

JOHN WHEELER
1630 - 1693

of

CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND

and

SOME OF HIS DESCENDANTS

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**A HISTORY AND GENEALOGY OF JOHN WHEELER, 1630-1693, IMMIGRANT TO
MARYLAND IN 1652, AND SOME OF HIS DESCENDANTS.**

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**This is a history of an old Maryland family that has long been
neglected prepared by one of the direct lineal descendants of John Wheeler,
the immigrant.**

I N T R O D U C T I O N

This history of John Wheeler, and some of his descendants, is a story that passed out of family knowledge long ago. It was compiled by the undersigned to try and bring to life another age and group of people who would otherwise live only in disconnected documents and isolated archives. The descendants of John Wheeler remained in Maryland almost intact for five generations but shortly after the Revolutionary War many of them moved from Maryland to other states.

The Wheeler family has been overlooked or neglected in local Maryland histories. In Across The Years In Prince George's County John Wheeler is mentioned only once in a footnote on page 343. In Vol. 4, of The Tercentenary History Of Maryland, by Andrews, Maj. John Wheeler and his son, Francis, are mentioned briefly. Several persons have traced individual lines back to John Wheeler but there is no over all history of the early family and my objective was to correct this omission. It was my intention to prepare a reference work for future researchers and several hundred documents have been quoted or cited covering a period of over 150 years. I have carried the family lines down as far as I could from records available to me and from data furnished by other researchers. The format used in compiling the record is not easy to follow and may require some study. I could not avoid this and include the history I thought essential and should be preserved.

As far as I have been able to find out this is the first time the actual date of John Wheeler's immigration (1652) has ever been proved. Some errors in the Wheeler family history have been published and there may be errors in this book but I have tried hard to avoid them. Any claims I have made on circumstantial evidence were qualified and are subject to correction. Publications cited in this book and available to the public are; The Wheeler Family In America by A. G. Wheeler, The Semmes Manuscripts on Wheeler by R. T. Semmes, The Raskob-Green Record Book by John J. Raskob, The Maryland Semmes and Kindred Families by H. W. Newman, The Butterworth Family of Maryland by Walter V. Ball, The Hawkins-Sheetz-Yates and Wheeler Families by Lela W. Prewitt and The Wheeler Family Chart by A. Alexis Raphael, the latter being available in the Md. Historical Society Library, Baltimore, Md.

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CHAPTER I

JOHN WHEELER, 1630-1693/4

The Puritan Rebellion in England reached its climax in 1649 when Charles I was executed. In 1651 Oliver Cromwell was in full control of the government and assumed full powers and authority. The supremacy of the Puritans in England placed the Roman Catholics in a difficult position. John Wheeler was about 21 years of age in 1651 and was a strict Roman Catholic. It was probably due to the unsettled conditions in England that prompted him to emigrate to America. However, his religious convictions were a handicap to him in Maryland, also, as Oliver Cromwell sent a force of men, in March 1652, "to reduce all of the plantations within the Chesapeake Bay to their due obedience to the Parliament of England". A period of unrest followed and it was not until 1658 that Lord Baltimore was again permitted to exercise his authority of government in Maryland.

These dates coincide with some interesting history of John Wheeler for which we now have ample records. He arrived in Maryland in January 1652 but there is no record of his immigration in the index to early settlers or the Land Patent Books but the proof is in the court records. It appears he evaded serving his time as an indentured servant in payment for his passage. He purchased a land warrant in 1654 but did not exercise his rights thereto until 1658 which was the year Lord Baltimore was restored to power. Over thirty years later, in 1689, he was again caught up in the friction between the Protestants and the Roman Catholics. The Radical Party took control of Maryland and made it a Royal Province. All Roman Catholics were disenfranchised and John Wheeler, being a Roman Catholic, lost his offices as Major of Militia and Justice of Charles County. His post as Major of Militia was given to James Smallwood whose great grandson, William Smallwood was to become a Major General in the Revolutionary War and governor of Maryland in 1785.

In February, 1650 one Capt. William Mitchell received a commission from Mr Robert Kodger "before his departure for Holland" that upon his return "the said Mitchell shall deliver to the said Kodger such man servants as the said Kodger shall claim out of the servants that shall be transported who are to serve the said Kodger for the term of four years". In consideration for this agreement Mr Kodger promised Capt. Mitchell 3 pigs, 25 shoats and other goods, upon his return. Mr. Kodger required Capt. Mitchell to leave his servant, Vincent Atcheson, as security (LR-No.1,248)

LR Book 1, Fol. 175

"20 January 1651/2 Ct. William Smith vs Capt. William Mitchell. Suit for debt on promise to make full and Compleat Provisions for the Company's voyage, hither, stay and return at leisure without any charges to the Plaintiff as by letter made under Defendants own hand. The Company was drawn from Defendants dwelling house in Debtfordshire, in the Kingdom of England, to London and from thence to adventure himself for these parts and upon like persuasion and promise of Satisfaction to the Company discussed and laid out by the Def't. of 23 Lbs Sterling, etc".

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The Archives of Maryland, Vol. 10, reproduced some of the court records for 1650 to 1665 and from these records we can get an interesting history as follows;

22 Jan. 1652 Ct. Richard Haskins made oath that he was in the service of Capt. William Mitchell and had the power to command his servants and that William Smith was a servant of Capt. Mitchell. (p-225)

22 Jan. 1652 Ct. John Bailey made oath that William Smith, being at Mr. Hatton's challenged two brass kettles and that the deponent did rebuke him telling him that the deponent bought the kettles with Capt. Mitchell's money, his then master. Deponent further sayeth that he, being at the house of Phillip Lands, dressing the said Lands wedding dinner, there was taken out of his possession certain parcels of pewter, being seven dishes, great and small, upon which this deponent told his master who calling Mrs. Williams to account, she, the said Williams did acknowledge that she had them and forthwith did deliver the said pewter to this deponent. She, Mrs. Williams, did challenge a great pastry plate as her own, marked with W.M. (p-225-226)

22 Jan. 1652 Ct. George Hawes, age 23 years, sworn and examined sayeth that being aboard the ship called Thomas and John, at Debtford and bound for these parts of America William Smith having in his custody clothes for Capt. Wm. Mitchell's servants and when the clothes were delivered out one Morter, a Taylor, then servant to Capt. Mitchell, desiring something out of the chest from the said Smith, the said Smith did reply that have them stay till the said Capt. William Mitchell or some one from him came aboard, further saying that he, the said Smith, was a servant as well as they and could not deliver without order. (p-226)

Jan. 22, 1652 Ct. "The deposition of JOHN WHEELER, age 21 or thereabouts Sworn and Examined in open court, Sayeth that William Smith told this deponent aboard the ship at Debtford when they were coming for these parts of America that he, the said Smith, was Servant of Capt. Mitchell for the term of four years. The occasion of the Said Smith's Said report (to) this deponent was that the Said Mitchell, Sending this Deponent aboard upon his account bidding the Said Deponent to Inquire for Smith, his, the Said Mitchell's Servant when they came aboard and to carry this message to the Said Smith that he should take him into his custody and look after him or words to that purpose and further Sayeth not" (p-226)

This is the first record of John Wheeler and by his own statement we know he was an immigrant from England in 1651. This deposition is recorded in Land Record Book No. 1, folie 397 and is signed by mark (I. W). The I is crossed in the middle and the W. is made by making two V's and crossing the left slant of one over the right slant of the other in this manner (W) (WV) (W). This signature mark was reproduced on all documents signed by John Wheeler up to the time he signed his will in 1693

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The following records were copied from Land Record Book No. 1 in the Land Office in Annapolis, Maryland by the writer;

20 Jan. 1651/2 Ct. "Upon the humble motion of Mrs. Susan Warren, who, in open Court confessed herself to be with child by Capt. William Mitchell, that she might be allowed maintenance and accomodations out of the said Capt. Mitchell's estate fitting and convenient for her in the case she is in according to the rank and quality she came into the Province. It is therefore ordered that Mr. Cuthbert Fenwick, Capt. Mitchell's Attorney, shall cause of him provisions and maintenance of Defendants apparal, lodging and attendance to be allowed her during the time of her child bearing and afterwards till this court shall think fit to make further order" (p-178)

28 June 1652 Ct. Deposition of Mary Clocker, wife of Daniel Clocker, states that she was the midwife to Susan Warren at birth of a child and the said Susan Warren said Capt. William Mitchell was the father of the child (p-319)

March 29, 1651/2 Ct. Deposition of William Smith, signed 19 Jan. 1651/2, recorded March 29, 1651/2 Ct. "That about a month or three weeks before coming to sea for these parts, being about a 12 month since, he coming then in the Company of Capt. William Mitchell, now one of his Lordship's Council of this Province, at his then lodging in the Strand near the Savoy, the Said Capt. Mitchell ask this Dep't. to call this Dep't's daughter whom he, the said Capt. Mitchell, as he then expressed intended then shortly to take to Sea with him for these parts by the name of Elizabeth Williams, or Patty Williams. Then Capt. Mitchell gave this Deponent for the truth that his desire was that he had a sister by that name and desired that this Deponent's daughter should be so called or to that effect. This Deponent's daughter then and yet right name was Susan Warren, having been formerly married to one Humphrey Warren" (p-316)

14 Mar. 1651/2 Ct. Mrs. Susan Warren vs Capt. William Mitchell. The Com-plainent petitions this court agains the defendant humbly to be set at liberty from the defendant, allowing that the defendant had the money from her which should have paid her passage from England to these parts. It is Ord. that the suit be cross filed for hearing at the next Court. (p-299)

18 June 1652 Ct. Deposition of Susan Warren, widow, age 21, that when she was sick and called on God to help her Capt. Mitchell told her "thou art merely led away by what your parents told you. I will, for half a penny, answer for all your sins, past or to come, or words to that effect (p-314)

22 June 1652 Ct. Deposition of Susan Warren, Widow, that Capt. William Mitchell would have marred her, the said Susan Warren, when she was in England, Notwithstanding his wife was still living but she would not agree to his proposal. (p-317)

22 June 1652 Ct. Deposition of Thomas Cole. That a bond was made by Mrs. Susannah Warren to Capt. William Mitchell in the Voyage coming to Virginia in which the said Warren did acknowledge 100 Lb. Sterling and the said

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Susannah Warren did engage or propose to pay the 100 Lbs in Maryland or remain the said Mitchell's Servant till such time as the said money shall be paid. Further this deponent sayeth that Mrs. Warren, coming in Portsmouth, did desire this deponent to lend her money that she might go aboard the ship. This request of hers being before Capt. Mitchell came down to Portsmouth and this deponent informed her he could not spare it (p-310)

19 Jan 1651/2 Deposition of William Hampstead, age 23, about 6 weeks or two months before this deponent coming to sea for these parts, he being the servant of Capt. William Mitchell, in the Strand, near London, that he heard a Certain Gent. tell Capt Mitchell of some woman he had, a servant, that would swear to anything his master wanted him to though it were a lie "Jurat 19 Jan. 1651/2 William Stone" (p-317)

19 Jan. 1651/2. Deposition of William Hampstead, age 23, that he heard Capt. Mitchell, at Deale, being upon his voyage hither, tell Mrs. Mitchell, his wife, that a Mrs. Warren, whom he called Patty Williams, had sent aboard a cartload of goods and a servant named Martha Webb which goods this deponent conceiveth to be the goods now claimed by the Complaineth, Mr Smith (p-321)

22 March 1651/2 "At a Court held at St. Maries Richard Kodger vs William Mitchell. Complaineth charges the Defendant, William Mitchell, with failure to supply Man Servants as agreed. He states that he was due three men servants out of the servants he should bring in and no men servants being brought in whereby the Plaintiff might make his choice. The Court ordered the Defendant to deliver up his man servant and four other servants to the Plaintiff" (p-277)

22 Apr. 1652 Capt. William Mitchell vs Thomas Cole. The Plaintiff sues for damages by him sustained by the Defendant running away from his services (p-439). 27 April 1652 Deposition of Martha Webb age 22 years. Deposition of Anne Hampstead, wife of William Hampstead, that at Portsmouth England, etc. (p322)

29 April 1652 This is a copy of a contract between Thomas Gerard and Capt. William Mitchell regarding another voyage by Capt. Mitchell. (p-447)

1 May 1652 Deposition of William Wilson that about 10 April last Capt. Mitchell ask this deponent to go with him to his house and when this deponent came there Capt. Mitchell commanded his Servant, John Bailey, and this deponent to bear witness to a marriage of Capt. Mitchell and a young woman there present and that he took this woman to be his wife and they were formerly contracted together. Further the said Capt. Mitchell expressed that if there should be any objection to this that they would part or live asunder (p-315)

22 June 1652 Deposition of Thomas Cole, age 32, that before the said deponent coming out of England he was at Mr. Edmond Howden's chambers and he ask me whom I lived with. I replied Capt William Mitchell and he ask me of what religion he was and whether I ever saw him go to church. (p-314)

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29 June 1652 Ct. Petition of Capt. William Mitchell. That your petitioner was on Saturday last committed to the Common Gaol upon a warrant signed by Robert Brook, Esq., in which your petitioner stands charged in geneal words for crimes never before in the past acted or written. Upon reading of which petition the Court gave order for a speedy trial etc (p-328)
(Note-this trial was concerning religious beliefs, Capt. Mitchel being charged with being an atheist-WVB)

8 June 1653 Ct. William Smith vs Capt. William Mitchell. Upon the motion of Susan Warren, daughter and assignee of William Smith, to have 550 lbs of tobacco which was taken in execution upon an order of the 21st of Jan. 1651 for five bbl of corn or the value thereof, etc (p-456)

28 April 1654 Francis Brooks, Esq., vs Capt. William Mitchell. By an order made 7 June last it was ordered the case would be continued till the first court after Christmas next in an attachment on the estate of Capt. William Mitchell. On the motion of the Plaintiff's Attorney informing him that he hath heard testimoney out of England and that Capt. Mitchell has not yet arrived nor his coming to be expected this year the hearing being formally referred in expectation of his arrival. (p-589)

The foregoing abstracts from court records prove that Capt. William Mitchell brought over from England, presumably as servants, the following persons;

John Bailey	Thomas Cole	William Hampstead	Anne Hampstead
Richard Haskins	George Hawes	Morter (a tailor)	William Smith
Stephen Warren	Susan Warren	Martha Webb	JOHN WHEELER

This proves that Capt Mitchell brought in nine men. He was sued by Richard Kodger for failure to furnish the man servants as agreed and the court ordered him to deliver up four servants. Assuming he furnished the servants from the new arrivals this would leave five servants unaccounted for. Capt Mitchell sued Thomas Cole for damages for running away so it is apparant that some of the others ran away or disappeared. In March, 1654, presumably after Capt. Mitchell had returned to England, William Hampstead claimed 200 acres of land for transporting himself and his wife, stating they had bought out their time from Capt. Mitdhell (LR-ABH, 421)

There is no record of any land warrant being issued to Capt. Mitchell, Mr. Robert Kodger or any one else on JOHN WHEELER'S Account. He did not serve any time for his transportation and subsequent records prove he was a shrewd person even the illiterate. It is apparant that he skipped out during the prolonged court trials of Capt. William Mitchell and did not show up again until June 1654 after Captain Mitchel had returned to England as shown by the following;

"20 June, 1654, Mem'dm that I, Walter Hall, have sold unto JOHN WHEELER all my rights of land due me for the transportation of myself into this Province" (ABH, Fol.380)

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"20 June 1654, JOHN WHEELER demandeth 100 acres of land due him by the assignment of Mr. Walter Hall as above written. Warrant to lay out for JOHN WHEELER 100 acres in any part of this Province not formerly taken up" (ABH, Fol. 380)

"Upon the back side of an old Warrant, dated 20 June, 1654 under which was written These are to certify that no land is yet taken up upon this Warr't Robert Clark-Surv'r")	"12 April, 1658 I, JOHN WHEELER do assign over to Robert Cole all my rights and title to this Warrant JOHN (I.W.) WHEELER By mark
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"Robert Cole demandeth 450 acres of land for these servants, Robert Gates 1655, John Johnson, Mary Miles and Joseph Alvey 1657, by special Warrant from his Lordshipp 100 acres and 100 acres more by assignment from JOHN WHEELER (LR Bk Q, Fol. 18)

"Robert Cole hath transported himself, Rebecca, his wife and four children and two servants, viz, Robert Goodrich and Thomas Carpenter. We do grant to JOHN WHEELER, assignee of Robert Cole, parcel of land on the N.E. Branch of Nanjemoy River, adjoining the land of Thomas Milner containing and laid out for 350 acres. The rent of 7 Shillings. Given at St. Maries this 16th day of November AD, 1658. Josias Fendall, Esq." (LR. Bk Q, Fol 205)

We can only speculate on the reason why John Wheeler held his Warrant for four years. He may have feared Capt. Mitchell would find him and demand his services for his transportation or he may have been fearful of the outcome of the friction between the Roman Catholics and the Protestants. He was married and the father of a son in 1654 or about three years after he arrived in Maryland. He was the father of three children at the time he took up his first land patent in Nov. 1658 so he must have worked for others before he started his own farm. He took up several land patents during his lifetime the following being of record in the Land Patent Books;

Cole	1658	350 a	Whealers Adventure	1668	35 a
Whetland	1659	450 a	Stoke Hill	1668	65 a
Planters Delight	1663	600 a	Wales	1670	300 a
Whealers Purchase	1662	500 a	Whealers Addition	1672	130 a
Whealers Choice	1662	400 a	Whealers Adventure	1687	76 a
Whealers Rest	1668	200 a	Major's Choice	1688	187 a

The records of the proceedings of the Charles County, Maryland, Court have been preserved and from these records we can get an interesting history of the life of John Wheeler and his family. The proceedings of the court from 1658 to 1665 were printed in the Archives of Maryland, Vol. 53 and the following entries were copied therefrom

May 1658 Henry Moore vs William Robinson. John Wheeler and Marie Wheeler summoned to testify

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On Oct. 8, 1658 John Wheeler, age 25 or thereabouts was sworn in open court at the request of William Robinson and testified he heard William Watson say that he owed the said Robinson three bbl of corn and the said confession was made in the afd Robinson's house on the 24th of October last year (1657). In the January 1659 court Daniel Johnson and William Empson demanded a warrant against John Wheeler on account of debt and Daniel Johnson was awarded 395 lb of tobacco. At the same court Mr. Thomas Robinson and Henry Frankdom demanded a warrant against John Wheeler and Mary, his wife upon "Bargain and Sail of 350 acres of land." John Wheeler and Mary, his wife, were ordered to deliver up to Frankdom and Robinson as bargained. In March, 1659 court John Wheeler entered his mark for cattle and hogs and at the same time James Wheeler entered his mark for cattle and hogs. In June 1660 court Thomas Robinson was back again and demanded a supeona against John Wheeler as a witness and in the Sept. 1660 court John Wheeler was again sued by Thomas Robinson for the 350 acres of land but the suit was dismissed. In the Oct., 1660 court Daniel Johnson was granted judgment versus John Wheeler for 455 lb of tobacco. Also "John Wheeler, of Charles County, sells to Thos. Robinson and Henry Frankdom 350 acres bounding upon Joseph Harrison and running up a branch called Josephs Branch in Avon River formerly called Nansemieke Creek." Also "John Wheeler, of Charles County mortgages all crops of tabacco now growing and all cattle to secure a debt of 2,500 lb of tob due James Langworth."

In Feb., 1661 court "Mr. James Lindsey doth confess a judgment unto John Wheeler for 440 lb tobacco due John Wheeler of Capt. James Langworth's company and Ensign to him". Also "Ensign John Wheeler sues the estate of Henry Lilly for 100 lb of tobacco". (Note this is first record of John Wheeler's military service-WVB) In March, 1661 court the case of Frankdom and Robinson came up again and John Wheeler "binds himself to deliver up a firm patent on or before 10 October next". In May, 1661 court Ensign John Wheeler is on jury duty and at the same court he sues Giles Glover for 700 lb of tobacco. Also he is sued by Thomas Hussey "for patent signed by said Wheeler 29 Dec., 1660 on South Side of Matawoman Creek". The claim was denied. In Nov. 1661 court John Wheeler sues Giles Glover for failure to build a house as contracted for. In Oct. 1662 court John Wheeler appears as a witness. In July 1663 court John and James Wheeler are on jury duty, John is sued by Samuel Price for wages due for work and George Thompson assigned to John Wheeler a patent for Planters Delight, 600 acres. In Nov., 1663 court "Patent for Wheelers Palm, lying on the N. side pf Piscataway River, near the land laid out for Robert Hudson, 150 acres, assigned by John Wheeler to Robert Taylor 4 Nov. 1663.". In Jan. 1664 court John Wheeler was sued by Alexander White for 769 lb of tobacco

In the Aug. 1665 court John Wheeler and Mary, his wife "Ackn conveyence to William Boyden and Walter Cooper, for 7,500 lbs tobacco, tract called Wheelers Chance on the E. side of Piscataway River between Nelling and Pamonkey, about a mile from the land laid out for Luke Gardiner cont. 400 acres".

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In Nov. 1665 court witnessed a deed, signed (I. W.) for plat called wentworth "adj John Wheeler's land on Piscataway River".

Vol. 60 of The Archives of Maryland is a continuation of the Charles County Court Proceedings, 1666-1674, viz;

In Sept. 1666 court John Wheeler demands an attachment versus George Bradshaw for 3,000 lb tobacco. In Nov. 1666 he is on jury duty and in Mar. 1667 he records a bill from George Bradshaw for one man servant. In Sept. 1667 he is on jury duty and in Nov. 1667 he is appointed attorney for David Thomas. On page 117 of The Archives, Vol. 60, births of the children of John Wheeler are recorded as follows;

John	1654	James	12/16/1656	Marie	3/22/1658
Thomas	3/18/1660	Winnifrett	3/1663	Ignatius	5/1665

In June 1668 John Wheeler was on jury duty and in Jan. 1669 he presented a servant named Dorothy Hinks, about 10 years old. In June 1669 court he presented a servant named Sam Gaskoyne, about 15 years old and in Aug. 1669 he sold to William Dickerson a plat called Planters Delight, 65 acres. In Nov. 1671 court he was appointed attorney by Jacob Leah and in Mar. 1672 court he was on jury duty. In Aug. 1672 he was sued for debt of 1,200 lb tobacco by Nicholas Salby (Selby). In Sept. 1672 court a deed was recorded which was witnessed by John Wheeler, Jr. in Oct. 1671 John, Jr. was only 17 years old in 1671. In 1672 John Wheeler was paid 200 lbs tobacco for one wolf's head. He was also on jury duty.

In March, 1670 court Mary Wheeler, age 40 years, sworn and "sayeth that the year my husband went the march my husband owed Mr. Daniel Johnson an hhd of tobacco and I was weeding the tobacco bed when Dniel Johnson came and ask mee if there was any tobacco ready and I told him I would give him notice when there was any ready and I followed the cart as fast as I could and I met Mr. Barnes who said he had order from Daniel Johnson to received a hhd of tobacco and he received and marked and weighed it".

In the introduction to Vol. 60, Archives of Maryland, page XIV the authors made the following comment;

"Not much was recorded in the Charles County Court Records about the Indians who inhabited that area. In the court of 1666-1667 it was ordered that Ralph Wormlie and Garret Synit (Sennett ?) who had received hurt and damage in the march to Piscataway in this present year 1666 by casual shot draw a bill for their charges for injuries etc. It is possible to this same Indian disturbance that Mary Wheeler referred when, as a witness in March, 1669-70 she dated a past occurrence as having taken place 'in the year my husband went the march'".

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I did not abstract all of the records of the Charles County Court Proceedings but the following entries will complete an interesting history of John Wheeler.

Liber H No. 1, Fol. 134

June, 1679 Ct. Major John Wheeler presents a man servant named John Morbon, age 20 years, and a woman servant named Bridgett, age 18 years.

(Note- The Archives of Md. Vol. 2, p-551, shows that "Capt. John Wheeler was paid 2,000 lb of tobacco for services in May and June 1676)

Liber H No. 1, Fol. 235

Nov. 1679 Ct. Major John Wheeler by his attorney, George Thompson, sayeth that John Faulkner, Carpenter, on 20 Feb 1679 did bind himself to pay to Major Wheeler the sum of 500 lb of tob etc. It is ordered that John Faulkner pay unto Major John Wheeler 500 lb of tob, with costs of suit.

Liber M No. 1, Fol. 32

10 Oct. 1685 Ind. John Wheeler, of Charles County, for fatherly love and affection for his natural born daughter, Winnifred Speaks, the wife of John Speaks, deeds to the said John Speaks a tract of land called Plymouth lying in Charles County beginning at a bounded oak near the main fork of Piscataway, cont. 350 acres. signed by mark (I.W)

Arc. Md. V-15, p-401 -402

Aug. 1681, deposition of William Boyden, age 48 years. George Godfrey came to his house on 14 July last with about 10 men and said he was going down to rescue Capt. Josias Fendall. The said Godfrey did say he would go to church on Sunday and get what men he could to join him soe that he might meete the troope at the head of Portobacco Creek on Monday and that they would take Capt Randolph Brandt and tye him and turne James Wheeler out of the troope, they being the only Roman Catholics in the troope. The following is a letter from William Chandler, High Sheriff of Charles County, to Lord Baltimore. "I am sending your Lordship some depositions concerning the intended Rebellion and it is suspected that George Godfrey is the Ringleader of this sedition. The following are names of some of the men who were to meet the Troop at the head of Portobacco Creek; Thomas Abbott, Thomas Elder, Edward Hedson, Nicholas Bede, James Morgan and Theo. Colebourne, Corpl to Major Wheeler"

Chas Co. Ct. Rec. Liber E No. 1, Fol 149

Aug. 1681 Whereas complaint was made to Capt. Ignatius Causeen, one of his Lordshipp's Justices, by Maj. Jno Wheeler against Mary, ye wife of George Godfrey and Sarah, ye wife of John Godshall, that they have reported sundry and divers reports against Mary, ye wife to ye said Maj. Jno. Wheeler and warrant was issued to ye said Mary Godfrey and Sarah Godshall to appear in this court to answer ye said complaint of ye said Maj. Jno. Wheeler and Mary, his wife. Whereupon Mary Godfrey sworn in open court

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sayeth that Sarah Godshall did tell her that Mary, ye wife of ye said Maj. Jno. Wheeler should say that she hoped to "see ye Papists wash their hands in ye hearts blood of ye Protestants of this Province" or words to that effect but she never heard Mary, ye wife of ye said Maj. Jno. Wheeler say any of this

Whereupon Sarah Godshall was sworn in open court and saith that William Marloe came to her house and told her that Mary, ye wife of Maj. Jno. Wheeler should say these things but she never heard the said Mary, ye wife of Maj. Jno. Wheeler say any of this. Whereupon William Marloe, being examined in open court, saith that he heard his wife ask their son, James Wheeler, whether his mother did not use like words or not. Whereupon it is ordered that William Marloe be committed to the custody of ye Sheriff until he finds good security for his good behaviour etc toward all of his Lordshipps good people and for his appearance, also his wife, at ye next court to be held in this county

C.C.C.R. Liber K, Fol. 84

Jan. 1682 Ct. Major John Wheeler presents a man servant to be adjudged of his age, named William Davis, who is adjudged to be 13 years of age

Arc. Md. V-17, p-380

May 30, 1685. At a court held at St. Mary's Major John Wheeler was appointed Justice for Charles County.

Test. Pro. L-20, Fol. 240

19 June 1685 Inventory of Col. William Chandler was signed by John Wheeler and William Barton

Deed Book P-1, Fol. 92

18 Jan. 1687. John Wheeler and Mary, his wife, sell to Joshua Doyne a parcel of land called Exster, lately surveyed and laid out for John Wheeler by virtue of an order of Council of this Province, being in Charles County and cont. 317 acres. signed (I.W.) witnessed by Peter Dent and William Hutchinson

Arc. Md. Vol. 13, p-243

In 1689 the Radical Party took over the government of Lord Baltimore and it was changed to a Royal Province. Major John Wheeler lost his offices and "James Smallwood is appointed Major of Militia of Charles County in the place of John Wheeler".

D.B. P-No 1, Fol. 179

June, 1689 John Wheeler sells to Robert Doyne two lots, being Nos. 10 and 11, lying in Charles County at ye head of Portobacco Creeke. Wit; William Barton, Henry Hawkins, Cleborn Lomax

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C.C.C.R. Liber S No. 1, Fol. 129

28 July 1692 the court ordered that "Whereas Major John Wheeler is grown very old and is very much inabled through a wound he received in the Country's service it is ordered that Major John Wheeler be put out of the taxables and made levy free for the future".

Inv. & Acct Bk No 10, Fol. 367

11 Nov. 1692. The last record found of Major John Wheeler, prior to his will in 1693, was on Nov. 11, 1692 when Major Wheeler demanded an audit of the accounts of Moses Jones, Admn. of the estate of his son, James Wheeler, and he mentioned the children of James as John, James and Anne Wheeler

C.C.C.R. Liber S, Fol. 317

June 1694 Ct. The jury presented Christian, a negro woman slave belonging to Phillip Lyons, "for pilfering, stealing and carrying away several goods out of the house of Mary Wheeler, widow, to which the said Christian plead guilty Whereupon it was ordered that John Godshall, Constable of St. Thomas Hundred, take unto the said Mary Wheeler the goods that were found belonging to her and the Sheriff to take Christian, the negro woman to the Whipping Post and give her 21 lashes on the bare back well laid on for her offence

Will Book No. 7, Fol. 70

The will of John Wheeler, signed 11 Nov. 1693 and proved 8 Jan. 1694 provided; "To my son, Thomas, 200 acres of land where he now lives and 130 acres thereunto adjoining, called Wheelers Rest. To my son, Ignatius, Planters Delight, 600 acres. To my son Francis parcel called Majors Choice, 187 acres, together with Middletons Lott of 96 acres. To my grandson, James Wheeler, son of my son James Wheeler 200 acres of Wheelers Purchase. To my grandson John Wheeler, son of my son James Wheeler 200 acres of Wheelers Purchase. To my grand-daughter, Anne Wheeler, daughter of my son James Wheeler, 100 acres of land it being the remainder of 500 acres called Wheelers Purchase. Also 165 acres called Wheelers Delight and if Annie should die without heirs then to fall to Richard Wheeler, son of my son Thomas Wheeler. To my beloved wife Mary Wheeler. Wit. John Sanders, William Montgomery, Ann Montgomery".

The inventory of John Wheeler was filed 26 Nov. 1696 with a value 41 Lb. 21 Sh. and 9 Pc. Therefore we have proof of his family as follows;

I	Wheeler, John	1630-1693/4	Immigrant to Md. in 1651	
	wife Mary			
II	Wheeler, John, Jr.	1654-1688	m _____	See chapter II
III	James	1656-1684	m (1) Elizabeth Corker, (2) Catherine	
IV	Mary	1658-	m ca 1673 Robert Middleton, chapter II	
V	Thomas	1660-1735	See chapter III	
VI	Winnifred	1663-	m John Speake. See chapter IV	
VII	Ignatius	1665-1699	m Frances Slye. See chapter IV	
VIII	Francis	ca 1670-1736	m Winnifred Green. See chapter V	

CHAPTER II

JOHN WHEELER, Jr., son of John and Mary Wheeler

The Arc. of Md., Vol. 60, page 404 shows that John Wheeler, Jr. witnessed a deed in Charles County in Oct., 1671 when he was only 17 years of age. No record was found of service on a jury or in military service. On 13 June, 1688 William Bateman and Christine, his wife, and John Gray signed as bondsmen for settlement of the estate of John Wheeler, Jr. On June 15, 1688 an inventory of the estate of John Wheeler, Jr., was filed by Walter Phelps and James Gray for 46-08-00 [Inv. & Accts. 10, 87)

No children of John Wheeler, Jr. could be identified and none were mentioned in the will of John Wheeler, Sr.

