

### **William Russell Sr. of Amelia, Lunenburg, & Charlotte counties, Virginia**

- c1710 **Ireland.** William Russell was born about 1710, according to estimate made by George Ely Russell, genealogical researcher (now deceased). See, e.g., [https://digital.library.in.gov/Record/ACPL\\_GenealogyCenter-298](https://digital.library.in.gov/Record/ACPL_GenealogyCenter-298)  
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- 21 Aug 1734 **Anne Russell of Prince George Co.** received a patent for 203 acres of new land in said county on the branches of the lower or south side of Knibbs Creek in the Poyson fields adjoining **Mr. Edward Booker**. [1] This land appears to have been located in the portion of **Amelia County** that was formed from Prince George. [2]
- Bef 1736 William Russell and Ann Russell were imported into Virginia by **Edward Booker**, who was granted a patent 23 July 1750 for 475 acres in Lunenburg Co. (formed 1746 from Brunswick Co. (Deed Book 29:252, in Russell Register 20(4):2684. NOTE: This could be William & Ann Russell of Halifax Co., VA, or it could be William Russell & his mother, Ann, of Amelia Co. (and Prince Georges Co. earlier). It also could be an unidentified William & Ann Russell.
- 1736 **Amelia Co., VA. William Russell**, 1 poll between Deep and Flat Creeks. [3]
- 1737 **Amelia Co., VA. William Russell**, 1 poll between Deep and Flat Creeks. [4]
- 12 Aug 1737 **Amelia Co., VA. Anne Russell, William Russell, Hannah Rudd, Elizabeth Story, and John Story** made oath they had no allowance for persons imported to the colony of Virginia. It is thereupon considered by the Court and accordingly ordered that the same be certified. Hannah Rudd was the mother of Jane Rudd, who married Simcock Cannon, and who had a son, Russell Cannon). Hannah Rudd was the wife of John Rudd Jr. and appears to have been nee Russell. [5] [The 1771 will of Hannah Rudd in Chesterfield County names nephew Edward Storey]. [6, 7]
- 10 Jun 1738 **Amelia Co., VA.** Tithables, between Deep and Flat Creek, **Wm. Russell**, 1 tithable. [Did not own any tithable slaves.] List taken 10 Jun 1738. [8]
- 1738 **Amelia Co., VA. William Russell**, 2 polls between Deep and Flat Creeks. [9]
- 1739 **Amelia Co., VA. William Russell**, 1 poll between Deep and Flat Creeks. [10]
- 15 Jan 1741 **Amelia Co. John Bentley** petitioned to keep the courthouse clean & to have the same allowance as **Ann Russell**, *dec'd*, lately had. [11] [**Ann Russell** appears to have been the mother William Russell. He sold her land in 1744 (see below).
- 1744 **Amelia Co., VA. William Russell**, 1 poll between Deep and Flat Creeks. [12]

