



# THE BULLETIN OF THE KING WILLIAM COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF VIRGINIA

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## OLD CEMETERIES KING WILLIAM COUNTY

With the publication of this bulletin, we now have a list of monuments in the following fifty-eight cemeteries in King William County.

The Society thanks Mrs. Annie Page Russ, with assistance from George Meredith, for this research.

A booklet containing this information will be presented to Mr. Upshaw, Clerk of the Circuit Court, for the use of historians and genealogists who visit King William Court House.

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|------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Acquinton Church    | 30. The Meadow                |
| 2. Airville Farm       | 31. Messner                   |
| 3. Allison Property    | 32. Mount Airy                |
| 4. Auburn              | 33. Mount Zoar                |
| 5. Broadneck           | 34. Mount Columbia            |
| 6. Burlington          | 35. North Hornquarter         |
| 7. Chelsea             | 36. Oak Hill                  |
| 8. Cherry Grove Farm   | 37. Oak Spring Farm           |
| 9. Cool Spring Farm    | 38. Old Town Farm             |
| 10. Edgehill           | 39. Pleasant Green            |
| 11. Edgehill - east    | 40. Retreat                   |
| 12. Warner Edwards     | 41. River Hill Farm (Vermont) |
| 13. Elsing Green       | 42. Rumford Academy           |
| 14. Fairfield          | 43. Rutledge Farm             |
| 15. Ferry Farm         | 44. Seven Springs             |
| 16. Flotbeck           | 45. Sharon Baptist Church     |
| 17. Frenchtown         | 46. Shooting Box Farm         |
| 18. Goldman            | 47. Sloe Grove                |
| 19. The Grove          | 48. Smith's Ferry Farm        |
| 20. Horne Quarter      | 49. Smyrna                    |
| 21. Jerusalem Cemetery | 50. Spillers                  |
| 22. Jones Property     | 51. St. John's Church         |
| 23. Lanesville         | 52. Sweet Hall                |
| 24. Langbourne         | 53. Tuckoman Farm             |
| 25. Liberty Hall       | 54. Union Farm                |
| 26. Lilly Point        | 55. Walker Property           |
| 27. Longwood Farm      | 56. Walnut Grove              |
| 28. Marlboro           | 57. White Bank Farm           |
| 29. Marl Hill Farm     | 58. Winchester                |

### EDGEHILL

Buried in Graveyard at Edgehill

(The Coker Family Burying Ground—  
King William County, Virginia)

SARAH RICHERSON DABNEY, daughter of James Coker and his wife, Elizabeth, departed this life October 8, 1843, in the 27th year of her age leaving two small boys—James Walker Dabney and Thomas Nelson Dabney. "None knew her but to love her, None named her but to praise."

SUSANNAH COCKE, daughter of James Coker and Elizabeth, his wife, departed this life September 1, 1846, in the 22nd year of her age.

THOMAS NELSON DABNEY, son of Edward Nelson Dabney and Sarah his wife, departed this life November 23, 1852.

JAMES COCKE, SR., departed this life October 5, 1856, in the 74th year of his age.

MARY ELIZABETH COCKE, daughter of James and Elizabeth Coker, departed this life March 26, 1860.

EDWARD NELSON DABNEY, husband of Sarah Richerson Coker, died in Richmond, Va. and was buried at "Edgehill", King William County about 1864.

ELIZABETH FOX COCKE, wife of James Coker, Sr., departed this life January 12, 1871, in the 84th year of her age.

JOHN COCKE, son of James Coker and Elizabeth, his wife, departed this life January 1897.

INFANT of Cary B. Coker (son of James Coker, Jr.) and Lilly Mae, his wife, buried September 7, 1900.

Burrell Burruss, colored, is buried near the wall on the left. A faithful friend who took care of us during the war while James Coker, Jr. was a prisoner at Fort Delaware, and stayed with us until he died.

### Graveyard at Edgehill

This old graveyard is located about 30 miles from Richmond, Va., in King William County, Va., about four miles from old Mangohick Church. (The Coker family burying ground.)

The graveyard is enclosed by a solid brick wall. It is reserved with ingress and egress. This wall was built in 1860 by a good brick layer named Ferguson.

