

Garrett

ARMS: Ermine, on a fesse azure a lion passant or, CREST: A Lion passant langued gules resting the sinister paw on a trefoil. (ARMS: on an ermine spotted field a blue horizontal bar containing a gold walking lion resting the left paw on a three leaved blade of grass.)

ARMS: Argent, a saltire and a border fules a crescent for difference. (ARMS: On a silver field a cross in the form of an "X" within a red border with a crescent.)

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THOMAS GERRARD: Lived in Kent County, England in the 15th Century.

LAWRENCE GERRARD

JOHN GERRARD

WILLIAM GERRARD, Lord Mayer of London

SIR WILLIAM GERRARD

JOHN, WILLIAM HENRY, THOMAS, GEORGE AND FOUR DAUGHTERS

ROGER OF Middlesex

GEORGE, JOHN, THOMAS

** SIR THOMAS GERRARD OF ENGLAND: Some of his five sons came to America and settled in the South.

THOMAS was granted, in 1639, St. Clements Manor in Maryland. He married three times, and had about fifteen children and moved to Virginia.

RICHARD, sailed on the Ark and Dove with the first settlers for Maryland who landed in 1634.

GEORGE

HUMPHREY

EDWARD

Labor available to the early settlers fell into one of five categories; first and most important, the family unit; second, slaves, third, indentured servants; fourth apprentices; and fifth, free labor.

At this stage in the development of the country, a large family, particularly of sons, was an economic asset; and a man who lived to a ripe old age frequently outlived three or four wives. Generally speaking, the widowhoods were the results of deaths by violence. The high mortality rate among the women was as a result of childbirth.

The property of any woman immediately upon her marriage became the property of her husband's, unless it was put in trust, specifically exempting it from the debts and obligations of her husband.

As the Garretts began to acquire land and become involved in the every day affairs of the New Americans, they started their families usually immediately after their marriage vows. Edward Garrett II, born 31 August 1733 married Ann West Owsley on June 2, 1759 in Fairfax County, Virginia. Ann born 1744 outlived Edward by some 31 years. Edward was 61 years of age at death which was on the 24 August 1794. Ann lived to the ripe age of 81 for she died May 2, 1825. As stated before many women died in childbirth. Evidently Ann was of hearty stock for their children began coming right after the first year of their marriage and she bore Edward eight boys and eight girls, sixteen altogether. None taken at birth. They are as follows:

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| 1. Elizabeth - b. Oct 1760 | 9. Dorcas | 12 April 1773 |
| 2. John - b. 1 July 1763 | 10. Stephen | 16 April 1775 |
| 3. William - b. 9 Sept. 1763 | 11. Mary | 4 Dec. 1777 |
| 4. Nicholas - b. 11 Mar 1765 | 12. Martha | 28 Nov. 1778 |
| 5. Jesse - b. 9 Sept. 1766 | 13. Ann | 23 Aug 1780 |
| 6. Frances - b. 11 May 1768 | 14. Hosea | 16 Oct. 1782 |
| 7. Rhoda - b. 24 Nov 1769 | 15. Keziah | 8 Mar 1785 |
| 8. James - b. 23 Aug (March) 1771 | 16. Edward III | 13 Sept 1787 |

GARRETT IN THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR

Ambrose Garrett (born around 1760, died before 24 July 1834):
soldier in a Virginia unit; married to Mary Turpen.

Andrew Garrett (born 2 February 1756, died 6 January 1805): private
in a Massachusetts unit; married to Olive Blish.

Edward Garrett (born 31 August 1733, died 25 August 1794): did
patriotic service in South Carolina; married to Ann West Owsley.

Francis Garrett, Sr. (born 4 October 1729, died around 1783): private
in a Connecticut unit; married to Ruth Case.

Francis Garrett, Jr. (born 12 April 1759, died after 1790): private
in a Connecticut Unit; married to Hannah Robe.

Henry Garrett (born 1745, died 1815): captain, did civil service in
Virginia; married to Mary Johnson.

Jacob Garrett (born around 1730, died after 3 December 1796): did
patriotic service in Virginia; wife's name unknown.

James Garrett (born 1746, died June 1778): private in a North Carolina
unit; married to Nancy -----(Beavers?).