- 18 May 1744 **Amelia Co., VA. William Ferguson vs. William Russell**, to Ptf for 3 pounds & costs. Note that Moses Farguson's estate in Chesterfield Co.[13] was appraised by Thomas Rudd & John Russell, among others. Moses may have been kin to William Ferguson. [14]
- 19 May 1744 **Amelia Co., VA. William Kennon vs. John Willson** for 10 pounds. Jury sworn: Henry Isbell, **William Russell**, Henry Farley, Thomas Leonard, John Bentley, James Collins, Thomas Lorton, Stephen Neale, William Green, John Hampton, Roger Neal & Samuel Pincham. Found for plaintiff £6.13.8 & costs. (Samuel Pincham married Jane Cannon, daughter of John Cannon Jr. & Mary Price.) [15]
- bef Jul 1744 **William Russell & Mary**, widow of a **Mr. Cannon**, were married. Mary Cannon had a son named James Cannon. She had a son with William Cannon named James Russell.[16] It would be unusual, although not unheard of, for a parent to have two children with the same first name by two different fathers. [17] From dower release 15 Jun 1744, Amelia Co.
- abt 1743 **Amelia Co., VA.** Son Edward "Ned" was born to William Russell Sr. and Mary.
- 15 Jun 1744 **Amelia Co., VA. William (x) Russell** sold to William Willson for 18 pounds, 203 acres between Knibbs and Smacks Creeks bounded by **Col. Edward Booker's** corner in the poyson (poison) fields & his line. Deed acknowledged by William Russell on 20 July 1744, and ordered recorded after **Mary**, his wife relinquished right of dower. [18]
- 20 Jul 1744 **Amelia Co., VA.** Deed from **William Russell** to William Willson ordered rec. after **Mary Russell** relinquished her dower right. [19]
- abt 1745 **Amelia Co., VA.** Son William Jr. was born to William Russell Sr. and Mary.
- 17 May 1745 **Amelia Co., VA.** Ordered Benjamin Hendrick, William Edwards, William Silcock, Henry Nelson, Thomas Nelson, George Moor, William Jones, John Harris, **William Russell**, William Farley, Jr., James Broomfeild, Jr., John Hendricks & James Broomfield be added to gang of which Hance [or Nance?] Hendrick is surveyor. [This likely a road crew and these individuals are probably neighbors]. [20]
- 10 Jun 1745 **Amelia Co., VA.** James Spradlin & **Wm Russell**... 2, Tithables, takn by order of Court, above [Saylor] Creek. [21]
- 15 Nov 1745 **Amelia Co., VA. William Russell** was Security when **William Cannon**, orphan, chose **Mary Cannon** as his guardian. The bond was for £100. **Mary Cannon** and **William Russel** both signed with an x.) [William Cannon was son of John Cannon Jr. & Mary Price.] [22]
- 1746 **Amelia Co., VA. William Russel**, 1, taken by Thomas Tabb, betw. Flatt Creek & Appomattox River. [23]
- 12 Jan 1746/7 **Amelia Co., VA. William Cannon** received a patent for 70 acres of land on the lower side of Flatt Creek adjoining Elam and Robert Vaughan. [24] This land apparently adjoins 203 acres that **William Russell** received by patent on 12 July 1750. [25]
- abt 1747 **Amelia Co., VA.** Son Joseph was born to William Russell Sr. and Mary.

- 1747 **Amelia Co., VA. William Russell**, 1, District of Thomas Tabb, above Flatt Creek. Neighbors William Seward, Abraham Vercer. [26]
- 1747 **Amelia Co., VA. Wm. Russell**, 1, below Flatt and Nibbs Creeks, by **Edward Booker**. [27]  
[This is Nottoway Parish.]
- 1748 **Amelia Co., VA. William Russell**, 1 tithable, above Flatt Creek, by Thomas Tabb.  
[This is Nottoway Parish.]
- 1748 **Amelia Co., VA. William Russill**, 1 tithable. Listed with Thomas Osburn, James Spradling, Janary [slave]. [28]
- 20 May 1748 **Amelia Co., VA.** Son James was born to William Russell Sr. and Mary. (From James's petition for a Revolutionary War pension.)
- 10 Jun 1749 **Amelia Co., VA.** Nottoway Parish: Thomas Osborn Junr, **William Russell**, James Coleman, Tannisee ----, 4 tithable adult men, 24 scalps. [29]
- 1749 Amelia Co., VA. Raleigh Parish: William Russel, 1 tithable, 6 scalps. This is **not** the William Russell of interest here. [30]
- abt 1750 **Amelia Co., VA.** Daughter Mary "Molly" was born to William Russell Sr. and Mary.
- 20 Mar 1750 **Amelia Co., VA. William (x) Russell** with Abijah Elmore and John Hudson witnessed a deed from Thomas Hamm of St. Margaret's Parish, Caroline Co., to James Colson of Nottoway Parish for £15 for 163 acres on s/s Appomattox River & upper side of Saylor's Creek between lines of William Townes, **Richard Booker** and Thomas Osborn. [31]
- June 1750 **Amelia Co., VA.** Thos Osborn Junr, **Wm Russel**, & Fannacy ... 3 tiths., by John Nash. [32]  
[This is Nottoway Parish.]
- 12 Jul 1750 **Amelia Co., VA. William Russell** received patent for 203 acres on the upper Side of Flatt Creek adjoining Philip Jones's, Col. Samuel Cobb's, and **William Sizemore's** lines. 22 Mar 1736/7 surveyed for John Bently now Thorns Hodge. [33]
- 17 May 1751 Amelia Co., VA. Deed of Thomas Hamm to James Colston proved by oath of **William** [last name omitted but deed indicates **Russell**] and John Hudson two of the witnesses and admitted to record. [34]
- 11 Dec 1751 Lunenburg Co., VA. **Henry Sizemore** of Lunenburgh Co., conveyed to **William Rusel** of Amelia Co., for £6, 195 acres in Lunenburg Co. on south side of Banister River at Read Banks [etc. for bounds]. Wit: William Gent [Gant?], **Richard Eckhols**, William Douglass, William Carley. [35]
- 1751 **Amelia Co., VA. William Russell**, 1 poll Nottoway Parish. [36]
- 1752 **Amelia Co., VA. William Russell**, 1 poll. [37]