This copy was given by C. A. Baldwin, owner of Edgehill Farm, to Pickett Upshaw and A. P. Russ on November 25, 1987.

### EDGEHILL - (EAST)

Property of C. A. Baldwin  
(Off Route 628, east of Edgehill)

IN MEMORY OF

JAMES A. DABNEY

A lovely and promising child  
was killed August 1848 by one  
accidental discharge of a gun.

Aged 14 years

The last enemy that shall be  
destroyed is death.

Rest in peace, sweet angel.

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IN MEMORY OF

MAJ. THOS. DABNEY

Who departed this life

July 21, 1858

In the hope of  
blissful immortality,  
About his last words being,

Thanks be to God  
who giveth us the victory  
in Jesus Christ.

Aged 72 years

By his beloved wife and children

**FERRY FARM**

M. S.

Under this marble  
lie all that was mortal  
of the

Revd. M. Daniel Taylor  
He was born in Virginia  
educated in England.  
Where he was a scholar  
of St. John's College  
And afterward Trinity in  
the University of Cambridge  
When he hath taken the  
Degree of Bachelor and  
entered into the Holy Order and  
returned to his country.  
Upon arrival by an unanimous  
concent chosen minister  
Of St. John's Parish in the  
County of King William.  
His Father was the Revd. M.  
Taylor minister of St. Ann's  
Parish.

He married Alice, third  
daughter of Richard Littlepage  
Of New Kent County  
By whom in happy marriage  
he had six children.

(The stone has been broken at this point)

While living and example of piety  
and religion inherent calmness  
To lead all to the Lord Jesus.  
(Broken)

(Died) on the 29th September  
in the year 1742  
And the 38 year of his life

(The area surrounding this stone has been bulldozed)

**GOLDMAN CEMETERY**  
(Off Route 600, N.W. Beulah Church)

One stone surrounded by concrete and wire fence

CASEY  
J. Millard  
1856 - 1918  
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Catherine  
1832 - 1913  
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Alice Goldman  
1852 - 1922  
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Thomas  
1835 - 1908  
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TAYLOR  
Willie  
1854 - 1914  
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Sarah  
1839 - 1908  
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Etta Goldman  
1850 - 1929  
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Mary  
1841 - 1895

GOLDMAN  
Sally S.  
1812 - 1893  
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**J. E. JONES PROPERTY**  
(Off Route 30, beyond Epworth)

MORAN  
GEORGE TUCK MORAN  
1825 - 1894  
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JANE HAILY MORAN  
1835 - 1919  
AT REST

FATHER - MOTHER  
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LOU BURL MORAN  
Aug. 31, 1862  
April 16, 1939  
GONE, BUT NOT FORGOTTEN

**LIBERTY HALL**

THOMAS BRUMLEY WARING  
June 15, 1845  
December 31, 1899  
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ALMIRA HILL WARING  
February 18, 1849  
February 16, 1914  
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ROBERT PAYNE WARING  
November 19, 1878  
February 9, 1935  
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HENRY DOUGLAS  
WARING  
Jan. 27, 1890  
Feb. 3, 1964  
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LAWRENCE W. WARING  
VIRGINIA  
PFC CO D 318 Infantry  
World War I  
April 7, 1888 Dec. 31, 1953  
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BEVERLY TODD LIPSCOMB  
January 1, 1860  
May 5, 1935  
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THOMAS HILL PARHAM  
May 14, 1924  
May 14, 1924  
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BENJAMIN H. MUNDY  
(Buried within an iron fence, died prior to 1880)

**THE MESSNER TRACT**

(A flat stone which soon will be covered by debris)

In memory of  
ACHILLES CAMPBELL  
Born  
July 15, 1801  
Died  
July 1, 1882  
"He giveth His  
beloved sleep"

**NORTH HORNQUARTER**  
(AB. G. Jones estate)

Within a brick wall  
SGT  
JAMES N. EUBANK  
Carter's Co.  
Va. L. Arty.  
CSA  
1938

## RETREAT

Within a stone wall and fence, surrounded by woods, is this lone gravestone:

