

CHAPTER XXVII

WILLIAM EWING (1700-1782)

**WILLIAM EWING born ca 1700 died 1782 in Prince Edward Co., VA
Wife: Catherine; Children: Margaret, Thomas, William & Samuel;
William Ewing half-brother to Nathaniel Ewing (1693-1748)**

This man, William Ewing, has never been traced before, and this writer believes the information following will prove that he is, indeed, half-brother to Nathaniel Ewing and brother to the others.

Colonel William A. Ewing took some of his information from the story/writings of Nathaniel Ewing (1772-1846) who was a grandson, through George Ewing, of Nathaniel Ewing (1693-1748). However, Col. Wm. A. Ewing made no attempt to trace him saying only on page 32 of his Manuscript called *THE EWING FAMILY OF LANCASTER, PA*:

“William Ewing I know nothing about. It is said that for a time he lived near his brother, Joshua Ewing, but all trace of him has been lost.” [Note that Joshua Ewing married Jane Patton of Sadsbury twp. Lancaster Co.]

E.W.R. Ewing on page 163 of his book *CLAN EWING OF SCOTLAND* says:

“It will be helpful if we bear in mind that this William Ewing (meaning the half-brother of Nathaniel (1693-1748) was not the William who located in what is now Rockingham Co., VA most certainly. As seen elsewhere, that pioneer, William of Rockingham, probably was born in Scotland.”

P.K. Ewing in his book *THE EWING GENEALOGY WITH COGNATE BRANCHES*, Hercules Printing & Co., Houston, Texas, 1919, has numerous inaccurate statements. He based much on Col. Wm. A. Ewing's Manuscript which, of course, was taken from the Nathaniel Ewing born 1772 writing. He did misinterpret. He states on his page 6, giving no source nor documentation:

“Nathaniel Ewing born 1692 (sic) 1693 was a son of William Ewing who was the son of William Ewing and Eliza Milford.” [Chapter V, see page 20 of this book.] The quote from Nathaniel Ewing as printed in “The Courier Journal” Newspaper of Louisville, KY 1897: “My great grandfather, whose name **I believe**, was William who was twice married. By his first wife he had but one son, Nathaniel my great grandfather. By his second marriage he had several children, viz. William, Joshua and James. James I have seen and had from him a portion of my information. He was, at that time, upwards of eighty and lived in Prince Edward Co., VA.”

James knew William, named him first, because they both lived in the same county in VA. William died 1782 and we know James Ewing was still alive in 1783 possibly longer. As we saw earlier, Nathaniel born 1772, (son of George died 1785) lived in Brownsville, PA before going to Louisville, KY.

John G. Harrison of Stirling, Scotland did an extensive study of EWING in 1992. In his Foreword and Summary and on page 1, he writes:

“Previous writers of Scots EWING have not always distinguished between firm information and inference or even guess work, sometimes based on very slight knowledge of 17th Century Scotland...MILFORD IS NOT FOUND AS A SURNAME in 17th Century Scotland but is well established in Ireland.”

SO, NATHANIEL EWING born 1693 HAD NO GRANDMOTHER NAMED ELIZA MILFORD! !

Nathaniel Ewing (1772-1846) did name one William Ewing as a half-brother to Nathaniel Ewing (born 1693 in Coleraine, Ireland) as well as Joshua Ewing and James Ewing, and “others he did not now recollect.” All have been able to trace Joshua Ewing through his Cecil Co., MD Deeds and His Will written in Octoraro Hundred, Cecil Col MD. He is the subject of Chapter XXV in this book.

Nathaniel Ewing (1772-1846) also wrote “James I have seen and had from him portions of my information. He was at that time upwards of 80 years and lived in Prince Edward Co., VA.” James Ewing is the subject of Chapter XXVIII in this book. William Ewing also lived in Prince Edward Co., VA and, I believe I will prove is the half-brother James Ewing “remembered..” (See also Chapter V in this book.) P.K. Ewing did say “William settled first in PA and, later, went to Virginia.

Below in date order are our findings regarding the half-brother, William Ewing:

- 1728, 24 August -District Dockets Vol. I page 8, Chester Co., PA re “Petition of some inhabitants joining upon West of Sadsbury township” (Lancaster Co., PA created 1729) “showeth that some years ago there was a considerable quantity of vacant land now inhabited and as the said land was settled, the inhabitants have been

called upon to make and repair roads in Sadsbury ... that Petitioners are 16 miles from the East Part...may they be provided with a Constable and a separate township from Sadsbury called Lisburn.” It was signed by 26 men two of whom were WILLIAM EWINGS and WILLIAM EUINS and in between them was Thomas Shannon whose will we found in Sadsbury twp. Lancaster Co., PA. It was written in 1737, probated the same year and included a daughter Anne Shannon! ! The “s” on William Ewings name had been added, it seemed. I think it this William. [The William Euins is, probably the one who went to Bucks Co., PA then to Rockingham Co., VA. His name is listed in Bucks Co., TAX as Euins. I think he married 2nd) Anna Shannon.]

- 1729, 5 August -First *Quarter Session Court of Common Pleas* was held in the newly created Lancaster Co., PA. Numerous signers of the above petition are listed as living in Sadsbury twp. there. [I have several “Connected Draft Maps” of townships and it proves my statement.] i.e. Thomas Shannon applied for land in Sadsbury in 1734, & Moses and John Musgrove in 1713. Many of the names appear on the *Abstracts of Quarter Session Court 1729-1742*, arranged by Gary T. Hawbaker in 1986. (Lancaster Co., PA.) One Patrick Ewing was a Constable in Drumore twp in 1729.
- 1733, August - *Quarter Sessions Court* held, Lancaster Co., PA page 30-31 we find that one Sarah Taylor is accused of a felony amounting to 55 shillings. James Smith is the Plaintiff, Joseph Crowdon the Prosecutor and William Ewing was the first name on the Jury, possibly the foreman.

