

**THE KIDDS OF CAROLINE COUNTY,  
VIRGINIA,  
1727-1853**

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## INTRODUCTION

This document is a compendium (or inventory) of all historical records found to date that mention one or more individuals with the surname of Kidd in Caroline County, Virginia from the time of its founding in 1727 through 1850.

We began the ambitious task of producing these documents for over twenty Virginia counties with several objectives:

1. To find virtually every existing record mentioning the surname of Kidd in these Virginia counties prior to 1850;
2. To analyze these records and ascertain (if possible) whether the individuals are descendants of the Thomas Kidd who arrived in the Virginia colony by 1648, and if so, their line of descent; and
3. To distinguish between proven, documented relationships and those which are widely shared and held to be accurate, but for which proof is minimal or non-existent.

## CAROLINE COUNTY and its records

Caroline County was created in 1728 from portions of Essex, King & Queen, and King William Counties, and additional parts of King & Queen County were added in 1742 and 1762. It was named for Caroline of Ansbach, the wife of King George II of England.

Bowling Green is the county seat. Port Royal, on the Rappahannock River, is the other incorporated town in this sparsely populated county.

Many county records were destroyed in a courthouse fire in 1836, and more were lost during the Civil War. During the Civil War, Caroline County court records were sent to Richmond for safekeeping but were destroyed nevertheless when Richmond was invaded. Those antebellum records that have survived are scattered among the Virginia State Archives, the Caroline County Circuit Court, and the Circuit Court for the City of Fredericksburg. Older records are stored in the Central Rappahannock Heritage Center in Fredericksburg, P O Box 8533, Fredericksburg VA 22404 for preservation. See [www.crharchives.org](http://www.crharchives.org) for a list of collections from Caroline County in the Heritage Center.

Postbellum land and probate records can be presumed to be housed at the Caroline County Courthouse.

Church of England parishes in Caroline County include: St. Anne's, established 1704 and lying in both Essex and Caroline Cos; St. Margaret's, established 1720; St. Mary's, established 1728; Drysdale, established from St. Stephen's of K&Q 1728; and St. Asaph's, established 1779 from Drysdale. [For more information about the formation of Virginia parishes, please consult *Parish lines, Diocese of Virginia*, by Charles Francis Cocke and/or *Parishes of Virginia*, by Freddie Spradlin, at <http://vagenweb.org/parishes.htm> .]



**FIGURE:** Caroline County in 1827.<sup>1</sup> Note Littlepage's Bridge across the Pamunkey River, in the southern tip of the county (center bottom of this image), and Munday Bridge across the Mattaponi River (yellow arrow), near the junction of Caroline, King & Queen, and King William Counties. Several Kidd families lived in this area, in eastern Caroline County and upper King & Queen County.

This document is a compilation of all public records from Caroline County between 1727 (when it was formed) and 1853, pertaining to individuals with the Kidd surname. It is organized alphabetically by their given names. When more than one person shared a given name, we've attempted to subdivide those facts where possible, to distinguish between the different individuals; when that is not possible, we've left the data elements under one name, while recognizing that those facts may represent more than one person.

The earliest Kidds to be found in Caroline County were Moses, James, Duel, Aaron, and John Kidd; all sons of William<sup>2</sup> Kidd and Margaret his wife, of Middlesex County. Moses Kidd was there by

<sup>1</sup> Cropped from a larger map, Böye, Herman, et al. A map of the state of Virginia: reduced from the nine-sheet map of the state in conformity to law. [Philadelphia: H.S. Tanner and E.B. Dawson, 1827] Map. Retrieved from the Library of Congress, <https://www.loc.gov/resource/g3880.ct003676/?r=0.314,0.281,0.2,0.096,0>

1733, James by 1741, Duel by 1743/4, Aaron by 1747, and John by 1751. Each of them may have been in Caroline earlier; these are the years in which the first record of them was created.

Another early patriarch of the Caroline County Kidds is William Kidd Sr., whose first record in Caroline was in 1764. We conclude that this William Kidd was the son of Daniel Kidd and grandson of Thomas<sup>2</sup> Kidd (see his section in this paper, and [Appendix Four](#) for more information). This William Kidd and his wife had eleven surviving children, many of whom remained in Caroline County.

Many of the early Kidd families lived in the eastern part of Caroline County, near its border with King & Queen County, and several of them left records in both counties. This true for William Kidd Sr. and also for John Kidd, mentioned above.

## **SOME TIPS ON USING THIS LENGTHY DOCUMENT**

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*A list of the sources used in the creation of this document can be found in [Appendix One](#).*

*Names in **RED FONT** have been added to the Family Tree that we are constructing on Ancestry.com, that includes all the DOCUMENTED descendants of Thomas1 Kidd of Middlesex County, Virginia. This tree can be found at: <https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/tree/37652986/family> You may have to copy this URL and paste it into your browser to reach this tree. Once there, be sure to look in the Media Gallery of these individuals, to see what documents and other sources have been added.*

### **EXPLANATION OF THE GENERATIONAL NUMBERING SYSTEM WE USE**

Before you get started, an explanation of the numbering system we have used in this document is in order: The number following an individual's name in this compilation indicates the number of generations relative to our common ancestor, Thomas1 Kidd. Thus, for example, "George4 (Benjamin3, William2, Thomas1)" is short-hand for "George Kidd, 4 generations down from Thomas the immigrant, and the son of Benjamin3, grandson of William2, etc."

Again, the numbers used in this system refer to the generation of each named individual, *relative to Thomas1 Kidd*, the patriarch of our Kidd family.

Our Kidd ancestors favored several names, and repeated them in each generation; George, James and Benjamin were used in nearly every generation, in multiple branches of a family. In order to separate these individuals with shared names but in the same location and generation, we have arbitrarily listed them as James5a, James5b, etc.

**AND NOW, TO THE KIDDS OF CAROLINE COUNTY, VIRGINIA!**

## AN ALPHABETICAL LISTING OF ALL CAROLINE COUNTY KIDDS, BY GIVEN NAME, THEN CHRONOLOGICAL APPEARANCE

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**KIDD'S FORK** – This was the name of a Caroline County post office location in the 1950s. At the turn of the century, it was called "Kidd Family Post Office."<sup>2</sup>The first Caroline County courthouse was located in the area of a triangle formed by three 20<sup>th</sup> century landmarks, one of which was the Kidd's Fork post office. Numerous citations refer to “the Kidd’s Fork-Shumansville-Ideal triangle,” locating the subject of discussion in reference to contemporary (1953) landmarks.<sup>3</sup> Another book describes it thus: “Some Local Names and their Origins:.....  
“The Chase” was an immense tract of land owned by Robert Beverley of “Blandfield,” in Essex Co..... among the post offices in “The Chase” was one called “Kidd’s Fork,” and its name came from the Kidd family of that locale.<sup>4</sup>

**EDGE HILL/HEDGE HILL CEMETERY** – a cemetery located near Kidd's Fork in southern Caroline county, where numerous Kidds are buried.<sup>5</sup>

Edge Hill was the home of Capt. William Kidd, aka William Kidd Sr. in this paper. It was located 0.1 mile west of Kidd's Fork on Rt. 640, thence 0.2 miles west on a private road to the site. The home was said to have been the second house built in Caroline Co.<sup>6</sup>

**AARON KIDD**, born 8 Dec 1713 and baptized 24 Jan 1714 in MSX Co VA as son of William and Margaret Kidd. Married Susannah [maiden name unknown]. Died bef Mar 1776 in Albemarle Co VA. [Sandra Kidd's ancestor: this line is represented in the Kidd Y-DNA study by several descendants and is documented in each generation of descent from Thomas Kidd, died 1680, MSX Co VA. See Albemarle and Fluvanna Co BDs.]

1747 – At a Caroline County court held 15 Aug 1747: A petition of William Hunter, gentleman, against **Aaron Kidd** is dismissed.<sup>7</sup>

Aaron appears once in Caroline Co records in 1747. He is found in Goochland Co in 1749-1750 along with John Kidd, presumably his brother John. Subsequently Aaron is found in Albemarle Co VA, possibly as early as 1753, and definitely by 1763, when he received a patent on 80 acres on the Rivanna River and Roundabout Creek. John Kidd also had a land patent close to Aaron's land. Aaron's will, written in Albemarle County in August 1775, and proved there in March of 1776, is in Albemarle WB 1, p. 337, 1776. It names his wife,

<sup>2</sup> *The History of Caroline County, Virginia*, by Marshall Wingfield, 1969, p. 37.

<sup>3</sup> *Colonial Caroline. A history of Caroline County, Virginia*, by T.E. Campbell, Deitz Press, Richmond, VA, 1954.

<sup>4</sup> *The History of Caroline Co., Virginia from its formation in 1727 to 1924*, by Marshall Wingfield, Regional Publishing Co., Baltimore, 1975, p. 37.

<sup>5</sup> [www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=g&sr&GSln=Kidd&GSiman=1&GScid=2435892&](http://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=g&sr&GSln=Kidd&GSiman=1&GScid=2435892&)

<sup>6</sup> Works Progress Administration of Virginia Historical Inventory, #157, Caroline Co., VA, Research Report by Selma Farmer, Port Royal, Virginia, July 7, 1937. This was also called the Pollard home.

<sup>7</sup> Caroline County Virginia Order Book, 1746-1754, p. 41.

Susannah, and the children listed here:

1. William Kidd, d by 1801 in Tazewell Co VA (Sandra Kidd's ancestor)
2. Benjamin Kidd, d 1820, Fluvanna Co VA
3. Samuel Kidd, d 1821, Fluvanna Co VA
4. Milly (Mildred) Kidd, m a Baltimore
5. Sarah Kidd, m Charles Clements
6. Mary Kidd, m a Davis
7. Ann Kidd, m Thomas Elliott

**AMOS KIDD** – deceased by 1848 when an account of his estate is ordered to be recorded in the Caroline Co Minute Book.<sup>8</sup> No other citations found in Caroline County for this individual.

**ANN KIDD** – deceased by 1848 when her account is presented and recorded in the Caroline Co Minute Book.<sup>9</sup> No other citations found in Caroline County for this individual.

**BENJAMIN KIDDs** – There were at least 3 Benjamin Kidds in Caroline Co. We list them below, by the order of their appearance in Caroline County records.

**BENJAMIN KIDD**, the second son of Isaac Kidd Sr. of Essex County

(See our Essex County compilation for further information)

**Benjamin<sup>5</sup> (Isaac<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) Kidd**

Likely born by late 1750s since he was of age to serve in Revolutionary War. Enlisted in Essex Co VA.

He was still a minor under the guardianship of Henry Kidd when his father Isaac's estate was settled in 1778 but was likely at least 14 years of age in 1774 when he was indentured as an apprentice.

Married Sarah, daughter of Henry Kidd of Essex Co VA (date and place uncertain).

Lived in St. Margaret's Parish in the southern part of Caroline Co bordering Hanover Co. Was deceased by September 1830 in Caroline Co VA, according to his Revolutionary bounty land warrant record. He probably died in late 1828 or 1829.<sup>10</sup>

Sons include Benjamin Jr. and Edmund, and possibly Henry.

- 1770 – **Essex County Court**, 19 November 1770. Henry Kidd is appointed guardian to Pitman, **Benjamin** and Isaac **Kidd, orphans of Isaac Kidd**, deceased, whereupon the said Henry with William D. Roane as his security entered into and acknowledged a bond for the same.<sup>11</sup>
- 1774 – Essex County Court, 21 February 1774. An Indenture of Apprenticeship between **Benjamin Kidd**, orphan, and Nathl. Crow was acknowledged by the parties, approved by the Court, and ordered to be recorded.<sup>12</sup>

<sup>8</sup> *Index to Virginia Estates, 1800-1865, vol. 10*, compiled by Wesley E. Pippenger, published by Virginia Genealogical Society, Richmond VA, 2010, citing Caroline Co Minute Book 1, p. 87. Original not yet examined.

<sup>9</sup> *Index to Virginia Estates, 1800-1865, vol. 10*, compiled by Wesley E. Pippenger, published by Virginia Genealogical Society, Richmond VA, 2010, citing Caroline Co Minute Book 1, pp. 99, 124. Original not yet examined.

<sup>10</sup> He drops from the Personal Property Tax Lists of Caroline County in 1826, and the Land Tax Lists in 1829.

<sup>11</sup> Essex Co. Order Book 28A, page 18.

<sup>12</sup> Essex Co. Order Book 29, p. 172.

1778 – 16 Mar 1778. The final division of Isaac Kidd's estate was filed by Henry Kidd, administrator. Names Isaac's "three children Pitman, **Benjamin**, and Isaac." To Pitman Kidd, "the eldest son," "all the Negroes" Dick, Suckey, and children Michael and Mol, valued at 150 lbs. Pitman to pay to "Henry Kidd, guardian of the younger sons **Benjamin** and Isaac" 50 lbs each for slaves, being their "apportionable part" of the value of the slaves "together with interest from 1 Jan 1771." Division of estate, after reimbursements to guardian Henry Kidd, was allocated among the three sons of Isaac Kidd: Pitman Kidd, named as the "elder brother," **Benjamin Kidd, named as the "second son,"** and Isaac Kidd, named as the "youngest son." A John Walden was witness to the final division of the estate.<sup>13</sup>

1777-1780 – a **Benjamin Kidd** of Caroline Co. served in the Rev. War.<sup>14, 15</sup> According to the Bounty Land Warrant application,<sup>16</sup> this Benjamin Kidd "of Caroline County" enlisted as a private in the Continental Line on or about December 1777 in **Essex Co VA** and served out his term of 3 years as a Matross of Artillery. Benjamin was deceased by Sept. 1830, when his heirs applied for the bounty land he (and thus they, after his death) were entitled to. For reasons I don't understand, his heirs did not receive the BLW certificate (#9470) until 29 December 1852, for 100 acres. The attorney for his heirs was Robert B. Bagby. Unfortunately, the BLW record does not name the heirs, or say where the land was located. However, given the date of his probable death in 1830, he appears to be the same man found in Caroline Co from 1784 through 1829.

1780 – 21 February 1780. **Benja. Kidd** was of age in 1780 when he was one of the witnesses (along with Jno. Healy, Richd Bray, Staige Davis, James Evans and Thos. Evans) to a bond agreement between William and Williamson Young of Essex Co. and Dejarnette of Middlesex Co.<sup>17</sup>

1784 – 13 May. A deed indented from David Trainam and Happy his wife to **Benjamin Kidd** [this must be Benjamin who lived in the southern part of Caroline, bordering Hanover] was acknowledged and ordered to be recorded.<sup>18</sup>

1785 – 16 April 1785. **Benjamin Kidd** was a witness at the Fraternal Hunters Lodge (Masonic) in **Essex Co** to the will of Henry Kidd, dated 16 April 1785 and proved in court 15 April 1793. Executors were named as son John Kidd and John Brown [Henry's son-in-law]. Witnesses were named as **Benjamin Kidd**, Isaac Kidd, and Henry Kidd.<sup>19</sup> [We do not know who this younger Henry Kidd and Isaac Kidd are. Isaac Kidd, son of Isaac Kidd Sr., had died by 1784.]

<sup>13</sup> Essex Co VA Will Book 13, pp. 132-3.

<sup>14</sup> *A History of Caroline County, Virginia; from its formation in 1727 to 1924*, by Marshall Wingfield, Regional Publishing Company, 1969, p. 228, citing Saffell's List.

<sup>15</sup> *Colonial Caroline. A history of Caroline County, Virginia*, by T.E. Campbell, Deitz Press, Richmond, VA, 1954, p. 374, where Benjamin Kidd's name appears on a list of "Caroline Soldiers and Sailors of the Revolution (from the archives at the Virginia State Library)."

<sup>16</sup> BLW 1270, RK has photocopy of entire record.

<sup>17</sup> *Essex County, Virginia Land Records: 1772-1786*, by Mary Marshall Brewer, Colonial Roots, 2006, p. 95, citing Essex DB 31, p. 536.

<sup>18</sup> *Order Book abstracts of Caroline Co., VA, 1783-1784*, by Ruth Sparacio, p. 42.

<sup>19</sup> Essex Co VA Will Book 15, pp. 23-4.

1785 – This Benjamin Kidd migrated from Essex County to Caroline County about 1785. The Caroline Co. Land Tax **Alterations** List<sup>20</sup> for 1785 shows that \_\_\_id Trainam? (or Travis?) Sr. (the first part of his given name is obscured in this record) transferred/sold 108 acres in Caroline Co. to **Benjamin Kidd** in the prior twelve months. The first extant LTL showing all landowners in Caroline Co. is that of 1787. Benjamin Kidd appears on that 1787 LTL, taxed on 108 acres in George Terrell's district, and this continues through 1792.<sup>21</sup> Below is a Table showing the Land Tax List entries for this Benjamin Kidd from 1785 through 1792:

Year	NAME	Acres	Description	CH	COMMENTS
1785	Benjamin Kidd	108			George Terrell's district
1786	no LTL extant				
1787 - 1791	Benjamin Kidd	108			George Terrell's district

See 1792 for Benjamin(1)'s subsequent LTL entries.

1786 – 12 Jan. In Caroline Co Orders, an Indenture of apprenticeship between **Benjamin Kidd** and **Henry Kidd** was approved by the court and ordered to be recorded. The wording doesn't tell us who was apprentice and who was master, but the PPTLs below suggest that Henry was the younger of the two men, and likely the apprentice.<sup>22</sup>

1785-1825 – **Benjamin Kidd** first appears on the Caroline Co VA **PPTL** in 1785. Though he doesn't appear in 1786, starting in 1787 he appears annually through 1825, when he drops from the list, with no mention of his estate to indicate that he has died in the prior twelve months.

In 1788 and 1789, a Henry Kidd is in Benjamin's household, according to the PPTLs. The following two years, 1790 and 1791, this Henry Kidd is in a separate household, but has little property. He drops from the Caroline Co PPTLs after 1791.

We do not know the identity of this Henry Kidd and his relationship to Benjamin Kidd, but it is possible that this Henry Kidd is the same man as the Henry Kidd who was named in a 1791 Fluvanna Co VA deed as “Henry Kidd of Caroline County” when he purchased 400 acres from James and Fanny Cole of Fluvanna Co.

This Henry may be a son, nephew, or other relative of Benjamin Kidd. However, there is a gap of more than 30 years between the appearance of Henry Kidd (1788-1789) and the appearance of Benjamin Kidd Jr. (1824-1825) in Benjamin's household.

<sup>20</sup> No actual Land Tax Lists exist for Caroline Co. for 1782-1786; only alterations from one year to the next during these years have survived. The first extant LTL showing all landowners in Caroline Co. is that of 1787.

<sup>21</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Land Book Alterations, 1782-1789, and 1789-1792 and 1792-1795 and 1795-1798*, by Ruth Sparico, 1996, reviewed and abstracted by Nancy Heuser at the Library of Virginia, August 2012.

<sup>22</sup> *Order Book abstracts of Caroline Co., VA, 1785-1786*, by Ruth Sparacio, p. 49. We need to see the original record, if possible. It should be on FHL #30839, Caroline Co. Order Books, 1785-1787 (photostat copies, rather than film of original books).

Year	Taxpayer	WMT	B>16	B 12-16	H	COMMENTS
1785	Benjamin Kidd	1	1	1	2	4 cattle; no other WMT's
1786	-					
1787	Benjamin	1	0	1	3	8 cattle; no other WMT's
1788	Benjamin	2	3	0	2	"self plus Henry Kidd"; (age for WMT changed from 21 to 16 in 1788, & stayed there)
1789	Benjamin	2	5	0	2	"self plus Henry Kidd"
1790	Benjamin	4	3	0	3	Self + 3 unrelated men (see PPTL document)
1791	Benjamin	3	3	0	3	Self + two of previous unrelated men
1792	Benjamin	2	4	0	3	Self + 1 of the previous men (Robt. Whitlock)
1793	Benjamin	1	3	0	3	Whitlock gone
1794	-					The list he was on in past years ext. faint
1795	Benjamin	2	2	0	2	One other WMT, name illegible, but not Kidd
1796	Benjamin	2	5	1	2	Self + W. Dunn as WMT's
1797	Benjamin	1	5	1	3	No other WMT
1798	Benjamin	1	5	1	2	
1799	Benjamin	1	6	1	2	
1800	Benjamin	1	7	1	4	
1801	Benjamin	1	1	0	1?	[? may be an error in transcription for the slaves]
1802	Benjamin Kid	1	8	0	5	
1803	Benjamin	1	9	0	4	One chair carriage
1804	Benjamin	1	9	0	3	One chair carriage
1805	Benjamin	1	6	1	2	
1806	Benjamin	1	7	1	3	
1807	Benjamin	1	7	1	3	
1809	Benjamin	1	7	1	2	
1810	Benjamin	1	7	2	3	
1811	Benjamin	1	7	0	3	
1812	Benjamin	1	7	0	3	
1813	Benj.	1	7	0	3	

Year	Taxpayer	WMT	B>16	B 12-16	H	COMMENTS
1814	Benjamin	1	7	0	3	
1815	Benjamin	1	6	0	3	10 cattle
1816	Benjamin	1	6	6	3	St. Margret's Parish
1817	Benjamin	2	4	4	3	(other WMT not named)
1818	Benjamin	2	4	5	4	Other WMT not named – ceased years ago on PPTLs
1819	Benjamin	2	2	2	4	
1820	Benjamin	2	3	3	4	
1821	Benjamin	-	-	-	1	3 slaves>12, 1 chair ) WMT not listed in 1821
1822	Benjamin	-	-	-	3	4 slaves>12, 1 riding chair
1823	Benjamin	-	-	-	2	4 slaves>12
1824	Benj. Sr. Benj. Jr.	2 1	3 1	4 1	2 0	1 gig (\$35)
1825	Benj. Sr. Benj. Jr.	1 1	2 0	2 0	3 0	1 gig In 1825, an Edmund Kidd appears in his own household. He may be the 2 <sup>nd</sup> WMT in Benjamin Sr.'s 1824 household and thus likely a son.
1826	Benj. Jr.	2	2	2	2	Appears to read Jr., not Sr.

In subsequent years, only one Benjamin appears on the Caroline Co. PPTLs, and that is Benjamin Jr., the son of Benjamin Sr., who disappears from the lists by 1826.

1792 – **Benjamin Kidd** purchased 200 acres of land from James H. Lynch in Caroline County.<sup>23</sup>

1792-1805 – **Benjamin Kidd** continues to appear on the Caroline County **Land** Tax Lists during these years.<sup>24</sup>

Year	NAME	Acres	Description	CH	COMMENTS
1792	Benjamin Kidd	108 200	George Terrell's D " " "		- "from James H. Lynch"
1793-1795	Benjamin Kidd	308	George Terrell's District		

<sup>23</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Land Book Alterations, 1782-1789, and 1789-1792 and 1792-1795 and 1795-1798*, by Ruth Sparico, 1996, reviewed and abstracted by Nancy Heuser at the Library of Virginia, August 2012. The date of this sale is unknown. Both tracts of Benjamin Kidd's land are recorded in the Alterations section of the 1792 Caroline LTL.

<sup>24</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Land Book Alterations, 1782-1789, and 1789-1792 and 1792-1795 and 1795-1798*, by Ruth Sparico, 1996, reviewed and abstracted by Nancy Heuser at the Library of Virginia, August 2012.

Year	NAME	Acres	Description	CH	COMMENTS
1796-1797	Benjamin Kidd	308	Jesse Hargraves' District		
1798	Benjamin Kidd	308	James Jones' district		
1799	Benjamin Kidd	308 1 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	James Jones' district ibid		"from Henry Shackelford"
1800	Benjamin Kidd	309 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>			James Jones' district
1801-1805	Benjamin Kidd	309 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>			St. Margret's parish; list of Tarlton Chiles
1806	Benjamin Kidd	-	-	-	Sold 309 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> acres to Nathaniel Norman this year

In 1806, Benjamin sold his land to Nathaniel Norman, and he drops from the Caroline County LTLs briefly (**see 1809, below**).

1794 – the July 1794 Court for Caroline County ordered the Treasurer to pay **Benjamin Kidd** £17.2.2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> as his proportion for the upkeep of Littlepage Bridge for the year 1793 (this bridge was on the southern border of Caroline County with Hanover County).<sup>25</sup>

1794 – In an Essex Co. deed dated: 15 Dec 1794<sup>26</sup>

Grantors: John Kidd and Lucy his wife ]  
William Kidd ] of King and Queen County

John Brown and Mary his wife]  
**Benjamin Kidd** and **Sarah** his wife] of Caroline County

Grantee: Thomas Roane of Essex County

Consideration: 400 Pounds and one shilling current money

Tract: A Parcel of land in County of Essex and Parish of South Farnham containing 275 acres. Metes and bounds description, mostly referencing distances to certain trees, but did name lines of Haile, Allen and Dix. Included two tracts of land, one containing 124 1/2 acres the second 151 acres. Referenced them as “being those tracts of land whereon Henry Kidd lately lived and of which he died seized and which the said John and William Kidd, Mary Brown and **Sarah Kidd** are entitled to under the last will and testament of the said Henry Kidd.”

Signed and sealed: Jno Kidd  
William Kidd  
John Brown  
**Benjamin Kidd**

Witnesses: William Wood

<sup>25</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and Other records from the Court Order and Minute Books 1781-1799*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA, 1999, reviewed for Kidd citations by Nancy Heuser, June 2012, p. 175.

<sup>26</sup> Essex County (VA) Deed Book 34, p. 91 (also pp 205, 206 and 207), John Kidd et al to Thomas Roane, Abstracted by Nancy Heuser for Sandra Kidd, Oct. 2007. Note: "The deed then had a “p.s. Two graveyards excepted with half an acre of land around the one where the white people are buried and the privilege of carrying any corps to the same.”

Pgs. 205, 207 and 207 are the relinquishments of dower by the three women, Lucy Kidd, Mary Brown and Sarah Kidd [the latter the wife of Benjamin Kidd].

John Allen  
Philemon Purkins  
James Allen

Deed rec.: 15 Dec 1794

[N.B.: In this deed, the children and heirs of Henry Kidd of Essex County (John Kidd, William Kidd, Mary (Kidd) Brown, and Sarah (Kidd) Kidd, wife of Benjamin Kidd), are selling a portion of their deceased father's land. This Henry Kidd and Isaac Kidd (this Benjamin's father) were the sons of Daniel<sup>3</sup> (Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) Kidd; and this Henry Kidd was the administrator of his brother, Isaac Kidd's estate.

From this record, we see that Benjamin Kidd's wife, Sarah, was in fact Benjamin's first cousin.]

1800 – In a Court held for Caroline County in October 1800, the Court authorized the payment of \$58.36 for this County's portion for keeping up Littlepage's bridge from October 1799 to October 1800.<sup>27</sup>

1801 - In a Court held for Caroline County in October 1801, the Court received a petition for **Benjamin Kidd** for leave...to build a water grist mill across a run whereon Dismukes (sic) Mill formerly stood, and for an acre of Land on opposite side from the House (the property of Benjamin Toler) for an abutment.<sup>28</sup>

In a Court held for Caroline County in October 1801, the Court authorized the payment of \$58.36 for this County's portion for keeping up Littlepage's bridge from October 1800 to October 1801.<sup>29</sup>

1802 – From “Court Papers 1800-1802: Payment to **Benjamin Kidd** of Hanover Co. for keeping Littlepage's bridge for 1801-1802 (authorized 25 Oct. 1806).<sup>30</sup>

In 1802, **Benjamin Kidd** sought reimbursement from the Virginia legislature for the expenses of maintaining Littlepage's Bridge over the Pamunkey River in southern Caroline Co bordering Hanover Co. In 1815, his Caroline and Hanover neighbors again took up this cause with the legislature. Contemporary maps show Littlepage's Bridge as lying on present-day Route 301 on the main road to Richmond; this is likely the Stage Road fitting the description from the LTLs.<sup>31</sup>

(See also Virginia Legislative Petitions database, Library of Virginia.)<sup>32</sup>

In a Court held for Caroline County in October 1802, the Court authorized the payment of

<sup>27</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, p. 91.

<sup>28</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, p. 100.

<sup>29</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, p. 92.

<sup>30</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 169.

<sup>31</sup> “Benjamin Kidd and Littlepage's Bridge,” Hanover County Historical Society magazine, Vol. 39, pp. 4-5, Nov 1988.

<sup>32</sup> Virginia Legislative Petitions, Caroline County, Reel 35 and Box 49, Folders 75, 89. Indexed under Inhabitants of Hanover & Caroline. See [http://www.lva.virginia.gov/public/guides/rn18\\_legspet.htm](http://www.lva.virginia.gov/public/guides/rn18_legspet.htm)

\$58.36 for this County's portion for keeping up Littlepage's bridge from October 1801 to October 1802.<sup>33</sup>

1803 – In a Court held for Caroline County in September 1803, the will of Francis Wyatt was presented in Court and proved by the oath of **Benjamin Kidd**.<sup>34</sup>

Also in this court session, Anthony New, Paul Woolfolk and John Scot were appointed Commissioners to meet at Littlepage's Bridge, and confer with Hanover Co Commissioners whether it be necessary to repair said Bridge or not...or whether they will consent to **Benjamin Kidd** keeping up the bridge at joint expense of both Counties.<sup>35</sup>

In a Court held for Caroline County in October 1803, the Court ruled that Littlepage's Bridge will be kept in repair by **Benjamin Kidd** for Three years at the sum of \$100 per annum, the bridge being the joint property of Hanover and Caroline counties.<sup>36</sup>

November Court, 1803. Ordered that James Madison pay **Benjamin Kidd** one dollar and six cents for his attending court two days as a witness for him against John Sutton and John S. Gatewood.<sup>37</sup>

1804 – In a Court held for Caroline County in May 1804, the Court authorized the payment of \$58.34 for this County's portion for keeping up Littlepage's bridge from October 1803 to October 1804.<sup>38</sup>

1809-1828 – After an absence from the annual Caroline County Land Tax Lists for two years, **Benjamin Kidd** reappears in 1809, taxed upon 484¼ acres. Because the Caroline County Deed Books have not survived, we don't know the details about how Benjamin Kidd acquired this land.

He continues to appear annually through 1828, then drops from the LTLs in 1829.

Year	NAME	Acres	Description	CH	COMMENTS
1808	-	-	No taxes collected		
1809-1812	Benjamin Kidd	484¼			St. Margret's parish; list of Tarlton Chiles
1813-1817	Benjamin Kidd	484½	Rich Davenport & others	20S	St. Margret's Parish; Chiles
1818	Benjamin Kidd	484½	Rich Davenport & others	20S	S. Chiles' List

<sup>33</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, p. 94.

<sup>34</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, p. 27.

<sup>35</sup> *Ibid*, p. 112.

<sup>36</sup> *Ibid*, p. 112.

<sup>37</sup> Caroline County Order Book, 1802-1804, page 332, retrieved from FHL #1887726, image 434.

<sup>38</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, p. 96.

Year	NAME	Acres	Description	CH	COMMENTS
1819	Benjamin Kidd	481 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	Rich Davenport	20S	S. Chiles' List; 2 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> acres to Samuel Lawrence
1820-1824	Benjamin Kidd	481 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	"on Stage Rd."	20S	On S. Chile's list till 1824, when it became Sutton's.
1825	Benjamin Kidd	481 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	"on Stage Rd."	20S	Samuel Cook's list
1826	Benjamin Kidd	481 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	"on Stage Rd."	20S	F.V. Sutton's district
1827	Not listed?				Or missed
1828	Benj. Kidd Sr.	481 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	"on Stage Rd."	20S	150 acres transferred to Benjamin Kidd Jr.
1828	Benjamin Kidd	150	On Stage Rd.	20S	From Ben Sr.
1829	Ben Sr. drops	From	these LTLS		

1810 – a Benjamin Kidd is on the federal census in Caroline Co., VA, p. 12, line 22:

**Benjamin Kidd** – 1M 10-15 & 1 45 and up; 1F 10-15, 2 16-25 and 1 45 & up, plus 8 slaves.

1811 – Benjamin Kidd's name appears in a long Chancery Court case between the administrators of the estate of Rene P. Brown vs. John Brown.<sup>39</sup> **Benjamin Kidd** provided an affidavit in this case in Caroline Co, on 28 March 1811, regarding claims of fraud. His affidavit includes his signature.