JAMES BURTONEON  
Son of  
James & Mary Fox  
Born Aug. 11, 1825  
Died Feb. 16, 1832  
In his 7th year of age  
An only child

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The following persons were buried at "Retreat" as recorded in, "Some Fox Trails in Old Virginia" by Ellen M. Cocke:

- 1790 (circa) - Judith (Turner) Fox, first wife of Captain John Fox  
1814 - Captain John Fox, aged 54 years and 6 months  
1815 (circa) - George Fox, son of Captain John Fox and Judith (Turner) Fox  
1821 - Mary Coleman Fox, daughter of Captain John Fox and Frances Wyatt (Woolfolk) Fox. Died in Richmond  
1823 - Frances Wyatt (Woolfolk) Fox, second wife of Captain John Fox  
1831 - Joseph Coleman Fox, son of Captain John Fox and Judith (Turner) Fox  
1837 (circa) - Elizabeth Darrell (Fox) Fox, daughter of Captain John Fox and Judith (Turner) Fox  
1837 - Joseph Fox, husband of Elizabeth Darrell (Fox) Fox  
1838 - Judith Frances (Fox) Moore, daughter of Elizabeth Darrell (Fox) Fox and Joseph Fox  
1840 - Ella Brown Fox, daughter of Dr. Richard Woolfolk Fox and Mary Elliott (Trant) Fox  
1852 - Mary Ellen Fox, infant daughter of the Reverend Richard Fox and Margaret Anne (Smith) Fox  
1853 - Infant daughter of Dr. Richard Woolfolk Fox and Mary Elliott (Trant) Fox  
1855 - Thomas Pierce Fox, son of Elizabeth Darrell (Fox) and Joseph Fox  
1857 - John Temple Moore, son of Judith Frances (Fox) Moore and Temple Carter Moore  
1858 (circa) - Temple Carter Moore, husband of Judith Frances (Fox) Moore  
1859 - Clara Woolfolk Fox, daughter of Dr. Richard Woolfolk Fox and Mary Elliott (Trant) Fox; aged 16  
1864 - Dr. Richard Woolfolk Fox, son of Captain John Fox and Frances Wyatt (Woolfolk) Fox; aged 69  
1867 - Mary Susan Mooklar, infant daughter of Fannie Ellen (Fox) Mooklar and Atwell Tebbs Mooklar  
1868 - Margaret Luella Fox, daughter of the Reverend Richard Andrew Fox and Margaret Anne (Smith) Fox  
1871 - Fannie Ellen (Fox) Mooklar, daughter of Dr. Richard Woolfolk Fox and Mary Elliot (Trant) Fox and wife of Atwell Tebbs Mooklar; aged 33  
1872 - Mary Elliott (Trant) Fox, widow of Dr. Richard Woolfolk Fox  
1874 - Virginia Coleman Fox, daughter of Dr. Richard Woolfolk Fox and Mary Elliott (Trant) Fox, aged 25, died in Richmond  
1881 - Frank Moore, son of Dr. Joseph Boardman Moore and Victoria (Wright) Moore  
1882 - Mary Nelson Fox, eldest daughter of Dr. Richard Woolfolk Fox and Mary Elliott (Trant) Fox, aged 48  
1884 - George Moore, son of Dr. Joseph Boardman Moore and Victoria (Wright) Moore  
1885 - Gertrude Moore, daughter of Dr. Joseph Boardman Moore and Victoria (Wright) Moore, aged 1 year

## RUMFORD ACADEMY

ROSA LEE HILLIARD  
Wife of  
J. H. Abraham  
Entered into Life  
June 17, 1926  
Aged 57

"O Grave Where is Thy Victory"

J. D. CAMPBELL  
Feb. 1880 - Feb. 1939  
S. & D. of L. No. 18.

J. H. ABRAHAM  
Born  
Dec. 20, 1850  
Died  
Dec. 29, 1912

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JETER D. CAMPBELL  
Died 1939  
VIRGINIA A. CAMPBELL  
Died 1913

## "SMYRNA"

Gravestones at "Smyrna", Route 604, NW of Enfield

Here lies the Body of  
Doctr. WILLIAM MARSHALL,  
who departed this life  
the 16th May 1796,  
in the 43rd year of his age.