There is no record that this William Ewing bought land either Chester Co., PA, Lancaster Co., PA or Cecil Co., MD. His brother, Joshua Ewing, married Jane Patton of Sadsbury twp. Lancaster Co., PA. The man believed to be another brother, John Ewing, was in Sadsbury twp. Lancaster Co., PA until August 1741.

COLONIAL MILITIA, Cecil Co., MD in 1740; “Foot Company of Capt. Edward Jackson included: Sgt .William Ewing and Pvt. Nathaniel Ewing. Another Foot Company (officers unknown) included Pvt. Joshua Ewing.

Amelia County, Virginia information was researched by Alycon Trubey Pierce, C.G. for Congressman Thomas W. Ewing of IL. She found the Tithable Lists 1736-1771 which record all white males and slaves age 16 and older. She gives the year and indicates the frame and column number on the microfilm from LDS. Below are some of her findings, especially William Ewing and, especially Amelia Co., VA.:

- 1750 Will^m Ewing -1- (i.e, no slaves no sons 21+)
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- 1751 no listing for William
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- 1752 William Ewing -1,-
Thomas Ewing -1- (proves to be his eldest son)

The next record for William is found:

- 1752, 27 August -Amelia Co., VA Deed Book 4 page 435:
“William Ewing sold to John Morrow 400 acres of land for £38 described as being on both sides of Mills Fork of VAUGHAN'S CREEK, beginning at Charles Henderson's line on Harden's line-granted to Bartholome Zachery.” John Morrow is or will become the son-in- law to William Ewing as proven by William's 1782 Will in Prince Edward Co., VA. William's brother, George Ewing, Sr. sold his land bordering Samuel Wallace, Baker and Braithwate on 21 July 1749 to Hugh Challis. On 15 December 1749 George Ewing, Sr. received a Patent to land-400 acres in Amelia Co., VA on both sides of Cedar Branch on the lower side of VAUGHAN'S CREEK. Evidently he wanted to be nearer to William. (See Chapter XXIX)
- 1753 William Ewing and Thos. Ewing -2- on Amelia Co., VA tithable list from Ms Pierce.
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- 1753-54 Prince Edward Co., VA formed from part of Amelia Co., VA.

The *VIRGINIA GENEALOGIST* VOL 17 page 244 includes pages from *Tyler's Quarterly Magazine*: [shared with me by Anne Kimball].

- 1754, 22 March “Mr John Nash's Sr. Poll taken for the House of Burgesses,” [included many EWING and their kin and especially William Ewing and John Morrow.]

The *VIRGINIA GENEALOGIST* VOL 18 page 51-54 includes pages from *Tyler's Quarterly Magazine*:

- 1755 (only date) “A list of Tithables from Buffalo [River] to County Line,” It was signed by Samuel Ewing (328) [possible number of tithables] Slaves were shown in parenthesis beside the owner's name. These names are grouped together when they live in the same household. Significant is the one showing the following on page 53:
William Ewing and
Thomas Ewing and No slaves
William Ewing 3

William Ewing had, in 1755, two sons of Tithable age, one named Thomas Ewing (see above & below) and one named William Ewing. They are on VAUGHAN'S CREEK.

- 1755, 14 January - Prince Edward Co., VA Deed Book I page 27: "William Ewing sold to Thomas Ewing 200 acres on Mills Creek by Samuel Mathews, Great Rocks and Morrow's Field, for £40." See 1752" -Morrow's field is land of William sold to John Morrow, son-in-law.

VIRGINIA GENEALOGIST VOL 17 page 246 includes pages from *Tyler's Quarterly Magazine*:

- 1755, 8 December-"Col. Charles Anderson's Poll" lists Thomas Ewing next to John Porter also known to have lived on or near VAUGHAN'S CREEK. John Porter and Mary (Anthony) Porter's daughter, Florence, married about 1771 William Ewing, who we think, a son of James Ewing, half-brother to Nathaniel (1693-1748).
- 1761, Taxables in 1761- in Octoraro Hundred Cecil Co., MD from Peden's *INHABITANTS OF CECIL CO. MD* page 45,46 incl: "William Ewing from Virginian next to William Ewing, Jr.
- 1763, 18 July -Prince Edward Co., VA Deed Book 2 page 164: "Thomas Ewing and Sarah Ewing sell for £40, 200 acres to William Mills, land on Mills Creek by Samuel Mathews, Great Rocks and Morrow's field." [Land his father sold him in 1755.]
- 1766, 21 September -Mecklenburg Co., N.C. Deed Abstracts 1763-1779 page 190 (Actually is a Record of a Grant): "Thomas Ewing is hereby granted 200 acres on 12-mile Creek near the Catawba River and Waxaw. Grant made this day, 21 September 1766."
- 1767, 7 April -S.C. ARCHIVES, Colonial Plats Volume 11 page 461:
"Thomas Ewing received 250 acres in Berkeley Co., S.C. The Survey made and Grant issued 20 April 1767 Laid out to Thomas Ewing 250 acres lying and being in Berkeley Co., S.C., on the South Fork of Duncan's Creek all sides vacant as above plat shows." [I have copies of all Plats mentioned.] Certified 20 April 1767 by John Caldwell, Surveyor, Recorded 2 Oct 1770. [Berkeley Co., S.C. became Craven Co., then 96 Distr. then Laurens Co., S.C.]
- 1768, 2 February - S.C. ARCHIVES, Colonial Plats Volume 15 page 73:
"William Ewing received 200 acres in Berkeley Co., S.C. The survey made and Grant issued 15 February 1768 "laid out to William Ewing a Plantation on a branch of Duncan's Creek called McCaul's Fork next to John Brotherton and to Joseph Addair and S.E. on land laid out to Thomas Ewing. Certified 15 Feb 1767 by John Caldwell, Surveyor. Recorded 2 June 1772." (see 6 August 1810 below)
- 1770, 12 December -Mecklenburg Co., N.C. Deed Book 7 page 21-22:
"Thomas Yewings (sic) and Sarah Yewings (sic) sell 200 acres of land on 12 Mile Creek granted to Thomas 21 September 1766, for £14 to Hugh Jackson, Robert Jackson and Andrew Jackson. Thomas and Sarah are of Berkeley Co., S. C. Deed was witnessed by Jos. Adams and Jas. Crafford (sic). [President Andrew Jackson was born 15 March 1767 on a farm of James Crawford in the Waxhaws.]
- 1772, 1 September -S.C. ARCHIVES, Colonial Plats Volume 15 page 72:
Samuel Ewing received 150 acres in Craven Co., S.C. II (created from Berkeley Co., S.C. now discontinued) "Survey made and Grant issued 31 October 1772 laid out to Samuel Ewing a Plantation of 150 acres in Craven Co., S.C. on waters of Enoree River bound East by John Rammage, S. and N by John Jones and W. by James Addair. Certified 31 October 1772 by Pat. Cunningham, surveyor. Recorded 26 July 1774.
- 1773, 2 March - S.C. ARCHIVES, Colonial Plats Volume 15 page 71:
"Laid out to Thomas Ewing on Duncan's Creek and a branch called Addair's Creek bounded SE by Thomas Ewing's own land, NW on James Addair's land and W on Joseph Addair's land 200 acres in Craven Co., S.C. Survey made and grant issued 25 May 1773." Certified 25 May 1773 by John Caldwell, Surveyor. No recorded date given.