1815 – **Benjamin Kidd's** land in Caroline Co was located 20 miles south of the Courthouse according to the Land Tax List for 1815.<sup>40</sup>

1815 – 15 Dec 1815, in Legislative petition #6640, a number of citizens of Caroline and Hanover counties pray the General Assembly to provide relief in the form of tolls for **Benjamin Kidd**, who is represented as "having ruined himself financially in building Littlepage's Bridge at a price far below costs."<sup>41 42</sup>

See [Appendix 3](#) of this document for a full transcription of this petition.

1820 – on federal census in Caroline Co VA, p. 348:

**Benjamin Kidd**: 1M <10, 1 16-25 & 1 45 & up; 1F 0-9 & 1 45 & up, plus 7 slaves.

1823 – On 15 September 1823, a Chancery suit was heard in Fredericksburg District Superior Court of Chancery, involving **Benjamin Kidd** and Pittman Kidd, administrators of Isaac Kidd [who died in Essex Co], deceased, against Joseph Gatewood, administrator *de bonis non* of Benjamin Alexander, deceased. At issue was a debt owed to Alexander's estate by the estate of Isaac Kidd, and a judgment issued against Isaac Kidd's estate. Earlier Court decisions in

<sup>39</sup> [http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=033-1815-006](http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=033-1815-006), on-line images of this case at the Library of Virginia's web site. The mention of Benjamin Kidd's signature is found on image 43 of this 102-image record.

<sup>40</sup> *1815 Virginia Landowners*, vol. 3.

<sup>41</sup> *A History of Caroline County, Virginia; from its formation in 1727 to 1924*, by Marshall Wingfield, Regional Publishing Company, 1969, p. 59.

<sup>42</sup> Virginia Legislative Petitions, Caroline County, Reel 35 and Box 49, Folders 75, 89. Indexed under Inhabitants of Hanover & Caroline <http://www.lva.virginia.gov/public/guides/petitions>, and cites Reel 79, Box, 106, Folder 12.

1807 and 1820 had been in favor of Alexander's estate, but the Superior Court overturned those rulings, and dissolved the judgment previously awarded to Alexander's estate, also ruling that Alexander's estate pay all costs of this long-running dispute, and that no damages be paid by the Kidd plaintiffs in this suit.<sup>43</sup>

13 October 1823. In Caroline Co Court, a certificate of privy examination of Sarah Kidd, wife of **Benjamin Kidd**, parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 27th day of July 1818 to Samuel Laurence was this day produced in court and ordered to be recorded.<sup>44</sup>

9 November 1823. In Caroline Co Court, an agreement between **Benjamin Kidd** of the one part and John Courtney Folley of the other part was proved by the oaths of Nathaniel Ware and George M. Hopkins, the witnesses thereto, and ordered to be recorded.<sup>45</sup>

1824 – on the Caroline Co. VA PPTL for this year, he's listed as **Benjamin Kidd Sr.**, to distinguish him from his son Benjamin Jr. who first appeared on the PPTLs in this year.

1826 – On 10 March 1826, **Benjamin Kidd Sr.** executed a deed of gift to his son Benjamin Kidd, 200 acres from the land on which he lives, bounded by Philip Taliaferro and George Smith. Wit: Thomas West, A.R. Davenport, George Smith and Basil Thompson.<sup>46</sup>

circa 1829 – The date of Benjamin Kidd's death is unknown. He drops from the Caroline County PPTLs in 1826 (the same year that he executed a deed of gift to his eldest son, Benjamin Kidd Jr.), and Benjamin Kidd Jr.'s entries on the 1827 PPTL suggest that he's now the household head. But Ben Sr. continues to be listed on the Caroline County LTLs through 1828, with no mention of his estate. So we believe that he died in or about 1829. We know he was deceased by September 1830, because his heirs filed a claim for his War of 1812 service from Caroline County in that month.

One secondary source<sup>47</sup> suggested the possibility of a will for **Benjamin Kidd, Sr.**, but no copy or abstract has been found. We suspect that the author based this statement on the 1826 deed of gift to his son, Benjamin, and that no will survives.

1849 – in a deed dated 1 January 1849, a deed from the children of Frances (Kidd) Thompson to George W. Thompson was signed, transferring a tract of 163 acres of land in Caroline County...adjoining the lands of Mary Smith, Thomas Smith, John Long, Mary Munday and Philip Talliaferro...being the same...land conveyed to Frances A. Thompson **by her father Benjamin Kidd during her life and to her children at her death.**" This deed was

<sup>43</sup> Fredericksburg District Superior Court of Chancery Order Book, 1823-1825, page 114, retrieved from FHL #31550 (restricted access), image 399. Image available upon request, stored in the Caroline Order Books subfolder (not the Fredericksburg folder), because that's where the sole surviving party in this dispute lived in 1823.

<sup>44</sup> Caroline County Order Book, 1822-1824, page 209, reviewed on FHL #30843, item 2, image 440.

<sup>45</sup> Caroline County Order Book, 1822-1824, page 219, reviewed on FHL #30843, item 2, image 450.

<sup>46</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 140. This is also mentioned in *Caroline County, Virginia, Chancery Court deeds, 1758 – 1845*, Miami Beach, Florida, TLC Genealogy, c1990, p. 52, which lists the amt. of land as 500 acres. Digital copy in Caroline Deeds folder on Dropbox, retrieved from Caroline Co. Deeds, 1758-1845, p. 205 (LoV reel 62, by RK, July 2018. Scanned images of this deed are available upon request.

<sup>47</sup> *Some Wills from the Burned Counties of Virginia*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, 1987, referencing Caroline Co Court Papers, by same author (LOV), listed in the index, but without abstract or transcription.

recorded 13 August 1849.<sup>48</sup> [Note: These are some of the same neighbors referenced for the land of William Kidd Sr.]

**BENJAMIN KIDD, Jr., the son of Benjamin Kidd, above** (see 1826 deed, below).

**Born between 1795-1800.**<sup>49</sup>

**Married Mary Dunn in 1823 in Caroline County.**

Disappears from Caroline County records after 1836. We believe that he left Caroline County by 1837, that he died prior to 1850 (date and place unknown), and that his widow and their children are found in Richmond City in 1850. This hypothesis is based upon the later records of his wife and widow, Mary A. and of their son, William P. Kidd of Richmond, later Manchester Co VA. See [Appendix 2](#) for more information.

1823 – Marriage of **Benjamin Kidd Jr.** and Mary Dunn, 13 Jan 1823, James Kennon, bond.<sup>50</sup>  
Another abstract of this bond gives the security or witness as Benjamin Hunt.<sup>51</sup>

1824-1836 – a **Benjamin Kidd Jr.** first appears on the annual Caroline Co. PPTLs in 1824, at which time he pays tithes for two white males (for himself, and for a son or other unnamed male). He continues to be listed through 1836 annually, then drops from these lists.

Year	Taxpayer	WMT	B>16	B 12-16	H	COMMENTS
1824	Benjamin Kidd Jr.	1	1	1	0	
1825	Benjamin Kidd Jr.	1	0	0	0	
1826	Benjamin Kidd Jr.	2	2	2	2	Received his share of father's estate?
1827	Benjamin Kidd	2	1	1	1	
1828	Benjamin Kidd Jr.	2	0	0	1	
1829	Benjamin Kidd	1	0	0	1	
1830	Benjamin Kidd	1	0	0	0	
1831	Benjamin Kidd	1	0	0	0	
1832	Benjamin Kidd	1	1	1	0	
1833	Benjamin Kidd	1	0	0	0	
1834	Benjamin Kidd	1	0	0	0	
1835	Benjamin Kidd	1	0	0	1	
1836	Benjamin Kidd	1	0	0	1	

<sup>48</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia "Lost" Wills, 1676-1855 and Related Records from Other Sources: Volume Two*, by Kimberley Curtis Campbell, Iberian Publishing Co., 2013, p. 189-190, citing Caroline Co. DB 46, p. 359.

<sup>49</sup> Correlating the year in which he first appears on the Caroline PPTLs, the year of his marriage, and his father's census records in 1810 and 1820, Benjamin Jr was most likely the male age 10-15 in 1810 and the male aged 16-25 in 1820; thus he'd have been born between 1795 and 1800

<sup>50</sup> *Marriages of Caroline County, Virginia, 1777-1853*, compiled and edited by Therese Fisher, 1998, Heritage Books, p. 128.

<sup>51</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Marriages, 1787-1852*, by Joel Ricks, 1937, p. 75.

Year	Taxpayer	WMT	B>16	B 12-16	H	COMMENTS
1837	No longer listed					

1826 – Benjamin Kidd Sr. to his son **Benjamin Kidd**, 200 acres from the land on which he lives, bounded by Philip Taliaferro and George Smith. Wit: Thomas West, A.R. Davenport, George Smith and Basil Thompson. 10 March 1826.<sup>52</sup>

1828 – **Benjamin Kidd (Jr.)** does not appear on the Caroline Co., LTL until 1828, when he's first taxed on the 150 acres, above. This likely means the land transfer was not reflected on the tax rolls until Benjamin Sr.'s death. The table below shows his listings on these annual LTLs.

Year	NAME	Acres	Description	CH	COMMENTS
1828	Benjamin Kidd	150	On Stage Rd.	20S	"from Benjamin Kidd Sr.
1829	Benjamin Kidd Benjamin Kidd	- 108½	On Stage Rd. Jacob Burrus	20S 20S	150 acres to Daniel Grinnan From Robert Graves
1830	Benjamin Kidd	79 5/6	John Munday	19E	To Mary Burrus 14 acres; to William Young 14½ acres
1831	Benjamin Kidd	-	-	-	79 5/6 acres to Gideon Dunn (who evidently then sold the land to John Munday?)
1832	Drops from	LTLs			

1830 – on federal census in Caroline Co., VA, p. 196, line 22:

**Benjamin Kidd:** 000001-2000011 (1M 30-39; 2F<5, 1 30-39 & 1 40-49; plus 1 slave, a male less than 10 years old)

Also on this census are Henry, Willis, William and Sarah Kidd.

1840 – No **Benjamin Kidd** is found on the Caroline Co census in 1840. A Benjamin Kidd is found in neighboring Hanover Co, appearing on the 1840 federal census (the only Kidd in Hanover Co. on this census), p. 91, line 3:

Benjamin Kidd: 2M<4, 1 15-19 & 1 30-39; 1F 15-19. Three slaves. 5 in agriculture.

However, the 1840 household members do not match up well with the 1830 Benjamin Kidd HH, and we do not think that this is "our" Benjamin Kidd Jr.

<sup>52</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 140.

**BENJAMIN F. KIDD 1834-aft. 1905), the son of Henry H. Kidd and grandson of Joel Kidd**

Born 19 August 1834, Caroline Co VA. Died 4 May 1905, Caroline Co VA.<sup>53</sup> A wife Sally B. is named on the 1910 census, but they apparently had no children.

1847 – **Benjamin F. Kidd** was a prominent member and deacon of the Bethesda Baptist Church in Caroline Co formed in 1847.<sup>54</sup>

1850 – on federal census in Caroline Co., VA, p. 314A, HH 1415/1417:

Kidd, Henry 50MW farmer \$1350 (birthplaces blank for entire page)

" , Maria A. 48FW

" , Wm. J. 25MW teacher

" , John W. 23MW book agent

" , Mary F. 17FW attended school within the year

" , **Benjamin F.** 15MW attended school within the year

" , Henry G. (or Y) 12MW attended school within the year

" , Maria L. 9FW attended school within the year

" , Betty 3FW

Bullock, Alice F. 53FW (no occupation listed) (his wife's sister – see Lewis T. Kidd's census entry in 1880)

1860 – Apparently living in Essex Co, as a boarder and teacher, based on the federal census in Essex Co VA, Lloyd's P.O., pp 7-8, HH 66/64, in the HH of James Spindle and his large family:

Spindle, Jas. 38MW farmer \$11,000/30,000 VA

" , J.A. 34MW no occ VA

(7 children ranging in age from 8-20 years old)

**Kidd, B.F.** 22MW teacher VA

1861 - 1862 – John W. Kidd was a non-commissioned officer, along with John W. Broaddus, in Co. B, "Caroline's Light Dragoons," 9<sup>th</sup> VA Cavalry. B.W., H.S. and **B.F. Kidd** were privates in this unit during the Civil War. B.W. was killed or died in service.<sup>55</sup>

**Benjamin F. Kidd** enlisted on 26 Aug 1861 as a private in Co. B of the 9<sup>th</sup> Cavalry Regiment, and mustered out 11 May 1862. His occupation when he enlisted was "teacher." This record cites his date of birth as 19 August 1834 and his date of death as 4 May 1905.<sup>56</sup>

1870 – on federal census in Port Royal twp., Caroline Co., VA, p. 349, Rappahannock Academy, HH 419/433:

Kidd, Wm. 45MW farmer \$1350/275 VA

" , Fannie 38FW housekeeper VA

" , Lewis 47MW teacher VA

" , Maria 69FW no occupation VA

Bullock, Alice 72FW no occupation VA

**Kidd, Franklin B.** 36MW dentist VA (likely Lewis's brother, Benjamin F.)

<sup>53</sup> *Cemeteries of Caroline County, Virginia, Vol. 1 (Public)*, by Herbert Ridgeway Collins, 1994, p. 70.

<sup>54</sup> *A History of Caroline County, Virginia; from its formation in 1727 to 1924*, by Marshall Wingfield, Regional Publishing Company, 1969, p. 355.

<sup>55</sup> *A History of Caroline County, Virginia; from its formation in 1727 to 1924*, by Marshall Wingfield, Regional Publishing Company, 1969, p. 243.

<sup>56</sup> "U.S. Civil War Soldier Records and Profiles, The Virginia Regimental Histories Series, found on Ancestry.com

" , Louise 30FW at home VA  
" , Alice 22FW at home VA  
Rollins, H\_\_\_ 10BM domestic

1880 – I cannot find him on the federal census in VA.

1900 – on federal census in Port Royal twp., Caroline Co., VA, ED 20, sheet 8A, p. 272A, HH 133/136:

Kidd, William J. head WM Feb 1825 75S VA VA VA farmer  
" , **Benjamin** brother WM Aug 1834 65M marr29yr VA VA farmer  
" , Sally B. sister-in-law WF Aug 1843 57M marr29yr 0/0 VA VA VA  
" , Alice B. sister WF Dec 1847 22S VA VA VA  
Bullock, Nannie niece WF April 1862 28S VA VA VA  
Mattey, Lizzie L. niece WF Feb. 1892 8S VA VA VA at school

1905 – **Benjamin F. Kidd** died in Caroline Co., VA on 4 May 1905 and is buried in the Greenlawn cemetery in Bowling Green, VA. His headstone lists his dates of birth and death.<sup>57</sup>

NOTE: The Library of Virginia has a collection of letters and other papers, 1848-1898 in their Archives and Manuscripts department (Accession 35050) pertaining to these Kidd brothers and sisters. See their catalog online for more details.

**BURTON W. KIDD, son of William Kidd (1789-1854) and his wife Harriet M. Wright**

**Born 2 May 1832<sup>58</sup>**

**Died 19 June 1863, while serving in the Confederate army**

1850 – on federal census in Caroline Co., VA, p. 267A, HH 679/680:

Kidd, William 61MW farmer (birthplaces blank for entire page)  
" , Harriett 49FW  
" , Robert H. 23MW teacher (birthplaces blank for entire page)  
" , Thomas D. 22MW farmer  
" , **Barton** 17MW student  
" , Maria 20FW  
" , Margaret 15FW  
" , Lucy A. 10FW

1858 – At a Circuit Court held for Caroline County on 1 March 1858, the suit of Thomas D. Kidd and others, Plaintiffs, against Harriet M. Kidd, **Burton B. Kidd**, and Robert H. Kidd, Defendants, was heard. The Court appointed Burton B. Kidd *guardian ad litem* of Robert H. Kidd, a lunatic, to defend him in this suit.<sup>59</sup>

On the same day, the following Chancery Cause was heard in Caroline County Court: Thomas D. Kidd, William B. Kidd, Maria L. Kidd and Leonidas C. Pollard and Margaret his wife, Plaintiffs, against Harriet M. Kidd, **Burton B. Kidd** and Robert H. Kidd by **Burton B.**

<sup>57</sup> Findagrave.com: <http://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=gr&GSln=KID&GSpartial=1&GSbyrel=all&GSst=48&GSctry=4&GSsr=41&GRid=18064841&>

<sup>58</sup> The [Kidd-Pollard Family Bible](#).

<sup>59</sup> Caroline County Order Book 1842-1866, page 276, retrieved from FHL #30856 (restricted access – FHCs only), image 451. Digital image available upon request.

**Kidd**, his guardian, Defendants -

After hearing the bill and the answers, the Court appointed Robert Hudgin a commissioner, to sell at public auction "two tracts of land, one called "Hedge Hill" and the other "Waldens" and (also) a lot of woodland of 40 acres"...and to pay to the plaintiffs and to defendant Burton B. Kidd each one-sixth of the proceeds. (The final one-sixth, belonging to Robert H. was apparently set aside for his benefit, to his guardian.)<sup>60</sup>

1860 –on the federal census in Caroline Co., VA, Kirkwood P.O., page 672, HH 776:

Kidd, Harriet M. 60FW farmer \$5440/20,000(!) VA

" , Thomas D. 30MW farmer \$300/6685 VA

" , Robert H. 32MW no occ listed \$300/3,000 VA

" , Maria L. 26FW no occ. Listed \$300/6,000 VA

" , **Burton W.** 24MW farmer \$5440/4,436 VA

Freeman, James 39MB VA

1862 – John W. Kidd was a non-commissioned officer, along with John W. Broaddus, in Co. B, "Caroline's Light Dragoons," 9<sup>th</sup> VA Cavalry. B.W., H.S. and B.F. Kidd were privates in this unit during the Civil War. B.W. was killed in action on 19 June 1863.<sup>61</sup> This B.W. was **Burton W. Kidd**, the son of William and Harriet Kidd.

**DUEL KIDD**, the son of William<sup>2</sup> and Margaret Kidd of Middlesex County, Virginia

**Duel<sup>3</sup> (William<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) Kidd**

**Born 16 Mar 1711/2 in MSX Co VA**

**Married Mary Sorrow, the widow of Samuel Sorrow, in 1736 in MSX County**

**Apparently died in Albemarle Co VA, where he is found on the PPTLs.**

**No proven living descendants as of 2019.**

His name is written as Direll on his birth record, and as Duel on his marriage record.

1711/12 – "**Direll**, son of Wm. & Margt. Kidd, borne 16 of March, 1711." <sup>62</sup>

1735 – **Duel Kidd** to be added to the list of MSX Co. Tythables, July 1 1735.<sup>63</sup>

1736 – Duel Kidd and Mary Sorrow married July 13, 1736 (Banns).<sup>64</sup> She was the widow of Samuel Sorrow, with whom she had children Anne (b May 1732, bp June 1732) and Samuel (b May 1735, bp Jun 1735).

"James, ye son of **Duel** and Mary **Kidd**, born Feb. 10 and baptized March 4, 1736.<sup>65</sup>

1739 – "Margaret, daughter of **Duel** and Mary **Kid**, born May 16, baptized June 17, 1739.<sup>66</sup>

Duel evidently remained in MSX Co until at least the birth of this child.

He moved with his family to Caroline County at some point following this and before 1743.

<sup>60</sup> Caroline County Order Book, 1842-1866, pages 276-277, retrieved from FHL #30856, item two (restricted access – FHCs only), images 451-452. Digital images available upon request.

<sup>61</sup> *A History of Caroline County, Virginia; from its formation in 1727 to 1924*, by Marshall Wingfield, Regional Publishing Company, 1969, p. 243.

<sup>62</sup> *Christ Church Parish Register*, p. 86.

<sup>63</sup> *Middlesex County, Virginia Wills & Inventories 1673-1812 and Other Court Papers*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1989, p. 266, citing Orders 1732-1737, p. 56.

<sup>64</sup> *Christ Church Parish Register*, p. 169.

<sup>65</sup> *Christ Church Parish Register*, p. 144.

<sup>66</sup> *Christ Church Parish Register*, p. 149.

1743/4 – At a **Caroline County** Court held 9 March 1743/4: Josias Wood acknowledged deed of land indented to **Duel Kidd**.<sup>67</sup>

1745 – At a **Caroline County** Court held 12 April 1745: John Comer is appointed overseer of Pole Catt road in place of John Cheadle and it's ordered that the hands of .....**Duel Kid's**....& Wm. Chowning's assist in clearing the road.<sup>68</sup>

Duel Kidd's name appears in the 1745 account book of William Beverley, the owner of several large tracts of land in several counties of Virginia leased to tenants.<sup>69</sup> The entry reads: **Dual Kidd** – 11/20/1745: To TYR<sup>70</sup> 430. Contra \_\_\_\_ (blank).

While the location of this land was not specified in this entry, we believe that the tract of land that Duel leased was in Caroline Co.<sup>71</sup>

Duel later moved to Albemarle Co. He had at least one more child, a son named Duel, in addition to children James and Margaret than the to whose births are in the Christ Church Parish records.

1783 – **Duell Kidd** is among those listed on a record of St. Anne's Parish in **Albemarle** County on 15 December 1783. The entry reads, "To Duell Kidd till 10 Nov. next - £8.0.0."<sup>72</sup>

1784 – this entry repeats in the Vestry minutes of 11 December 1784.<sup>73</sup>

1787 – **Duel Kidd** first appears on the **Albemarle Co** PPTLs (there are no extant lists for 1788-1789).

Also in 1787, **Duel Kidd** was granted £8 for serving as one of the overseers of the poor in Albemarle Co.<sup>74</sup>

1792 – In 1792, he pays the poll tax in Albemarle County for himself and “son Duel” Kidd.

1793 – In 1793, no levy was assessed for Duel Kidd (likely due to his age), but “son Duel” Kidd is again listed under his name. He does not appear after 1793.

No further reference has been found for Duel Kidd.

<sup>67</sup> Caroline County Virginia Order Book, 1740-1746, p. 257.

<sup>68</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Order Book, 1740-1746 (part 3, 1744-1746)*, abstracted and compiled by John Frederick Dorman, Washington, DC, 1973, p. 12.

<sup>69</sup> “Account Book of William Beverley, 1745,” transcribed by John M. Weisner published in *Magazine of Virginia Genealogy*, vol. 41, pages 193-214, 1990, pages 194 and 201.

<sup>70</sup> TYR was the notation used throughout these account books to indicate “this year’s rent.”

<sup>71</sup> The introductory paragraphs for the transcriptions of William Beverley’s 1745 account book note that, unlike the 1752 account book, “this book frequently fails to identify the tract or county where the leaseholds are located. Since many of the names in the two books are the same and the order of listing appear to be quite similar, one can take an educated guess” as to the location of a particular leasehold. He goes on to say (MVR 41:194), “The tenants starting on page 15 and going up to and **including Dual Kidd on page 19** probably resided in Beverly Park, primarily in **King and Queen County**.” That said, both Duel and Moses Kidd appear on these lists, and Moses Kidd’s listings specify that his land was in Beverley Park; and we know from other records that both men appear in other records for **Caroline County**. So we believe that the lands they were renting from William Beverley were in Caroline County.

<sup>72</sup> “The Vestry Book of St. Anne's Parish, Albemarle County, 1772-1785,” by Eric G. Grundset, appearing in *Virginia Magazine of Genealogy*, vol. 52(1), p. 27.

<sup>73</sup> *Ibid*, p. 29.

<sup>74</sup> From the R&S Sparacio book covering deeds in this period (1785-1787), p. 11.

**EDMUND KIDD**, the son of William Kidd Sr. and his wife Mary Halbert Kidd.

**Edmund5 (William4, Daniel3, Thomas2, Thomas1) Kidd**

**Born abt 1771,<sup>75</sup> probably in Caroline Co VA.<sup>76</sup>**

**Married first Sarah/Sally JONES (see below), and 2nd married second Frances CONNER shortly after Sally's death (prior to November 1801 – see below).**

**Migrated to Fayette Co KY with his brother Philip Kidd abt 1804.**

**Died in Fayette Co KY about 1826.**

1792 – On 12 January, 1792, **Edmund Kidd** married Salley (sic) Jones in Caroline Co., VA, with Theodorick Noel the minister.<sup>77, 78</sup>

Sally Jones was the daughter of Frances Hampton, who married Edmund Jones.<sup>79</sup> Frances's father was John Hampton, of St. Margaret's Parish in Caroline Co., who died in 1803, leaving a substantial estate. Only two of his children survived him, and the shares of those children who predeceased him went to *their* children, or in the case of some (including Sally Jones Kidd) to their grandchildren.

Edmund's first wife, Sally Jones, died in May 1801 (see below), prior to her grandfather. Her share went to her one child by Edmund Kidd, a son also named Edmond Kidd.<sup>80</sup>

1792-1803 – an **Edmond Kidd** first appears on the Caroline Co. PPTLs in 1792. He appears almost annually (missing only on the 1802 PPTL) through 1803, after which he is no longer found in Caroline Co VA records.

Year	Taxpayer	WMT	B>16	B 12-16	H	COMMENTS
1792	Edmond Kidd	1	0	0	0	
1793	Edmond Kidd	1	0	0	1	
1794	Edmond Kidd	1	0	1	1	
1795	Edmond Kidd	1	0	1	1	
1796	Edmond Kidd	1	0	1	1	

<sup>75</sup> Judging from his age (45 or older) on the 1820 census, he was born prior to 1775. His appearance on the Caroline Co. PPTLs in 1792 suggest that he was born abt. 1771.

<sup>76</sup> His father, William Kidd Sr. first appears on Caroline County records in 1764 and appears continuously until his death ~1802.

<sup>77</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 227, citing "Pt. 1, p. 64."

<sup>78</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Marriages, 1787-1852*, by Joel Ricks, 1937, p. 75.

<sup>79</sup> *Caroline County, VA. Marriage References and Family Relationships 1728-1800*, by Edward F. Wright, Colonial Roots, Lewes, Delaware, 2012, p. 69. This book has more information on the Jones family, including Sally's siblings and their spouses.

<sup>80</sup> [http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFEN=033-1804-009](http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFEN=033-1804-009), William R. Gibson & wife, etc. vs. Exrs of John Hampton. A summary of this case is found in *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, pp. 44-45 and 205-206.

It names all the living heirs of John Hampton, and is a treasure trove of information. See also *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, pp. 32-33.

Year	Taxpayer	WMT	B>16	B 12-16	H	COMMENTS
1797	Edmond Kidd	1	?	2	3	Extremely faded images
1798	Edmond Kidd	1	1	0	3	
1799	Edmond Kidd	1	1	0	3	
1800	Edmond Kidd	1	1	0	1	
1801	Edmond Kidd	1	1	0	1	
1802	Not listed					
1803	Edmond Kidd	1	6	1	4	
1804	Drops from PPTLs					

1801 – one of the documents in a lengthy Caroline Co. Chancery Court case<sup>81</sup> involving the estate of John Hampton, grandfather of Edmund's first wife, Sally Jones, is a letter dated May 25, 1801. While this letter is not signed, it's clearly from a Hampton family member. In part, the writer describes to her parents the deaths of several of her relatives, including this: "Cousin Sally Kid has also left us (i.e., died) May 19, 1801, after a long illness."<sup>82</sup> From this entry, we conclude that Edmund's first wife died on the above date. And from the entry below, we conclude that he remarried soon after Sally's death, by November 1801, he's married to Frances Conner.

1801 – A Caroline Co. Chancery Court record dated November 1801, **Edmund Kidd** appeared in Court, representing his wife, Frances, formerly Frances Conner, the wife of John Conner, deceased.

Here is RK'S abstract for this court case:

Edmund KIDD & Frances his wife, late Frances CONNER, Ann CONNER, and James, Polly, Francis, Robert & Joseph CONNER, infants by their next friend, Edmund Kidd say that James Conner departed this life in 1790, having first made a will, naming his wife, Frances CONNER his executrix.; Frances took her share, but has not distributed the balance of his estate and they are suing to make her do so; she agrees, and the property & slaves are divided up among the heirs. - RK<sup>83, 84</sup>

1802 – **Edmund Kidd** is named in his father, William Kidd's will, proved in court in 1802 (see [Appendix Six](#) of this document), and in his subsequent estate records.<sup>85</sup>

These records reveal that William Kidd died in 1802, leaving a widow, Mary Kidd, and

<sup>81</sup> [http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=033-1806-015](http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=033-1806-015) , Edwin Gibson & wife vs. Exrs of John Hampton, deceased, on-line at the above URL from the Library of Virginia.

<sup>82</sup> The above chancery case has 27 online images; this letter is image 25 of that set.

<sup>83</sup> [http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=033-1803-011](http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=033-1803-011) .

<sup>84</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, p. 63, citing November 1801 Court Order or Minute book entries. Scanned page from this reference.

<sup>85</sup> Library of Virginia on-line Chancery records, Caroline Co., VA case 1812-014, 20 images: [http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=033-1812-014](http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=033-1812-014)

eleven children: James, Elizabeth (who married Edwin Motley), Fanny (who married Washington Jones), John, **Edmund**, Joel, Thomas, William, Philip, Walker, and Polly, plus one grandson, Henry Kidd, the only child of William Kidd, deceased. Walker, Henry and Polly are infants [minor children] at the time of this record, and Thomas and Philip are administrators of William's will.<sup>86</sup>

1802 – Frances Connor vs. Lewis Timberlake. Mrs. Frances Connor states that she has dealt with Drummond and Timberlake for many years, and that Lewis Timberlake had the use of two of her Negroes for several years. She appoints **Edmund Kidd** as her attorney. 3 September 1802.<sup>87</sup>

1803 – in a Caroline Co. Court record dated January 1803, the Court ordered the division of the estate of James Conner to his widow Frances Conner, and children, viz. Ann Conner, Frances Kidd, James Conner, Mary Conner, Francis Conner, Robert Conner and Joseph Conner.<sup>88, 89, 90</sup>  
Also in January Court 1803, the division of the estate of William Kidd was recorded, naming his widow, Mary, and their surviving children: James, Philip, Henry, Thomas, Willis, **Edmund**, John, Fanny (the wife of Washington Jones), Walker, Joel, Polly, and Elizabeth (wife of Edwin Motley).<sup>91, 92</sup>

A Philip Kidd married Ann Connor on 8 November 1803. Security and witnesses were Willis Kidd, **Edmund Kidd** and Walker Kidd.<sup>93</sup>

1804 – In a Court held for Caroline County in January 1804, **Edmund Kidd** was appointed guardian to Frances Conner, orphan of James Conner (Edmund's father-in-law).<sup>94</sup>  
Also during that court, Edmund Kidd was appointed guardian to Edmund I/J Kidd, his son.<sup>95</sup> Evidently this was related to inheritance by this minor child from his maternal grandfather James Connor's estate.

February Court, 1804. **Edmund Kidd's** claim against the estate of Edmund Jones deceased

<sup>86</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 82.

<sup>87</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 32.

<sup>88</sup> *Caroline County court records and marriages, 1787-1810*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1987, p. 61.

<sup>89</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, p. 72. See scan of this page for details about the distribution of slaves and land.

<sup>90</sup> Caroline County Order Book, 1802-1804, page 110-111, retrieved from FHL #1887726 (restricted access, FHCs only), images 326-327. Digital images available upon request.

<sup>91</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, pp. 23-24

<sup>92</sup> Caroline County Order Book, 1802-1804, page 130-134, retrieved from FHL #1887726 (restricted access, FHCs only), images 336-338. Digital images available upon request.

<sup>93</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 227, citing "Pt. 1, p. 4."

<sup>94</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, p. 50.

<sup>95</sup> Ibid.

due by account amounting to £29.8.11 was presented to the Court and allowed.<sup>96</sup>

The Caroline Co VA **Land Tax List** for 1804 show that in this year, Edmund received 26 acres from the estate of his father, William Kidd, who died in 1802. The 1805 LTL shows that in the prior 12 months, he and his brother, Philip Kidd, each transferred their 26-acre shares of their father's estate to one Jacob Moore. Apparently Edmund and Philip left Caroline Co in 1804/1805 for Kentucky. They both disappear from the annual LTLs for Caroline Co in 1805.

