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Dear Cousin:

Thank you for your recent letter. I am returning the material you sent me, and a couple of things I think will interest you. The article from the Yorkville Inquirer of 1870 was written by "an octogenarian" who heard Rev. Joseph Alexander preach when he was a boy, and also seems to be well acquainted with Rev. Joseph's son-in-law, the Rev. Robert Walker.

I'm also including abstracts of some of the York County Court of Equity law suits against Dr. Samuel D. Alexander. I have photocopies of all the cases involving him if you have questions or want a copy.

I quite agree that Samuel Davis or Samuel Davies was the father-in-law of the Rev. Joseph Alexander. I have found deeds and grants both in Charlotte Co., VA and in Anson and Mecklinburg NC under both Davis and Davies, and some spell the name both ways in the same document. One deed dated 26 Dec. 1774 is from Joseph Alexander, Minister of the Gospel, of Mecklinburg, to Samuel Davies, joiner, of same, for L. 20, 50 ac. conv. to Alexander 20 July 1769. (Deed Book 9, p. 231-233). This is probably from Joseph to his father-in-law as he was about to leave for York Co., SC.

Again, thanks for the letter and all the information, and I hope this will help you.



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History of
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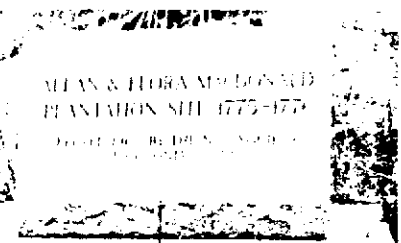
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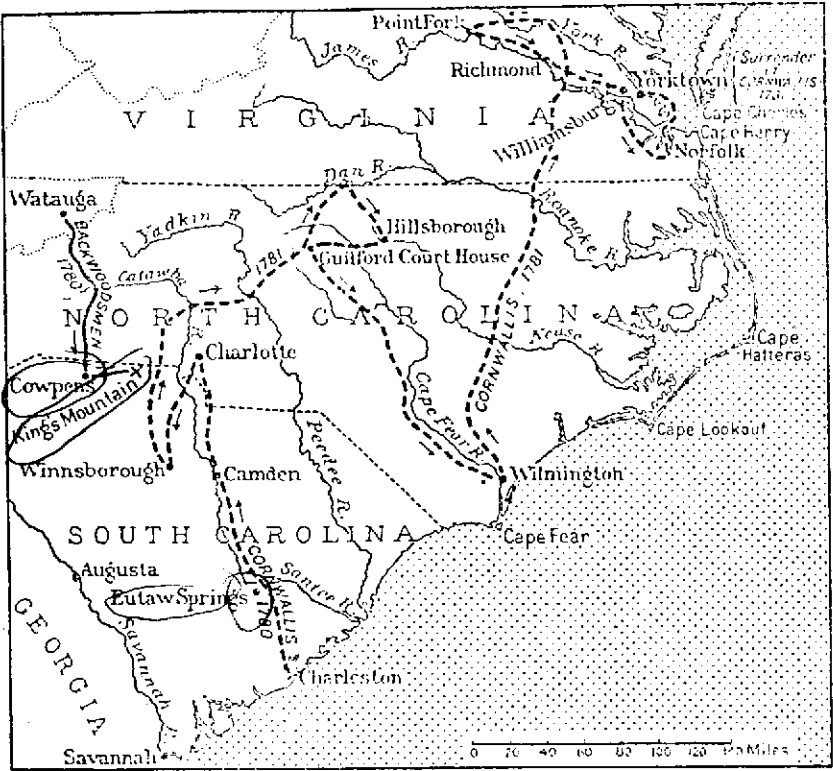
- 1663 Province of Carolina established by Charles II
- 1740 Settlers begin taking up land in Anson County (then part of Bladen)
- 1741 Patent date of first Anson County deed, Thomas Tompkins to William Forbes, registered in 1749
- 1748 Royal Governor Gabriel Johnston grants petition for annexation of Anson from Bladen
- 1750 Royal governor signs bill establishing Anson County
- 1753 Rowan County annexed from Anson
First deed for church property given at Anson Court House for a Presbyterian congregation at Thyatira, said to be the oldest deed to a Presbyterian congregation in the South
- 1754 French and Indian War begins; treaty signed with Catawba Indians in Anson and Rowan
- 1755 First court house, stocks and jail established on the banks of the Pee Dee
- 1763 Mecklenburg County cut from Anson
- 1768 Anson Regulator Protest Paper signed by ninety-nine Regulators
- 1774 Anson sends Samuel Spencer and William Thomas to the First Provincial Assembly at New Bern
- 1776 North Carolinians Joseph Hewes, William Hooper and John Penn sign the Declaration of Independence
Anson Loyalists defeated at the Battle of Moores Creek Bridge, the state's first Revolutionary conflict
Oldest Baptist congregation in present day Anson is organized at Rocky River
- 1779 Richmond and Montgomery counties annexed from Anson
- 1783 New Town (now Wadesboro) is chartered and becomes county seat
- 1787 New Town's name changed to Wadesborough
- 1789 Federal constitution ratified at Fayetteville; North Carolina joins Union; Anson County territory between Alleghenies and Mississippi ceded to United States
- 1791 Stoke's Seminary, the first academy in Anson, receives its charter
- 1794 First post office opened at Anson County Court House
- 1795 Sneedsbrough becomes second town to receive a charter
- 1801 Methodism gets a start in the county with the visit of Bishop Francis Asbury
- 1812 Anson men serve in war with Great Britain