Here lies the Body of  
LUCY MARY MARSDEN,  
the Mother of  
Doctr. William Marshall,  
who departed this life  
the 26th January 1785,  
in the 56th year of her age.

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Here lies the Body of  
JANE MARSHALL,  
consort of  
Doctr. William Marshall,  
who departed this life  
the 5th April 1795,  
in the 37th year of her age.

## RUMFORD ACADEMY

Thomas Dabney and Lady propose opening a Seminary for the Instruction of Females the ensuing year at their Residence in the upper part of King William in which will be taught Spelling, Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, History, Grammar, Geography, with the use of the Globes, Natural and Moral Philosophy, Rhetoric and Composition. Also the Latin language if required. Mrs. Dabney will teach fine needlework. They promise particular attention to the formation of the morals, minds and manners of those committed to their care. Board and Tuition, \$100 (the boarders to furnish their beds, bedding, towels and candles); tuition along, \$20, payable quarterly.

The Subscriber had the opportunity last year of attending the examination of the School at Smyrna under the tuition of Miss Mary E. Tompkins, now Mrs. Dabney. It gives him pleasure to state . . .  
September 1827 Andrew Broaddus

I most heartily concur with Mr. Broaddus in the above statement.

Dorrell, King Wm. - October 16, 1827 - C. W. Taliaferro

The Subscriber's school will be opened at his residence in the upper part of King William County on the 15th of January next and continue till the 15th of December following with the exception of one month for vacation. The Subscriber has engaged Mr. Robert Temple Gwathmey to unite with him in the labor of instruction. Mr. Gwathmey has lately completed his education at the University of Virginia. He is an estimable young man, extremely steady in his habits and withal eminently qualified as an instructor. A line addressed to the Subscriber, Greenmont, King William County, Va. will be delivered to - Thomas Dabney, Dorrell, King William, December 23, 1828

\*In the *Enquirer* for December 14, 1805, Rumford Academy is, for the first time, advertised as a school for boys and young men, signed: G. H. Devenish

In the issue of March 11, 1806 there appears an advertisement of a lottery to raise the sum of \$4,200 for the benefit of the Academy, which reads in part as follows: "This lottery has been authorized by the Legislature of Virginia for the laudable purpose of purchasing a library and philosophical apparatus for the use of the students of Rumford Academy in the County of King William which has been operation for nearly

twelve months. When it is recollected by the public that this Academy was built by an individual who has appropriated a considerable lot of ground for the use of the students and that a small portion of public patronage will cause it to flourish, the undersigned commissioners confidently hope that they will meet with great success. The situation of the Academy is elevated and healthy and remote from the vices of the towns."

William Brockenbrough	William D. Claiborne
Spencer Roane	Robert Hill
Robert Pollard	Philip Aylett
John Roane	Carter Braxton
Beverley Robinson	

The Academy was built by John Roane, Jr. and flourished for many years as a school for gentlemen's sons. It was named, singularly enough, for the notorious "Count Rumford", (Benjamin Thompson) who had achieved a world-wide fame as a physicist and whose Improved methods of hearing and cooking, as well as in agricultural pursuits, had brought his name into prominence. It seems evident, however, that at this time Thompson's shameless Tory activities had not been so well known, for John Roane, the most fiery of patriots, would have soon have named his school Benedict Arnold had he known of this unsavory side of the "Counts" character.

Rumford Academy is advertised for 1835 with Henry Robinson as Principal and Heath J. Christian as Assistant. Terms for boarders, \$120 per session; for day pupils \$30.

After the War Between the States the old academy became a private residence and was owned for some years by a branch of the Abrams family. It last owner tore the sturdy old building down and sold the bricks. The Post Office Rumford perpetuates the name.

Donna Adams

\*King William County, Virginia - from old Newspapers & Files by Elizabeth Hawes Ryland

### ENFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

In the fall of 1921 a one room school, located on Route 605 across from McKendree United Methodist Church, opened. The two acre lot on which it was built was given by B. C. Slater.

