

Chesterfield Records

9 Apr 1739

Charles Poythress of Henrico County, marriage contract 9 Apr 1739 with Catherine Crawford. **Recorded Chesterfield County**, 1762. (Marriages of some Virginia Residents, Wulfeck, Dorothy Ford, 1897, Gene. Pub. Co., Baltimore, MD)

1749

Chesterfield County formed in 1749 from Henrico County.

3 Nov 1749 (order)

Joshua Poythress, plt. vs John Fenning, Case. Continued.

2 June 1750 (order)

Joshua Poythress, plt, agst John Fannin, deft, In Case. This day came the parties by their attorneys and thereupon came also a jury (same jury as above, in suit of Eppes v Worsham). The jury says the deft is guilty as to the 3£/13/3 part of the debt mentioned in the declaration, & no more, and assess the damages due to the debt, to be 3£/13/3. Deft, by his atty, moved that the plt might be nonsuited, but plt proved that deft, though often requested, always refused to settle accounts with him. Court rules that plt recover against deft 3£/13/3 + costs.

7 June, 1751, p. 122 (order)

Elizabeth Poythress, plt, v Henry Reveland, deft, On a pet. the deft being no inhabitant, suit abates.

9 Oct 1759

Will of Elizabeth Anderson, Chesterfield County, VA, 9 Oct 1759 (book I)

Will of Elizabeth Anderson of Dale Parish

To daughter Elizabeth Crowley, 1 negro

To grandson **John Poythress**, 1 mulatto, and if he dies without heirs, then to my son Claiborne Anderson.

To grandson John Anderson, 1 mulatto, and if he dies with out heirs, then to my son Claiborne Anderson.

Rest of estate to my son Claiborne Anderson.

Dated 9 Oct 1759

Wit: Henry Hamton, James Waldrop, John Waldrop, Penellope Parrot.

17 Nov 1759, p. 168 (deed)

William Poythress of Dinwiddie County, to Thomas Dance of Chesterfield County, for £60, 447 ½ acres which he purchased of Henry Randolph on 6 Sep 1740 in Henrico County. (Chesterfield Deed Book # 5)

Wit: Joseph Rowlet, William Worsham, Essex Worsham

Signed: **William Poythress** Rec: 2 May 1760

(Chesterfield County DB 5, p. 168)

2 May 1760 (bill of sale)

William Poythress to Thomas Dance.

Sept 1761 (order)

p. 381, Received of Mrs. Elizabeth Anderson, widow and late Adm'x of Ralph Crawford, dec'd , 4 negroes: Tom, Sue, Betty and Grissel; on account of my marrying 1 his daughter Elizabeth. 10 April 1739.

Wit: Geo. Robertson, Min., James Mitcheal, **Charles Poythress**.

Signed: Henry Anderson

Recorded Sept. 1761

1762

Poythres, Francis...listed in Chesterfield tithables 1762. (loose papers of Chesterfield County)

Jan 1762 (order)

p. 382, A marriage is intended between **Charles Poythress** and Catherine Crawford, and this is an agreement between them. It is agreed that the negroes Jack, Abram, Tom, Nanny, Lett, Sarah, Jenny, Bess and Hilly, which belong to said Catherine, will remain her own property. Henrico County, April 9, 1739.

Wit: James Mitchael, Henry Anderson, John (I) Old.

Signed: **Charles Poythress**, Catherine Crawforth (sic)

Recorded Jan, 1762.

23 July 1765, p. 424 (deed)

Francis Poythress of Prince George County, for £15, sells to Thomas Walke, all my right in slaves now in possession of **Hannah Poythress, Mary Poythress** and Peter Woodleif, which were devised by my grandfather (after the death of his wife) to be divided among his children. Poythress acquits all of his right to said Walke.

23 July 1765

Signed: **Francis Poythress**

Wit: Peter Warren, Nicholas Sims, Robert Poole, Henry Warren

Recorded 6 Sep 1765

14 Apr 1768 (Virginia Gazette)

“Williamsburg, April 14.

Capt. Peter Poythress is returned a Burgess for Prince George County in the room of Col. Alexander Bolling, deceased.”

1 Dec 1768 (Virginia Gazette)

“Williamsburg, Dec. 1.