Lands of Thomas, William and Samuel are all contiguous. Thomas's land is SE of William's who borders Joseph Addair and Samuel's land is on the branch that runs through James Addair's land which is NW of Thomas's. The Plats I have make this clear.

- 1776, 16 September -Prince Edward Co., VA Deed Book 6 page 27:
"William Ewing sold to William Hay/Hoy for £30, 100a on the South Side of Mill Fork of VAUGHAN'S CREEK, bounded by John Martin and Philip Mathews." William Ewing signed the Deed. [I believe William his son has died and Prince Edward Co., William is selling off land he had reserved to will to him. See 1810 Deed below.]
- 1782, 24 April - Prince Edward Co., VA - No will Book # nor page #.
"Not indexed but filed with EWING Wills but not recorded in the Will Books." /s/ Clerk of P.E. Co., VA Court.

The Will of William Ewing, briefly, states:

"I, William Ewing, planter, of Parish of St. Patrick, Prince Edward Co., VA give to my son, Samuel Ewing all the tract I now live on to him and his heirs forever only my beloved wife, Catherin, is to live on the Plantation all her life. Likewise I give to my son, Samuel Ewing, half the movables I now

possess. I give and bequeath to my daughter, Margaret Morrow, wife of John Morrow, Sr. one horse and two cows. I bequeath to my son, Thomas Ewing, £5 Sterling, this 24 April 1782.”

/w/ William Price

James Donnell
John Donnell.

/s/ William “X” Ewing
“X” his mark

William had signed Deeds earlier in his life with his own hand.

The Prince Edward Co., VA Court record adds:

“N.B. This will to be proven before the Court of this County and this Court is to have no more to do with it. At a Court held for Prince Edward Co., July 16, 1782 _____ (illegible) two of the witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded. On the motion of Samuel Ewing who gave Court and took the oath requested by law for a Certificate for obtaining letters of Administration of the Estate of the said William Ewing with the Will [attached] asked it be probated.” [Captain Samuel Ewing had resigned his Commission in S.C. in April of 1782. He had lost 2 homes “since the Reduction of Charleston.” See below.]

- 1783, 20 January.- Prince Edward Co., VA Deed Book 6 page 501:
“Samuel Ewing sells 100 acres of land for £100 to Samuel Taylor., land on both sides of Mills Creek or Fork of VAUGHAN'S CREEK left him by his father ... land Samuel Ewing now lives on.” [Mother, Catherin, has died and Samuel is free to sell.]
- 1785, 20 August.-S.C. ARCHIVES “SE 085” REVOLUTIONARY WAR FILE AA 2276 #47 re CAPTAIN SAMUEL EWING:
“96 District.. Revolutionary War Duty since the reduction of Charleston [1780], 2 homes lost in 1781. paid £244.14.3 plus interest, also 1 grey horse. Order to pay signed by Captain James Dillard above date, 20 August 1785.” [96 District became Laurens Co., S.C. later that year]. See above Capt. Samuel Ewing resigned his commission the month and year William Ewing wrote his will, April 1782.
- 1786, 7 August - S.C. ARCHIVES “SE 5458” REVOLUTIONARY WAR FILE AA 2277, #46 re PRIVATE SAMUEL EWING, JR.:
“Laurens Co., S.C. Revolutionary War Duty since the reduction of Charleston [1780], paid £26.15.82 plus interest. Order to pay signed by Captain James Dillard above date. Report Filed 7 August 1786.” A note was added without explanation: “purchased 171 acres for David Beaty.”
- 1810, 6 August -Laurens Co., S.C. Deed Book J page 162b-163a:
“John Howerton sells to William Craig land he had purchased on 3 August 1787 from Samuel Ewing, heir and Rebecca Ewing his wife; Rachel Ewing, widow of , William Ewing, said land located on Duncan's Creek at a Branch called McCaul's Fork, land originally granted to William Ewing.”

See above grant/Survey to William Ewing 15 February 1767, Recorded 2 June 1772. This seems to indicate that PRIVATE Samuel Ewing, Jr. is, indeed, the son of William Ewing NOT of CAPTAIN Samuel Ewing who received 150 acres in 1772 and moved to York Co., SC before 1800 and died there 1806.