- 27 Feb 1752 **Amelia Co., VA.** Lines of Hodges alias **Russell, Sizemore, Eckholes** & the Creek listed as adjoining lines in a deed from John Smith to Robert Smith of Gloucester County for 200 acres on the North side of Flat Creek. [38]
- 26 Apr 1753 **Amelia Co., VA.** Inquisition ordered **Edmond Booker, Jr.**, petition to build mill on Flat Creek. Abraham Cocke, Sheriff appointed following jurors and Freeholders which were agreed upon by both **Booker, Jr.**, and Henry Farley: Thomas Spencer, James Hill, John Roberts, George Smyth, George Burks, John Trabue, **William Russell, William Cannon**, William Foulmer, Francis Jackson, Benjamin Lockett, Francis Jackson. [39]
- 10 Jun 1753 **Amelia Co., VA.** **William Russell**, Jeffery, Simon Pitt and Chillis, 5 polls taken by order of court. [40]
- 1753 **Amelia Co., VA.** **William Russell**, 1 poll taken by Thomas Tabb. [Different from above?] [41]
- 26 Sep 1755 **Amelia Co., VA.** Hodges alias **Russell, Sizemore** and **Eckholes** named as adjoining landowners in a deed from George Smith to Joseph Tanner for 200 acres on the north side of Flat Creek patented to John Smith of Gloucester County deceased and by him given to John Smith. Witnesses were **John Booker**, Thomas Pain and James Dick. [42]
- 13 Oct 1755 **Amelia Co., VA.** "**Rushel**" with Hendrakes and Drinkwater identified as adjoining lines in a deed from Joseph Tanner to Gardner Mays for 100 acres being part of 200 acres said Tanner purchased from George Smith on 26 September 1755. [43]
- 1755 **Amelia Co., VA.** **William Russell**, Pat. 2 polls Nottoway Parish. [44]
- 27 Oct 1756 **Amelia Co., VA.** **Richard Booker**, Francis Anderson, **Edmond Booker, Jr.** to John Pride, Jr. £102, 200 acres north side of Flat Creek, adjacent line Benjamin Lockett, Samuel Cobbs, **William Russell**, & Flat Creek. Wit: William Giles, William Southall, Thomas Burton, James Clarke. [45]
- 1757 **Amelia Co., VA.** **William Russell**, 2 polls Lower end of Nottoway Parish. [46]
- 26 May 1758 **Amelia Co., VA.** Simon Clement, **William "X" Russell**, and John Drinkwater witnessed the will of James Lockett of Amelia Co. On 22 Mar 1759 the will was proved by the testimony of the witnesses **William Russell** and John Drinkwater. [47]
- 12 May 1759 **Lunenburg Co., VA.** **William Russell**, 400 acres on the South side of Bannister River, adjoining Alexander Nelson.[48]
- 01 Sep 1759 **Lunenburg Co., VA.** Charles and wife Elizabeth Yancey of Lunenburgh Co. conveyed to **William Russell** of Amelia County, for £100, a parcel of land lying on both sides of the Little Roanoke River in Lunenburgh Co. containing 220 acres, adjoining James Bowers. [This appears to be the William Russell found later in Charlotte Co.] [49]
- 29 Dec 1760 **Amelia Co., VA.** **William (x his mark) Russell** with John Spencer and John Chumbley witnessed a deed from **Edmund Booker and Edith, his wife**, of Amelia County to John Pride,

Jr. of the town and county of York (Va.) for 150 acres in Amelia adjoining Flatt Creek, lines of Thompson Swan, James Hill and John Spencer. [50]