We have also heard of the following elections, viz.....For PRINCE GEORGE, Mr. RICHARD BLAND and **PETER POYTHRESS.**”

17 Jun 1769

Will of Henry Randolph this date appoints (among others) **Major Peter Poythress** Executor. Chesterfield County WB 2, p. 6.

July Court 1773

Dismisses Suit of **Robert Poythress**, Pltff vs. Robert Elam, defendant-in case. (Chesterfield Order Book 5, p. 298, R. B.Batte card # 155)

7 Sep 1773, DB 7, p. 324 (deed)

John Randolph, Gent. and **Mrs. Tabitha [Poythress] Randolph**, widow of Henry Randolph, dced. of the Co. of Chesterfield. Deed to Thos. Cogbill of same Co. £161 Curr. 161 acres adjoins sd. Randolphs and sd. Cogbill. [**Tabitha Randolph nee' Poythress**]

[Notes: Henry Randolph, 11 Feb 1721-1771, of Henrico and Chesterfield Counties. Was captain in Henrico Militia 1748. Married Tabitha, daughter of **Robert Poythress** of Prince George County. Had issue:

1. John Randolph, of Chesterfield County, d. Dec. 1803
2. William Randolph, living Chesterfield County as late as Nov. 1775
3. Peter Randolph, of Amelia and Nottaway Counties, m. Sarah_____.
4. Thomas Randolph, died young and unmarried.
5. Robert Randolph
6. Richard Randolph
7. Mary Randolph, m. Henry Archer]

14 Jun 1774 (Virginia Gazette)

“On Wednesday the 13th Instant came on the Election of Burgesses to represent the people of Prince George in the ensuing General Assembly; when the people,

sensible that their late Representative had discharged their Duty to their Country, in opposing those baneful ministerial Measures which have lately been taken to enslave this Continent, and highly applauding those Sentiments of Union among the Colonies which occasioned the Dissolution of the last Assembly, unanimously agreed to re-elect Richard Bland and **Peter Poythress**, Esquires, who were returned without a poll being taken.”

00, 000, 1775, Order Book 6, p. 92 (order)

Allotment of dower to Tabitha Randolph, widow and relict of Henry Randolph, decd., 400 acres of land, 8 negroes, a horse and mare, 6 head cattle, 28 hogs, all in Amelia Co.; 6 negroes, 2 beds with furniture, 10 silver teaspoons, all in Chesterfield Co. [**Tabitha Randolph, nee’ Poythress**]

18 Feb 1775 (Virginia Gazette)

“Williamsburg, February 18

On Tuesday last a very respectable number of the freeholders of Prince George county met at the courthouse, and elected, unanimously, RICHARD BLAND and **PETER POYTHRESS**, Esquires, their delegates to represent them in the convention, to be held at Richmond, in Henrico county, upon the 20th of March next.”

31 May 1775, DB 8, p. 70 (deed)

Tabitha Randolph, of the Co. of Chesterfield, widow and relict of Henry Randolph, late of sd. Co., deceased. Deed to John Randolph, eldest son of the sd. Henry Randolph, decd. £60 100 acres being her dower. [**Tabitha Randolph nee’ Poythress**]

2 May 1777 (Virginia Gazette)

“Marriage] John Randolph, Esq. m. Miss Nancy Poythress, daughter of **Col. Peter Poythress** of Prince George County.”

4 Jul 1777 (Virginia Gazette)

“Branchester, June 23, 1777

Those who have any just Claims against the **Estate of William Poythress**, late of Prince George County, deceased, are desired to apply immediately for Payment, as I intend to deliver up the estate in a short Time.
Peter Poythress, Executor.”

5 Mar 1783

John Randolph, of the county of Chesterfield, to **Peter Poythress**, of county of Prince George, tract known as Bloomsbury, 1000 acres.

John Randolph

(NOTE: not recorded until 14 Nov 1820. Was first offered for recording during July court 1783 but was proven by only two of the three witnesses at that time.)
Chesterfield County Deed Book 23, p. 462, 5 Mar 1783).