John Garrett (born 4 August 1738, died 28 January 1825): private in a
Connecticut unit; married to Hannah Barker.

John Garrett (born 1756, died 16 February 1853): private, teamster
in a Connecticut unit; pensioned; married (2nd) to Widow
Carrington.

Except in the winter months, new immigrants were arriving boatload after boatload; some settlements were established as far north as the Potomac River. By 1700, there were more than 80,000 persons living in the Tidewater region of Virginia. By 1754 the total of inhabitants had reached 284,000.

Even before that time the settlers had scattered over the coastal plain the Piedmont plateau, and had crossed over the Blue Ridge highlands and settled in the valley of Virginia, with the Appalachian Plateau at their back.

As early as 1730 there had been a heavy immigration from Pennsylvania into Virginia. The Scotch-Irish, Welsh and Germans settling in the upper valleys. It was in that section where flourished the Welsh Baptist Church, the English Quakers and the Scotch Presbyterians. The Methodist churches were established about 1800.

GARRETT, Henry.....Fairfax
GARRETT, Henry.....Amherst
GARRETT, Henry.....Fairfax
GARRETT, Henry Jr....Fairfax
GARRETT, Jacob.....Prince Edward
GARRETT, James.....Charlotte
GARRETT, Nicholas....Fairfax
GARRETT, Nicholas....Fairfax
GARRETT, Peter.....Fairfax
GARRETT, William.....Essex

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THE PIONEER GARRETTS OF SOUTH CAROLINA

The Garrett families who came to the 96th District of South Carolina ca. 1750 were known to be related. The Garrett-Ware family dates from John Garrett and Nicholas Ware who patented 386 acres of land for eight persons in New Kent County, Virginia on the 21st day of August 1665. (Virginia Land Patents, P. 253).

The Garrett-Ware family lived in what is today Edgefield and Abbeville Counties of South Carolina. Family records of the Garrett family of Laurens County show that the family originated in Leicestershire, England. Many Garretts of this family emigrated to Virginia.

Edward Garrett I, born 1708 in Leicestershire, England had died by the 20th of December 1751. He settled in Stafford County, Virginia, later removed to Loudon County where he married Elizabeth Catlett. This first Edward had a land grant patented 1741-1742. He was a landed proprietor in Fairfax County, Virginia. Some Garretts owned land adjacent to the Washington land. Edward's estate inventory is filed in Fairfax County 20 June 1751, Will Book, Virginia A 1, 1742-1752. It was administered on the 20th of December 1751. No sons being old enough to act in official capacity. However, Edward Garrett II took charge as soon as he was old enough. His estate was closed 20th May 1752 and admitted to the record by John Graham. (Taken from Upper South Carolina Families, The Garretts, by Sara Sullivan Ervin.)

Another entry in the Loudon County, Virginia Deed Book E, P. 5, 1766-67 is as follows: "Between Edward Garrett II, Parish of Cameron, and Ann, his wife, the Thomas Middleton, Sr., of same county and Parish, land on North side of Goose Creek--remainder of track of 249 acres from a patent taken by Edward Garrett I, 29 December 1742. Witnesses--Levin Powell, William Clarkson, Edwin Furr. Recorded 14 April, 1786."

Pioneer Garretts of South Carolina (Cont'd)

Book F, P. 59, 13 October 1763: "Between Edward Garrett II and Ann, his wife, of Loudon County, Virginia to Isaac Wood, part of a grant from Proprietors of Northern Neck to Edward Garrett I. Witnesses- William Haggard, William Allen, David Allen."

Children of Edward Garrett and Elizabeth Catlett are as follows:

1. Silas, born ca. 1730 was born in Loudon County, Virginia, died 1804-5 in Laurens County, South Carolina. He married Ann in 1753. Ann born ca. 1732, died in Laurens County, July 1787. His will recorded the names of his wife and children: "Ann, his wife, Enoch, Joab, John, Mary, Silas, Martha, Harrison, Elizabeth Yarbrough, Margeret. John born ca. 1754, Virginia, died ca. 1805-6. He was a private and adjutant in the South Carolina Militia in the Revolution, Stub Entries and Indentures Issued in Payment of Claims Growing out of the Revolution-- Sally Vol. U-W, P. 93, No. 645. Will probated 1806, Laurens County, names wife, Hannah and children: Joseph, Alice, Elisha, Jessie, Sarah, Henry, Rebecca, Charles. Charles married Hannah in 1744, born ca. 1755, died 1821 Laurens County. Will probated 1821.