III JAMES WHEELER, son of John and Mary Wheeler

The Semmes MS on Wheeler states that James Wheeler m (1) Elizabeth Corker, widow of Thomas Corker and dau of Clement Theobald. He m (2) Catherine who m 2nd Moses Jones and soon died and Moses Jones m (2) Elizabeth Jenkins

James Wheeler's cattle mark was registered in March 1659 when he was three years of age. He witnessed a deed in 1671 when he was 15 years of age. He was on jury duty in Jan. 1679 and in March, 1679-he sued Thomas Hussey for debt of 400 lbs of tobacco. In Aug. and Nov., 1680 he was on jury duty and in Dec., 1680 he sued Thomas Hussey for execution on a judgment. In Aug. 1681 he was a member of the Charles County Militia and he and Capt. Randolph Brandt were the two Roman Catholics against whom a plot was made to get them out of the troop. In April 1681 Thomas Hussey entered counter suit vs James Wheeler for 3,600 lb of tobacco in Chancery Court. At a meeting of the Assembly in St. Mary's in Nov. 1683 James Wheeler and his father, John Wheeler, were appointed on a commission to buy up lands for Port Towns in Charles County (Arc. Md. Vol. 7, p-611)

Mr. Semmes states that James Wheeler died in Dec. 1684. A statement of his account was filed by Moses Jones and Catherine, his wife, on 16 Aug. 1686. The account shows an inventory of 8,149 lbs of tobacco and shows payments from the estate to Ignatius Warren, William Swanson, Mr. Dent, Attorney, George Brent, Thomas Gavin, Thomas Hussey, Edward Rook-am, Mrs. Mary Chandler, Richard Harmon, Thomas Wheeler (as per receipt 960 lbs of tobacco), Roger Dickman, Humphrey Warren, John Wheeler 800 lbs of tobacco, Ralph Shaw, Richard Doyme, Henry Hardy, Sam Lockett, John Baker and Dr. John Lamarris 1535 lbs of tobacco (Accts. AE No. 6, p-9) An additional inventory was filed 24 Nov. 1687 by John Clark and John Goodshall (Bk 10, Fol. 1) Additional inventory was also filed 11 Nov. 1692 by Moses Jones "in right of Catherine, his wife, who is deceased and was, in her lifetime Exer of the last will and testament of James Wheeler" (Bk 10, Fol. 364) The names of the creditors are listed for their interesting history. Thomas Hussey is the person sued by James Wheeler in 1680. Thomas Wheeler was a brother of James and John Wheeler was either his father or brother. One Humphrey Warren was a creditor and on page four we have a record of Susan Warren, wife of Humphrey Warren, being on the ship on which John Wheeler came to Maryland in 1652.

III JAMES WHEELER, son of John, continued.

- III Wheeler, James 1656-1684
 m (1) Elizabeth Corker. m (2) Catherine _____ who m 2nd Moses Jones
 i Wheeler, John 16__-17__ m Dorothy Graves
 ii James 16__-17__
 iii Anne 1677-17__ m (1) Hilleary Ball, (2) Scandrell
 i John Wheeler, son of James

In Nov. 1692 Major John Wheeler demanded an audit of the accounts of Moses Jones and mentioned the orphans of his son, James Wheeler, as Anne, John and James. Apparently John was of age in 1698 as a deed was recorded in Charles County on 26 Jan. 1698 from John Wheeler to William Hutchinson, of P.G. County for "all of that tract called Wheelers Adventure, lying in P.G. County and in a neck commonly called Pamunky Neck". No wife signed the deed indicating John was unmarried. The following will prove that he married Dorothy Graves prior to Sept. 16, 1700. (DB, P.G.Co. No. A, Fol 411)

"Sept. 10, 1700 John Wheeler and Dorothy, his wife, of Charles County sell to Richard Edgar part of a tract called Wheelers Purchase in P.G. County, cont. 100 acres being part of 500 acres first granted by patent to John Wheeler, grandfather to ye said John Wheeler, and given to him by the last will and testament of his grandfather afd - /S/ John Wheeler, Dorothy Wheeler"

"Nov. 1706 Ct. Mack Macon, Servant of Dorothy Graves, complains of his hard usage and it was advised by Col Smallwood that we should both appear in this court but in the meantime John Wheeler, son in law to ye said Dorothy Graves, came to my mistress house and inveigled me to consent in case he purchased me to serve him, the said John Wheeler for the term of four years etc" (C.C.C.R. B No. 1, Fol 271)

"3 July 1708 Dorothy Graves, of Charles County, Widow, for natural love and affection she beareth to John Wheeler, her son in law, and other considerations doth grant unto him all of my temporal estate of Goods and Chattels, both real and personal, except 3 cows and calves, 2 heifers, 2 blankets (etc) and all the good brandy bought of Mr. Robert Randall, Merchant. In consideration the said John Wheeler will maintain the said Dorothy Graves during her life /S/ by mark John Wheeler" (CC-DB C 2, Fol 109)

"13 Nov. 1711 Dorothy Graves, about two years ago, gave to her granddaughter, Dorothy Graves, daughter of Joshua Graves, deceased, one black heifer and now petitions the court that the said child is since married to one Thomas Eaton who hath since sold the heifer to one Mary Grey, wife of John Grey, and is run away out of this Province (etc)" (C.C.C.R. E No. 1, Fol. 10)

The Charles County Court Records, B No. 2 shows John Wheeler was attached to answer to John Doe in Aug. 1709. Book E No. 2 shows the case was continued to Nov. 1711 and again untill June, 1712. This was the last record found of John Wheeler untill the following deed was recorded

III JAMES WHEELER, son of John, continued

"19 May 1730. John Wheeler, in the Colony of Virginia, sells to Thomas Middleton, for 150 Lbs, tract called Wheelers Hope, standing in the woods on the North side of a Fresh which runs into Piscataway Creek near a great Beaver Dam, cont. 365 acres. Signed by mark John Wheeler. Witnessed by George Noble and Peter Dent" (P.G. Co. DB No Q, Fol. 267)

The documents cited above present strong proof that John Wheeler, son of James, moved to Virginia. No record of any children could be found in Maryland. The George Noble, who witnessed the deed in 1730, married Charity Wheeler, first cousin of John Wheeler, and lived in St. Johns Parish on Piscataway Creek. James Wheeler, brother of John, conveyed the land he inherited from his grandfather to John Middleton, brother of the above named Thomas Middleton. The only other John Wheeler in Charles County at that time was a son of Thomas and we have evidence that he moved to Baltimore County, Md.

ii James Wheeler, son of James

In Charles County Court Records, V-1, Fol. 372, March, 1698, is the following; "James Wheeler ye son of James Wheeler, deceased came here and made choice of his uncle, Ignatius Wheeler, to be his guardian" Ignatius Wheeler died the following year and his widow married Peter Mills. The following implies that James Wheeler was still a minor in 1701 and his uncle, Thomas Wheeler, appeared in court in his behalf.

"Jan. 1702/3 Ct.; Matthew Mackeboy vs Thomas Wheeler. James Wheeler, late of P.G. County, Planter, was attached by Matthew Mackeboy for that on July 31, 1701, at Charles Towne, he stood indebted to the said Matthew for 1130 lb of tobacco it being for accomodations and several goods sold and delivered to the said James as per account to appear. The said Thomas Wheeler, by Joshua Cecil, his attorney, comes to defend the case and prayeth to imparl to next court the 2th of Jan. 1702/3. Comes Thomas Wheeler and Matthew Mackeboy;

July, 1701 Acct. James Wheeler, Dr. to Matthew Mackeboy;
 To your accomodations 800 One Pr. of Breeches & Cloth Serge lined 100
 To Canvass Breeches 50 One hat 60 One blue shirt 50
 To One Pr of fall shoes 45 One Pr Stockings 70 TOTAL 1130

Oct., 1702 Acct. Mathew Mackeboy, Dr. to James Wheeler
 To a bridle and a saddle you had of me 15
 To your promise in exchange for a horse 10
 To Five month's of his services 1000
 Total 1025

The court dismissed the case and ordered that Thomas Wheeler recover against Matthew Mackabee (sic) his damages of 311 Lbs of tobacco (P.G. Co. Ct. Rec. B, Fol. 222)

III JAMES WHEELER, son of John, continued

Matthew Mackeboy was an interesting character, being in court continuously from 1696, the year Prince Georges County was formed. He was apparently a troublemaker. Shortly after the trial cited above the following item was recorded on page 228 of Ct. Record B.;

"Jan. 1702/3 Court; Ordered that the Sheriff take Matthew Mackeboy and put him in the Stock during the Court's pleasure"

"2 Feb. 1705 James Wheeler sells to John Middleton 200 acres of Wheelers Purchase on the E. side of Piscataway River, at an Indian Town called Pa-monkey, at the mouth of a Creek called St. Johns Creek, cont. 500 acres according to patent granted unto John Wheeler, grandfather to ye said James Wheeler and bearing date of 10 July 1663 who by his last will and testament left 200 acres thereof to John Wheeler, brother of ye said James which is now in the possession of Richard Edgar and 100 acres thereof to Ann Wheeler, sister of the said James and now the wife of Hillary Ball. Signed by mark - James Wheeler" No wife signed. (PG. Co. DB-C, Fol. 156)

In the August 1708 Court of P.G. County Prior Smallwood sued James Wheeler for Tresspass, debt of 1,500 lb of tobacco which he was ordered to pay. (Ct. Rec. Liber C, Fol. 54) Prior Smallwood was a son of James Smallwood who replaced John Wheeler as Major of Militia in 1689. This was the last record found of James Wheeler and it is not known by the compiler whether or not he left any children.

In 1693 John Wheeler devised 500 acres to grandchildren John, James and Ann, his grandchildren. John sold his part to Richard Edgar and James sold his part to John Middleton who, on 20 Nov. 1706, sold it to William Hutchinson. The following is a record of Ann Wheeler;

iii Ann Wheeler, daughter of James Wheeler

"20 June 1706. Hillary Ball and Ann, his wife, sell to William Hutchison tract called Wheelers Purchase, surveyed by John Wheeler and by his last will and testament devised to John, James and Ann Wheeler, which Ann is now the wife of Hillary Ball. /S/ Hillary Ball By mark Ann Ball" (DB-C, 175A)

In P. G. County Court Record Book D, Fol. 158 is a record of a suit of Luke Gardiner vs Hillary Ball for debt of 490 lbs of tobacco in March 1709 Court. The Maryland Semmes and Kindred Families, by Newman, states that in November, 1725 Captain John Middleton requested a commission be appointed to define the boundaries of his estate WWheelers Hope. On June 15, 1726 depositions were taken from Frances Wheeler, aged 50, John Wheeler, aged 40 and Francis Marbury, aged 65. The later deposed that about 20 years ago at the request of Hillary Ball and Francis Clarvoe he surveyed "Brothers Delight" which belonged to the said Ball. Mrs. Ann Scandell, aged 48, swore that about 26 years ago her deceased husband,

III JAMES WHEELER, son of John, continued

Hillary Ball, told her that a certain tree was the bound tree of Mr. John Middleton's land. The Semmes MS gives a reference for this as P.G. County DB No. M, Fol 25. This places the year of birth of Ann Wheeler as 1677 but unless John Wheeler, aged 40, was in error in his age he could not have been the son of James who died in 1684. The will of Hillary Ball, in 1710, names sons Richard and John and wife, Ann. The will of Richard Ball, proved in 1775 gives the following family

1 Ball, Richard under 18 in 1710, died in 1775

Married

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| (1) | Ball, Ann | b 1723 | m Richard Barrett and had Joseph Lowder, Missy Ann and Mary Eleanor Barrett |
| (2) | (unnamed) | | m Burgess and had Arnold, Henry, Edward, Richard and Cassey Burgess |
| (3) | (unnamed) | | m Walker and had Eleanor Walker |
| (4) | Hillary | b 1727 | m Elizabeth |
| (5) | Sarah | b 1728 | m John Simpson |
| (6) | Elizabeth | | m Francis Wheat, Jr., and had Zachariah b 1764, Verlinda b 1766, Elizabeth b 1773 and Jesse who m 1797 Samuel Sopher |
| (7) | Esther | | m Samuel Ready and had John, Richard and Daniel who was baptized 19 Jun. 1763 |
| (8) | Henry | | No further record |
| (9) | Richard | b 1736 | He was 40 in 1776 census. m Sarah |

- 2 Ball, John Son of Hillary. He leased Clover Clause in 1740 and in 1753 he leased Sisters Delight in P.G. County. No will by John Ball has been found

The above record of Hillary Ball's family was furnished by Mrs. Arthur Brown, Washington, D.C. who has traced down some lines of Richard Ball.

END OF JAMES WHEELER

IV MARY WHEELER, daughter of John Wheeler, continued from page 12

Robert Middleton married Mary Wheeler before 1673. He was a member of the Church of England and a member of the vestry of St. Johns Parish. His wife, Mary Wheeler was of the Roman Catholic faith. At a Meeting of the Council, held at St. Marys, July 1, 1681 Robert Middleton was commissioned a Coronet in the company of Capt. Randolph Brandt. (Arc. of Md. Vol. 15, p-385) At a meeting of the Council July 21, 1681 he made a deposition stating that he was about 30 years of age (Arc of Md. 15, p403) His plantation was in P. G. County after that county was formed in 1696. At the June, 1696 court in P.G. Co. Mr. Robert Middleton was sworn in as "One of the Coroners of P.G. Co." and at the October 1696 Ct. he was voted 250 Lbs of tobacco "for one Inquisition upon the body of Richard Burke" In Nov. 1697 Ct. he was paid for "two inquisitions" and in Oct. 1699 he was paid for "three inquisitions. (P.G. Co. Ct. Rec. Liber A)

On 20 Jan. 1693/4 John Wheeler, of Charles County, Gent., deeded to Robert Middleton "for fatherly love he hath towards his daughter, Mary, the wife of the said Robert Middleton, a tract called Wheelers Hope, 385 acres, standing by a branch on the N. side of a fresh running into Piscataway Creek" (DB- L No. 1, Fol. 52). Robert Middleton died in 1707 intestate and his estate was so casually administered that a complete list of his children cannot be proved. Mr. Harry Wright Newman, in his Maryland Semmes & Kindred Families gives an excellent history of the Middleton family and states that Robert and Mary (Wheeler) Middleton had the following children and probably others not yet proved.

i	Middleton, John	1673-174	m Mary
ll	James	16 - 1769	m Sarah Smith
lll	Thomas	16 - 1745	m Penelope Hatton
iv	Robert	1682- ca 1728	m Elizabeth Smith
v	William	1686-1769	m Elizabeth Tears

i John Middleton, son of Robert Middleton

John Middleton, 1673-174, m Mary and established his plantation on Wheelers Hope, bordering on a run of Piscataway Creek. He maintained quarters as far west as the Eastern Branch, now the Anacostia River, within the limits of the present city of Washington, D.C. In 1705 he purchased from James Wheeler, his wife's nephew, 200 acres of Wheelers Purchase which was the land devised to James Wheeler by his grandfather, John Wheeler. His family was;

i	Middleton, John	1673-174	m Mary
1	Middleton, Charity		m William Lockett
2	Sarah		m Thomas Hawkins
3	Ann		m 1717 Ralph Marlowe

ii James Middleton, 16 - 1769 married Sarah Smith and established his plantation on his wife's property in Charles County. His children were;

IV MARY WHEELER, daughter of John Wheeler, continued

- ii Middleton, James 16__-174__
 m Sarah Smith
- | | | |
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| 1 | Middleton, Smith | m Mary Hawkins |
| 2 | Ann | m (1) Thomas Jenkins. (2) Charles Beavin |
| 3 | James | b 1726 |
| 4 | Mary | m _____ Hawkins |
| 5 | Ignatius | m Ann Goodrick |
| 6 | Sarah | m Edward Jenkins |
| 7 | Charity | m Cornelius Davis |
| 8 | Martha | m Marmaduke Semmes |

iii Thomas Middleton m Penelope Hatton. In 1730 John Wheeler sold to Thomas Middleton 365 acres called Wheelers Hope on the N. side of a fresh which runs into Piscataway Creek (See page 15). The Children of Thomas and Penelope Middleton were;

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|---|-------------------|-------------------|
| 1 | Middleton, Mary | m William Hawkins |
| 2 | Hatton Middleton | b 1705 m Jane |
| 3 | Middleton, Thomas | b 1707 |
| 4 | Benjamin | b 1709 |
| 5 | Penelope W. | b 1712 |
| 6 | Sarah | |
| 7 | Elizabeth | |
| 8 | Eleanor | |
| 9 | Susannah | |

iv Robert Middleton, 1682-17__ registered his cattlemark in P. G. Co. in 1706. (P.G. Co. Ct. Rec. Liber C, Fol. 171-B) He m Elizabeth Smith, sister of Sarah who m his brother James Middleton. In 1729 Robert Middleton, of Charles County and Elizabeth, his wife, conveyed to John Ebernathy 300 acres of "Jordan". No record of Robert Middleton was found after 1729 so he died without issue or removed from the Province

v William Middleton, 1686-1769, m Elizabeth Tears. From 1732 to 1741 William Middleton represented Charles County in the General Assembly. His wife, Elizabeth, died ca July 1749 and by August 1758 he had remarried to Henrietta _____. He died in 1769 and left a will naming son, Robert Middleton and grandsons Isaac Middleton, Hugh Middleton and William Norris Middleton

For additional history of the Middleton family see Mr. Harry Wright Newman's "The Maryland Semmes & Kindred Families - 1956"

CHAPTER III

V THOMAS WHEELER, son of John Wheeler, continued from page 12

Thomas Wheeler, 1660-1735, was the compilers direct ancestor and the records imply that he must have been a disagreeable person as he was involved in many court actions with his neighbours. In 1671 John Wheeler, father of Thomas, patented Wheelers Addition at which time Thomas Wheeler was 11 years old. Evidently John Wheeler paid tax on this plat in the name of Thomas Wheeler as the Rent Rolls show Thomas Wheeler paid tax on it from 1671 to 1724 when he deeded it to his son, Richard. On Sept. 14, 1680 he register his cattle mark which is probably the time he established his own household which was at Port Tobacco. (C.C.C.R. - I No. 1, Fol. 32) In Dec. 1680 he entered suit vs Edward Richardson for trespass. The Arc. of Md. Vol. 15, p-360 quotes depositions regarding trouble with the Indians and includes the following; May 30, 1681.

"Tho. Wheeler saw two Indians, well armed, close by Mr. William Hill's Plantation and he stood and viewed them very well and they him and he just turned about his head and they were gone (S) Tho (by mark) Wheeler

The name of Thomas Wheelers wife is unknown. In December, 1686 Thomas Wheeler registered the cattle marks for three sons, Richard, Thomas and Benjamin, the later "being Thomas Wheeler's, father of the said Benjamin Wheeler". (C.C.C.R. N. No. 1, Fol. 9). In June, 1692 he registered the marks for his children Thomas, Ignatius and Ann. (CCCR-S No. 1, 240) The Court Liber No. T. is missing but the general index of court records show that Thomas Wheeler registered the cattle mark for his daughter, Elizabeth in 1694. No record of a cattle mark for son, John, could be found but in 1724 Thomas Wheeler made a deed to his son, John Wheeler

"June, 1685 Ct. Be it remembered that on the 12th of June, 1685 named here unto court Thomas Wheeler by Cleborn Lomax, his attorney, exhibited to ye Justices his bill vs Richard Boughton, Gent., one of the attorneys of this court here present and prays that he answer for the bill rendered of 400 lbs of tobacco" (CCCR -M No 1, Fol 194)

"Nov. 1685 Ct. Anthony Smith, late of Charles County, was attached to answer unto Thomas Wheeler. Whereupon ye Thomas by Cleborn Lomax, his attorney, complaineth that ye Anthony on ye 8th of Nov. 1685, at Portobacco, was due ye Thomas fifteen days work for a saddle sold and delivered to ye said Anthony by ye said Thomas for and in consideration of 15 days work. The said Anthony hath paid only one days work and the said Thomas demands 800 lbs of tobacco for the balance due" (CCCR-M 1, Fol. 176)

Cleborn Lomax was a prominent attorney in Charles and P. G. Counties. In 1692 he was appointed on a committee to revise the laws of the Province of Maryland and in 1694 he was Clerk of the Lower House of the Assembly.

V THOMAS WHEELER, son of John Wheeler, continued

Thomas Wheeler retained able council to represent him in his many court cases. Cleborn Lomax died in 1699 and Thomas secured the services of William Stone who was a grandson of the first Protestant Governor of Maryland, Vestryman of Nanjemy Parish in Charles County in 1696 and a member of the House of Delegates from 1708 to 1710.

"9 March 1696 Ct. Thomas Wheeler entereth suit vs William Summers for debt of 2,900 lbs of tobacco" (C.C.C.R. V-1, Fol 156)

The Court Records of Prince Georges County, 1696-1699, have been published in book form by The American Historical Society. This book shows that Thomas Wheeler sued Nicholas Sporne for 900 lb of tobacco in March, 1699. The case was put over to June court and again put over to October, 1699 court. William Stone was attorney for Thomas Wheeler and the case was tried before the justices. The court ordered Nicholas Sporne to pay Thomas Wheeler 900 lb of tobacco claimed and "also the Sume of 244 lb of tobacco for his Costs and Charges of Suite."

"August 1703 Ct.; Thomas Wheeler petitions concerning waste committed by Peter Mills of ye orphans of Ignatius Wheeler and it is ye opinion of ye court ye estate of Ignatius Wheeler ought to pay the Quit Rents and as to ye matter of waste ye said Peter Mills is under ye restrictions of ye law" (CCCR- A No. 1, Fol. 250)

"Nov. 1703 Ct.; On information of Benjamin Cassock Thomas Wheeler, late of Charles County, Planter, on the 12th day of September, 1703 in his own house that is to say Portobacco, Divers Quanties of Sider did Sell, Retail and Dispose of contrary to the Acts of Assembly" (CCCR-A No. 2, Fol. 285)

"Jan. 11, 1704 Ct.; Memorandum that on 9 Nov. 1703 by the oaths of 14 Jurors was presented Thomas Wheeler for at his own house at Portobacco Divers Quantities of Cider Did Retatile, Sell and Dispose of etc. And the Sheriff was commanded to have said Thomas Wheeler before us and the Sheriff is now returned with the said Thomas Wheeler and it being demanded how he would plead he humbly submits himself to the court and confesseth the fact Therefore it is ordered by this court that the said Thomas Wheeler pay unto our Soverign Lady, The Queen, the sume of 500 lbs of tobacco for a fine for his Tresspass and Misdomeaner" (CCCR-A No. 2, Fol. 307)

Sept. 1705; At a court held at Portobacco 11 Sept., 1705 Margaret Evens, servant to Thomas Wheeler, complains against her master her hard usage and the said Thomas Wheeler was fined 500 lb of tobacco (CCCR-B 2, Fol. 166)

"13 Nov., 1705 Ct., Whereas at last court held on 11 Sept., last past Thomas Wheeler, of Charles County, Planter, was fined to her Majesty the sum of 500 lb of tob for unlawfully beating his servant, Margaret Evans, after due admonishment given him to the contrary by Capt. James Smallwood,

V THOMAS WHEELER, son of John Wheeler, continued

one of the Justices of this court. Whereupon the said Thomas Wheeler petitions the court that the said fine may be remitted, humbly submitting himself to the court and confessing it was done being urged thereto by the Language of the Said Servant. Whereupon the petition being read in court and maturely deliberated it is considered that the petition be rejected and that the former order stand good and valid" (CCCR-B No. 2, Fol. 174)

"13 Nov. 1707 Ct.; John Raymond, late of Charles County, Taylor, was attached by Thomas Wheeler for a plea of Trespass and whereupon the said Thomas, by William Stone, his Attorney, Complains that the Said John, on 29, Dec., 1707, at Portobacco, stood indebted to the Said Thomas in the sum of 1788 lb of tob. as by account hereto offered. To Commodations for himself 1000. To two Bedrills Indian Corn 300. To Pasturing for ye horse 100 To corn, field & fodder for for ye horse 100. To The Winter ye Leavy 189. To one Broad hoe 30. To one hogg a yeare old 100. To 1/2 Gallon of Rumm 95. To 2 Lb. Sugar 24. Total 1,788 (CCCR-B No. 2, Fol. 462)

"12 Aug. 1710. Thomas Wheeler, of Charles County, for natural love and affection he beareth to Richard Wheeler, his son deeds to him a parcel of land called Wheelers Rest and also a parcel of land called Wheelers Addition cont 110 acres. /S/ Thomas Wheeler. Wit. John Sanders, Edward Sanders, Henry Barnes (D.B. C No. 2, Fol 204)

1714-1717 The records of the Provincial Court which was held in Annapolis show that Thomas Wheeler was involved in a lawsuit with one Mathew Mason. The suit was filed in April 1714, continued to July and Sept., 1714 court, continued thru the courts of April and Sept., 1715, May, July and September, 1716 and April, 1717. At the same time Benjamin, John and Richard, sons of Thomas, had lawsuits going in the Provincial Court at Annapolis, Md. This family certainly spent a lot of time in court and raises the question of who took care of the farm in their absence.

"6 June, 1722; We hereby certify that on 6 June 1722 Thomas Wheeler, Richard Wheeler and Patrick Connelly confessed judgment before us to Margaret Quando for 1,148 lbs of tobacco in case continued ye 5th of April last to be levied in goods or chattels, lands or tenements to ye use of said Margaret Quando /S/ Robert Hanson-Gustave Brown" (CCCR- K No. 2, Fol. 340)

"24 Oct., 1724; Thomas Wheeler, of Charles County, for fatherly love and affection, sells to his son, John Wheeler, of Baltimore County, for three shillings part of two tracts called Wheelers Delight and Wheelers Rest. Wit. Robert Hanson-Gustavus Brown " (DB- L 2, Fol. 170)

Note that this is the first proof that Thomas Wheeler had a son named John and that in 1724 he was in Baltimore County, Md. John promptly sold this land as proved by deed to be cited later

V THOMAS WHEELER, son of John Wheeler, continued

"9 Nov. 1724; Thomas Wheeler, of Charles County, for 2,000 lb of tobacco sells to Richard Wheeler a parcel of land called Wheelers Addition.

Wit. Robert Hanson, John Hanson" (DB-L No 1, Fol. 247)

"12 Apr. 1726; Thomas Wheeler for 2,000 lbs tobacco sells to Richard Wheeler part of a tract called Wheelers Addition, cont. 17 acres.

Wit. William Stone, Robert Hanson."

"29 July 1734; Thomas Wheeler, of Charles County, to my two grandsons, Ignatius Mitchell and Thomas Mitchell, Jr., sons of Thomas Mitchell, of this county, all that part or parcel of land which I am now possessed of with all appurtances and tenements thereunto belonging. Wit. Joshua Alford, Joseph Mitchell, Martha Wheeler" (D.B. O No. 2, Fol 48)

Thomas Wheeler died intestate in 1735. Letters of Administration were issued to John Wheeler, presumably his son, on 7 March 1735, with Ignatius Mitchell and Thomas Mitchell as sureties. (Test. Pro. 30, 146)

An inventory of his estate was filed 10 Sept. 1736 by William Mac-person and Henry Brawner (Note- the later was probably the Brawner who m Elizabeth, the granddaughter of Thomas Wheeler) The inventory was valued at 55 - 07 - 0 and was signed by Ann Mitchell and Elizabeth Green as next of kin (Inv. 22, Fol. 72)

In Acct. Book 26, Fol. 96 is an account filed 10 Apr. 1749 which included amounts due various persons by the estate and among those listed was Lawrence Clark who had married Jane Butterworth, widow, nee Wheeler, and who was a granddaughter of Thomas Wheeler. Ignatius Mitchell and Thomas Mitchell were grandsons of Thomas Wheeler

V	Wheeler, Thomas	1660-1735	
	m Unknown		
i	Wheeler, Richard	1683-1734	
ii	Thomas I	Living in 1686, died before 1692	
iii	Benjamin	cl685-1741	m Elizabeth. See Chapter VI
iv	Thomas II	cl687-1775	m Mildred Neale
v	Ignatius	cl689-	
vi	Ann	cl691-	m Thomas Mitchell
vii	Elizabeth	cl693	m Francis Green
viii	John	cl686	m Margaret

V THOMAS WHEELER, son of John Wheeler, continued.

i Richard Wheeler, son of Thomas.

Richard Wheeler's cattlemark was registered in 1686. In Jan. 1703 an interesting trial was held for Richard Wheeler and Thomas Wheeler, who was either his father or brother. They were accused on the information of Henry Barnes "that on 3 Dec. 1702 at Nanjemoy, that is to say Portobacco, with force of Armes did Hunt, Kill and Take away some wild Hoggs contrary to an Act of Assembly in such cases. At a Court of Our Sovereign Lady Ann, held at Portobacco 11 Mar. 1702/3, by the oaths of 17 jurors Cornelius White is appointed Councell and the said Richard and Thomas sayety they are in Noe Wise Guilty." The case was heard by twelve jurors and Richard and Thomas were found not guilty. However, they were not satisfied with this and demanded to be cleared by "Open Proclamation" which was done by the court reading the verdict and "proclaiming that anyone in court who had knowledge of any Tresspasses, Contempts or Misdemeanors committed by the said Richard or Thomas Wheeler Come forth and be heard and none came." (Chas. Co. Ct. Rec. A-2)

In 1706 Richard Wheeler petitioned for a license to keep an Ordinary at his house which petition was denied. (CCCR-B-2, Fol. 248) In 1710 he was deeded some land by his father called Wheelers Rest and Wheelers Addition. In 1726 his father deeded to him an additional 17 acres of Wheelers Addition. In 1722 he applied for a warrant for 20 acres of land on both sides of Mattawoman Creek "with liberty to Take and Fall, Cut down and Carry away any wood or timber fit for building a mill upon any land next adjoining the said 20 acres." (CCCR- Bk. 3, Fol. 1081) Richard signed his will 1 April 1734 which mentioned sons Thomas and Richard, both of whom were under the age of 18. He also mentioned Kendrick Bane and children, daughters Elizabeth Brawner, Mary Maddox, Ann Elder, Anastasia Kean and Martha Wheeler. (WB- T & D No. 1, Fol. 57) From this will, the Md. Historical Society Magazine, vol 25, page 31 and the Semmes MS we can get the following family;

- i Wheeler, Richard 1683-1734, wife unknown
- 1 Wheeler, Richard Jr. -1769 m Eleanor who d 1804
- 2 Thomas willed 20 acres by father
- 3 Kendrick m before 4/1734 Ebsworth Bayne
- 4 Elizabeth m three times
- 5 Mary m Maddox
- 6 * Ann 1709-1739 m Elder
- 7 Anastasia m four times
- 8 Martha
- * (Tombstone in Frederick County)

1 Richard Wheeler, Jr., was left his father's dwelling plantation with 17 acres adjoining when he arrived at age 18. He apparantly sold this property to Richard Bennett Mitchell as per deed "for part of two tracts called Wheelers Rest and Wheelers Addition, cont. 110 acres. Ack. 14 June 1766 by Richard Wheeler and Eleanor Wheeler, his wife."

(DB-O No.3, Fol. 71)

V THOMAS WHEELER, son of John Wheeler, continued.

1 Richard Wheeler, son of Richard, continued.

Inventory for the estate of Richard Wheeler, of Charles County, was filed 6 April 1769 by Augustine Ward for value of 119-04-04, John Delozier and Benjamin Thomas were sureties. (Book 60, Fol. 405) No will or estate settlement for Richard Wheeler could be located but the will, as follows, was apparently made by his widow;

"To my daughter, Terresay Welch, bed and furniture
To my granddaughter, Eleanor Quaid, bed and furniture
To my son, Ignatius Wheeler, the residue of my estate
Signed 6 June 1803, proved 4 Aug. 1804. ELEANOR WHEELER
Witnessed by Mary Lewis and RICHARD WHEELER." (WB-AL No. 2, Fol. 207)

Inventory and Accounts Bk., 1802-1809, Fol. 133, shows inventory of Eleanor Wheeler, of Charles County, deceased, was appraised 8 Aug. 1804 and sworn to by Ignatius Wheeler. The Richard Wheeler, who witnessed the will of Eleanor was apparently her son. The following records were located in Charles County and there seems to be no other place this Richard will fit into the family record.

"Inventory of Richard Wheeler, of Charles County, deceased, 7 Nov. 1815, by Ignatius Ward and John Edelen for value of \$1,425.35. Sworn to by Margaret Wheeler, Admnx. 12 Nov. 1815." (Inv. & Accts 1815-1818, Fol 2) Note-In the same book is a revised inventory by the same appraisers on 7 Feb. 1816 and sworn to by Thomas Burgess, Admns. De Bonis of Richard Wheeler. This means that Margaret had died between 12 Nov. 1815 and 7 Feb. 1816. WVB

"Account of Richard Burgess, Admn. De Bonis of Richard Wheeler, value of estate \$1,583.02. Payments made to Margaret Wheeler, the former administratrix (and others) \$1,226.57, balance due the estate \$358.45. Representatives of the deceased are the widow and seven children. To the widow one third part, balance to John Scott in right of his wife, Jane, to Ann Wheeler, Francis R. Wheeler, Mary Ann Wheeler, Thompson Wheeler, Clare Wheeler and Kitty Wheeler. Sworn to 1 Dec. 1818." (Accts & Inv 1818-1822, Fol 35)

On 14 May 1823 John Gates, Admn of Margaret Wheeler, filed an account for a net value of \$83.55 and mentioned the heirs as Mary Ann, Francis R., Thompson, Kitty and Clare and provided that each get one fifth. (Accts & Inv 1822-1824, Fol. 25)

V THOMAS WHEELER, son of John Wheeler, continued

i Richard Wheeler, son of Thomas, continued

2 Thomas Wheeler was left 20 acres of land and the mill thereon by his father. I could not find any deeds from Thomas disposing of this land but the following is in WB- 40, Fol. 691, Charles County;

"21 Nov. 1775, to my son, Benjamin Wheeler, five shillings, as he has highly offended me in his relations by his imprudent behaviour. To my wife, Ann, all that tract called Union, 213 acres. To my son Thomas Wheeler, to my sons Josias Wheeler and Thomas Wheeler. My daughters shall live on my lands until they are married." /S/ 21 Nov. 1775, Proved 20 Feb. 1776. More proof is needed on this one but I could find no other place for him.