er on the Cheek's Creek site of Allan and McDonald's plantation. The Loyalists re-occupied Scotland after their defeat at Moore's ridge.



on Samuel Spencer's former property, re-located by the Anson County Historical Society in land donated by the Federal Paper Board, Inc.



Significant campaigns and battles in 1780-1781, reprinted from Lefler and Newsome, *North Carolina: The History of a Southern State*, Chapel Hill, N.C.: University of North Carolina Press, 1954.



The Pegues place (1770) in Marlborough County, South Carolina, was the only point of completed exchange of prisoners during the Revolution.

hundred miles from the Pee Dee to the court at Bladen, on the banks of Cape Fear. Pee Dee residents complained before His Majesty's Council at New Bern that the courts, much needed because of lawlessness and general business, were inaccessible. Roads were little more than Indian paths, and swollen streams made travel hazardous much of the year.

An example of the hardships of Bladen tithables living on the frontier is found in the account of a murder that took place in 1748 where the city of Charlotte now stands. It took three days for a messenger to ride to the courthouse on the Cape Fear a little above present Elizabethtown and three more days for a deputy to get to the murder scene. Three additional days were required to take the culprit to the Bladen jail, nine days in all.

Local residents drew up a petition, asking Royal Governor Gabriel Johnston, serving for His Majesty George II, to establish a separate county along the Pee Dee. A second group dissented on this point, stating that the poverty and paucity of the inhabitants did not warrant such action.

The petition from the committee seeking a new county was presented at the Council in New Bern on December 28, 1748. Present were His Excellency Gabriel Johnston, the governor, The Honorable Nath. Rice, Robert Halton, Edward Moseley, Roger Moore and Will Forbes, Members of the Council.

In favor of dividing the county were Captain Samuel Davis, Charles Robinson and Thomas Smith, who exhibited the petition on behalf of themselves and sundry other inhabitants. The petition pointed out the great distance to the court at Bladen, "the badness" of the routes, and the consequent exclusion of Pee Dee citizens from the benefits of said court. They asked for the division of the county, arguing that while there were few inhabitants along the Pee Dee at present, they would increase to a competent number.

A petition against the establishment of a new county was also presented, highlighting "the poverty and paucity of the inhabitants." Surprisingly, it was delivered by the same group favoring the new county and was in the same handwriting as the other. Names of dissenters are not listed in *The Colonial Records* reporting the action.

After the reading of both petitions, Governor Johnston was pleased to query the committee asking for a new county. He agreed that the distance of over one hundred miles to the court and the conditions for

travel at certain seasons of the year caused hardships for the settlers. He also wished to promote settlement along the Pee Dee. Taking proper action with the advice and consent of His Majesty's Council, the governor granted the petition to create a new county from Bladen.

Anson County, St. George's Parish, was of enormous proportion when first formed from Bladen. Stretching westward to the Mississippi, this gargantuan frontier county included the present state of Tennessee. South Carolina bordered it on the south. Years of wrangling would take place before a satisfactory agreement would be reached over its boundaries.

Other counties would be cut on her east line between the Pee Dee, Drowning Creek and Lumber River. Granville's Line would separate Anson from Virginia to the north until near the end of 1779. However, the first North Carolina-Virginia boundary as set by William Byrd's survey in 1728 remained far more stable than the county's southern boundaries.