- 1790 [only date] “FIRST CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE 96 District, Laurens Co., S,C,” Included page 74:
Thomas Ewing -3 males over 16, 1 male under 16 and 3 females
John Ewings -1 male over 16; 1 female
Samuel Ewing -2 males over 16; 1 male under 16; and 4 females. [He has to be Captain Samuel Ewing]

We located William and Robert Ewing living in Fairfield Co., S.C. They came with Rev. Martin in 1772 from Ireland. There were other Ewing and all persons had been granted land prior to sailing from Ireland. THAT William Ewing died in 1800, childless and his brother Robert Ewing and wife Mary had 2 sons. Both William and Robert served in the Revolutionary War. We have all the land grants located and the exchanges of land there in Fairfield Co., S.C. and the Revolutionary War services of both men.

- 1790 (only date) GEORGIA GENEALOGICAL MAGAZINE #59:
“Samuel Ewen witnessed a deed in Hancock Co., Ga.”
- 1794 “Samuel Ewan is on the tax list of Hancock Co., Ga. with 200 acres of land.”
- 1796 “Samuel Ewing witnessed a sale of land in Warren Co., GA.” (next to Hancock Co., Ga.)
- 1795, 9 February - Laurens Co., S.C. Deed Book 3 page 332:
“Samuel Ewing and wife, Elizabeth sell 100 acres to Adam Bell part of 454 acres owned by Samuel” recorded same date.
- 1795, 13 February -Laurens Co., S.C. Deed Book 3 page 402:
“Samuel Ewing to Thomas East 233 acres granted to him in 1780, recorded 18 February 1795.”

Family descendants of Private Samuel Ewing say he had 3 wives: 1st) Rebecca _____ Ewing; 2nd) Elizabeth

_____ Ewing; and 3rd) Mrs Martha Griffis (aka Griffith) in Hancock Co., Ga. 24 Dec 1831 by Rev. T. Lancaster. A premarital agreement was entered into indicating that her land would remain hers if he should die. Hancock Co., Deeds Book O page 203. Recorded December 1834 6 months after he died.

- 1800 (only date) SECOND CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES, LAURENS SC:
Thomas Ewing 1 male 45+ 1 male 16-26; 1 female 45+
John Ewing 2 males-16; 1 male 26-45; 3 female -16; 1 female 26-45
William Ewing 1 male -16; 1 m 26-45; 2 female -16; 1 female 26-45
- 1800 CENSUS (cont..for Laurens Co., S.C.)
David Ewing 1 male under 10, 1 m 26-45, 1 female -10; (all three of the above are sons of Thomas Ewing see Will)
- 1800 CENSUS for York Co., S.C.
Samuel Ewing 3 males 16-26, 1 male 45+, 2 females 16-26. 1 female 25-45, 1 female over 45.
- 1800 Cataren (sic) Ewin, is in Spartanburg Co., with 1 male 26-45, 2 females 16-26 and 1 female over 45, Hugh Ewin (sic) is also in Spartanburg Co., next to Cataren Ewin with 1 male -10, 1 m 10-16, 1 m 26-45, 2 female -10, 1 female 25-45.

See Chapter XXIX re George Ewing, Sr. of VAUGHAN'S CREEK, Prince Edward Co., VA who d 1798 Spartanburg, SC.

- 1800, 23 July - Will of "Thomas Ewing of Dunkins Creek In Laurens Co., and State of South Carolina." [It is located In Laurens Co., Estates Box 23 Pack 11, in will book A p;257]. He states, in addition to above quote:
"First, to my daughter, Jane, five shillings
To my daughter, Sarah, five shillings
To my son, John, five shillings
To my son, William, five shillings
To my son, David, five shillings
To my daughter, Margret, five shillings
To my son, James, a Brown Bay horse colt one year old, one bed and furniture with his saddle and bridle.
I give and bequeath to my beloved wife, Sarah, all the rest of my goods and chattles of what kind and nature with all my debts and to enjoy all my lands and tenements during her life, and after her decease, James should have and enjoy all my __goods etc. In case my son, James, should die without issue then my other three sons shall equally share.
My wife shall pay the foresaid legacies and my wife and my son, John Ewing are the executors of this my last will and testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 23rd day of July 1800."
"signed and sealed in /s/ Thomas Ewing
the presence of us who in his presence and in
the presence of each other
have hereunto inscribed our names"
Roger Brown
John Finney
Margaret Finney

Margaret Ewing married John Finney, Jr. son of John Finney, Sr. who died 1784. The signature might be hers, but of no real consequence. Thomas Ewing assisted in the Administration of Finney' Sr.'s estate.

- 1801, December 1st Laurens Co., S.C. Deed Book K page 52:
"Sarah, James, John, William and David Ewing heirs of Thomas Ewing, deceased, sell to Josiah Williams 288 acres on Duncan's Creek granted to Thomas Ewing 7 Dec 1770 and 41 acres on McCalls Fork granted 10 Aug 1792. Registered 26 Feb 1804."

From *A HISTORY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN SOUTH CAROLINA* by F.D. Jones and W.H. Mills, Eds., Columbia, 1926 on pages 998-999 is the following:

"As early as 1752 a settlement began in Lauren's County about the juncture of Duncan's Creek and Enoree River. In 1766 the community was visited by Rev. George Duffield and at that time Elders were chosen including Joseph Adair and soon after that three other elders were chosen including Thomas Ewing."

Rev. George Duffield was pastor of The Big Spring Presbyterian Church in Newville, Cumberland Co., PA from 1759-1769. MY WILLIAM EWING who came to GA ca 1800 was baptised in that Church probably by Rev. Duffield as he was born 1768.

