COCKES AND COUSINS

VOLUME I

DESCENDANTS OF RICHARD COCKE
(c. 1600-1665)

LEONIE DOSS COCKE
AND
VIRGINIA WEBB COCKE

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FOREWORD

One can find information on the descendants of Richard Cocke in almost any library in this area of the country. His name, or that of one of his descendants, appears frequently in historical magazines and books of Virginia. The most comprehensive record is a series of articles by James Cocke Southall published in the Virginia Magazine of History and Biography in 1896 and 1897. These articles have been invaluable to us. We used them as a starting point for our work. Since their publication, however, additional research has been done, new records have been discovered, and assumptions made then have been proved or disproved. We have searched for information about generations which have been born since then. Many of the living descendants, and a few who have died in the past four years, have been generous with their help.

While there are memoirs, Bible records, magazine articles, letters, and other papers in the libraries and in possession of living descendants, there is no one work which deals exclusively with the descendants of Richard Cocke. We have attempted to co-ordinate available information, both published and unpublished, and, as a beginning, to compile as many names and dates as we can in this volume. Later, we hope to tell more about some of those listed as well as to acquire information about descendants whom we have not yet reached.

We make no claim that these tables are complete or that they are without error. Our only claim is that this is a start toward the organization of data on the descendants of Richard Cocke. We offer this volume with the hope that future investigators will find it useful as a stepping stone to further research, will discount or authenticate the information contained herein, and will help us to collect material for another and more comprehensive volume.

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Leonie Doss Cocke
Virginia Webb Cocke

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assumed to be Temperance Baley included 100 acres of the land due to patent to Temperance Baley 20 Sept. 1620. About 1632, according to minutes of the Colonial Council, Richard Cocke married the widow of John Browne and was appointed trustee and guardian of the Browne children. Whether Temperance Baley was the widow Browne is a moot question. Boddie (6HSF) thinks that she was, that Richard Cocke inherited 100 acres of land which had been in the name of Temperance Baley, and that a daughter inherited the other half.

The consensus of many who have studied the records is that there were two children by the first wife, Thomas and Richard. Some think that Thomas may have been the first child of Mary Aston. There is more difference of opinion about which is older. Richard inherited the family home and is mentioned in his father’s will as “my eldest son,” but assignment of certain responsibilities to Thomas, such as the care of his younger brothers and sisters, suggests that he may have been older. The same evidence leads some to think that he was the first child of Mary Aston. We are assigning the identifying number for the first child to Thomas, in conformity with W. Ronald Cocke, III, who has done extensive research on the Cocke family and has data which he collected as well as a vast amount left to him by his father, W. Ronald Cocke, Jr. With his permission, we are using the system of numbering used by W. Ronald Cocke, III, and we have tried to make our numbers agree with his. His system seems to us to be superior to any other which we have encountered or can devise. The number assigned to an individual indicates the generation to which he belongs by the number of digits. His individual digit indicates his chronological order in the immediate family. It enables anyone using the information which we have compiled to follow the line of an individual in either direction.

Children of Temperance Baley:
11 Richard Cocke (c.1638-1697)
12 Richard Cocke (10 Dec. 1639-20 Nov. 1706) Buried at "Bremo," dates on his tombstone.

Children of Mary Aston:
13 Elizabeth Cocke, b. c.1653
14 William Cocke (165301693)
15 John Cocke (nearly the same age as William and closely associated)
16 Richard Cocke, the Younger
17 Edward Cocke (1665/66-1734) James C. Southall (3V405-412) lists Elizabeth as the 6th child and does not list Edward. James P. C. Southall, "Richard Cocke" of Bremo and His Children," (64V136-151) says that Elizabeth may have been by first wife.
DESCENDANTS OF RICHARD COCKE (c.1600-1665)  

Second Generation

Children of Richard Cocke and Temperance Bailey APP81,402,403;3V406PQ7;  
11 THOMAS COCKE (c.1638-1697), of "Picket Farm" 4V90;5VHC194-209;  
and "Walvern Hills," Henrico Co., Va. Will dated 10 Dec. 1696,  
Henrico Co. Deeds, Wills, etc., 1688-1697, p. 648.  
m/1 1663, Margaret Powell (probably)  
m/2 Margaret Jones, widow of Peter Jones; daughter of Col. Abraham  
Wood (Charles H. Hamlin, Jr., says that she was a step-daughter, that  
Col. Wood, in his will, refers to her children as "Grandchildren in  
Law and specifically names her Jones children." Mrs. Jester-APP402-  
asks the question, "By use of the phrase grand children in law did  
Abraham Wood wish to emphasize that the Jones children were his heirs  
in the full meaning of the law, or is the phrase to be accepted in a  
common interpretation as 'step-children'?"