- 16 Apr 1761 **Halifax Co., VA. William and wife Mary Russell** of *Raleigh Parish* (also spelled Royley), Amelia Co., for £200 conveyed to **Daniel Easley** of King William Parish, Cumberland Co., two tracts of land: 691 acres on the south side of Banister River and another tract on the same river, other tract beginning at **Alexander Nelson's** corner, to lines of **Echols** and **Sizemore**. Wit: **Ezekiel Slaughter, James Daniel, Thomas Lacy, Jr.** Signed by mark "X." Mary, wife of sd Russell relinquished her right of dower.[51] [NOTE: I could find only 195 acres bought in 1751 and 400 bought in 1759.]
- 02 May 1761 **Lunenburg Co., VA.** John Morton and wife Amey of Halifax Co. conveyed to **William Russel** of Amelia County, for £10, 990-acre tract on the head branches of the Little Roanoke, adjoining Bartlett Anderson [etc., bounds given]. Wit: Joseph Morton, Thomas Wren, James Heeth (Heath). [52]
- 27 Sep 1762 **Amelia Co., VA. William Russell and Mary his wife** of Lunenburg County, (Va.) sold to Joseph Gooch of Amelia County for 150 pounds, 203 acres in Amelia adjoining John Pride, Flatt Creek, Gooch and John Drinkwater. Wit: **Edmund Booker**, Simon Clement, John Parrott and Jason Bocok. William and Mary both signed with their xes. [53] [Note: this land was in Nottoway Parish.]
- 02 Oct 1763 **Amelia Co., VA. Ann Russell's** branch identified as adjoining land in deed from Samuel Tarry of Amelia to John Pinnock of same. Other adjoining land owners were **Edward Booker, George Booker** and the mill pond with all houses. Witnesses were Abraham Green, William Towns and **George Booker**. [54] [Ann Russell was the mother of William Russell, Sr.]
- 1764 Lunenburg Co., Cornwall Parish, became Charlotte Co. **William Russell** was listed with 5 tithables, of which one was William Russell Jr. He had 1210 acres [the two deeds for land he bought while living in Amelia Co. totaled 1210 acres. [220 + 990 = 1210. ] [55]
- 1765 Charlotte County was formed from Lunenburg County.
- 23 May 1765 **Charlotte Co., VA.** Inventory of the estate of Samuel Morton; appraisers: William Watkins, **William Russel**, Samuel Comer. Ordered to be recorded 01 Jul 1765. Note that William Russell bought land on Little Roanoke from John Morton in 1761 (above). [56]
- Abt 1766 **Virginia.** William Russell Jr. married Mary Lightfoot.
- 01 Jul 1768 **Charlotte Co., VA.** For natural love and affection **William Russell** sold 403 acres to son **Edward Russell** for 5 shillings and 368 acres to son **William Russell Jr.** for 5 shillings. Deeds recorded 04 Jul 1768. [57]
- 21 Nov 1769 **Charlotte Co., VA. William Russell** of Charlotte Co. purchased 325 acres from Benjamin Anderson of Hanover Co. "Beginning at the said Russell corner on Buckle Branch, thence along his and Brower's line to Archdeacon corner." [58]
- Nov 1769 **Charlotte Co., VA.** Inventory of the estate of Temperance Wren, dec'd ordered at Nov Court



1769. Appraisers: James Foster, Bryant Ferguson, **William Russell**. Rec'd. 05 Feb 1770.

Account of 1769 sale also rec'd 05 Feb 1770. This totals 771 acres out of 1210. [59]