There are other sales of Land in Laurens Co., S.C. too numerous to list here. They can be furnished upon request. Purchases of land in York Co., S.C. by Samuel Ewing during the time he was selling his Laurens Co., S.C. land plus the Administration of his estate there tell us his final story. It also gives us a clue to the names of some of his children.

- 1792, October 8- York Co., S.C. Deed Book #56 page 123:
Samuel Ewing from Samuel Turner of Bullocks Creek, York Co., S.C. a Plantation on both sides of Bullock Creek on the waters of Broad River containing 228 acres for £123. Recorded 5 January 1793.
/witnesses/ Andrew Love, William Love and Hugh Allison
- 1804, September 4- York Co., S.C. Deed Book #222 page 345:
Samuel Ewing from George Knox a parcel of land on the North Fork of Bullocks Creek containing 85 acres for \$80 [Note use of monetary "Pound" discontinued.]
/witnesses/ Robert Love, John Ewing and Edward Morehead.
"Countersigned in South Carolina District of York: Personally came John Ewing and said he saw George Knox sign and deliver the said deed on 4 September 1804. Recorded 19 September 1804.
- 1806, February - York Co., S.C. Administration of Estate Case #55 File #2478
"Administrators John Ewing and William Ewing published at Bersheba Church 11 January 1806 regarding the Estate of Samuel Ewing. The estate was appraised 30 January, 1806 for \$1,043.77. The Venue or Sale of Goods and Chattels of Samuel Ewing was held on 20 February 1806." Among those buying were Henry Ewings, Betty Love, Easter (Hester) Ewings, William Ewing, who bought the Plantation for \$485.00. There were several lots of Books, A Bible, A Testament, Delft Ware, Pewter, Silver and furnishings worthy of the well-to-do.

The above would indicate that John Ewing is the eldest and William next. Henry is probably the younger of the three males 16-26. Also, four females in the household in 1800.

HISTORICAL COLLECTIONS OF THE JOSEPH HABERSHAM CHAPTER, Daughters of the American Revolution Vol III called "Logan Manuscript" by Dr. John H. Logan on pages 1-9 is the story of one man's part in the Revolutionary War. He is reciting his assignments in view of applying for a Pension. The man is Robert Long who was born in 1763 in Ireland and came to Pennsylvania then to S.C. and served at the age of 15 as a "rider" from 15 April 1778 to 1 March 1782. He was of Laurens Co., S.C.

He speaks of Lt. Levi Casey, Sgt. Major James Dillard and that

"after crossing Saluda and Savannah rivers we joined (among others) John Ewing Calhoun who was Wagon-Master General. He speaks of Major Andrew Pickens prior to his promotions that made him "General Pickens". The object of the campaign was to take St. Augustine. "Col." Pickens defeated enemy in Georgia prior to 7 Jan 1779. It took [Long] 37 days, on horseback to get back home. [see page 170. Calhoun-brother to wife of, General Andrew Pickens, Rebecca Calhoun of Ezekiel & Jane (Ewing) Calhoun].

"August 10, 1779 against the Creek Indians same regiment and Col. Andrew Pickens...On Nov 3, 1780 he escaped from British and Tories and rejoined the American Army under Gen. Thomas Sumpter (sic) in the Company formerly commanded by Captain [Joseph] Greer but now by Capt. Sam^l Ewing and Lieut. James Dillard [note: field promotion]. When [Col. Thomas] Sumter had crossed the Enoree [River] and on his return to his former camp, he ordered [Capt. Samuel] Ewing's company of 14 men to cross Dunkin's (sic) Creek ... In a few days marched to Love's Ford on Broad River ... commanded by Col. Hays and included Capt. [Levi] Casey Capt. [Samuel] Ewing, joined Col Brandon and from that to 3rd or 4th Dec lay by not a day,--no, nor night either, but marching and counter marching...Immediately before Tarlton's defeat, A[ndrew] Pickens was made Brigadier-General...and James Dillard [made] Lieutenant under Captain [Samuel] Ewing. They crossed the Dan prior to 1 April, 1781."

He tells of his bout with Smallpox and return to South Carolina 1 March 1782. He then "entered under Capt. James Dillard of the aforesaid company (Capt. Ewing having resigned) he succeeded him, John Jones was Lieut. under him in said Company. Col Hays being killed by Will Cunningham and the Tories, Levi Casey was made Colonel, Jared Smith Lieut. Colonel and Thomas Dugan, Major. Under and with the above served till in February, 1783." [The () above re Capt. Ewing are in the original document. Also, that Capt. James Dillard signed the order to pay both Capt. Samuel Ewing, Sr. and Pvt. (Jr).-

The above account plus the Revolutionary War Record of Captain Samuel Ewing and the fact that he lost two houses there seem to prove that he not only lived there but fought there, also, and that he is one and the same with the Samuel Ewing who was granted 150 acres of land on 1 September 1772 on waters of the Enoree River Certified 31 October 1772.

The following are from Hancock Co., GA Marriages-EWING

Leodice (Dicey) Ewing married George Henry Pattillo on 1 September 1814. They lived in Greene Co., GA William Ewing married Comfort Lary in 1808 (exact date not given)

William Ewing married Charity Veazey 19 September 1809 In 1832 Charity V. Ewing "widow" drew property in Dooley Co., Ga. in the Lottery.

Jonathan Ewing married Elizabeth Thompson 5 March 1818

Jonathan Ewing married Nancy Turner, 12 January 1823 by Thomas Foster Justice of the Peace.

Polly Ewing married John Springer aka Speights 8 Dec 1808

Lutency Ewing married James K. Thompson 2 March 1820

Elizabeth Ewing married 12 April 1820 William Dudley

Samuel Ewing married Mrs. Martha Griffis 24 December 1831 Ceremony performed by Rev. T. Lancaster.