Controversy went on for a number of years as to the exact date of Anson County's legal establishment, but the late D. L. Corbitt, the late Dr. A. R. Newsome and his collaborator, Dr. Hugh Talmage Lefler settled on the year 1750 in their respective scholarly works. A check of Journals for the Assembly of 1748-49-50 proves that the bill did not complete its passage and gain the required assent of the Royal Governor until April 9, 1750. During the time of preparation for the county's bicentennial observance, older citizens held to the date of 1749. Bicentennial events were held October 2-7, 1949. However, the late D. L. Corbitt, then a member of the State Department of Archives and History staff, informed this writer at the time that the legal date was 1750. This fact was included in a pageant written by the author for the bicentennial celebration.

Corbitt, author-compiler of the book, *Formation of North Carolina Counties 1663-1943*, stated that the governor and his council created Anson County on September 29, 1748 and named justices of the peace for the county the next day: Joseph White, Charles Robinson, Edmund Cartledge, William Phillips, Samuel Davis, Thomas Smith, John Hicks, and John Holmes. Joseph White acted as sheriff until a commission was empowered to name John Hamer first official Sheriff of Anson County.

The Council at New Bern in conjunction with the governor recommended that a court house site be chosen at the ford of Rocky River.

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MARRIAGE BONDS
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1764-1815

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MARRIAGES OF CHARLOTTE COUNTY, VIRGINIA 1764 - 1815

- 20 September 1787. David ADAMS and Mary Johnson, dau. Reuben Johnson. Sur. James Adams. Married by Rev. John Williams. p 100
- 12 June 1772. James ADAMS and Jenny Cunningham, dau. James Cunningham. James son of John Adams. Sur. Samuel Cunningham. p 13
- 3 June 1782. James ADAMS and Leanna Sulliyant (widow). Sur. William Morton. p 51
- 23 May 1787. James ADAMS and Mary Stowe, dau. Joel Stowe. Sur. William Stowe. Married 26 May by Rev. John Weatherford. p 101
- 16 October 1788. James ADAMS, Jr. and Mary Prusit, dau. Joseph Prusit. Sur. David Adams. Married same day by Rev. John Williams who says Mary Prewit. p 111
- 22 October 1813. James ADAMS and Mary Bouldin, dau. Richard Bouldin. Sur. Thomas T. Bouldin. p 497
- 10 December 1812. John A. ADAMS and Polly Cook, dau. Thomas Cook. Sur. James Brown. John A. son of Leannah Adams. Married 17 December by Rev. John Chappell. p 482
- 20 October 1786. Thomas ADAMS and Sally Ford, dau. Culverain Ford. Sur. Abner Barksdale. Married by Rev. Thomas Johnston who says 4 October. p 94
- 1 August 1785. William ADAMS and Keturah Ford. Sur. Culverine Ford. Married 4 August by Rev. Thomas Johnston. p 80
- 22 February 1790. William ADAMS and Susannah Maddox. Sur. James Adams. Married 25 February by Rev. John Weatherford. p 141
- 3 February 1794. William ADAMS and Sally Brown. Sur. Burwell Brown. Married 6 February by Rev. Edward Almond. p 208
- 17 April 1797. Henry ADKERSON and Anne Lee (widow). Sur. Charles Newcomb. p 26
- 2 August 1790. William ADKINS and Sally Ryon. Sur. William Ryon. p 140
- 7 January 1793. Peter AKERS and Matsey Harroway, dau. Charles Harroway who is surety. Returned to May 1793 Court by Rev. John Chappell. p 197
- 27 January 1803. James ALDERSON and Nancy Stokes. Sur. Samuel Green. James son of Mary Alderson. Married 28 January by Rev. Edward Almond. p 335
- 7 December 1778. John ALDERSON and Keziah Foster, dau. Thomas Foster who is surety. p 29
- 14 July 1807. Archibald A. ALEXANDER and Fannie Morton, ward of William L. Morton who is surety. p 400
- 12 November 1767. Joseph ALEXANDER and Esther Daniel, dau. Samuel Daniel who is surety with Clement Read. p 5 *Appears to be DAVIS on original (copy)*
- 6 March 1815. James R. ALLGOOD and Sallie Pollard, dau. William Pollard. Sur. William H. Davis. James son of Samuel Allgood. p 535

May be son of Thomas lived in co.