- 07 Jul 1772 **Charlotte Co., VA. William Russell** of Charlotte to **Thomas Daniel** of Charlotte for the natural love that he has for said Thomas Daniel (who married William's daughter Mary) and 5 sh. 260 acres land in Charlotte, bd James Bowers, Richard Wright, **Joseph Russell**, and sd William Russell, being part of a tract of land of 325 acres which sd William Russell purchased of Benjamin Anderson by Charlotte deed. No witnesses. Recorded 07 Dec 1772. [60]
- 03 Jan 1774 **Charlotte Co., VA. Mary Lightfoot Russell** gave her bond as guardian of **John Russell** (son of Mary and William Russell Jr.). **William Russell Sr.**, security. [61]
- 07 Feb 1774 **Charlotte Co., VA. William Russell and Mary Russell**, administrators of estate of **William Russell Jr.**, filed inventory of the personal estate. Appraisers: John Cardwell, Bryan Farguson, Bullard Fowler. Settlement date was 07 Oct 1774. [62]
- 18 Jul 1774 **Charlotte Co., VA. Mary Russell and William Russell Sr.** made an account of distribution of the estate of William Russell Jr. to the widow and children. Wit: Thomas Spencer, Thomas Read. [63]
- 23 Sep 1774 **Charlotte Co., VA. Mrs. Mary Lightfoot Russell** [widow] married **James Cole Jr.** Surety: Josiah Cole. [64]
- Bef Sep 1774 **Charlotte Co., VA. Mary**, wife of William Russell, Sr., died.
- 26 Sep 1774 **Charlotte Co., VA. William Russell [Sr.]** married **Anne Farguson**. Surety: Thomas Read. [65]
- abt 1775 **Charlotte Co., VA.** Son John was born to William Russell Sr. and Anne Farguson.
- 04 Sep 1775 **Charlotte Co., VA.** Account current of the estate of **William Russell Jr.** deceased. Admrs: **William Russell**. To Mrs.[Mary] Cole late widow of said Russell. Orphans not named. [66]
- abt 1776 **Charlotte Co., VA.** Daughter Nancy was born to William Russell Sr. and Anne Farguson.
- 27 Jun 1780 **Charlotte Co., VA. James Cole, Jr.**, died. Will of James Cole Jr. -- wife Mary Lightfoot Cole, sister Lucy Cole, nieces: Mary Whitter Cole, daughter of Josiah Cole & Sarah Alderson daughter of Jeremiah Alderson. Ex. Mary Lightfoot Cole, Josiah Cole, Bryant Farguson, Wit. Bullard Fowler, Thomas Mulling, Jacob Morton. d. 27 June 1780. R. 3 June 1782. [67]
- abt 1780 **Charlotte Co., VA.** Son Thomas was born to William Russell Sr. and Anne Farguson.
- 1782 **Charlotte Co., VA. William Russell [Sr.]** was taxed for 6 whites and 8 black slaves. **Edward Russell** was taxed for 5 whites and 18 blacks. **James Russell** was taxed for 6 whites and 2 blacks. His household may have included his stepmother and her four children. Note that only one tither was noted in the 1787 tax list for James Russell. [68]

30 Mar 1782 **Charlotte Co., VA. Mary Cole** [formerly Mary Lightfoot] married **William Tucker** as her third husband. [69]

05 Aug 1782 **Charlotte Co., VA. William Russell** [Sr.] was appointed guardian for **John Russell**, orphan of **William Russell Jr.**, replacing **Edward Russell**, he giving security, with Bryant Farguson & James Foster entering as his securities on his bond. On the motion of William Russell [Sr.], as guardian of John Russell, it is ordered that Thomas Spencer, Thomas Spencer, Jr., Jacob Morton, & Bryant Farguson, gentlemen, direct the laying out of land of **Mary Tucker**, late the widow of **William Russell Jr.**. [70]

1784 **Charlotte Co., VA. William Russell Jr.'s** estate paid **William Tucker** twice and he still held a bond payable in 1784. [71]

abt 1785 **Charlotte Co., VA.** Daughter Margaret "Peggy" was born to William Russell Sr. and Anne Farguson.

25 Feb 1785 **Charlotte Co., VA. William Russell** bought "sundry Negroes" from Thomas King, with down payment in tobacco. He later tried to pay more in tobacco instead of cash, leading to a chancery suit brought by his widow, **Anne Russell** against Thomas King in 1793. [72]

07 Mar 1785 **Charlotte Co., VA.** Inventory recorded of estate of William Gray deceased. Appraisers: **Edward Russell**, O. Claybrook, Joseph Wood. (Edward Russell is the son of William Russell Sr. and wife Mary.) [73]

Nov Ct 1786 **Charlotte Co., VA.** Anne Russell vs Wm & Mary Tucker. Ruling against defendants. [74]

23 Dec 1786 **Charlotte Co., VA. William Russell** is listed as an adjoiner of land in the deed from John Simmons of Charlotte Co. to Quin Morton for land on both sides of Little Roanoke Creek. [75]

10 Mar 1787 **Charlotte Co., VA.** Tax list A, District of Jacob Morton, Commissioner: [76]

Name: Taxed:	WM 17-20	B ^16	B und16	Horses	Cattle
<b>Russell, James</b> self (aged 21+)	0	0	0	1	0
<b>Russell, Edwd.</b> self (aged 21+)	0	4	6	3	15
<b>Russell, Wm.</b> (b.1771) <b>Edwd. Russell</b>					
<b>Russell, William</b> self (aged 21+)	0	3	8	4	17