The following are a few from HANCOCK CO., GA. DEEDS – EWING

- Book H page 320 “Samuel Ewing from James Huddleston, 400 acres for \$1600 on the Little Ogechee River.” 1807 only date.
- Book L page 534 “William Ewing from Jacob P. Turner for \$1,000 in the town of Sparta, GA. Lots 93; 94; 96; and part of 34.” August 18, 1816
- Book L page 536 “William Ewing to Isaac Huddleston for \$1,000 Lots in Sparta, Ga 23; 93; 96.” Dated 19 July 1817. /w/ Samuel Ewing.

The following is from HANCOCK CO., GA Wills and Estates 1794- 1830 books J & K:

“Estate of Dr. William Ewing of Sparta, GA. administered by Samuel P. Ewing. Values and disposition include a house in Sparta, GA. May 14, 1818.”

The following is from HANCOCK GA. (Deeds?)

- Book O page 203 “A premarital agreement between Samuel Ewing and Mrs. Martha Griffis stating that all her lands will remain hers if Samuel Ewing should precede her in death.” [This is the only premarital agreement we have ever seen in early documents.] It was not recorded until December, 1834 after Samuel had died.

The following was printed in *The Southern Recorder* dated 9 July 1834:

“Samuel Ewing died in Hancock Co., Ga Monday 30th at a very advanced age.”

HANCOCK CO., GA, wills and Estate Records Book N 1831-1840 page 432-445:

This is a very lengthy and involved appraisal, Inventory and Administration. It was most difficult to figure out relationships. Only with the research of Col. and Mrs. Ronald E. Sellers, Jr. of Montgomery, AL was I able to locate the children of Pvt. Samuel Ewing, Jr. [See Ewing Exchange March 1989.]

William Ewing born ca 1700 probably in Coleraine, Ireland, died before 16 September 1782 married **Catherine** _____ (b ca 1713) ca 1729 Cecil Co., MD/Lancaster Co., PA. Catherine Ewing probably died before 20 Jan 1783 when the “land was hers until her death”. They had:

- I. **Thomas Ewing** b about 1730 in either Sadsbury twp. Chester Co., PA or Lancaster Co., PA married ca 1755/56 **Sarah** _____ in Amelia Co., VA Thomas Ewing, elder in Duncan's Creek Presbyterian Church, Laurens Co., S.C. died prior 22 October 1800 and is buried in the churchyard. According to his 1800 will They had:
 - A. **Jean Ewing** b ca 1756 in Prince Edward Co., VA. She was not one of those participating in the 1 Dec 1801 sale of her father's land.
 - B. **Sarah Ewing** b ca 1759 in Prince Edward Co., VA. She was one of those participating in the 1 Dec 1801 sale of her father's land. No more known.

The following is from the S.A.R. Application of Jack Ewing:

- C. **John Ewing** b 24 February 1763. Application indicates he was born in Laurens, S.C. however, Thomas and Sarah were still in prince Edward Co., VA as of 18 July 1763. John Ewing married **Margaret Adair** b 1773 Laurens Co., SC, d 11 May 1855 in Indiana. John Ewing died 23 July 1828 in Union Co., Indiana. He wrote his will there in 1827. He was one of those participating in the 1 Dec 1801 sale of his father's land in Laurens Co., S.C. It is recorded in Laurens Co., SC Deed Book K page 52. On 5 July 1802 John Ewing sold to John Hatch/Hitch 150 acres of land on Duncan's Creek which was granted to James Greet and sold by him to John Ewing in 1797 (year before he married Margaret according to Jack Bertram Ewing) however, Margaret signed the deed with her own hand. It is recorded in Laurens Co., Deed Book G page 451 and dated 19 June 1802. Margaret Adair Ewing was either a daughter of James or Joseph Adair spelled Addair on Plats and Deeds. They had among others:
 1. **John A. Ewing** born 1811 in Indiana married 1833 **Mary Smith** born 1805/6 in Indiana. No more information furnished by Jack Bertram Ewing except that John A. Ewing had a sister Isabel Ann Ewing from whom Ruth Skinner Peterson DAR #124320 is a direct descendant. They had:
 - a. **George W. Ewing** b 22 Dec 1835 in Rossville, Ind. d 27 Dec 1911, Rossville, Ind. married 1 March 1858 **Emma Price** b 1838 d 1914. They had among others:
 - i. **Morton George Ewing** b Aug 6, 1877 d 20 March 1965 married 1902 **Minnie Hudgens** in Lafayette, IN. They had:
 - (I.) **Bertram Morton Ewing** b Aug 11 1903 Dayton Ind married **Elsie Marie Crowell** b 1904 d 1971 in Weatherford, OK. They had:
 - (A.) **Jack Bertram Ewing** b 2 July 1933 in Detroit, Michigan, married 18 Sept 1954 **Arija Anna Avotins**. They had Pamela, Kimberly and Jacqueline. Lived Evansville, IN.