3 The Semmes MS show that Kendrick Wheeler m Ebsworth Bayne, and as Richard mentioned his daughter "Kendrick Bane and her children" it is evident that Kendrick had been married for some time in 1734. The St. Johns Parish Register records the births of the children of Ebsworth and Susannah Bayne as Ann b 1752, Elinor b 1754, Elizabeth Stone b 1762, Hilgroot (dau) b 1764 and Sarah b ____?. These were apparently the children of the next generation and no record was found of the children of Ebsworth and Kendrick Bayne

4 Elizabeth Wheeler m (1) before 1734 Henry Brawner, who d in Charles County, in 1744. She m (2) Aaron Nally who d in 1762, and she m in 1763 or later (3) Charles Smoot. (Semmes MS)

5 Richard Wheeler mentioned a dau Mary Maddox in his will but the Semmes MS state she m a Wade. Probably had two husbands. No further trace.

6 Richard Wheeler mentioned a dau., Ann Elder in his will. No further trace was made as no children are listed in the St. Johns Parish Register.

7 In 1734 Richard Wheeler mentioned a dau Anastasia Kean "who is to inherit one half of my moveable property". Anastasia must have been quite a personalty. The Semmes MS and the Md. Historical Society Magazine, Vol. 25, page 31, shows that Anastasia Wheeler m (1) James Kean, m (2) 1734 Patrick Connelly, m (3) 1747 Richard Johnson and m (4) 1753 Richard Crupper. She d in Charles County in 1764

8 Martha Wheeler signed the deed as witness when her grandfather, Thomas Wheeler deeded his plantation to his grandsons, Ignatius Mitchell and Thomas Mitchell, Jr., as shown on page 23. No further trace

END OF RICHARD WHEELER

THOMAS WHEELER, son of John Wheeler, continued

Thomas Wheeler, son of Thomas.

In 1692 Thomas Wheeler registered the cattle marks for his sons Thomas and Ignatius and his daughter, Ann Wheeler, which infers that Thomas was the eldest of the three children. Mr. R. T. Semmes stated that Thomas married Mildred Neale and moved to Harford County after 1769 and died in 1775. He has been confused with his nephew of the same name who also lived in Harford County. His will is recorded in both Charles and Harford Co's as follows;

"7 May 1759 to my wife Mildred Wheeler all of my estate. Wit. William Neale, Benjamin Green and James T. Gardiner. William Neale of Charles County, makes oath that he has for some time lived with the deceased, Thomas Wheeler, and is very well acquainted with his handwriting and he further swears that his father, William Neale signed this will. Then comes William Webb, of Harford County and made oath that he was very well acquainted with the handwriting etc" Pro. 23 Oct. 1775. (WB- 40, Fol. 450)

The will of Mildred Wheeler is recorded in Harford County in 1776;

"To the Rev. John Lewis 40 Lbs
To my niece Mildred Greenville, of St. Marys County
To my nephew, John Neal, son of William Neal, late of Charles County
To my nephew, Francis Neal, brother of above named John
To my nephew Joseph Neal, brother of above named John
To my niece Mary Ann Bowman
To Eleanor Green, daughter of Benjamin Green of Harford County
To Susannah Wheeler, daughter of Thomas Wheeler
Wit. John Creton - Josias Wheeler"

Thomas Wheeler and his widow, Mildred Wheeler, did not mention any children in their wills. The Susannah Wheeler mentioned by Mildred was a daughter of Thomas, son of Benjamin, and was a grandniece of Mildred. Susannah was 19 years old when Mildred made her will. The Josias Wheeler who witnessed the will was a son of Thomas and a grandnephew of Mildred and Thomas.

v Ignatius Wheeler, son of Thomas

This Ignatius Wheeler seems to have disappeared from the records. I could find nothing in the records to identify him after his father registered a cattlemark for him in 1692 so apparently he died young.

V THOMAS WHEELER, son of John Wheeler, continued

vi Ann Wheeler, daughter of Thomas

As noted on a previous page Thomas Wheeler registered the cattle mark for his daughter, Ann, in 1692 and deeded hks dwelling plantation to his grandsons, "Ignatius Mitchell and Thomas Mitchell, Jr., sons of Thomas Mitchell." Thomas Wheeler's inventory was signed 10 Sept. 1736 by Elizabeth Green and Ann Mitchell as "next of kin". Apparently Thomas Mitchell, Sr., died in 1740 as an account was filed in Prince Georges County by William Wheeler on the estate of Thomas Mitchell with value of 145-12-9 and no wife was mentioned. (Accts 19, Fol. 317). The following wills are recorded in Charles County;

"21 July 1762 to my wife, Rachel, one negro Suck and one called Sall now in possession of Benedict Wheeler and to my wife one third of my estate. To my son, Bennett, 300 acres I bought of John Payne
To my son, Samuel, a tract called Mitchells Lot
To my son, Ignatius, all my dwelling plantation and the residue of my land
To my son, Richard, my daughter, Winnifred, and my daughter, Henrietta, all the residue of my estate. Signed Ignatius Mitchell. Witnessed by Elizabeth Jenkins, Prudence Mitchell, William Eilbeck. Pro. 15 July 1763"

(WB No. 31, Fol. 981)

"17 March, 1759 to my sons, Notley Mitchell, Ignatius Mitchell, Joseph Mitchell and Leonard Mitchell. To my daughters, Ann Mitchell, Elizabeth Mitchell and Mary Mitchells. My daughter, Mary Mitchell, to be Executrix. Signed Thomas Mitchell. Witnessed by Barnaby Cahill and John Brown. Proved 17 Jan. 1770" (WB No 37, Fol. 589)

No further trace was made but in 1965 Charles County bought 174 acres, overlooking Port Tobacco Valley, from the heirs of Mrs. Mamie Mitchell to be used as a site for a college. Investigation in Charles Co., failed to find any known descendants of Thomas Mitchell but I think this tract was part of the plantation Thomas Wheeler deeded to his two grandsons.

vii Elizabeth Wheeler, daughter of Thomas Wheeler.

In 1686 Thomas Wheeler registered the cattlemark for three sons and in 1692 he registered the mark for three other children. In 1694 he registered the cattlemark for daughter, Elizabeth, which indicates she was born after the other children. The Wheeler Family in America places this Elizabeth Wheeler as a daughter of Benjamin but this could not be true as Benjamin himself was born about 1686 and the records on the next page will show that this Elizabeth was a daughter of Thomas and a sister of Benjamin.

THOMAS WHEELER, son of John Wheeler, continued

The family of Elizabeth (Wheeler) Green was as follows

vii	Wheeler, Elizabeth	b ca 1693	
	m ca 1711	Francis Green, Jr.	1694-1761
1	Green, Leonard	1712-	m Clare
2	Elizabeth	1713/14-	
3	Francis	1716	m Elizabeth
4	Anastatia	1718	
5	Eleanor	1720	
6	Susanna	1722	
7	Ann	1724-	m Patrick Hamilton
8	Henry	1726	m Elizabeth (Wheeler) Thomas, widow.
9	Henrietta	1728	
10	Benjamin	1730	m Elizabeth Thomas
11	Ignatius	1732	
12	Clement	1735	m Hannah Thomas
13	John	1737	m Elizabeth Bevan

The history of Benjamin Wheeler will be recorded in another chapter but on 14 Sept. 1741 he made deeds of gift to his nine children including "daughter, Elizabeth Thomas, wife of David Thomas" and to "daughter, Jane Butterworth, the wife of Isaac Butterworth" (DB-HWS 1-A and TB). Therefore, the record is clear that Elizabeth Wheeler, who m Francis Green, was not the daughter of Benjamin Wheeler as Elizabeth (Wheeler) Thomas, daughter of Benjamin Wheeler, married as her second husband Henry Green, who was a son of Elizabeth Green, and that Henry Green and Elizabeth (Wheeler) Thomas were first cousins.

The Wheeler Family in America gives the children of David Thomas as David Thomas, Elizabeth Thomas, Hannah Thomas and Mary Thomas and an unnamed child. Elizabeth (Wheeler) Thomas married her first cousin, Henry Green. Her daughter, Elizabeth Thomas, married Benjamin Green and her step daughter, Hannah Thomas, married Clement Green. This was a complicated alliance as Henry Green was step father as well as brother in law to Elizabeth Thomas. In addition to this Elizabeth Thomas, who married Benjamin Green, had twelve children including Leonard Green who married Mary Wheeler, Elizabeth Green, who married Benjamin Wheeler and Teresa Green, who married Leonard Wheeler.

Isaac Butterworth, who married Jane Wheeler, died in 1747 leaving a son named Benjamin, who moved to Bedford County, Va. in 1766. In 1770 he sold the land inherited from his father to the above named Henry Green, who had married his aunt, Elizabeth Wheeler Thomas. For a record of the Green family see Mr. Newman's The Semmes and Kindred Families, The Raskob-Green Record Book and chapter No. 6 which follows on Benjamin Wheeler.

WHEELER-GREEN FAMILY ALLIANCES

GREEN

Thomas, died 1650
m Winnifred Seybourn

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Francis, 1648-1707
m Elizabeth

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:: Leonard, d 1686
m Ann

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:
Winnifred m Francis, 1670-1736

Francis, 1693-1761 married Elizabeth, 1693-

Henry, married (2nd husband)

Clement, married Hannah (b)
Benjamin 1730- married , Elizabeth (c)

Leonard married Mary

Teresa married Leonard

Elizabeth married Benjamin

1731-1802

WHEELER

John, 1630-1693 m Mary

Thomas, 1660-1735

Benjamin, 1685-1741
m Elizabeth

Elizabeth (a) Benjamin Thomas
m 1st Thomas : 1708-1770

Hannah (b)
Elizabeth (c)

NOTES

Thomas Green, d 1650 came in the Ark in 1634. He was 2nd Gov. of Md.

John Wheeler was the immigrant ancestor in 1652

(a) Elizabeth Wheeler m (1) David Thomas as his 2nd wife

(b) Hannah Thomas was the daughter of David Thomas and his 1st wife

(c) Elizabeth Thomas was a daughter of David Thomas and Elizabeth Wheeler

These three women, a, b and c, married three sons of Francis Green and Elizabeth (Wheeler) Green. Henry Green was step father and brother in law to Elizabeth Thomas, who had married his brother, Benjamin Green.

This was indeed a complicated alliance, almost impossible to follow, and on page 84 we have a record of Leonard Green, son of Henry and Elizabeth, marrying an Elizabeth Wheeler.

THOMAS WHEELER, son of John Wheeler, continued

viii John Wheeler, son of Thomas

I have been puzzled that no cattlemark was registered for John Wheeler whereas cattlemarks were registered for all other children of Thomas Wheeler. The proof that John Wheeler was a son of Thomas was in a deed his father made to him in 1724. In a deposition John made in 1726 he stated he was about 40 years old which would make the year of his birth as 1686. Also the Rent Rolls show a tax was paid on Wheelers Delight from 1687 to 1724 which indicates that Thomas, his father, had recorded the plat in John's name

In Nov. 1706 Court, in Charles County, "John Wheeler was presented by the Grand Jury for dealing with Saylor's on the Sabbath Day" In Jan. 1707 court, at Port Tobacco, he was tried for "In that on 11 Aug. 1706, at Portobacco a day called Sunday did deal Traffic and Barter with Seamen and Saylor's". A jury was called and he was found not guilty. (CCCR-B-2, Fol. 292)

On 11 Mar. 1707 John Wheeler sued James Gibbs for 1,000 lbs of tob. "It being due for one Gelding horse". On 9 Nov. 1709 John Darwin and Sarah, his wife, sold to John Wheeler, of Charles County, a tract called Partnership "lying on the East side of Tobacco Creek" (CCCR-C No. 2, Fol 149).

On 4 Oct. 1724 Thomas Wheeler, of Charles County, "for natural love and affection he beareth to his son, John Wheeler, of Baltimore County, and for the sum of three shillings, deeds to him two parcels of land called Wheelers Rest and Wheelers Delight. Ack in Ct. 24 Oct. 1724" (DB-L 2, 170) On the same date John Wheeler, of Baltimore County, sells to Patrick Connelly two tracts of land called Wheelers Delight and Wheelers Rest cont. 120 acres. Ack in Ct. 24 Oct 1724 by John Wheeler and Margaret, his wife. The Patrick Connelly, who bought this land, was presumably the one who married Anastasia (Wheeler) Kean, widow and neice of John Wheeler. (DB-L-2, Fol.172)

In the July 11, 1711 session of the Provincial Court, in Annapolis, John Wheeler was attached "to answer unto John Mayhew and Co., of the city of London, Merchants, who complained that the said John Wheeler, on the 5th day of Sept. at Annapolis and according to the customs between merchants and other, did with his own hand subscribe etc" and "the said John Wheeler, by Dan Dulaney, his Attorney, comes to defend the claim". (Bk. TP-2, Fol. 133) This case was continued to April, 1712 Court. An interesting deed is recorded in Baltimore County in Book VPL-6, Fol. 285 as follows;

"Know ye that Thomas Wheeler, Benjamin Wheeler, Ignatius Wheeler, Leonard Wheeler and Robert Marklevane, all of Baltimore County, hath due them five acres of land by virtue of an assignment for that quantity from John Wheeler, of said County, out of a warrant for 205 acres granted to said John Wheeler on the 4th of Sept. 1720. We therefore grant unto Thomas Wheeler, Benjamin Wheeler, Ignatius Wheeler, Leonard Wheeler and Robert Marklevane that parcel of land called Childrens Rolling House, In Balt. Co., beginning at a red oak upon a ridge near the head of Bush River near the Rowling Road that goes to Dr. Middlemores. /S/ Richard Tilghman 20 May 1725"

THOMAS WHEELER, son of John Wheeler, continued

John Wheeler, son of Thomas, continued

Thomas, Benjamin, Ignatius and Leonard Wheeler, parties to the deed just cited, were sons of Benjamin and Elizabeth Wheeler. As John Wheeler apparently had no children this deed infers that he took a loving interest in his brother's children. I cannot identify the Robert Mark-levane, the fifth child in this deed. When the above named Ignatius Wheeler's son, Ignatius, died in 1786 he willed "to my eldest son, Ignatius Wheeler, one third part of a tract called Childrens Rowling House and to my son, Bennett Wheeler, one third part of Childrens Rowling House".

In DB ISL, Fol 31, Baltimore County, 30 Sept. 1730, is a deed from John Wheeler and Margaret, his wife, to James Brice "for a parcel of land in Baltimore County called Taylors Mistake, 2,000 acres, taken up by the said John Wheeler 17 Oct. 1723". On 7 March 1735 John Wheeler was appointed Administrator of his father's estate with Thomas Mitchell, his brother in law, as surety. In Jan. 1734 John Wheeler and Margaret, his wife, sold to Abraham Burkholder "several tracts or parcels of land in Baltimore County, containing 410, acres, on the right side of a Drain that descends into the Susquehanna River about one half mile below a Run called Johns Run."

The Wheeler Family in Americe, by A.G. Wheeler, missed this John Wheeler as his name is not recorded therein with the other children of Thomas Wheeler. Mr. R. T. Semmes, in his Wheeler notes, did not give any further information after John's administration accounts on his father's estate, 1735-1738. The writer also failed to find any later records that would identify him

END OF THOMAS WHEELER

CHAPTER IV

VI Winnifred Wheeler, daughter of John, continued from page 12

In DB I No 1, Fol. 178, in Charles County is the following deed;

"11 Aug. 1685, John Wheeler, for natural love and affection he hath towards his daughter, Winnifred, the wife of John Speake, deads to the said John Speake a tract of land called Plymouth, in Charles County, containing 350 acres, standing by a fork of Piscataway Creek /S/ (I. W.)"

This deed was made before Prince Georges County was created and the following deed is recorded in Prince Georges County in DB I, Fol, 402;

"4 Dec. 1722 John Speake and Winnifred, his wife, and John Speake, Jr. for 20 lb Sterling and 450 lb of tobacco, sell to John Cade a parcel of land called Plymouth, in Prince Georges County, containing 140 acres, originally patented to John Wheeler 14 June 1675"

This was the last trace made of Winnifred and later records would have to be checked on the Speake family.

VII IGNATIUS WHEELER, son of John, continued from page 12

Ignatius Wheeler was born in 1665 and died in 1699 at 34 years of age. The writer has speculated on why this name was chosen by his parents. Ignatius Causin was a Capt. of Militia of Charles County and was appointed a Justice of Charles County in 1672. John Wheeler was Ensign of Militia in 1660, Capt. in 1676 and Major in 1685 and also appointed Justice in 1685. It was to Ignatius Causin, Justice, that John Wheeler made his complaint in 1681 regarding the rumors against Mary, his wife. Therefore it is clear he and Ignatius Causin were close friends for many years if not related by marriage, so it is possible that Ignatius Wheeler was named for his father's friend, Ignatius Causin

The will of John Wheelér devised to his son, Ignatius, 600 acres which was the largest legacy in the will. This implies that Ignatius was considered by his father as the most reliable of the three sons still living. Even though Ignatius died quite young it is evident that he had won the love and respect of his brothers and sisters as the name Ignatius has come down and been repeated in many family lines for five or six generations and probably longer

Ignatius Wheeler registered his cattlemark in 1680 when he was only 15 years old (CCCR-1, Fol. 184)

VII IGNATIUS WHEELER, son of John Wheeler, continued

The Rent Rolls in Annapolis, Md. show that Ignatius Wheeler paid taxes, or taxes were paid in his name, on St. Johns, 100 acres, from 1668 to 1746 and on Haplans Park, 50 acres, from 1680 to 1737. These rent rolls are not proof that the individual named paid the tax during all of these years as sometimes back taxes were assessed on the new owner. The first record I could find on Ignatius Wheeler taking up any land was in Land Record Book No. 11, Fol 432;

"20 March 1688 by virtue of a warrant granted to William Hutchinson and sold by him, 11 March 1688, to Ignatius Wheeler for 116 acres I have laid out for said Ignatius Wheeler tract called Wheelers Folly, in Charles Co. beginning at a bounded tree of his own land called Indian Field"

In March, 1692, represented by William Dent, Attorney, Ignatius sued Phillip Cole for 300 lb of tobacco "due since 26 July, 1689" (Bk-Q) The Court Record Book, Q No. 1 shows that "Luke Wheeler, son of Ignatius and Frances, of Portobacco, was born 2-8-1693 and died 1-1-1694" Mrs. L.D. Prewitt found proof in Chancery Records, No 3, PL 1093 that Ignatius m Frances Slye, a sister of Elizabeth Slye who married Luke Gardiner. This proof will be confirmed later by Provincial Court Records. Mrs. Prewitt has written an excellent history of Ignatius Wheeler and some of his descendants but I am giving below some records I found that will add interest to the early family history

"Nov. 1693 Ct. The jury presented William Sargant and Ignatius Wheeler, of Charles County, Planters, for that they, in the year 1692 at Nanjemoy two barrow hoggs being ye property of Richard Carpenter, of ye value of 800 lb of tobacco, being then and there found feloniously did throw, Steale, take and carry away against their Majesties and contrary to the Acts of Assembly. The said Sargant and Ignatius Wheeler, by William Stone, their Attorney, pled that they are in Noe wise guilty. Whereupon a jury is called and after due deliberation the jury found the said Defts not guilty". (CCCR No. P, Fol 179)

"March 1696 Ct. Ignatius Wheeler presents a man servant named Laughlin Malone to the court here to hear judgment for run away time who did unlawfully absent himself out of his master's service for five and 20 days as by oath of ye Ignatius Wheeler. Therefore, it is considered that Laughlin Malone serve Ignatius Wheeler 250 days for the five and 20 days he was unlawfully absent. Whereupon the said Laughlin Malone presents an Indenture to be adjudged whether said Indenture is good and valuable or not bearing date of 1 Nov. 1692" (CCCR, V-1, Fol. 163)

On a previous page we have a record of Thomas and Richard Wheeler, presumably nephews of Ignatius, beig tried for stealing hoggs and they were also acquitted. This indicates that hog stealing was not considered a serious offence in those days but the offence of a servant running away was considered serious

VII IGNATIUS WHEELER, son of John, continued.

On 22 Feb. 1696 "Ignatius Wheeler and Frances, his wife, sold to Thomas Bowling, for natural love and affection which they bear the said Thomas Bowling sell to him a parcel of land called Indian Field, lying along the Piscataway in Prince Georges County and laid out for 205 acres" (DB A, Fol 63) (Note-Prince Georges County was not created until 1696 so it is evident that this was one of the first deeds recorded in the new county-WVB) In 1695 Ignatius Wheeler, of Charles County sold to Henry Quandro a tract calle Wheelers Folly, 116 acres (Q No 1, Fol. 83) This was the same plat patented by Ignatius Wheeler 20 March 1688.

"By virtue of a warrant for 800 acres granted Ignatius Wheeler, of Charles County, 2 Oct. 1697 I have laid out for said Ignatius Wheeler part of a tract called Red Bird Thickett, in Prince Georges County, and on the freshes of the Potomack River, adj. Joseph Marshall's land, cont. 113 acres" (L.R. CC No. 4, Fol. 60)

Ignatius Wheeler signed his will 14 Mar. 1698/9 and it was proved in Charles County 3 Aug. 1699. (W.B. 6. Fol. 497)

"To my son, Luke Wheeler 600 acres called Planters Delight and a part of a tract called Rich Neck and one negro.
To unborn child a tract called No Design 208 acres Pamonkey
Tract called Red Bird Thickett, 113 acres, to be sold by my Execx., wife, Francis. To wife Frances during her life plantation of 600 acres called Planters Delight"

After Ignatius Wheeler died his widow, Frances, married Peter Mills. On page 21 we have a record of Thomas Wheeler, brother of Ignatius, complaining to the court "on behalf of ye orphans of Ignatius Wheeler" and of waste committed by Peter Mills in 1703. The family of Ignatius Wheeler;

VII WHEELER, IGNATIUS 1665-1699

m ca 1692 Frances Slye, 1675-17__ who m 2nd ca 1702 Peter Mills

- i Wheeler, Luke 8/1693-1/1694
- ii Luke 1697- 1741 m Protheser who d in 1785
- iii Ignatius 1699 Living in 1763 m Charity Thompson

ii In 1697 Ignatius Wheeler patented Red Bird Thickett, 113 acres, and the Rent Rolls in Annapolis show tax was paid on this plat in the name of Luke Wheeler from 1697 to 1728. This indicates that this plat was recorded in the name of Luke Wheeler, who was an infant. The index card to Land Pat-ents shows that "this land is now in the District of Columbia" Ignatius Wheeler specified in his will that Red Bird Thickett was to be sold by his Executrix which was apparantly not done. On 1 June 1728 Luke Wheeler sold to Peter Mills, his step father," for 5,000 lb of tobacco, a parcel of land called Red Bird Thickett, containig 100 acres. ack by Protheser, wife of said Luke Wheeler". (DB-M, Fol. 305) Apparantly Frances (Slye) Wheeler had died, giving Luke Wheeler the right to sell this land.

VII IGNATIUS WHEELER, son of John Wheeler, continued.

ii Luke Wheeler, son of Ignatius

On 29 July, 1717 "Luke Wheeler, of St. Marys County, sells to Joseph L. Clements, of Charles County, for the natural life of his wife, Fabriel, a tract of land in Charles County called Indian Field, it being a part of a tract called Planters Delight formerly ye place where Ignatius Wheeler did live at. Quantity surveyed to be about 300 acres it being all of the remainder of Planters Delight". DB- H No. 2, Fol. 270) Luke Wheeler died in St. Marys County in 1741 and left a will naming wife, Protheser, and five sons. (Md. Call. of Wills) Protheser died in 1785 leaving a will, naming all of her children and granddaughter, Mary, daughter of my late son, Bennett, grandson Joseph Sheircliffe and daughter Susannah Sheircliffe, her sons, William, Clement, Raphel and Ignatius and her daughters, Susanna Sheircliffe, Henrietta Peake and Mary Ann Clements.

ii	Wheeler, Luke	1697-1741	
	m Protheser	-1785	
1	Wheeler, Ignatius	17	-1796 unmarried
2	William	17	-1805 m (1) _____ (2) 1793 Mary Clements
3	Clement	17	-1799 wife unknown
4	Raphel	17	-1786
5	Bennett	17	-1773 m Jane
6	Susannah	17	- m John Sheircliffe
7	Henrietta	17	-1797 m William Peake
8	Mary Ann	17	-after 1785 m ? _____ Clements d 1784

Notes: Hedges Marriage References gives the marriage of Susannah Wheeler and John Sheircliffe giving WB-JJ No. 1, Fol. 205 as authority John Clements and wife, Mary Ann, signed a deed in 1770 so this was apparantly Mary Ann, No. 8 above. See page 42.

1 Ignatius Wheeler died in St. Marys County in 1776, leaving a will and naming "Ann, Teresia and Ignatius, children of my deceased brother. Bennett Wheeler, to my brothers Clement and William Wheeler, to my sister, Henrietta Peake, my neice Mary Hoult and my nephew, Francis Sheircliffe." (Semmes MS)

Ignatius Wheeler recorded an interesting deed in Charles County on 27 April, 1793. The deed specified "Wheress Ignatius Wheeler, heir at law of Luke Wheeler who was heir at law of Ignatius Wheeler, of Charles County, and said Ignatius on 11 Feb. 1695 let a parcel of land now in P.G. County for a term of 90 years called Wheelers Folly unto Henry Quando who did let set tract to Edward Stevens on whose death it became the estate of William Stevens. The said William Stevens conveyed the tract, by deed to his son, Thomas D. Stephens, who by deed conveyed and made over to Alexander Hamilton the aforesaid tract. Witnesseth that the said Ignatius Wheeler, for 10 Shillings paid by ALEXANDER HAMILTON let unto him all that parcel of land, cont. 116 acres, for a term of 999 years to commence the 20th day of Feb. 1794". (DB-JRM No. 2, Fol. 1, P.G.Co.)

VII IGNATIUS WHEELER, son of John, continued

2 William Wheeler, son of Luke of Ignatius

The will of William Wheeler, signed 25 March 1804, proved 11 Feb. 1805, is recorded in Bk. AL No. 1, Fol. 238 in Charles County;

"To my wife, Mary Wheeler, the plantation I bought of my brother, Clement Wheeler, a negro boy, John, a negro man Peter and a negro woman, Kate. To my son, Luke Wheeler, all of my estate after my wife's death"

Joseph Wheeler, son of William, died in 1798 and his will mentions brother, Luke, and wife, Henrietta. (WB-AK No. 11, Fol 442) Joshua Wheeler, son of William was mentioned in the will of his grandmother, Mary Ford, in St. Marys County in 1784. Evidentially Joshua died before 25 Mar. 1805. It is evident that William Wheeler was m twice from the following;

"Whereas a marriage is intended between William Wheeler and Mary Clements and in case the said marriage shall take effect the said William Wheeler doth agree that the said Mary Clements shall hold, possess and enjoy the property, both real and personal, after the death of the said William Wheeler. The said William Wheeler to have the use of the said property during his natural life and in case Mary Clements dies first she may, by will devise or convey the property to any person. signed 18 Nov. 1793, recorded 21 Jan 1796. Wit.; John Clements, Elender Clements by her mark" (DB- N. No. 4, Fol. 517)

"Inventory of Mary Wheeler, of Charles County, deceased, appraised 6 May 1806. Negros Peter 25, Cate 60, Henrietta 16, Mary 13, Sarah 9 months. Value \$1,152.69 . Signed by George Jenkins and Richard Mitchell. Recorded 8 July 1806 by Matthias Clements, Admn. "Inv & Accts, 1802, Fol 308)

Note that negros, Peter and Kate (Cate) are the same negros William Wheeler willed to his wife, Mary.

"Account of Matthias Clements, Admn of Mary Wheeler, deceased, total estate 16 June 1807 488-19-03 $\frac{1}{2}$, Payments made 93-01-09 $\frac{1}{2}$, balance of Acct. 395-17-06. Distribution to Mathias Clements and Clare Bennett 98-09-4 $\frac{1}{2}$. To Maria Clements daughter of David and Phoebe Clements 98-09-4 $\frac{1}{2}$. To the heirs of John Clements, of Kentucky, 98-09-4 $\frac{1}{2}$ (Inv. and Accts. 1802-1808, Fol 431)

"To Luke Wheeler, Guardian to Mary Mariah Clements, 13 Nov. 1806 to 5 Aug. 1807 by money received from Mathias Clements, Admn of Mary Wheeler, it being in full your share of said estate" (Guardian Accts. 1806-1812)

Additional accounts were filed by Luke Wheeler 18 Oct. 1808, Aug. 1809, Sept. 1810 and Sept 1811. From the above we can get the family of William Wheeler as follows;

VII IGNATIUS WHEELER, son of John, continued

- 2 Wheeler, William 17__-1805, son of Luke of Ignatius
 m (1) unknown
 (1) Wheeler, Joseph 1752-1798 m Henrietta, who d in 1822
 (2) Luke 1754-1819 m Ann
 (3) Joshua cl756-d before 3-25-1804
 m (2) 1793/96 Mary Clements

The census of Pamunkey Hundred, in Charles County, 1775-1778, shows Luke Wheeler, Joseph Wheeler and Joshua Wheeler. It would appear that William Wheeler made a marriage of convenience when he made that agreement with Mary Clements in 1793

(1) No record of Luke's death was found but Henrietta, presumed to be his wife, d in Charles County in 1822 per the following will;

"To my nephew John J. Jenkins
 To my neices Mary Heard, Grace Davis, Harriott Clark, Eleanor Edelin
 To my sister, Mary Pye. To St. Charles Church in Corn Wallace Neck
 Signed 29 July 1822. Proved 21 June 1823". (WB-HB No. 14, Fol 265)

(2) Luke Wheeler, son of William of Luke was b in 1754 according to his deposition. The will of Luke Wheeler, signed 13 May 1818 was proved in Charles County 26 Oct. 1819. (WB. HB No. 14, Fol. 86)

"To my wife Ann, all my lands except tract called Planters Delight which originally belonged to my uncle, Clement Wheeler.
 To my son, William Wheeler, Planters Delight when he arrives at age 21
 To my daughter Mary Wheeler) The use of Planters Delight until
 To my daughter Henrietta Wheeler) my son arrives at age 21"

Inventory of Luke Wheeler was filed 9 Nov. 1819 by Walter M. Miller and Gusta A Adams and sworn to by Ann Wheeler for total of \$8,294.67 including 24 negroes (Accts & Inv 1818-1822, Fol. 253). Additional Inv. was filed in Aug. 1821 by Ann Wheeler and Charles Bennett (Same, Fol 411)

On 9 Dec. 1823 Ann Wheeler, of Charles County, widow of Luke Wheeler, deceased, deeded to Charles Bennett, of Alexandria, D.C. (now Va.) for \$10.00 "all the lands in Charles County devised to her by her husband, Luke Wheeler, deceased, known by the name of Planters Delight and also six slaves. The land to be held in trust for the said Ann Wheeler for her maintenance during her natural life". (DB- IB No 17, Fol 180).