03 Apr 1788 **Charlotte Co., VA. William Russell** made his will, naming wife **Anne**. Directed that land be divided between [sons] **Thomas** and **John Russell**. A negro Frank to **Thomas**. A negro Moses to **John**. Negroes Harry, Sarah, & Fanny to his wife. Devised negro Milly to **Edward Russell**. Mentioned [children] **Nancy** (negroes Jenny & Will and a Bed), **Joseph** (negro Jim), **Peggy** (negroes Creasy & Charity and a bed) **Russell**. [77]

05 Apr 1788 **Charlotte Co., VA. William Russell** died. [78]

01 Sep 1788 **Charlotte Co., VA.** Will of **William Russell [Sr.]** presented to the Court by **Anne Russell**, relict of William Russell, **William Russell**, son of Edward Russell, and Jacob Morton, Gentleman. [77]

- 25 Oct 1788 **Charlotte Co., VA.** The inventory of the personal estate of **William Russell**, deceased, was appraised by Jacob Morton & Quin Morton, & Samuel T. Spencer. Rec., 01 Dec 1788 by Thomas Read, clerk of court. [79]
- 01 Dec 1788 **Charlotte Co., VA.** Josiah LeGrand was appointed guardian of **Nancy, Thomas, John, and Peggy Russell**, orphans of **William Russell**, deceased. Securities: Jacob Morton, **Anne Russell**. Thomas Spencer Jr., Quin Morton, Thomas Read appointed to settle William Russell's account as guardian of John Russell, orphan of William Russell, Jr., and they are directed to report the same to the next Court. [80]
- 19 Dec 1788 **Charlotte Co., VA.** Thomas Spencer, Jr., and Quin Morton made further division of the estate of **William Russell, deceased**: one third to the relict **Anne Russell**; other two thirds remainder of the estate to the deceased's eight children: **Edward, Joseph, James, Mary, John, Thomas, Nancy, Peggy**, and to **John Russell**, the representative of the deceased's son **William Russell, Jr.** Recorded 07 Apr 1789. [81]
- May Ct 1789 **Charlotte Co., VA.** **Anne Russell**, Administrator of William Russell deceased with his will annexed Plaintiffs vs Defendants **Wm Tucker & Wife Mary** executors and **Josiah Cole** executor of the estate of **James Cole**. Writ on Judgement from Nov 1<sup>st</sup> 1786. Reversed earlier decision. Ruling against defendants set aside. [82]
- Nov Ct 1789 **Charlotte Co., VA.** **Anne Russell**, Administrator of William Russell deceased Plaintiffs vs Defendants **Wm Tucker & Wife Mary** executors and **Josiah Cole** executor of the estate of **James Cole**. Judgement of May Ct 1789 reversed again in favor of Anne Russell. To pay £259 10 shillings 3 pence current money also £242 of tobacco Debt and Costs. Defendant Cole not having been warned the suit against him dismissed. [83]
- 1790 **Charlotte Co., VA.** Personal tax: Persons names charged with tax, p. 12.
- | Taxed:                             | White tithes | Blacks 16 yrs. | Blacks 12 yrs. | Horses | Cattle |
|------------------------------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|--------|--------|
| 31 Mar 1790 <b>Russell, Ann</b>    | 0            | 4              | 1              | 2      | 0      |
| 08 Apr 1790 <b>Russell, Edward</b> | 2            | 6              | 1              | 3      | 0      |
- 07 Aug 1791 **Charlotte Co., VA.** **James Russell** [son] released land to **Ann Russell**, admin. of estate of **William Russell**, for £30. Wit: Josiah LeGrand, **William Russell**, Elizabeth LeGrand. Approved by Court 17 Oct 1805. [84]
- 03 Dec 1792 **Charlotte Co., VA.** **Mary Russell**, daughter of **Edmund Russell**, married Wiltshire/Willshire Cardwell. Surety: Thomas Epperson. Married 18 Dec by the Rev. Archibald McRobert. [85]
- 02 Nov 1793 **Charlotte Co., VA.** **Anne Russell**, Admx. **William Russell** vs. Thomas King. [86] She stated that on or about 25 Feb 1785 Thomas King sold "sundry Negroes" to William Russell for £140. Part of the consideration was paid immediately in tobacco. William Russell paid Philip King, security, £112.10.4 and on 1 May "next" at the home of Wm. Durell in Petersburg. Thomas King was to deposit the bond...William Russell later paid more in tobacco, but the Kings did not properly credit its value. Apparently, William Russell paid more in tobacco, but they wanted cash. [It is a bit confusing.] William Russell went to Durell's home to pay in tobacco, but he was not there, possibly to avoid being paid in tobacco. The price of tobacco was fluctuating at the time.