Children: All by the first wife 116 James Cocke (c.1666-1721)  
111 Thomas Cocke (c.1662-1717)  
112 Stephen Cocke (c.1664-1717)  
113 John Cocke  
James Cocke Southall (4V90) says: In an earlier number "we enumerate  
John Cocke among the children of Thomas Cocke", instead of William.  
(Citing 5VHC) "... but we find from an examination of the will of  
William Cocke that his fourth son was named William and not John."  

Before we knew of this error, we had included John in our list. Dele-  
tion of his name would entail changing identification numbers of the  
four names following John's and of the descendants of these four  
people. Our first inclination was to change the numbers, but since  
W. Ronald Cocke, III, uses the number 114 for James, we decided to  
leave the list as it stands.

12 RICHARD COCKE (10 Dec. 1659-20 Nov. 1706), buried at "Bremo,"  
Henrico Co., where he lived. Will 18 Nov. 1706/2 Dec. 1706  
m. Elizabeth 3V419;2W204  
121 Richard Cocke (1672-1720)  
122 Elizabeth Cocke, b. c. 1675 123 Martha Cocke  

Children of Richard Cocke and Mary Aston 3V411;4V90;37V230;APP81,403  
m/1 Jane Flower (probably); m/2 16 June 1691, Sarah Dennis  
(Colon. Rec. Henrico, V, 250) James Powell Cocke Southall,  
44V164, footnote: "It has been stated (Va.M.H.&:  
113 John Cocke  
C) that William Cocke married, first, Jane Clarke, daughter of his step-father,  
Daniel Clarke, and second, Sarah Flower; but each of these statements  
appears to be erroneous. It has not been ascertained that Daniel  
Clarke had a daughter named Jane.  

Moreover, it is not true that William Cocke, son of Thomas,  
marrried Sarah Dennis (Va.M.H.&: B., IV, 90), the fact being that this  
William Cocke married Sarah Perrin in 1695."

Children: Daughters were by first wife, son probably was.  
141 Mary Cocke 142 Elizabeth Cocke  
15 JOHN COCKE, b. c.1658/60, of "Old Man's Creek," Charles City Co.  
Confused with John Cox (3V288). May be the John Cox whose will  
was proved 6 Apr. 1724, by James Powell Cocke* (6SHF13)  
m. 20 Nov. 1686, Mary Davis  
16 RICHARD COCKE, b.1660, of "Old Man's Creek," Charles City Co.  
m. Elizabeth  
William Bellam Hall Papers  
161 Anne Cocke 162 Richard Cocke (c.1670-c.1750)  
17 EDWARD COCKE (1665-1734), m. Mary  

In 1739, Mary, relict of Edward Cocke, came in Court in Charles City Co. and  
made oath he died intestate.
DESCENDANTS OF RICHARD COCKE (c.1600-1665)  
Fourth Generation

Children of Stephen Cocke and Sarah Marston

m. Mary Batte
11211 Peter Cocke
11212 Abraham Cocke
11213 Stephen Cocke (c.1727-Jan.1793) Third son, but may have been seventh child.
11214 Thomas Cocke
11215 John Cocke, Jr. (under age when will was made (1759)
11216 William Cocke
11217 Mary Cocke
11218 Agnes Cocke (1737-1800) There is nothing to indicate that any of the daughters was under age when the will was made.
11219 Martha Cocke
11220 Elizabeth Cocke
11221 AGNES COCKE m. Richard Smith Will recorded in Lunenburg Co., Va., 1760, brother Abram Cocke and my sons Abram Smith, Peter Smith" Witnesses were Abram Cocke, Peter Cocke, Abram Cocke, Junr., Stephen Cocke.
112211 Abraham Smith
112212 Peter Smith
112213 Benjamin Smith
112214 Jane Smith
112215 Agnes Smith
112216 Richard Smith
112217 Ann Smith
112218 Martha Smith
112220 Elizabeth Smith
112221 Mary Smith

Children of James Cocke and Elizabeth Pleasants

1141 JAMES COCKE (c.1690/92-c.1775) Will pr. 6 Feb. 1775. Among re-recorded wills at Henrico Co. Clerk's office. Mentions granddaughter Anne Winston and her sister Sarah Winston; also William Bobby and John Geddes Winston.
m. Sarah Lewis
11411 James Cocke (1720-1772)
11412 Thomas Cocke
11413 daughter, mother of the Winston children mentioned in the will of James Cocke.

1142 ELIZABETH PLEASANTS COCKE m. Thomas Poythress, son of John Poythress and Mary Batte
11421 Susanna Poythress

1143 PLEASANT COCKE (c.1692-1744) m. Mary Fleming
11431 William Fleming Cocke
11432 Pleasant Cocke

Children of William Cocke and Sarah Perrin

1151 SARAH COCKE (d. c.1730), daughter of William Cocke by his first wife.
m/1 William Cox c.1711), son of John Cox 17V94; 37V138; 52V214; m/2 Thomas Jordan, who survived her. 27W(1)140
Children:
11511 Martha Cox
11512 Stephen Cox
11513 Elizabeth Cox
11514 Edith (Was she Cox or Jordan?)