- 1805 – **Edmund Kidd** first appears on the Fayette Co KY annual tax lists, along with Philip Kidd.
- 1807-1812 – **Edmund Kidd** appears annually on the Fayette Co tax lists, along with Philip Kidd (and occasionally Walker Kidd).
- 1810 – Edmund does not appear on the federal census in Virginia or Kentucky, that I can find.
- 1812 – In a Chancery Court case in Spotsylvania Co., VA dated 1 June 1812, Conner vs. Conner, **Edmund Kidd**, Frances (Connor) Kidd, Philip Kidd and Nancy (Connor) Kidd are mentioned. Frances and Nancy were the daughters of James Connor, deceased, and sisters of Rice Connor, deceased.<sup>97</sup>
- 1813 – appears on the Jessamine Co KY tax list, this one year only.
- 1814-1822 – found on the annual Fayette Co KY tax lists again in these years.
- 1820 – on federal census in Fayette Co KY, p. 85:  
**Edmund Kidd** – 1M<10, 1 10-14 & 1 45 & over; 2F<10, 1 10-15 & 1 26-44, plus two slaves.
- 1822 – The 1822 tax lists for Fayette Co KY had a column for “number of children between 4 and 14 years of age,” this one year only. Edmond Kidd’s entry listed no children between 4 and 14.
- 1823 – Edmund drops from the Fayette Co KY tax lists this year.
- 1824 – he reappears on the Fayette Co KY tax list in 1824, in a different district (Milton’s district, No. 4)
- 1825-1826 – No Edmund Kidd is found in these years, but an Edward Kidd appears each year, with the same entry (1 WMT and 2 horses) that Edmund had in 1822 and 1824. This appears to be a clerical error, and is Edmund, given that his widow appears on the 1827 tax list (see below).
- 1827 – in this year, neither Edward nor Edmund Kidd is found on the Fayette Co., KY tax lists, but two new Kidds make their first appearance: Francis (sic) Kidd, with no WMTs or slaves, and 3 horses, and William Kidd, with one WM tithe and no horse or slaves. These most likely are Edmund’s widow, Frances Connor Kidd, and his older surviving son. From this I conclude that Edmond Kidd died in 1827 in Fayette Co., KY.

<sup>96</sup> Caroline County Order Book 1802-1804, page 384, retrieved from FHL #1877726 (restricted access – FHCs only), page 352 (image 462). Copy available upon request.

<sup>97</sup> *The Virginia Genealogist* 42:308, 1998

Unfortunately, the Fayette Co., KY tax lists from 1828 forward have not been digitized yet, and are not available online via Familysearch.org.

**EDMUND J. KIDD, the son of Edmund Kidd (above)**

1804 – In a Court held for Caroline County in January 1804, Edmund Kidd was appointed guardian to Edmund J. Kidd, his son.<sup>98</sup> Evidently this was related to inheritance by this minor child from his maternal grandfather, James Connor's estate.

1815 – an **Edmund J. Kidd** appears this one year only on the 1815 tax list in Fayette Co KY, in the same district as an **Edmund Kidd**. Also in the county, but in a different tax district, is **Walker Kidd**. He drops from these lists in 1816 and doesn't reappear.

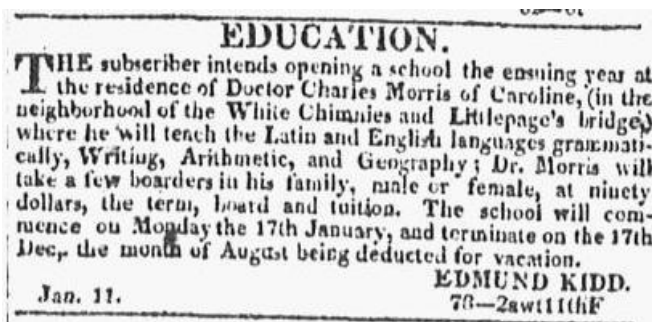
**EDMUND KIDD, NOT the son of Benjamin Kidd Jr.**

**Born by 1804<sup>99</sup>**

1825 – an **Edmund Kidd** appears for the first time in over 20 years on the Caroline Co. PPTL in 1825, charged only for his own tithe, and no property or horse. The year that he appears, the white tithables in the HH of Benjamin Kidd Jr. decrease from 2 to 1, suggesting that this Edmund may be the son of Benjamin Kidd Jr. HOWEVER, Benjamin Kidd Jr. was born between 1795 and 1800, and didn't marry until 1823. Thus he was too young to be this Edmund Kidd's father. We do not know who his parents were.

This Edmund doesn't appear again on the Caroline PPTLs through 1853.

This Edmund Kidd was a schoolteacher. The newspaper advertisement below appeared in the *Richmond Enquirer* in January and early February, advertising his school.<sup>100</sup> He's in the vicinity of Littlepage's Bridge, which was operated by Benjamin Kidd; this raises the possibility that he is related to Benjamin Kidd. However, he apparently was there just one year, as he doesn't appear on subsequent PPTLs in Caroline Co., and no other advertisements have been found, so perhaps this is just coincidental.



1830 – there is an **Edmond Kidd** in Fluvanna Co VA, age 45 or older, living alone. He could conceivably be this Edmond Kidd. He does not appear on the PPTLs for Fluvanna Co.

<sup>98</sup> Ibid.

<sup>99</sup> He would be at least twenty-one years of age in order to appear on the PPTLs.

<sup>100</sup> found on NewspaperArchive.com, by searching for "Kidd" in VA newspapers, 1824-1825.

**ELLEN/ELEANOR KIDD, the daughter of Joel and Sally Kidd**

1826 – A guardian bond is secured in Caroline Co for **Eleanor Kidd**, Frances Kidd, and Polly Kidd, children of Joel Kidd.<sup>101</sup>

1826 – 11 September 1826. Sarah Kidd, Henry Kidd and Washington Kidd are bound to the Caroline Co. Court in the amount of \$1500 for Sarah Kidd's guardianship of Polly, **Eleanor** and Frances **Kidd**, orphans of Joel Kidd, deceased. Sarah signed with an X; Henry and Washington signed their names.<sup>102</sup>

1827 – A Chancery Court record dated November 1827 records a suit by Henry Kidd, one of the sons of Joel and Sarah Kidd, against his mother, Sarah, the administratrix of Joel Kidd, and Robert Holloway, the administrator of Joel Kidd and the guardian of his daughter-in-law Lavinia Kidd (widow of John Kidd), and against his other siblings (it appears that he's trying to get his father's estate settled).

The Court ordered that Sally (Sarah) Kidd receive one-third part of the estate as her dower, and the remainder of the estate to be divided into 6 equal parts for Washington Kidd, Polly Kidd, **Ellen Kidd**, Frances Kidd (the other two parts were 'reserved', without explanation; these two moieties were for Henry and John Kidd, the other two children of this couple – see below).

Sally was to receive 162 acres adjoining William Brumley out of the total of 290 acres; this tract was sold 23 Oct. 1826 to her son Washington Kidd. At the time of his death (date not stated), there were six young children: Henry Kidd, John Kidd, Washington Kidd, Polly Kidd, **Eleanor Kidd** and Frances Kidd.

[It's not clear why the two parts reserved for Henry and John Kidd were not distributed at that time. Henry and John were evidently not minors, as this suit was brought by Henry Kidd directly, with no representation by his "next friend" or guardian, and by 1827, son John Kidd was deceased, leaving a widow, Lavinia Kidd.]

1851 – A marriage bond was issued for **Ellen Kidd** and William Taylor on 1 September 1851 in Caroline Co., VA, and the security or witness was A J Boulware.<sup>103</sup> The marriage occurred on 3 September 1851, by G W Tribbe(?).<sup>104</sup>

**ELIZABETH KIDD(s)**

**ELIZABETH KIDD, daughter of William and Mary Halbert Kidd.**

**Birth date and place currently unknown.**

**Married Edwin Motley in Caroline Co. in 1794.**

**She and her husband lived across the county line, in King & Queen County (see below).**

<sup>101</sup> *Index to Virginia Estates, 1800-1865, vol. 10*, compiled by Wesley E. Pippenger, published by Virginia Genealogical Society, Richmond VA, 2010, citing Caroline Co Guardian Bonds 1821-1844, p. 105. Original not yet examined.

<sup>102</sup> *Caroline County Guardian Bonds, 1821-1844*, FHL #30830, item 1, page 105 (microfilm image 66); scanned image of this page in the Caroline Co. Sources folder.

<sup>103</sup> *Virginia Marriages, 1785-1940*, on Familysearch.org.

<sup>104</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Marriages, 1787-1852*, by Joel Ricks, 1937, p. 125.

1794 – **Elizabeth Kidd** married Edwin Motley in Caroline Co VA on Dec. 13, 1794.<sup>105, 106</sup>

1802 – **Elizabeth Kidd** is named in her father, William Kidd's will, proved in court in 1802 (see [Appendix Six](#) of this document), and in his subsequent estate records.<sup>107</sup>

Those records show that William Kidd died in 1802, leaving a widow, Mary Kidd, and eleven children: James, **Elizabeth** (who married Edwin Motley), Fanny (who married Washington Jones), John, Edmund, Joel, William, Philip, Walker, and Polly, plus one grandson, Henry Kidd, the only child of William Kidd, deceased. Walker, Henry and Polly are infants [minor children] at the time of this record, and Thomas and Philip are administrators of William's will.<sup>108</sup>

1804-1810 – In 1804, the estate of Elizabeth's father William was distributed among his heirs, and she (via her husband) received her 26-acre share, per the Caroline Co. Land Tax List (which shows 26 acres transferred to Edwin Motley).

This entry repeated annually through 1809, at which time (upon the death of Edwin), the land began to appear in **Elizabeth Kidd Motley's** name. We haven't searched for her on subsequent LTLs.

1809 – Her husband's death in 1809 is proved by the fact that he wrote his will in King & Queen Co VA in October 1808, and it was proved by the oaths of John Kidd and Walker Kidd in the Superior Court for King & Queen County and admitted to record on 3 May 1809.<sup>109</sup>

1810, 1820 – she's probably the Elizabeth Motley on the federal censuses in K&Q Co. She does not appear on the 1830 census and may have been deceased by then.

**ELIZABETH \_\_\_ KIDD**, wife/widow of **Thomas Kidd** who died ca. 1804 (the son of **William Kidd Sr.**)

**Many trees on Ancestry list her maiden name as DAVENPORT, but no evidence to support this has come to light, that we have seen.**

**The dates of her birth and death are unknown, at least to us.**

1804 – a Thomas Kidd evidently died in late 1803 or early 1804, as his Estate is listed on the 1804 Caroline Co. PPTL, taken in the spring of that year.

In November 1804 Court, an Administrators Bond was granted to **Elizabeth Kidd** and Matthew Hudley [Hundley], for the administration of Thomas Kidd's estate.<sup>110</sup>

<sup>105</sup> *A History of Caroline County, Virginia; from its formation in 1727 to 1924*, by Marshall Wingfield, Regional Publishing Company, 1969, p. 70.

<sup>106</sup> *Virginia County Records, Volume VII*, edited by William Armstrong Crozier, Genealogical Publishing Co, 1971, p 100: Marriage Bonds of Caroline Co, VA.

<sup>107</sup> Library of Virginia on-line Chancery records, Caroline Co., VA case 1812-014, 20 images: [http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=033-1812-014](http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=033-1812-014)

<sup>108</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 82.

<sup>109</sup> A transcription of this will is posted on Ancestry.com, and an image of the transcription is in our K&Q Shared Folder.

<sup>110</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, p. 39.

Recorded in Caroline Co Orders for 1804-1805: The administration of Thomas Kidd's estate is granted, appraisal and division of estate filed (including a land plat), and dower allotted to widow **Elizabeth Kidd**. Original not yet examined.<sup>111</sup>

In December of 1804, in a Chancery Court suit, records show that Thomas's widow, **Elizabeth Kidd** was the administratrix of her husband's estate, and Thomas Hundley, the husband of Thomas and Elizabeth's daughter, Lucy Kidd, was his administrator. The Court ordered that Elizabeth receive one-third of the lands and slaves of the intestate Thomas Kidd, deceased; Matthew Hundley and his wife Lucy received one-third, and the other third went to William Kidd, "infant son of Thomas Kidd, deceased, by his guardian (who is not named in this record).<sup>112, 113</sup>

1806-1824 – the Caroline Co. Land Tax List (LTL) for 1806 shows that in this year, **Elizabeth Kidd** (not specified, but his widow) received 126 acres from the Estate of Thomas Kidd.

She continued to be listed on these annual land tax lists through 1838; see the Table below:

Year	NAME	Acres	Description	CH	COMMENTS
1806	Elizabeth Kidd	126			"from Thomas Kidd's Estate
1807-1813	Elizabeth Kidd	126			
1814	Elizabeth Kidd	51?	"for life"	18NE	This could be in error or a different person– only listing like this for 51 acres 18 miles NE
1815-1821	Elizabeth Kidd	125	adj. George Robinson	10S	"for life"
1822	Elizabeth Kidd	187½			62½ acres from William Kidd for Matthew Hundley
1823-1825	Elizabeth Kidd	187½	adj. George Robinson	12SE	
1826-1829	Elizabeth Kidd	62½	adj. George Robinson	12SE	Perhaps her dower
1830-1831	Elizabeth Kidd	62½	Daniel W. Robinson	12SE	
1832-1837	Elizabeth Kidd	62½	Adj. German Goodloe	12E	Land location changed from 12SE to 12E in 1834, then back
1838	Elizabeth Kidd	62½	German Goodloe Est.	12E	

<sup>111</sup> *Index to Virginia Estates, 1800-1865*, vol. 10, compiled by Wesley E. Pippenger, published by Virginia Genealogical Society, Richmond VA, 2010, citing Order Book 1804-1805, pp. 182, 240, 284, 321.

<sup>112</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 61.

<sup>113</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, p. 41.

Year	NAME	Acres	Description	CH	COMMENTS
1839	Drops from LTLS				Very dark images 1839-1844

1806-1811 – this **Elizabeth Kidd** appears first on the 1806 Caroline Co., VA PPTL (the same year that her deceased husband, Thomas's estate ceases to be listed). She appears annually through 1811, and then no longer appears on the Caroline Co. PPTLs. See Thomas's section of this paper for her listings.

1810 – on the federal census in Caroline Co., VA, p. 12, line 19: 1M 16-25 & 1F 45 & over, plus 4 slaves. The male is her son, William, the minor child of Thomas.

1815 – an **Elizabeth Kidd's** land was located 10 miles south of the Courthouse, and her entry has the notation, "life."<sup>114</sup> This is most likely Elizabeth, the widow of Thomas Kidd, even though she's not found on the annual PPTLs after 1811.

1820 – I don't find her on the 1820 census in Caroline Co. There is an **Elizabeth Kidd** in K&Q Co. in 1820.

1824, 1825 – an **Elizabeth Kidd** again appears just these two years on the Caroline Co. PPTLs, taxed each time for no white male tithes, and one slave. Whoever she is, she drops from the PPTLs in 1826, and doesn't reappear.

1830 – We find no Elizabeth Kidd on the federal census in Caroline or K&Q County.

#### **FRANCES/FANNY KIDD(s)**

**Fanny Kidd, dau. of William Kidd Sr., who married Washington Jones  
Frances Kidd, the daughter of Joel and Sally Kidd  
Miscellaneous Frances/Fanny Kidd records**

#### **FANNY/FRANCES KIDD, the daughter of William Kidd Sr.**

**Born before 1777, likely in Caroline County  
Married Washington Jones in 1793  
Died by October 1804 in Caroline County, Virginia, when her will was proved in  
Caroline County Court (see below)**

1793 – Washington Jones married Fanny Kidd in Caroline Co., VA on Nov. 6, 1793.<sup>115, 116</sup> Recall that Edmund Kidd, Fanny's brother, married Sarah/Sally Jones, the sister of Washington Jones, in 1792.<sup>117</sup> Theodorick Noell performed both marriages.

<sup>114</sup> *1815 Virginia Landowners*, vol. 3.

<sup>115</sup> *A History of Caroline County, Virginia; from its formation in 1727 to 1924*, by Marshall Wingfield, Regional Publishing Company, 1969, p. 69.

<sup>116</sup> *Virginia County Records, Volume VII*, edited by William Armstrong Crozier, Genealogical Publishing Co, 1971, p 100: Marriage Bonds of Caroline Co, VA.

<sup>117</sup> *Caroline County, VA. Marriage References and Family Relationships 1728-1800*, by Edward F. Wright, Colonial Roots, Lewes, Delaware, 2012, pp. 69 & 70. This book has more information on the Jones family.

1802 – **Fanny Kidd** is named in her father, William Kidd's will, proved in court in 1802 (see [Appendix Six](#) of this document), and in his subsequent estate records.<sup>118</sup>

These records show that William Kidd died in 1802, leaving a widow, Mary Kidd, and eleven children: James, Elizabeth (who married Edwin Motley), **Fanny** (who married Washington Jones), John, Edmund, Joel, William, Philip, Thomas, Walker, and Polly, plus one grandson, Henry Kidd, the only child of William Kidd, deceased. Walker, Henry and Polly are infants [minor children] at the time of this record, and Thomas and Philip are administrators of William's will.<sup>119</sup>

1803 – In February Court 1803, the division of the estate of William Kidd was recorded, naming his widow, Mary, and their surviving children: James, Philip, Henry, Thomas Willis, Edmund, John, **Fanny** (the wife of Washington Jones), Walker, Joel, Polly, and Elizabeth (wife of Edwin Motley).<sup>120, 121</sup>

In a Court held for Caroline County in December 1803, The Caroline County will of Washington Jones was proved by the oaths of two of the witnesses, Willis Kidd and Philip Kidd. Letters of administration were granted to Fanny (Kidd) Jones.<sup>122</sup>

1804 – In a Court held for Caroline County in October 1804, the will of **Fanny Jones** was proved by Walker Kidd and Willis Kidd, two of the witnesses, and probate was granted to Joseph Dejarnett.<sup>123, 124</sup>

NOTE: Although both Washington and Fanny Jones have died by 1804, the LTLs continue to list their property until 1813. In 1804, the 26 acres that Fanny inherited from her father William Kidd Sr. is added to the 61 acres of land of the estate of Washington Jones, bringing the total to 87 acres. This land remains on the LTLs through 1813. In 1812, the Land Tax List alterations show the transfer of 26 acres each to Fanny from her brothers Walker Kidd and John Kidd, bringing Fanny's total land to 78 acres, which is recorded as part of the estate of her husband Washington Jones. Further research on the land holdings of Washington Jones will be needed in order to determine who received this land.

<sup>118</sup> Library of Virginia on-line Chancery records, Caroline Co., VA case 1812-014, 20 images:

[http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=033-1812-014](http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=033-1812-014)

<sup>119</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 82.

<sup>120</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, pp. 23-24

<sup>121</sup> *Caroline County Order Book, 1802-1804*, page 130-134, retrieved from FHL #1887726 (restricted access, FHCs only), images 336-338. Digital images available upon request.

<sup>122</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, p. 31. Image retrieved from FHL #1877726 (restricted access – FHCs only), image 740. Copy available upon request.

<sup>123</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, p. 40.

<sup>124</sup> *Caroline County Order Book, 1804-1805*, page 105, retrieved from FHL #1887727, item 1 (restricted access – FHCs only), image 40. Digital image available upon request.

**FRANCES KIDD, the daughter of Joel and Sally Kidd**

1826 – A guardian bond is secured in Caroline Co for Eleanor Kidd, **Frances Kidd**, and Polly Kidd, children of Joel Kidd.<sup>125</sup>

1826 – 11 September 1826. Sarah Kidd, Henry Kidd and Washington Kidd are bound to the Caroline Co. Court in the amount of \$1500 for Sarah Kidd's guardianship of Polly, Eleanor and Frances Kidd, orphans of Joel Kidd, deceased. Sarah signed with an X; Henry and Washington signed their names.<sup>126</sup>

1827 – A Chancery Court record dated November 1827 records a suit by Henry Kidd, one of the sons of Joel and Sarah Kidd, against his mother, Sarah, the administratrix of Joel Kidd, and Robert Holloway, the administrator of Joel Kidd and the guardian of his daughter-in-law Lavinia Kidd (widow of John Kidd), and against his other siblings (it appears that he's trying to get his father's estate settled).

The Court ordered that Sally (Sarah) Kidd receive one-third part of the estate as her dower, and the remainder of the estate to be divided into 6 equal parts for Washington Kidd, Polly Kidd, Ellen Kidd, **Frances Kidd** (the other two parts were 'reserved', without explanation; these two moieties were for Henry and John Kidd, the other two children of this couple – see below).

Sally was to receive 162 acres adjoining William Brumley out of the total of 290 acres; this tract was sold 23 Oct. 1826 to her son Washington Kidd. At the time of his death (date not stated), there were six young children: Henry Kidd, John Kidd, Washington Kidd, Polly Kidd, Eleanor Kidd and **Frances Kidd**.

[It's not clear why the two parts reserved for Henry and John Kidd were not distributed at that time. Henry and John were evidently not minors, as this suit was brought by Henry Kidd directly, with no representation by his "next friend" or guardian, and by 1827, son John Kidd was deceased, leaving a widow, Lavinia Kidd.]

Nothing more known at this time.

**FRANCES/FANNY \_\_\_\_ CONNOR/Conner, who married Edmund Kidd (her second husband, and his second wife), the son of William Kidd Sr.**

1801 – In a Caroline Co. Chancery Court record dated November 1801, **Edmund Kidd** appeared in Court, representing his wife, Frances, formerly Frances Conner, the **wife of James Conner, deceased**.

Here is RK'S abstract for this court case:

Edmund KIDD & Frances his wife, late Frances CONNER, Ann CONNER, and James, Polly, Francis, Robert & Joseph CONNER, infants by their next friend, Edmund Kidd say that James Conner departed this life in 1790, having first made a will, naming his **wife, Frances CONNER** his executrix.; Frances took her share, but has not distributed the balance of his estate and they are suing to make her do so; she agrees, and the property &

<sup>125</sup> *Index to Virginia Estates, 1800-1865, vol. 10*, compiled by Wesley E. Pippenger, published by Virginia Genealogical Society, Richmond VA, 2010, citing Caroline Co Guardian Bonds 1821-1844, p. 105. Original not yet examined.

<sup>126</sup> *Caroline County Guardian Bonds, 1821-1844*, FHL #30830, item 1, page 105 (microfilm image 66); scanned image of this page in the Caroline Co. Sources folder.

slaves are divided up among the heirs. - RK<sup>127</sup>

Edmund Kidd was named guardian of her minor children in November 1801.<sup>128</sup>

1802 – Frances Connor vs. Lewis Timberlake. Mrs. Frances Connor states that she has dealt with Drummond and Timberlake for many years, and that Lewis Timberlake had the use of two of her Negroes for several years. She appoints **Edmund Kidd** as her attorney. 3 September 1802.<sup>129</sup>

1803 – A Philip Kidd married Ann Connor on 8 November 1803. Security and witnesses were Willis Kidd, **Edmund Kidd** and Walker Kidd.<sup>130</sup>

1812 – In a Chancery Court case in Spotsylvania Co., VA dated 1 June 1812, Conner vs. Conner, Edmund Kidd, **Frances (Connor) Kidd**, Philip Kidd and Nancy (Connor) Kidd are mentioned. Frances and Nancy were the daughters of James Connor, deceased, and sisters of Rice Connor, deceased.<sup>131</sup>

1810, 1820 – presumably in her husband's HH on these censuses. See Edmund's notes.

1827 – a Francis Kidd appears for the first time on the Fayette Co., KY annual tax lists in 1827, along with a William Kidd. In this same year, an Edward Kidd drops from these tax lists. I believe that this was actually Edmond Kidd, who died between 1826 and 1827, and his widow Frances and eldest son William now appear for the first time.

1830 – on the federal census in Fayette Co., KY, now apparently a widow:

p. 355

**Frances Kidd** 1M 10-14, 2 20-29; 1F 5-9, 1 10-14, 1 15-19, 1 20-29, **1 40-49**; 1 female slave, over 55 years of age.

p. 299

Walker Kidd 2M 5-9, 1 10-14, 1 30-39; 1F <5, 1 5-9, 1 10-14, 2 15-19 (his wife has died); 6 slaves.

and in Lexington, Fayette Co., KY, p. 273:

Philip Kidd 2M 10-14, 1 15-19, 1 20-29, & 1 50-59; 1F 10-14, 1 15-19, 1 50-59; 5 slaves.

We have no further information about her.

#### **FRANCES/FANNY KIDD – miscellaneous records** without clear connections

1837 – a Frances Kidd married Thornton Bradley in Caroline Co., VA on 28 November 1837. David Bradley is also named in this marriage record, evidently the bondsman.<sup>132</sup>

1850 – a Thornton H. Bradley is on the 1850 federal census, and appears to have his mother in his household; no Frances female is in the household.

<sup>127</sup> [http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=033-1803-011](http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=033-1803-011) .

<sup>128</sup> *Caroline County court records and marriages, 1787-1810*, by William Lindsay Hopkins,, Richmond, VA, 1987, p. 61.

<sup>129</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 32.

<sup>130</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 227, citing "Pt. 1, p. 4."

<sup>131</sup> *The Virginia Genealogist* 42:308, 1998

<sup>132</sup> *Marriages of Caroline County, Virginia, 1777-1853*, by Theresa Fisher, Heritage Books, 1998.

1852 – A Thornton Bradley obtained a Caroline Co. marriage bond on 6 December 1851, with the bride being Martha Carter. This suggests that Frances Kidd died prior to this date.

**HARRIET M. WRIGHT (~1800-1879), the wife/widow of William Kidd (~1789-1854)**

**Born 3 May 1801**<sup>133</sup>

**Married William Kidd on 24 December 1821**<sup>134</sup>

**Died June 1879 in Bowling Green, Caroline County**

**See her husband's section of this paper for more about her and her family**

1858 – At a Circuit Court held for Caroline County on 1 March 1858, the suit of Thomas D. Kidd and others, Plaintiffs, against **Harriet M. Kidd**, Burton B. Kidd, and Robert H. Kidd, Defendants was heard. The Court appointed Burton B. Kidd *guardian ad litem* of Robert H. Kidd, a lunatic, to defend him in this suit.<sup>135</sup>

On the same day, William B. Kidd, administrator, presented his account of sales for the estate of William Kidd, deceased to the Caroline County Court.<sup>136</sup> The total amount of sales was over \$2600. Purchasers included **Mrs. H. M. Kidd** (William's wife and widow, who purchased a substantial amount of household goods, and some livestock), Thomas D. Kidd, William B. Kidd and Travis Bagby, among others.

1859 – Harriet M. Kidd is first found in the Caroline Co., VA Land Tax Lists in 1859, when 300 acres was transferred to her from her deceased husband William Kidd's estate, as her dower. She appears annually through 1863:

Year	NAME	Acres	Description	CH	COMMENTS
1859	William Kidd Est.	633	Wm Page	9SE	"300 acres to H[ar] M. Kidd"
1860-1861	Har[iet]t M. Kidd	300	Geo T Burrus	9SE	"for Life"
1862-1863	Har't M. Kidd	300	Geo T Burrus	9S	For life

We have not checked the Caroline LTLs beyond 1863.

1860 –on the federal census in Caroline Co., VA, Kirkwood P.O., page 672, HH 776:

**Kidd, Harriet M.** 60FW farmer \$5440/20,000(!) VA  
 " , Thomas D. 30MW farmer \$300/6685 VA  
 " , Robert H. 32MW no occ listed \$300/3,000 VA  
 " , Maria L. 26FW no occ. Listed \$300/6,000 VA  
 " , Burton W. 24MW farmer \$5440/4,436 VA  
 Freeman, James 39MB VA

<sup>133</sup> From the Kidd-Pollard Family Bible. See [Appendix Five](#).

<sup>134</sup> Ibid.

<sup>135</sup> Caroline County Order Book 1842-1866, page 276, retrieved from FHL #30856 (restricted access – FHCs only), image 451. Digital image available upon request.

<sup>136</sup> Caroline County Will Book 30, 1858-1863, pp. 43-46, FHL #30847, images 48-50. Scans of these images are in the Caroline Co. Sources folder.

- 1861 – “Hart M. Kidd” was the informant for the death record of her son R. H. Kidd, who died in Caroline County on 13 May 1861.<sup>137</sup> This record lists R. H. Kidd’s parents as “Wm and Hart M. Kidd” and his age at death was 38 years. The cause of death was not listed. Also listed in this death register was a 19 year old female slave named Mary Ann, who belonged to Maria L. Kidd(the daughter of William and Harriet Kidd).
- 1870 – on federal census in Bowling Green twp., Caroline Co., VA, p. 26 (Bowling Green P.O.), HH 174/183:  
**Kidd, Harriet M.** 70FW housekeeping \$9400/550 VA  
" , Thomas T. (sic) 40MW farmer VA  
" , Maria A. 25FW VA  
Pollard, Willie K. 8MW VA  
Bird, Gay 2FW VA
- 1879 – she appears on the Mortality schedule of the 1880 federal census for Caroline Co., which states that she died in June of 1879 in the district of Bowling Green, evidently from a stroke at the age of 79.  
She's buried in Edge Hill cemetery in Caroline Co., VA.<sup>138</sup>  
Harriet M. Kidd died testate, signing her will on 15 November 1876. In her brief will, she left all her estate, both real and personal, to “my son Thos. D. Kidd and my daughter Maria L. Kidd, naming them co-executors.<sup>139</sup> Her will can be found in Caroline Co. Will Book 35, p 446.<sup>140</sup>

**HENRY KIDD(s)** – there are several Henry Kidds contained within this collection of data. Specific, identifiable men by this name in this paper are:

1. **Henry Kidd, born by 1772, possibly the son of Benjamin Kidd Sr.** Henry Kidd moved to Fluvanna Co VA in 1791, where he is named as Henry Kidd “of Caroline County” when he purchases 400 acres from William and Fanny Cole in 1791. He spent the rest of his life in Fluvanna Co.
2. **Henry Kidd, the minor son of William Kidd, Jr. and grandson of William Kidd Sr.** of Caroline Co., named as such in his grandfather's will.
3. **Henry, the son of Joel and Sarah/Sally Kidd.**  
In addition, there's an alternate identity for a Henry Kidd b. abt. 1815:
4. **Henry W., the son of Willis Kidd**

**HENRY KIDD** – born by 1772. Has a close relationship with Benjamin Kidd Sr., perhaps his son. Moves to Fluvanna Co VA in 1791.

<sup>137</sup> *Caroline County Death Registers, 1853-1896*, on Familysearch.org. Scanned image available upon request.

<sup>138</sup> Findagrave.com (erroneously termed Hedge Hill cemetery, but the Kidd plantation was called Edge Hill):  
<http://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=gsr&GSln=Kidd&GSiman=1&GScid=2435892&>

<sup>139</sup> Caroline Co. Will Book 35, pp. 446-447. Scanned images available upon request.

<sup>140</sup> Caroline Co., VA General Index to Wills, 1814-1850, FHL #30844, image 24, viewed online via familysearch.org. I have not seen the will itself, and this Will Book is not currently (April 2018) available online.

1786 – 12 Jan. In Caroline Co Orders, an Indenture of apprenticeship between **Benjamin Kidd** and **Henry Kidd** was approved by the court and ordered to be recorded. The wording doesn't tell us who was apprentice and who was master, but the PPTLs below suggest that Henry was the younger of the two men, and likely the apprentice. The age for apprenticeship typically was 14, suggesting Henry was born by 1772.<sup>141</sup>

1788-1789 – In 1788 and 1789, a **Henry Kidd** is in Benjamin's household, according to the PPTLs. The following two years, 1790 and 1791, this Henry Kidd is in a separate household, but has little property. He drops from the Caroline Co PPTLs after 1791.

We do not know the identity of this Henry Kidd and his relationship to Benjamin Kidd, but it is possible that this Henry Kidd is the same man as the Henry Kidd who was named in a 1791 Fluvanna Co VA deed (see below).