2. Edward II, born 31 August 1733
- *** 3. Jessie born 1734
4. Margaret, born 4 June 1735
5. Frances, born 30 July 1737
6. Stephen, born 1 August 1740. Tradition has it he did not come to South Carolina.
7. Thomas, born 11 October 1744. Received his land grant in Laurens Co., S. Carolina, asking that his land be surveyed the same time and day as Edward's, his brother, of Warrior Creek.
- ** 8. John Garrett, born 18 January 1747.

Pioneer Garretts of South Carolina (Cont'd)

*** Jessie Garrett, born 1735, Fairfax County, Virginia moved to Chowan County, North Carolina where on the 30th of January 1756, he married Rachel Blanchard. His will names four sons and four daughters:

1. James, John, Timothy, Jesse
2. Penny, Mary, Elizabeth, Rachel

John Garrett, born 7 January 1762, died 14 April 1844 - had the following children:

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| 1. Rachel, born 1783 | 6. Jesse, born 1792 |
| 2. Edward, born 1785 | 7. William born 1794 |
| 3. Thomas, born 1787 | 8. Polly, born 1798 |
| 4. Jonathan, born 1789 | 9. Hosea, born 1800 |
| 5. Elisha, born 1791 | 10. John, born 1803 |

Other land grants received by the Garretts are recorded in Will Book A-1, P. 102: Recorded and prove date not available. Original will not in files of Probate Judge.

Garrett Sullivan, given as the grandson of Edward Garrett II, probably was the child of Pleasant Sullivan, mentioned in the will of Edward Garrett II.

Edward Garrett II -- first land grant on the Enoree River, precept dated 2 June 1767; survey filed 15 June 1767, signed by Ralph Humphries, surveyor; 100 acres laid out on the south side of the Enoree River. On Nov. 3, 1770, he received a grant of 500 acres on Warrior Creek of Enoree River; survey filed 11 October 1770, survey asked for on 2 Oct. 1770. Boundary owners - John Vaughn, Thomas Gordon (Bounty Grant; he was of Newberry County, Fought in the Revolution.) Surveyor of second Edward Garrett II grant, Enoch Pearson.

Pioneer Garretts of South Carolina (Cont'd)

Two tax memorials for Edward Garrett in Colonial Taxes; Royal Land Grants from South Carolina Archives--Edward Garrett II -- 100 acres on the Enoree River, 24 January 1776. Edward Garrett, 500 acres in the forks of the Broad River and the Saluda River on Warrior Creek, Waters of the Enoree River 3 November 1777. Many of the Royal Grants of the 18th century printing bore the great seal of South Carolina and the King's seal, affixed in wax on a ribbon--the seal as large as the top of a teacup. Some of these documents are still in existence today in handsome frames, which decorate the walls of dens and offices and the like.

Land Deeds of Laurens County, South Carolina--Direct Index--24 October 1806, Ann Garrett and heirs of Edward Garrett II in a gift of land for Warrior Creek Baptist Church, Book H, P. 205, 14 July 1798, Ann, John and William Garrett to John Ashley on Warrior Creek, book F, P. 434.

John Garrett to George Hughes, Warrior Creek, 14 July 1798, Book F, P. 377. Both deeds were in settlement of provisions of will of Edward Garrett II.

File #2691 in South Carolina Archives, Edward Garrett II furnished provisions and supplies for South Carolina Militia. Colonel Robert Anderson certified and the list as correct 21 May 1783. Edward Garrett (his signature swears to this 20 May 1783 before John Hunter, J.P.).

Edward Garrett signs receipt for his indenture 3506-S--" draws the interest 9 November 1786. The complete interest had not been drawn by 23 March 1799 when William Garrett (appointed executor of the estate) draws the full remaining interest."