Davis

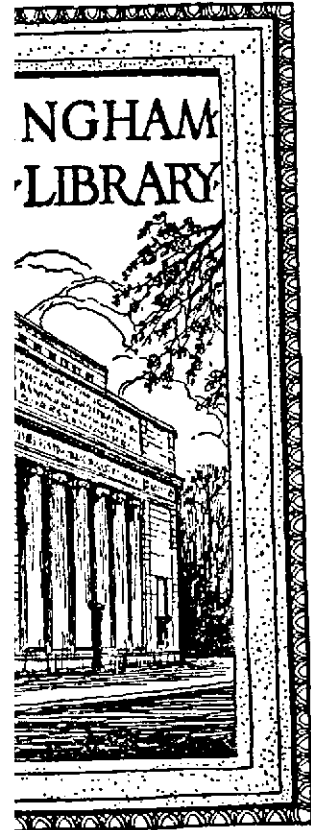
THE PERSONAL PROPERTY
TAX LISTS
FOR THE YEAR 1787
FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY, VIRGINIA

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Charlotte County Personal Property Tax 1787 - List "A"

Last Name	First Name	Charged with Tax	1	2	3	4	5	Notes
Bailey	David	self	0	0	0	3	0	
Coleson	Elisabeth	self	0	0	0	0	2	- [not tithable]
Carwie	William	self	0	0	0	2	0	
Cardwell	Daniel	self	0	0	0	2	4	
Clark	John	self	0	1	1	4	4	
Clark	Frans.	self	0	1	1	1	5	
Clark	Isaac	self	0	1	1	2	7	
Clark	Thomas	self	0	3	3	3	13	
Clark	Jno., Sr.	Thomas Clark						
Copeland	John	self	0	0	0	0	0	
Copeland	Wm.	self	0	0	0	1	2	
Clark	Elijah	self	0	0	3	2	5	
Caughron	James	self	0	0	0	0	3	
Cunninghame	James	self	2	0	0	4	8	
Cridlington	Henry	self	0	0	0	2	4	
Crews	William	self	1	0	0	2	7	
Crews	Andrew	self	0	0	0	1	3	
Crews	Richard	self	0	0	0	2	3	
Crews	John	self	0	0	0	0	4	- levy free
Crews	John, Jr.	self	0	0	0	0	0	
Cheatham	Benja.	self	0	0	1	2	0	
Clements	Barnard	self	0	0	0	1	0	
Cheatham	Barnard	self	0	3	5	3	4	
Clark	Edward	self	1	1	2	2	7	
Cardwell	Susanna	self	0	0	4	5	15	- [not tithable]
Cardwell	Peter	Susanna Cardwell						
Cook	Benja.	self	0	4	4	6	11	
Cage	Benja.	self	0	0	0	3	6	
Cole	Walter (Estate)	self	0	17	31	18	93	- [not tithable]
May	David	Walter Cole Estate						
Cheaher	Daniel	self	0	0	0	1	0	
Clark	Smal.	self	1	0	0	1	0	
Cardwell	John	self	0	0	0	2	2	
Cheatham	Wm., Jr.	self	0	0	1	0	0	
Conner	Julious	self	0	0	0	7	0	
Coleson	David	self	0	0	0	1	0	
Claybrook	Obediah	self	0	2	4	5	24	
Claybrook	Jos.	Obediah Claybrook						
Cousins	Jacob	self	0	0	0	2	4	
Cousins	Wm.	Jacob Cousins						
Cunningham	Andrew	self	0	1	1	1	3	
Cardwell	John	self	0	0	1	2	10	- son of Jno.
Crenshaw	Charles	self	0	6	6	5	18	
Davis	Joseph	self	1	1	0	2	13	
Davis	William	self	1	3	6	6	16	
Davis	Temple	self	0	2	4	4	15	
Dinwiddie	Wm.	self	0	0	0	3	7	
Davis	Smal.	self	0	0	0	0	2	
Doddfill	Noel	self	1	0	0	1	0	- [not tithable]
Day	Edward	self	0	0	0	0	3	
Deroait	Lewis	self	1	0	0	2	2	
Draskill	Alexa.	self	0	0	0	1	0	
Daoney	James	self	0	0	0	2	8	
Dudgeon	Mary	self	0	6	11	4	29	- [not tithable]
Dudgeon	Jas.	Mary Dudgeon						
Sublit	Wm.	Mary Dudgeon						
Davis	James	self	1	3	4	5	11	
Daniel	James	self	0	0	0	1	0	
Davenport	Richard	self	0	5	1	5	18	
Davenport	William	self	1	3	2	3	11	
Dejarnatt	Mumford	self	1	3	6	3	24	
Dejarnatt	Richard	self	0	0	0	1	0	
Dejarnatt	Daniel	self	0	0	0	1	0	
Daniel	Hezekiah	self	0	1	1	2	8	
Dunivent	Abraham	self	0	0	0	1	0	
Dials	Daniel	self	0	0	0	1	0	
Dabbe	Joseph	self	0	0	1	2	3	
Dudgeon	John	self	0	1	0	3	10	
Dudgeon	Wm. (Estate)	self	0	0	1	6	9	- [not tithable]
Dudgeon	Alexa.	Wm. Dudgeon Estate						