This was the last record found of Planters Delight which was patented by John Wheeler in 1663. Thus we know that a portion of this tract remained in the family for at least 160 years

VII IGNATIUS WHEELER, son of John, continued

3 Clement Wheeler, son of Luke of Ignatius, continued from page 35

Clement Wheeler was listed in the census of 1775 in Port Tobacco West Hundred in Charles County with his brothers, Ignatius and William. The name of Clement Wheeler's wife is unknown and not much is in the records concerning him prior to his death. He died in Charles County in 1799 and left an invalid will which brought forth many pages of records from his descendants which are a researcher's dream. A few of them will be cited;

Clement Wheeler left an unsigned will leaving "all of my estate to my granddaughter, Jane Saunders". The will was protested by Raphael Wheeler, son, and Zachariah Green, who had intermarried with Elizabeth the daughter of Clement Wheeler. (WB- AK No. 11, Fol. 501) On 20 Jan. 1800 Ann Sanders, Edward Sanders, Edward Sanders and Henrietta, his wife, Charles Wheeler, Zachariah Green, Elizabeth Green and Raphael Wheeler, of Charles Co., for 410 lbs sell to William Wheeler tract called Planters Delight in Charles County, which belonged to Clement Wheeler, dec'd and which was devised to Clement Wheeler by his father, Luke Wheeler, by will 13 Nov. 1741 and on which Joshua Alford then lived. (DB-IB No. 3, Fol. 132)

"20 Jan. 1800 Bond of Charles Wheeler and Raphael Wheeler to William Wheeler for \$500.00. Whereas Charles Wheeler and Raphael Wheeler together with Ann Sanders, Edward Sanders and Henrietta, his wife, Zachariah Green and Elizabeth, his wife, conveyed to William Wheeler a tract called Planters Delight which had descended from Clement Wheeler, deceased to his children Ann Sanders, Teresa Semmes, Henrietta Sanders, Charles Wheeler, Elizabeth Green, Raphael Wheeler and Bennett Wheeler, children of the said Clement Wheeler, and to John, Clement and Ignatius Wheeler, grandchildren of the said Clement by his son Ignatius Wheeler, deceased. The said John, Clement and Ignatius are minors and cannot convey their rights, being / one eighth part thereof. Whereas Teresa Semmes is now with her husband, Thomas Semmes, in the state of Georgia and neither of them has conveyed their rights to the said William Wheeler. The said Charles Wheeler and Raphael Wheeler hath given their warranty that they will also cause Sarah, the wife of Charles Wheeler, to relinquish her right of dower" (DB- IB No. 3, Fol. 135)

"11 June 1801 Bennett Wheeler, of Talbot County, sells to William Wheeler, of Charles County, his rights and title to parcel of land called Planters Delight, which belonged to Clement Wheeler, deceased, and willed to said Clement by his father, Luke Wheeler, deceased on 13 Nov. 1741 Where Joshua Alford lived" (DB-IB No. 5, Fol. 3)

With the help of Mrs Prewitt's research we now have the family of Clement Wheeler as follows;

VII IGNATIUS WHEELER, son of John, continued

3 Clement Wheeler, 17__-1799, son of Luke of Ignatius, continued

m	
(1) Wheeler, Ann	m John F.R. Sanders
(2) Teresa	m (1) Joseph Tiar (2) Thomas Semmes
(3) Henrietta	m Edward Sanders
(4) Charles	m Sarah
(5) Elizabeth	m Zachariah Green
(6) Raphael	m Susannah, moved to Georgia, d 1817
(7) Bennett	m Living in 1801
(8) Ignatius	d 1791 m 1783 Ann Morris, widow

(1) On 5 Dec. 1788 John Sanders "For natural love and affection I have for my son in law, Richard Wheeler and Mary Ann, his wife I deed to him one negro girl, Millie, about three years old and her increase except the first child which I give to my daughter, Ann Harriot Sanders". (DB-D No. 4, Fol. 369) Ann Sanders signed the heirs' deed 20 Jan. 1800 but Mrs. Prewitt says she later moved to Georgia.

(2) Thomas and Teresa Semmes were in the state of Georgia when the joint deed was signed in Jan., 1800. Mrs Prewitt says they had no children.

(4) No will or estate settlement could be found for Charles Wheeler in Maryland. He and his brother, Raphael, gave warranty that they would cause Sarah, the wife of Charles, to relinquish her right of dower in the estate of Clement Wheeler, deceased. No further trace was made

(5) Zachariah Green and Raphael Wheeler were the heirs who protested the will of Clement Wheeler in Jan., 1800. No further trace

(6) From the Semmes MS we can get a good record of Raphael Wheeler. He moved to Lincoln County and thence to Wilkes County, Ga. Raphael Wheeler died about 1817-as the Minutes of the Court of Wilkes County, Ga. Show Lewis R. Beeman was appointed guardian for Bennett Wheeler, George Wheeler, Thomas J. Wheeler, Seabert Wheeler, Robert Wheeler and Andrew Wheeler the orphans of Raphael Wheeler on 7 Jan. 1817. On 20 March 1820 letters of administration formerly granted to Susannah Beeman, formerly Susannah Wheeler, were revoked because her husband, Lewis R. Beeman, who was acting for her, was mismanaging the estate. Raphael Wheeler's family;

(6) Wheeler, Raphael	d 1817	m Susannah who m (2) Lewis R. Beeman
A Wheeler, Bennett	under 18	in 1817
B Robert B.	under 18	in 1817
C Andrew	under 18	in 1817
D Charles A.	under 18	in 1817
E George W.	under 18	in 1817 and in 1828
F Thomas J.	under 18	in 1817 and in 1828
G John Seybert	under 18	in 1817 and in 1828
H James B.	under 18	in 1817 and in 1828

VII IGNATIUS WHEELER, son of John, continued

3 Clement Wheeler, continued

(7) Not much is known about Bennett Wheeler. On 28 July, 1778 adms. of the estate of John Nelson was granted to Richard Nelson, Ann Nelson and Charles Nelson, three of deceased's children. Bennett Wheeler appointed one of the bondsmen (Wills-AF 7, Fol 198) On page 38 we have a record of the deed he signed on 11 June 1801 when he was living in Talbot County

(8) Mrs. Lela W. Prewitt, in her book on the Hawkins-Sheets-Yates and Wheeler Families has an interesting history on this line and has traced many descendants down to the present time. The following will add some history to her record.

The Charles County Wills and Ct. Proceedings, B-1, Fol 145 shows that Ann Morris was granted Letters of Administration on the estate of Walter Morris, deceased on 18 Apr 1783. The same book, folio 280 shows account was rendered by Ignatius Wheeler and Ann Wheeler, late Morris, on the estate of Walter Morris on 6 Mar 1784 with value of 446-08-04½. Inventories, 1791-1797, Fol. 35 shows the inventory of Ignatius Wheeler 13 Jan 1791 by Charles Sewall and Francis Ware. Clement and Raphael Wheeler were sureties and Ann Wheeler was administrator. The inventory included 10 slaves, 6 horses 4 cows, 11 sheep, 3 hogs and furnishings with value of 596-03-11. Administration Accounts, 1791-1798, Fol. 224 shows account of Alexander Mackie and Ann, his wife, Admn. of Ignatius Wheeler, deceased, on 13 Dec. 1794. Amounts due from Cleon Clements, Charles McDonnell and Clement Wheeler. Payments made include "money paid for clothing for the children and negros the year the deceased died and provisions for the family for one year" Also "two thirds of the balance due the representatives of Walter Morris for which the estate of the deceased is liable"

On 18 Aug. 1806 John Wheeler, of Culpepper County, Va. sold to Luke Wheeler a parcel of land called Planters Delight which the said John Wheeler is entitled to as belonging to the estate of his grandfather, Clement Wheeler, deceased (DB-IB No 7, Fol 160) Similar deed was made by John to Hugh Cox "for a tract in Port Tobacco Parish which my father Ignatius Wheeler took up" (DB-IB No 7, Fol 288. On 22 Dec 1808 Clement Wheeler, of Culpepper County, Va. sold to Luke Wheeler his interest in Planters Delight "as belonging to the estate of his grandfather, Clement Wheeler" The family if Ignatius Wheeler was;

(8)	Wheeler, Ignatius	died 1790/91	Mackie
	m 1783 Ann Morris, widow of Walter Marris.	She m (3) Alexander/	
A	Wheeler, John	1785-	m Mary. To Culpepper County, Va.
B	Clement	1787-1835	m Sarah Sharp " " "
C	Ignatius	1790	m Margaret. To Warren County, Ky.

VII IGNATIUS WHEELER, son of John, continued

4 Raphael Wheeler, son of Luke of Ignatius, continued from page 35

Raphael Wheeler died intestate in Charles County in 1786. Samuel Douglas was appointed Administrator with Col. Francis Ware and Edward Scott Ware as sureties. An inventory was filed 26 Feb. 1787 by Ignatius Adams and Clement Wheeler for four pounds. William Wheeler and Clement Wheeler were recorded as next of kin. No record of any wife or children (WB- AH No 9, Fol 299, 335)

5 Bennett Wheeler, son of Luke of Ignatius, continued from page 35

Bennett Wheeler died intestate in St. Marys County in 1773. His inventory was appraised 4 May 1773 for value of 451-08-04½ including eight slaves. The inventory was filed 10 Oct. 1773 by Jane Wheeler, Admx. of Bennett Wheeler, deceased, with Ignatius Wheeler and Susannah Sheircliff as next of kin. (Inv. 114, Fol. 15) The family was as follows;

5 Wheeler, Bennett	died 1773
m Jane	
(1) Wheeler, Ann	m 1801 John McWilliams
(2) Teresia	died 1798 unmarried
(3) Ignatius	no further trace
(4) Mary	m Richard Heard

The family of Bennett is proved by the will of Ignatius Wheeler, quoted on page 35, naming "Ann, Teresia and Ignatius, children of my deceased brother, Bennett", and by the will of Protheser Wheeler naming her granddaughter, Mary, "daughter of my late son Bennett"

6 Susannah Wheeler, daughter of Luke of Ignatius, from page 35

Protheser Wheeler signed her will in 1773 and mentioned her grand-son "Joseph Sheircliff". Ignatius Wheeler, who died in 1796 mentioned a nephew "Francis E. Sheircliff". Protheser also mentioned "my daughter", Susannah Sheircliff.

7 Henrietta Wheeler, daughter of Luke of Ignatius, from page 35

Henrietta Wheeler m William Peake. Her inventory was appraised in St. Marys County 23 Aug. 1795 which mentioned her children. Some of the children were baptised in St. Anns Parish, St. Marys County. (Semmes MS)

7 Wheeler, Henrietta	died 1797 m William Peake
(1) Peake, Ann	1761-
(2) Raphael	1765-
(3) Eleanor	1767-
(4) Joshua	1769
(5) William	
(6) Joseph	
(7) Ignatius	

VII IGNATIUS WHEELER, son of John Wheeler, continued.

8 Mary Ann Wheeler, daughter of Luke of Ignatius, from page 35.

Mary Ann Wheeler, or Mary Ann Clements was mentioned in the will of her mother, Protheser Wheeler, in 1773. The following deeds are recorded in Charles County;

"14 June 1770 John Clements, of Charles County sells to William Wheeler, Clement Wheeler, Leonard Clements and Walter Clements tract of land called Clements Town Enlarged, 150 acres. Signed by John Clements and Mary Ann Clements, wife of John Clements" (DB-O No. 3, Fol. 723)

"14 Dec. 1771 Daniel Jennifer mortgages unto John Clements, son of Jacob, to William Wheeler, Leonard Wheeler, Leonard Clements, Jr. and Walter Clements which mortgage is recorded in Liber)-3, Fol. 723. (DB- S No 3, Fol. 220)

The Charles County wills and court proceedings, Book B No. 1, Fol. 387 shows that John Stone was made Admn. of the estate of John Clements 28 Aug. 1784. Jonas Smoot and Luke Wheeler were bondsmen. The probate records, quoted on page 36, apparently apply to the Mary Wheeler, who married William Wheeler. On a subsequent page, in chapter 6, is the record of Thomas Wheeler who had a daughter, Mary, who married John Clements of Charles County. The records are very confusing as John Clements, of Charles County could not have married both Mary Clements, of Harford County and Mary Ann Clements, of Charles County. The only solution I can make is that there were two men by the name of John Clements in Charles County. The probate records filed in June, 1807, refer "to the heirs of John Clements of Kentucky". It is possible that John Clements, of Ky., was a son of Mary Clements but further research is necessary in order to get the proper proof on the John Clement who married Mary Wheeler and the John Clement who married Mary Ann Wheeler.

END OF LUKE WHEELER

VII IGNATIUS WHEELER, son of John, continued

iii Ignatius Wheeler, son of Ignatius of John, continued from page 34

When Ignatius Wheeler died in March, 1699, he devised "to unborn child a tract called No Design" Subsequent records prove the unborn child was named Ignatius. On June 15, 1735 Ignatius Wheeler and Charity, his wife, of St. Marys County sold to John Redmond "all that tract called No Design, in P.G. County, in the freshes of the Potomack River, containing 381 acres, adj a tract called Wheelers Purchase". (DB T, Fol. 288)

The Maryland Calendar of Wills, Vol. 8, page 266, gives the will of Sebastian Thompson, of St. Marys County, viz;

" To sons Arthur, Sylvester and John Thompson
To daughters Monica and Appolina Thompson
To daughters Mary Brown and Charity Wheeler". Pro 3 Mar. 1743

As Ignatius and Charity were living in St. Marys County in 1735, when they sold their land in P. G. County, it is evident that Ignatius move to St. Marys when he married Charity Thompson. The records of St. Marys County have been destroyed and court records and deed books are not available. When Ignatius Wheeler made his will in 1698 he referred to "my brother in law, Luke Gardiner". The Wheeler Family in America, by A.G. Wheeler gives the wife of Ignatius Wheeler as Frances Gardiner. The following entry in the Provincial Court Record Book DD-2, folio 396 will prove that Ignatius Wheeler married Frances Slye.

"2 May 1763, Robert Slye, by his last will and testament, dated 18 Jan 1670 devised a tract of land called Rich Neck, lying in St. Marys Co., to his daughters, Elizabeth and Frances, equally. The said tract has since descended to Ignatius Wheeler, heir in tail of the said Frances and John Gardiner, heir in tail of the said Elizabeth. The said John Gardiner has since sold his part so allotted to the said Elizabeth to a certain Phillip Key, John Bond and John Mason. /S/ John Gardiner, John Mason, Ignatius Wheeler, Evan Williams etc"

No will or estate settlement was found for Ignatius Wheeler but the record just cited proves he was living in May 1763. No children have been identified

END OF IGNATIUS WHEELER, SON OF JOHN WHEELER

CHAPTER V

VIII FRANCIS WHEELER, son of John Wheeler, continued from page 12

Francis Wheeler left a most interesting record but it required a lot of research to get it together. In June 1726 he made a deposition stating he was 50 years old and in 1730 he said he was between 50 and 60 years old. He was married in 1690 so he was b about 1670. Newman's Maryland Semmes and Kindred Families has a godd record of the Wheeler-Green connections. Thomas Greene, second Provincial Governor of Maryland came over with the first settlers in the Ark. He d in 1650 and left a will in St. Marys County as follows;

"After reserving a livelihood for myself I assign my estate to my friends Henry Adams and James Langworth. To my wife, Winnifred, and children Thomas, Leonard, Robert and Francis" (Md. Cal. V-5,P-235)

James Langworth, who received one half of Gov. Greene's estate, was the same person who was Capt. of Militia in 1661 and under whom John Wheeler served as an Ensign (Md. Arc. Vol. 53)

Leonard Green, son of Gov. Thomas Greene, died in 1688 and left a will as follows;

"To wife, Ann, plantation called Greenes Rest. To son Thomas, 200 acres in Charles County patented by me and my brothers, Francis, and Robert. To my dau. Mary. To my dau. Margaret. To my eldest daughter Winnifred 200 acres part of Greenes Inheritance in Charles County" (WB-4, Fol. 313)

After the death of Leonard Green his widow, Ann, married Charles Evans. In 1691 Francis Wheeler went to court and filed a complaint "that Francis Wheeler and Winnifred, his wife, one of ye daughters and legatees of ye Leonard Green, for not rendering to ye Francis and Winnifred ye portion and legacy by said Leonard Green... Said Leonard Green died in Jan. 1687, leaving a large estate, and did leave to said dau. Winnifred 200 acres called Greenes Inheritance and a featherbed and furnishings to be delivered at said Winnifred's marriage or at 18 years of age." On 28 Aug. 1690, at Portobacco your Orator and Oratrix Entermarried etc"(CCCR Bk Q-1) Winnifred's sister, Mary, m Francis Marbury who was one of the witnesses called in the boundry dispute called by John Middleton in 1726 and gave his age as 65 years when Francis Wheeler gave his age as 50 years. On a previous page we have a record of John Wheeler assigning to Robert Cole a warrant for 100 acres in 1658. Mr. Cole took this warrant and added it to his rights for bringing over, as a servant, Joseph Alvey, in 1657. Joseph Alvey married Margaret, the other sister of Winnifred Green

The first court record book of Prince Georges County shows that Francis Wheeler was on the grand jury at the March 1696/7 court. Also on this jury was Robert Clark who was to move to Baltimore County, Md. in 1715 and, with Benjamin Wheeler, nephew of Francis, patent a tract of land called Wheelers and Clarks Contrivance. Francis Wheeler and Robert Clark were also on the grand jury at the Sept. 1699 court.

VIII FRANCIS WHEELER, son of John, continued

In the Nov. 1704 court Francis Wheeler made oath to five days attendance as a witness for Mr. Daniel Carroll vs John Contee and Mr. Carroll was ordered to pay him 30 lbs of tobacco (Bk. B, Fol. 335) In the March 1709 court of P.G. County, he sued Thomas Chessick for debt. (Bk. C, Fol. 155) In Aug. 1712 court a case was on docket of Thomas Green vs Francis Wheeler. Thomas Green did not appear and Francis Wheeler was allowed 289 lbs of tobacco for his expenses. (Bk. G, Fol. 254) On a subsequent page we have a deposition by Benjamin Wheeler in a dispute over a boundry line between William Hutchinson and John Contee. Francis Wheeler was also a witness in this dispute and Chancery Court Records, Liber 3, Folio 17 records the following;

Mr. Francis Wheeler and Mr. Benjamin Wheeler came before us and the said Francis Wheeler did declare that he was the one who carried the chain when the said part of Warburton Manor was laid out for the said Hutchinson and he did begin to lay the chain at the second walnut and to carry it clear around the last offset. Recorded 17 May, 1713

Warburton Manor was a large tract of land on the Potomac River a few miles south of Washington, D.C. It was later purchased by the Digges family and when the Capital City was moved to Washington, D.C. consideration was given to erecting a fort on the Potomac River to protect the city. Warburton Manor was picked as the ideal site but it was not until 1809 that work was started on the fort and it was named Fort Washington. The British destroyed the fort in 1814 and it was rebuilt in 1815. It is now a tourist attraction under supervision of the National Park Service.

On 14 Oct. 1718 Francis Wheeler and Winnifred, his wife, deed to their daughter, Mary Noble, wife of Joseph Noble tract called Majors Choice containing 90 acres. Wit. George Noble - Josiah Wilson. (DB - F, Fol. 110) On 9 Nov. 1730 Francis Wheeler deeded to son, Leonard Wheeler tracts of land called Majors Choice, adj the land of Mr. Gardiner and adj William Hatton and John Hawkins, cont. 70 acres. (DB-Q, Fol. 221) On 23 Feb 1731 Francis Wheeler deeded to his sons, Clement and Ignatius Wheeler a tract called Wheelers Design, 200 acres. (DB-Q, Fol. 419)

"11 Feb. 1733 Francis Wheeler, Sr., for and in consideration of land of Piscataway, this day conveyed to him by Thomas Edelin on account of his brother, Christopher Edelin, and for love and affection for his son, Clement Wheeler, deeds to him all that part of a tract called Middletons Lot, adjoining Mr. Hutchinson, in a Fork of Piscataway"
(DB- BB No. 2, Fol. 128)

VIII FRANCIS WHEELER, son of John, continued

Francis Wheeler signed his will 3 Nov. 1735 which was proved in P.G. County 2 Feb. 1736. The will is valuable as proof of descent and is abstracted at length; (WB No. 1, Fol. 254)

"I give to my son, William Wheeler, part of Majors Choice but if he dies without issue it is to fall to my son Leonard Wheeler's second son called John. To my son, William, that piece of land on the other side of Joseph Noble's plantation but if he dies without issue it is to fall to Joseph Noble's son called Francis. The lease is to make good the deed given to Joseph Noble's son, Joseph. I give the land, together with all improvements I have, now called Majors Choice to my son, Francis Wheeler but if he died without issue to fall to my son, Clement Wheeler. To my son, Ignatius Wheeler, a tract of land in Calvert Manor joining William Noble's place, near the head of Aquia Creek, cont. 80 acres but in case Ignatius dies without issue it is to fall to my son Leonard's child called Ignatius. I give to Mary Noble, daughter of Joseph Noble, one pacing mare colt. I give to my dau Ann Jones, two burrows, one sow, one calf and my black horse, Lucifer. I give my two feather beds to my sons, Ignatius and William. To my son, Francis, my negro man called Charles but he is to give my daughter, Ann Jones 600 lb of tobacco and three bbl of Indian Corn every year during negro's life. I give the residue of my estate to my four sons Leonard, Francis, Ignatius and Clement Wheeler /S/ Francis Wheeler.

Witnessed; Henry Jones William Pasley James Johnson".

An account was filed 7 Feb. 1736 by Leonard, Francis, Ignatius and Clement Wheeler for 112-18-05 (Accts 15, Fol. 302) An inventory was filed 21 March 1736 by John Hawkins and William Hawkins, sworn to by Leonard, Francis and Ignatius Wheeler. The next of kin was listed as Will Wheeler and Mary Noble. (Inv. PD No. 1, Fol 351)

Francis Wheeler and some of his descendants were associated with the St. Johns or Piscataway Parish in Prince Georges County for over 100 years so a short history of this parish will be of interest. Pursuant to the Act of June 2, 1692 the Parish of Piscataway was organized, taking its name from a tribe of Indians who lived in the vicinity. A Vestry was organized in Jan. 1693 and authority granted to purchase 78 acres of land and obtain a contractor to build the church. The parish at that time embraced a considerable portion of what is now the Diocese of Washington, D.C. The church records have been preserved and are in the Hall of Records in Annapolis, Md. The vestry minutes for Feb. 1703 shows that Joseph Alvey was authorized 3,000 lb of tobacco in part pay for his building of a house on the church land. Joseph Alvey was a brother in law of Francis Wheeler as they married sisters. The first building was replaced in 1713 by a second wooden building. A brick building was erected in 1723, was rebuilt and enlarged in 1764 and is still in use. In 1726 the name of the parish was changed to St. Johns. Some of the births recorded in the register are before the parish was organized showing the children were taken to church for baptism as soon as the building was completed.

VIII FRANCIS WHEELER, son of John, continued.

Piscataway, or St. Johns church, is located about three miles from the site of Ft. Washington which was erected on Warburton Manor as noted on a previous page. Ft. Washington is just across the Potomas River from Mt. Vernon on the Virginia side. History records that Dudley Digges, owner of Warburton Manor, was a close friend of George Washington. It is a tradition that Washington sometimes crossed the river by boat and attended services at St. Johns church. It is interesting to note that the first Wheeler name recorded in the Parish Register was the birth of Leonard, son of Francis and Winnifred, on 3 June, 1691 which was before the parish was organized. The last entry for a Wheeler was for the marriage of Leonard Wheeler over 106 years later on 7 Dec. 1797. The birth of the writer's ancestor, Jane Wheeler, is recorded as 13 April 1705 which proves she was baptized in the original church building.

The Parish Register of Piscataway Parish shows the birthdates of all the children of Francis and Winnifred Wheeler. The names of Charity and Winnifred do not appear in the will of Francis Wheeler so it is possible that they died before their father's death.

VIII Wheeler, Francis c 1670-1736

	m 1690 Winnifred Green,	under 18 in 1688, d before 11/1735
i	Wheeler, Leonard	1691-1763 m Elizabeth Hanson 1708-1782
ii	Mary	1693- m Joseph Noble 1689-1750
iii	Charity	1699- m George Noble
iv	Francis	1/25/1701 m Elizabeth
v	Winnifred	1/25/1701 twin of Francis. No further trace
vi	William	1704- Living in 1735. No further trace
vii	Clement	1706-1750 m 1732 Elizabeth Edelen
viii	Ignatius	1709-1771 wife unknown
ix	Ann	1712 m _____ (*) Jones

(*) Note; Francis Wheeler devised to his daughter, Ann Jones. The Hodges Marriage References in the Hall of Records in Annapolis gives "John" Jones as the husband, giving Francis Wheeler's will as proof. One "Henry" Jones witnessed the will of Francis Wheeler in 1735. The St. Johns Parish Register shows the births of children of both Henry and John Jones but neither one had a wife named Ann so further research is necessary to establish this family.

VIII FRANCIS WHEELER, son of John Wheeler, continued.

i Leonard Wheeler, son of Francis, continued from page 47.

Leonard Wheeler lived in Piscataway Parish, Prince Georges County as the births of some of his children are recorded there. He died intestate in 1763 and left a large family which can be proved by numerous documents which must be cited to get the records clear. His inventory was recorded by Elizabeth Wheeler on 5 Jan., 1764 and Leonard Wheeler was shown as next of kin. (Inv. 83, Fol. 145) On 20 May 1765 account was filed by Elizabeth Wheeler for value of 477-13-08½ which included seven slaves. (Accts. No 52, Fol. 264) Final account was recorded the same day with notation "Representatives not known to this office". The will of John Hanson names his daughter, Elizabeth Wheeler, wife of Leonard Wheeler, and grandsons, Basil Wheeler and John Wheeler, sons of Leonard and Elizabeth Wheeler (Semmes MS) The will was signed 3 April 1744 but was not proved as another will was found by Francis Ware "among his father's papers" and it was presented for probate 11 May 1754. The latter will named daughter, Elizabeth Wheeler, but did not name the grandchildren. (WB-29, Fol. 241) The family was as follows;

- i Wheeler, Leonard 1691-1763 (birth recorded in Piscataway Parish)
- m Elizabeth Hanson -1782 daughter of John Hanson
- 1 Wheeler, Clement 1730-1796 m (1) Mary Dorsett (2) Lucy (Belt) Waring
- 2 Ignatius 1731 d after 1793 m 1753 Elizabeth Marbury
- 3 George 173_-1784 m Jane Taney
- 4 Samuel 173_-1761 m Elizabeth
- 5 Edward 1738- m 1759 Sarah Brooke, widow.
- 6 John 17_-1770 Died in Dorchester County.
- 7 Basil 17_-1773
- 8 Leonard 17_-1817 Died in Washington, D.C.
- 9 Charity 17_-1789 Died unmarried
- 10 Elizabeth 17_-1807 m Morris James McDonough
- 11 Eleanor 17_-18__ m Edelen
- 12 Mary Ann Unmarried in 1788

Elizabeth (Hanson) Wheeler signed her will 15 June 1772, which was proved 25 May 1782. (Wills, Box 14, Folder 18)

"To my daughters, Mary Ann Wheeler, Elizabeth Wheeler, Charity Wheeler and Eleanor Wheeler, the land or plantation where I dwell and all of my stock of cattle and hogs. To my son, Leonard, one featherbed which lays upstairs. If any of my daughters should died without issue then their part is to be divided equally among the surviving daughters. I request my son, Clement Wheeler, to assist his four sisters. Signed Elizabeth Wheeler"

On 6 Nov. 1782 Charity Wheeler and Eleanor Wheeler waived their rights to executorship in favor of Miss Elizabeth Wheeler. On 10 June, 1783 final account was filed by Elizabeth Wheeler, Executrix of Elizabeth Wheeler, late of P.G. Co., deceased for total of 160-18-08 with amounts due to Clement Wheeler and Eleanor Wheeler. (Inv. & Acct. St No 1, 162)

VIII FRANCIS WHEELER, son of John Wheeler, continued.

1 Clement Wheeler, son of Leonard of Francis, continued.

On 20 Nov. 1761 Thomas Dorsett, of P.G. County, signed his will and mentioned a daughter, Mary Wight. On 29 Sept. 1762 Clement Wheeler and Mary, his wife, rendered an account on the estate of Jonathan Wight with Francis Waring and William Locke Weems as sureties. On 24 Nov. 1763 John F. Beall & John Payne signed bond for Clement Wheeler as guardian for the estate of Jonathan Wight, deceased, and mentions orphans Elizabeth and Truman Wight. (Guardian Bonds, 1703-1799, Fol. 228) Mr. John M. Kopper, 1875-1945, found a will of Truman Wight in Montgomery County, Md. (Book B, Fol. 66)

"To my brother, Samuel Wheeler, all of my lands
To my sister, Ann Wheeler. To John Hanson Wheeler. Mr. Clement Wheeler
Exer. Signed 23 Nov. 1781, proved 21 Dec. 1781"

Truman Wight was a half brother to Samuel Wheeler and Ann Wheeler and proves that Clement Wheeler had married Mary (Dorsett) Wight, widow, and that Truman Wight was his stepson. On 2 Dec. 1764 Clement Wheeler and Mary, his wife sold to Edward Edelin a tract called two friends (L No. 3, Fol. 410) In August 1768 he sold land to John Gibson and right of dower was signed by Lucy, wife of Clement (Bk. 0-3, Fol. 509) This proves that between Dec. 1764 and Aug. 1768 Mary had died and Clement had married Lucy Waring, widow. On 3 July 1778 Clement Wheeler and Lucy, his wife, formerly Lucy Waring, widow of Thomas Waring, deceased, and Basil Waring, heir at law of said Thomas Waring, sold a tract called Warings Green. (Bk. CC-2, Fol. 461). Lucy Waring was the dau of Jeremiah and Mary Belt. (Accts. Bk. ST-1, Fol. 223)

On 18 Dec. 1786 Elizabeth and Charity Wheeler mortgaged to Clement Wheeler negroes Sam, Balt and Henrietta (HH-2, Fol. 242) Clement Wheeler took the Oath of Fidelity in P.G. County in 1778. He died in 1796 and an inventory of his personal estate was filed 10 May 1797 in Book ST-3, in Upper Marlboro, Md. The inventory takes up eight pages and includes the names of 35 slaves which shows he was a prosperous planter. His will, signed 20 Mar. 1788, proved 26 Dec. 1796 is in will book T No. 1, Fol. 618, as follows;

"To my son, Samuel Hanson Wheeler, etc, provided he pay unto my sisters, Elizabeth and Charity Wheeler, 12 Lb yearly as long as they continue single. To my daughter Ann Hilleary. To my grandson, Clement Hilleary. To my granddaughter Sarah Wheeler. To my grandsons, Thomas Wheeler and Clement Wheeler, one negro at my quarters in Loudon County, Va. To my wife, Lucy Wheeler, my plantation in Montgomery County, lying on the Muddy Branch of Potomac River. The remainder to be divided between my son, Samuel Wheeler, and my daughter Ann Hilleary" (Note that Elizabeth was still single on 20 Mar. 1788 but on 11-4-1789 she married Morris James McDonough in P.G. County-WVB.)

VIII FRANCIS WHEELER, son of John Wheeler, continued.

1 Clement Wheeler, son of Leonard of Francis, continued

Two days after Clement Wheeler's will was proved his widow, Lucy Wheeler, signed her will on 28 Dec. 1796 which was proved 30 Jan. 1797;

"To my sister, Sarah Beall. To my nephew, Walton Beall. To my son in law (stepson) Samuel Hanson Wheeler. To Tilghman Hilleary. To Clematius Hilleary, son of Tilghman Hilleary. To Clematius Wheeler, son of Samuel H. Wheeler. To Ann Hilleary, wife of T. H. Hilleary. To my son in law, Basil Waring and his son, Thomas Waring. To my nephew, Robert Brooke Beall. To Martha Waring" (WB-T No. 1, Fol. 387)

The plantation in Montgomery County, mentioned by Clement Wheeler in his will, was apparently acquired thru his marriage with Lucy from the heirs of Richard Beall. In DB- B, Fol. 218 Montgomery County, is a deed of partition for tracts "lying near the Potomac River." The tracts were Frozen Level, 200 acres, Abrahams Lot, 300 acres, New Esopus 200 acres, Concord 263 acres and The Forrest 100 acres. This was 1,063 acres of which Clement Wheeler got "one moiety or one half of said tracts". Deed dated 15 July 1780

On July 7, 1780 Clement Wheeler, of P.G. Co., bought of Adam Pan-coast a tract called Long Acre, Over Plus and Patience, cont. 265½ acres. (DB-A, Fol. 542) On 18 July 1804 Samuel Hanson Wheeler, Tilghman Hilleary and Ann, his wife heirs of Clement Wheeler, sold to Aquila Beall, part of Long Acre. (DB- L, Fol. 377)
Note-Aquila Beall was County Clerk of Montgomery County in the early 1800's and built a house on Montgomery Street, in Rockville, about 1815. This House is now the headquarters of the Montgomery County Historical Society and efforts are being made to restore it to its former appearance - WVB.