This Henry may be a son, nephew, or other relative of Benjamin Kidd. However, there is a gap of more than 30 years between the appearance of Henry Kidd (1788-1789) and the appearance of Benjamin Kidd Jr. (1824-1825) in Benjamin's household.

1790-1791 – **Henry Kidd** appears on his own in the Caroline Co. PPTLs for these two years, but not after, through 1820.

Year	Taxpayer	WMT	B>16	B 12-16	H	COMMENTS
1790	Henry Kidd	1	1	0	0	
1791	Henry Kidd	1	1	1	1	

**Henry Kidd** moves to Fluvanna Co VA after 1791, when in a deed recorded 2 Jun 1791, James and Fanny Cole of Fluvanna Co sell to Henry Kidd of Caroline Co, for \$100, 400 acres of land lying on Cunningham Creek on a fork of the James River in Fluvanna Co.

Henry is listed on the Land Tax Alterations List for Fluvanna Co for the period 1 May 1791 to 1 May 1792, as receiving 400 acres from James Cole. His first appearance on the LTLs is in 1792, and on the PPTLs in 1795. He remained in Fluvanna Co, where he died in September 1828. He was prosperous, owning a mill and an ordinary, in addition to slaves and the 400 acres. His wife was Nancy Hill, who survived him. They were the parents of ten children.

[Note: Descendants of Henry Kidd of Fluvanna Co are close matches to descendants of other Kidds in Caroline Co VA. See section for Henry Kidd.]

<sup>141</sup> *Order Book abstracts of Caroline Co., VA, 1785-1786*, by Ruth Sparacio, p. 49. We need to see the original record, if possible. It should be on FHL #30839, Caroline Co. Order Books, 1785-1787 (photostat copies, rather than film of original books).

**HENRY KIDD**, the grandson of William Kidd Sr., and son of William Kidd, Jr., who died prior to 1801

1796 – William Kidd was appointed by the June 1796 Caroline Co. Court as guardian of Henry Kidd.<sup>142</sup> William Sr.'s son, William Jr. died before his father, and William Sr. was apparently appointed guardian to his grandson.

1802 – Caroline County Chancery Court records show that William Kidd died in 1802, leaving a widow, Mary Kidd, and eleven children: James, Elizabeth (who married Edwin Motley), Fanny (who married Washington Jones), John, Edmund, Joel, William, Philip, Walker, and Polly, plus one grandson, **Henry Kidd**, the only child of William Kidd, deceased. Walker, Henry and Polly are infants [minor children] at the time of this record, and Thomas and Philip are administrators of William's will.<sup>143</sup>

1803 – In a Court held for Caroline County in January 1803, Joel Kidd is appointed guardian to **Henry Kidd**, orphan of William Kidd, dec'd.<sup>144, 145</sup> Joel Kidd was Henry's uncle.

In the February Court 1803, the division of the estate of William Kidd was recorded, naming his widow, Mary, and their surviving children: James, Philip, **Henry**, Thomas, Willis, Edmund, John, Fanny (the wife of Washington Jones), Walker, Joel, Polly, and Elizabeth (wife of Edwin Motley).<sup>146, 147</sup>

1808 – Walker Kidd, Polly Kid and **Henry Kidd**, infants [minor children], answer the complaint of Mary Kidd & others against them in Kidd vs Kidd.<sup>148</sup>

We do not know what became of this Henry Kidd.

**HENRY H. KIDD**, son of Joel and Sally Kidd,<sup>149</sup> and the grandson of William Kidd Sr.  
**Henry6 (Joel5, William4, Daniel3, Thomas2, Thomas1) Kidd**  
**Born abt. 1799, judging from when he first appears on the Caroline PPTLs**  
**Married Maria Bullock in 1822 in Caroline Co.**  
**Died in Caroline County in July 1859**

<sup>142</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and Other records from the Court Order and Minute Books 1781-1799*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA, 1999, reviewed for Kidd citations by Nancy Heuser, June 2012, p. 78.

<sup>143</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 82.

<sup>144</sup> *Index to Virginia Estates, 1800-1865*, vol. 10, compiled by Wesley E. Pippenger, published by Virginia Genealogical Society, Richmond VA, 2010, citing Order Book 1802-1804, p. 115.

<sup>145</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, p. 48.

<sup>146</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, pp. 23-24

<sup>147</sup> Caroline County Order Book, 1802-1804, page 130-134, retrieved from FHL #1887726 (restricted access, FHCs only), images 336-338. Digital images available upon request.

<sup>148</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 167.

<sup>149</sup> Virginia Deaths and Burials, 1853-1917, at Ancestry.com is the source of his dates of birth and death, and the names of his parents.

1821-1853 – this Henry Kidd first appears on the Caroline Co., VA PPTLs in 1821, and is found consecutively through 1855, the last year we've checked so far.

Year	Taxpayer	WMT	B>16	B12-16	H	COMMENTS
1821	Henry Kidd	-	-	-	1	WMT not listed in 1821; no slaves >12
1822	Henry Kidd	1	0	0	0	
1823	Henry Kidd	1	1	2	1	
1824	Henry Kidd	1	1	1	0	
1825	Henry Kidd	1	3	3	0	
1826	Henry Kidd	1	-	-	1	2 slaves over 12
1827	Henry Kidd	-	-	-	1	WMT not listed again; 2 slaves over 12
1828	Henry Kidd	-	-	-	3	1 slave over 12
1829	Henry Kidd	1	1	2	3	
1830	Henry Kidd	1	1	2	2	
1831	Henry Kidd	1	2	2	2	
1832	Henry Kidd	1	3	3	2	
1833	Henry Kidd	1	3	3	2	
1834	Henry Kidd	1	1	1	2	
1835	Henry Kidd	1	2	4	2	
1836	Henry Kidd	1	1	1	3	
1837	Henry Kidd	1	2	4	2	
1838	Henry Kidd	1	3	4	2	
1839	Henry Kidd	1	3	5	3	
1840	Henry Kidd	3	2	3	3	
1841	Henry Kidd	2	3	4	3	
1842	Henry Kidd	1	1	3	5	
1843	Henry H. Kidd	1	4	5	2	
1844	Henry H. Kidd	2	3	3	2	1 gig (\$30)
1845	Henry H. Kidd	3	5	5	2	
1846	Henry H. Kidd	1	5	5	2	
1847	Henry H. Kidd	1	4	4	2	
1848	Henry H. Kidd	1	4	4	2	

Year	Taxpayer	WMT	B>16	B12-16	H	COMMENTS
1849	Henry H. Kidd	1	4	4	3	
1850	Henry H. Kidd	1	4	4	3	
1851	Henry H. Kidd	2	4	5	2	4-wheel carriage (\$25)
1852	Henry H. Kidd	1	4	4	2	1WM 16-20; 1 buggy (\$20)
1853	Henry H. Kidd	1	4	4	2	1 WM 16-20; 29 cattle; buggy
1854	Not listed					
1855	Not listed					

1855 is the last year we've checked in the Caroline Co., VA PPTLs.

1822 – Marriage of **Henry Kidd** and Maria Bullock, 7 May 1822, John T. Bullock, bond.<sup>150</sup>  
 Maria was the daughter of William and Lucy Bullock (see 1836-1837, below).

1823-1856 – a **Henry Kidd** appears for the first time on the Caroline Co., VA Land Tax Lists (LTLs) in 1823, taxed upon 239 acres adjacent to John Jones and 12 miles NE of the CH, in the district of Ambrose Jones. Subsequent LTLs are listed below.  
 He drops from these lists in 1857, and doesn't reappear through 1863, the last year we've looked at.

Year	NAME	Acres	Description	CH	COMMENTS
1823	Henry Kidd	239	Adj. John Jones	12NE	Ambrose Jones' district
1824	Henry Kidd	239	Adj. John Jones	12NE	
1825-1829	Henry Kidd	249	J. Jones	12NE	Daniel Turner's list; no clue where 10 acres came from
1830	Not found				
1831-1833	Henry Kidd	249	J. Jones	12NE	
1834-1838	Henry Kidd	249	J. Jones' Estate	12NE	
1839	-	-	-	-	Ks page too dark to read
1840	Henry Kidd	249	(too dark)	-	
1841	Henry Kidd	249	Jones	12NE	
1842	Not found				Pages very dark
1843	Henry Kidd	249	Wm H. Farish?	12NE	

<sup>150</sup> *Marriages of Caroline Co Virginia 1777-1853*, compiled and edited by Therese Fisher, 1998, Heritage Books, p. 128.

Year	NAME	Acres	Description	CH	COMMENTS
1844-1846	Henry Kidd	249	W. H. Farish	12NE	
1847	Henry Kidd	-	-	-	"txfr'd to Thos H Goulding," and Goulding's entry says he received 249a from Henry.
1848-1850	Not listed				
1851-1855	Henry Kidd	135	Dr. TH Goulding	9N	Where this new land came from is not clear.
1856	Henry Kidd	-	-	-	"txfr'd to Wm J. Kidd" and Wm J. Kidd appears for 1 <sup>st</sup> time on LTLs
1857	Drops from	Lists	And doesn't return		

1826 – 11 September 1826. Sarah Kidd, **Henry Kidd** and Washington Kidd are bound to the Caroline Co. Court in the amount of \$1500 for Sarah Kidd's guardianship of Polly, Eleanor and Frances Kidd, orphans of Joel Kidd, deceased. Sarah signed with an X; Henry and Washington signed their names.<sup>151</sup>

1827 – A Chancery Court record dated November 1827 records a suit by **Henry Kidd**, one of the sons of Joel and Sarah Kidd, against his mother, Sarah, the administratrix of Joel Kidd, and Robert Holloway, the administrator of Joel Kidd and the guardian of his daughter-in-law Lavinia Kidd (widow of John Kidd), and against his other siblings (it appears that he's trying to get his father's estate settled).

The Court ordered that Sally (Sarah) Kidd receive one-third part of the estate as her dower, and the remainder of the estate to be divided into 6 equal parts for Washington Kidd, Polly Kidd, Ellen Kidd, Frances Kidd (the other two parts were 'reserved', without explanation; these two moieties were for Henry and John Kidd, the other two children of this couple – see below).

Sally was to receive 162 acres adjoining William Brumley out of the total of 290 acres; this tract was sold 23 Oct. 1826 to her son Washington Kidd. At the time of his death (date not stated), there were six young children: **Henry Kidd**, John Kidd, Washington Kidd, Polly Kidd, Eleanor Kidd and Frances Kidd.

[It's not clear why the two parts reserved for Henry and John Kidd were not distributed at that time. Henry and John were evidently not minors, as this suit was brought by Henry Kidd directly, with no representation by his "next friend" or guardian, and by 1827, son John Kidd was deceased, leaving a widow, Lavinia Kidd.]

<sup>151</sup> *Caroline County Guardian Bonds, 1821-1844*, FHL #30830, item 1, page 105 (microfilm image 66); scanned image of this page in the Caroline Co. Sources folder.

- 1830 – on federal census in Caroline Co., VA, p. 196, line 14:  
**Henry Kidd:** 210001-10001 (2M<5, 1 5-9 & 1 30-39; 1F<5 & 1F 20-29, plus 6 slaves)  
Also on this year's census in Caroline Co. are Willis, William, Benjamin and Sarah Kidd.
- 1831 – At a Circuit Superior Court of Law and Chancery held for the county of Caroline on Saturday 10 September 1831, the Court issued summons to nine men who had failed to attend the May session of this court as grand jurors; **Henry Kidd** was one of those summoned, along with Charles Taliaferro, Gray (or Gay) Boulware, and others.<sup>152</sup>
- 1832 – At a Circuit Superior Court of Law and Chancery held for the county of Caroline on 9 May 1832, **Henry Kidd** failed to appear in response to the above summons. However he did attend in 1833, and evidently provided a sufficient reason, as the charges were dropped.<sup>153</sup>
- 1836-1837 – **Henry Kidd and his wife Maria** are among the plaintiffs in a Spotsylvania Co., VA Chancery Court suit involving the family of Henry's wife Maria, nee Bullock.<sup>154</sup> From this suit, we learn that Maria was the daughter of William Bullock of Spotsylvania Co., and that her father was deceased by December 1836, when this suit was filed. More information on the Bullock family is available in this record. Maria is also referred to as "Martha" in some pages of this record; and they were residents of Caroline Co., even though the suit took place in Spotsylvania, and most of the participants lived in that county, not Caroline Co.
- 1840 – on federal census in Caroline Co., VA, enumerated by Anthony Thornton, p. 96, line 12:  
**Kidd, Harry H.** 202101-010002 (2M<5, 2 10-14, 1 15-19 & 1 30-39; 1F 5-9 & 2 30-39, plus 5 slaves. 14 total, 4 in Agriculture  
(also on this census are Willis, William and Sarah Kidd)
- On 10 February 1840, a meeting of the Caroline Co. Whig party, opponents of the present administration of the Federal Government assembled at Bowling Green, Caroline Co., VA. They expressed their discontent with the current administration and voiced their support for the Whig presidential candidates of Harrison and Tyler. At this meeting **Henry Kidd** (along with Mark and William Boulware and numerous others) were named members of the standing Whig Committee for the Port Royal district of the Whig party of Caroline Co.<sup>155</sup>
- 1842 – On 13 June of 1842, **Henry Kidd** and Maria his wife entered into an indenture of trust with Keeling Rowe and Charles T. Jesse, in order to secure the payment of a debt of \$838 owed to Rowe. In doing so, they used the land on which they lived in Caroline Co. as collateral, conveying it to Charles Jesse. The land description names their neighbors as John T. Bullock, William H. Farish and the estate of John Rose, and contained 249 acres.<sup>156</sup> See next entry.
- 1846 – On 13 April 1846, Keeling Rowe and Charles T. Jesse executed a Deed of Release, acknowledging that the debt had been repaid fully. Jesse released his Estate right, interest

<sup>152</sup> Caroline Co. Circuit Superior Court of Law and Chancery Order Book, 1831-1866, p. 5.

<sup>153</sup> Ibid, pp. 35 and 366.

<sup>154</sup> Spotsylvania Co., VA Chancery suit 1837-015, digital images online at:  
[http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=177-1837-015#img](http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=177-1837-015#img)  
Key images are images 2, 10 and 21.

<sup>155</sup> The Richmond Whig, Richmond, VA, Tuesday 25 Feb. 1840, p. 4, column 3.

<sup>156</sup> Caroline Co. Deed Book 46, 1848-1850, pp. 320-321, retrieved from FHL #30850 (item 1). Scanned images available from the authors.

and property claim on the land to Henry and his wife. This deed was not presented in court and ordered into record until 11 June 1849.<sup>157</sup>

1850 – on federal census in Caroline Co., VA, p. 314A, HH 1415/1417:

**Kidd, Henry** 50MW farmer \$1350 (birthplaces blank for entire page)

" , Maria A. 48FW

" , Wm. J. 25MW teacher

" , John W. 23MW book agent

" , Mary F. 17FW attended school within the year

" , Benjamin F. 15MW attended school within the year

" , Henry G. (or Y) 12MW attended school within the year

" , Maria L. 9FW attended school within the year

" , Betty 3FW

Bullock, Alice F. 53FW (no occupation listed) (his wife's sister – see Lewis T. Kidd's census entry in 1880)

1859 – Henry Kidd, the son of Joel and Sally Kidd, died in July 1859.<sup>158</sup>

1860 – on federal census in Caroline Co., VA, p. 172-173, Rappahannock Neck P.O., HH 1309:

Kidd, William J. 35MW teacher \$1500/500 VA

" , **Maria** 60FW (his mother)

" , Bettie A. 12FW attended school within the year

" , Alice T. Bullock 61FW \$0/6,000

1871 – A **Mary A. Kidd**, white female and widow, born in Caroline County, died in Richmond City on 19 July 1871 at the age of 69y 1mo 9 days. The cause of her death was “bowelitis,” according to her physician, Dr. J. A. Bradshaw, who was the informant for this record.<sup>159</sup> Her age and place of birth make this record likely belonging to Henry Kidd’s widow, Maria. But this is speculative at this time.

#### **THE CHILDREN OF HENRY H. AND MARIA/MARY A. BULLOCK KIDD<sup>160</sup>**

1. [Lewis T. Kidd](#) – born 3 March 1823, Caroline Co.; was a teacher; never married. Died 21 July 1896. Buried in Greenlawn cemetery in Bowling Green, Caroline County.
2. [William J. Kidd](#) – born 7 February 1825 in Caroline Co. Teacher and farmer. Never married. Died 14 April 1902 in Caroline Co. Buried in Greenlawn cemetery in Bowling Green, Caroline County.
3. [John W. Kidd](#) – born abt. 1826 in Caroline Co. Served in Co. B, "Caroline's Light Dragoons," 9<sup>th</sup> VA Cavalry, along with his brothers, Benjamin F. and Henry S. Kidd, and Burton W. Kidd, the son of Thomas D. Kidd of Caroline Co. Nothing more known of him at this time.
4. Mary F. Kidd – born abt. 1833 in Caroline Co.<sup>161</sup> Nothing more known about her at this time.

<sup>157</sup> Ibid.

<sup>158</sup> Virginia Deaths and Burials, 1853-1917, at Ancestry.com is the source of his dates of birth and death, and the names of his parents.

<sup>159</sup> I failed to record the source for this record, but I suspect that it was in the Death Registers for Richmond City – I reviewed all of these registers for the 20+ counties in which we are interested in 2019.

<sup>160</sup> Based upon the 1850 census entry for Henry W. and Maria Kidd, and the 1880 federal census entry for Lewis T. Kidd and his siblings in his household. See elsewhere in this paper.

<sup>161</sup> She’s in the family household at the time of the 1850 federal census, along with their other known children. She fits well with the one female child age 5-9 on the 1840 federal census.

5. [Benjamin F. Kidd](#) – born 19 August 1834 in Caroline Co. Teacher and later dentist. Served in Co. B, "Caroline's Light Dragoons," 9<sup>th</sup> VA Cavalry, along with his brothers, John W. and Henry S. Kidd. Married Sallie Broaddus circa 1871.<sup>162</sup> No children. Died 4 May 1905. Buried in Greenlawn cemetery in Bowling Green, Caroline County, along with his wife.
6. Henry S. (or G.?) Kidd – born abt 1837 in Caroline Co. Served in Co. B, "Caroline's Light Dragoons," 9<sup>th</sup> VA Cavalry, along with two of his brothers. Nothing more known about him at this time.
7. [Maria Louisa Kidd](#) – born 15 December 1840 in Caroline Co. Never married. Died 6 November 1891 in Caroline Co. Buried in Greenlawn cemetery in Bowling Green, Caroline County.
8. Bettie Alice Kidd – 29 December 1847 in Caroline Co. Never married. Died 25 February 1929 in Caroline Co. Buried in Greenlawn cemetery in Bowling Green, Caroline County.

More on each of these individuals can be seen on Ancestry.com in our Middlesex County Kidds tree at this URL: <https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/tree/37652986/family>

NOTE: The Library of Virginia has a collection of letters and other papers, 1848-1898 that belonged to this family in their Archives and Manuscripts department (Accession 35050). See their catalog online for more details.

**HENRY W. KIDD, the son of Willis and Lucy (maiden name unknown)<sup>163</sup> Kidd**

**Henry W.<sup>6</sup> (Willis<sup>5</sup>, William<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) Kidd**

**Born abt 1816 in Caroline County**

**Married Mary F. White in 1855 (when he was 38) in Caroline County**

**Died sometime after the 1870 census.**

1844 – Benjamin Weisiger's book about Virginia Contested Election Files, is **in error** in saying the following:<sup>164</sup>

21 October 1844

Facts admitted to evidence by Andrew Broaddus to votes challenged on the poll of Archibald Samuel:

9. Thomas Kidd, Joel H. Kidd and **Henry Kidd** are sons of late William Kidd of Caroline, who died seized of 268 acres.

**This record is incorrect in that none of the three above are this William Kidd's sons; they were the sons of Willis Kidd, and the grandsons of William Kidd Sr.**

1850 – on the federal census in Bowling Green twp., Caroline Co., VA, p. 272, HH 767/768, living in his widowed mother's household:

Kidd, Lucy 71FW no occupation listed \$1236 birth places column empty for entire page

" , Willie A. 35FW

" , **Henry** 33MW farmer

<sup>162</sup> Per their census entries in 1900.

<sup>163</sup> Many trees on Ancestry.com and elsewhere state that her maiden name was Tarrant. We've found no evidence whatsoever to confirm this claim, but would welcome it, if someone else can provide it.

<sup>164</sup> *Burned County Data, 1809-1848, As Found in the Contested Election Files*, by Benjamin B. Weisiger, Richmond, VA, 1986, p. 70, in the chapter of Caroline County records regarding contested elections.

" , Mary E. 25FW  
 Next door (HH 766/767) is Lucy's son, Thomas M. Kidd and his family.

1855 – Caroline Co. Marriage Record: **Henry Kidd**, age 38, single, born Caroline, parents – Willis & Lucy Kidd, farmer to Mary F. White, age 22, single, born Caroline. parents – Henry and Cath. White. Married 24 May 1855 by Robt. Scott in Caroline.<sup>165</sup>

1859-1863 – a Henry Kidd Jr. first appears on the Caroline LTLs in 1859, taxed upon 151 acres adjacent to James Andrews, 15 miles SE of the CH. He's received this land from Catherine White.

Year	NAME	Acres	Description	CH	COMMENTS
1859	Henry Kidd Jr.	151	Jas Andrews	15SE	From Catherine White
1860	Henry Kidd Jr.	151	Jas Andrews	15SE	
1861-1863	Henry Kidd Jr.	151	Jas Andrews	15S	

We've not checked the Caroline Co. VA LTLs beyond 1863.

1860 - on federal census in Caroline Co., VA, p. 663, Sparta P.O., HH 702:  
**Kidd, Henry W.** 45MW farmer \$1000/6617 (birthplace column blank on entire page)  
 " , Mary E. 30FW \$300/50  
 nearby (two doors away) is his widowed mother, Lucy.

1861 – a Mary E. Kidd, wife of **Henry Kidd**, died in April 1861. She was the daughter of "Catie and Henry White," according to the Virginia Deaths and Burials Index, 1853-1917 at Ancestry.com.<sup>166</sup> She was 35 years of age at the time of her death.  
 The similarity of names here suggests that the 151 acres he got from Catherine White were a gift for him and his wife, Mary E. Kidd.

1870 – on federal census in Bowling Green twp., Caroline Co., VA, p. 242, HH 448/465, Bowling Green P.O., enumerated 29 June 1870:  
**Kidd, Henry** 56MW farmer \$1600 VA  
 " , Lucy E. 28FW housekeeping VA  
 " , Mary L. 6FW VA  
 " , Lucy I. 4FW VA  
 " , Anna E. 1FW VA  
 HH 448/466  
 Kidd, Fannie W.A. 58FW \$250 VA

<sup>165</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia lost Marriage Register 1854-1865, Extant Marriage Register 1866-1868*, by Kimberley Curtis Campbell, 2005, p. 15.

<sup>166</sup> [https://search.ancestry.com/cgi-bin/ssc.dll?indiv=1&db=FSVirginiaDeath&rank=1&new=1&MSAV=0&msT=1&gss=angs-d&gsln=kidd&msdpn\\_\\_ftp=Caroline+County%2c+Virginia%2c+USA&msdpn=493&msdpn\\_PInfo=7-%7c0%7c1652393%7c0%7c2%7c3245%7c49%7c0%7c493%7c0%7c0%7c&dbOnly=\\_83004005%7c\\_83004005\\_x&uidh=0pb&pcat=34&fh=7&h=149576&recoff=7+69](https://search.ancestry.com/cgi-bin/ssc.dll?indiv=1&db=FSVirginiaDeath&rank=1&new=1&MSAV=0&msT=1&gss=angs-d&gsln=kidd&msdpn__ftp=Caroline+County%2c+Virginia%2c+USA&msdpn=493&msdpn_PInfo=7-%7c0%7c1652393%7c0%7c2%7c3245%7c49%7c0%7c493%7c0%7c0%7c&dbOnly=_83004005%7c_83004005_x&uidh=0pb&pcat=34&fh=7&h=149576&recoff=7+69)

Coleman, Lucy I. 14FB domestic servant cannot read or write  
Robinson, Wm. K 20MB farmer cannot read or write

Nothing more known at this time.

**JAMES3 KIDD**, the son of William and Margaret Kidd

**James3 (William2, Thomas1) Kidd**

**Born 27 Mar 1716 and baptized 28 April 1716 in MSX Co VA**

**Had moved to Caroline County by 1741, then to Albemarle County by 1760, to the area that became Buckingham County when it was created in 1761.**

**Likely died in Buckingham Co VA by 1790. Wife Eliza/Elizabeth [maiden name not proven].**

**See [Appendix Seven](#) for our Genealogical Proof Statement regarding this James Kidd as a) the father of Moses Kidd and his siblings, and b) the son of William2 Kidd and his wife Margaret.**

1716 – **James Kidd** was born 27 March 1716 and baptized 28 April 1716 in Christ Church Parish, Middlesex County, Virginia, "the son of William and Margaret Kidd."<sup>167</sup>

1741 – **James Kidd** first appears in **Caroline County** records in 1741:

At a Caroline Co. court held 12 Jun 1741: Walter Chiles, gentleman, and wife Mary acknowledge deed of feoffment with livery of seizen [term for sale of land] endorsed to **James Kidd**.<sup>168</sup>

Abt 1743 – Moses Kidd, the son of **James3 Kidd**, was born about 1743, evidently in Caroline County (since that's where his father was living at this time).

1749 – At a **Caroline** Co. court held 8 Sept 1749: Deed of Robert Prol indented to **James Kidd**. Witnesses: Thos White, James White, John Vaughn.<sup>169</sup>

1750 – At a **Caroline** Co. court held in July 1750: **James Kidd and wife Eliza** acknowledge deed indented to John Cheadle.<sup>170</sup>

At a **Caroline** Co. court held 13 July 1750: **James Kidd and wife Eliza** acknowledge deed indented to David Terrell.<sup>171</sup>

Before 1751 – judging from his PPTL records in Albemarle, **John Kidd, the son of James3 Kidd**, was born before 1751 (see his section of this BD). Thus we surmise that he was most likely born in Caroline County.

1751 – At a **Caroline** Co. court held 13 Dec 1751: **James Kidd** bringing a petition against John Black, judgment for the plaintiff Kidd.<sup>172</sup>

1752 – According to his 1838 Rev. War pension application, **Benjamin Kidd (whom we believe to be the son of James3 Kidd)** stated that he was born in 1752 in Buckingham County, and that he enlisted in that county in 1777. But Buckingham county was not founded until 1761

<sup>167</sup> Christ Church Parish Register.

<sup>168</sup> Caroline County VA Order Book 1740-1746, p. 47.

<sup>169</sup> Caroline County VA Order Book 1746-1754, p. 45.

<sup>170</sup> Caroline County VA Order Book 1746-1754, p. 84.

<sup>171</sup> Caroline County VA Order Book 1746-1754, p. 84.

<sup>172</sup> Caroline County VA Order Book 1746-1754, p. 54.

(from Albemarle county). Given the location of his father in this era, he was likely born in either Caroline or Albemarle County.

Between 1753-1761 – **William Kidd, the son of James3 Kidd, was born.** Judging from records of James3 Kidd, William Kidd was most likely born in either Caroline or Albemarle County.

James3 Kidd moved his family to **Albemarle Co. VA** before 1760, along with brothers Aaron and John.

1760 – 10 Sept 1760. **James Kidd** patented 290 acres on the Slate River in **Albemarle Co.** This land fell into Buckingham Co when it was divided from Albemarle Co in 1761.

1773 – **James Kidd** is listed on the **Buckingham Co.** PPTL with one tithable.<sup>173</sup> He is not listed in 1774.<sup>174</sup> (Buckingham Co. PPTLs prior to 1782 are not available, except for these two years and a fragment from 1764.

1782 – In this, the first year for which PPTLs are available for Buckingham Co., James Kidd is not listed.

1783, 1787 – **James Kidd** appears on the **Buckingham County PPTLs** as “duty free by the court” and “exempt from tax.” This exemption likely was due to age: He would have been 67 by 1783. He is not listed in 1782 or 1784-1786, nor after 1787.

1782, 1787-1789 – **James Kidd** appears on the **Buckingham County LTLs** with 170 acres in 1782 (the first year for which these records are available), increased to 209 acres for the years 1787-1789. He disappears from the LTLs in 1790.

Year	Acres	Notations on Land Tax Lists
1782	170	
1783-1786		No LTLs available for these years
1787-1789	209	
1790		James no longer listed; no land alteration indicated. <sup>175</sup>

1785 – 27 Oct 1785: William Kidd, **James Kidd**, Moses Kidd, and Samuel Kidd were among 500 residents of **Buckingham County** who signed a legislative petition to the Virginia House of Delegates, protesting a levy to pay ministers and arguing for the separation of church and state.<sup>176</sup>

We believe that this James Kidd died in **Buckingham County** in 1789 or 1790.

<sup>173</sup> *Virginia Tithables from Burned Record Counties*, by Robert F. and Isabel B. Woodson, published privately, Richmond VA, 1970, p 65

<sup>174</sup> *Genealogical Records of Buckingham County, Virginia*, by Edythe Rucker Whitley, Clearfield Publishing Co, originally published by Genealogical Publishing Co, Baltimore MD, 1994, p 19

<sup>175</sup> RK browsed the entire 1790 LTL for parcels of 209 acres, in hopes of learning where James Kidd's land went, but found no parcels of that size. Moreover, none of the entries contained any indication of where an individual's land came from (e.g., "from J. K.", etc.), as did later LTLs.

<sup>176</sup> *Protest against the bill obliging the inhabitants of the Commonwealth to pay the teachers of the Christian religion*, Library of Virginia, Legislative Petitions of Buckingham Co, Reel 30, Box 314, folder 14, see also <http://files.usgarchives.net/va/buckingham/misc/1785petn.txt> , James Kidd signature p 3

**SEE THE BUCKINGHAM COUNTY DOCUMENT FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THIS JAMES KIDD.**

**JAMES KIDD**, the son of William Kidd Sr. who died in 1802  
**James5 (William4, Daniel3, Thomas2, Thomas1) Kidd**  
**Born before 1760, probably in Caroline County**  
**Died about 1804 in Caroline County**  
**Surviving sons were William and Thomas.<sup>177</sup>**

1781-1782 – **James Kidd** was awarded a certificate in Caroline Co. for "collecting and driving beeves for publick use from 23 Sept 1781 to January 1782, for a total of 36 days, receiving £5.8.0. At the same time, a Thomas Kidd, likely his brother, received a similar certificate for 32 days of the same service, and received £4.8.0.<sup>178</sup>

1783 – **James Kidd** presented a claim for reimbursement for his expenses in Caroline Co. May Court, for 36 days of collecting beeves for public use. He was evidently granted £9.<sup>179</sup>

1800-1803 – **James Kidd** appears for the first time (since 1783, at least) on the 1800 Caroline Co. PPTL. He appears annually through 1803. Wealthier than his brothers, he's evidently received some of his inheritance in advance (this is supported by his father's probate and chancery records). James was perhaps in bad health since his father William made provisions for James's two sons, should James die before William did. James outlived his father, but not by much.

Year	Taxpayer	WMT	B>16	B 12-16	H	COMMENTS
1800	James Kidd	1	4	1	2	
1801	James Kidd	1	4	0	1	
1802	James Kidd	1	4	0	1	
1803	James Kidd	1	4	0	2	
1804	James Kidd's Estate	0	3	0	1	

<sup>177</sup> William Kidd's Sr.'s will, written in 1801 and recorded in 1802, names the two sons of James Kidd (the son of William Sr.) as "William and Philip." However, at the time of the first distribution of William Kidd Sr.'s estate (February 1806), the two surviving sons of James Kidd were William and Thomas (not Philip). We suspect that the transcription of this will is in error, and there was no Philip, son of James. However, the copy we have of William Kidd Sr.'s will appears to bear his signature (different handwriting from that in the rest of the document, suggesting that it is indeed the original will).

An alternative explanation is that between the writing of William's will in 1801 and the Chancery court record of 1806, James' son Philip died, and son Thomas was born. Either is possible, and we have no way of proving either explanation. What IS clear is that James Kidd's two **surviving** sons were William and Thomas Kidd, because each of them is explicitly named in Caroline County Court records and in the Caroline Chancery Court Case as well.