Will of William Cox (Goochland Co.), dated 10 Feb. 1711, pr. June 1712, mentions all of the above children except Edith. Will of Sarah Cox, dated 26 Mar. 1726, pr. 20 Jan. 1747, mentions all seven of them. She appointed Henry Wood (husband of Martha Cox) as executor. The will is in his handwriting. The fact that Martha Cox married at "Bromo" contributed to the confusion of William Cocke and William Cox. Later research proved that they were two different people and that William Cocke had not changed his name to Cox. (See 37V157ff.)

Children of William Cocke and Sarah Perrin

1152 WILLIAM COCKE, d. c.1730 m. Judith Stewart. Two children died before they were 8 yrs. old.
1153 TEMPERANCE COCKE m. Abraham Bailey, a large landowner in Henrico Co., in 1704
1154 MARY COCKE m. John Redford (Radford)
1155 CATHERINE COCKE m. John Burton
11551 John Burton, Jr.

1161 SAMUEL HARWOOD, JR., son of Temperance Cocke and Samuel Harwood.
His will proved by his widow, Agnes, in 1745. 16V254
11611 Samuel Harwood, III
Children of James Cocke and Sarah Lewis

11411 JAMES COCKE (1720-1772)
Goochland Co., Va.

m. Mary Lewis (Susanna Lewis?)

Children:

114111 James Cocke
114112 William Cocke
114113 John Cocke, b. 9 Nov. 1757
114114 Elizabeth Pleasants Cocke
114115 Sarah Lewis Cocke, b. 5 Feb. 1760
114116 Ann Cocke
114117 Susanna Cocke, b. 5 Aug. 1764

We have not been able to establish, beyond doubt, the name of the wife of this James or the names of his children. The Douglas Register gives the name of the wife as Mary Lewis and lists three children: John, Sarah Lewis, and Susanna. Miss Lucy P. Stone, of Roanoke, Va., thinks that James Cocke married Mary Lewis and that he had three children: Susan, James, and John. She thinks that the names of the children are the same as those given in the Virginia Historical Magazine, Vol. IV, No. 4, pp. 444, 445.

In regard to the name of the wife, Albert Kirven Cocke, of Roanoke Co., Va., says that Susanna Lewis (Gen. Robert Lewis, I John Lewis, 2 William Lewis, 3 Joseph Lewis, 4) was the wife of this James Cocke.

We shall welcome any information which will help us to clear up this record.

11412 THOMAS COCKE, died intestate, 1799.

m1 Ann Johnson, born prior to 1754 (Douglas Register)

m2 Nancy (1761) (Pee Book, Goochland Co.)

Children: List compiled from DR and the settling of the estate in Goochland Co., 19 Mar. 1832. May not be in order of birth.

114121 William Cocke, b. 1793
114122 Pleasant Cocke, b. 1793
114123 Benjamin Cocke (1797-1828)
114124 Elizabeth Cocke, b. 1799
114125 Sarah Cocke, b. 1795/50
114126 James Cocke, b. 1792/52
114127 Samuel Cocke, b. 21 Jan. 1794 DR
114128 John Cocke, b. 27 July 1756 DR
114129 Mary Cocke, b. 24 Oct. 1758 DR
11412-10 Martha Cocke, b. 1799
11412-11 Nancy (spelled Nansie by Douglas), b. 1 Oct. 1760

is listed by Douglas as the daughter of Thomas Cocke and Ann Johnson, a different Thomas Cocke.

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DESCENDANTS OF RICHARD COCKE (c.1600-1665)  Fifth Generation

11421 SUSANNA POUTHRESS, dau. of Elizabeth Cocke and Thos. Pouthress, m. William Hall (b. c.1700), son of Robt. Hall and Mary Tucker

114211 Dr. Robert Hall moved to N.C. 1ACAG377:OK

11431 WILLIAM FLEMING COCKE, son of Pleasant Cocke and _______Fleming d. before 1767
m. Theodosia Cowley, sister of Abraham Cowley

114311 Martha Fleming Cocke
114312 Pleasant Fleming Cocke
114313 William Cocke

114315 Theodosia Cocke


115111 Valentine Wood, b. 2 Sept. 1724
115112 Sally Wood, b. 1726
115113 Martha Cocke (Patty) Wood, b. 1732

Three other children who died unmarried.

