3, Laura Tylor 2, Maria Tylor 1, George Lord 9. 1841

In 1864 Ann TYLER of David was buried on Tylerton, Smith's Island, Somerset Co., Maryland.²⁰⁸ Ann Tyler, 1804-1864.- 60

Ann TYLER of David was a subject in the sworn deposition of David L. TYLER of Thomas on on 29 May 1872.²⁰⁹ Examined by Mr. Wise

I am 53 years of age the 29th of April 1872; born in 1819. I reside now upon the north end of this Smith's Island, not farther than a mile, say from Fog's Point Light. I was born and raised on the land where Thomas Tyler, my father, lived and resided there until I was 29 years of age. Thomas Tyler, my father, was the brother of William Tyler, and they were the sons of David Tyler, who was the son of Thomas Tyler, who was the son of John Tyler, the first of my family of whom I know anything, who came, I am told from England, and where he settled I don't know, but presumed he settled on this Island. David Tyler died, I think, when I was four years old. My father died in 1864, and William Tyler died in 1868. They thought there was a line across the lower part of this island; they lived on a piece of land where their father and old Butler Tyler, their uncle, lived. Butler Tyler owned all the land, I am told at Drum and Black Walnut Points; that he was the eldest male heir under English law, and becoming infirm, he sold the whole of his land to his brother David. David had Thomas, John Nellie, and Severn, William, Zipporah, and Ann, four sons and three daughters, seven children, naming them as their ages ran. Benjamin Bradshaw lives at Drum Point; the next house is Wm. Evans of Jas., next is Wm. S. Bradshaw; next Stuart H. Evans, are all who are living at Drum Point; and Thos. Bradshaw, John Wesley Marshall, Peter J. Marshall, Berj. Marsh and John H. Bradshaw live at Black Walnut Point. The house of Butler Tyler, who owned all of the land, was on Black Walnut Point. I have heard

my father, Thomas Tyler say that the line run west from this piece of rock above Horse Hummock more than half a mile across the island. I have seen that rock two or three times; it is out of the passway a little. I have known that rock 20 years I know. it was never moved within my knowledge since I first saw it. I heard them talk about it, and went and saw it. Wm. Tyler said that he was whipped there, when a small boy, to make him remember it was a boundary between the two states. I think, but I am not sure, I understood from them both that it was a southeast corner portion of "Pitscraft," and also a bounder of this land.

Examined by Mr. Jones

The same stone has been taken and held as the beginning boundary of this tract of land called Horse Hummock. John Tyler, my uncle lived here, he died in 1834. Peter Evans bought it under a mortgage deed from John Tyler to Wm. Tyler. I was a small boy, and know but little of the business at that time. I cannot say when that stone was first called a bounder of this place called Horse Hummock. My father lived here more than 54 years ago; he removed from here about 1818, I think, and as I have heard, and he always held the stone as the beginning bounder of this land called Horse Hummock. I wrote one deed from Peter Evans and wife to John W. Marsh, dated in 1857, recorded at Princess Anne Md. in 1857, and the other was from John W. Evans and his wife to his father, Johnson Evans, in the year 1872, recorded I don't know where. I never examined any other deed for this land. When Wm. Tyler gave Peter Evans a deed, there was a right smart dispute about where it ought to be recorded. Evans wanted it recorded in both States. Tyler told him that was unnecessary, and it was recorded in Princess Anne, and Evans got a copy and carried it to Drummondtown, the Court House of Accomac, and had it recorded there, as he told me. I have no knowledge of where any deed for this place called Horse Hummock, prior to this deed, were recorded. John Tyler was Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland before 1830, when he lived here. I never heard my father or uncle William say that this house, called Horse Hummock, was in Maryland, but acted as though it was. My father thought it was in Virginia, and I heard a strong argument between him and James Hoffman about where the line was, Hoffman insisting that all Smith's Island was in Maryland down nearly to old Herne Island, while my father contended that part of Smith's Island was in Virginia. My father thought the boundary stone I have named north of this house was on

the line between the two States. My uncle William told Peter Evans that the deed to him was sufficient to be recorded in Maryland, and refused to give another deed, and Evans had a copy recorded in Virginia. I never put the quantity of the land, by naming the number of acres, in the deed I wrote. The persons residing in this house, within my recollection, I have known to vote in Maryland, and sent their children to the free schools of Somerset County. Four years ago a public road was laid out from this Kirtelage to the church on this Island, as a county road of Somerset County Md., built at the expense of that county at a cost of about thirteen hundred dollars. I have no knowledge of the manner and cause of appointing my uncle John Tyler, a Justice of the Peace of Maryland. There had to be two Justices of the Peace on the Island to certify deeds, and I believe my uncle and Solomon Evans were appointed at the same time. Solomon Evans lived at the north part of Smith's Island. I never knew Justices to be appointed on this island before James Hoffman was elected a Justice of the Peace of Maryland by the people in 1853, and served two years. he then lived where John Tyler now lives on Hog Neck, and there is a piece of land, south of where John Tyler lives, conveyed by Hoffman, or his son, to William D. Bradshaw, I think, and I took the deed and took the acknowledgment as Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland, but I don't know where it was recorded. (Mr. Jones here produced a copy of a deed dated the 11th day of May 1872, from John W. Evans and Polly, his wife to Johnson Evans, describing the lands as situated in Somerset County, writted by the witness, filed herewith as an exhibit.) The witness then added that the stone mentioned in his affidavit is the same mentioned in this deed.) -- David Tyler

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SON

BORN

JOHN TYLER THE 2ND Dec. 4, 1694 -

WIFE -



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