<sup>178</sup> *Virginia Publick Claims* (volume 1), by Janice L. Abercrombie, Athens, GA, 1992, p. 37.

<sup>179</sup> *Virginia Publick Claims* (volume 1), by Janice L. Abercrombie, Athens, GA, 1992, p. 4. His claim was certified by "J. Broaddus."

- 1802 – **James Kidd** is named in his father, William Kidd's will, proved in court in 1802 (see [Appendix Six](#) of this document), and in his subsequent estate records.<sup>180</sup> These Caroline County Chancery Court records for a case involving the heirs of William Kidd prove that William Kidd died in 1802, leaving a widow Mary Kidd, and eleven children: **James**, Elizabeth (who married Edwin Motley), Fanny (who married Washington Jones), John, Edmund, Joel, William, Philip, Walker, and Polly, plus one grandson, Henry Kidd, the only child of William Kidd, deceased. Walker, Henry and Polly are infants at the time of this record, and Thomas and Philip are administrators of William's will.<sup>181</sup>
- 1803 – In the February Court 1803, the division of the estate of William Kidd was recorded, naming his widow Mary, and their surviving children: **James**, Philip, Henry, Thomas, Willis, Edmund, John, Fanny (wife of Washington Jones), Walker, Joel, Polly, and Elizabeth (wife of Edwin Motley).<sup>182, 183</sup>
- 1804 – on the Caroline Co., PPTL, the estate of **James Kidd** is listed for this one year. No James Kidd appears in Caroline Co. PPTLs following 1804 through 1855.
- 1804-1822 – in 1804, the estate of James Kidd appears on the Caroline Co. Land Tax List for the first time ("James Kidd's Estate"); the estate has received 105 acres, James's share of his father William Kidd's estate. This listing recurs annually through 1822. The land is variously described on these lists as adjacent to William Sale (or Wm. Sale Jr.), located 18 miles E of the CH, and in 1814 confirms that it is dower land, evidently for his widow, who survived him. See below.
- 1823 – the Caroline Co. LTL for this year indicates in the Alterations schedule that the 105 acres in James Kidd's estate was transferred in the past 12 months to Willis Kidd, who was his brother. The annual listings of the James Kidd estate cease after this date.

### **OTHER JAMES KIDD(s)**

- 1787 – a James Kidd appears for the first time on the Caroline Co. PPTL in this year, taxed for NO WMT, just one horse, and no slaves or cattle. He is not on the PPTLs in the subsequent years (the James Kidd above doesn't appear until 1800, and no other James Kidds appear on these PPTLs), and we don't know who this man was.

### **JOEL KIDD, the son of William Kidd Sr. (so named in William's will and estate records – see William Sr.'s section) Joel5 (William4, Daniel3, Thomas2, Thomas1) Kidd**

<sup>180</sup> Library of Virginia on-line Chancery records, Caroline Co., VA case 1812-014, 20 images:

[http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=033-1812-014](http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=033-1812-014)

<sup>181</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 82.

<sup>182</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, pp. 23-24

<sup>183</sup> Caroline County Order Book, 1802-1804, page 130-134, retrieved from FHL #1887726 (restricted access, FHCs only), images 336-338. Digital images available upon request.

**Born abt. 1775<sup>184</sup> in Caroline County, VA.**

**Married Sarah/Sally Saunders in 1797.**

**Died about 1811<sup>185</sup> in Caroline County.**

**Known children are:**

**1. Henry H.** (~1799, Caroline Co. – July 1859, Caroline Co.)

**2. Washington** (bet. 1806-1812, Caroline Co. - ??)

**3. Polly**

**4. Frances**

**5. Ellen/Eleanor**

**6. John** (?? – bef. November 1827, Caroline Co.)

1796-1811 – a **Joel Kidd** first appears on the Caroline Co., VA PPTLs in 1796. He then appears annually through 1811. In 1812, his estate is listed on the PPTL, and he has died in the prior 12 months.

Year	Taxpayer	WMT	B> 16	B 12 -16	H	COMMENTS
1796	Joel Kidd	1	0	0	0	
1797	Not listed					
1798	Joel Kidd	1	1	0	1	
1799	Joel Kidd	1	1	0	1	
1800	Joel Kidd	1	0	0	1	
1801	Joel Kidd	1	0	0	1	
1802	Joel Kidd	1	2	0	3	
1803	Joel Kidd	1	1	0	1	
1804	Joel Kidd	1	1	1	4	
1805	Joel Kidd	0	0	2	1	1 chair carriage
1806	Joel Kidd	0	2	0	1	
1807	Joel Kidd	0	0	2	2	
1809	Joel Kidd	0	0	1	2	
1810	Joel Kidd	0	2	0	1	
1811	Joel Kidd	1	4	1	2	1 gig; is the WMT a son?
1812	Joel Kidd Est.	0	1	0	2	
1813	Joel Kidd Est.	0	2	0	2	

<sup>184</sup> Based upon the fact that he first appears on the Caroline Co. PPTLs in 1796, and that the age he became responsible for this tax was 21 years old.

<sup>185</sup> Based upon his appearing on the 1811 Land Tax List, and his estate being listed on the 1812 LTL.

Year	Taxpayer	WMT	B> 16	B 12 -16	H	COMMENTS
1814	Joel Kidd Est.	0	3	0	1	
1815	Drops from PPTLs					

1797 – **Joell Kidd** married Sally (Sarah) Saunders on 15 November 1797, with John Sorrell serving as either security or witness.<sup>186</sup>

1802 – **Joel Kidd** is named in his father, William Kidd’s will, proved in court in 1802 (see [Appendix Six](#) of this document), and in his subsequent estate records.<sup>187</sup>

November 1802: Caroline County, VA Chancery Court records dated November 1802 name a **Joel Kidd** as one of the eleven children of William and Mary Kidd.<sup>188</sup> As there is no other Joel Kidd in any county records, these records have to be for this Joel, son of William Kidd who died in 1802.

16 Dec 1802: In Caroline Co. Court, Nicholas LeFoe and Frances Lefoe give their bond to **Joel Kidd**.<sup>189</sup>

1803 – Sept 1803: In a Court held for Caroline County, John Holloway, William Callawn, **Joel Kidd** and Horatio Jeter recommended as Inspectors at Roy’s Tobacco Warehouse.<sup>190</sup>

1804 – July 1804: In a Court held for Caroline County, **Joell Kidd** is appointed Overseer of the road in the room of Nicholas Lefoe...<sup>191</sup>

6 Sept 1804: John Smithers married Polley Kidd in Caroline Co. Philip Kidd named as guardian of Polley. Security and witnesses were Walker Kidd and **Joel Kidd**.<sup>192</sup>

1805, ff. – in 1805, **Joel Kidd** first appears on the Caroline Co., VA **Land Tax Lists (LTLs)**, after he's received his share of his father William Kidd's estate—a parcel of 26 acres--in 1804. His LTLs are as follows:

Year	NAME	Acres	Description	CH	COMMENTS
1805	Joel Kidd	26			His initial share from his father's Est.

<sup>186</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 227, citing "Pt. 1, p. 80."

<sup>187</sup> Library of Virginia on-line Chancery records, Caroline Co., VA case 1812-014, 20 images: [http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=033-1812-014](http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=033-1812-014)

<sup>188</sup> Library of Virginia on-line Chancery records, Caroline Co., VA case 1812-014, 20 images: [http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=033-1812-014](http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=033-1812-014)

<sup>189</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 160.

<sup>190</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, p. 103.

<sup>191</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, p. 117.

<sup>192</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 237, citing "Pt. 1, p. 9."

Year	NAME	Acres	Description	CH	COMMENTS
1806	Joel Kidd	435			Added 409 acres from T__ D__ (name illegible) in past year.
1807-1810	Joel Kidd	435			
1811	Joel Kidd	635			Added 200 acres from Geo. Taylor's Estate in past 12 months
1812-1813	Joel Kidd Estate	635			
1814	Joel Kidd Estate	635	G. Tankersley	15NE	"widow, for Life"
1815	Joel Kidd Estate	435	Reuben Tankersley	15NE	100 acres to John Holloway, & 100 acres to Thornton Taylor in prior yr.
1816-1817	Joel Kidd Estate	435	R. Tankersley	15NE	
1818-1819	Joel Kidd Estate	435	Wm Bullock	12NE	
1820	Joel Kidd Estate	350	Wm Bullock	12NE	His widow sold 85 acres to Madison Jones (on behalf of dau. "E. Kidd?")
1821-1822	Joel Kidd Estate	350	J.H. Munday	12NE	Widow, for life
1823-1825	Joell Kidd estate	350	J. Holloway	12NE	

In 1826, **Joel Kidd's** remaining 350 acres had been transferred to "Sary Kidd" (his widow), and his estate was no longer listed on the annual LTLs.

1809-1810 – a **Joel Kidd** first appears on the annual **Essex Co.**, VA PPTLs in 1809, taxed for himself, one slave 12-16, and one horse. This entry recurs in 1810, and then this Joel drops from the lists. [There was no tax statewide in 1808.] Is this Joel Kidd of Caroline Co? In Caroline Co, for 1809-1810, Joel Kidd appears on the PPTLs with no WMTs. In 1811, he appears on the PPTLs with 1 WMT

1810 – **Joel Kidd** does not appear on the 1810 census index for any Virginia county, although he is listed on PPTLs for both Caroline and Essex Cos in that year.

1811 – 21 Feb 1811. **Joel Kidd** was a witness at a court civil suit in Caroline Co., VA.<sup>193</sup> He was also a witness to a bond granted David T. Chivis, Executor of Thomas Slaughter, Jr.<sup>194</sup>

<sup>193</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 26.

<sup>194</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia "Lost" Wills, 1667-1853 and Related Records from Other Sources: Volume Four*, by Kimberley Curtis Campbell, Iberian Publishing Co., 2013, p. 26.

- 1812-1814 – for the first time, his entry on the Caroline Co. **PPTL** is for his estate; he has died in the past 12 months. His estate continues to be listed through 1814, then drops from the PPTLs.
- 1822 – The secondary source, *Some Wills from the Burned Counties of Virginia*, by William Lindsay Hopkins,<sup>195</sup> suggests that a will or other probate record for **Joel Kidd** in Caroline Co., exists. But no such document has ever been found. We suspect this statement pertains to the 1826 chancery cause below, a record that DOES shed some light on some of Joel Kidd's children.
- 1826 – 11 Sept 1826. Sarah Kidd, Henry Kidd and Washington Kidd are bound to the Caroline Co. Court in the amount of \$1500 for Sarah Kidd's guardianship of Polly, Eleanor and Frances Kidd, orphans of **Joel Kidd**, deceased. Sarah signed with an X; Henry and Washington signed their names.<sup>196</sup>
- 1827 – November 1827. In Chancery Court, a suit by Henry Kidd, one of the sons of **Joel and Sarah Kidd**, against his mother, Sarah, the administratrix of **Joel Kidd**, and Robert Holloway, the administrator of **Joel Kidd** and the guardian of **Joel Kidd's** daughter-in-law Lavinia Kidd (widow of John Kidd, deceased), and against his other siblings, presumably in order to settle his father's estate.<sup>197, 198</sup> The Court ordered that Sally (Sarah) Kidd receive one-third part of the estate as her dower, and the remainder of the estate to be divided into 6 equal parts for Washington Kidd, Polly Kidd, Ellen Kidd, Frances Kidd (the other two parts were 'reserved', without explanation; these two moieties were for Henry and John Kidd, the other two children of this couple – see below). Sally was to receive 162 acres adjoining William Brumley out of the total of 290 acres; this tract was sold 23 Oct. 1826 to her son Washington Kidd. At the time of his death (date not stated), there were six young children: Henry Kidd, John Kidd, Washington Kidd, Polly Kidd, Eleanor Kidd and Frances Kidd.  
[It's not clear why the two parts reserved for Henry and John Kidd were not distributed at that time. Henry and John were evidently NOT minors, as this suit was brought by Henry Kidd directly, with no representation by his "next friend" or guardian, and by 1827, son John Kidd was deceased, leaving a widow, Lavinia Kidd. It seems that Holloway was the guardian of Mary [Polly], the youngest child and still a minor at this time, and also the guardian of Lavinia, the widow of Joel's son John.]

**JOEL H. KIDD, the son of Willis and Lucy Kidd.**<sup>199</sup>

**Joel H6 (Willis5, William4, Daniel3, Thomas2, Thomas1) Kidd**

- <sup>195</sup> *Some Wills from the Burned Counties of Virginia*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, 1987, referencing Caroline Co Court Papers, by same author (LOV), listed in the index, but without abstract or transcription.
- <sup>196</sup> *Caroline County Guardian Bonds, 1821-1844*, FHL #30830, item 1, page 105 (microfilm image 66); scanned image of this page in the Caroline Co. Sources folder.
- <sup>197</sup> [http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=033-1827-006](http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=033-1827-006), on-line images (8) of this case, from the Library of Virginia.
- <sup>198</sup> A summary of this chancery case can be found in *Caroline County, Virginia "Lost" Wills, 1667-1853 and Related Records from Other Sources: Volume Four*, by Kimberley Curtis Campbell, Iberian Publishing Co., 2013, pp. 61-62 (scanned images in the Caroline Co. Wills and estate records Folder on Dropbox.
- <sup>199</sup> a) he's named as one of Willis Kidd's sons in Willis's 1843 will and served as executor of that will. See the Caroline Co. BD for details. b) Joel's will was proved by the oaths of Thomas M. Kidd and Henry (W.) Kidd, two other sons named in Willis Kidd's will.

**Born abt 1807<sup>200</sup> in VA. Records for this man are found in Essex, Hanover, Caroline and King & Queen Cos. We have combined them here.**

**Married Louisa F. Campbell in Essex Co in Dec 1840.<sup>201</sup>**

**Died in Essex Co between 15 May 1854 and 15 Jan 1855.**

- 1822 – **Joel Kidd** appears on the Caroline Co VA PPTLs, taxed for only one white male tithe, and no property or horse. He then drops from the PPTLs until 1829 (see Joel H. Kidd, below).
- 1829 – **Joel Kidd** appears on the Caroline Co VA PPTLs, this one year. Whether these two entries above are for this Joel Kidd (listed without his identifying middle initial) is unclear, but there is no other likely candidate for these two records.
- 1830 – **Joel Kidd** does not appear on the federal census anywhere in Virginia.
- 1831-1832 – **Joel H. Kidd** appears on the Hanover Co PPTLs for the first time in 1831, charged for one white mail tithe, and no slaves or property. This entry repeats in 1832. He drops from these tax lists in 1833 and does not reappear.
- 1838-1839 – **Joel Kidd** appears on the Essex Co PPTLs, taxed for himself and one horse. This repeats in 1839. He then disappears from these PPTLs.
- 1840 – **Joel Kidd** does not appear on the federal census anywhere in Virginia.
- 1840 – 17 Dec 1840, **Joel Kidd** married Miss Louisa Campbell in Essex Co in a ceremony conducted by Elder Philip Montague.<sup>202</sup>
- 1841 – In 1841, the first of several Chancery Court cases involving the heirs of Ambrose Hundley Sr. was initiated (Essex Chancery case 1841-002, Admr. of Richard Hundley v. Elizabeth Hundley et al). **Joel Kidd's** name appears in this record, as husband of Louisa, one of the heirs of Ambrose Hundley.<sup>203</sup>  
I saw nothing else of interest to Kidd researchers, but this and subsequent suits<sup>204</sup> are a treasure trove for Ambrose Hundley's descendants. These records mention that one of his sons moved to Arkansas. Also some of his heirs (including Louisa, prior to her marriage to Joel) have the surname of Campbell, rather than Hundley, suggesting a maternal connection to the Hundley family.
- 1841 – **Joel Kidd** appears on the annual PPTL in K&Q Co in this year, with 1 white male tithe, 4 taxable slaves, 3 horses and a gig worth \$50.
- 1842-1846 – He continues to appear annually on the K&Q PPTLs (each time paying only one WM tithe), then drops from the lists.
- 1842-1848 – Joel H. Kidd first appears on the K&Q Land Tax Lists (LTLs) in 1842 (he might have appeared in 1841, but the K page for that LTL is missing from the microfilm). In 1842, he's

<sup>200</sup> His year of birth is calculated from his entry on the 1850 federal census, which stated he was 43 years old.

<sup>201</sup> Her maiden name is confirmed by the death certificate of her son, James Willis Kidd.

<sup>202</sup> A wedding notice appeared in the *Richmond Whig* on Dec. 25, 1840, found on America's GenealogyBank. This marriage is also cited in *Marriage Notices from Richmond, Virginia Newspapers 1821-1840*. Special Publication No. 10. Richmond, VA: Virginia Genealogical Society, 1988, p. 99, citing the *Richmond Examiner*, Dec 28, 1840, p. 3; *Richmond Whig*, 25 Dec 1840, p. 2; *Richmond Compiler*, 24 Dec 1840, p. 2.

<sup>203</sup> Essex Co. Chancery case 1841-002, LoV Chancery records microfilm 223, starting on frame 128. Reviewed and scanned by RK, July 2018. Images available upon request.

<sup>204</sup> Essex Co Chancery case 1848-025, Ambrose Hundley et al v. William G. Tribble et al, LoV reel 441, frame 450-ff.; Case 1849-030, LoV reel 441, frame 545, ff.; Case 1852-014, LoV reel 263, frame 041-ff.

taxed for 209 acres "adj. Samuel Gresham, 28 miles NW of the courthouse." This is in the northern parish, in the vicinity of the John Kidd households on or near the Mattaponi River. This same entry repeats through 1848, after which Joel H. Kidd drops from the K&Q LTLs. Not noted on LTLs what became of his land.

1844 – Benjamin Weisiger's book about Virginia Contested Election Files, is in error in saying the following:<sup>205</sup>

21 October 1844

Facts admitted to evidence by Andrew Broaddus to votes challenged on the poll of Archibald Samuel:

9. Thomas Kidd, **Joel H. Kidd** and Henry Kidd are sons of late William Kidd of Caroline, who died seized of 268 acres.

**This record is incorrect in that none of the three above are this William Kidd's sons; they were the sons of Willis Kidd, and the grandsons of William Kidd Sr.**

1848 – This Indenture made this 20<sup>th</sup> day of April 1848 between **Joel H. Kidd** of the one part and Robert G. Haile of the county of Essex of the other part. Whereas the County Court of Essex did on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of November 1847 in a suit depending(?) on the Chancery side of said court, in the style of Hundley vs. Tribble (?) among other things adjudge, order and decree that the Commissioners named in the said decree for that purpose and upon the terms and conditions specified in the said decree "sell the lands assigned by Elizabeth Hundley as her dowry in the division of the lands of her late husband, Ambrose Hundley, dec'd. And Ambrose Hundley and **Joel H. Kidd**, two of the Commissioners appointed for that purpose, after processing as required by the said decree, did on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of December 1847 sell the said land at public auction upon the terms and conditions in the said decree specified, and N. J. P. Whitlocke became the purchaser for the sum of \$1720, and having fully complied with the terms required by the said decree on his part, the said Court did on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of April 1848 in the same cause enter another decree stating that it appearing from an exhibit filed in this cause that N. J. P. Whitlocke having conveyed, transferred and assigned to Robert G. Haile and his heirs, all right, title, claim, interest and demand which he the said Whitlocke has or might claim by virtue of this purchase of the said land. And at the request of the said Whitlocke doth adjudge, order and decree that the Commissioners or either of them heretofore appointed by this Court do make to the said Robert G. Haile a deed with special warranty conveying the tract of land in the proceedings mentioned appointed by this Court, do make to the said Robert G. Haile a deed with special warranty conveying the tract of land in the proceedings mentioned ...

**Joel H. Kidd**, one of the Commissioners appointed in the decree aforesaid ...in consideration of the premises and in the further consideration of the sum of one dollar to him in hand paid by the said Robert G. Haile ...doth give, grant, bargain, sell and convey ...the lands assigned to Elizabeth Hundley, dec'd, as her dowry in the division of the lands of her late husband, Ambrose Hundley, dec'd ...

(signed) **Joel H. Kidd** {seal}

This deed was acknowledged by **Joel H. Kidd** as his act and deed and admitted into record on 18 September 1848.<sup>206</sup>

<sup>205</sup> *Burned County Data, 1809-1848, As Found in the Contested Election Files*, by Benjamin B. Weisiger, Richmond, VA, 1986, p. 70, in the chapter of Caroline County records regarding contested elections.

<sup>206</sup> Essex County DB 47, pp. 518-519. Scans of this deed available from RK.

1848 – 10 Jul 1848. Marriage of Thomas M. Kidd and Sarah A.H. Page, in Caroline Co, **Joel H. Kidd**, bond.<sup>207</sup>

1849-1851 – **Joel H. Kidd** first appears on the Caroline Co VA PPTLs in 1849, and appears annually thereafter through 1851, but not through 1855, the last year we have checked.

Year	Taxpayer	WMT	B>16	B12-16	H	COMMENTS
1849	Joel H. Kidd	1	0	0	1	4-wh carriage (\$50). 2 watches
1850	Joel H. Kidd	1	0	0	1	4-wh pleasure carriage (\$50), 2 watches
1851	Joel H. Kidd	1	0	0	0	1 carry-all (\$60); 1 "other" clock
1852- 1855	Not listed					

1850 – on federal census in **Caroline Co VA**, p. 228A, HH 80:

**Kidd, Joel H.** 43MW Manager (birthplaces blank for entire page)

" , Louisa F. 27FW

" , John H. 7MW

" , Joseph F. 5MW

" , James W. 2MW

1851 – In 1851, a **Joel H. Kidd** appears on the annual **Essex Co.** PPTL, taxed for his own tithe, one slave, one horse, 2 cattle or hogs, & a carriage valued at \$25. Does not reappear through 1855.

1853 – On 11 January 1853, Peter Campbell of Essex County sold for \$1725 to **Joel H. Kidd** of the same place a tract of land lying in Essex County “without regard to the number of acres (it being the same [land] conveyed by John H. Clark and Sally Ann his wife to the said Peter Campbell by deed bearing the date 29 December 1851...” This deed was acknowledged in open Court on 17 January 1853 and ordered to be recorded.<sup>208</sup>

on 14 December 1853, Frances Brooks and Polly Brooks of Essex County sold to **Joel H. Kidd** for \$80 a parcel of land on which the late James Brooks formerly resided, adjoining the lands of Lewis D. Brooks and the said Joel H. Kidd, containing by survey annexed ten acres. This deed was produced in Essex Court on 19 December 1853 and ordered to be recorded.<sup>209</sup>

1854 – 15 May 1854. Essex County Court of Quarterly Sessions. Ordered that **Joel H. Kidd** be appointed the Conductor of the Election to be held for this County on the fourth Thursday in this month at ?Bestland in the place of Charley H. Muse, who is dead.<sup>210</sup>

<sup>207</sup> *Marriages of Caroline County, Virginia, 1777-1853*, compiled and edited by Therese Fisher, 1998, Heritage Books, p. 128.

<sup>208</sup> Essex County Deed Book 50, page 358. Digital copy available upon request.

<sup>209</sup> *Ibid*, pages 483-484. Digital images available upon request.

<sup>210</sup> Essex County Order Book 51, p. 733 (image 129).

1855 – 15 Jan 1855. The will of **Joel H. Kidd**, signed 29 July 1853, was proved in Essex County Court.<sup>211</sup> It named his widow, Louisa F. Kidd, as his executor. Thomas M. Kidd and Henry Kidd appeared in Court and verified the writing to be that of **Joel H. Kidd**, and the will was ordered to be recorded.<sup>212</sup>

1860 – **Joel H. Kidd's** widow Louisa is found on the 1860 federal census with their family in Essex Co. VA (Lloyd's P.O.), p. 87, HH 816/792:

Kidd, Louisa F. 35FW farmer \$800/850 VA

" , Jno. H 18MW

" , Joseph I. 14MW

" , James W. 11MW

" , Mary E. 9FW

" , Joel C. 6MW

**JOHN KIDD(s) – At least seven distinctly different men named John Kidd appear in Caroline Co VA records:**

1. **John<sup>3</sup> (William<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) Kidd**
2. **John Kidd**, the son of **William Kidd Sr.** of this paper, named in his father's 1801/1802 will.
3. **John Kidd**, son of **Joel Kidd**, named in his father's will.
4. **a later John Kidd**, with few records, created after the death of **John**, son of **Joel**.
5. **John W. Kidd**, the son of **Henry and Maria Kidd**.
6. **John Kidd (Sr.)** of **King and Queen Co**, and
7. **his son, John Kidd Jr.** of **Caroline Co**.

**JOHN<sup>3</sup> KIDD**, the son of **William and Margaret Kidd**

**John<sup>3</sup> (William<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) Kidd**

**Baptized 27 Feb 1707/8 in MSX Co VA**

**Married Ruth Farish/Parish in Goochland Co, possibly second marriage.**

**Died in Albemarle Co after March 1785.**

**Descendants were sons John Norman (d. 1795, Amherst Co VA), William, and James Kidd, and no known daughters.**

**[At this time, we believe that James Kidd of Nelson Co may be the son of John Kidd.]**

1751 – At a **Caroline** County court held 12 July 1751: **John Kidd** against John Lester and William Vaughn, judgment for the plaintiff Kidd.<sup>213</sup>

1752 – At a **Caroline** County court held 10 July 1752: Petition of John Ellmond against **John Kidd**, judgment for the plaintiff Ellmond.<sup>214</sup>

<sup>211</sup> Essex County Will Book 27, 1851-1858, pp. 477, retrieved from FHL # FHL #1929910, item 1, image 268. A digital image of this will is available from the authors.

<sup>212</sup> Essex County Order Book 51, pages 802-803, retrieved from FHL # FHL #1929888, images 163-164. Digital images are available from the authors.

<sup>213</sup> Caroline County VA Order Book 1746-1754, p. 31.

<sup>214</sup> Caroline County VA Order Book 1746-1754, p. 82.

This John Kidd is next found in Goochland Co. He died in Albemarle Co. He is found in proximity to his brother Aaron Kidd in both counties; see these counties for records.

**JOHN KIDD, the son of William Kidd Sr.**

**John<sup>5</sup> (William<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) Kidd**

**Born between 1766-1770,<sup>215</sup> probably in Caroline County.**

**He left records, sometimes simultaneously, in both Caroline County and in K&Q County; he resided in King & Queen County from 1810 until his death in 1839.<sup>216</sup>**

**Married Ann \_\_\_\_\_, date unknown.**

**Died in K&Q County on 23 May 1839.**

1790-1791 – a **John Kidd** appears for the first time on the Caroline Co **PPTLs** in 1790, in the district of Nicholas Long; he's taxed for his own tithe, and one horse. His listing is unchanged in 1791. He then drops from these PPTLs until 1796 (see below)

1796 – a **John Kidd** again appears on the Caroline Co **PPTL** in 1796, on the list of William Jones, taxed for his own tithe, one slave over 16, and one horse. I don't find him there in 1797, but the images are very faded, and he could be overlooked on this PPTL.

1798-1809 – a **John Kidd** appears on the **Caroline Co PPTLs** in each of these years, each year taxed for only one white male tithe. **In 1809, his entry is followed by the notation, "grandson to Wm."** This raises the possibility that this particular John was not William Sr.'s son, and was perhaps the son of Joel Kidd, one of William's known sons. However, that John seems too young to have been out on his own as early as 1798. Perhaps the commissioner recording this in 1809 was wrong. This seems more likely, as there's only ONE John Kidd in Caroline records at this time, and that was John, son of William Sr., as documented by the land records below.

Another possibility is that John, son of William Sr. has died or moved elsewhere, and the John on the 1809 PPTL is a DIFFERENT John Kidd. That possibility is excluded by this John Kidd receiving his allotment of William Kidd Sr.'s estate and showing up on Caroline LTLs through 1812 with this land.

Whoever he was, he drops from these PPTLs in 1810.

<sup>215</sup> Judging from his age on the various censuses (as unreliable as those can be, we have nothing else to go on):

1810 census – born between 1766-1794; 1820 census – born bef. 1775; 1830 census – b. bet. 1761-1770.

<sup>216</sup> We are quite confident that this John Kidd was indeed the son of William Kidd Sr. of Caroline County- he is so named in William Sr.'s will, and he received 26 acres (one share) of William's land, per the Caroline County LTLs. Below are the reasons we believe him to be the SAME John Kidd that appears in K&Q records in 1808 until his death there in 1839:

- (1) This John Kidd drops from the Caroline County PPTLs after 1809; that same year a new John Kidd appears for the first time in the K&Q PPTLs;
- (2) No John Kidd appears in Caroline County on the 1810, 1820, or 1830 federal censuses, despite appearing in many Caroline County records during this period;
- (3) This John Kidd's K&Q County land was in the NW part of that county, near the border with Caroline County; and his land in Caroline was in the SE part, bordering K&Q;
- (4) He's found in several records in each county in association with other proven children of William Kidd Sr., namely Walker Kidd and Elizabeth Kidd Motley; and
- (5) He's listed in the Caroline Co. LTLs of 1828 and 1829 as "John Kidd of K&Q."

Year	Taxpayer	WMT	B>16	B 12-16	H	COMMENTS
1790	John Kidd	1	0	0	1	
1791	John Kidd	1	0	0	1	
1792-1795	Not listed in Caroline					
1796	John Kidd	1	1	1	1	
1797	Not listed					
1798	John Kidd	1	1	1	3	
1799	John Kidd	1	2	1	1	
1800	John Kidd	1	2	0	4	
1801	John Kidd	1	2	0	4	
1802	John Kidd	1	2	0	4	
1803	John Kidd	1	2	1	4	
1804	John Kidd	1	2	1	4	
1805	John Kidd	1	2	1	3	
1806	John Kidd	1	2	1	2	
1807	John Kidd	1	2	1	3	
1809	John Kidd	1	0	0	1	"grandson to Wm."
1810, ff.	Not listed					

1800 – The 1800 census for Virginia does not survive. So we have no idea about Kidd household heads in 1800.

Caroline County Court records for October 1800, listing the payments to various citizens for Patrole services, include a payment of \$1.32 to **John Kidd**.

1802 - Caroline County Court records for October 1802, listing the payments to various citizens for Patrole services, includes a payment to John Kidd (\$1.44).<sup>217</sup>

1802 – **John Kidd** is named in his father, William Kidd's will, proved in court in 1802 (see [Appendix Six](#) of this document), and in his subsequent estate records.<sup>218</sup>

1803 – In the February Court 1803, the division of the estate of William Kidd was recorded, naming his widow, Mary, and their surviving children: James, Philip, Henry, Thomas, Willis,

<sup>217</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, p. 93.

<sup>218</sup> Library of Virginia on-line Chancery records, Caroline Co., VA case 1812-014, 20 images: [http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=033-1812-014](http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=033-1812-014)

Edmund, **John**, Fanny (the wife of Washington Jones), Walker, Joel, Polly, and Elizabeth (wife of Edwin Motley).<sup>219, 220</sup>

1804 – In a Court held for Caroline County in December 1804, a Chancery suit was heard involving the estate of Thomas Kidd, dec'd (the son of William Kidd Sr.). This suit names Thomas's three heirs as his widow, Elizabeth; his daughter, Lucy, who was the wife of Matthew Hundley; and a minor son named William. One account of this record names the guardian of this minor as **John Kidd**.<sup>221</sup>

1805-1812 – a **John Kidd** appears on the Caroline Co. **Land Tax Lists (LTLs)** for the first time in 1805, after he has received 26 acres from his father, William Kidd's estate.<sup>222</sup> This listing recurs annually through 1812.

The Alterations schedule of the 1812 LTL show that **John Kidd** and his brother Walker Kidd each transferred their 26 acres to their sister Fanny Kidd Jones in 1812.

1808 – On 5 October 1808, **John Kidd** and Walker Kidd were witnesses to the will of Edwin Motley in K&Q Co., VA.<sup>223</sup> Edwin Motley had married Elizabeth Kidd, the elder sister of John and Walker Kidd.