11611 Maj. SAMUEL HARWOOD (d. 1776), of Wesmoke, son of Samuel Harwood, Jr., and his wife, Agnes.

m. Margaret Waddrop, of Nunsamond, daughter of John Waddrop

116111 Ann (Nancy) Harwood (SV187: Margaret Wadrup
116112 Agnes Harwood d. 1772; dau. of Anne Harwood and _______Wadrup
116113 Margaret Harwood m. William Harwood, of Charles City.

116114 BOGLER COCKE (7 Mar. 1726-1772), son of Bowler Cocke and Sarah __________, died leaving five children, all under age.

m1 Elizabeth, widow of Harry Turner and daughter of Nicholas Smith, King George. Probably no children

m2 Elizabeth (Betty) Faulkner (d. 1792), "Naylor's Hole"

121141 Bowlere Cocke 121142 William Cocke 121143 Charles Hartwell Cocke

Children of Tabitha Cocke and Ebenezer Adams

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12134 COLONEL RICHARD ADAMS (17 May 1726-2 Aug. 1800) Burgess 1752-75 m. Elizabeth Griffin, daughter of Leroy Griffin and Mary Anne Bertrand, of Richmond Co., Va.

121341 Thomas Bowlere Adams 121342 Richard Adams, Jr.

121343 Anne Adams 121344 Sarah Adams 121345 John Adams (1760-1817)

121346 Samuel Griffin Adams 121347 Alice Adams HOR12

12135 TABITHA ADAMS m. Richard Eppes (1764-9)

121351 Thomas Adams (d. 1788), of "Blair Park," Albemarle Co., Va.

m. 1775, Elizabeth (Betty) Cocke, niece Faulkner, daughter of Colonel William Faulkner and widow of Bowler Cocke.

No children.

12137 ANNE ADAMS m. Col. Francis Smith, of Essex Co., Va.

121371 William Smith

12138 SABRAH ADAMS, m. 1764, Col. John Fry, of Albemarle Co., Va., son of Joshua Fry and Mary (Micou) Hill

121381 Joshua Fry 121382 William Adams Fry, d. unm.

121383 Tabitha Fry Fry42
DESCENDANTS OF RICHARD COCKE (c.1600-1665) Sixth Generation

Children of Thomas Cocke and Anne Johns(t)on, continued

114129 MARY COCKE, b. 24 Oct. 1758 m. Pleasant Meredith, 27 July 1793 G
11412-10 MARTHA COCKE m. Lewis Powers
11412-11 NANCY COCKE, b. 1 Oct. 1760 m. John Meredith
11412-12 AGNES (AGGY) COCKE, b. 29 Mar. 1765 m. John Bryan.

114211 DR. ROBERT HALL, son of Susanna Poutrress and Wm. Hall, was b. in Buckingham Co., Va.; moved to Edenton, N.C. Surgeon in 3rd N.C. Inf.Rev.; d. 1780/86
m. 6 Aug. 1742, Ann (Anns) Leary

Children of Martha Cox and Henry Wood

115111 VALENTINE WOOD, b. 2 Sept. 1724, Col. in Revolutionary War m. 3 Jan. 1764, Lucy Henry, daughter of John and Sarah Winston Henry, b. in Hanover Co., 29 Mar. 1743; d. in Fluvanna, 14 July 1826.

Children:
1151111 Henry Wood, b. 7 Feb. 1765; d. unm.
1151112 Martha (Sarah) Wood, bap. 10 May 1767
1151113 Mary Wood, b. 8 May 1769
1151114 Valentine Wood, bap. 1772; d. unmarried
1151115 Lucy Wood, b. 7 Jan. 1774
1151116 John Henry Wood, b. 18 Jan. 1776

115112 SARAH (SALLY) WOOD, b. 1726 m. William Pryor (d. 1777) His will mentions wife, Sarah, and the following children: Samuel, William, John, Sally Payne, Patty, Mary (M.B. 27 Oct. 1747, G.)

Children: as listed in Douglas Register
1151121 Elizabeth Pryor, b. 10 Feb. 1757
1151122 John Pryor, b. 21 Feb. 1759
1151123 Patty Pryor, b. 6 Apr. 1761
1151124 Mary Pryor, b. 4 Feb. 1764
1151125 William Pryor, b. 16 Feb. 1765 (Mother listed as Martha Wood)
1151126 Ann Pryor, b. 5 June 1766
1151127 Valentine Wood Pryor, b. 18 Jan. 1768
1151128 Luke Pryor, b. 25 June 1769

Mentioned in will but not in Douglas Register
1151129 Samuel Pryor
115112-10 Sally Payne

115113 MARTHA COCKE (PATTY) WOOD (1731/2-1801) b. in Goochland Co., d. in Jefferson Co., Ky. m. 17 July 1751, William Meriwether (25 Dec. 1730-24 Dec. 1790), son of David Meriwether and Ann Holmes

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