- D. **William Ewing** b ca 1766 in, probably, Mecklenburg, NC married before 1800, **Mary** _____. Sold his land on Duncan's Creek to his brother, David Ewing in 1813. Nothing more found. He is listed next to his father, Thomas on the 1800 Census with 1 male -10 yrs., 1 male 26-45 (self); 2 females -10 yrs., 1 female 26-45 (wife). "It is said he moved to the Pendleton District of S.C." However, he was one of those who signed the Deed K 52 in settlement of his father's estate 1 Dec 1801. His wife and he are on the 1820 Census of Chester Co., S.C. We have not located his will nor his children.
- E. **David Ewing** b ca 1769 in Mecklenburg Co., N.C. was last of those who signed the Deed settling his father's estate. He purchased 200 of the 500 acres that William, his brother had been granted on Duncan's Creek a number of years earlier. Two months later he sold the same land to Thomas Holland, 10 Oct 1802, recorded 24 August 1803, Deed Book G page 652. No wife signed away a dower. He is listed on the 1800 Census in Laurens with 1 male under 10, and 1 male 26-45 yrs (self), 1 female under 10. No other. We found no record of his wife.
- F. **Margaret Ewing** b ca 1772 in Laurens Co., S.C. She married, prior to 1800, **John Finney Jr.** She and John were two of the witnesses to the will of her father, Thomas Ewing, in 1800. We have not traced them nor found their children.
- G. **James Ewing** b ca 1775 in Laurens Co., S.C. He is the only offspring of Thomas and Sarah living at home in the 1800 Census "16-26". He is the 2nd name listed on the Deed selling the land of his deceased father, Thomas Ewing. We, of course, are not sure of his age etc. There was a James Ewing who bought land in Greenville Co., S.C. 1790 listed in Ga. Genealogical Magazine #59, shown as EWER in 1800 and "said to have married Rachel, had sons James and Charles and died prior to 1804."

James Ewin (sic) Laurens Co., S.C. sold to his small Daughters Betsy Ewin & Judy Ewin 187½ acres on 11 October 1809. The Deed is recorded in Laurens Co., SC Deed Book J page 122. (Note that pages 122-124 are all misnumbered as page 120.) His wife/widow may be the one found in Georgia near some of the others we think may have moved from SC. This is yet unproven.

- II. **William Ewing** born ca 1734 in Lancaster Co., PA or Cecil Co., MD (He was +21 in Prince Edward Co., VA in 1755). As we saw, he acquired land in, now, Laurens Co., S.C. just after his brother, Thomas Ewing, did so. He married ca 1760 **Rachel**, in Prince Edward Co., VA. He died before 1787 after having moved to Laurens Co., SC about 1772. He and Rachel ____ seemed to have only 1 child. They had:
- A. **Samuel Ewing** b ca 1761 in Prince Edward Co., VA. He died 30 June 1834 in Hancock Co., GA "at a very advanced age." He married 1st ca 1785 **Rebecca** _____, in Laurens Co., SC. He is said to have married 2nd) **Elizabeth** _____. His Uncle Samuel Ewing (The Capt.) married an Elizabeth.] He married 3rd) Mrs. **Martha Griffis**, 24 Dec, 1831. He d 30 June 1834 in Hancock Co., GA. As indicated he had served as a Private in the Revolutionary War 1780-81/2. Children, below are not necessarily in birth order. Butler Co., AL 1850 Census gave some birth years, correctly we assume:
1. **William Ewing** b ca 1788 in Laurens Co., S.C, and d 1818 in Sparta, Hancock Co., Ga. He was a Doctor and married 1st) **Comfort Lary** in 1808 and married 2nd) **Charity Ewing** 19 Oct 1809. Charity married 2nd) **Matthew Humphrey**. Her Ewing children are mentioned, but unnamed in the estate settlement of their grandfather, Samuel Ewing died 1834. William's mother must have been Rebecca.
 2. "**Polly**" **Ewing** b ca 1789 in, probably, Laurens Co., SC married 8 Dec 1808 **John Speights** in Hancock Co., GA. In the Settlement of Samuel Ewing's estate a "W.H." Speights was mentioned.
 3. **Elvira Ewing** b 1794 in Hancock Co., Ga. married 5 Sept 1816 **George Hamilton** in Hancock Co., Ga. [Information following was furnished me by Col. R.E. Sellers and his wife, Mamie C. Sellers. Col. Sellers is a descendant of Elvira Ewing and George Hamilton. Mrs. Mamie Sellers is descended from Capt. Levi Casey (see page 231). They were helpful in unraveling some of the children of Private Samuel Ewing. Elvira and George Hamilton had, possibly, among others:
 - a. **Mary A. Hamilton** b 1819 d 1891, married **Benjamin W. Parmer** b 1825 d 1852. They had, possibly, among others:
 - i. **Mary Benjamin Parmer** b 1851 d 1914 married **Joseph Robert Stallings** b 1855 d 1934. They had, possibly, among others:
 - (I.) **Mattie Flynn Stallings** who married **Ronald E. Sellers, Sr.** They had, possibly among others:
 - (A.) **Ronald E. Sellers, Jr. m. Mamie** _____.
 4. **Jonathan Ewing** b 1797 in Hancock Co., GA. married 1st) 5 March 1818, **Eliza Thompson** sister of James K. Thompson who married Lutency Ewing. Jonathan married 2nd) 12 Jan 1823 **Nancy Turner**. We have not searched for their children. He lived Butler Co., AL in 1850.
 5. **Lutency Ewing** b 1800 Hancock Co., GA d 1867 Butler Co., AL married 2nd) March 1820 **James K. Thompson** b 1797, in Hancock Co., GA They had:
 - a. **Samuel Ewing Thompson** who became an M.D.
 6. **Leodicy (Dicey) Ewing** married 1 Sept 1814 **George Henry Pattillo** b 16 Dec 1790. We question this as he was only 14 if the dates are correct. He was a son of John Varner Pattillo and Eliza Harroway. We have been unable to find Dicey's birth year but she "married young" it is said. George was a nephew of the Rev. Samuel Pattillo of Covington, Ga. whose daughter, Elizabeth b 25 May 1809 married Thomas Ewing brother to my great grandfather, Jones Henderson Ewing of Newton and Gwinnett Counties in GA. Dicey and George lived in Greene Co.,
 7. **Elizabeth Ewing** b 1802 married 12 April 1820 Hancock Co., GA. **William Dudley**. She d. 1824. James and John Dudley "orphans" and "Guardian" was Thomas Dudley, in Samuel Ewing's estate.