1810 – Despite the other records found for John Kidd in this era, no household headed by a John Kidd appears on the 1810 federal census for **Caroline County**. We believe that he and his family were residents of King & Queen County, but had property in Caroline County. See 1820, below.

Only one **John Kidd** on the federal census in **King & Queen County** this year, on p. 222B, line 3, and the number of slaves is consistent with the Caroline County PPTLs for this John Kidd:

**John Kidd Sr.** – 4M<10, 1 16-25 & 2 26-44; 3F<10, 2 10-15 & 2 26-44, plus 22 slaves.

[N.B.: *This John Kidd would be about 41 years of age in 1810. There are two men and two women, all age 26-44, in this household. We don't know who the other adults are. Moreover, we know of only ONE son and 4 daughters of this John Kidd. It appears that this household contains more than one family.*]

1813 – **John Kidd** drops from the **Caroline Co** LTLs in this year and doesn't reappear through 1824.

1820 – As in 1810, there is no household headed by John Kidd in **Caroline County**. It appears that he is the wealthy, slave-owning John Kidd found on the 1820 census in King & Queen County. That John Kidd is listed in Drysdale Parish, a parish that encompassed parts of both K&Q and Caroline Counties, after Caroline County was formed.

There are two John Kidds on the 1820 federal census for **King & Queen County**, but the

<sup>219</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, pp. 23-24

<sup>220</sup> Caroline County Order Book, 1802-1804, page 130-134, retrieved from FHL #1887726 (restricted access, FHCs only), images 336-338. Digital images available upon request.

<sup>221</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, p. 41.

<sup>222</sup> This seems to prove that the John Kidd on these LTLs was indeed William Kidd Sr.'s son, and not his grandson.

<sup>223</sup> Lost Records Localities Digital Collection, King & Queen County, Motley, Edwin will, 1809. Library of Virginia, Richmond, VA 23219. This will and codicils can be viewed online: Go to [www.virginiamemory.com/collections/lost](http://www.virginiamemory.com/collections/lost) and search on Motley.

John Kidd of Drysdale Parish<sup>224</sup> is consistent with the 1810 census and PPTLs for this John: Page 55, **Drysdale** (the northern) parish:

**John Kidd** – 1M<10, 1 16-18, 4 16-25, 1 26-44 & 1 45 and up; 1F 10-15, 2 16-25 and 1 45 and up, plus **23 slaves**. Total =35, with 8 in agriculture & 4 in manufacturing and trades.

[As on the 1810 census, there are more individuals, especially males, than we can account for with John's known children, and we don't know who these "surplus" individuals are. John Sr.'s only known son, John Jr, is likely one of them.]

1821 – 9 May 1821. At a Court held for **Caroline Co**, a suit brought by Henry Phillips against **John Kidd** concerning a debt was one of several suits dismissed this day, by mutual agreement between the parties.<sup>225</sup>

I'm not sure WHICH John Kidd this entry belongs to. – RK

1822 – 9 Dec 1822. In Caroline Court, a deed from Philip & William Kidd to Willis Kidd, proved by **John Kidd** and Thomas Dew, two of the witnesses thereto, and ordered to be recorded.<sup>226</sup>

1825 – a **John Kidd** reappears on the Caroline Co VA **PPTL** in 1825, taxed only for himself and one horse. He then drops from these annual lists. [This entry could belong to a different John Kidd, perhaps his son.

1826 - Married on 15 Ult.[Jan] by Rev. Thomas M. Henley, Dr. James W. Upshaw of Caroline Co., to Miss Maria Kidd, daughter of Mr. **John Kidd** of King & Queen Co.<sup>227</sup>

1828-1832 – the first appearance of this **John Kidd "OF K&Q"** occurs on the **Caroline Co** VA Land Tax List of 1828, when he appears with 354¼ acres, with no indication of when and where he acquired this land. RK believes that he's returned to Caroline and bought property, and that the John Jr. is his son, to whom he transferred his land in 1830.

Year	NAME	Acres	Description	CH	COMMENTS
1828-1829	<b>John Kidd</b>	354¼	R.L. Blackburn	12E	"Of K&Q"; Daniel Turner's district
1830	<b>John Kidd Sr.</b> John Kidd Jr.	- 354¼	R.L. Blackburn	12E	"transferred to John Kidd Jr." "from <b>John Kidd Senr.</b> "
1831	John Kidd Jr.	354¼	R.L. Blackburn	12E	"of K&Q Co."
1832	John Kidd Jr.	-	-	-	354¼ acres to Robert Andrews
1833	Drops from	These	LTLs		

1830 – Once again, as in 1810 and 1820, there is no John Kidd to be found on the 1830 federal census in Caroline County.

But there are **three John Kidds** on the 1830 federal census in **King & Queen County**. This

<sup>224</sup> According to <http://vagenweb.org/parishes.htm> by Freddie Spradlin, Drysdale Parish was formed in 1723 from St. Stephen's Parish in King & Queen County. When Caroline County was formed in 1728 from parts of Essex, King & Queen and King William Counties, Drysdale Parish served parts of both Caroline and K&Q counties.

<sup>225</sup> Caroline County Superior Court Order Book, 1820-1826, p. 160.

<sup>226</sup> Caroline County Order Book, 1822-1824, page 101, reviewed on FHL #30843, item 2, image 332.

<sup>227</sup> *Marriages and Deaths from Richmond, Virginia Newspapers 1780-1820*. Special Publication No. 8. Richmond, VA: Virginia Historical Society, 1983, p. 181, citing the *Richmond Enquirer*, 19 Jan 1826, p. 3 (from Craig Kilby).

John Kidd is the one with the largest holding of slaves:

page 274, line 11:

**John Kidd** – 2M 30-39, **1 60-69**; 1F 15-19, 1 20-29 & 1 60-69, plus **24 slaves**.

[This should be our John<sup>5</sup> Kidd, son of William<sup>4</sup>. H would have been ~61 years old.

Neither of the younger males is likely his son, John Jr. (aka John M. Kidd) who died in 1836, before his father; he's already out on his own, listed below. The identity of the males ages 30-39 years old is a mystery.

page 296, line 13:

John Kidd Jr. – 1M & 1F, both 20-29, and no slaves. [This is most likely John Sr.'s son.]

and page 296, line 15:

John Kidd **Sr.** – 3M<5 & **1 40-49**; 1F 5-9, 1 10-14, & 1 15-19 (a widower?), plus 4 slaves.

It's hard to be certain whether this John Kidd is the first entry above (more slaves, befitting a man with the most land of these three) or the last (designated in 1830 as John SR. on both the census and the LTLs in this year). Given that we know this John Kidd's land was in the northern part of K&Q, and in 1820 the John Kidd with a similar number of slaves was in the northern parish, he's almost certainly the first John in the 1830 census, despite the other John Kidd being designated Sr. on that census.

1835 – June 12, 1835. **John Kidd** and Travis Bagby, appellants, against James M. Jeffries, appellee}

On an appeal from the decision of County Court of King and Queen on 9 February 1835 granting letters of administration of all the goods, chattels and credits of Thos. J. Grisham, deceased, to the appellee...the Court heard the arguments, as well as testimony from multiple witnesses, and decided that there had been no error in judgment. They ruled that the appellants pay the court costs of the appellee.<sup>228</sup>

1839 – **John Kidd** signed his will on 15 May 1839 in K&Q County. This lengthy document names as his heirs his wife Ann; his daughter Mary Ann Bagby, the wife of Travis Bagby; his three grandchildren, James M. D. Upshaw, Thomas E. Upshaw and Sarah Ann Upshaw; and his grandchildren Maria D. Kidd and John B. Kidd, the children of his deceased son John Kidd. He appointed his son-in-law, Travis Bagby and his friend James Smith as his executors. This will was acknowledged in K&Q Court on 8 July 1839.<sup>229</sup>

**John Kidd** died 23 May 1839, according to the Bagby family Bible<sup>230</sup>; this date of death is also confirmed in the Religious Herald, issue of 28 June 1839 (another resource we've not

<sup>228</sup> *K&Q Superior Court of Law & Chancery Records, 1831-1851*, p. 58, retrieved from FHL #32114, image 88. Scanned image of this document is available in the K&Q Source Documents folder and the K&Q Court records subfolder.

<sup>229</sup> The original will was lost with the other K&Q records. Fortunately, a certified copy was made at some point, and was passed down in the family of John Boulware Kidd, this John Kidd's grandson. It is now part of the Ellen Gertrude Tompkins Kidd papers, 1791-1998, Accession 52005. Personal papers collection, The Library of Virginia, Richmond, VA. Photographed and transcribed by RK there, July 2018.

<sup>230</sup> Bagby Family Bible (1750-1860), Virginia Historical Society Acc. Mss6:4 B1465:1. A transcription of this bible is found in *Bible records of Caroline County, Virginia families*, by Herbert Ridgeway Collins, Heritage Books, Westminster, MD, 2008, pp. 10-ff. A [card index](http://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/1932510) for this (and many other Virginia family Bibles) is available at [www.familysearch.org/search/collection/1932510](http://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/1932510)

seen).<sup>231</sup> His estate appears on the 1840 K&Q PPTL and on the 1840 federal census (see below), so this is plausible, and probably accurate.

The Bagby family bible contains these statements, by report:

"**John Kidd** father of Mary Ann Bagby wife of Travis Bagby died 23 may 1839 aged 70"

"Ann Kidd, wife of **John Kidd**, and mother of Mary Ann Bagby died April 14th, 1847 aged 80 years.

The *Religious Herald* entries pertaining to this couple are as follows:

"Issue of 28 June 1839. Died, at his residence in King and Queen County, on the 23rd day of May Mr. **John Kidd** in the 70th year of his age."

"Issue of 22 July 1847. The widow of brother **John Kidd**...died April 14 of the current year at the residence of her son-in-law Travis Bagby, aged 80 years."

1840 – the estate of **John Kidd** appears on the **Caroline Co., VA PPTL** for this year, this despite the fact that no John Kidd has appeared on the PPTLs in Caroline Co. for the past 6 years. The estate is taxed on only 1 horse and a gig valued at \$45. I believe that this is the estate of John Kidd Sr., who died in K&Q County, but who also owned land in Caroline County, as demonstrated in the above Caroline LTLs.

He then drops from these tax lists.

1840 – John Kidd’s estate and family are found on the 1840 federal census in **K&Q County**, page 86, line 5, under the name of his son-in-law and executor, Travis Bagby. The full entry on the census reads “Travis Bagby Exr. Jno. Kidd.” His household includes 2M 10-15 and 1 20-29; and 1F 40-49, along with 23 slaves. Ten in Agriculture. THIS IS JOHN KIDD’S ESTATE! And these are likely the wife and children of John Kidd(3).

King & Queen	Per. Alabama	1	.	.	1
	Washington Alabama	.	.	3	.
	Sally Alabama	.	.	.	1
	Powell Permitted	.	.	1	1
	Travis Bagby Exr of Jno. Kidd	2	.	1	.
	Linnus Archer	.	.	1	.

FIGURE: A screenshot of the entry for John Kidd’s estate on the 1840 federal census for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed here under the name of his executor, Travis Bagby.

Travis Bagby, executor of **John Kidd, deceased**, ran this advertisement in the Richmond Enquirer on Aug 21, 1840,<sup>232</sup> advertising 446 acres of land owned by John Kidd, deceased,

<sup>231</sup> These "sources" for his date of death come from a well-documented tree at Ancestry:

<http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~janet/Pell.html> The source for many items here appears to have been Elaine Kidd Oleary.

<sup>232</sup> America's Genealogybank.com

lying 3 miles from New Town and 8 from Ayletts:

**WATTAPONY LAND FOR SALE.**—As Executor of John Kidd, deceased, and pursuant to a decree of the County Court of King and Queen, pronounced the 13th day of July, 1840, I shall proceed to sell, to the highest bidder, on the premises, on the 10th day of September next, if fair, if not, the next fair day, on a credit of twelve months, that valuable estate whereon the said John Kidd died seized and possessed, lying in the county of King & Queen, about three miles from New Town and eight from Ayletts, containing four hundred and forty-six acres. The land is fertile, very level, and easy to cultivate. The improvements are a good dwelling-house, with eight rooms, and the necessary out-houses.  
 The manager, living on the premises, or myself, about three miles distant, will take pleasure in showing the land to any person wishing to view it.  
 August 7  
**TRAVIS BAGBY.**  
 26—w4w

1842 – 4 May 1842. Travis Bagby, executor of **John Kidd, deceased**, plaintiff against Charles James Fox, James B. Harrison and Edward S. Acree, defendants } A motion for a judgment and an award from execution on a bond entered into by the defendants for the forthcoming and delivery of certain property taken to satisfy the plaintiffs’ execution...  
 The court ruled in favor of the plaintiff, and decreed that he recover from the defendants \$209.88, the penalty of the said bond, and his costs. The defendants plead in mercy, and the judgment was cut in half, with interest from 16 January 1842 till paid, plus plaintiff’s costs.<sup>233</sup>

**THE PROVEN CHILDREN OF JOHN KIDD(3) AND HIS WIFE, ANN \_\_\_\_\_**

1. John (M.?) Kidd - birth date unknown; married Catherine F. Boulware; died in 1836 (before his father’s death), and his children were named in the will of John Kidd(3). See his section below.
2. [Maria Kidd](#) – birth and death dates unknown; married James W. Upshaw in K&Q County. Predeceased her father, and her children are also named in the will of John Kidd(3).
3. [Ann Kidd](#) – born about 1790; never married. She died in 1838, a year before her father, and she’s therefore not named in his will. But HER will names two of her sisters, Elizabeth Kidd and Mary Ann (Kidd) Bagby as her heirs.
4. [Elizabeth Kidd](#) – born abt 1799; married first a \_\_\_ Motley, who died by 1837, and second married John Bagby (1791-1880).
5. [Mary Ann Kidd](#) – born in 1809 in King and Queen Co. Married Travis Bagby; named in her father’s will. Died in 1874.

**JOHN (M.?) KIDD(4)**, the son of John Kidd(3, above) in this compilation, and the husband of Catherine F. Boulware Kidd

**John6 (John5, William4, Daniel3, Thomas2, Thomas1) Kidd**

**Date of birth unknown, but probably about 1803,<sup>234</sup> in either Caroline or King & Queen County.**

**Appears to have spent his life in King & Queen County (see below), but appears (in conjunction with his father) in Caroline County records.**

**Married Catherine F. Boulware, date unknown**

<sup>233</sup> *K&Q Superior Court of Law & Chancery Records, 1831-1851*, pp. 237-238, retrieved from FHL #32114, images 265-266. Scanned images of this document are available in the K&Q Source Documents folder and the K&Q Court records subfolder.

<sup>234</sup> This estimated year of birth comes from what we believe are his census entries for 1830 (age 20-29), 1820 (age 16-18) and 1810 (under 10). If we’re right about his position on the 1820 census (in conjunction with the other two censuses) he was born between 1802-1804.

**Died 26 September 1836 in King and Queen County, leaving a widow and two small children, according to his obituary**

His middle initial was M., according to his son's obituary; some say middle name was Motley (possibly a clue to his mother's maiden name??) We have found NO original records which include a middle initial or middle name for this John Kidd during his lifetime. It seems possible that this may have been added by later generations, as a way of distinguishing him from other John Kidds in the lineage.

1810 – We suspect that he’s one of the white males under the age of ten in his father’s household on the 1810 federal census for **King & Queen County**:

John Kidd Sr. – **4M<10**, 1 16-25 & 2 26-44; **3F<10**, 2 10-15 & 2 26-44, plus 22 slaves.

*[N.B.: This John Kidd would be about 41 years of age in 1810. There are two men and two women, all age 26-44, in this household. We don't know who the other adults are. Moreover, we know of only ONE son and 4 daughters of this John Kidd. It appears that this household contains more than one family.]*

1820 – There are two John Kidds on the federal census for K&Q this year, but the John Kidd of Drysdale Parish<sup>235</sup> is consistent with the 1810 census and PPTLs for this John:

Page 55, **Drysdale** (the northern) parish:

**John Kidd** – 1M<10, 1 16-18, 4 16-25, 1 26-44 & 1 45 and up; 1F 10-15, 2 16-25 and 1 45 and up, plus **23 slaves**. Total =35, with 8 in agriculture & 4 in manufacturing and trades.

*[As on the 1810 census, there are more individuals, especially males, than we can account for with John's known children, and we don't know who these "surplus" individuals are. John Sr.'s only known son, John Jr, is likely one of them.]*

1825 – On 27 May 1825, a **John Kidd** was a chain carrier for a survey of land in **K&Q county** for John Collins and Edward Garrett, who were having a dispute.<sup>236</sup>

1828-1832 – the first appearance of this John Kidd "OF K&Q" occurs on the **Caroline Co VA** Land Tax List of 1828, when he appears with 354¼ acres, with no indication of when and where he acquired this land. We believe that John Kidd Sr. of King & Queen County has purchased property across the county line in Caroline County, and that the John Jr. to whom he transferred his land in 1830, is his son.

Year	NAME	Acres	Description	CH	COMMENTS
1828-1829	John Kidd	354¼	R.L. Blackburn	12E	"Of K&Q"; Daniel Turner's district
1830	John Kidd Sr. <b>John Kidd Jr.</b>	- 354¼	R.L. Blackburn	12E	"transferred to <b>John Kidd Jr.</b> " " <b>from John Kidd Senr.</b> "
1831	<b>John Kidd Jr.</b>	354¼	R.L. Blackburn	12E	"of K&Q Co."
1832	<b>John Kidd Jr.</b>	-	-	-	354¼ acres to Robert Andrews
1833	Drops from	These	LTLs		

<sup>235</sup> According to <http://vagenweb.org/parishes.htm> by Freddie Spradlin, Drysdale Parish was formed in 1723 from St. Stephen's Parish in King & Queen County. When Caroline County was formed in 1728 from parts of Essex, King & Queen and King William Counties, Drysdale Parish served parts of both Caroline and K&Q counties.

<sup>236</sup> King and Queen County Land Plat Book, 1822-1881, LoV reel 21, reviewed by RK in July 2018. I just happened to notice his name in this record as I was searching for other records. Scanned image available upon request.

1829 – A land survey was performed for “**John Kidd Jr.** from Robert M. Spencer.”<sup>237</sup>  
 This survey shows a tract of 365 acres in K&Q County and Stratton Major Parish, and a **John Kidd** was one of the bounding neighbors.

1830 – there are **three John Kidds** on the federal census in K&Q Co. in this year, but apparently this John Kidd is the one listed as John Kidd, Jr (the second entry below:

page 274, line 11:

John Kidd – 2M 30-39, 1 60-69;1F 15-19, 1 20-29 & 1 60-69, plus 24 slaves.

[This should be our John5 Kidd, son of William4. H would have been ~61 years old. Neither of the younger males is likely his son, John Jr. (aka John M. Kidd) who died in 1836, before his father; he’s already out on his own, listed below. The identity of the males ages 30-39 years old is a mystery.

page 296, line 13:

**John Kidd Jr.** – 1M & 1F, both 20-29, and no slaves.

and page 296, line 15:

John Kidd Sr. – 3M<5 & **1 40-49**; 1F 5-9, 1 10-14, & 1 15-19 (a widower?), plus 4 slaves.

1833 – a **John Kidd, Jr.** appears on the annual **Caroline Co.**, VA PPTLs in 1833, 1834, 1836, and 1837, taxed only for his own tithe.

Year	Taxpayer	WMT	B>16	B 12-16	H	COMMENTS
1833	John Kidd Jr.	1	0	0	0	
1834	John Kidd Jr.	1	0	0	0	
1835	Not listed					
1836	John Kidd Jr.	1	0	0	0	
1837	John Kidd Jr.	1	0	0	0	
1838	Not found					

<sup>237</sup> King and Queen County Land Plat Book, 1822-1881, LoV reel 21, reviewed by RK in July 2018, page 43.

John Kidd’s name appears only as a neighbor on the actual land plat, but the Index entry reads “Kidd, John jr. from Spencer Robert M, p 43.” Images of both the plat and the index entry available upon request.

1836 – an obituary for this man appeared in the Richmond Enquirer on Friday Oct. 7, 1836, p. 3:

**DEATHS.**

Died, at New Town, King and Queen county, on the 26th ult. **JOHN KIDD, jr.** The deceased had scarcely reached the meridian of life when death selected him as a victim, and now all that remains of his mortal part is laid low in the silent grave. In his usual health, and with every reason to look forward to many years of enjoyment, he was suddenly taken off, by a rapid fever of only a few days' duration. He seemed, from the commencement, to have a presentiment of the final result; yet he complained not, neither of the ague's long and icy chill, nor of the fever's scorching heat, nor of his anticipated fate. He has left many to bewail the bereavement they have sustained in the loss of one, who, as a friend, was sincere and devoted; as a neighbor, was kind and attentive; as a gentleman, was polished, literary and intelligent; and who acted well his part in all the various relations of life. The poor lament in his decease the loss of a benefactor. But a wife and two infant children have suffered a loss that no time nor circumstances can repair. Upon them he had concentrated the warm affection of his heart, and there glowed with intensity all the tenderness of his ardent nature. In the relation of a son, he was also conspicuous for the attention and regard which he always manifested. His parents reposed on him as a staff for their support in their declining years, as one who would soothe and alleviate the afflictions that attend the descent of old age to the tomb. But, alas! their staff is broken, their fond hopes are blasted; the source of their pleasures, their consolations and their anticipations, is torn from them. The world, I doubt not, has lost much of its charm, and looks dark, dreary and desolate. May the father of the fatherless, and the husband of the widow, comfort also the afflicted parents.

1837-1839 – the K&Q Land Tax List for 1837 shows a "new" **John Kidd**, one that has not appeared on previous years, and by the time he appears, he's already dead. This John Kidd's entry reads "**John Kidd Junr. Estate**," and he's taxed on 275 acres "adj. Mrs. Mann and children," 22 miles NW of the courthouse. This land is evidently about 2 miles from the lands of John Kidd(3), above, consistent with his being John's son, but the elder John Kidd's estate is also listed on this LTL, and his acreage hasn't been reduced accordingly. This entry repeats in 1838 and 1839, then drops from the LTLs of K&Q Co., as does that of the presumably older John Kidd.

However, we know that John Kidd Jr., son of John Kidd Sr. and the husband of Catherine F. Boulware Kidd, had two children, Maria Louisa Kidd, b. 1834, and John B. Kidd (see below), b. 1836. So this is most likely John Kidd Jr., who died three years before his father did.

We ALSO know that Catherine F. Boulware Kidd was widowed by 1838, when she took over the running of a school near Newtown, **K&Q County**. See her section in that BD.

1839 – 8 May, 1839. Lee Boulware, executor of **John Kidd Jr., deceased**, assignee of S. S. Gatewood, plaintiff against George Hoskins and William B. Davis, defendants} (very difficult script to interpret)...the court ruled that the plaintiffs recover from the defendants \$2,798.72, the penalty of the said bond with interest thereon at the rate of 6% from 7 January 1839 till paid, plus costs.<sup>238</sup>

<sup>238</sup> *K&Q Superior Court of Law & Chancery Records, 1831-1851*, p. 131, retrieved from FHL #32114, image 161. Scanned image of this document is available in the K&Q Source Documents folder and the K&Q Court records subfolder.

**JOHN KIDD (dead by Nov 1827), son of Joel Kidd and grandson of William Kidd Sr.  
John6 (Joel5, William4, Daniel3, Thomas2, Thomas1) Kidd**

1827 – Nov 1827. A **John Kidd** is named as one of the heirs of Joel Kidd, who died in Caroline Co. in 1811-1812, in a Chancery Court record dated November 1827, which records a suit by Henry Kidd, one of the sons of Joel and Sarah Kidd, against his mother, Sarah, the administratrix of Joel Kidd, and Robert Holloway, the administrator of Joel Kidd and the guardian of his daughter-in-law Lavinia Kidd (widow of **John Kidd**), and against his other siblings (it appears that Henry was trying to get his father's estate settled). There is a subsequent marriage record in Caroline Co VA that probably is her (from "Marriages of Caroline Co., VA, 1777-1853" by Teresa Fisher, Heritage Books, 1998, p. 194, reviewed by RK at SGS April 4, 2012): Saunders, Hay & **Kidd, Lavina, widow**, 27 April 1836. Charles A. Holloway (probably security for the bride, and perhaps a clue as to her maiden name).

**JOHN W. KIDD, the son of Henry and Maria Kidd<sup>239</sup>  
JohnW.7 (Henry H6, Joel5, William4, Daniel3, Thomas2, Thomas1) Kidd  
Born abt. 1827, Caroline County, Virginia  
Died Nov. 1865, Caroline County, Virginia**

1846-1850 – A **John W. Kidd** appears first on the Caroline Co VA PPTLs in 1846, and continues to be listed annually through 1850, drops from the list in 1851 and 1852, and reappears in 1853.

Year	Taxpayer	WMT	B>16	B 12-16	H	COMMENTS
1846	John W. Kidd	1	0	0	0	
1847	John W. Kidd	1	0	0	0	
1848	John W. Kidd	1	0	0	0	
1849	John W. Kidd	1	0	0	0	Carry-all (\$50); patent lever watch
1850	John W. Kidd	1	0	0	0	1 patent lever watch
1851-1852	Not listed					
1853	John W. Kidd	1	0	0	0	1 watch (\$15)

1850 – on federal census in Caroline Co., VA, p. 314A, HH 1415/1417:  
 Kidd, Henry 50MW farmer \$1350 (birthplaces blank for entire page)  
 " , Maria A. 48FW  
 " , Wm. J. 25MW teacher  
 " , **John W.** 23MW book agent  
 " , Mary F. 17FW attended school within the year  
 " , Benjamin F. 15MW attended school within the year  
 " , Henry G. (or Y) (Harry Slaughter) 12MW attended school within the year  
 " , Mana L. (Maria Louisa) 9FW attended school within the year

<sup>239</sup> Virginia Deaths & Burials Index, 1852-1917, at Ancestry.com gives his date of death, and names his parents.

" , Betty 3FW  
Bullock, Alice F. 53FW (no occupation listed)

1862 – **John W. Kidd** was a non-commissioned officer, along with John W. Broaddus, in Co. B, "Caroline's Light Dragoons," 9<sup>th</sup> VA Cavalry. B.W., H.S. and B.F. Kidd were privates in this unit during the Civil War. B.W. was killed or died in service.<sup>240</sup> This B.W. was Burton W. Kidd, the son of Thomas D. Kidd.

1865 – **John W. Kidd** died in November 1865 at the age of 36. His death record names his parents as Henry and Maria Kidd.<sup>241</sup>

The Library of Virginia has a collection of letters and other papers, 1848-1898 in their Archives and Manuscripts department (Accession 35050) for this family. See their catalog online for more details.

**LAVINIA KIDD**, the widow of **John Kidd (son of Joel Kidd)** who was dead by Nov. 1827.  
See this **John's** section in this paper.

1836 – Hay Saunders of Caroline Co. married "**Lavinia Kidd, a widow**," according to a marriage bond dated 27 April 1836, Charles A. Holloway, surety. Hay Saunders was the son of Richard Saunders of Caroline Co., whose will was written in 1815 and admitted to court in 1816.<sup>242</sup>

1850 – She is found living with her second husband in Caroline Co., VA  
Saunders, Hay B 49WM Farmer \$3438 real estate  
“ , **Lavinia** WF 40  
“ , Martha 12WF attended school within the year  
“ , Mary C. 8FW attended school within the year  
“ , Hay B 3WM  
“ , Malinda 50WF

1860 – continues to be found on the federal census with her husband and children.  
We have not made an effort to trace her further.

**LEWIS T. KIDD**, the son of Henry and Maria Bullock Kidd.  
**Lewis T.7 (Henry H6, Joel5, William4, Daniel3, Thomas2, Thomas1) Kidd**  
**Born 3 March 1823 in Caroline County, Virginia**  
**Never married, to our knowledge**  
**A schoolteacher and later a farmer**  
**Died 21 July 1896; buried in Greenlawn cemetery at Bowling Green in Caroline Co VA.**<sup>243</sup>

1843-1850 – **Lewis T. Kidd** first appears on the Caroline Co., VA PPTLs in 1843, and appears annually thereafter through 1850, then is found in K&Q Co.

<sup>240</sup> *A History of Caroline County, Virginia; from its formation in 1727 to 1924*, by Marshall Wingfield, Regional Publishing Company, 1969, p. 243.

<sup>241</sup> Virginia Deaths & Burials Index, 1852-1917, at Ancestry.com gives his date of death, and names his parents.

<sup>242</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records Will Book 1793-1897, Will and Plat Book 1742-1840 and Will Book 19 1814-1818*, by Kimberley Curtis Campbell, 1998, p. 30.

<sup>243</sup> Findagrave.com: <http://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=gr&GSln=Kidd&GSiman=1&GScid=50449&GRid=5576893&>

Year	Taxpayer	WMT	B>16	B 12-16	H	COMMENTS
1843	Lewis T. Kidd	1	0	0	1	
1844	Lewis T. Kidd	1	0	0	1	
1845	Lewis T. Kidd	1	0	0	1	
1846	Lewis T. Kidd	1	0	0	1	Patent lever or lepine silver watch
1847	Lewis T. Kidd	1	0	0	1	
1848	Lewis T. Kidd	1	0	0	1	
1849	Lewis T. Kidd	1	0	0	0	1 patent lever watch
1850	Lewis T. Kidd	1	0	0	0	1 patent lever watch
1851	Falls from lists					

1850 – on federal census in Caroline Co., VA, p. 271A, HH 738/739, evidently a boarder:

Puller, Richard A. 23MW Farmer \$800 VA

" , Sarah A. 16FW VA

" , Genevieve F. 6/12FW (birthplaces blank for entire page, after Richard, on first line)

" , Catherine 60FW (no occupation listed)

Broaddus, Harvey N. 12MW

**Kidd, Lewis T.** (or F.) 27MW teacher

Broaddus, Eugene L. 10MW

Puller, James E. 16MW Student

1851, 1853-1855 – In each of these years, a **Lewis T. Kidd** appears on the annual K&Q PPTLs, taxed only for himself.

1853-1860 – Lewis T. Kidd first appears on the K&Q LTLs in 1853, taxed upon 1 acre 28 miles NW of the Courthouse. The description of his land states "New Town," and he acquired it by deed from "B\_\_ Gresham" in the prior few months.

This entry repeats annually through 1860, and in that year, his residence is listed as "South Carolina."

1860 – I have not been able to find him on the federal census in this year.

1861 – according to the K&Q LTL for 1861, Lewis transferred his 1 acre to Benjamin F. Gresham in that year, and he ceases to appear on the K&Q LTLs.

1870 – on federal census in Port Royal twp., Caroline Co., VA, p. 349, Rappahannock Academy, HH 419/433:

Kidd, Wm. 45MW farmer \$1350/275 VA

" , Fannie 38FW housekeeper VA

" , **Lewis** 47MW teacher VA

" , Maria 69FW no occupation VA

Bullock, Alice 72FW no occupation VA

Kidd, Franklin 36MW dentist VA (likely Lewis's brother, Benjamin F.)

" , Louise 30FW at home VA

" , Alice 22FW at home VA  
Rollins, H\_\_\_ 10BM domestic

1880 – on federal census in Port Royal, Caroline Co., VA, ED 23, sheet 26B, HH 283:

**Kidd, Lewis** T. WM 57S Head farmer VA VA VA  
" , William J. WM 55S Brother farmer VA VA VA  
" , Maria L. WF 39S Sister teacher VA VA VA  
" , Alice B. WF 33S Sister at home VA VA VA  
Bullock, Alice T. WF 82S aunt at home VA VA VA  
Beverly, Francis BF 23S servant domestic servant VA VA VA  
" , William H. BM 10/12S Aug. son VA VA VA

1896 – According to his headstone in Greenlawn cemetery in Caroline Co., **Lewis T. Kidd** was born 23 March 1823 and died 21 July 1896.<sup>244</sup> Also buried there are his siblings listed on the 1880 census:

William J. Kidd February 7, 1825 – April 14, 1902  
M. Lou Kidd December 14, 1840 – November 6, 1891  
Bettie Alice Kidd December 29, 1847 – February 25, 1929  
Also buried there is Benjamin F. Kidd (1834-1905)

The Library of Virginia has a collection of letters and other papers, 1848-1898 in their Archives and Manuscripts department (Accession 35050) for this family. See their catalog online for more details.