28 Jun 1783

Peter Poythress in Prince George County advertises for sale 1000 acres on Nottoway River in Sussex County near Bollings Bridge (described), 500 acres on Tomaheton Creek in Dinwiddie County about thirty miles from Petersburg, and a tract in the same county adjoining Major Muir, about 25 miles from Petersburg. The merchant mills on Swift Creek in **Chesterfield County**, lately called Randolph's Mills, will be sold or rented.

(Virginia Gazette 28 June 1783)

00 Jun 1793, DB 12, p. 396 (deed)

Tabitha Randolph, of the Co. of Chesterfield, daughter of **Robert Poythress**, late of the Co. of Prince George, decd. Deed to Henry Archer [son-in-law] of Chesterfield Co., £100. 1/5 interest in 8 negroes and their increase devised by her father **Robert Poythress**, of Prince George Co., in his will dated May 24, 1743, In which will sd. **Robert Poythress** provided that his wife should have a life interest in the sd. negroes and their increase should be equally divided between three sons of sd. **Robt. Poythress** viz. **Robert, Peter & William Poythress** and such of the testators daughters as were married at the time of their mother's death. The said **Tabitha** being married at the time of her mother's death conveys this interest. (Valentine Papers). [note: year of death for Tabitha Randolph is 1805]

00, 000, 1794, Order Book 10, p. 363 (order)

Tabitha Randolph, one of the daughters and legatees of **Robert Poythress**, deceased, vs William Mayo, acting executor of **Peter Poythress**, deceased. Court orders commissioners to set aside to said plaintiff certain negroes out of estate of **Robert Poythress**, decd., with increase since his death, and also estimate hire from death of said **Peter Poythress**, and make report to this court.

2 Feb 1801 (deed)

Lucy Bland Poythress of Chesterfield for divers good causes emancipates Kate, Cresse (dau of sd Kate), Harriet (dau of sd Cresse) and John – son of said Cresse. Deed book 15, 1800-1801, p. 28.

1802

Land Taxes 1802

Name: **Peter Poythress Est.**

Acres: 999

Rate: 12/10 (?)

Value: 2188.10 (?)

Tax: \$56 (?)

2 Oct 1806, (deed of gift)

Lucy B. Poythress to Ann Atkinson

16 Aug 1815, (tax deed)

Peter Poythress, Sheriff, to John Batte

16 Aug 1815, reference, Peter Poythress Estate, see heirs.

14 Nov 1815, DB 22, p. 565 (Deed)

Richard Bland Randolph, formerly of Chesterfield now of the Co. of Campbell. Deed to James B. Risque, of the town of Lynchburg, State of Virginia. \$1.00 and for legal fees. 100 acres in Chesterfield Co., on the waters of the Appomattox River, near the confluence of the Appomattox and Swift Creek, adjoining Archd. Walthall, Daniel Hatcher, Henry Haxall, and being a part of the **1800 acres called Bloomsburg estate devised by Poythress.** (Valentine Papers)

24 Feb 1819, DB 22, p. 497 (Deed)

Richard Bland Randolph, and Jerusha, his wife, of the City of Richmond, Deed to Peter Rowlett, of the Co. of Chesterfield. \$1000 curr. One equal third part of 1000 acres called Bloomsbury in the Co. of Chesterfield. Being the land whereof **Peter Poythress** son of John Randolph of the Co. of Chesterfield died possessed, and which by his death has descended to his brother and sisters namely the sd. Richard Bland Randolph, Mary Ann, and Sally Crabb. By a decree of the Superior Court of Chancery for the Richmond District pronounced in the suit of Nicholas vs Batte and the cross suit of Randolph vs the same the above interest is vested in the said Richard Bland Randolph. (Valentine Papers)

5 Mar 1820, DB 23, p. 462 (Deed)

(date of recording) John Randolph of the Co. of Chesterfield, Deed to **Peter Poythress** of the Co. of Prince George £3000 curr. 1000 acres in the Co. of Chesterfield on the N. side of Swift Creek, known by the name of Bloomsbury, adj. Hatcher's Run, Edward Featherstone, Wm. Walthall. (Valentine Papers) (see entry 5 Mar 1783 in which John Randolph originally sold this 1,000 acres to **Peter Poythress** but the deed was not recorded until this date as only two of the three witnesses were available to "prove" at that time.)

18 Apr 1840, p. 280

Henry Green Gates m. **Ann Potress**, widow. Henry S. Norvill, wit.