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Last Name	First Name	Charged with Tax	1	2	3	4	5	Notes
Dudgeon	Wm.	Wm. Dudgeon Estate						
Daniel	Wm. P.	self	0	4	3	4	21	
Davis	Joseph (Doctr.)	self	0	0	0	1	0	- physician's license
Edmunds	Thomas	self	0	7	4	7	25	
Epperson	Thomas	self	0	4	6	4	12	
Eanes	Henry	self	0	2	4	3	8	
Eanes	Arther	self	0	0	0	3	4	- levy free
Eanes	Edwd.	self	0	0	0	3	2	
Edge	Obediah	self	0	0	0	1	4	
Epps	Truman/Freeman	self	0	4	3	2	1	- [not tithable]
Foster	James I.	self	0	1	0	1	2	
Fore	John, Sr.	self	1	1	4	4	17	
Farrow	Mary	self	0	0	1	1	5	- [not tithable]
Fore	John, Jr.	self	0	0	0	1	3	
Fore	George, Sr.	self	0	0	0	2	6	
Ferguson	Joel	self	0	0	0	1	0	
Floyd	Wm.	self	0	0	0	0	0	
Ferguson	Thomas	self	0	1	2	2	17	
Fore	George, Jr.	self	0	0	0	1	1	
Fore	Peter	self	0	0	0	3	10	- levy free
Ford	Culverine	self	2	8	6	8	23	
Ford	Tho.	Culverine Ford						
Farmer	Joel	self	0	2	3	1	10	
Franklin	Nathan	self	0	0	0	0	4	
Fuqua	Joseph, Jr.	self	0	3	9	4	10	- C.C.
Fuqua	Smal.	self	0	12	19	13	33	
Ferguson	Alexa.	self	0	0	0	1	3	
James	Poster	self	0	0	0	0	0	- tayler [tailor]
Franklin	Robt.	self	0	3	5	5	24	
Franklin	Jno.	Robt. Franklin						
Fuqua	Joseph, Sr.	self	0	7	6	12	23	
Fuqua	Joseph (Capt.)	self	1	6	4	6	29	
Hubard	Jas.	Capt. Joseph Fuqua						
Fuqua	John	self	0	7	7	5	27	
Fletcher	James	self	0	7	10	8	22	
Franklin	Peter	self	1	0	0	4	8	- levy free
Francisco	Peter	self	0	5	5	3	8	
Garratt	James	self	0	3	3	7	17	
Gains	Thomas	self	0	3	3	4	10	
Greenwood	William	self	0	1	3	3	10	
Gross	Richard	self	0	0	2	1	8	
Grammer	Joseph	self	0	0	0	1	1	
Green	Burwell	self	1	0	1	2	0	
Goare	Isaac	self	0	0	0	1	4	
Graves	Wm.	self	0	0	0	2	3	
Gray	Eliza.	self	0	0	0	2	3	- [not tithable]
Cordon	John (Estate)	self	0	16	8	5	37	- [not tithable]
Spauldin	John	John Gordon Estate						
Gains	Richard, Jr.	self	0	5	7	6	22	
Gardeen	Alexa.	self	0	0	0	0	0	
Glazebrook	Julious	self	0	0	0	2	12	
Gains	Richd., Sr.	self	1	8	17	11	39	
Gains	Frs.	Richd. Gains, Sr.						
George	William	self	0	0	2	1	2	
Greenhill	Paschal	self	0	21	14	10	30	- two-wheeled carriage
Howard	John	self	0	0	0	2	4	
Howard	Wm.	self	0	0	0	1	4	
Hewett	John	self	1	1	1	2	14	
Hines	Henry	self	1	3	4	5	11	
Hood	William	self	0	0	0	1	4	
Hood	Charles	William Hood						
Hunter	Alexa.	self	0	1	0	4	8	
Harrison	John	self	0	0	0	0	9	
Hunter	John	self	0	0	1	2	14	
Harvey	Tho.	self	0	4	4	8	19	- B.S.
Harvey	John, Sr.	self	1	5	10	16	31	
Harvey	Charles	self	0	1	5	0	3	
Hundley	Charles	self	0	0	1	0	0	- ov. [?] Smith
Hemblat	James	self	0	0	1	0	1	
Harris	Robert	self	1	0	0	1	5	
Harris	Charles	self	1	1	0	3	4	