**LUCY KIDD – the wife of Willis Kidd.**

**Born abt 1779 (age 71 in 1850 and age 80 in 1860) in Virginia  
Married Willis Kidd (date unknown), likely in Caroline County  
Died sometime after the 1860 census.**

1848-1853 – A **Lucy Kidd** first appears on the Caroline Co VA PPTLs in 1848, when she's taxed on 1 white male tithable, 7 slaves (plus 6 ages 12-16, too young to be taxed), 3 horses, a carriage or carry-all, and also on investment income. This is property similar to that of Willis Kidd, whose estate had previously been listed in these annual PPTLs from 1843-1847, and we're confident that she is the widow of this Willis Kidd. (See his section for more details.)

Year	Taxpayer	WMT	B>16	B 12-16	H	COMMENTS
1848	Lucy Kidd	1	6	7	3	Carry-all (\$25), clock & "money on investment."
1849	Lucy Kidd	1	5	5	2	Carry-all (\$25)
1850	Lucy Kidd	1	5	5	2	Carry-all (\$20)
1851	Lucy Kidd	1	4	4	3	1 4-wheel pleasure carriage (\$30)
1852	Lucy Kidd	1	4	4	2	
1853	Lucy Kidd	1	4	5	4	37 cattle, 1 pleasure carriage (\$30)

<sup>244</sup> *Cemeteries of Caroline County, Virginia, Vol. 1 (Public)*, by Herbert Ridgeway Collins, 1994, p. 70.

We have not checked the Caroline Co. PPTLs beyond 1853.

1850 – on 25 February 1850, **Lucy Kidd** gave an affidavit in Caroline Co VA stating that she was the sister of Elizabeth Saunders, the widow of George Saunders, who was applying for her husband's Rev. War pension.<sup>245</sup>

She is also on the 1850 federal census in Caroline Co VA, p. 272, HH 768:

**Kidd, Lucy** 71WF (no occ. listed) \$1236 (birthplace column blank, whole page)

" , Willie A. 35WF " " "

" , Henry 33MW farmer \$(blank)

" , Mary E. 28FW (wife of Henry)

Next door is Lucy's son Thomas M. Kidd and his family.

1860 – On the federal census in Caroline County, Virginia, Sparta P.O., page 93, HH 702:

**Lucy Kidd** 80FW Farmer \$3000 real estate, \$10,000 personal estate VA

Willie A. " 49FW VA

Bettie M. Wharton 17FW VA (could Betty be Lucy's grand-daughter??)

Two doors away (HH 700) is her son, Henry Willis Kidd and his family. And two doors in the other direction (HH 704) is the family of Travis Bagby and his wife Mary Ann (Kidd) Bagby. Mary Ann was the daughter of John Kidd (~1768 – 1839); he was the son of William Kidd of Caroline County and the brother of Lucy's husband, Willis Kidd.

#### **THE CHILDREN OF WILLIS KIDD AND HIS WIFE, LUCY \_\_\_\_**

1. [Joel H. Kidd](#) (~1807 – bef. 15 January 1955)
2. Willie Ann Kidd (~1812 – aft. 1880)
3. [Henry Willis Kidd](#) (1814 – aft. 1880)
4. [Thomas M. Kidd](#) (~1817 – 1881)
5. Mary E. Kidd (~1821 – aft. 1860)

#### **LUCY KIDD, wife of Matthew Hundley and daughter of Thomas Kidd Born by 1783 (see below). Died after 1850.**

Since she was not a minor in 1804 (see below), she was born by 1783, and perhaps earlier.

1804 – Hundley, Matthew and **Lucey Kidd**, dau of Thomas Kidd, 31 Jan. 1804. Security & witness, Willis Kidd.<sup>246</sup> A second source gives another marriage date of 17 January 1805.<sup>247</sup>

1804 – a Thomas Kidd evidently died in late 1803 or early 1804, as his Estate is listed on the 1804 Caroline Co. PPTL, taken in the spring of that year.

In December of 1804, in a Chancery Court suit, records show that Thomas's widow,

<sup>245</sup> from Rev. War Pension Records on Fold3.com, searching only the pension applications for Kidd citations.

<sup>246</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 225.

<sup>247</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Marriage Bonds, 1787-1852*, by Joel Ricks, 1937, p. 67. This source cites both dates, with this later record listing the minister as R. Broadus. Was one of these a typo, or mis-entry by the minister? Or did her father's death delay this marriage? We don't know.

Elizabeth Kidd was the administratrix of her husband's estate, and Thomas Hundley, possibly the father-in-law of Thomas and Elizabeth's daughter, **Lucy Kidd**, was his administrator. The Court ordered that Elizabeth receive one-third of the lands and slaves of the intestate Thomas Kidd, deceased; **Matthew Hundley and his wife Lucy** received one-third, and the other third went to William Kidd, "infant son of Thomas Kidd, deceased, by his guardian [who is not named in this record]."<sup>248</sup>

1828 – Will of Matthew Hundley dated 15 Dec 1828. Recorded 9 Mar 1929. Sons William Kidd Hundley and John Waller Hundley allotted \$300 each “to educate him”. Remainder of estate divided as by law for intestates [not sure what this means, but this is wording of Weisinger’s abstract]. **Executrix: wife Lucy**. Witnesses: George N. Hopkins, Richard F. Ship, Sarah Hundley. Signed Matthew Hundley. <sup>249</sup>

1850 – she’s said in one book<sup>250</sup> to have been in the household of her son Albert S. Hundley on the federal census in Caroline County, but this is not recorded in the census and is unproven.

**MARGARET ELIZABETH KIDD POLLARD, the daughter of William Kidd Jr. and his wife Harriet M. Wright, born 1830. Her family Bible (see footnotes below) lists important dates for her parents and her siblings.**

1830 – Born 26 August 1830 in VA, from her headstone in Edge Hill cemetery in Caroline Co., and also from the Kidd-Pollard Family Bible (see [Appendix Five](#) for details).

1857 – She married Leonidas C. Pollard on 28 October 1857.<sup>251,252</sup>

1858 – At a Circuit Court held for Caroline County on 1 March 1858, the suit of Thomas D. Kidd and others, Plaintiffs, against Harriet M. Kidd, Burton B. Kidd, and Robert H. Kidd, Defendants was heard. The Court appointed Burton B. Kidd *guardian ad litem* of Robert H. Kidd, a lunatic, to defend him in this suit.<sup>253</sup>

On the same day, the following Chancery Cause was heard in Caroline County Court: Thomas D. Kidd, William B. Kidd, **Maria L. Kidd** and Leonidas C. Pollard and Margaret his wife, Plaintiffs, against Harriet M. Kidd, Burton B. Kidd and Robert H. Kidd by Burton B. Kidd, his guardian, Defendants -

After hearing the bill and the answers, the Court appointed Robert Hudgin a commissioner, to sell at public auction “two tracts of land, one called “Hedge Hill” and the other “Waldens” and (also) a lot of woodland of 40 acres”...and to pay to the plaintiffs and to defendant

<sup>248</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 61.

<sup>249</sup> *Burned County Data 1809-1848 As Found in the Virginia Contested Election Files*, by Benjamin B. Weisinger III, 1986, Caroline County, p. 75.

<sup>250</sup> *Cemeteries of Caroline County, Virginia, Vol. 3 (Private Cemeteries)*, by Herbert Ridgeway Collins, 1994-1998, p. 110.

<sup>251</sup> A marriage announcement for them appeared in the Fredericksburg News on 6 August 1857; on the same date, the marriage announcement of John Boulware Kidd and Ann Roberta Tompkins, his first wife, appeared. We've not seen the announcement, only this citation.

<sup>252</sup> Her family Bible record lists this date for her marriage. See <http://image.lva.virginia.gov/Bible/25103/index.html> Bible Record Image

<sup>253</sup> Caroline County Order Book 1842-1866, page 276, retrieved from FHL #30856 (restricted access – FHCs only), image 451. Digital image available upon request.

Burton B. Kidd each one-sixth of the proceeds. (The final one-sixth, belonging to Robert H. was apparently set aside for his benefit, to his guardian.)<sup>254</sup>

1863 – Died 10 Sept 1863, according to her headstone in Edge Hill cemetery. She was the wife of Leonidas C. Pollard (1831-1902).<sup>255</sup>

A family Bible said to belong to Margaret is catalogued as the Kidd-Pollard Family Bible by the Library of Virginia and lists the dates of death for her and her husband.<sup>256</sup> A transcription of the genealogical information from that Bible can be seen in [Appendix Five](#) of this document.

**MARIA LOUISA KIDD, the daughter of William Kidd and Harriet M. Wright**

**Born 22 April 1827 in Caroline County**

**Never married**

**Died 14 January 1904 in Caroline County**

1858 – At a Circuit Court held for Caroline County on 1 March 1858, the suit of Thomas D. Kidd and others, Plaintiffs, against Harriet M. Kidd, Burton B. Kidd, and Robert H. Kidd, Defendants was heard. The Court appointed Burton B. Kidd *guardian ad litem* of Robert H. Kidd, a lunatic, to defend him in this suit.<sup>257</sup>

On the same day, the following Chancery Cause was heard in Caroline County Court: Thomas D. Kidd, William B. Kidd, **Maria L. Kidd** and Leonidas C. Pollard and Margaret his wife, Plaintiffs, against Harriet M. Kidd, Burton B. Kidd and Robert H. Kidd by Burton B. Kidd, his guardian, Defendants -

After hearing the bill and the answers, the Court appointed Robert Hudgin a commissioner, to sell at public auction “two tracts of land, one called “Hedge Hill” and the other “Waldens” and (also) a lot of woodland of 40 acres”...and to pay to the plaintiffs and to defendant Burton B. Kidd each one-sixth of the proceeds. (The final one-sixth, belonging to Robert H. was apparently set aside for his benefit, to his guardian.)<sup>258</sup>

**MARY HALBERT<sup>259</sup> KIDD, the widow of William Kidd who died in 1802 in Caroline Co.**

She was the granddaughter of Thomas Cocke of Essex Co VA, based on an Essex Co deed record.<sup>260</sup> Other Essex Co records indicate that she was the daughter of Joel Halbert and his wife, Mary Biswell.

<sup>254</sup> Caroline County Order Book, 1842-1866, pages 276-277, retrieved from FHL #30856, item two (restricted access – FHCs only), images 451-452. Digital images available upon request.

<sup>255</sup> <http://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=gsr&GSln=Kidd&GSiman=1&GScid=2435892&>

<sup>256</sup> <http://image.lva.virginia.gov/Bible/25103/index.html>

<sup>257</sup> Caroline County Order Book 1842-1866, page 276, retrieved from FHL #30856 (restricted access – FHCs only), image 451. Digital image available upon request.

<sup>258</sup> Caroline County Order Book, 1842-1866, pages 276-277, retrieved from FHL #30856, item two (restricted access – FHCs only), images 451-452. Digital images available upon request.

<sup>259</sup> Her maiden name of Halbert is well documented, but the explanation is convoluted. See her entry in our online tree for full details, or contact the authors.

<sup>260</sup> Essex Co DB 29, p 45, William and Mary Kidd, **Essex, K&Q, and Caroline Cos.** 21 Sept 1760: William and wife Mary of K&Q to Thos Faver of Essex, 1/2 interest in estate of John Cocke dcd, grandfather of said Mary Kidd and her sister Sarah Charles, who owns the other 1/2 interest, which previously had been sold to Theophilus Faver,

1802 – **Mary**, the wife of William Kidd, is named in William Kidd's will, proved in court in 1802 (see [Appendix Six](#) of this document), and in his subsequent estate records.<sup>261</sup>

In these Caroline Co Chancery records, William Kidd's family stated in court that he died intestate. However, the County Court records show that William Kidd's will was produced, introduced in Court, and ordered to be recorded.<sup>262</sup> These chancery records show that William left a widow, **Mary Kidd**, and eleven children: James, Elizabeth (who married Edwin Motley), Fanny (who married Washington Jones), John, Edmund, Joel, William, Philip, Walker, and Polly, plus one grandson, Henry Kidd, the only child of William Kidd, deceased. Walker, Henry and Polly are infants at the time of this record, and Thomas and Philip are administrators of this William's estate.<sup>263</sup> (See William's section in this paper for a transcript of his will and more details of the Chancery cause.)

1803 – February Court 1803. The division of the estate of William Kidd was recorded, naming his widow, **Mary**, and their surviving children: James, Philip, Henry, Thomas Willis, Edmund, John, Fanny (the wife of Washington Jones), Walker, Joel, Polly, and Elizabeth (wife of Edwin Motley).<sup>264, 265</sup>

1803-1809 – **Mary Kidd** (the widow of William Sr.) appears annually on the Caroline Co **PPTLs**, starting in 1803 and continuing through 1809. Each year she's taxed for no WM tithes, 4-6 slaves, 1-3 horses, and 1 chair carriage (See William Kidd Sr.'s section of this paper for their PPTL listings).

1804-1810 – the Caroline Co VA **Land Tax List** for 1804 shows that William's widow, Mary, received 165 acres of land from his estate. She appears on the subsequent LTLs for Caroline Co. through 1810, taxed on this land.

1811 – the **LTL** for 1811 shows that in the prior 12 months, she transferred her 165 acres to her son, Willis Kidd.

We are not sure what this means. According to William's will, his land was to be divided equally among his children following the death of Mary, or her remarriage. But since the will was set aside, that provision would not have been valid. Perhaps she has died or remarried; we just do not know at this point.

### **MARY ANN KIDD – daughter of John<sup>3</sup> Kidd and his wife Ann (maiden name unknown) Born 3 November 1809 in Caroline Co., VA**

father of said Thomas Faver. This deed to fulfill obligations of bond in the first sale. No witnesses [William, d 1803, and wife Mary Kidd of Caroline Co VA.

<sup>261</sup> Library of Virginia on-line Chancery records, Caroline Co., VA case 1812-014, 20 images: [http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=033-1812-014](http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=033-1812-014)

<sup>262</sup> His will somehow survived and can be found in Caroline County (VA) Wills 1742,1762-1830 and Plats 1777-1840 (Library of Virginia Reel 7, pages 66-67) at the Library of Virginia. A plat map of the subdivision of his property among his heirs is found on the same microfilm reel, pages 131-132. Photocopies of each are available from the authors of this paper.

<sup>263</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 82.

<sup>264</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, pp. 23-24

<sup>265</sup> Caroline County Order Book, 1802-1804, page 130-134, retrieved from FHL #1887726 (restricted access, FHCs only), images 336-338. Digital images available upon request.

Married Travis Bagby in Caroline Co. on 28 January 1834  
Died 17 October 1874 in Caroline Co.  
Named in her father's 1839 Caroline Co. will.  
Many records for her and her descendants, most prominent of which is the Bagby family Bible.<sup>266</sup>

**MOSES3 KIDD**, son of William and Margaret Kidd of Middlesex County, Virginia  
Moses3 (William2, Thomas1) Kidd  
Baptized 30 Mar 1707 in MSX Co VA  
Married Dorothy [maiden name unknown].  
One known daughter, Martha, born 7 May 1739 and baptized 4 June 1739 in Middlesex Christ Church Parish.  
One known son (name not given), named as chaincarrier with Moses ["Moses and son"] in a 1752 King & Queen Co record (see below).

Moses Kidd left Middlesex Co in the years following his parents' 1727 deaths, traveling in the same timeframe and direction as several of his siblings.  
Moses is the first Kidd found in the records of Caroline County, preceding his siblings James (1741), Duel (1743), Aaron (1747) and John (1751).  
A smattering of records for Moses have been found in Caroline and King & Queen Counties, and all known mentions of him are included here.

No proven current living descendants have been found as of January 2020.

1707 – **Moses Kidd** was baptized 30 Mar 1707 in **MSX Co., VA** as the son of William and Margaret Kidd.<sup>267</sup>

1733/4 – At a **Caroline County** court held 14 Mar 1733/4: Thomas Carr acknowledged his deeds of lease and release of land indented to **Moses Kidd**.<sup>268</sup>

On the same court date—14 Mar 1733/4—the will of Michael Nailing is presented to the court by Rebecca Nailing and Robert Fleming, Gent. **Moses Kidd** and John Scott witnesses.<sup>269</sup>

1737 – At a **Caroline County** court held 13 May 1737: **Moses Kid** (sic) acknowledged his deeds of lease and release of land indented to William Ballard. [deed of lease and release is fee simple].<sup>270</sup>

<sup>266</sup> Bagby Family Bible (1750-1860), Virginia Historical Society Acc. Mss6:4 B1465:1. A transcription of this bible is found in *Bible records of Caroline County, Virginia families*, by Herbert Ridgeway Collins, Heritage Books, Westminster, MD, 2008, pp. 10-ff. A [card index](http://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/1932510) for this (and many other Virginia family Bibles) is available at [www.familysearch.org/search/collection/1932510](http://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/1932510)

<sup>267</sup> *Christ Church Parish Register*, p. 289.

<sup>268</sup> *Caroline Co. VA Order Book part 1, 1732-1734/5*, abstracted and compiled by John Frederick Dorman, Washington, DC, 1965, pp. 129.

<sup>269</sup> *Caroline County VA Order Book 1732-1740*, pp. 131.

<sup>270</sup> *Ibid*, p. 415.

- 1738 – Moses also had at least one son, whose name is unknown, but who likely was born by 1738. This son presumably was at least 14 when he was identified in a 1752 King and Queen Co VA record that named **Moses Kidd** “and son” as chain carriers (see 1752, below).
- 1739 – **Moses** and wife Dorothy had at least one child named in the CCP Register, named Martha, born 7 May 1739 and baptized 4 June 1739.<sup>271</sup>
- 1747 - From a small hand-made book, a rent book of William Beverley of Blandfield, containing the names of 119 tenants on his various estates. Rents were paid principally in tobacco or wool. The book is marked “Rents due on the 27<sup>th</sup> of Nov. 1747. Among the tenants at “Beverley Park” in **K&Q Co.** was **Moses Kidd**.<sup>272</sup>
- 1750-1751 – a **Moses Kidd** has three separate entries in Merchants' Ledgers of **K&Q Co.** during this time span.<sup>273</sup> One of them indicates that he was charged for "one Parish levy."
- 1752 – The 1752 Account Book of William Beverley, the very wealthy landowner in K&Q County cited above, contained one more mention of Moses Kidd and his son (who was not named): “**Moses Kidd**, resident tenant of Beverley Park, **King & Queen Co VA**: to this year's rent of 574 pounds, credit issued in 1753 for services: "by yourself & son carrying [th]e [surveyors] chain in ful[ly] 574 [lbs]".<sup>274</sup>

## **WE HAVE FOUND NO FURTHER RECORDS FOR THIS MOSES KIDD.**

### **PHILIP KIDD – the son of William Kidd Sr. of Caroline Co.**

**Philip<sup>5</sup> (William<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) Kidd**

**Born abt 1778<sup>275</sup> in Caroline County**

**Married Ann/Nancy Conner on 8 November 1803 in Caroline County**

**Moved to Fayette Co KY circa 1806**

**May have married a second time, but no records to support this have been found  
died after the 1840 federal census, likely in Fayette Co., KY**

### **At least one descendant of Philip Kidd is a participant in the Kidd Y-DNA Study.**

- 1802 – **Philip Kidd** is named in his father, William Kidd's will, proved in court in 1802 (see [Appendix Six](#) of this document), and in his subsequent estate records.<sup>276</sup>  
According to those Caroline Co Chancery records, William Kidd's family stated in court that

<sup>271</sup> *Christ Church Parish Register*, p. 134.

<sup>272</sup> *Virginia Colonial abstracts*, volume 4, by Beverley Fleet, p. 93.

<sup>273</sup> Book A, p 81, Book B p 8, Book C, p 104, from Sandra Kidd.

<sup>274</sup> “Account Book of William Beverley, 1752,” transcribed by John M. Weisner, citing page 20 of the account book, appearing in *Virginia Genealogical Society Quarterly*, vol. 41, pages 5-17. This mention is on page 11 of this volume. See also *Virginia Genealogical Society Quarterly*, vol. 41, pages 193, which corrected an omission in the earlier article.

<sup>275</sup> This approximate year of his birth is calculated from his age on each of the censuses 1810-1840. In 1810 he was age 26-44, so born between 1766 and 1784; in 1820 he was again listed as age 26-44, so born between **1776** and 1794; in 1830, he was 50-59, so born between 1771-**1780**; and in 1840 he was 60-69, so again born bet. 1771-**1780**. Assuming all these to be accurate or at least close, he was born between 1776 and 1780, so we split the difference.

<sup>276</sup> Library of Virginia on-line Chancery records, Caroline Co., VA case 1812-014, 20 images:  
[http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=033-1812-014](http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=033-1812-014)

he died intestate. However, William Kidd's will was produced, introduced in Court, and ordered to be recorded.<sup>277</sup>

The 1802 chancery records show that William left a widow, Mary Kidd, and eleven children: James, Elizabeth (who married Edwin Motley), Fanny (who married Washington Jones), John, Edmund, Joel, William, **Philip**, Walker, and Polly, plus one grandson, Henry Kidd, the only child of William Kidd, deceased. Walker, Henry and Polly are infants at the time of this record, and Thomas and **Philip** are administrators of this William's estate.<sup>278</sup> (See William's section in this paper for a transcript of his will and more details of the Chancery cause.)

In a Court held for Caroline County in November 1802, Thomas Kidd and **Philip Kidd** were granted a bond for the administration of the estate of William Kidd, dec'd.<sup>279</sup>

1803 – February Court 1803, the division of the estate of William Kidd was recorded, naming his widow, Mary, and their surviving children: James, **Philip**, Henry, Thomas Willis, Edmund, John, Fanny (the wife of Washington Jones), Walker, Joel, Polly, and Elizabeth (wife of Edwin Motley).<sup>280, 281</sup>

In a Court held for Caroline County in March of 1803, **Philip Kidd** was appointed guardian to Polly Kidd, orphan of William Kidd, dec'd.<sup>282</sup>

**Philip Kidd** married Ann Connor on 8 November 1803. Security and witnesses were Willis Kidd, Edmund Kidd and Walker Kidd.<sup>283</sup>

In a Court held for Caroline County in December 1803, **Philip Kidd** was appointed processioneer in the room & precinct of Robert Wright, removed.<sup>284</sup>

In a Court held for Caroline County in December 1803, the Caroline County will of

<sup>277</sup> His will somehow survived and can be found in Caroline County (VA) Wills 1742,1762-1830 and Plats 1777-1840 (Library of Virginia Reel 7, pages 66-67) at the Library of Virginia. A plat map of the subdivision of his property among his heirs is found on the same microfilm reel, pages 131-132. Photocopies of each are available from the authors of this paper.

<sup>278</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 82.

<sup>279</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, p. 20.

<sup>280</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, pp. 23-24

<sup>281</sup> Caroline County Order Book, 1802-1804, page 130-134, retrieved from FHL #1887726 (restricted access, FHCs only), images 336-338. Digital images available upon request.

<sup>282</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, p. 49.

<sup>283</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 227, citing "Pt. 1, p. 4."

<sup>284</sup> Caroline County Order Book 1802-1804, page 352, retrieved from FHL #1877726 (restricted access – FHCs only), page 352 (image 444). Copy available upon request.

Washington Jones was proved by the oaths of two of the witnesses, Willis Kidd and **Philip Kidd**. Letters of administration were granted to Fanny (Kidd) Jones.<sup>285</sup>

1803-1804 – **Philip Kidd** appears on the Caroline Co VA PPTLs in 1803 and 1804, after which he doesn't appear again through 1855. Kentucky tax records (below) show he moved to Fayette Co KY by 1807.

Year	Taxpayer	WMT	B>16	B 12-16	H	COMMENTS
1803	Philip Kidd	1	0	0	1	
1804	Philip Kidd	1	2	0	2	
1805	Drops from PPTLs					

1804 – 1804 Caroline Co. **Land Tax List** alterations show that **Philip** received 26 acres of land from his father William Kidd's estate.

1804 – John Smithers married Polley (sic) Kidd on 6 September 1804 in Caroline Co. **Philip Kidd** is named in this record as the guardian of Polley.<sup>286</sup> Security and witnesses for this marriage were Walker Kidd and Joel Kidd.<sup>287</sup>

1805 – the Caroline Co. LTL for 1805 shows that in the prior twelve months, both **Philip** and his brother, Edmund Kidd sold their 26-acre shares of their father's estate to Jacob Moore. Then both men disappear from Caroline Co., VA records, moving to Fayette Co KY.

1807-1827 – Starting in 1807, **Philip (often spelled Phillip) Kidd** appears on the annual tax lists in Fayette Co KY through 1827, the last year of these records that we've checked as of August 2017. Some entries show that he owned land at one time in Christian Co KY. The 1822 tax list for KY had a column for “number of children between 4 and 14 years of age,” this one year only. Philip’s entry listed five such children.

1810 – on federal census in Fayette Co KY, p. 34:  
**Philip Kidd** 2M<10 & 1 26-44; 1F<10, 1 26-44 and 1 45 and over; 8 slaves.  
 (the identity of the older woman is not known)

1812 – In a Chancery Court case in Spotsylvania Co VA dated 1 June 1812, Conner vs. Conner, Edmund Kidd, Frances (Connor) Kidd, **Philip Kidd and Nancy (Connor) Kidd** are named. Frances and Nancy were the daughters of James Connor, deceased, and sisters of Rice Connor, deceased.<sup>288</sup>

<sup>285</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, p. 31. Image retrieved from FHL #1877726 (restricted access – FHCs only), page 355. Copy available upon request.

<sup>286</sup> This Mary/Polly is most likely Philip’s younger sister, still a minor at the time of this marriage; he’s the logical choice, given that their father has recently died.

<sup>287</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 237, citing "Pt. 1, p. 9."

<sup>288</sup> *The Virginia Genealogist* 42:308, 1998

1820 – on the 1820 federal census in Fayette Co KY, page (misindexed at Ancestry as FIDEL!)  
Ancestry image 29/55, line 16:

**Philip Kidd** 3M<10, 2 10-15, 1 26-44; 2F<10, 2 10-15, 1 26-44; 6 slaves.

Two houses away (line 18) is

Alexander Kidd 1M over 45; 5 slaves.

We do not know the identity of this Alexander Kidd.

1822 – 9 December 1822 in Caroline Court, a deed from **Philip Kidd & William Kidd** to Willis Kidd, proved by John Kidd and Thomas Dew, two of the witnesses thereto, and ordered to be recorded.<sup>289</sup>

1830 – on the 1830 federal census in Fayette Co., KY, p. 355

Frances Kidd 1M 10-14, 2 20-29; 1F 5-9, 1 10-14, 1 15-19, 1 20-29, 1 40-49; 1 female slave, over 55 years of age. (This is most likely the widow of Edmond Kidd, Philip's brother)  
p. 299

Walker Kidd 2M 5-9, 1 10-14, 1 30-39; 1F<5, 1 5-9, 1 10-14, 2 15-19 (his wife has died); 6 slaves.

On the 1830 federal census in Lexington, Fayette Co., KY, p. 273:

**Philip Kidd** 2M 10-14, 1 15-19, 1 20-29, & 1 50-59; 1F 10-14, 1 15-19, 1 50-59; 5 slaves.

1840 – On the 1840 federal census in the eastern division of Fayette Co KY, p. 137 (images 7-8/51 at Ancestry):

Kidd, Walker 1M 10-14, 1 15-19 & 1 50-59; 1F 10-14 & 1 15-19; 12 slaves.

Philip Kidd in the same district of Fayette Co KY (page illegible, but in 140s, images 31-32 of 51 at Ancestry):

**Kidd, Philip** 1M 20-29, 1 60-69; 1F 20-29, 1 60-69; 4 slaves.

We have found no further records for this Philip Kidd, and do not know exactly when or where he died, or is buried.

**PHILLIP KIDD, likely recorded in error as son of James Kidd and grandson of William Kidd Sr., see below**

William Kidd's Sr.'s will, written in 1801 and recorded in 1802, names the two sons of James Kidd (the son of William Sr.) as "William and Philip." However, at the time of the first distribution of William Kidd Sr.'s estate (February 1806), the two surviving sons of James Kidd were William and Thomas (not Philip).

We suspect that the transcription of this will is in error, and there was no Philip, son of James. However, the copy we have of William Kidd Sr.'s will appears to bear his signature (different handwriting from that in the rest of the document, suggesting that it is indeed the original will).

An alternative explanation is that between the writing of William's will in 1801 and the Chancery court record of 1806, James' son Philip died, and son Thomas was born. Either is possible, and we have no way of proving either explanation. What IS clear is that James Kidd's two **surviving** sons

<sup>289</sup> Caroline County Order Book, 1822-1824, page 101, reviewed on FHL #30843, item 2, image 332.

were William and Thomas Kidd, because each of them is explicitly named in Caroline County Court records and in the Caroline Chancery Court Case as well.

**POLLY KIDD, the daughter of William Kidd Sr. of Caroline Co**

**Born after 1787, given that she is still a minor child in 1808.**

**Married John Smither/Smithers in 1804 in Caroline County.**

1802 – **Polly** is named in her father, William Kidd's will, proved in court in 1802 (see Appendix Six of this document), and in his subsequent estate records.<sup>290</sup>

1803 – In a Court held for Caroline County in March of 1803, Philip Kidd was appointed guardian to **Polly Kidd**, orphan of William Kidd, dec'd.<sup>291</sup>

1804 – In 1804, Polly and her siblings each received 26 acres from the estate of her father, William Kidd, who died by 1802 in Caroline Co.

1804 – John Smithers married **Polley Kidd** on 6 September 1804 in Caroline Co. Philip Kidd is named in this record as the guardian of Polley. Security and witnesses for this marriage were Walker Kidd and Joel Kidd.<sup>292</sup>

1805-1823 – the Caroline Co Land Tax List of 1805 names "**Polley Kidd**", taxed on the 26 acres she received from her father's estate. This listing recurs annually (with her name spelled variously) through 1821, with her land variously described as 18 miles E of the courthouse, first adj. to Mrs. Jones, and later to Willis Kidd (her brother).

In 1822 or 1823, she transferred (sold) this land to Joseph Vaughn, and disappears from the annual LTLs.

1808 – Walker Kidd, **Polly Kid** and Henry Kidd, infants, answer the complaint of Mary Kidd & others against them in Kidd vs Kidd.<sup>293</sup>

1815 – A listing of the land holdings for all landowners in Caroline Co. for this year includes one for **Polly Kidd**; it was 18 miles east of the Courthouse.<sup>294</sup>

**POLLY KIDD, daughter of Joel and Sally Saunders Kidd**

1826 – 11 September 1826. Sarah Kidd, Henry Kidd and Washington Kidd are bound to the Caroline Co Court in the amount of \$1500 for Sarah Kidd's guardianship of **Polly**, Eleanor

<sup>290</sup> Library of Virginia on-line Chancery records, Caroline Co., VA case 1812-014, 20 images:

[http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=033-1812-014](http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=033-1812-014)

<sup>291</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, p. 49.

<sup>292</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 237, citing "Pt. 1, p. 9."

<sup>293</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 167.

<sup>294</sup> *1815 Virginia Landowners*, vol. 3.

and Frances Kidd, orphans of Joel Kidd, deceased. Sarah signed with an X; Henry and Washington signed their names.<sup>295 296</sup>

1827 – A Chancery Court record dated November 1827 records a suit by Henry Kidd, one of the sons of Joel and Sarah Kidd, against his mother, Sarah, the administratrix of Joel Kidd, and Robert Holloway, the administrator of Joel Kidd and the guardian of his daughter-in-law Lavinia Kidd (widow of John Kidd), and against his other siblings (it appears that he's trying to get his father's estate settled).

The Court ordered that Sally (Sarah) Kidd receive one-third part of the estate as her dower, and the remainder of the estate to be divided into 6 equal parts for Washington Kidd, **Polly Kidd**, Ellen Kidd, Frances Kidd (the other two parts were 'reserved', without explanation; these two moieties were for Henry and John Kidd, the other two children of this couple – see below).