1 Wheeler, Clement 1730-1796

M ca 1762 Mary (Dorsett) Wright, widow, who d c 1765-1768

(1) Wheeler, Samuel H. 176 -1813 m 1782 Ann Hilleary who d 18

(2) Ann 17 -1859-64 m 1782 Tilghman Hilleary d 1869

m (2) ca 1868 Lucy Waring, widow who d 1797

Note-the marriages of Samuel H Wheeler and Ann Wheeler are recorded in P.G. County

(1) Samuel Hanson Wheeler was mentioned in the will of his father, Clement Wheeler, in 1788 at which time he already had three children. In Montgomery County DB Liber I, Fol. 223 is the following

"A negro male, Sam, age 55 years and a negro female, Rit, owned by Samuel H. Wheeler on the first day of March, 1788, willed to him by his father, Clement Wheeler were brought from Loudon County, Va. this third day of July, 1800"

On 22 Sept. 1806 Isaac Hite, of Frederick County, Virginia, sold to Samuel H. Wheeler a tract called Forrest. (DB N, Fol. 157)

VIII FRANCIS WHEELER, son of John Wheeler, continued

1 Clement Wheeler, son of Leonard of Francis, continued

On 2 Feb. 1807 Samuel H. Wheeler and Ann, his wife, mortgaged a tract called Forrest to Armistead Long. Samuel Hanson Wheeler d c 1813 as Thomas T. Wheeler (his son) administered on his estate. (WB-IJK, Fol. 101)

On 10 Jan. 1821 a deed of partition was recorded in Montgomery Co. by the heirs of Samuel H. Wheeler naming Thomas Hilleary and Sarah, his wife, Clement Wheeler, Thomas T. Wheeler and Odel Wheeler. The deed disposed of tracts called Concord, Forrest, Accord, Discord, Frozen Levels and New Esophas. (DB- V, Fol 321) The family of Samuel Hanson Wheeler was;

(1)	Wheeler, Samuel H.	17	-	cl813	
	m 1782 Ann Hilleary				
	a Wheeler, Sarah	1783-			m 1803 Thomas Hilleary.
	b Clement	1785-1822			
	c Thomas T.	1787-1848			m Hester Ann McCloud 1809-1883
	d Odel	1791-1827			m 1818 Carolyn Dorsey, A.A. Co.

The years of birth shown above were furnished from the bible of Thomas T. Wheeler now in possession of Mr. John Kopper, of Baltimore, Md., whose mother, Louise Wheeler, was a daughter of Thomas T. Wheeler. Final account was made on the estate of Samuel H. Wheeler on 22 Aug. 1820 which named the heirs as Sarah, Clement, Thomas T. and Odel Wheeler. (WB-M,99)

Clement Wheeler, of Mont. County, administered on the estate of William B. Radford in 1818. He and Archibald Lee were bondsmen for Thomas T. Wheeler, Exer. for Henry Dyers, deceased, on 8 Jan. 1822. He rendered an account on the estate of William Radford on 12 March 1822. On 17 Nov. 1822 Thomas T. Wheeler was appointed Administrator on the estate of Clement Wheeler, deceased, which proves that Clement died in 1822. Thomas T. Wheeler rendered an account on the estate of Clement on 26 Nov. 1822 with a value of \$5,464.14 (WB-N, Fol. 414) Additional accounts were made Dec. 1823, April 1834 and June 1835 but no heirs were mentioned

The will of Odel Wheeler was signed 17 Dec. 1827 and proved in Mont. County 31 Dec. 1827. The will devised "to my wife Caroline, to my infant daughter, Mary Louise, and to my unborn child. My brother, Thomas Wheeler to get one large silver can marked C.L.W. and he is appointed as guardian to my children. (WB-O, Fol. 447) On 28 March 1832 by authority of a decree entered 17 March 1831 Thomas T. Wheeler, Guardian for "Mary Louise Wheeler and Sarah Odel Wheeler, infant heirs of Odel Wheeler, sold their interest in the land of Clement Wheeler to Thomas Hilleary.

(DB- BS No. 5, Fol 67)

VIII FRANCIS WHEELER, son of John Wheeler, continued.

1 Clement Wheeler, son of Leonard of Francis, continued.

C Thomas Truman Wheeler, son of Samuel H. Wheeler, must have been considered a very reliable citizen in Montgomery County as the records so indicate. In 1813 he was administrator on the estate of his father. In Mar. 1816 he bought a tract called Frozen Levels for \$1,650.00 and in November of the same year he bought for \$3,510.00 a tract called Hills and Dales. In 1820 he sold 11 acres of Frozen Levels for \$1.00 and in Jan. 1821 he bought for \$1.00 a tract called Conclusion. This must have been a sort of trade and deeds were recorded to make it valid. The year 1822 was a busy year for him as he was executor for the estate of Henry Dyers, deceased, also executor for the state of William Radford, deceased and in this same year his brother, Clement, died and he was executor on his estate. In March 1823 he sold five parcels of land in P.G. County to Deborah Deakins. In 1829 he mortgaged Frozen Levels to secure a note for \$1,700.00. In 1830 he was one of the commissioners appointed to divide the lands of Peter Bowie.

By 1844 Thomas seemed to be in financial difficulty as he made a deed to Richard J. Bowied "for land in Frederick and Mont. Counties and now in possession of said Wheeler, about 500 acres, household goods, furniture, fixtures, impliments, debits, bank accounts, negros, live stock and farming utensils that he shall make sale and dispose of so much as are saleable and apply to debts of said Wheeler and shall pay the balance, if any to the said Wheeler"(DB- BS 12, Fol. 184) Mr. Bowie seems to have had difficulty making the sale as he went to Chancery Court in March, 1847 and "complainith that Thomas T. Wheeler (and others) agreed to sell to Richard J. Bowie real estate lying in Fred. and Mont. Counties, 500 acres, and negros, live stock etc." (Chanc. Ct. Bk. 123, Fol. 93) At this same court a note for \$1,800.00 was presented signed by Thos. T. Wheeler, Odel Wheeler and Thomas Hilleary, dated 17 March 1825. Mr. Bowie must have received his decree to sell the land as a deed is recorded in Montgomery County from Thomas T. Wheeler and Hester a. Wheeler, his wife, to Richard J. Bowie for the lands mentioned in Liber BS 12, Fol 184, deed dated 12 June 1847 and recorded 24 August 1847. Thomas T. Wheeler died the following year and the record is not clear as to what occurred thereafter but the following deed is recorded in Montgomery County, DB JGH No.1, Fol. 518;

"Ind. 25 Nov. 1852 Richard J. Bowied to Jacob Smoot. Whereas by decree Richard J. Bowie, Trustee of Thomas T. Wheeler, was authorized to sell real estate of said Wheeler for payment of his debts and the said Bowie sells to the said Smoot two parcels of lands, Frozen Level and Hills and Dales and part of Forrest. Also a lot of land lying between the C. & O. Canal and the Potomas River, cont. 17 acres"

The family bible of Thomas Truman Wheeler, now in possession of Mr. John M. Kopper, Baltimore, Md. shows the following;

VII FRANCIS WHEELER, son of John Wheeler, continued.

1 Clement Wheeler, son of Leonard of Francis, continued.

C	Wheeler, Thomas Truman	1787-1848	
m	Hester Ann McCloud	1809-1883	
a	Wheeler, Thomas Clement	1834-	twin
b	Elizabeth Oram	1834-	twin
c	Ann	1836-	
d	Mary E.	1837-	
e	Sarah	1839-	
* f	Louisa	1841-	
g	William W.	1844-	
h	Samuel Hanson	1846-	
i	*Charlotte Cram	1848-1937	twin m Clarence W. Hilleary
j	John Tisdale	1848-	twin
	*(Tombstone, Frederick County)		

* Louisa Wheeler, daughter of Thomas Truman Wheeler.

I made no attempt to check this family further as time did not permit. Much credit for tracing out the descendants of Clement Wheeler is due to Mr. John Matthias Kopper, 1875-1945. In addition to much time spent in research he had access to the family bible of Clement Wheeler, printed in 1762, and the bible of Thomas T. Wheeler, printed in 1820. Many of Mr. Koppers notes are included in the Semmes Manuscript on Wheeler in the Maryland Historical Society Library, Baltimore. Mr. Kopper was a son of Louisa Wheeler and grandson of Thomas Truman Wheeler. Mr. John M. Kopper, Jr., 512 Woodlawn Road, Baltimore, Md. 21210, furnished me with these bible records and advised me the bible of Thomas Truman Wheeler, printed in 1820, is now in his possession.

VIII FRANCIS WHEELER, son of John Wheeler, continued.

1 Clement Wheeler, son of Leonard of Francis, continued

(2) Wheeler, Ann 17 -1864, continued from page 50.
 m 1782 Tilghman Hilleary -1869
 A Hilleary, Sally Ann
 B William Perry
 C Ruth Elizabeth m Oscar Baugher
 E Ellen Rebecca -1892 unmarried
 F John
 G Clarence Worthington 1842-1912 m Charlotte O. Wheeler

The above family is proved by the will of Ann Hilleary in WB-TIMC No. 1, Fol. 98 and the will of Tilghman Hilleary in the same book, folio 586, in Montgomery County, Md. The following will is something reserchers dream about and brings the Tilghman family down to the present century.

Will of Ellen Rebecca Hilleary, of Brooklyn, N. Y.

To my great neice, Sarah Ellen Knapp, all my furniture and the money due me from my brother, Clarence Worthington Hilleary, of Maryland, and my nephew Richard Washington Hilleary, of Warrenton, Va.
 To my great neice, Elizabeth Hilleary Knapp and I Lizzie Knapp, the mother of these children their guardian.
 To my sister, Sally A. Hilleary.
 To my neice, Janet H. Hilleary, my locket.
 To my neice, Lizzie Knapp, the money due me by my brother, John Hilleary, now residing in Roanoke, Virginia.
 To my sister, Ruth E. M. Baugher.
 I desire my executrix to purchase a suitable present to give to my neices, Anna M. Hilleary, Virginia H. Hilleary, Sally W. Hilleary and my nephew W. Julian Baugher. My neice, Lizzie Knapp, Execx.
 Signed 27 Nov., 1891, Proved January 1892 in Montgomery County
 (Will Book RWC-15, Fol. 451).

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2 Ignatius Wheeler, son of Leonard of Francis, continued from page 48

The Parish Register of Piscataway Parish, in P.G. County, shows Ignatius Wheeler m Elizabeth Marbury 29 July 1753. The births of his children are recorded there as follows;

2 Wheeler, Ignatius 1731 (age 45 in 1776) living in 1793
 m 1753 Elizabeth Marbury, b 1738-
 (1) Wheeler, Luke Marbury 1754-
 (2) Eleanor 1756-
 (3) Elizabeth 1759-
 (4) Ignatius 1763-
 (5) George 1768-
 (6) (Daughter) 1774- (unnamed)

VIII FRANCIS WHEELER, son of John Wheeler, continued.

2 Ignatius Wheeler, son of Leonard of Francis, continued from page 54

Ignatius Wheeler was listed as one of the creditors of his brother, Edward Wheeler, in 1793. Apparently he died in 1794 as the following is in Inv. 1791-1797, Fol. 272;

"Inventory of Ignatius Wheeler delivered into the hands of the bondsmen, Clement Wheeler, one of the securities of the Admn. of the estate of the deceased, 17 Dec. 1794. One Negro Bob, one negro Gumbo, one Negro Lucy, etc., value 211-12-1 /S/ Francis Ware, G.B. Causin"

The Clement Wheeler who signed the bond was a brother of Ignatius. The Francis Ware, who signed the inventory, was apparently the same person who, in 1754, found a will for John Hanson "among his father's papers" as noted on page 48. As a clue for future researchers a will was found in Box 7, Folder 74, in Annapolis, Md., made by Elizabeth Wheeler. She may not have been the widow of Ignatius as she would have been 83 yrs old in 1821 but for any descendant interested it would pay to check the records of Loudon County, Va.

"I, Elizabeth Wheeler, of Waterford, Loudon County, Va., widow. To my cousins Ellen Powell, Fetney Powell and Dr. Charles Edwards. To my friends, Henrietta Corn, Rev. Nicholas Wells, etc. /S/ 21 Aug. 1818, proved 25 May 1821. Robert Brown and Henrietta Corn Exers."

3 George Wheeler, son of Leonard of Francis, continued from page 48

George Wheeler, "of Battle Creek on the Patuxant River" was appointed executor of the estate of John Wheeler, in 1770. George lived in Calvert County and married Jane Taney, dau. of Michael Taney. In 1771 he sued Philemon Young and Michael Taney in Chancery Court and at the same time his wife, Jane, sued him "for subpena bill". In March, 1784 these actions were "ordered abated on account of the death of Mr. Wheeler."

(Chanc. Rec. Bk. 12 & 14)

In Accounts, Book 51, Fol. 117, is an account of George Wheeler and Jane, his wife, of the estate of Michael Taney, of Calvert County, deceased, dated 4 May, 1764. No record of the estate settlement of George Wheeler could be found but apparently Edward Wheeler, his brother, was made administrator of his estate but became insolvent before settling the estate. See the record of Edward Wheeler, No. 5, on the next page.

4 Samuel Wheeler, son of Leonard of Francis, continued from page 48

On 8 July 1761 Christopher Lowndes and Basil Wheeler posted bond of 100 Lbs for the said Basil to be Admn. of the estate of Samuel Wheeler, late of P.G. Co., deceased. The witnesses were T.D. Jenkins and Thomas Belt. (Bonds, Box 14, Fol. 83)

VIII FRANCIS WHEELER, son of John Wheeler, continued.

4 Samuel Wheeler, continued from preceeding page

On 12 Dec. 1774 final account was made in Prince Georges County by Elizabeth Wheeler, Admx. of Samuel Wheeler, deceased, showing balance of 169-10-04. Payments were made to various persons leaving a net estate of 52-06-01. No heirs were mentioned. (Accts. Bk 71, Fol 365)

5 Edward Wheeler, son of Leonard of Francis, continued from page 48

The St. Johns Parish Register shows that Edward Wheeler was born 10 Oct. 1738. On 10 July 1760 an account dated 16 Aug 1759 was recorded in Charles County by Edward Wheeler, who had intermarried with Sarah Brooke, the widow and admx of Basil Brooke, deceased. (Accts. Bk 58, Fol. 210) As previously noted, on 2 Dec. 1764 Edward Wheeler bought from his brother, Clement Wheeler, a tract of land called Two Friends containing 132 acres. On 21 Jan 1767 Edward Wheeler sold this land to Thomas Campbell.

Edward was apparantly the unfortunate member of the family as his name does not appear in the records except for the brief references already cited. The following, from Chancery Court Papers No. 5459, gives us a good record of Edward;

"29 Dec. 1792 the petition of Edward Wheeler sheweth that whereas your petitioner is unable to pay his debts makes application for an Act of Insolvency and to be released from his present confinement. 2 Jan. 1793 Edward Wheeler states that he is insolvent and confined to the Gaol in Montgomery County. 15 Mar. 1793 ordered that Richard Ponsoby be appointed Trustee for the benefit of the creditors of Edward Wheeler. A schedule of the goods and chattles of Edward Wheeler;
 From Joseph Simms on account 9-7-6. From Elizabeth Wheeler 22-10-0
 Debts due Edward Wheeler as Admn of George Wheeler
 Due from Clement Wheeler, of P.G. County, on bond 46-2-6
 Due from Ignatius Wheeler " " " " " 12-13-2
 " " John H. Wheeler, of Mont " " " 22-13-9
 " " Elizabeth and Charity Wheeler " " 46-3-2
 " " Ann H. Wheeler on acct 23-15-11

The list of Edward Wheeler's creditors included 18 names. On 10 Dec. 1802 Samuel H. Wheeler posted bond for 400 Lbs for the benefit of the creditors of Edward Wheeler. It is evident that Edward Wheeler was appointed Admn. of the estate of his brother, George Wheeler and that he was unable to settle the estate. Clement, Ignatius, Elizabeth, Charity were his brothers and sisters. Samuel H. Wheeler, who posted bond in 1802, was his nephew. No further record of Edward Wheeler was found and no children identified.

VIII FRANCIS WHEELER, son of John Wheeler, continued.

6 John Wheeler, son of Leonard of Francis, continued from page 48

John Wheeler was mentioned in the will of his grandfather, John Hanson in 1744. His will, recorded in Dorchester County, was signed 4 Oct. 1768 and proved 8 Sept. 1770. (WB No. 38, Fol 83) He devised that his land, Wheelers Lot, Wetworth and Addition to Wetworth and "also one half interest on the schooner Vigilance, which I have in partnership with Henry Hooper, be sold at public auction and the proceeds be divided among my children, viz;

- (1) Wheeler, Anna Hooper m Hardin
- (2) Elizabeth
- (3) John Hanson
- (4) Samuel
- (5) Sarah
- (6) Henry Hooper

"I appoint my brother, George Wheeler, of Battle Creek on the Patuxant River my Exer."

George Wheeler, of Calvert County, filed an inventory on 13 Sept. 1770 which included 10 slaves. (Inv. 106, Fol. 96) He filed an account on 4 Apr. 1772 and on 27 Sept. 1773 he reported a list of accounts on John Wheelers books, including 67 names, which could not be collected. (Inv. 114, Fol. 177) An additional account was filed 28 Sept. 1773 showing payments made to various persons leaving a net estate of 161-10-2½. (Accrs 68, 308)

Elizabeth Hanson Wheeler signed her will in 1772 but as her son, John, had died in 1770 he was not mentioned in her will. She did mention her daughter, Elizabeth, who later married M. J. McDonough. Elizabeth McDonough died in 1807 and in her will mentioned "Ann Hooper Hardin, daughter of my brother, John Wheeler." No further trace of this family was found but the Arc. of Md., Vol. 18, P-42, shows that John Hanson Wheeler and Samuel Wheeler enlisted in the company of Capt. Edw. Burgess in the Lower District of Frederick County on 12 July 1776

7 Basil Wheeler, son of Leonard of Francis, continued from page 48

The will of John Hanson, in 1744, mentions Basil Wheeler and John Wheeler, sons of Leonard and Elizabeth Wheeler. No will or estate settlement was found for him in Maryland but the following deed shows he was there but no children were identified

"Ind. 6 June 1770 Basil Wheeler, of Annapolis, Maryland, sells to John Diggs his rights to a parcel of land, formerly in possession of Leonard Wheeler, which was in dispute between a certain John Diggs and said Leonard Wheeler, and said Leonard Wheeler passed his bond 13 Mar. 1727 to make over to said Diggs the said land, which lay on S.E. side of Portobacco Branch in Charles County, and which said Leonard Wheeler claimed as part of Greens Inheritance and now in possession of a certain Charles Green, cont. 129 acres. /S/ Bas. Wheeler." (no wife signed the deed) (DB O-3, Fol. 713)

VII FRANCIS WHEELER, son of John Wheeler, Continued.

8 Leonard Wheeler, son of Leonard of Francis, continued from page 48

The St. Johns Parish Register, P.G. County, shows Leonard Wheeler married Martha Warren 7 Dec. 1797. He was devised "one featherbed which lays upstairs" by his mother in 1782. He moved to Washington, D.C. and left the following will;

To my wife, Martha, seven negros and residue of my estate
 To my daughter, Ann Hurdal, furniture
 To my son, Leonard Truman Wheeler, my wearing apparal
 To my daughter, Jane Hilleary, one wild cherry desk that I left at Samuel Hansen Wheelers when I moved from there to discharge a debt she has against me from the estate of her aunt, Elizabeth McDonough
 Signed-25 Mar. 1817, Pro. 29 Aug. 1817. (WB No. 2, Fol. 63)

9 Charity Wheeler died single in 1789. She left a will and devised "to my sister, Elizabeth Wheeler, part of a tract called Majors Choice bequeathed to me by my deceased mother, Elizabeth Wheeler"

10 Elizabeth Wheeler married Morris James McDonough, in P.G. County, 4 Nov. 1789. Morris J. McDonough signed his will 28 Dec. 1803 which was proved 14 Feb. 1803. He left his lands to his wife during her life and then to be sold and the money used for the poor orphans of Charles County. His wife, Elizabeth, was to pay 5 Lbs yearly to the Pomfert Chapel (WB-Al 12, Fol. 168)

Elizabeth died in 1807 and devised "to Jean (sic) Wheeler, dau of my brother, Leonard Wheeler, \$800.00. To my brother, Clement Wheeler \$200. To Ann Hooper Hardin, dau of my brother, John Wheeler \$200.00. To Elizabeth Queen, wife of Henry Queen and dau of my sister, Eleanor Edelen two one third parts of Majors Choice bequeathed to me by my mother, Elizabeth Wheeler and my deceased sister, Charity Wheeler. To Jane Wheeler, dau of my brother, Leonard Wheeler, the residue of my estate." (WB-AL No. 12, Fol. 491)

11 Eleanor Wheeler was unmarried in 1782 when her mothers will was proved and she and her sister, Charity, waived all rights to executorship in favor of their sister, Elizabeth Wheeler. The will of Elizabeth (Wheeler) McDonough, in 1807, refers to Eliza. Queen, wife of Henry M. Queen and dau of my sister, Eleanor Edelin. We know Eleanor was married and left descendants but no further trace was made.

ii MARY WHEELER, daughter of Francis Wheeler, continued from page 47

The will of Francis Wheeler mentions Francis Noble, Joseph Noble and Mary Noble, children of Joseph Noble. The St. Johns Parish Register shows that Joseph Noble was born 17 Apr. 1689 and married Mary Wheeler 2 Dec. 1708. The date of births of their children are recorded in the St. Johns Parish Register and the will of Joseph Noble mentions wife, Mary and children John, William, Joseph, Francis, Elizabeth, Mary, Catherine and Salome. He also mentioned granddaughter, Mary Eleanor Hawkins. He devised "a tract called Littleworth lying in Piscataway Town and on which my dwelling house now stands". The witnesses were John Hawkins and Richard Tubman. (WB 27, Fol. 141) In March, 1750/51 Mary Noble filed an account and mentioned the same children except she mentioned Elizabeth Lockett, Salome Edelen and Mary Baynes which were the married names of her daughters. (Accts. 29, Fol. 222) The family was;

ii	Wheeler, Mary	1693-	living in 1750. Only 15 when married
	m 1708 Joseph Noble	1689-	1750
1	Noble, Sarah	1709	m William Hawkins
2	Elizabeth	1712	m _____ Lockett (Lockett)
3	Joseph	1715	m 1739 Martha Tarvin
4	Catherine	1721	
5	Salome	1724	m _____ Edelen
6	Mary	1727	m 1749 John Baynes
7	John	1732	
8	William F.	1735	
9	Francis	—	mentioned in father's will.

1 The St. Johns Parish Register shows Sarah Noble married William Hawkins but the date is illegible. Joseph Noble mentioned a grandchild, Mary Eleanor Hawkins, in his will and she was probably the child of Sarah and William Hawkins. No further trace was made.

3 The late Mrs. George W. Hodges spent many years in research in Maryland records and donated her index to marriages, containing several thousand names, to the Hall of Records in Annapolis, Md. She claimed she was a descendant of Joseph and Martha (Tarvin) Noble. The St. Johns Parish Register shows that Joseph and Mary had William Dent b 1740, Elizabeth b 1744, Clement b 1749 and Richard b 1751.

iii CHARITY WHEELER, daughter of Francis Wheeler, continued from page 47

Francis Wheeler did not mention any children of George Noble in his will but the St. Johns Parish Register shows George Noble married Charity Wheeler and the following is a list of the names of the children;

iii	Wheeler, Charity	1699-	
	m George Noble		
1	Noble, Elizabeth	1722-1735	died young, 9-17-1735
2	Anne	1726-	
3	Thomas	1727	
4	George	1729	m Elizabeth
5	John	17__	-died 10-26-1735

VIII FRANCIS WHEELER, son of John Wheeler, continued.

iii Charity Wheeler, daughter of Francis Wheeler, continued from page 59

No further trace of this family was found as no will for George Noble was located. The Parish Register of St. Johns Parish shows that Charity Fendall Noble, dau of George and Elizabeth, was b 3-1-1752. Presumably this was a dau of George Noble Jr., who was named for her grandmother. In March, 1753 Ignatius Wheeler bough from Edward Edelin a parcel of land "Adj. a tract now in possession of Thomas Noble and George Noble called the six Hundred Acres" DB-N.N., Fol. 108) It is also noted that George Noble was indebted to the estate of Ignatius Wheeler in 1774. No further trace

iv Francis Wheeler, son of Francis Wheeler, continued from page 47.

The St. Johns Parish Register shows "Francis Wheeler, son of Francis and Winnifred, was born 1-25-1701". Certificate of a stray horse was issued to Francis Wheeler 25 Mar. 1752. On 17 Dec. 1763 "Francis Wheeler sells to Elizabeth Wheeler tract called Majors Choice, 16 acres." Right of dower was signed by Elizabeth Wheeler, wife of Francis." Witnessed by Christopher Lowndes and Jos. Beall. (DB-TT, Fol. 132) No record of the death of Francis Wheeler was found but his name does not appear on the census of St. Johns and P.G. Parishes for 1776. The St. Johns Parish Register shows that "Samuel Wheeler, son of Francis and Elizabeth, was b 4-9-1742." The only Saamuel Wheelers found in Maryland at this time were Samuel, son of Leonard, who died in 1761 and his nephew, Samuel Wheeler, who was mentioned in the will of his father, John Wheeler, in Dorchester County in 1768. In will book AI No. 10, Fol. 94, in Charles County, Samuel Wheeler and Elizabeth, his wife, were appointed administrators for the estate of Eleakin Covert, of Charles County, in June 1789. In the same book, page 145, John Garner, Joseph Wheeler and Benjamin Wheeler were made bondsmen. An interesting lease is recorded in P.G. County in DB-JR M 6, Fol. 41, viz;

"7 Nov. 1792 Thomas Richardson, of P.G. County, leases to Samuel Wheeler and Elizabeth his wife, 100 acfes in Yohogany County, Virfinia at an end of a corner of 400 acres belonging to said Richardson, lying on the waters of Cross Creek for and during the natural lives of Samuel and Elizabeth Wheeler, who agree to pay the taxes on the afsd 400 acres and other charges." (Note-Yohogany County, Va. was abolished and part of it fell in Va. and part in Penna. I do not know the names of the later counties but this is a good starting point for descendants of Samuel Wheeler)

vi William Wheeler, son of Francis Wheeler, Continued from page 47

Francis Wheeler mentioned his son, William, first in his will but specified that if William died without issue his inheritance was to pass to other heirs. No heirs of William Wheeler could be found and his land devised to hks nephews as specified with his father's will. One William Wheeler was Exer. for the estate of Thomas Mitchell in 1740 and as no other William Wheeler fits this date this was apparantly William, son of Francis.

VIII FRANCIS WHEELER, son of John Wheeler, continued.

vii Clement Wheeler, son of Francis, continued from page 47

The records on this Clement Wheeler are confusing as he had a nephew of the same name, both lived in Prince Georges County, both attended the St. Johns Church and both had wives named Elizabeth. The St. Johns Parish Register shows Clement Wheeler, son of Francis and Winnifred was born 5 June 1706 and also shows he married Elizabeth Edelin 5 Feb. 1732/33, when he was 27 years old. The register also shows the births of his children. Clement died intestate in 1750 and his wife, Elizabeth, filed an account of his estate in March 1750 showing balance of 154-10-06. Payments were listed to John Lawrence, Charles Rudd and Mary Noble, the latter probably his sister, John Baybes and Daniel Dulaney. The sureties were Christopher Edelin and John Edelin. The children mentioned were Catherine, Clement, Henry and Susannah. (Accts. 29, Fol. 221) An inventory was filed in Nov. 1750 showing Leonard Wheeler and Francis Wheeler as nearest of kindred. (Inv. DD2, 140) Final account was made 9 Mar. 1750/51 by Elizabeth Wheeler showing payments to John Baynes (his brother in law), Dan Dulaney and Peter Dent. The children mentioned were Catherine Wheeler, Henry Wheeler, Clement Wheeler and Susaner Wheelers. Thus we can get the family as follows;

vii	Wheeler, Clement	1706-1750	
	m 1733 Elizabeth Edelin	1708	age 68 in 1776 census
1	Wheeler, Catherine	1734-1817	m 1767 Charles Landsdale
2	Susannah	1736	mentioned in estate sett. in 1750
3	Clement	1738-1768	m 1759 Jane Stonesstreet
4	Henry	cl740-	

1 The Parish Register of St. Johns Parish, P.G. County, shows Catherine Wheeler, dau of Clement and Elizabeth was b 25 July 1734 and married Charles Landsdale 19 Apr. 1767. In the census of 1776 Charles Landsdale was living in P.G. County and on 26 Nov. 1766 he bought from Clement Wheeler, Jr., a parcel of land called Middletons Lott. (DB-TT3, Fol. 653)

On 28 Nov. 1791 Charles Landsdale, of Montgomery County, Md., sold to Thomas Claggett, of P.G. Co., a tract called Middletons Lot. Right of Dower was signed by Catherine, his wife. (DB-JJ-2, Fol. 458) No will or inventory for Charles Landsdale was located by Catherine Landsdale, of Montgomery County, left the following will;

"To my granddaughter, Eleanor Busey, the bond which I have of my son in law, Adam Roberts. I appoint my grandson John N. Robb my Exex."
/S/ 19 Apr. 1816, Pro 10 Dec. 1807. (QWB- K, Fol 237)

The family was Catherine Landsdale b 1769, Elizabeth Ann, 1769 (twins) Henry Landsdale m 1790 Anita Wilson, Susannah b 1776 and Charles Gales Landsdale b 1778. No further trace was made.

VIII FRANCIS WHEELER, son of John Wheeler, continued.

3 Clement Wheeler, son of Clement of Francis, continued from page 61

This Clement Wheeler died at 31 years of age and not much information is recorded about him. The St. Johns Parish Register shows he was b 13 Mar. 1737/38 and married Jane Stonestreet a5 Feb. 25, 1759. On 26 Feb. 1763 "Elizabeth Wheeler, widow, and her son, Clement Wheeler, grant and confirm to John Reeves tract called Middletons Lot, in P.G. Vo., near Piscataway Branch, cont 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres." 30 Dec. 1762. Signed by Elizabeth Wheeler, Clement Wheeler and John Reeves. Wit. Henry Hardin and Henry Wheeler." (DB- RR, Fol 291)

On 12 Dec. 1766 Clement Wheeler, Jr. sold to Charles Landsdale 96 acres of a tract called Middletons Lott "formerly in Charles County but now in Prince Georges County. "Right of dower signed by Jane, wife of Clement. (DB-tt, Fol. 653) Charles Landsdale was a brother in law of Clement Wheeler. The census of 1776 shows that Clement's mother, Elizabeth (Edelia) Wheeler, was living with her daughter, Catherine Landsdale, in St. Johns Parish. No children of Clement and Jane could be identified so no further trace was made

4 Henry Wheeler, son of Clement of Francis. This Henry Wheeler was mentioned as a son of Clement Wheeler in the estate settlement in 1750. His birth is not recorded in the St. Johns Parish Register with his brothers and sisters. In 1763 he witnessed a deed signed by his mother, Elizabeth, and his brother, Clement. According to the birthdates of his brothers and sisters he should have been born about 1740. In Oct. 1768 he was one of the appraisers of the inventory of Clement Wheeler, his brother (Inv. 98, 44) The index to marriage records of Frederick County, Md. shows that "Henry Wheeler married Rebecca Hardy 12 Oct 1784

On 11 Oct. 1803 Samuel Hardy, of Mason County, Ky., and Henry Wheeler and Rebecca, his wife, Morris Reed and Elizabeth, his wife, of Montgomery County, Md., heirs of Samuel Hardy, deceased, sell to Jesse Phillips all their rights and title to the property of Samuel Hardy, deceased, in parcel of land called Hard To Get. (DB- L, Fol. 134) No further trace was found and proof is needed to show that the Henry Wheeler, in Frederick Co. in 1784 was the same person of the Henry Wheeler who was a son of Clement and Elizabeth Wheeler, in Prince Georges County in 1763.

VIII FRANCIS WHEELER, son of John Wheeler, continued.

viii Ignatius Wheeler, son of Francis, continued from page 47

In 1731 Francis Wheeler deeded to his sons, Clement and Ignatius, 200 acres of Wheelers Design. In 1733 Clement and Ignatius had this tract resurveyed increasing the acreage to 382 and called it Two Friends. (Surv. Cert. 483) In 1753 Edward Edelin sold to Ignatius Wheeler a tract called Calvert, alias Elizabeths Manor, adj Thomas Noble and George Noble. (DB-NN, Fol. 108) In 1758 Ignatius purchased from William Hicks "his three fourths of 70 acres of Piscataway Manor." (DB-PP, Fol. 170) In Dec. 1768 Ignatius deeded to his son, Hezekiah Wheeler "all that tract on Okomick Branch, in P.G. County, called Piscataway Manor, cont. 150 acres." (DB-BB 2, Fol. 344)

The inventory of Ignatius Wheeler, dated 4 Jan 1771, was signed by Ignatius Wheeler Jr., and George Noble, relatives, and was filed 28 Mar. 1771 by Hezekiah Wheeler, Adms. (Inv. 106, Fol 165) Final account was made 23 Mar. 1774 with balance of 647-02-05. Brumbaugh's Maryland Records show that Hezekiah Wheeler was a Captain of select militia from Prince Georges County in 1781. Apparantly Hezekiah Wheeler never married as the following will is recorded in Book T, Fol. 639, P.G. County.