8. **Rachel Varner Ewing** b ca 1806 married 2 March 1824 **William Dudley** in Hancock Co., Ga. after her sister, Elizabeth, had died. We are not sure of whether she had additional children or not, but raised the children James and John of her sister, Elizabeth. Rachel and William Dudley went to Russell Co., AL.

Col R. E. Sellers and his wife, Mamie Sellers of Montgomery AL have helped immensely with the family of Samuel Ewing the 'Private' of Laurens Co., SC who served at least 2 years in the Revolutionary War. See page 229. Ruth Brimmer Davidson of Hueytown, AL has been helpful. It is her belief that William (Jr.) son of William died 1782 married Rachel Varner as Samuel died 1834 gave one of his daughters that name.

III. **Samuel Ewing** b ca 1740 in either Lancaster Co., PA or Cecil Co., MD. He married about 1763 (her name was probably Elizabeth) in Prince Edward Co., VA. He received the grant of land near his two older brothers in, then, Craven Co., SC in 1772. He had to have lived there and cultivated land to be able to have it recorded 1774. They moved to Laurens Co., S.C. about 1775. We have been unable to acquire tax records to prove date. He enlisted in Laurens Co., SC "after the reduction of Charleston" [i.e. 1780]. He became Captain Samuel Ewing prior to or about November 1781. His pay by his successor, Capt. James Dillard, showed that he lost two homes and other valuables. His file in the Archives of SC is #AA2276, gives the amount he was paid. He resigned in April of 1782 the same month his father, William Ewing of Prince Edward Co., VA, wrote his will. In January of 1783, he sold the remaining 100 acres of land his father had willed to him. He came back to Laurens Co., SC where, they, had Henry and, probably, another daughter. As we saw he purchased land in York Co., SC on Bullock's Creek where he died in 1806. We believe he is buried in the Churchyard of Beersheba Presbyterian Church where the posting of the Administration of his estate was made. It was at that time ca 1800 that Beersheba Church was placed into the First of three Presbyteries of S.C. It was described as "East of Broad River and North of Santee." It was 6 miles from York. Samuel Ewing and wife had:

- A. **William Ewing** b ca 1772 administered with John Ewing his brother b on his father's estate. He bought his father's plantation and was on the Census in York Co., for 1820. In 1810 a William Ewing is on the census and living in Chester Co., SC. (Created 1785 from Craven Co., SC)
- B. **John Ewing** b ca 1774/6 as noted above Administered with brother, William Ewing, on Samuel Ewing's Estate in 1806-1807. He is never listed on the Census of SC but a John Ewing appears in Hancock Co., Ga on 1812 tax as having 170 acres on Buffalo Creek there and purchased Deed #G page 183, 1815. He is "50-60" so born between 1770-1780, on the 1830 Census. His wife is Jane "50-60". In June of 1831 he deeded 25 acres "around the house" to her and to "son, James" same date he gave 200 acres on Buffalo Creek which joins that of Will Miller. It is recorded in Hancock Co., Book # O page 33. He sold all his land before 1837 and went to Dooley Co., GA.
- C. **Henry Ewing** was b ca 1780 as he is one of the 3 sons age 10-16 with his father, Samuel, on the 1800 Census of York Co., He is on the 1810 Census of York and may have lived on part of his father's land. It is believed that he is the Henry Ewing in Jones Co., Ga in the 1820 Census (Jones Co., Ga is next to Hancock Co., GA) There were 2 males 10-16; 1 male 26-45 (himself); 3 females under 10 and 1 female 26-45 (wife).
- D. **Esther Ewing** also listed as "Easter" on the Inventory of her father, Samuel's estate. We know no more of her.
- E. **Elizabeth "Betty" Ewing** married **William Love**. William and his brothers were among the first elders of Beersheba Presbyterian Church.
- F. _____ another daughter whose name is not revealed to us.

IV. **Margaret Ewing** b ca 1736. She was married by about 1752 to **John Morrow**, Sr. in Amelia Co., VA.) Information about her and her husband and family follows, somewhat, the moving of Thomas (Brother) to Laurens Co., S.C. She lived in Amelia/Prince Edward Co., VA until after the Revolutionary War. John Morrow's brother went with him and they settled for a time in Mecklenburg Co., NC or near there. David Morrow one brother of John Morrow, Sr. is buried in the yard of the Old Waxhaw Church in S.C. They lived in the Haw River section of N.C. moving through S.C. and finally to Greene Co., Ga. Some of the above information is from Worth S. Ray in his *TENNESSEE COUSINS* page 252, 282. Tho I take issue with some of his writing the above family is certainly in Greene Co., GA no matter how they got there! He indicates that John Morrow Sr. wrote his will in Greene Co., GA but that it is now in the Archives of Duke University. However the Probate Records of John are in Greene Co., GA. and from them we find, Margaret Ewing and John Morrow, Sr. had:

- A. **Thomas Morrow** (did not come to GA)
- B. **Ewing Morrow** b ca 1755 in Prince Edward Co., VA married Sarah Gilliam, a daughter of Peter Gilliam and Amey Heard of Knox Co., TN. Ewing Morrow died in 1791 and John Morrow (Father?) was administrator of his estate. The following children are named but we do not know the ages:
 - 1. **Peter Gilliam Morrow**
 - 2. **Joseph Morrow** was a member of the GA Legislature from Morgan Co., GA in 1822.
 - 3. **Ewing Morrow, Jr.** was a member of the GA Legislature from Greene Co., GA. in 1803.
- C. **John Morrow, Jr.**
- D. **Joseph Morrow**
- E. **Sarah Morrow** married **Jacob Maddox**. They lived in Greene Co., GA.
- F. **Elizabeth Morrow** married **John Bell** (son of Thomas and Elizabeth Weir Bell of Amherst Co., VA-they moved to Woodford Co KY).