**02 Dec 1793: Anne Russell** and Josiah LeGrand posted bond to Thomas King for £100.

**03 Feb 1794:** Phil King testified before Joseph Wyatt.

**04 Feb 1794:** Thomas King gave an affidavit to John Nash.

**02 May 1794: Edward Russell** appeared before Jacob Morton to say he was with **William Russell** when he went to William Durell's home to pay in tobacco, but Durell was not there.

**23 Apr 1794:** James Davis testified before Tho. Spencer but could not corroborate many facts.

**06 May 1794:** Jacob Morton gave an affidavit to Thomas Read.

**09 May 1794:** Thomas Spencer gave an affidavit to Ro. Bedford.

[Note: Most of those giving affidavits did not seem to want to say much about whether it was all right or not to have paid in tobacco and if so, what the agreed-upon price was on 25 Feb 1785.

**02 Dec 1793 Charlotte Co., VA. Nancy Russell**, daughter of **William & Anne Russell**, married John Hatchett on 19 Dec 1793 by the Rev. Drury Lacy. Surety: William Dobbs. [87]

**01 Sep 1794 Charlotte Co., VA. Josiah LeGrand**, gdn. of Nancy Russell, orphan of Wm. Russell, produced receipt of John Hatchett, who has married Nancy. [88]

**1800 Charlotte Co., VA. Personal Tax List**, p. 17.

April 5, 1800 **William Russell** (son of Edward) 1 white tithe, 5 blacks, 3 horses £2.56 tax

April 5, 1800 **Edward Russell** 1 white tithe, 1 black, 2 horses £ .68 tax age 57

April 23, 1800 **Anne Russell** 1 white tithe, 4 blacks, 3 horses £2.12 tax

**02 Mar 1795 Charlotte Co., VA. Peggy Russell**, daughter of **Edward Russell**, surety, married Bartlett Hatchett on 19 Mar. [89]

**06 Jan 1803 Charlotte Co., VA. John Russell** [son of Anne] made his will, bequeathing estate to sister **Peggy Russell**, brother **Thomas Russell**, and mother Anne Russell. [90]

**07 Feb 1803 Charlotte Co., VA. Will of John Russell** [son of Anne] was proved by Josiah LeGrand, John Hatchett Jr. Ordered to be recorded by Thomas Read, clerk of Court. [91]

**Jan 1804 Charlotte Co., VA. Mary (Russell) Daniel vs. John Russell etc., Thomas Russell.** **William Russell**, deceased, had two wives. By the first he had 5 children: **Edward, William, Joseph, James, & Mary (Russell) Daniel**. By the second wife, **Anne**, he had **Thomas, John, Nancy, & Peggy**. According to William Russell, Sr.'s will the estate went to Anne and her children. Mary Daniel alleges that this is not the correct will. In May 1803 Mary Daniel's husband, **Thomas Daniel**, died. William Russell, Jr., is dead. He left only one son, **John**. In addition, children by the second marriage are dead: **John** (who had no wife or children), **Nancy** (who married **John Hatchett** & had 2 sons, **John & William**). Mary Daniel asks that her stepmother, the children of the second marriage, John Hatchett, and William Hatchett be defendants, and she asks for a trial by jury. She wants to know what they received from the estate. (Other names mentioned: Thomas A. Stephenson, Jacob Morton.)

**17 Jan 1804:** The sheriff of Charlotte Co. summoned Edward Russell, Joseph Russell, James Russell, John son of William Jr. deceased, Thomas Russell, Peggy Russell, Anne Russell the widow, John Hatchett & his son William Hatchett, all to appear in Chancery at the Court House, to testify **1 Mar 1804**, with £100 fines each should they not appear. Thomas Read, clerk.