To my nephew Hezekiah Wheeler, son of George Wheeler 2/3 of my estate
To my brother, Ignatius Wheeler, Jr., 1/3 if my estate
Signed 7 Apr 1807, proved 24 Apr. 1807

This gives the names of the children of Ignatius Wheeler. The census of St. Johns Parish for 1776 shows Hezekiah Wheeler as 37 years of age, with no wife or children but with 14 slaves. On 4 Apr. 1807 James Hawkins and William Marshall appraised the inventory of Hezekiah Wheeler at \$2,348, including 25 slaves. The inventory was sworn to by Hezekiah Wheeler, Exer. of Hezekiah Wheeler. (Inv. TT 1, Fol. 231) On 18 Feb. 1808 a list of sales of the property of Capt. Hezekiah Wheeler, deceased, shows among the purchasers Hezekiah Wheeler, Ignatius Wheeler, Ebsworth Bayne, Hector Bayne and William Bayne. (Inv. TT-1, Fol. 259) On page 26 we have the record of Ebsworth Bayne having married Kendrick Wheeler, dau of Richard Wheeler, before 4/1734. The three Baynes who bought some of the property of Hezekiah Wheeler in 1808 were probably sons of Ebsworth and Kendrick(Wheeler) Bayne. Hezekiah bought most of his uncle's property and in March, 1813 one Hezekiah Wheeler released 32 slaves, ages 1 to 42. This was the last record found on Hezekiah Wheeler and it is possible that he moved from Maryland.

No further record was found that would identify the above named Ignatius Wheeler but the P.G. County records show one Ignatius Wheeler m Rachel Newton 1-28-1794. The Semmes MS show that Rachel Wheeler signed her will, in Fairfax County, Va., 3 Nov. 1798, which was proved 5 Apr. 1803. She will to her husband, Ignatius Wheeler, 13 slaves who were to be set free at his death. No children were mentioned

END OF FRANCIS WHEELER

CHAPTER VI

III BENJAMIN WHEELER, son of Thomas of John, continued from page 23

Benjamin Wheeler, ca 1685-1741, is an unusual personality in our record. He left many descendants and some of them were closely involved in the history of Maryland and other states. He was b in Charles County but for the first thirty years of his life his name does not appear on any land records. He lived in Prince Georges County up until 1715 or 1716 when he moved to Baltimore County and started accumulating land. His cattlemark was recorded by his father in 1686. The births of four of his children are recorded in the Piscataway Parish as Jane b 4-13-1705, Thomas b 5-19-1708, Mary b 11-5-1710 and Benjamin b 10-4-1712

In the P.G. County Court Records for March 1711, page 62 Benjamin Wheeler was authorized 30 Lbs of tobacco per day for 13 days attendance as a witness "in behalf of John Talbot vs Thomas Fletchell." The Provincial Court Judgments show that he was sued by Joseph Alvey in April, July and Oct. 1710. April and October 1711 and April 1712. Joseph Alvey was married to Margaret Green, whose sister, Winnifred Green, married Francis Wheeler, an uncle of Benjamin Wheeler. The next record found was in 1713 when he made the following deposition;

"Benjamin Wheeler did declare the reason was that the said Hutchinson and Contee had words and the said Hutchinson did say he had run it (the line) so often he knew it to be so many perches xx andd the sd Mr. Contee was contented. The said deponent carried it also to a bounded ash standing in a branch by a Run side and told us it was the third bounded tree of the said tract of land in dispute and said it was mighty by grown. (sic) Mr. Luke Gardiner being present. Recorded 17 May, 1713"

This deposition was in connection with a dispute over the boundaries of Warburton Manor. See page 45 for a description of this land. On 24 Jan. 1714 Benjamin Wheeler, of Prince Georges County, bought from Simon Pearson, of Baltimore County, a tract called Pearsons Range. This deed was witnessed by Isaac Butterworth, whose son was to marry Benjamin Wheelers daughter, and by Robert Clark. (DB-TR-A, Fol. 331)

In a deed from Benjamin Wheeler to Robert Clark, in Nov. 1716, Benjamin is referred to as "of Prince Georges County" but the Land Patent Books show Benjamin Wheeler patented 1,000 acres in Baltimore Co., in 1716, called Wheelers and Clarks Contrivance, so he moved from P.G. County to Baltimore County about 1716. In addition to this he patented Three Sisters, 100 acres in 1717, Taylors Neglect, Benjamins Beginning and Maydens Meadows in 1723, St. Omars in 1738 and Green Springs in 1739. The St. Georges... Church Records, in Harford County, show Benjamin Wheeler and Elizabeth Wheeler had Leonard b 9-18-1722, Ann b 4-30-1725 and that Benjamin Wheeler died 10-12-1742. He had two other children whose births were not recorded in the church records. Anne Lowe, of P.G. Co. made a will which was proved 23 May 1718. She devised to sister, Jane, wife of John Bowles and to Sisters Susannah M. Diggs, Elizabeth and Mary. This will was witnessed by Luke Gardiner, Benj. Wheeler and Eliza Wheeler.

iii BENJAMIN WHEELER, SON OF THOMAS OF JOHN CONTINUED.

The will of Anne Lowe, cited above, would indicate that Benjamin Wheeler and his wife, Elizabeth, returned to Prince Georges County in 1718 and gives a slight clue that Elizabeth, mentioned in the will was Elizabeth Wheeler but proof is not certain. On 19 May 1730 Benjamin Wheeler sued Edward Tulley in the Provincial Court at Annapolis, Md. for 75 Lbs Sterling. Mr. Tulley was unable to pay and the court required bond insuring payment as ordered. Mr. Charles Carroll, Esq., was present in Ct. and posted bond for Mr. Tulley. On the same day Benjamin Wheeler entered his case vs Michael Taylor, of P.G. County, for 70 Lbs Sterling. Mr. Taylor was also unable to pay as ordered and could not get anyone to sign his bond so he was turned over to the custody of the sheriff of P. G. County. (Book RB-2, Fol 596-597) The case of Edward Tulley came up again in Oct. 1732 when Benjamin Wheeler claimed he was unable to collect. Mr. Tulley failed to appear and the court directed the sheriff to arrest him. In Oct. 1733 Benjamin was back in Annapolis seeking execution on a judgment vs Michael Taylor and the court ordered the sheriff to collect. On 15 Sept. 1741 Benjamin Wheeler recorded deeds to his children as follows;

"To son,	Thomas Wheeler,	tract called	Thomases Beginning
To #	Benjamin	" " "	Three Sisters
To "	Ignatius	" " "	Whealers & Clarks Contrivance
To "	Leonard	" " "	" " "
To dau	Mary	" " "	Three Sisters
To dau	Elizabeth Thomas,	wife of David Thomas,	Three Sisters
To "	Charity Colgate,	" " Benjamin Colgate,	St. Omars
To 2"	Ann Wheeler,	tract called	Benjamins Camp
To "	Jane Butterworth,	wife of Isaac Butterworth	

Benjamin Wheeler made his will 16 Sept. 1741, the day after he made the deeds to his children. It is recorded in WB No 22, Fol. 436 and records the names of his children in the following order; Thomas, Benjamin, Ignatius and Leonard Wheeler, Jane Butterworth, Elizabeth Thomas, Mary Wheeler, Charity Colgate and Anna Wheeler. He named his wife, Elizabeth, sole Exex. From his will and other documents we can get the following family;

iii	Wheeler, Benjamin	ca 1685-1741	
	m Elizabeth	16__-1742	
1	Wheeler, Jane	1705 c 1770	m 1728 Isaac Butterworth
2	Thomas	1708-1770	m twice, see later
3	Mary	1710-1789	m 1743 William Few.
4	Benjamin	1712-1769	m twice see later
5	Ignatius	c 1714-1786	m Elizabeth Rosier, see Chapter'
6	Leonard	1722-1747	m 1742 Ann Bond
7	Charity	17__-1763	m 1739 Benjamin Colgate d 1762
8	Elizabeth	17__-1777	m twice. More later
9	Ann	1725-	m 1741 James Scott

iii BENJAMIN WHEELER, son of Thomas of John, continued.

1 Jane Wheeler, daughter of Benjamin, continued from page 65

In 1960 the compiler published a history of the Butterworth family of Maryland and Virginia tracing down many descendants of Jane (Wheeler) Butterworth. In 1728 one Isaac Butterworth died in Baltimore County and devised to son, Isaac, daughters Hester, Mary, Hannah and Frances. In his will he appointed "my brother in law, Robert Clark as overseer of my estate". Isaac, Jr. the only son of Isaac Butterworth married Jane Wheeler in 1728. Robert Clark, brother in law of Isaac Butterworth, Sr., was the one who, with Benjamin Wheeler, patented Wheelers and Clarks Contrivance which remained in the Wheeler family for several generations. The St. Georges P.E. Church records show Isaac Butterworth, Jr., m Jane Wheeler on 10 Dec. 1728. The births of their children are recorded there. Isaac, Jr., d in 1747 and willed to wife, Jane "200 acres called John and Isaacs Lott and 20 acres called Uncles Goodwill to be laid out at the discretionn of Thomas and Leonard Wheeler and after her death to fall to my son, Benjamin Butterworth" Leonard Wheeler died in 1747 but Thomas Wheeler laid out the land as requested in 1756. The following is the family

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| 1 | Wheeler, Jane | ,1705-1770 | m 1728 Isaac Butterworth and |
| | | | m (2) Lawrence Clark |
| (1) | Butterworth, Mary | 1729- | |
| (2) | | Elizabeth 1731- | m Aquilla Gilbert |
| (3) | | Isaac 1734-1766 | m Avarilla |
| (4) | | Benjamin 1736-1801 | m (1) Elizabeth Clement |
| | | | m (2) 1779 Sarah Hoskins |
| (5) | | Charity 1739- | |
| (6) | | Jane 1742-1742 | died as an infant |

Isaac Butterworth, son of Isaac and Jane, moved from Baltimore County before 1758 as his name appears in the Bedford County militia in July and August 1758. He died in 1766 and left one son, Benjamin, and three daughters. Benjamin, the only son of Isaac and Avarilla Butterworth, moved from Bedford County, Va. to Ohio in 1812 and left an interesting history. Benjamin Butterworth, the other son of Isaac and Jane, moved from Baltimore County to Bedford County, Va. about 1766. He m first Elizabeth Clement, dau of Benjamin Clement of Pittsylvania County, Va., who was a partner of Charles Lynch in making gunpowder during the Rev. War. Benjamin was a Lt. of militia of Bedford County 1779-1782.

In 1770 Benjamin Butterworth, of Bedford County, Va., sold to Henry Green, of Baltimore County, Md. tracts called John and Isaacs Lot and Uncles Goodwill "as has already been laid out by Thomas Wheeler Agreeable to the last will and testament of Isaac Butterworth, deceased, father of the said Benjamin Butterworth". Right of dower was signed by Elizabeth Butterworth, wife of Benjamin.

III BENJAMIN WHEELER, CONTINUED.

1 Jane Wheeler, daughter of Benjamin, continued.

Henry Green, who bought the tract called John and Isaacs Lott from Benjamin Butterworth, was the husband of Elizabeth Wheeler, aunt of Benjamin. After Isaac Butterworth died in 1747 his widow, Jane, married Lawrence Clark. Evidently Jane died before 1770 as Benjamin Butterworth, a contingent heir, sold this land in 1770 in which his mother, Jane Butterworth, had a life estate.

(3)	Butterworth, Isaac	1734-1766	to Virginia ca 1758
	m Avarilla Gilbert	-1826	who m 2nd Isaac Reynolds
A	Butterworth, Benjamin	1766-1833	m Rachel Moorman, to Ohio in 1812
B	Martha	-1837	m Isaiah Harris, to Ohio 1816
C	Polly		m John Hayes, to No. or S.C.
D	Jane		m 1782 William Harris, 9 children

(4)	Butterworth, Benjamin	1736-1801	To Va. ca 1766
	m 1st Elizabeth Clement	-1777	dau of Benjamin Clement
A	Butterworth, Isaac	1768-185	m 1792 Elizabeth Walker
B	Stephen	1769-185	m 1799 Rachel Clement, to S.C.
C	Jamie		m 1789 John Clement
D	Susannah		m Lewis Nolan
	m 2nd 1799 Sarah Hoskins		in Baltimore City, Md.
E	Butterworth, Joseph	1781-1849	m 1804 Doshia Talley
F	Jesse	1792-186	m 1815 Sally
G	John	1794-1877	m 1818 Lucy Talley
H	Benjamin	1795-	m Elizabeth
I	William		m 1818 Nancy Cartwright
J	Isham	c1800-1871	m Betsy Ross
K	Moses		
L	Betsy		

Sarah, the widow of Benjamin Butterworth, and all of her children moved from Va. to Tennessee about 1818 and many of her descendants still live in that state. Isham Butterworth removed to Alabama and thence to La. where several of his descendants still live. Two of his sons were killed in the battle of Manassas in 1861. For more information on these families see The Butterworth Family of Maryland and Virginia by the compiler, published in 1960. This record is available in several state libraries and the Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

III BENJAMIN WHEELER, son of Thomas of John, Continued.

2 Thomas Wheeler, son of Benjamin, continued from page 65

Thomas Wheeler left us a nice record. He had all of his children baptized in St. Johns Parish, Harford County, Md. and left a will, in 1770. The children by his first wife, Sarah, were; Elizabeth b 12-8-1729, Benjamin b 18-10-1731, Thomas b 2-2-1735, Martha b 5-12-1737, Mary b 5-31-1739, Hannah b 2-16-1741. By his second wife, Elizabeth, he had Josias b 9-13-1751, Elizabeth b 2-6-1754 and Susannah b 1-19-1757.

On 12 Sept. 1743 John Giles and Sarah, his wife, sold to Thomas Wheeler a tract called Roses Green, in Baltimore County, originally on 7 May 1717 was, by his Lordships Letters of Patent, granted unto Isaac Butterworth, deceased for 130 acres, lying on the fork and South side of Deer Creek". (TB-No. C. Fol 320) Sarah Giles was a daughter of Isaac Butterworth, Sr., and her brother, Isaac Butterworth, Jr., married Jane Wheeler, a sister of Thomas Wheeler who bought this land. The original will of Thomas Wheeler is in Box 13, Folder 56 in the Hall of Records, Annapolis, Md. It was signed 29 Nov. 1769 and proved 30 Jan. 1770. The will devised as follows;

To wife, Elizabeth my dwelling plantation with 50 acres adjoining and 1/2 of a tract called Roses Green.

To my eldest son, Benjamin, a tract called Roughboro

To my son, Thomas Wheeler, land on Little Marsh Branch

To my son, Josias Wheeler, all the residue of my lands

To my daughter, Charity Jenkins, one black horse

To my daughters, Elizabeth Wheeler and Susannah Wheeler, negros

To my grandson, Thomas Wheeler, son of my son, Benjamin Wheeler

Further my will is that the several deeds of conveyance, which my father, Benjamin Wheeler, hath executed in his lifetime, stand good according to the intent and meaning of the several deeds

The balance of my estate to be divided among my children, viz;

dau Sarah Green, dau Mary Clements, the heirs of my dau Martha Hillen,

dau Hannah Cooper, dau Charity Jenkins and daughters Elizabeth Wheeler

and Susannah Wheeler. Wife, Elizabeth and sons Benjamin and Thomas

Exers. Wit. David Clark, Benjamin Green, Elizabeth Green

An account of Thomas Wheeler was recorded 8 Sept. 1771 by Benj. Wheeler and Elizabeth Wheeler, showing balance of 896-06-01 including payments made to Ralph Pyle, Ignatius Wheeler and Henry Thomas (Bk. 66, 45)

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| 2 | Wheeler, Thomas | 1708-1770, m (1) Sarah Scott who d before 1748 | |
| (1) | Elizabeth | 1729- | Probably d young, see Elizabeth below. |
| (2) | Benjamin | 1731-1802 m (1) Mary Neal, m (2) Elizabeth Green | |
| (3) | Sarah | 1733- | m Edward Green, of Charles County |
| (4) | Thomas | 1735-cl788 | died unmarried |
| (5) | Martha | 1737 d before 11/1769 m Soloman Hillen | 1784 |
| (6) | Mary | 1739-1806 m John Clement of Charles County who d/ | |
| (7) | Hannah | 1741- | m John Cooper, of Penna |
| (8) | Charity Ann | 1744-1820 m Michael Jenkins, 1736-1802 | |
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iii BENJAMIN WHEELER, son of Thomas of John, continued.

2 Thomas Wheeler, continued from preceeding page

2	Wheeler, Thomas	1708-1770	m (2nd) Elizabeth (Raven) Hillen
(9)	Josias	1751-1791	m Martha Price (Semmes MS)
(10)	Elizabeth	1754-	m Abraham Whittiker
(11)	Susannah	1757-	m Robert Harris, Capt. in Rev. War.

(2) Benjamin Wheeler, son of Thomas, from page 68

"Whereas Thomas Wheeler, late of Balt. County, deceased, father of the said Benjamin Wheeler, did devise to Thomas Wheeler, brother of the said Benjamin, and the said Thomas died without issue and the lands became the property of the said Benjamin as heir in law of his brother Thomas. For 500 Lbs Benjamin Wheeler sells to Thomas Wheeler, etc, /S/ 17 Aug. 1792" (DB-JG-L, Fol. 147)

"27 June, 1803 Benjamin Wheeler, late of Harford County, died intestate leaving Wheelers Addition, Green Springs, Clarks Park, Mr. Pleasant, St. Omars, Wheelers Beginning, Roughboro, Thomases Beginning etc. These lands descended to Mary Boarman, Elizabeth Green, Thomas Wheeler, Sarah Lilly, Ann Thomas, Benjamin Wheeler, Josias Wheeler, Michael Wheeler, Frances Wheeler and Charity Tracy Wheeler, children of the said Benjamin Wheeler. The said Michael, Charity and Frances are infants under the age of 21, etc. At the Aug. 1802 term appeared Elizabeth Dunnigan, Joseph Lilly and Sarah, his wife, Giles Thomas and Ann, his wife, Benjamin Wheeler, Josias E. Wheeler, Robert Boarman and Mary, his wife, also Michael Wheeler, Frances Holland Wheeler and Charity Teresa Wheeler by Benjamin Green, their guardian etc, at which court a commission was appointed etc." DB No R. Fol 292. The family of Benjamin Wheeler was;

(2)	Wheeler, Benjamin	1731-1802	m (1) Mary Neal
A	Wheeler, Mary		m Robert Boarman
B	Elizabeth		m Dunnigan ?
C	Thomas	- d c 1807	
D	Sarah		m Joseph Lilly
E	Ann		m Giles Thomas
F	Benjamin		
G	Josias E.	d 1804	
	Benjamin Wheeler	m (2nd) Elizabeth Green, dau of Benjamin Green	
H	Wheeler, Michael	1798-	
I	Frances H.	1799-1888	m 1820 Felix Jenkins
J	Charity Teresa	d 1803, under 21 in 1802	

Inventories 1800-1804, folio 306 shows inventory of Benjamin Wheeler, filed 18 Mar. 1802 with value of \$6,239.22. It was signed by Bennett Busey and P.H. Lee and next of kin was Thomas Wheeler, Benjamin Wheeler and Josias Wheeler. David Clark was Admn. Bennett Busey was the husband of Ann Green, first cousin of Benjamin Wheeler.

iii BENJAMIN WHEELER, son of Thomas of John, continued.

2 Thomas Wheeler, son of Benjamin, continued

C On 1 July, 1788 Benjamin Wheeler deeded to his son, Thomas Wheeler "all the lands on the South side of Deer Creek, formerly the property of Thomas Wheeler, the Elder, deceased, and given by him to his deceased son, Thomas Wheeler, by his last will & testament". (JLG-K, Fol. 98)

Admn. Accounts, Harford County, shows Thomas Wheeler and David Clark were Admns. of Benjamin Wheeler, Sr., in Dec. 1803. An account was filed in Aug. 1805 and 10 June 1806. Admn Acct. Bk. 1808-1818 shows;

"First account of Ann Maria Wheeler and Benjamin Quinlin of the estate of Thomas Wheeler, of Harford County, 1 May 1809, with payment for taxes for the year 1807. Paid to John O'Donnell for deceased's coffin and for coffin of deceased's widow". Additional accounts were filed in 1810, 1811 and 1812 the later by "Ann Marie Quinlan, formerly Wheeler, and Benjamin Quinlin"

Mrs. Walter A. Bloedorn (Ella May) prepared an elaborate chart of her Wheeler ancestors and this chart is in the Library of Congress. She claimed that this Thomas Wheeler married Mary Goforth and had seven children. I could not reconcile this with the fact he married Mary Goforth on 27 Nov. 1799 and died in 1809. This was hardly time for seven children unless there were some twins.

G Josias E. Wheeler, son of Benjamin of Thomas, apparantly died unmarried as the following will indicates he had no family;

"My negro woman, Susanna, to be set free. My negro, Jarrett, to go to my little brother, Michael Wheeler. My negro girl, Lucy, to go to my little sister, Frances H. Wheeler. Negros to be delivered by my friend and Exex. Benjamin Green, but should Michael or Frances died the negros are to go to Benjamin Green. /S/ 7 Jan. 1814, Pro. 14 Mar. 1804" (AJ-C, Fol. 109)

H In Chancery Court, 22 Mar. 1822, Michael Wheeler brought suit vs Benjamin Green, of Harford County, stating Benjamin Green, guardian to Michael Wheeler, was on 3 March 1815 seized of tracts of land etc and that When Michael Wheeler came of full age in 1819 he instituted suit on hus guardian bond and secured a judgment of \$12,000.00. (Bk. 121, Fol. 689)

Michael Wheeler's name was not found in the 1820 or later census records of Harford County so no further trace was made.

iii BENJAMIN WHEELER, son of Thomas of John, continued.

2 Thomas Wheeler, son of Benjamin, continued.

I MacKenzie's Colonial Families of America, Vol. 5, page 335, shows that Frances Helen Wheeler m Felix Jenkins, of P.G. County, and had the following family;

I	Wheeler, Francis Helen	1799-1888	
	m 1820 Felix Jenkins,	1786-1839,	his second wife
a	Jenkins, Frances Helen		a nun in Washington, D.C.
b	Emily		" " " " " "
c	Albert		m Katherine Ingraham
d	Felix	1825-1909	m 1861 Ann Spaulding
e	Michael		d unmarried

d Felix Jenkins, 1825-1909; m Ann Spaulding, 1833-1904, who was a dau of William S. and Valinda (Lilly) Jenkins. William S. Jenkins was a son of Edward Jenkins whose father, Michael Jenkins m Charity Ann Wheeler, dau of Thomas Wheeler. Felix Jenkins m a distant cousin and their children descended from Thomas and Sarah (Scott) Wheeler through both their father and mother. Felix and Ann (Spaulding) Jenkins had;

1	Jenkins, Felix	m Regina Randolph
2	Lilly	d young
3	Frances Helen	m 1900 J. Albert Hughes
4	Mary Emily	m (2) Thomas W. Offutt

Thomas Worthington Offutt had a son, Benjamin Wheeler Offutt who was a member of the Society of Colonial Wars.

iii BENJAMIN WHEELER, son of Thomas of John, continued.

2 Thomas Wheeler, son of Benjamin Continued.

(3) Sarah Wheeler, daughter of Thomas Wheeler, continued from page 68

The Semmes MS show that Sarah Wheeler m Edward Green, of Charles County. The Maryland Semmes & Kindred Families, by Newman, gives the children of Edward Green, who d in Charles County in 1789 as follows;

A	Green, Elizabeth.
B	Sarah.
C	Wilfred,
D	Lewis.
E	Susannah.
F	Mathias
G	Josias.
H	Edward.
I	Thomas.
J	John
K	Mary

The duplication of several names of the children of Sarah Wheeler with those of the children of Thomas Wheeler would indicate that Sarah was the daughter of Thomas. Another indication is that John Clement was one of the bondsmen in the settlement of the estate of Edward Green and one John Clement m Mary Wheeler, dau of Thomas, and also moved to Charles County.

(4) Thomas Wheeler, son of Thomas Wheeler, continued from page 68

In a deed recorded in Harford County, Liber JLG-K, Fol. 98 is a deed from Benjamin Wheeler to his son, Thomas Wheeler, dated 1 July 1788 and refers to "Thomas Wheeler, deceased son of Thomas Wheeler" It is clear that this Thomas Wheeler died without issue.

(5) Martha Wheeler, dau of Thomas Wheeler, continued from page 68

The deed book of Baltimore County shows that on 26 Jan. 1760 Mary Griffith, Luke Griffith, Thomas Wheeler and Solomon Hillen, of Balt. County, sell to Charles Ridgely 239 acres etc. The will of Thomas Wheeler, 29 Nov. 1769, devised to "the heirs of my daughter, Martha Hillen" This proves that Martha had died before the will was signed and apparently left children but no further trace was made.

iii BENJAMIN WHEELER, son of Thomas of John, continued.

2 Thomas Wheeler, son of Benjamin, continued.

(6) Mary Wheeler, daughter of Thomas of Benjamin, continued from page 68

The records found on Mary Wheeler are complicated and are cited here for further study. The Semmes MS state that Mary Wheeler, daughter, of Thomas Wheeler, married John Clement of Charles County, Md. The Charles County Wills and Ct. Proceedings, book No. 1, folio 83 gives the following;

"28 August 1784 Letters of Administration on the estate of John Clements, of Jacob, issued to John Stone and his bond with Jonas Smoot and Luke Wheeler in the sum of 200 Lbs"

On page 36 we have a record of a marriage agreement between William Wheeler, son of Luke, and Mary Clements signed 18 Nov. 1793 and witnessed by John Clements and Elender Clements. It is clear that this was a second marriage for William Wheeler as he had married sons. The circumstantial evidence is strong that Mary (Wheeler) Clements married, as her second husband, her distant cousin, William Wheeler in Charles County. See pages 36-37 for additional information.

(8) Charity Ann Wheeler, daughter of Thomas of Benjamin, cont'd from page 68. The History of Baltimore, Vol III, published in 1912 gives the following;

(8) Wheeler, Charity Ann 1744-1820			
m 1761 Michael Jenkins 1736-1802			
A	Jenkins, Sarah	1763-	m Anthony Hearne
B	Thomas C.	1765-	m Elizabeth Gould
C	William	1765-	m (1) Ann Hillen (2) Ellen Wilcox
D	Mary	1769-	m Charles Kennedy
E	Ann	1772-	m Charles Hopkins
* F	Edward	1774-1833	m 1803 Ann Spaulding
G	Ignatius	1776-	
H	Michael	1778-	m Mary Ann Worthington
I	Josias	1783-	m Elizabeth Ann Worthington
J	Elizabeth	1784-	m John Welsh
* F	Jenkins, Edward	1774-1833	
	m 1803 Ann Spaulding	1786-1841	
a	Jenkins, William S.		m Valinda Lilly
* b	Austin	1806-1888	m Margaret A, Jenkins 1816-1901
c	Alfred	1810-1855	m 1835 Elizabeth Hickley
d	Charity Ann	1811-1885	m Basil Spaulding
e	Mary	1814-1905	m 1836 Joseph Ford
f	Edward F.	1817-1891	m 1839 Sarah C. Jenkins
g	Thomas M.	1818-1850	unmarried
h	Harriett	1820-1841	unmarried
i	Ellen	1824-1849	m John Devereaux

iii BENJAMIN WHEELER, SON OF THOMAS OF JOHN, CONTINUED.

2 Thomas Wheeler, son of Benjamin, continued

(8) Charity Ann Wheeler, continued from preceeding page.

- (*) Jenkins, Austin 1806-1888 m Margaret A. Jenkins 1816-1901
- | | | | |
|---|------------------------|-----------|--------------------------|
| 1 | Jenkins, Edward Austin | 1841- | m 1867 Adelaide Lowe |
| 2 | Isabel | 1844-1866 | m Michael Jenkins |
| 3 | Harriett | 1846- | m 1871 Nicholas Kernan |
| 4 | Mary Plowden | 1851 | m 1877 Spotswood Garland |
| 5 | Thomas M. | 1855-1890 | m 1889 Sarah Bonsal |
| 6 | Francis de Sales | 1857- | m 1884 Mary Lowe |

"Edward Austin Jenkins is a member of the Society of Colonial Wars, Society of the War of 1812 and descendant of Colonial Governors. He m Adelaide Lowe, dau of Gov. Enoch L. Lowe. They have Austin Lowe b 1868, Spaulding b 1874, Mary Adelaide b 1876 and Louis Lowe b 1878. Hunting Ridge is the country home of Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins. It is one of the oldest country seats in Maryland, dating back to 1700. It belonged to Daniel Dulaney, a prominent colonial lawyer, who refused to take part in the Revolution and thereby lost it by confiscation. The old home passed from one owner to another. The original grant was for 1,000 acres but only 27 acres now remain" (From the History of Baltimore, Vol. III)

Francis de Sales Jenkins was also a member of the Society of Colonial Wars and the following are other members who descended from Charity Wheeler who married Michael Jenkins;

F Edward Jenkins 1774-1833 m Ann Spaulding. Their son, Alfred Jenkins 1810-1875 m Elizabeth Hickley and their daughter, Annie Jenkins m Albert Schriver. Their sons, Alfred Jenkins Shriver, Edward Jenkins Shriver and Robert Hickley Shriver were members of the S.C.W.

Edward F. Jenkins 1816-1839, son of Edward and Ann (Spaulding) Jenkins, m Sarah C. Jenkins. Their daughter, Helen Jenkins m Henry J. Lilly and their son, Austin Jenkins Lilly was a member of the Society of Colonial Wars

(9) Josias Wheeler, son of Thomas of Benjamin, from page 69

In 1784 Josias Wheeler, Thomas Wheeler and David Clark witnessed the will of Ignatius Wheeler. On 27 Feb. 1797 Thomas Hillen and Thomas Wheeler, Exers. of Josias Wheeler "in order to discharge his debts and 75 Lbs bequeathed toward finishing the Roman Chapel, near the Hickory Tavern, sell to Benjamin Wheeler tract called Bonds Hope which Josias Wheeler purchased from Edward Jenkins and also tracts called Thomases Beginning, Enlargment, Wheelers Search and Convenience, 330 acres" (DB-JLG, N. Fol. 218)

iii BENJAMIN WHEELER, son of Thomas of John, continued

(9) Josias Wheeler, continued from preceeding page

The Semmes MS shows that Josias Wheeler m Martha Price. He died in 1791 and his will is recorded in Harford County in will book AJR, folio 213, signed 22 Jan. 1791 and proved 7 Feb. 1791.

"I devise 75 Lbs toward finishing the Roman Chapel standing near the Hickory Town.

To my daughter, Susannah, all the remainder of my lands, stock and negros to be her property after she arrives at age 18. Her mother is to enjoy the same until then.

I appoint my two cousins, Thomas Hillen and Thomas Wheeler, Exers. Witness; Thomas Archer, Joseph Wheeler."

(11) Susannah Wheeler, continued from page 69.

The Wheeler family in America states that Susannah Wheeler, dau of Thomas of Benjamin, m Capt. Robert Harris and had Elizabeth Susannah Harris who died in 1861. Elizabeth Susannah m John Green Bussey who was a son of Bennett Bussey and a grandson of Henry Green and Elizabeth (Thomas) Wheeler. No further trace was made.

iii BENJAMIN WHEELER, son of Thomas of John, continued.

3 Mary Wheeler, daughter of Benjamin, continued from page 65

Mary Wheeler was still single when her father died in 1741 but The Wheeler Family in America, 1914, gives the following record;

3	Wheeler, Mary	1710-1789	
	m 1743 in Baltimore City	William Few	
(1)	Few, Benjamin	17 - -1805	
(2)	James	1746-1771	
(3)	William	1748-1828	m Catherine Nicholson
(4)	Elizabeth		m Benjamin Andrew
(5)	Hannah	-1800	m Rhesa Howard
(6)	Ignatius		(see below)

Through clues given in The Wheeler Family in America the writer did some research in the National Archives, Washington, D.C. and found a very interesting history on this family and is presented herewith.