This one room building was occupied by pupils from grade one to grade seven with one teacher. All the pupils walked to school - some many miles. Miss Myrl Terry of Mangohick was the first teacher. She was followed by Miss Helen Bagby (Mrs. Reid), Miss Jessie Mabel Mitchell (Mrs. Clifford Cardwell) and Miss Agnes Tompkins.

As you entered the building on the left side was a cloak room and on the right a room where the stove wood was kept and also a shelf on which was kept a water cooler. On nails around the cooler was kept a tin drinking cup for each pupil. Water was brought from a well of a nearby neighbor by the pupils. A wood stove started each morning warmed the room sufficiently. There was a teacher's desk near the stove and the pupils sat on long benches. One blackboard was used. A neat walk with jonquils on each side lead to the building from the main road. To the side jonquils formed the letters VA. The building was cleaned by the teacher and pupils. Since the teachers drove a horse and buggy to school, a shed was built to house the horse during the day.

The woods behind the school and the church yard provided ample playground space. The fallen leaves in the church yard provided much fun.

A hand bell rung by the teachers called the pupils in in the morning and after a big recess. A pastime of the large ones was leasing and picking on the little ones. No written excuses for absences were needed.

As the new high school, Central High School, grew grades were gradually taken away until the school closed in 1929.

After that the building was divided into rooms, and Mr. Hurley, once a principal at Central High School, lived there. Finally the building was moved from its original location by tractors and became a part of Mangohick Garage. With additions to it, it is still in the Mangohick neighborhood now. (1987)

Mr. Slater bought back the land from the county; so it is now part of the Slater Farm and it is under cultivation. It is now owned by the four Slater children and it was in this one room school on this location that all of them got the beginning of their education.

Emily Slater Stevens  
1987

### GENEALOGY CORNER

"Need proof that Margaret Elizabeth Gooch was the daughter of Claiborne Gooch, son of William Gooch and Ursula Claiborne. This Margaret Elizabeth Gooch married Col. Thomas Avent."

Dr. Robert G. Jordan, 7888 Dogwood Rd.  
Germantown, TN 38138

"Do you have information on Joel Thompson Doniphan d. 1826 and Alice Savage Slaughter (his wife) d. 1831. They left three minor children: Thomas Alexander Slaughter, Lucretia Ann and David Alexander."

Mrs. LWilton R. Dale, 503 North Oak St.  
Vidalia, Louisiana 71373

"Am searching for a petition about 1700/01 of the Pamunkey Indian Tribe for a Treaty - signed by "Mr. Rogers" and Thomas Rogers of York County."

R. W. Rogers, 4701 Willard Ave.  
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

"Looking for any records on Christopher Singleton b. ca 1735 - married Sarah Hunley and had eight children. Also need information on David Floyd b. ca. 1735 - married Sarah David and had seven children."

Esther Horvatich, 11319 Louise Ave.  
Granada Hills, CA 91344

"Need will of Mordecai Abraham who died in King William Co. on 22 Feb. 1792."

Mrs. Eula H. Rosvall, 335 Grand St.  
Powell, Wyo. 82435

"Any information on the parents of Gideon Spencer 1804 - 1855 married 1841 Mary E. Roane, daughter of James Littlepage. They had five children."

Mrs. Cecil E. Morris, 6801 - 79th Ave. N.  
Pinellas Park, Fla. 33565

"Please check for a Will or marriage record of Abner S. Long b. 1813 - d. 1852. He married Rose Ann Calhoun."

Betty V. Dale, 3072 S. Zenobia St.  
Denver, CO 80236

#### To All Members of the Society:

Now that the Cemetery Project is nearing completion—a tremendous undertaking—we have begun two new projects.

The first is to receive pictures and information on all 1, 2, & 3 room schoolhouses in the County. If you have any material on this, please send it to any officer.

The second project is Old Bible Records. You may feel that your family records are of no interest to other Society members. This is not true. During the 1800's almost all residents in the County were related in some manner. Please send us copies of these 1800 Bible Records and, if given permission, we will publish them in the Bulletin.

The King William County Historical Society holds three meetings each year: 1st Sunday April - King William Court House; 2nd Sunday July - King William Court House; 1st Sunday October - an old home in the county.

Membership dues - \$3.00 year - payable in July.

KING WILLIAM COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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