**11 Apr 1804:** The summons was executed on Thomas Russell, Peggy Russell, Anne Russell the widow, John Hatchett & William, John's son. Edward Russell, Joseph Russell, James Russell,

- 06 Feb 1804 **Charlotte Co., VA. Anne Russell** filed her account of administration of the estate of **William Russell**. [83]
- 06 Jan 1806 **Charlotte Co., VA.** Samuel F. Spencer conveyed land to **Ann Russell**. [94]
- 1807 **Charlotte Co., VA.** Deed from **William Russell** and wife to Wilcher Cardwell. [Cardwell was the husband of Mary Russell.] [95]
- 01 Feb 1808 **Charlotte Co., VA. Richard Russell** (identity not known) married Polly Moseley, daughter of Hillery Moseley, surety, on 07 Feb. Could he be related to William Russell, Sr.? [96]
- 04 Jan 1809 **Charlotte Co., VA. Robert Featherstone** married **Martha Russell**, daughter of **John Russell**. Surety: **Hezekiah Russell**. [97] John Russell was the son of **William Russell Jr.** Hezekiah Russell was the son of John Russell and grandson of William Russell Jr.
- 04 Jan 1809 **Charlotte Co., VA.** Robert Featherstone married **Martha Russell**, daughter of John Russell. Surety: **Hezekiah Russell**. John Russell was the son of William Russell Jr. [98]
- 1810 **Charlotte Co., VA. W. Ann Russell**, roll 68, p. 62.
- 01 Jan 1810 **Charlotte Co., VA. Hezekiah Russell** married Elizabeth Featherstone, by the Rev. William Fears on same day. Surety, Snelling Wilkerson. [99] Hezekiah Russell was the son of John Russell and the grandson of William Russell Jr. and Mary Lightfoot.
- 18 Jan 1812 **Charlotte Co., VA.** William F. Davis and **Peggy Russell** were married. She was the daughter of William & Anne Russell. **Thomas Russell**, surety, was Peggy's brother. [100]
- 01 Aug 1818 **Charlotte Co., VA. Anne Russell** made her will. Bequeathed estate to son **Thomas Russell**. Witnessed by Ann Russell, Sam F. Spencer, Peter Clay Brook. Ordered recorded at Court 07 Feb 1820 by Winslow Robinson, clerk of court. [101]
- 07 Feb 1820 Charlotte Co., VA. **Anne Russell's** will was probated. [102]

NOTES:

[1] Dennis Ray Hudgins, compiler, *Cavaliers and Pioneers*, Volume Four: 1732-1741 (Richmond: Virginia Genealogical Society, 1994), 49.

[2] Dennis Ray Hudgins and Sullivan (first name unknown), "Nottoway" Deed Mapper Files (includes Amelia County) on-line at [www.directlinesoftware.com](http://www.directlinesoftware.com) : downloaded January 2009.

[3] Amelia Co., Va., Tithables (1736-1771) by Genevieve Goodpasture from microfilm 55, Virginia State Archives, Russell Register, Vol. 9(4):1254.

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Ann Russell of Prince George County obtained a patent for in 1734. Ann was probably William's widowed mother and he came into possession of the land at the time of her death which occurred before 15 January 1741/2 as her heir-at-law since she died intestate. There is also a possibility that Ann was William's sister, but this is less likely since single women rarely purchased land. Also, Anne's listing as the first person in the 1737 importation allowance record suggests that she was the mother of Hannah Rudd, Elizabeth Story and William Russell rather than sister since William would probably have been listed first as the sole male sibling regardless of birth order. It is interesting to note that this patent land is very close to lands owned by William Kennon of Henrico County per the above map. However, the lands of William Kennon of Henrico were over 10 miles from the land of William Cannon that adjoined William Russell as discussed below. Little has come to light to date regarding the relationship of William Russell to Mary Cannon and William Cannon per the 15 November 1745 record in which William Cannon, an orphan, chose Mary Cannon as his guardian with William Russell acting as security.<sup>196</sup> However, as noted above, William Russell appears to have patented land in 1750 that adjoined William Cannon's 1746/7 patent land of 70 acres.

[8] Magazine of Virginia Genealogy, 35:69, 1997.

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Wit: by John and Daniel Ferguson, Execs: William Newby, Charles Clay, William Morris and John Atkins, Sec. John Belcher Jr, Thomas Rudd, John Russell and William Locket to apraise. (Judith Horner wife of John Jr. or Judith Baugh wife of Robert?)

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