In 1758 William Few moved from Maryland to North Carolina and settled near Hillsboro. About 1768 an organization called The Regulators was formed as a protest against British misrule on account of excessive taxes, dishonest sheriffs and extortionate fees. Col. Edmond Fanning was head of the militia and an agent of Gov. Tryon. In 1770 The Regulators burned Col. Fanning's pretentious dwelling which they felt was built from illegal fees. They destroyed the furniture and burned his papers. James Few had become involved with The Regulators and was one of their leaders. In 1771 Gov. Tryon formed an army and set out to crush The Regulators. It is estimated that he had about 1,000 men and The Regulators numbered close to 2,500 and probably 1,000 of these were armed. They met on the Alamance River in Oct. 1771. The Regulators had no overall commander and much confusion resulted. Many of The Regulators fled but about 15 of them were captured including James Few who was executed on the spot without trial. James Few was a carpenter who lived just outside of Hillsboro. He had been indicted and outlawed for participation in the Hillsboro riots earlier and Col. Fanning accused James Few of taking part in destroying his home and insisted he be executed. It was said Few's mind was unbalanced on account of the fact Col. Fanning had seduced the young woman to whom he was planning to wed.

William Few was a man of education and highly regarded. He kept a tavern in his home and was sympathetic with the reforms for which the Regulators were agitating. Following the disgraceful execution of his son, James, William Few suffered the disaster of having his crops of barley, oats and wheat devoured by the horses of Tryon's army and trampled down and ruined. This was a punishment devised by the governor for the father and family of James Few. To make up for Tryon's vindictive destruction of his crops Few was later compensated for his losses by an act of the Colonial Assembly.

iii BENJAMIN WHEELER, son of Thomas of John, continued.

3 Mary Wheeler, daughter of Benjamin, continued from preceeding page

The history just cited was abstracted from The Regulators in North Carolina, by Basset, in the Annual Report of the American Historical Society, 1894, page 141 and The North Carolina Review, V-18, p-78.

The History of North Carolina, Vol. 5, P-226, records that Richard Few came to America with the Pennsylvania Colonists in 1681 and settled in Chester County. One of his grandsons, William Few, moved from Pa. to Baltimore County, Maryland where he married Mary Wheeler, a devout catholic, and a descendant of an early settler. After James Few's death the Few family moved to Richland County, Georgia. James Few left a widow and two children, William and Sally. William moved to S.C. and settled in Greenville. His son William was a soldier in the War of 1812

The N.C. Review, pages 78-79 states that William Few, Jr., remained in N.C. until 1776 and then moved to Georgia. The three brothers, Benjamin, William and Ignatius all became distinguished citizens of Ga. William Few had a remarkable career as a soldier, lawyer, banker, judge, congressman and senator in both Georgia and New York.

The Wheeler Family in America did not included an Ignatius Few, according to my notes, but states William Few, Jr., married Catherine Nicholson, daughter of Commodore James Nicholson. He was Lt. Colonel in the Rev. War, congressman from Ga., member of the Constitutional Convention and senator from Ga. Hannah Few m Rhesa Howard and they had John William Howard, 1776-1840, whom Louise M. Stoner, Benjamin Howard, James Howard, Ann Howard and Rhesa Howard. No further trace of the Few family was made by the writer as this will have to be done in North and South Carolina and Georgia.

iii BENJAMIN WHEELER, son of Thomas of John, continued.

4 Benjamin Wheeler, son of Benjamin, continued from page 65

Benjamin Wheeler was b in P.G. County in 1712. He was deeded an interest in Childrens Rolling House, in Baltimore County, in 1725 by his uncle, John Wheeler. The index to land patents show that Benjamin Wheeler patented Friendship in 1748, Security in 1752, Wheelers Enlargment in 1759 and Barnes Timber Ridge in 1759. In 1743 Isaac Butterworth and Jane, his wife, sold to Benjamin Wheeler a part of a tract called Three Sisters. He was a brother of Jane Butterworth. He signed his will 31 Dec. 1769 and it was proved 30 Jan. 1770 viz;

"To my eldest son, Bennett Wheeler. To my second son, Jacob Wheeler
To my sons Thomas Wheeler and Leonard Wheeler
To my daughters, Ann Dyer, Mary Wheeler, Sarah Wheeler
Balance to be divided among my children, Jacob Wheeler, Elizabeth
Wheeler, Jane Thomas, Mary Wheeler, Leonard Wheeler and Sarah Wheel-
-er. My wife to be Exex. Wife renounces will and demands her third "
(WB No. 37, Fol.458)

4 Wheeler, Benjamin Jr. 1712-1769/70

m (1) Elizabeth Clement

(1) Wheeler, Benedict

m Mary

(2) Jacob

m Ann

(3) Thomas

(4) Ann

m Dyer

(5) Elizabeth

(6) Jane

m Thomas

(7) Mary

m Leonard Green, to Ky.

m (2) Rebecca (Miles) Bevan, widow.

(8) Wheeler, Leonard

d ca 1822 m Theresa Green

(9) Sarah

m Basil Cooper

On 20 Aug. 1767 Benjamin Wheeler, Sr. and Rebecca, his wife deed-
-ed to Benedict Wheeler a tract of 100 acres called Rachels Delight with a
proviso that this tract was not to be sold during the life of Benjamin
Wheeler, Sr. (DB B No 1, Fol. 332) Benjamin Wheeler probably styled him-
-self as Sr. to identify him from his nephew of the same name as he had
no son named Benjamin. Apparantly Rebecca, the widow of Benjamin, moved
to Prince Georges County as the following deed is recorded in DB- AL No.
1, Fol. 62, in Baltimore County;

"8 July 1771 Rebecca Wheeler, of P.G. County, widow, leases to John Huff.
of Baltimore County, all that tract of land whereon the said Rebecca
Wheeler lately dwelt. The rent to be 25 Lbs yearly. The said John Huff
is not to interfere with Jacob Wheeler's part."

Witnessed; Ignatius Wheeler. W. Yeung.

On the same date, 8 Jul. 1771, Rebecca Wheeler, Exex of Benjamin
Wheeler, rendered an account of his estate showing balance of 1,081-10-
-7 1/2 with payments of 532-04-08 (Accts. Bk. 66, Fol. 20)

111 BENJAMIN WHEELER, son of Thomas of John, continued.

4 Benjamin Wheeler, son of Benjamin, continued from preceeding page

(2) Jacob Wheeler, son of Benjamin, Jr., was devised 100 acres by the will of his father. Jacob died in 1799 and his will is recorded in Baltimore County in W.B. 6, Fol. 35 & 191 as follows;

"To wife, Ann. To dau Sally. To dau Healan, To son, Thomas.
To son, Francis. To son, Benjamin. To son, Jacob.
My wife, Ann, and son, Thomas, Exers."

From family records we know that Thomas Wheeler, son of Jacob, was b in 1756 and d in 1827. He m Ann K. Blackburn and they had a son, Thomas Wheeler, 1806-1847, who m Rosanna Elizabeth Hanson. Their son, Edmund Gaines Wheeler, 1836-1899 moved to Washington, D.C. He m Sarah Amelia Murray. Edmund Gaines Wheeler signed his will 2 Jan. 1883 and it was proved, in Washington, D.C., 29 Nov. 1899. He devised "to my wife and children all of my estate, share and share alike". Unfortunately he did not name his children but the census records of Washington, D.C. for 1860 and 1870 might give a record of them. From family records we know he had a son named Harry Thomas Wheeler, 1881-1929, who m Clara Louise Miller. The last named were the parents of Col. Harry M. Wheeler, USA retired, who is a member of the Society of Founders and Patriots by right of descent from John Wheeler

Mr. Z. D. Blackistene, a well known merchant in Washington, D.C., informs me he is a descendant of Edmund Gaines Wheeler through his mother. The writer is certain that much interesting history could be written on Jacob Wheeler, and his descendants, but he does not have the time to undertake the research necessary to provide it.

(4) Ann Wheeler, dau of Benjamin, from page 78. On 31 Dec. 1769 Benjamin Wheeler signed his will and devised 10 lbs to his dau Ann Dyer. The following deed was recorded in Baltimore County in 1770, which is confusing; and further check should be made

"Ann Scott sells to Ignatius Wheeler tract of land called Benjamin's Camp conveyed to her by her father, Benjamin Wheeler, by a deed of gift 15 Sept. 1751." (Bk. ALB, Fol. 374)

(7) Mary Wheeler, daughter of Benjamin, Jr. She m Leonard Green, a brother of Theresa Green whom her half brother, Leonard Wheeler. He, Leonard Green, was a son of Benjamin and Elizabeth (Thomas) Green and they emigrated to Kentucky. (The Md. Semmes & Kindred Families) No further trace was made but research in the records of Kentucky might show further information on Leonard Green and Mary, his wife. See the record of Benjamin and Elizabeth (Thomas) Green on a subsequent page.

iii BENJAMIN WHEELER, son of Thomas of John, continued.

4 Benjamin Wheeler, son of Benjamin, continued.

(8) Leonard Wheeler, son of Benjamin Wheeler, Jr. In 1801 Leonard Wheeler, of Baltimore City, leased from John O'Donnell lot No. 161, on the West side of Charles Street. In 1805 he filed a bill of complaint, stating he had built a house on the property and paid the rent to John O'Donnell and since his death to the guardian of his children. In 1811 he entered suit in Chancery Court vs Sarah C. O'Donnell over the said lease and the court ordered Sarah C. O'Donnell to sign a lease to Leonard Wheeler for 99 years (Chanc. Papers No. 5782)

In Dec. 1803 Leonard Wheeler and Theresa, his wife, sold to B. L. Hurst two tracts in Harford County called Three Sisters and Wheelers Out-let, laid out for Thomas Wheeler, 160 acres. (DB No. R, Fol. 242). On Jan. 1, 1823 Geo A. Stamp sued Teresa Wheeler on a note, signed 7 Apr. 1819, by Leonard Wheeler the consideration being that he convey to said Stamp a lot of ground on the west side of Charles St. known as lot No. 161. The said Leonard died intestate and said Teresa was made Admrx. of his est. (Chanc. Bk. 123, Fol. 259)

The Wheeler Family in America gives the following;

(8)	Wheeler, Leonard	d about 1822	
	m Theresa Green	dau of Benjamin and Elizabeth (Thomas) Green	
A	Wheeler, Aloysius	1795-1796	
B	Elizabeth	1798-1867	m Capt. J.L. Durkee
C	Benj. F.	1799-1824	unmarried
D	Mary	1802-1834	m John L. Durkee
E	John David	1805	m Rachel H. Clement
F	Francis Augustine	1808-1832	unmarried
G	Theresa A.	1811-1831	m Samuel Abbott
H	Helen Martin	1814-1880	m Thomas Ford
I	Clement	1817-1876	m Margaret McCarty

E	Wheeler, John David	m 1834	Rachel H. Clement at Philadelphia, Pa
a	Wheeler, Samuel Clement	1837-1853) These children in the
b	Teresa Rachel	1839) census of Baltimore
c	Anna Leonora	1840) County for 1850, 16th
d	Rachel Clement	1845) ward, page 154- WVB.
e	John David	1846)
f	Ferdinand C.	1848)
g	Helen Martin	1854)

iii BENJAMIN WHEELER, son of Thomas of John, continued.

6 Leonard Wheeler, son of Benjamin, continued from page 65

The birth of Leonard Wheeler is recorded in St. Georges P.E. Church, Baltimore County, as 9-18-1722. On May 20, 1725, before his third birthday, he was deeded an interest in Childrens Rolling House by his uncle, John Wheeler, as cited on page 30. On 15 Sept. 1741, just three days before his 19th birthday, his father made the following deed;

"To my son, Leonard Wheeler, 350 acres called Wheelers and Clarks Contrivance and Pearsons Range with the plantation thereon now called Leonard's Plantation also a negro, Joshua, a negro, Lucy, a negro lad Tom, one Sorrel mare, one gray stallion etc." (DB-HWS, LA - Fol. 551)

Leonard Wheeler died in 1747 at 25 years of age. He left a will and devised "To my wife, Ann, one third part. To my dau, Elizabeth, all the lands I now possess. To my unborn child. My brother, Thomas Wheeler, and wife, Ann, to be Exers." (WB No. 25, Fol. 205) His widow evidently remarried William Clements as an account was filed in Baltimore County in 1749 by "Thomas Wheeler, William Clements and Ann, his wife, Exers. of the estate of Leonard Wheeler, deceased. Balance to his two children, Elizabeth about 4 years old and Leonard about 2 years old." (Accts 27,261)

6	Wheeler, Leonard	1722-1747	
	m 1742 Ann Bond who m 2nd William Clements		
(1)	Wheeler, Thomas	1743-	Apparantly died young
(2)	Elizabeth	1745-	
(3)	Leonard	1747-	m Elizabeth

The marriage of Leonard Wheeler and Ann Bond is recorded in St. Georges Parish Register as 16 Feb. 1742. The birth of their first child, Thomas, is also recorded there as 26 Jan. 1743. Thomas was not named in the will or estate settlement of Leonard so apparantly he died young.

(3) The following deed is recorded in DB-AL No D, Fol. 550;
 "29 Nov. 1771 I, Leonard Wheeler, of Baltimore County, sell to Ignatius Wheeler four tracts of land called Wheelers & Clarks Contrivance, Pearsons Range, Benjamins Camp and Brotherly Care in Baltimore County, on the south side of Deer Creek, which land was given to me by Leonard Wheeler, my father, by his last will and testament. Ack. 31 Mar. 1772 by Leonard Wheeler and Elizabeth Wheeler, his wife"

On 28 Feb. 1775 an inventory of Leonard Wheeler, of Harford Co. was filed by James Presbury and next of kin was listed as Elizabeth Baker and Thomas Bond. Sworn to by Elizabeth Wheeler, Admx. (Inv. 124, 59) It appears that Leonard died at about 28 years of age. The Elizabeth Baker, mentioned as next of kin, was probably his sister and the Thomas Bond could have been an uncle. No children of this Leonard Wheeler were identified.

111 BENJAMIN WHEELER, son of Thomas of John, continued.

7 Charity Wheeler, daughter of Benjamin, continued from page 65

In 1741 Benjamin Wheeler devised 100 acres to his daughter, Charity Colgate, wife of Benjamin Colgate. Benjamin Colgate signed his will 28 Oct. 1758, proved in Baltimore County 28 June 1762;

"To my wife, Charity Colgate, tract called Colgates Last Shift, 163 acres. All that tract called Friendships Discovery to my five daughters, Rebecca, Elizabeth, Ann, Mary and Ruth to inherit at age 16 or date of marriage. Balance to my six children, Thomas, Rebecca, , Elizabeth, Ann, Mary and Ruth. I desire my children to be brought up in the Protestant Religion." (WB No. 3, Fol. 670)

I made no further search on the descendants of Benjamin and Charity (Wheeler) Colgate but Mrs. Ethel L. Dorrett, of Baltimore, Md. and Mrs. W. T. Mears, of Waco, Texas furnished the following record;

7	Wheeler, Charity	17__-1763	
	m 1739 Benjamin Colgate	1719-1762	Clark
*	(1) Colgate, Thomas	1740-1795	m (1) Elizabeth Partridge (2) Eliz./
	(2) Rebecca	-1800	m Job Key
	(3) Elizabeth		m William Downs
	(4) Ann		m _____ Thomas
	(5) Mary		m Nathan Scott
	(6) Ruth		m 1776 Edward Bussey
* (1)	Colgate, Thomas	1740-1795	
	m (1) Elizabeth Partridge	who d 23 April 1768	
A	Colgate, Elizabeth P.	born 22 April 1768	
	m (2) Elizabeth Clark	born 1740	
B	Colgate, Mary	b 1771 died as infant	
C	Rebecca	b 1774	
** D	Sarah	1777-1822	m Josias Stansbury 1772-1825
E.	Thomas	1780	
** D	Colgate, Sarah	1777-1822	
	m Josias Stansbury	1772-1825	
a	Stansbury, Josias C.	1810	died as infant
b	Benjamin C.	1810	died as infant
c	Thomas C.	1811-1824	
d	Sarah C.	1814-1888)	m Benjamin Bowen
e	Richard C.	1814-1857)	twins. m Mary Ellen Bond
f	Elizabeth C.	1816-1900	m George Boyd Graves

Note- data on Thomas Colgate furnished by Mrs. Ethel L. Dorrett, Baltimore, Md., whose husband is a descendant of Josias Stansbury through his daughter, Elizabeth C. Graves - WVB.

iii BENJAMIN WHEELER, son of Thomas of John, continued

7 Charity Wheeler, daughter of Benjamin Wheeler, continued.

(2) Rebecca (Wheeler) Colgate, daughter of Charity, from page 82

Mrs. W. T. Meers, Waco, Texas, advises that Job Key was Admns. of the estate of his wife's parents, Benjamin and Charity Colgate. He, and Rebecca, his wife, sold in 1771, the land Rebecca inherited from her father. Job Key took the oath of Fidelity, in Harford County, in 1778 but his name is not found in the census of Maryland for 1790. Rebecca (Colgate) Key died in Sullivan County, Tenn. and her estate was administered by Job Key, presumably her son. Mrs Meers states she has proof that the younger Job Key was b in Maryland about 1766, married in Tennessee and moved to Alabama in 1812. All of his children were born in Tennessee and the fact that he administered on the estate of Rebecca Colgate Key is very strong evidence that he was her son. Mrs. Meers is not entirely satisfied with her proof but the following is the probable family from her research;

(2) Colgate, Rebecca d ca 1810
 m Job Key He was Admns of estate of Benjamin Colgate
 A Key, Job c 1766-1828 m Flora A. _____
 (Probably other children)

A Key, Job c 1766-1828 b in Md. d in Ala.
 m Flora A. c 1768-1836
 a Key, Job -1826 m Eleanor
 b Ezekiel 1789-1842 m Jane Ann Looney
 c Rebecca m Washington Lewis
 d Ruth unmarried
 e Louise unmarried
 f Mary L. c 1803- m 1830 John Ware
 g Benjamin F. 1804-188 m Louise
 h Flora A. 1805-1857 unmarried
 i Harriett c 1808- m 1823 Robert R. Teague

a Job Key and wife Eleanor, had Job, John W., Frances and Magnus
 b Ezekiel Key and wife, Jane Ann, moved to Missouri. They had George Washington 1825-1858, David Hobson b 1829, James Benton b 1834, William Jefferson b 1837 and Mary Ann b 1840.
 c Rebecca and Washington Lewis had Emily Key, Job Augustus, Flora Ann, Nathan C., Mary J., Ruth L., Amanda W., Jackson P., Harriett J., and Martha Frances.
 f Mary L. and John Ware had James W., Ruth A.R.I.F., Mary M.C., Sarah E., William W. and Alonza M.
 g Benjamin F. Key and wife, Louisa, moved to Texas. They had Phillip, Job, Thomas, Ezekiel, Mary, Napoleon, John, Francis and Louisa.
 i Harriet B. and Robert R. Teague had Isaac, Frances, Margaret, Robert and John

iii BENJAMIN WHEELER, son of Thomas of John, continued.

8 Elizabeth Wheeler, daughter of Benjamin, from pages 29 and 65

Elizabeth Wheeler was involved in a complicated marriage alliance with the Green family. Part of this record is cited on page 29 and more of it will follow. The Raskob-Green Record Book shows David Thomas married Elizabeth Wheeler in Feb. 1732 as recorded in St. Georges Parish Register in Harford County. David Thomas had previously been married to Hannah _____, who died in 1718 and left two children, David and Hannah. David, Jr., died in 1769 and his account was administered by Jacob Bond and Benjamin Green and mentions wife, Hannah, and son Giles Thomas. (Bal. Bk. 6, Fol. 87). The Raskob-Green Chart and The Maryland Semmes and Kindred Families show the following family of Elizabeth;

1	Thomas, David	d 1746	(St. Georges Parish Register)
	m (1) Hannah _____	d 1718	
2	Thomas David	d 1769	m Hannah _____
3	Hannah		m Clement Green (see p-29)
8	m (2) 1732 Elizabeth Wheeler who		m 2nd Henry Green (see p-29)
A	Thomas, Elizabeth	1736-	m Benjamin Green (see p-29)
B	Mary	1743-	

3 Clement Green died in 1796 and left no children. He devised to wife, Hannah, and to his nephew, Clement Green, the third son of his brother, Benjamin Green, his favorite gun and violin. Other bequests were made to neice, Henrietta, and nephew, Benjamin, children of his brother, Benjamin, and to Clement Bussey, son of Bennett Bussey

8	Thomas, Elizabeth (Wheeler)	17__-1777	
	m (2) Henry Green	1726-1797	
(1)	Green, Leonard		m Elizabeth Wheeler
(2)	Ann		m Bennett Bussey

(1) Green, Leonard
m Elizabeth Wheeler

A	Green, Mary	1773-	m Henry Cooper, Jr.
B	Elizabeth	1774-	m Samuel McAtee
C	Martha	1776-	m 1800 Benjamin Quinlin
D	Sarah		m 1797 Phillip Cooper
E	Harry		died young
F.	Susannah		

Note- The above family of Leonard Green from The Wheeler Family in America.

iii BENJAMIN WHEELER, son of Thomas of John, continued.

8 Elizabeth Wheeler daughter of Benjamin, continued from page 84

(2) Green, Ann (dau of Henry & Elizabeth (Wheeler) Green
m Bennett Bussey

A	Bussey, Henry Green	1784-1820	m Elizabeth Susannah Harris	d 1861
B	Edward F.		m 1811 Julia Ann Wheeler	
C	Martha		m 1797 Abraham White	
D	Elizabeth		m 1804 Jacob White	
E	Clement		died young	

Note-this family from The Wheeler Family in America.

A Elizabeth Thomas, daughter of Elizabeth (Wheeler) Thomas, married Benjamin Green who was a brother of her mother's second husband, Henry Green. She was a step daughter of her husband's brother and he was also her second cousin. This mixture of marriages is so complicated that it is impossible to form an intelligent chart. See page 29 for more details.

A	Thomas, Elizabeth	1736-1803	dau of Elizabeth (Wheeler) Thomas
	m Benjamin Green	-1808	brother of her mother's 2nd husband
a	Green, Henrietta		unmarried
b	Leonard		m Mary Wheeler, dau of Benjamin Wheeler, Jr. and moved to Ky. (see page 78)
c	Elizabeth		m 1793 Benjamin Wheeler, son of Thomas. (see p-69)
d	Benjamin		m Mary Reynolds
e	Mary		m John A. Durkee
f	John David		m Rachel A. Clement
g	Francis		
h	Anastatia		m Bernard Croskey
i	Clement		m Rebecca Todd
j	Sarah		unmarried
k	Teresa		m Leonard Wheeler, son of Benjamin, Jr. and bro of Mary Wheeler who m Leonard Green
l	Eleanor		m Edward Bevan and moved to Washington County, Ky. befor 1800

Note-this family from The Maryland Semmes and Kindred Families. Benjamin Green died in 1808 and devised to his children and to his grandchild-
-ren, Michael and Frances Wheeler, children of Benjamin and Elizabeth
(Green) Wheeler. See page 69

CHAPTER VII

5 IGNATIUS WHEELER, son of Benjamin, continued from page 65

The history of Ignatius Wheeler and some of his descendants is so interesting that it deserves a special chapter. His birth is not recorded in P.G. or Baltimore Counties but from the other births of his brothers and sisters we can estimate he was b ca 1714. He was deeded an interest in Childrens Rolling House by his uncle, John Wheeler, in 1725. He was devised a tract called Wheelers and Clarks Contrivance, by his father, in 1741. In 1742 he patented Brotherly Care jointly with his brother, Leonard. The Wheeler Family in America states he m Elizabeth Rosier. His will, signed Dec 1784 was proved in Nov. 1786, as follows;

"To my eldest son, Ignatius Wheeler, all my patent lands lying on the N. side of Deer Creek and also 1/3rd part of Childrens Rolling House
To my son, Bennett Wheeler, part of Wheelers and Clarks Contrivance, part of Brotherly Care and part of Benjamins Camp
To my son, Joseph, the remainder of Wheelers and Clarks Contrivance, part of Brotherly care and part of Pearsons Range and 1/3rd part of Childrens Rolling House and the residue of lands on Broad Creek in Harford County

To my daughter, Monica Wheeler, one negro man, Frank and also his wife, Suck, one negro boy Jack, one negro boy Paul and one negro girl Beck
To my daughter Elizabeth Mitchell, one negro boy, Stephen.
To my daughter, Mary Gibson, one negro man, Davy
To my wife, Elizabeth Wheeler. My wife Elizabeth Wheeler, Exax. Signed by mark. Wit; Josias Wheeler, Thomas Wheeler, David Clark"

(WB- AJ,R, Fol. 199)

Josias and Thomas Wheeler, witnesses to the will were evidently sons of Thomas Wheeler and nephews of Ignatius. The record of Ignatius Wheeler, Sr., has been overshadowed by the record of his son, Ignatius Wheeler, Jr., who was a promined man in Harford County. The Wheeler Family in America omitted all of the children of Ignatius, Sr. except his son, Ignatius, Jr. Ignatius, Sr. was also a successful planter and accumulated a large estate. His family was

5 Wheeler, Ignatius, Sr. ca 1714-1786

m Elizabeth Rosier

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|-----|------------------------|-------------|---------------------------------------|
| (1) | Wheeler, Ignatius, Jr. | 1744-1793 | m Henrietta (Neal) Smith |
| (2) | Bennett | ca 1755 | over 45 in 1800, apparantly unmarried |
| (3) | Joseph | 17__-1802/3 | m Ann |
| (4) | Monica | | |
| (5) | Elizabeth | | m _____ Mitchell |
| (6) | Mary | | m 1779 John Lee Gibson * |

* John Lee Gibson was Clerk of the Ct. of Harford County in 1779

5 IGNATIUS WHEELER, son of Benjamin, continued.

The index to the Rent Rolls in Annapolis show that tax was paid on a tract called Wheelers and Clarks Contrivance, 615 acres, in the name of Ignatius Wheeler from 1714 to 1747. This implies that Benjamin Wheeler recorded this plat in the name of Ignatius Wheeler, his son, who was an infant and locates the place of his birth as Prince Georges County. In 1764 he bought, from Benjamin Tasker, a tract called Maidens Neighbor and a tract called Websters Situation from William Bennett. In 1765 he bought, from Isaac Webster, a tract called Websters Enlargment and a tract called Websters Inspection. In 1769 he bought, from Charles Baker, tracts called Wheelers and Clarks Contrivance, Pearsons Range, Benjamins Camp and Bid Low.

(1) Ignatius Wheeler, Jr., son of Ignatius Wheeler.

Preston's History of Harford County-1901-page 224 states that Ignatius Wheeler was 1st Lt. of Harford County militia and was in the Md. Legislature for the session of 1786-1787. Francis Ignatius Wheeler, his great grandson, gave the following record on his S.A.R. application in 1911.

"Ignatius Wheeler enrolled in the militia 14 Oct. 1775, appointed 1st. Lt. 26 April 1776, commissioned Colonel 9 April 1778, commissioned Justice of the Peace 21 Nov. 1778. Commissioned Judge of Appeals 23 Feb. 1779 and commissioned one of the judges of the Orphans Court of Harford County on 23 April 1779"

Francis Ignatius Wheeler gave as his authority for the above the Archives of Md. Vol. 11, p-537, Vol. 11, page 387, Vol. 21, page 246, 307 and 362. Ignatius Wheeler, Jr., m Henrietta (Neal) Smith, a widow. She was a daughter of Henry Neal and Mary Gardiner. Henry Neal was a son of James Neal and a grandson of the immigrant, James Neal, 1615-1658. Mary Gardiner was a daughter of John Gardiner and Mary Boarman, the father of Mary Boarman being William Boarman, Jr., son of the immigrant William Boarman. The descendants of Ignatius Wheeler, Jr. will find an interesting history of the Boarman and Neal families in Harry Wright Newman's The Maryland Semmes and Kindred Families

On 6 Nov. 1769 Ignatius Wheeler, Jr., and Henrietta, his wife filed an account on the estate of Roger Smith, deceased. (Accts. 62, 324) On 25 May 1779 Ignatius Wheeler, Jr., of Harford County, sold to Ignatius Mitchell, of Charles County, four tracts of land called Phillips Town, Wheelers Rest, Wheelers Addition and Wheelers Delight, 300 acres. Rt. of dower by Henriett, wife of Ignatius, witnessed by John Lowe and Ignatius Wheeler. Attached to the deed was a certificate from John Lee Gibson, Clerk of the Court that "John Lowe and Ignatius Wheeler, Gentlemen are two of the Justices of Harford County and are authorized to take acknowledgments"

(DB-Charles Co. V-3, Fol. 380)

5. **IGNATIUS WHEELER, son of Benjamin, continued.**

(1) **Ignatius Wheeler, Jr., son of Ignatius, continued from page 87**

On 26 July 1782 Ignatius Wheeler, Jr., of Harford County and his wife, Henrietta, late relict of Roger Smith, of Charles County, deceased, sold to Thomas Stone "two tracts lying and being near Port Tobacco Town, one called Chandlers Hill and the other called Welcome which the said Roger Smith died possessed of and also the mill and mill land being in the tenure of the Rev. Mr. Matthews and known by the name of Port Tobacco Great Mill"
(DB- V No. 3, Fol. 588)

Shortly after his father's death in Nov. 1786 Ignatius Wheeler, Jr. made application for a resurvey of his various land holdings. Accordingly Land Patent Book I*C No. I, Fol. 147 shows the following;

"By virtue of a special warrant granted 26 Dec. 1786 to resurvey and lay out for Ignatius Wheeler, Jr., Esq., of Harford County, the following lands being contiguous to each other;
346 1/2 acres of Fathers Reques, originally on 10 Dec. 1723 granted to Ignatius and Richard Gardiner for 557 acres. 159 acres of Maidens Bower resurveyed 25 Feb. 1757 and granted to Benjamin Tasker for 2,000 acres 206 acres called Websters Inspection, originally on 14 Nov. 1747, granted to Isaac Webster. 98 acres called The Enlargment, originally on 20 Mar. 1749, granted to Isaac Webster. 28 acres, part of Clarks Discovery, on 20 May 1725 granted to John Clark for 350 acres. 214 1/2 acres, part of Giles and Websters Discovery, originally on 18 Oct. 1732 granted to Jacob Giles and Isaac Webster for 1,119 acres. 236 acres, part of Contee, originally on 16 Nov. 1749 granted to Isaac Webster for 258 acres. 60 acres called Websters Intention, granted to William Bennett 15 Dec. 1759. 266 1/4 acres called Websters Neglect, granted to Isaac Webster 29 Oct. 1749. 33 acres called the Spittle granted to Michael Taylor 28 Oct. 1722, correcting any errors in the original surveys I have carefully laid out for Col. Ignatius Wheeler the aforementioned parcels of land into one tract standing on the N. side of Deer Creek and laid out for 1,714 1/4 acres to be held by the name of THE DEER PARK. Surv. 19 Nov. 1787. Recorded 19 Jan. 1793"

It is difficult to tell how many of these tracts were acquired by Ignatius Wheeler, Sr. and how many by Ignatius, Jr. as Ignatius, Jr. was willed "all my patent lands on the N. side of Deer Creek". Ignatius, Jr., or his father before him, built a fine colonial mansion just north of Deer Creek, near the old Ady post office. This home remained in the family for several generations and was purchased about 1950 by Mr. D. Paul McNabb from a man named Webster. Mr. and Mrs McNabb restored the old mansion to its former elegance and as far as the writer knows it is the oldest Wheeler home still in existence. Through the courtesy of the owner I went through the house in Sept. 1964. Most of the interior is original and in the basement the footprints of children were impressed in wet cement lining the side walls which appeared to be original and are probably the foot prints of the children of Ignatius Wheeler, Jr.

5 **IGNATIUS WHEELER**, son of Benjamin, continued.