THE FAMILY OF EDWARD GARRETT II & ANN WEST OWSLEY

Edward Garrett II, son of Edward Garrett I of Leicestershire, England, was born in New Kent County, Virginia on the 31st day of August 1733. Edward was married to Ann West Owsley on the 2nd of June 1759 in Fairfax County, Virginia. Ann born 1744, died 2 May 1825. He brought his bride to the 96th District, South Carolina in 1766. Both are buried in Warrior Creek Baptist Church Cemetery near Lanford Station and have marked graves:

"Sacred to the memory of Edward Garrett who departed this life Aug. 25, 1794 in the 61 yr. of his age." "Sacred to the memory of Anne Garrett who departed this life Feb. 5, 1825 in the 79 yr. of her age."

Married when only fifteen, Ann and Edward had sixteen children over a period of twenty years. Only once during that time did she live more than two years without having a new baby and then only two years and five months. And four times one came less than two years after the previous one, once in less than one year. None were more than single births.

Of hardy pioneer stock, Edward and Ann worked together rearing all of their sixteen children in a well adjusted atmosphere. They were both very active in the community, helped to improve the things around them. Being outstanding members of the Warrior Creek Baptist Church, they took part in the many church functions. He gave the land on which this church was built.

Edward and Anne Garrett brought a great deal of Virginia culture to the Warrior Creek neighborhood of Laurens County, South Carolina, where they fostered schools, churches and better roads. It was this couple, when the odds weighed heavily against them, brought the following children into the world, who were to make, in their time, their own history:

CHILDREN OF EDWARD GARRETT & ANNE
OWLSEY

1. Elizabeth, born 20 October 1760, married John Ashley
2. John, born 1 July 1762, married Sallie Mauldin
3. William, born 9 September 1763, married Nancy
4. Nicholas, born 11 March 1765, married Sally Bramlett
5. Jesse, born 9 September 1766, married Elizabeth Henderson
6. Frances, born 11 May 1768, married Pleasant Sullivan
7. Rhoda, born 24 November 1769, married George Hughes
8. James, born 23 August (March 1771), married Elizabeth Edwards
9. Dorcas, born 12 April 1773, married Stephen Mullins
10. Stephen, born 16 April 1775, (1) Sara Moore, (2) Elizabeth Putnam
11. Mary, born 4 December 1777, (1) Austin Moore, (2) Loderwick Dulin
12. Martha, born 28 November 1778, (1) Kelly, (2) Nelson
13. Ann, born 23 August 1780, married Johnson Harriss
14. Hosea, born 16 October 1782, married Isabella Power?
15. Irene Keziah, born 8 March 1785, married Robertson Moore II
16. Edward III, born 13 September 1787, married Ellender Higgins

Thus begins the first generation of our Garretts who were a major part of the "great migration" westward. Any Garrett should proud to have these pioneers as their ancestors----perpetuate them and grow in knowing more about them &- adding their own stories---handing them down to their children and their children's children.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF LAURENS

THIS IS TO CERTIFY: That the foregoing is a true
and correct copy of the original on file in this Court.
WITNESS my hand and seal of the Court this the
25th day of May, A.D., 1959.

(Verbl.)

