

thelevell.txt

References to "The Levell," Land Tract, Octorara Hundred (1715-1753); Cecil Co., MD

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Abraham Collett was the original owner of a tract of land at "The Levell" called "Mount Pisgah and Mount Pleasant," which were later purchased by Richard Guy. Below are references to this location from the public records of Cecil County:

Deed Book I, p. 78. Deposition. Bartholomew Hewickson [sic, Henrickson?]  
Andrew Peterson and Alexander Shresse swore on oath before William Pearce that they saw a locust post set in the ground by the stump of a white which was formerly Abraham Strand's marked tree, belonging to will ward on the Back Creek in the Sassafras River. This land is called Leavell was formerly bought from John Coke by the said William Ward, Made 23 January [year not given.]

Deed Book I, P. 446. Deed. Henry Hendrickson of Cecil Co., planter, and his wife Jone, for 11,000 lbs of tobacco, to William Davis of the same county and his heirs begotten on the body of Angill Davis, his now wife, planter, 100 acres of land, which is one moiety of a tract called the Leavill on the east side of Chesapeake Bay on the north side of Sassafras River near the head of Back Creek. Henry Hendrickson and Johannah Hendrickson made their marks. Made 1705. Wit: Edward Larramore, Richard Thompson. Ackn: Jun 1705. On 24 Mar 1706 Val. Browne received from Wm. Davis 4 shillings, the alienation money for the use of Richard Bennet, esq., patentee of the Lord Proprietor. Rec: 10 Dec 1716. John Dowdall, Clerk.

Deed Book II, P. 322. Deed. Robert Hews of Cecil Co., planter, for a sum of tobacco, to Alexander McKee, Jr. of Kent Co., 100 acres of land, the middle part of 300 acres called Levell on the north side of Sassafras River on Back Creek which s formerly taken up by William Ward of said county. [Name also spelled Hewes.] Made 29 Mar 1711. Wit: M. Vanderheyden, Henry Ward. JP: M. Vannderheyden. Rec: 6 Jun 1715. John Dowdall, Clerk.

Deed Book II, P. 350. Deed. Robert Hughes, late of Cecil Co., planter, and Penelope his for £20 to Richard Thatcher of Prince Morris River in West Jersey, planter, land in Cecil Co. near the head of Back Creek on Sassafras River, being the middle 100 acres of a tract called Levell by the land of Thomas Linsey, except a third which Robert Hughes assigns to his mother Ann Hughes. [Name also spelled Hews.] Made 5 Jun 1714. Wit: John Cooke, G. Empson, Edward Plumstead. Ackn: in Salem Co., New West Jersey on 26 Oct 1715 before Isaac Sharp, esq. Rec: 4 Nov 1715. John Dowdall, Clerk.

Deed Book III, P. 76. Deed. William Ward of Cecil Co., planter, and Charity his wife, for 12,000 lbs of tobacco, to John Cox of said county, 100 acres of land, the remaining part of 300 acres called Levell. Said land was formerly granted to William Cox by Robert Cooke, deceased. Made 11 June 1717. Wit: Thomas Walmsley, Wm. Veazey, Benj. Cox. Ackn: same day. John Dowdall, Clerk.

Deed Book IV, P. 133. Deed. Alexander Mackey of Cecil Co., planter, for 4,000 lbs of tobacco in cask, to Henry Hendrickson of Cecil Co., planter, the middlemost 100 acres of land of a tract called the Levell in Cecil Co. near the head of Back Creek by the land of Angell Davis. [Mackey's name also spelled Meacay.] Made 9 Feb 1724. Wit: W. Baldwin, Mary Baldwin. Ackn: same day. JPs: B. Pearce, John Baldwin. Rec: 10 Feb 1724. Knight, Clerk.