(1) Ignatius Wheeler, Jr., son of Ignatius, continued

The will of Ignatius Wheeler, Jr., signed 17 July 1793 and proved 15 Aug. 1793 is recorded in W.B. AJ No. R, Fol. 217, as follows;

"To my dau Monica Wheeler, To my dau Treacy Wheeler. To my dau Henrietta Wheeler. To my son Francis Ignatius Wheeler. To my dau Mary Ann Wheeler. To my son Bennett Wheeler. To my dau Elizabeth Wheeler. To my son Ignatius Wheeler. I appoint John Lee Gibson and Joseph Wheeler as trustees to make division of my estate equally among my children. To my wife 1/3 of my estate. Wit. John Archer, David Clark, Thomas Wheeler"

In 1799 Henrietta Wheeler, widow of Ignatius Wheeler, petitioned the Chancery Court as follows; (Land Patent Book IC-NN, Fol 344)

"The petition of Henrietta Wheeler, of Harford County, Sheweth that a certain John Whitford purchased of the Intendant of Revenue a certain parcel of land in Harford County, by deed duly made, a tract called Addition to Bell Farm, cont. 141 1/4 acres. Ignatius Wheeler, by his last will and testament, devised all of his estate to be equally divided among his children, to wit;

"To monica, now the wife of Jacob Rutledge. To Treacy, now the wife of Henry McAtee. To Henrietta Wheeler, Francis Ignatius Wheeler, Bennett Wheeler, Mary Ann Wheeler, Ignatius Wheeler and Elizabeth Wheeler. /S/ Henrietta Wheeler, mother of the survivors. Wit. Jo. Wheeler, brother of the deceased"

The family of Ignatius Wheeler, Jr., in the order named in his will was;

(1)	Wheeler, Ignatius	1744-1793	
	m Henrietta (Neal) Smith, widow		
A	Wheeler, Monica	1773-1807	m Jacob Rutledge
B	Teresa	1774-1815	m 1799 Capt. Henry McAtee
C	Henrietta		unmarried, mentally incompetent
D	Francis Ignatius	1782-1836	m Mary Ann McAtee
E	Mary	-1812	m Samuel Brown
F	Bennett	1784-1866	M Frances who d before 1858
G	Ignatius	1791-1866	unmarried, see below
H	Elizabeth	1789-1858	m Samuel Brown after death of her sister, Mary Ann

A Jacob and Monica Wheeler Rutledge were the ancestors of the Rutledges, Stephensons and Hollands now living in Harford County. John W. Rutledge and Ignatius Rutledge were sons of Jacob and Monica. (History of Harford County-1901) Monica Rutledge is buried in the St. Ignatius Church-yard at Hickory, Maryland.

5 IGNATIUS WHEELER, son of Benjamin, continued.

B A family chart, prepared by Mr. A. Alexes Raphael, in 1937, shows the following family of Teresa Wheeler;

B Wheeler, Teresa 1774-1815
 m 1799 Capt. Henry McAtee 1768-1852
a McAtee, Ignatius Geo. 1800-1875 m (1) Marie Butler (2) Margaret Johnson 1806-1899
b Geo. Ignatius 1801-1853 m Mary Elizabeth Brown
c Lewis
d Sylvester 1804-1880 m Jane Butler
e Clement 1804-1876 m Rachel Quinlin
f Mary Ann 1807-1893 m Stephen J. Raphael
g Theresa 1808-1827 buried at St. Ignatius Church
h Elizabeth 1811- m Henry Richardson

Ignatius George and Margaret Johnson McAtee are buried at St. Marys Catholic Church, Highland, Md. For additional descendants of the McAtee family see Mr. Raphael's chart in the Maryland Historical Society in Baltimore, Md. The Wheeler Family in America shows the following family of Francis Ignatius Wheeler, 1782-1836;

D Wheeler, Francis Ignatius 1782-1836
 m Mary Ann McAtee 1783 (in census of 1850)
a Wheeler, George Francis 1818-1907 m 1851 Martha Jane Thatcher
b Elizabeth 1815/20 m Robert Boarman
c Francis I. 1820- m Elizabeth Duncan
d William 1820/25 m Hannah Thatcher
e Henrietta 1828 (census 1850) m Edward H. Ady
f Bennett 1820/25

Note-see page 69 where Mary Wheeler, dau of Benjamin, m Robert Boarman before 1802. Relationship to above named Robert Boarman unknown.

E The Wheeler Family in America states that Mary Ann Wheeler married Samuel Brown and they had Henrietta Henrietta Marie. Mary Ann died in 1812 and Samuel married her sister, Elizabeth. Their family was;

H Wheeler, Elizabeth 1789-1858
 m after 1812 Samuel Brown
a Brown, Samuel 1818-1835
b Ann Marie m 1846 Ignatius W. Jenkins
c Elizabeth Josephine
d Timothy O'Brieh

5 **IGNATIUS WHEELER**, son of Benjamin, continued from page 65

(1) **Ignatius Wheeler, Jr.**, son of Ignatius, continued.

F **Bennett Wheeler**, son of Ignatius, Jr., from page 89

Bennett Wheeler signed his will 9 Jan. 1858 and it was proved in Harford County 4 Aug. 1866. (Bk. BHH No. 8, Fol. 6) He devised to sons, Michael I. and Sylvester Wheeler and to dau Frances Ann Wheeler, his plantation called Bell Farm. This plantation was owned by his father, Col. Ignatius Wheeler, and lay near the town of Pylesville close to the Penna. state line. The old house is still standing and occupied but somewhat delapidated. The census for 1850 and the tombstones in St. Marys Churchyard, Pylesville, give the following family

F. Wheeler Bennett	1784-1866
m Frances	1805-d before 1858
1 Wheeler, Michael I.	1827-1914
2 Sylvester	1829-1885
3 Frances	1832-1925 (Tombstone at Pylesville)

I did not check the census records after 1850 but understand the Wheelers lived on Bell Farm up untill 1920 or 1930. One of the older residents of Pylesville told me he remembered the Wheelers of Bell Farm but the property passed out of the Wheeler family many years ago and he did not know of any Wheelers remaining in that area

G **Ignatius Wheeler**, son of Ignatius Wheeler, Jr. This Ignatius Wheeler never married. I did not find his name in the census of Harford County for 1850 but a tombstone in St. Marys Churchyard, Pylesville, Md., shows "Ignatius Wheeler, 1791-1866," and this same headstone marks the grave of Bennett Wheeler, his brother, and Michael I. Wheeler, his nephew.

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(2) **Bennett Wheeler**, son of Ignatius Wheeler, Sr. from page 86

This Bennett Wheeler never married. He is shown in the census of Harford County in 1800 as over 45, living alone, with ten slaves. He was left land by his father called Brotherly Care, Benjamins Camp and Wheelers and Clarks Contrivance. In 1798 he sold to Francis Ignatius Mitchell two tracts called Benjamins Camp and Wheelers & Clarks Contrivance and nine slaves. (Chancery Papers No. 5555) Bennett Wheeler was apparantly a poor manager. He mortgaged his lands, sold off his slaves and was involved in many court actions. These court documents furnish some proof of other family members and some of them are cited as follows;

In 1803 Bennett Wheeler filed a complaint in Chancery Court vs Francis Ignatius Mitchell, his nephew. The complaint "sheweth" that Bennett Wheeler mortgaged some land and slaves to Mitchell in order to secure a debt. Th said Mitchell proceeded to exercise his rights and took away

5 IGNATIUS WHEELER, son of Benjamin, continued from page 65

(2) Bennett Wheeler, son of Ignatius, Sr., from page 91, cont'd.

a number of negros and cattle and sold them to others. Bennett Wheeler secured a writ of replevin vs Francis I. Mitchell, Christopher Hughes, Bennett Mithhell, John D. Clendenin and Thomas Wheeler. (Chanc. Papers 5751)

In 1796 Bennett Wheeler mortgaged to Samuel Lee two tracts called Benjamins Camp and Wheelers and Clarks Contrivance, 1000 acres. Evidently he did not pay the mortgage as foreclosure was made and part of Bennett's land was sold by the sheriff. In 1807 Bennett protested the sale, claiming Francis Wheeler was the high bidder but the trustees would not accept his bid as he could not furnish the required bond. In Dec. 1808 Edward F. Bussey petitioned the court to force Bennett Wheeler to vacate the lands sold to said Bussey. (Chancery Papers - 3097) In 1809 Bennett Wheeler and Henry McAtee petitioned the Chancery Court for appointment as trustees for Henrietta Wheeler, stating that "Ignatius Wheeler, by his will, devised to Henrietta Wheeler, then and still an idiot, and by the will named Joseph Wheeler and John Lee Gibson as her trustees. Your petitioners, brother and brother in law of the said Henrietta Wheeler, state that John Lee Gibson never took the trust and the said Joseph Wheeler did attempt to discharge the duties on him imposed" In Sept. 1809 Bennett Wheeler and Henry McAtee were appointed trustees for Henrietta Wheeler and in Oct. 1809 bond of 2,000 Lbs was posted by Bennett Wheeler, Henry McAtee and Ignatius Wheeler. (Chanc. Papers-5643)

Bennett was living in Harford County in 1810, shown as over 55 years of age. He was not found in the 1820 census so apparantly died between 1810 and 1820

(3) Joseph Wheeler, son of Ignatius, Sr., from page 86, continued

"That a certain James B. Wheeler being indebted to your orators and being seized in fee simple of a tract of land in Harford County called Wheelers and Clarks Contrivance did, on 31 Oct. 1818, convey to your orators the said tract. The said James B. Wheeler has since departed this life intestate leaving his brothers and heirs; John Wheeler, George Wheeler, Richard Wheeler, Austin Wheeler and Bennett Wheeler, all of full age etc"

"That sometime in the year 1802 or 1803 Joseph Wheeler, late of Harford County, deceased, father of the said James B., Richard and Benjamin and of these deponents being seized in fee simple of a large and valuable estate" (Chancert Ct. Bk. 137, Fol. 581 & 584)

The year of death of Joseph Wheeler is in doubt. In Chancery Papers No. 1397 is an account of the division of the estate of Ignatius Wheeler by John Lee Gibson and Joseph Wheeler as provided for in the will of Ignatius Wheeler. This division was made by deeds recorded 28 Aug. 1805 and mentions the same children as shown on page 89. Evidently Joseph was still living in 1805 when these deeds were issued.

5 IGNATIUS WHEELER, son of Benjamin, continued

(3) Joseph Wheeler, son of Ignatius, Sr., continued from page 92

"To my son, John Wheeler, all that part of Pearsons Range that is mentioned in a deed from his brother, James.

To my son, Richard Wheeler. To my son, Bennett Wheeler. To my son, Austin Wheeler. To my son, George Wheeler. To my daughter in law, Rebecca Wheeler, wife of my son, George, and to her son, James Wheeler. To my son Austin Wheeler's wife, Henrietta

To the Roman Catholic Church to which I belong \$50.00 /S/ Ann Wheeler "

Dated 19 Sept 1820, proved 28 Sept. 1820 (WB-SR No. 1, Fol. 216)

(3)	Wheeler, Joseph	ca 1755-1802/3	Over 45 in 1800 census
	m Ann	17 -1820	Over 45 in 1800 census
A	Wheeler, James B	-1818	
B	John F.	1790/1800 d 1833	m Lovicey 1800-1864
C	Richard		No further trace
D	Bennett	1790/1800	No further trace (See below)
E	Austin		m Henrietta
F	George		m Rebecca, had son James, see below

A James B. Wheeler apparantly had no children as none were mention-
-ed in the Chancery Court Records which listed his brothers as his heirs.

B John F. Wheeler was appointed Admns. for the estate of his mother, Ann Wheeler in 1820. On 18 Jan. 1822 he filed an account on her estate for a value of \$273.53. (Admn Acct. TSB 4, Fol 297) John F. Wheeler is shown in the census of Harford County for 1820 as between 30 and 40 with one male under 5, one female under 5 and one female 5 to 10. He died in 1833 and left a will naming wife, daughter, Ann Sophia and son, William. The will was witnessed by E. H. Bussey, Francis I. Wheeler and George Wheeler. See WB TBS-5, Fol 42) The census of Harford County, for 1850, shows Lovicy Wheeler, age 50, Sophia 24 and William age 20. Records in the D.A.R. Lib-
-rary shows "Lovincy Wheeler, wife of the late John F. Wheeler, was b in 1800 and d in 1864. Sophia M.A. Wheeler died in 1882, age 55 years"

D The census of Harford County, Vol. 17, P-171 shows a Bennett Wheeler between 40-50, 2 males under 5 and another male betwee 40-50. The other male could have been Richard, and they could have been broth-
-ers. Bennett also had one female 20 to 30 and one female 50 to 60. It seems certain that this Bennett was the son of Joseph and Ann as his 1st cousin of the same name also lived in Harford County and is listed in the census of 1840 as between 50 and 60. The younger Bennett was not found in the census of 1850 so no further trace was made (Census above for 1830)

As a clue for anyone checking this line the census of Baltimore City for 1850, Vol. 4, 6th Ward, p 161, shows a Bennett Wheeler, age 20, Ships Carpenter, born in Harford County. This could have been one of the males, under 5, in 1830 as shown above.

5 IGNATIUS WHEELER, Son of Benjamin, continued

(3) Joseph Wheeler, son of Ignatius, Sr., from preceeding page

F The following is recorded as an aid to anyone checking on this line. Ann Wheeler, in 1820, devised to "Rebecca Wheeler, wife of my son, George, and to her son, James" This could mean that James was not a son of George but a step son. The census of Harford County for 1820, Vol. 8, F-1, shows a George W. Wheeler 26-45 with one male less 10, one female 16 to 26 and one female under 10. The census of 1830 shows George W. Wheeler as between 30-40 so he was born between 1790 and 1800 and would be in the same age bracket as the other sons of Joseph and Ann. He had one male under 5, one 5 to 10 and one 10 to 15. He had one female under 5 and one 30 to 40. This would place the year of birth of his wife as between 1794 and 1800. The following will was found in the court house in Washington, D.C. and while there is no proof of descent I am sure there is some connection between the testator and the family of Joseph and Ann Wheeler;

"Will of George W. Wheeler, of Washington, D.C. signed 21 April, 1862, proved 23 Sept. 1862. To Samuel E. Douglass and Ashbury Lloyd all of my estate but they are to give unto my dear daughter, Elizabeth E. Wheeler, the interest, income and revenue of my estate during the period of her natural life.
To my dear nephew, George W. Wheeler, son of my brother, John Wheeler, of Baltimore" (Liber MK No. 1, Fol. 332)

If this was the George Wheeler, of Harford County, he would have been between 62 and 72 years of age but his brother, John (F) did not have a son named George W. Wheeler. Further research is necessary to place this George W. Wheeler

CHAPTER VIII

OTHER WHEELER FAMILIES IN MARYLAND

From 1634 to 1689 the Proprietor of the Province of Maryland offered free land to all immigrants or to the person who transported them. The following is a list of the Wheelers whose names appear in the Index to Early Settlers in Maryland;

EDWARD WHEELER was an immigrant in 1652. He was indentured to Thomas Bradley. (L-6, Fol. 86)

JOHN WHEELER transported himself, Catherine, his wife, Samuel, John and Anne his children in 1658. He was granted patent for Wheelers Point. (L-Q, Fol. 246)

JOHN WHEELER. Warrant granted to John Wheeler 1 Nov. 1665, (he) unable to come to this office on 10 April, last. (L-9, Fol. 34)

RICHARD WHEELER (among others) consigned to Mr. Thomas Dent, July 1670
(L-12, Fol. 584)

SAMUEL WHEELER proved his rights, 5 Aug. 1672, for himself and one for his wife, Elizabeth (L-17, Fol. 67)

THOMAS WHEELER proved his rights to 50 acres of land for transporting himself out of Virginia 12 Nov. 1672

CHARLES WHEELER (among others) transported by Thomas Dent, of St. Marys Co. 26 May 1673. Rights sold to Nicholas Grandy of Charles County. (L-17, F-448) (Note-this Charles Wheeler apparently wound up in Prince Georges County when that county was formed in 1696. The first court order book of P.G. Co. shows that in June 1696 sued Charles Wheeler for trespass. In the Jan. 1697 court Charles Wheeler sued John Mills for trespass and in this same court Charles Wheeler and John Mills reached an agreement. In the Sept. 1699 Ct. Jackson & Co. sued Charles Wheeler for trespass. I did not check further on Charles Wheeler as no descendants could be identified- WVB)

JOHN WHEELER (among others) transported by Miles Gibson, of Cecil County. Miles Gibson sold his rights to Thomas Long, of Baltimore County on 19 Apr. 1675. (L-15, Fol 314)

EDWARD WHEELER, (among others) was transported by John Warren in 1677

WILLIAM WHEELER (among others) was transported by William Frige, of Talbot County in 1676. Rights granted 14 Apr. 1679 (L-15, Fol. 544)

William Wheeler. The Archives of Md., Vol. 3, P-430 shows that Phillip Calvert, Lt. Gov. of Maryland, granted to WILLIAM WHEELER, 7 July 1661, an immigrant from Virginia, "the right to be a free Dennizen of Md."

OTHER WHEELERS IN MARYLAND, continued.

In addition to those listed on the preceeding page the Index to Early Settlers in the Land Office, Annapolis, Md., shows that CEZAR WHEELER came in 1667, GEORGE in 1671, RICHARD in 1680 and another WILLIAM WHEELER, who paid his own transportation, in 1680. There is no proof available, or none found by the writer, that any of these wheelers were related to our subject, JOHN WHEELER, immigrant in 1652. Some of these Wheelers did leave family lines as there were Wheelers in Baltimore, Charles and Prince Georges Counties at the same time the children and grandchildren of John Wheeler were there. This has been confusing in the research as often two unrelated Wheelers of the same name would be found in the same county at the same time. Others are searching for some record of the descendants of these Wheelers and the following records, located by the writer, may be of some help to them.

PRINCE GEORGES COUNTY

"8 June 1678 John Aspinall sells to Robert Wheeler, of Charles County, all that parcel of land formerly laid out for John Starke" (DB-B, No 1, Fol 160)

In Charles County Court Records, H No. 1, Fol. 249, is "8 March 1678 Robert Wheeler, of Charles County, sells to Cuthbert Musgrove one half a tract called Shrews Bonney Lyongo, lying on the N. side of a River called Pungoemagon ? laid out for John Starke and now in possession of Jno Simson, cont 150 acres. /S/ Robert Wheeler - Mary Wheeler. Wit. Roger Fowke and Theo. Robinson"

The relationship of this Robert Wheeler to the Robert Wheeler whose name appears in the records of Prince Georges County in 1706 is not know to the writer. Prince Georges County was not formed until 1696 and Piscataway Creek fell within the boundaries of this county

In Calvert County, Md. one Roger Wheeler, Merchant, died in 1724 leaving a will naming wife, Elizabeth, son Robert and daughter Ann. In 1769 Daniel Kent and Ann Weems Kent appeared in Chancery Court with a petition claiming that Roger Wheeler, of Calvert County, died in 1763 possessed of a considerable estate and left four infant daughters; Mary, now the wife of Major John Brooke, Elizabeth, now the wife of Levin Ballard, Sarah, now the wife of William Weems and Ann, now the wife of John Weems. (Chan. 39, 180)

The relationship of the Roger Wheeler who died in 1724 to the one who died in 1763 is unknown to the writer. In 1706 one Robert Wheeler appears in Prince Georges County and buys from Samuel Farmer a tract called Farmers Marsh "It being a part of Daniels Grove, in P.G. County, on the W. side of Collington Branch, cont. 103 1/4 acres" (PG. Ct. Rec. Liber C, Fol. 168)

OTHER WHEELERS IN MARYLAND, continued

PRINCE GEORGES COUNTY

Robert Wheeler, of P.G. County, signed his will 7 May 1740 and it was proved 23 April 1748 and mentioned wife, Grace, son, Robert, who is to get 100 acres of Farmers Marsh. Also sons Daniel and Thomas, dau Mary and grandchildren, Robert and Sarah, children of son Robert. (Wills No. 25, Fol. 449) The Queen Anns Parish Register shows the births of his children and we can get the family viz;

1	Wheeler, Robert m Grace	16__-1748	(In P.G. County in 1706) (Living in 1762)
2	Wheeler, Thomas	1706-	
3	Robert	1708-1752	m 1732 Ann Duckett
4	John	1710-	
5	Mary	1713-	
6	Daniel	1714-	
7	Samuel	17**	(Not in Parish Reg. but in Inv. 1750)

The inventory of Robert Wheeler was appraised by Benjamin and Mordecai Jacob at 111-5-11 and filed 9 Sept 1750 by Grace Wheeler, Admx. (Inv. DD No 2, Fol 180) Account was filed for Capt. Robert Wheeler 29 Sept 1750 by Grace Wheeler showing payments made to Jere Belt, Osborn Sprigg, Daniel Dulaney and Peter Dent. Next of kin was listed as Samuel Wheeler, son of deceased, who is of age, and Robert Wheeler. (Accts. 29, Fol. 2) Acct Book No 57 also shows account by Grace Wheeler 29 Sept. 1750 with security by Reginald Odell, Neal Queen and James Elliott, of A.A. County.

3 Robert Wheeler, Jr. is the only one in this line I could follow from the records in P.G. County. He m Ann Duckett, in Q.A. Parish, 23 Nov. 1732. He signed his will 3 Sept. 1751 which was proved 25 Mar. 1752 and he devised to son, Robert, son, Thomas and to daughters, Sarah Wheeler, Ann Wheeler, Mary Wheeler, Lydia Wheeler, Ruth Wheeler and to wife, Ann Wheeler. Wit. by Turner Wooten and Will Devine. (WB-28, Fol, 288) Ann Wheeler remarried as account book 33, Fol. 423 shows account of Matthew Robinson and Ann, his wife, on estate of Robert Wheeler, of P.G. Co., deceased, on 11 Apr. 1753. Additional inventory was presented by Turner Wooten 19 Mar. 1753, sworn to by Ann Wheeler, lately called Ann Robinson, Exex of Robert Wheeler, deceased (Inv. DD No. 1, Fol 332)

Robert Wheeler, Jr., willed to his son, Robert "tract of land purchased of William Murdock, Esq." On 10 May 1762 Grace Wheeler, widow and Execx of Robert Wheeler and Robert Wheeler, grandson of said Robert Wheeler sold a tract called The Addition to Farmers Marsh 150 acres. The deed was witnessed by Sarah Jones (probably nee Wheeler) and Samuel Wheeler. This proves that Grace and her son, Samuel, were living in 1762. The family of Robert Wheeler, Jr., was;

OTHER WHEELERS IN MARYLAND, continued.

PRINCE GEORGES COUNTY

- 3 Wheeler, Robert, Jr. 1708-1752
 m 1732 Ann Duckett who m (2) 1753 Matthew Robinson
 8 Wheeler, Robert III died 1800
 9 Thomas
 10 Sarah (Probably m Jones)
 11 Ann
 12 Mary
 13 Lydia
 14 Elizabeth
 15 Ruth

8 On 30 Mar. 1781 and 8 June 1782 Robert Wheeler was issued certificates for stray horses (DB-FF No 1) On 27 Mar. 1799 he sold to Thomas Landsdale and Walter Claggett, Merchants, for 57-16-06 "all of my crops of tobacco now in the house, two horses, one cow and one calf". (JRM No. 7, Fol. 92) In DB JRM No. 8, folio 428 is the following; "19 Feb. 1801, one Robert Wheeler, of P.G. County, died intestate seized of a tract of land in P.G. County leaving Jacob Wheeler, Susannah Fearall, wife of John Fearall, Robert Wheeler, Ann Wheeler, Elizabeth Wheeler, Walter Wheeler, Eleanor Wheeler and Priscilla Wheeler his representatives and coheirs at law. The said Jacob, eldest son of the deceased, elected to pay to the others their share of the estate etc" (Eleanor's signature by Robert Wheeler, her guardian). In the same book, folio 431, same date is a deed from Jacob Wheeler, of P.G. County to Isaac Landsdale for Enfields Chase, Farmers Marsh and Addition to Farmer Marsh, cont. 153 1/2 acres. Signed by Jacob Wheeler and Susanna, his wife. On 14 Dec. 1801 Jacob Wheeler purchased 10 acres called Strife from Zachariah Baldwin

On 16 April 1806 the other heirs acknowledged receipt from Jacob Wheeler of their shares from the sale of 5 1/2 acres to Benjamin Ogle but Eleanor is now the wife of Joseph Powell, Jr. (DB-JRM-11, 328) In Apr 1809 Jacob Wheeler and Susana, his wife sold 66 1/2 acres of Farmers Marsh and Addition to Farmers Marsh to Benjamin Ogle. (JRM-13, Fol. 279)
 Note- Farmers Marsh was held in this family from 1706 to 1809. Enfields Chase adjoined Belair, a large plantation near the present town of Bowie, Md., and Belair is now a large suburban residential area built by Leavitt & sons (WVB)

- 8 Wheeler, Robert III 17 -1800/1 (wife unknown)
 16 Wheeler, Jacob 1760-d after 1828 m 1787 Susannah Inglehart
 17 Susannah m 1786 John Farrall
 18 Robert IV
 19 Ann d 1806
 20 Elizabeth unmarried in 1809
 21 Walter R.
 22 Priscilla unmarried in 1809
 23 Eleanor Minor in 1801, m Joseph Powell Jr ca 1806

OTHER WHEELERS IN MARYLAND, continued.

PRINCE GEORGES COUNTY

Robert Wheeler and Jacob Wheeler took the Oath of Fidelity in P.G. County in 1778. Jacob Wheeler, born 1-5-1760 was drafted on the Western Expedition in the French War of 1799. (Brumbaugh's Md. Records) The last record found of Jacob was in 1828 in A.A. County when he sold to Dr. Charles Duvall seven acres of "Jerico" and two acres upon which stands a grist mill. Rt. of dower by Susannah Wheeler. (DB. AA Co. AB No 5, Fol 250)

This is all I have on the Wheelers of Charles and P.G. Counties. I am somewhat puzzled by an item in The Tercentenary History of Maryland, Vol 4, by Andrews. On page 344 he says "She (Mrs. Hodges) descends from Anne Wheeler, daughter of Roger Wheeler of the Council of Maryland, 1754-1766. Roger Wheeler was the grandson of Major General John Wheeler and Mary, his wife, who immigrated to Charles County, Md. in 1665 etc" Mrs. George W. Hodges was a life long student of Maryland history and contributed to the Hall of Records her vast index to marriages containing several thousand names. She is a descendant of Francis Wheeler, son of John, and from Mary Wheeler, dau of Frances, who m Joseph Noble. In previous pages of this book I have traced out all of the grandchildren of John and Mary Wheeler and found no proof of a grandson named Roger Wheeler. I do not know where Mrs. Hodges got her proof but I could not find it.

DORCHESTER COUNTY

John Wheeler, son of Leonard of Prince Georges County, moved to Dorchester County and died there in 1770 as proved on page 57 of this book. There were other Wheelers in Dorchester County as shown by the following;

"11 Nov. 1727 to my eldest son, Henry Wheeler, 100 acres called Ennallsons Ridge, joining on the said Henry the land he now possesses. To my three sons, James, John and Solomon Wheeler 140 acres of Ennallsons Ridge. To my wife, Sarah Wheeler. Signed John Wheeler. Pro. 25 Mar. 1730". WB-19. Fol 898

"27 Sept. 1742 to son, John, tract called Rights Lot. To son, Thomas, tracts called York and Yorks Addition. To son, Samuel, tract called Yorks Addition. To dau Mary Ferguson. To dau Elizabeth Howard. To dau Alice Thomas. To grand-son Patrick Hughes and John Hughes. /S/ Charles Wheeler. Pro 21 May 1746. Wit. John Stewart, Edward White, Francis Young". (WB 24, Fol. 414)

"8 Nov. 1763. To my son, Samuel Wheeler, a horse, a cow, a heifer and a yew. To my son, John Wheeler, a mare, a cow and a yew. Given by Mr. Samuel Wheeler, Sr., to my two sons upon condition that I die in a year and a half. /S/ Samuel Wheeler. Pro 30 Jan 1764". (WB 32, Fol. 135)
Note-He died within the time specified so presumably the will was valid

"27 Nov. 1770. To my sons Charles Wheeler, Levin Wheeler, Henry Wheeler, Elekin Wheeler and John Wheeler. /S/ by mark Thomas Wheeler. Proved 22 Dec. 1770" (WB 38 Fol. 199)

OTHER WHEELERS IN MARYLAND, continued.

DORCHESTER COUNTY, continued.

The Iowa Genealogical Records Committee published an item in 1925 stating that the last named John Wheeler was a soldier in the Rev. War from Dorchester County, Md. After the war John, Levin and Elekin, brothers, moved to Ohio. Mrs. Samantha Poling, N.S.D.A.R., had proved her descent back to John Wheeler, 1760-1832, and implied that he was a descendant of Maj. John Wheeler, of Charles County, but no proof was given.

"13 Apr 1771 Inv of Thomas Wheeler, late of Dorchester County, deceased, by John Wheeler, Exex of Thomas Wheeler. Nearest of kin Elizabeth Wheeler and Charles Wheeler". (Inv. 106, Fol. 196)

"9 Apr 1773 account of Mary Wheeler, Admx of Thomas Wheeler, deceased, 126-1-11. To widow 1/3 part. To Thomas Miles a black colt. To Levin Wheeler one horse. Bal among children". (Bal Bk 1770-1774, Fol. 251)

"2 June 1774; To son John Wheeler 1/2 of Staffords Support and 1/2 of Furlong. To son William the other half of said land. To dau Ann Wheeler 1/3 of my personal estate. To my bro Henry Wheeler my wearing apparal. To my bro Lecum (Levin?). To my sister Ann Wheeler one loose gown that was my wife's. I desire John Seremore should take care of my three Children. /S/ Thomas Wheeler. Pro 22 June 1774. Wit Roger A Hooper, James Ross, Summers Ware". (WB 39, Fol 382)

"18 Sept. 1774; The money due me from James Ross, Administrator of Thomas Wheeler, shall go to the expense of burying me. My bro Charles Wheeler to have 1/2 of what is due me from Mary Wheeler, widow, and that my other brother, Eleacium, have the other half due from Mary Wheeler. My bro Henry to have my chest and the pewter in it and Thomas Wheeler's dau, Nancy is to have my trunk and cloathes. I give my side saddle to Naoma Vinson". /S/ Anne Wheeler. Pro 9 Jan. 1775. (WB 40, Fol. 546)

BALTIMORE COUNTY

In Dec., 1706 patent was issued to William Wheeler for Hookers Prosperity, 114 acres, in Baltimore County. William Wheeler died in 1738 and left a large family. Several persons are working on a history of his descendants and a list of them here would be a repetition. The following are the names of some of those doing research on this line;

Mr. Farris N. Wheeler, 1728 NW. 41, Oklahoma City, Okla.
 Mr. Harry H. Lee, 5750 Cumberland Street, San Diego, Calif. 92114
 Mr. James B. McCurley, Jr., 7508 Glendale Road, Chevy Chase Maryland 20015.
 Mr. Robert Barnes, 1204 Silverthorne Road, Baltimore, Maryland, 21212

The writer's ancestor, Benjamin Wheeler, moved to Baltimore County in 1716 and these two family lines in one county have caused considerable confusion to the descendants of both lines

FAMILY CHART OF WALTER V. BALL

1	Wheeler, John	1630-1693		
	m Mary			
2	Wheeler, Thomas	1660-1735		
	m (unknown)			
3	Wheeler, Benjamin	cl685-1741	3 A	Clement, William 1680-1760
	m Elizabeth			m Ann
4	Wheeler, Jane	1705-cl770	4 A	Clement, Benjamin 1704-1780
	m Isaac Butterworth			m Susannah Hill
5	Butterworth, Benj.	1736-1801	5 A	Clement, Elizabeth
	m Elizabeth Clement			m Benjamin Butterworth
6	Butterworth, Isaac	1768-185	6 A	Walker, Buckley cl745-1812
	m Elizabeth Walker, daughter of			m Ann
7	Butterworth, Buckley	1793-1854	7 A	Ball, Benjamin 1800-1836
	m Sarah Callahan			m Temperance Fortner
8	Butterworth, Charles	1837-1885	8 A	Ball, Peter H. 1828-1888
	m Julia Humphreys			m Mary M. Cecil
9	Butterworth, Sarah E.	1869-1955	9 A	Ball, Charles M 1858-1924
	m Charles M. Ball			m Sarah E. Butterworth
10	Ball, Walter V.	1901-		
	m Evelyn C. Woolfolk			
11	Ball, Mary Lee	1926		
	m F. C. O'Brien			
12	O'Brien, John Kevin	1953-		

- NOTES -

- 1 John Wheeler was Capt. and Major of Militia, Charles County, Md.
- 3 A William Clement was a Justice of the Peace, Amelia County, Va.
- 4 A Benjamin Clement appointed Capt. of Rangers, Halifax County, Va in 1755 and made gunpowder for soldiers during Rev. War.
- 5 Benjamin Butterworth was Lt. of Militia in Bedford Co., Va. 1779
- 6 A Buckley Walker operated an inn in Bedford County, Va. in 1770 and furnished supplies to the Continental army in 1782
- 7 Buckley Butterworth was a soldier in the War of 1812
- 8 Charles E. Butterworth was a sergeant in the U.S.A. in the Civil War.
- 8 A Peter H. Ball was a private in the C.S.Army during the Civil War.

The compiler is a member of the Society of Colonial Wars, the Sons of the American Revolution, the Society of the War of 1812 and the Flagon and Trencher Society by right of descent from the above named ancestors.

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