Will of Edward Garrott

State of So. Carolina
County of Laurens

J. Hewlette Wasson
Judge of Probate, Laurens County, S. C.

Before Daniel Wright a Justice of the peace for s'd County personally appeared Nelson Kelly Stephen Mullins & Stephen Garrott & severally made oath on the holy avengelist almighty God & sayth That is to say the s'd Nelson Kelly sayth that on munday the 25 Instant that he was at the home of Edward Garrott who was then alive & in his oppinion in his perfect senses & under Stadning But at the Same time on his death Bead which in a few hours the s'd Edward Garrott Expired he the this Deponant under Stood by the s'd Edward that he had no will By him but that made but little odds as the laws of this County had made as good a will as he Could make only with this Reference that his wife had Been a good wife to him & had too clear for a living & it was his will that his plantation where he then Lived on with the land belonging to the Same She Should Injoy as long as She lived or as long as She Chose to live on it with a Cumfortable living During her life But if she should marry it was his will she should only have a Childs part further he observed that John Ashly had Settelled on part of the s'd. above mentioned land and that it was his will that ashly should have s'd Land which he under Stood was one hundred Acres which s'd land was to be at a curtain price & the price of s'd land was to be deducted out of his s'd Ashleys part of his Estate as s'd ashley was one of the Legatees & further sayth that he the s'd Garrott said that his Son James had Conducted him Self So that he did not wish for his part as one of his Children Should Come into his s'd james hands untill there was some Reformation in him & further Sayth that pleasant Sullivan had Marrud a Daughter of his & She was Dead & as Such he did not wish for him to have any part of his Living But there is a child that must have Sumthing to the amount of ten pounds But it is among them & it must be Bread & have its Schooling & I think that will Do. Stephen Mullins further Sayth that on the Day & time above Mentioned that he heard his Farthering Law Edward Garrott Say that it was his will that his Estate should be So Conducted as above mentioned by Nelson Kelly only pleasant Sullivan & Child which he Says he was not present when them words passed. Stephen Garrott Says on his oath that on the Same day within Mention that he heard his Farther Edward Garrot Say that it was his will that his Estate Should be disposed of in the Same manner that Mr. Nelson Kelly has Declared only that he was not present & heard the objections Respecting his Brother James Garrot & pleasant Sullivan & Respection his Mother Anny Garrott Injohing the Land as within Mentioned was not present nor did not heare and Stephens Mullins Sayth that he doth not Remember to heard any mention about the Land only Respection John Ashley & on there oath Sayth that the verly believe he the s'd Edward Garrot was in his perfect senses all of which they & Each of them do Sollowly Declare

Sworn to & Subscribed to before me, this 27 day Aqt. 1794

Samuel Wright J. P.

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Nelson x Kelly
Steph Mullins
Steph Garrott

N.B. Anney Garrott & Mary Garrott also Makes oath that they were present and did heare the word Spoken by the above named Edward Garrott Respecting pleasant Sullivan & pleasants Child as the within Nelson Kelly Declared & that they know that was his will that s'd Sullivan Should not have any part of his living but that the Child Garrott Sullivan Should have as within proved By s'd Kelly or have its Raising By them that is by those Deponants Sworn to & Subscribed before me this day of Aqt. 1794.

Daniel Wright J. P.

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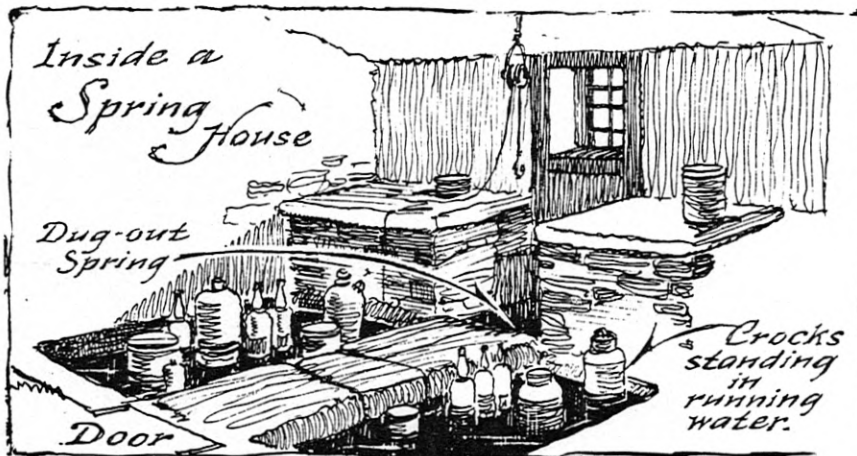
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THE FAMILY OF GEORGE HUGHES & RHODA GARRETT

Rhoda Garrett, seventh child of Edward II and Anne Garrett, married George Hughes probably around 1788. Rhoda was born 24 November 1769. The following children by this union was taken from the Hughes Bible:

1. John, born 6 February 1791
2. William, born 20 June 1792
3. Thomas, born 8 March 1793
4. Edward, born 7 January 1795
5. Anna, born 1 January 1797
6. Aaron, born 4 February 1799
7. Moses, born 6 January 1801

Rhoda was a widow in 1823 when she signed for her share of her mother's estate; was also buyer in the estate sale.



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