Sally was to receive 162 acres adjoining William Brumley out of the total of 290 acres; this tract was sold 23 Oct. 1826 to her son Washington Kidd. At the time of his death (date not stated), there were six young children: Henry Kidd, John Kidd, Washington Kidd, **Polly Kidd**, Eleanor Kidd and Frances Kidd.

[It's not clear why the two parts reserved for Henry and John Kidd were not distributed at that time. Henry and John were evidently NOT minors, as this suit was brought by Henry Kidd directly, with no representation by his "next friend" or guardian, and by 1827, son John Kidd was deceased, leaving a widow, Lavinia Kidd.]

**ROBERT H. KIDD**, the son of William<sup>4</sup> Kidd (1789-1854) and his wife Harriet M. Wright (1801-1879)

**Robert H.<sup>7</sup> (William<sup>6</sup>, Thomas<sup>5</sup>, William<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) Kidd**

**Born 3 December 1822<sup>297</sup> in Caroline County**

**Apparently never married. Named as a "lunatic" in 1858.**

**Died in 1861 in Caroline County.**

1849, 1850 – appears on the Caroline Co., VA PPTLs these two years, each time taxed just for himself and a watch, but no horse or other property.

1850 – in his father's household on the federal census in Caroline Co., VA, p. 267A, HH 679/680: Kidd, William 61MW farmer (birthplaces blank for entire page)

" , Harriett 49FW

" , **Robert H.** 23MW teacher (birthplaces blank for entire page)

" , Thomas D. 22MW farmer

" , Barton 17MW student

" , Maria 20FW

" , Margaret 15FW

" , Lucy A. 10FW

1851, ff. – doesn't appear on subsequent PPTLs in Caroline Co., through 1853.

<sup>295</sup> *Index to Virginia Estates, 1800-1865, vol. 10*, compiled by Wesley E. Pippenger, published by Virginia Genealogical Society, Richmond VA, 2010, citing Caroline Co Guardian Bonds 1821-1844, p. 105.

<sup>296</sup> *Caroline County Guardian Bonds, 1821-1844*, FHL #30830, item 1, page 105 (microfilm image 66); scanned image of this page in the Caroline Co. Sources folder.

<sup>297</sup> The Kidd-Pollard Family Bible. See [Appendix Five](#) for details.

1858 – At a Circuit Court held for Caroline County on 1 March 1858, the suit of Thomas D. Kidd and others, Plaintiffs, against Harriet M. Kidd, Burton B. Kidd, and **Robert H. Kidd**, Defendants was heard. The Court appointed Burton B. Kidd *guardian ad litem* of **Robert H. Kidd**, a lunatic, to defend him in this suit.<sup>298</sup>

On the same day, the following Chancery Cause was heard in Caroline County Court: Thomas D. Kidd, William B. Kidd, Maria L. Kidd and Leonidas C. Pollard and Margaret his wife, Plaintiffs, against Harriet M. Kidd, Burton B. Kidd and **Robert H. Kidd** by Burton B. Kidd, his guardian, Defendants -

After hearing the bill and the answers, the Court appointed Robert Hudgin a commissioner, to sell at public auction “two tracts of land, one called “Hedge Hill” and the other “Waldens” and (also) a lot of woodland of 40 acres”...and to pay to the plaintiffs and to defendant Burton B. Kidd each one-sixth of the proceeds. (The final one-sixth, belonging to Robert H. was apparently set aside for his benefit, to his guardian.)<sup>299</sup>

1860 - on the federal census in Caroline Co., VA, Kirkwood P.O., page 672, HH 776:

Kidd, Harriet M. 60FW farmer \$5440/20,000 VA (his widowed mother)

" , Thomas D. 30MW farmer \$300/6685 VA

" , **Robert H.** 32MW no occ listed \$300/3,000 VA

" , Maria L. 26FW no occ. Listed \$300/6,000 VA

" , Burton W. 24MW farmer \$5440/4,436 VA

Freeman, James 39MB VA

1861 – **Robert H. Kidd** died 13 May 1861 in Caroline Co., VA. His death record names his parents as William and Harriet M. Kidd.<sup>300</sup> The cause of his death and his marital status are not included in this record. The informant was his mother.

### **SAMUEL KIDD AND SAMUEL KIDD JR. [identities not known]**

1786 – in only this year, a **Samuel Kidd** and a **Samuel Kidd Jr.** each appear on the Caroline Co., VA PPTL: Samuel is wealthy, taxed on 1 WM tithe, 16 slaves, 7 horses, 20 cattle and a 2-wheel carriage, while Samuel Jr. is taxed on 2 WM tithes, 2 slaves and 3 horses.

Both these men are not listed again in Caroline Co. PPTLs through 1853.

In the same year, another wealthy man, a **SECOND William Kidd**, also appears for a single year. This William is taxed for 1 WMT, 6 slaves, 4 horses and 20 cattle. Like the Samuels, he's gone the following year, and does not return.

Although they were wealthy, we do not know who these men were. No land tax records or other records for them have been found in Caroline Co.

### **SARAH/SALLY JONES KIDD, wife of Edmund Kidd (?? – 19 May 1801)**

See Edmund Kidd's section.

<sup>298</sup> Caroline County Order Book 1842-1866, page 276, retrieved from FHL #30856 (restricted access – FHCs only), image 451. Digital image available upon request.

<sup>299</sup> Caroline County Order Book, 1842-1866, pages 277-278, retrieved from FHL #30856, item two (restricted access – FHCs only), images 451-452. Digital images available upon request.

<sup>300</sup> Virginia Deaths and Burials Index, 1853-1917, on Ancestry.com.

1801 – In a Caroline County Chancery Court case, Edwin Gibson & wife vs. Executors of John Hampton, Kidd is one of the surnames listed.<sup>301</sup> The only mention I found in scanning this 27-page record was as follows:  
 a letter by Fanny Abbot to her parents in this file tells of the death of "cousin **Sally KIDD** May 19, 1801." I find no other mention of KIDD here.

**SARAH/SALLY SAUNDERS KIDD, (abt 1777 – aft 1850, Caroline Co., VA) – wife of Joel Kidd (??-ca. 1812)**

She was born abt. 1773, probably in Virginia, and died sometime after the 1850 federal census.

1811-1812 – her husband Joel dies in this interval, and his estate is listed on the 1812 Caroline Co. PPTL.

1815-1828 – She first appears on Caroline Co., VA PPTLs in 1815, the year that her husband's estate ceases to be listed. She then appears annually through 1828, and appears only sporadically thereafter, despite remaining in the county through 1850.

Year	Taxpayer	WMT	B>16	B12-16	H	COMMENTS
1815	Sally Kidd	0	2	0	1	"Widow of Jos." <sup>302</sup>
1816	Sally Kidd	1	0	0	1	A son has turned 16
1817	Sally Kidd	1	2	0	1	
1818	Sally Kidd	2	3	0	1	A 2 <sup>nd</sup> son has turned 16; carriage (\$50)
1819	Sarah Kidd	2	1	0	0	Carriage (\$25)
1820	Sarah Kidd	1	2	0	1	WMT's dropped but no new Kidd on PPTL
1821	Sarah Kidd	-	-	-	1	WMT's not enumerated; 3 slaves over 12
1822	Sarah Kidd	0	2	2	1	
1823	Sarah Kidd	2	2	4	2	
1824	Sarah Kidd	2	2	4	2	1 gig (\$35)
1825	Sarah Kidd	1	2	2	1	(new male, John Kidd) appears – her son?
1826	Sarah Kidd	1	-	-	1	3 slaves over 12
1827	Sarah Kidd	-	-	-	1	"Cap. Wm Kidd" appears (son?); 3 slaves >12
1828	Sarah Kidd	-	-	-	1	No slaves >12

<sup>301</sup> Library of Virginia on-line Chancery records, [http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=033-1806-015](http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=033-1806-015)

<sup>302</sup> We've reviewed this image and it definitely looks like "Jos." and not "Jas." or any other variation. Regardless of what this entry reads as to the name of her deceased husband, she is indeed the widow of Joel. on the 1814 Caroline PPTL for this commissioner, three Kidd households were listed: Willis, William and Joel; in 1816, the three listings for the same district were Willis, William, and Sally Kidd. Retrieved from FHL #30861, Caroline PPTL 1815B, via familysearch.org (restricted access, FHCs only), image 190 of 788 on this reel. Digital image available upon request.

Year	Taxpayer	WMT	B>16	B12-16	H	COMMENTS
1829	Not listed					
1830	Sarah Kidd	0	1	1	0	
1831-1834	Not listed					
1835	Sarah Kidd	0	1	1	0	
1836-1853	Not listed					

1820 – on the 1820 federal census in Caroline Co VA, p. 348 (along with Benjamin, Willis and William Kidd):

**Sarah Kidd:** 1M 10-15 & 2 16-25; 1F<10, 2 10-15, and 1 45 & up, plus 2 slaves.

1826 – Sarah Kidd appears for the first time on the Caroline Co. LTLs in 1826, taxed on 350 acres ("for life") adjacent to J. Holloway, 12 miles NE of the Courthouse. The notation in this entry states "transferred to Sary Kidd from Joel Kidd's Est."

The Table below shows her listings in these LTLs.

Year	NAME	Acres	Description	CH	COMMENTS
1826	Sarah Kidd	350	J. Holloway	12NE	"from Joel Kidd's Est."
1827	Sarah Kidd	222½	J. Holloway	12NE	127½ acres to George Boulware
1828-1829	Sarah Kidd	60	G. Boulware	12NE	No indication of what happened to balance of land
1830	Drops from	LTLs			

1827 – Chancery court records in Caroline Co. in this year show a **Sarah/Sally Kidd** was the wife and widow of Joel Kidd, who died circa 1812, leaving his widow and 6 minor children. See Joel's notes in this paper for details.

1830 – a **Sarah Kidd** reappears on the Caroline Co. PPTL for this year, charged only for 1 slave. She then drops from these annual tax lists until 1835 (see below).

1830 – on federal census in Caroline Co., VA, p. 196, line 23:

**Sarah Kidd:** 00001-00011001 (1M 20-29; 1F 15-19, 1 20-29 & 1 50-59; plus one male slave, 10-23)

Also on this census are Benjamin, Henry, Willis and William Kidd.

1835 – **Sarah Kidd** again appears just this one year on the Caroline Co. PPTL, charged only for one slave. Then she drops from these lists, and doesn't reappear through 1853 (the last year we've checked), despite the census information below.

1837 – On 13 March 1837, John M. D. Collann (or Collawn? See below) sold to **Sally Kidd** for \$100 a tract of 40 acres in Caroline Co. adjoining Taliaferro and Boulware. The deed was acknowledged in court the same day, and ordered to be recorded.<sup>303</sup>

1838 – **Sarah Kidd** appears on the Caroline Co VA Land Tax Lists (LTLs) in 1838, as shown in the Table below. She appears annually after that through 1860, which is consonant with the other items below.

Year	NAME	Acres	Description	CH	COMMENTS
1838	Sally Kidd	40	Ch Taliaferro	10NE	"from John W. (illegible name)
1839	*	*	*	*	Very dark, illegible LTL
1840-1847	Sarah Kidd	40	C. Taliaferro	10NE	
1848-1853	Sarah Kidd	40	Wm A. (or S.) Taliaferro	10NE	
1854-1859	Sarah Kidd	40	Wm A. Callawn	10NE	(Callawn families in Caroline Co.)
1860	Sarah Kidd	40	Wm A. Callawn	10N	
1861	Sarah Kidd	0	(blank)	-	"40 acres to Wm Callawn"
1862	Drops from	LTLs			

1840 – on federal census in Caroline Co., VA, p. 96, line 17:

**Sarah Kidd:** 00001-00002001 (1M 20-29; 2F 20-29 & 1 50-59, plus 1 slave; 5 total, 1 in Mfg & trade)  
Also on this census are Harry H, Willis and William Kidd.

1850 – on federal census in Caroline Co., VA, p. 132, HH 1404/1406:

**Kidd, Sarah** 77FW (no occ. listed) \$125 (birthplaces blank for entire page)  
" , Mary 55FW (no occ. listed) \$0 (birthplaces blank for entire page)

1851 – A marriage bond was obtained in Caroline Co. by William Taylor on 1 September 1851 for his marriage to Ellen Kidd; A. J. Boulware was his security for this bond. They were married on 3 September 1851 by G. W. Trice.

Ellen Kidd was the daughter of Joel and **Sarah/Sally Kidd**, as the following record shows.

1859 – **Sarah/Sally Kidd** died before 29 July 1859, when William Taylor and Eleanor his wife of Spotsylvania Co. sold to Thos. W. Gouldin of the county of Caroline for \$100 their entire interest in and to a certain parcel of forty acres in Caroline Co. on the main road leading from the Rapp[ahannoc]k Academy to Bowling Green and bounded on the N & E by the land of Wm D. Boulware and on the W by the land of Wm. A. Callawn, it being the same lot of land that the **late Mrs. Sally Kidd** died seized and possessed & which she had bought of

<sup>303</sup> Caroline Co. Deed Book 39, 1836-1838, retrieved from FHL #30849 (item 1), image 6. A scan of this deed is available from the authors.

the said. Jno. Callawn...the said parties in this Indenture are lawfully entitled to one half of the above...land (one-fourth of which as the heir at law of the late Mrs. Sally Kidd, Mrs. Eleanor Taylor being her daughter, and one fourth by the will of Miss Mary A. Kidd, which is on record in the Clerk's office of the County Court of Spotsylvania... Both William and Ellen signed this deed with an X, and it was acknowledged and proven in Fredericksburg by their oaths on 30 August 1859, and recorded 20 September 1859.<sup>304</sup>

The deed naming Mary and Ellen as heirs at law is consistent with **Sarah/Sally Kidd** being the widow of Joel Kidd, whose will names her as his wife and their six children as Henry H., Washington Polly/Mary, Frances, Ellen/Eleanor and John Kidd. Further confirmation could include examining the will of Mary A Kidd in Spotsylvania CH.

### **SARAH/SALLY KIDD, wife of Benjamin Kidd**

1823 – 13 October 1823 Court. A certificate of privy examination of **Sarah Kidd**, wife of Benjamin Kidd, parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 27th day of July 1818 to Samuel Laurence was this day produced in court and ordered to be recorded.<sup>305</sup>

1843 – The 1843 Caroline County PPTL included a “List of wills offered for probate and deeds admitted to record from 27 March 1843 to June Court 1843.”

This one-page list included: “Madison H. Jones, Admr of **Sally Kid**” (sic).<sup>306</sup> Elsewhere on this list, ‘Exer’ was used instead of ‘Admr,’ so it is likely that this Sally Kidd died intestate. RK reviewed the 1843 Court Order Book on microfilm<sup>307</sup> to see if more could be learned about this Sally Kidd, and found no mention of this event.

### **SARAH/SALLY KIDD (unreconciled). We are not sure which Sally Kidd is the plaintiff in this 1822 record.**

1822 – On 8 July 1822, several Chancery Causes pertaining to the Taylor family were heard in Caroline County Court. One of these included a **Sally Kidd** as one of the plaintiffs. Below is a transcription of this record:<sup>308</sup>

William Brumley & Mary his wife, formerly  
Mary Taylor, John Taylor & William Taylor, Plaintiffs  
against  
George Taylor, & Thornton & Elizabeth Taylor, infants  
by the said George Taylor, their guardian, Defendants  
AND } In Chancery  
**Sally Kidd**, Plaintiff  
against  
Thornton Taylor, an infant, by William Brumley his guardian,

<sup>304</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia "Lost" Wills, 1667-1853 and Related Records from Other Sources: Volume Four*, by Kimberley Curtis Campbell, Iberian Publishing Co., 2013, p. 109.

<sup>305</sup> Caroline County Order Book, 1822-1824, page 209, reviewed on FHL #30843, item 2, image 440.

<sup>306</sup> A digital image of this page is available upon request, stored in the PPTLs subfolder, since that is where the record appeared.

<sup>307</sup> Caroline County Order Book, 1842-1866, reviewed on FHL #30856, item 2, starting on image 289.

<sup>308</sup> Caroline County Order Book 1822-1824, page 51, retrieved from FHL #30843, item 2, image 282. Scanned image available upon request (stored in the Caroline Co. Order Books subfolder).

and Others, Defendants

These causes this day came on to be heard on the papers formerly read & the reports of the Commissioners made in pursuance of the interlocutory decrees formerly entered in these suits, to which there are no exceptions. Upon consideration whereof, the Court approving of & confirming the said reports, doth decree and order that the same be established & confirmed and the costs be borne equally between the parties.

**THOMAS KIDDs – at least four Thomas Kidds appear in the Caroline Co records:**

1. **Thomas Kidd (bef. 1762 – abt. 1803), son of William Kidd Sr. who died in 1802**
2. **Thomas Kidd, orphan son of James Kidd and grandson of William Kidd Sr. of Caroline Co.**
3. **Thomas D. Kidd, probable son of William Kidd (born circa 1789)**
4. **Thomas M. Kidd, probable son of Willis Kidd**

**THOMAS KIDD – the son of William Kidd Sr. of Caroline Co who died in 1802**

**Thomas<sup>5</sup> (William<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) Kidd**

**Born before 1760, likely in Caroline County<sup>309</sup>**

**Married Elizabeth (surname not proven as Davenport), date unknown**

**Died in late 1803 or early 1804 in Caroline Co., VA.**

**Two known children: Lucy (who married Matthew Hundley) and William (who was a minor at the time of his father's death)**

1781 – 13 December. **Thomas Kidd** is appointed guardian to Rebecca Davenport orphan of Joseph Davenport, dec'd. Bond acknowledged and ordered to be recorded.<sup>310</sup>

1782 – 12 December. An account of **Thomas Kidd's** guardianship of the estate of Rebecca Deavenport (sic) was returned to the Court and ordered to be recorded.<sup>311</sup>

1781-1782 – **Thomas Kidd** was awarded a certificate in Caroline Co. for "collecting and driving beeves for publick use from Sept. 23, 1781 to January 1782, for a total of 32 days, receiving £4.8.0. At the same time, a James Kidd received a similar certificate for 36 days of the same service, and received £5.8.0.<sup>312</sup>

1783 – **Thomas Kidd** was certified in Caroline Co. Court by J. Broaddus for his service collecting beeves, and was awarded £8.<sup>313</sup> (This appears to be a second payment for the service rendered in 1781-82, above.)

11 December. An account of **Thomas Kidd's** guardianship of Rebecca Davenport was returned and ordered to be recorded.<sup>314</sup>

1785 – 10 March. An accounting of **Thomas Kidd's** guardianship of the estate of Rebecca Davenport was returned and ordered to be recorded.<sup>315</sup>

<sup>309</sup> He was born before 1762, since he was appointed the guardian of Rebecca Davenport in 1781 and would have had to be at least twenty-one years old to serve as a guardian. He may have been born several years earlier.

<sup>310</sup> *Order Book abstracts of Caroline Co., VA, 1781-1783*, by Ruth Sparacio, p. 7.

<sup>311</sup> *Ibid*, p. 86.

<sup>312</sup> *Virginia Publick Claims* (volume 1), by Janice L. Abercrombie, Athens, GA, 1992, p. 37.

<sup>313</sup> *Virginia Publick Claims* (volume 1), by Janice L. Abercrombie, Athens, GA, 1992, p. 4.

<sup>314</sup> *Order Book abstracts of Caroline Co., VA, 1783-1784*, by Ruth Sparacio, p. 35.

<sup>315</sup> *Order Book abstracts of Caroline Co., VA, 1784-1785*, by Ruth Sparacio, p. 10.

1785 – 13 May. **Thomas Kidd** plaintiff agt William Pitts defendant. In debt. The formal return in this suit not being executed on the motion of the plaintiff an attachment is awarded him against the estate of the defendant, returnable to the next court.<sup>316</sup>

9 June. On the petition of Henry Stuart [Stewart] for leave to turn a road, ordered the same be established agreeable to report and the said Stuart appointed overseer of the said road. Ordered that the hands of William Kidd, Henry Stuart [Stewart], James Pace, **Thomas Kidd** [et als] work thereon.<sup>317</sup>

9 Sept. James Page, assnee of **Thomas Kidd** plaintiff agt William Chenault and Robert Sale, defendants. In Debt. (This entry is not completed. A space remains for the court's ruling.) [sic].<sup>318</sup>

11 November. **Thomas Kidd** plaintiff agt William Pitts. In Debt. Suit is continued.<sup>319</sup>

1786 – 11 August. **Thomas Kidd** plaintiff agt William Pitts, defendant. In debt. Plaintiff appears in court but defendant did not. Therefore, court considers that plaintiff recover against the defendant 12 pounds specie, the debt in the declaration together with his costs.<sup>320</sup>

1787 – 8 March. **Thomas Kidd**, Plaintiff, agt. William Pitts and Ambrose Pitts, defendants. Defendants did not appear; plaintiff to recover 18 pounds, 7 shillings & 11 pence.<sup>321</sup>

12 April. John Broaddus, David Jameson and Edmund Pendleton, Jr. settle **Thomas Kidd's** guardianship of Rebecca Deavenport (sic).

12 July. Settlement of **Thomas Kidd's** guardianship of Rebecca Deavenport (sic). Return recorded.<sup>322</sup>

14 August. James Page assnee. of **Thomas Kidd**, plaintiff v. William Chenault, Robert Sale & Anthony Sale. Defendants did not appear; Plaintiff to recover 1,890 pounds tobacco. Details of how payment to be made.<sup>323</sup>

1783-1803 – **Thomas Kidd** appears on the Caroline Co., VA PPTL in 1783, the first that is available. He appears annually thereafter until 1804, when his estate appears on the PPTL. It appears again on the 1805 list, then drops from the PPTLs.

Year	Taxpayer	WMT	B>16	B 12-16	H	COMMENTS
1783	Thomas Kidd	1	1	4	0	No WM 16-21; 7 cattle
1784	Thomas Kidd	1	1	4	1	6 cattle

<sup>316</sup> *Order Book abstracts of Caroline Co., VA, 1784-1785*, by Ruth Sparacio, p. 49.

<sup>317</sup> *Order Book abstracts of Caroline Co., VA, 1784-1785*, by Ruth Sparacio, p. 61.

<sup>318</sup> *Order Book abstracts of Caroline Co., VA, 1784-1785*, by Ruth Sparacio, p. 90.

<sup>319</sup> *Order Book abstracts of Caroline Co., VA, 1785-1786*, by Ruth Sparacio, p. 23.

<sup>320</sup> *Ibid*, p. 95.

<sup>321</sup> Nancy Heuser's abstracts of these Order Books. Citation not clear in this instance.

<sup>322</sup> *Order Book abstracts of Caroline Co., VA, 1787-1789*, by Ruth Sparacio, p. 47.

<sup>323</sup> *Ibid*, p. 92.

Year	Taxpayer	WMT	B> 16	B 12 -16	H	COMMENTS
1783	Thomas Kidd	1	1	4	0	No WM 16-21; 7 cattle
1785	Thomas Kidd	1	1	4	1	6 cattle
1786	Thomas Kidd	1	1	3	1	6 cattle
1787	Thomas Kidd	1	4	0	1	2WMT 16-21; 5 cattle
1788	Thomas Kidd	1	2	1	2	WMT age dropped to 16 in 1788, ff.
1789	Thomas Kidd	1	2	1	2	
1790	Thomas Kidd	1	2	1	2	
1791	Thomas Kidd	1	?	1	2	Very faint ink entries
1792	Thomas Kidd	1	3	0	2	
1793	Thomas Kidd	1	3	1	2	
1794	Thomas Kidd	1	3	1	3	
1795	Thomas Kidd	1	3	1	2	
1796	Thomas Kidd	1	3	1	2	
1797	Thomas Kidd	2?	4	0	3	WMT entry difficult to read
1798	Thomas Kidd	1	4	0	3	
1799	Thomas Kidd	1	4	1	3	
1800	Thomas Kidd	1	4	0	4	
1801	Thomas Kidd	1	3	1	4	
1802	Thomas Kidd	1	3	1	4	
1803	Thomas Kidd	1	4	1	4	
1804	Thomas Kidd Est.	0	3	1	4	He has died in past 12 months
1805	Thomas Kidd Est.	0	2	0	2	
1806	Elizabeth Kidd	0	2	0	2	Thomas's widow; 1 chair carriage
1807	Elizabeth Kidd	0	2	1	2	1 chair carriage
1809	Elizabeth Kidd	0	1	1	2	
1810	Elizabeth Kidd	0	1	1	2	
1811	Elizabeth Kidd	0	2	0	2	1 gig
1812	Drops from PPTLs					

- 1784 – 11 June. James Page, assnee of **Thomas Kidd** plaintiff agt William Chenault and Robert Sale, defendants. In debt. (This entry was not completed. Space left apparently for the recording.)<sup>324</sup>
- Circa 1785 – Thomas Kidd of Caroline County was a signer of a petition against liquor being served at polling places on Election Days.<sup>325</sup>
- 1793-94 – a county court of July 1793 lists names of men recommended as militia officers, including that of **Thomas Kidd** for Ensign.<sup>326</sup> In 1794 he was continued as Ensign for another year.<sup>327</sup>
- 1795 – The May 1795 Court appointed James Collins, Benjamin Burch and **Thomas Kidd** ensigns in the Militia.<sup>328</sup>
- 1796 – **Thomas Kidd** was promoted to Lt. in the Caroline Co Militia, in the room (place) of Thomas Broaddus, who resigned.<sup>329</sup>  
July Court, 1796. **Thomas Kidd** was appointed overseer of the road in the room of Robert Woolfolk.<sup>330</sup>
- 1796-1803 – **Thomas Kidd** appears for the first time on the Caroline Co., VA Land Tax Lists (LTLs) in this year, taxed on 323 acres acquired from Robert Woolfork (or Woolfolks) Jr. in the past year.  
This listing recurs annually through 1803. In 1804 it converts to "Thomas Kidd's Estate;" he's died in the prior 12 months.
- 1798 – **Thomas Kidd** was appointed overseer of the Road in the room (place) of Robert Woolfolk by the July 1798 Court.<sup>331</sup>
- Circa 1800 – **Thomas Kidd** was an ordained deacon of the Mt. Horeb Baptist Church in Caroline Co.<sup>332</sup> (It's difficult to tell when he served, but it appears to be close to the founding of this church, circa 1800.)

In a Court held for Caroline County in August 1800, the court received a petition of

<sup>324</sup> *Order Book abstracts of Caroline Co., VA, 1783-1784*, by Ruth Sparacio, p. 55.

<sup>325</sup> *Old Churches, Ministers, and Families of Virginia*, by Bishop William Meade, reprinted with Digested Index and Genealogical Guide, in Two Volumes, compiled by Jennings Cropper Wise, Genealogical Publishing Co., 1978, Volume 1, pages 415-416, viewable online on Ancestry.com at <https://www.ancestry.com/interactive/48592/MinistersFamI-009774-415/411223?backurl=&ssrc=&backlabel=Return&rc=1248,2112,1346,2139>.

<sup>326</sup> *A History of Caroline County, Virginia; from its formation in 1727 to 1924*, by Marshall Wingfield, Regional Publishing Company, 1969, p. 277.

<sup>327</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and Other records from the Court Order and Minute Books 1781-1799*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA, 1999, reviewed for Kidd citations by Nancy Heuser, June 2012, p. 193.

<sup>328</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and Other records from the Court Order and Minute Books 1781-1799*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA, 1999, reviewed for Kidd citations by Nancy Heuser, June 2012, p. 194.

<sup>329</sup> December 1796 Caroline County Court session. We've not personally seen this record, but it is contained in *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and Other records from the Court Order and Minute Books 1781-1799*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA, 1999, reviewed for Kidd citations by Nancy Heuser, June 2012, p. 196.

<sup>330</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Probate and Other Court Records 1781-1799*, by Kimberley Curtis Campbell, 1999, p. 179.

<sup>331</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and Other records from the Court Order and Minute Books 1781-1799*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA, 1999, reviewed for Kidd citations by Nancy Heuser, June 2012, p. 179.

<sup>332</sup> *A History of Caroline County, Virginia; from its formation in 1727 to 1924*, by Marshall Wingfield, Regional Publishing Company, 1969, p. 330.

**Thomas Kidd** and John Harris for leave to open a road...Commissioners appointed to assess the proposal, and returned their report to the court, saying “We are of the opinion that sundry inhabitants of the lower parts of this county lying between Mattapony and Pamunkey rivers will desire some convenience by establishment of a good road from the main road at **Thomas Kidd’s** across Berry’s ford to the reedy mill road, in as much as a distance of two or three miles will be saved to them in going and coming from Court, and a distance in some instances of 4-5 miles in going to and coming from the Clerk’s office. Secondly, we are of the opinion that no inconvenience whatever will result to any individual if the road which is proposed should be opened...as the pathway now runs... The Court ordered the road to be opened, and that **Thomas Kidd** be the surveyor thereof, and that the hands of **Thomas Kidd**, John Harris and Thomas Ship do open the same and keep it in good repair.<sup>333</sup>



**FIGURE:** One section of an 1826 map of the Mattapony River<sup>334</sup> in eastern Caroline County, showing the land of **Thomas Kidd** mentioned in the above record. Note Berry’s Ford just below Kidd’s land (see arrow, above), and Reedy Mill and Reedy Creek a mile or so downstream. A road evidently ran from Reedy’s Mill to the Stage Road (bottom center of this image).

<sup>333</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, p. 107.

<sup>334</sup> Mattapony River (1826) BPW 663 (1), 1826 Map of Mattapony River from Aylett’s Warehouse to Milford Bridge, by Claudius Crozet. In the map collection of LoV, record number 000012292, Virginia Board of Public Works. Another map, showing the roads of Caroline County, including the Reedy Mill Road and Kidd’s property, can be viewed at the Library of Congress web site: <https://www.loc.gov/item/2002627427/> Find the Mattapony River in the lower right quadrant, and then look for Kidd.

- 1801 – In a Court held for Caroline County in July 1801, Merriday Bates was recommended to the Governor and Council of Virginia as a Captain in the Militia of Essex County in the room of **Thomas Kidd**, resigned.<sup>335</sup>
- 1802 – In a Court held for Caroline County in January 1802, **Thomas Kidd** was appointed guardian to the infant defendants in a Chancery case, the minor children of Edmund Jones (and apparently the younger siblings of Washington Jones, the husband of Fanny Kidd, Thomas's younger sister).<sup>336</sup>
- 1803 – In the February Court 1803, the division of the estate of William Kidd was recorded, naming his widow, Mary, and their surviving children: James, Philip, Henry, **Thomas**, Willis, Edmund, John, Fanny (the wife of Washington Jones), Walker, Joel, Polly, and Elizabeth (wife of Edwin Motley).<sup>337, 338</sup>
- 1804 – **Thomas Kidd**, died by early 1804, as his Estate is listed on the 1804 Caroline Co. PPTL, taken in the spring of that year.

In a Court held for Caroline County in March 1804, Willis Kidd was appointed processioneer in the room and precinct of **Thomas Kidd**, dec'd.<sup>339</sup>

Recorded in Caroline Co Orders for 1804-1805: The administration of **Thomas Kidd's** estate is granted, appraisal and division of estate filed (including a land plat), and dower allotted to widow Elizabeth Kidd. Original not yet examined.<sup>340</sup>

In December of 1804, in a Chancery Court suit, records show that Thomas's widow, Elizabeth Kidd was the administratrix of her husband's estate, and Thomas Hundley, the husband of Thomas and Elizabeth's daughter, Lucy Kidd, was his administrator. The Court ordered that Elizabeth receive one-third of the lands and slaves of the intestate Thomas Kidd, deceased; Matthew Hundley and his wife Lucy received one-third, and the other third went to William Kidd, "infant son of **Thomas Kidd**, deceased, by his guardian (who is not named in this record, but may have been John Kidd.<sup>341</sup>).<sup>342,343</sup>

<sup>335</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, p. 120.

<sup>336</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, p. 64.

<sup>337</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, pp. 23-24

<sup>338</sup> Caroline County Order Book, 1802-1804, page 130-134, retrieved from FHL #1887726 (restricted access, FHCs only), images 336-338. Digital images available upon request.

<sup>339</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, p. 118.

<sup>340</sup> *Index to Virginia Estates, 1800-1865*, vol. 10, compiled by Wesley E. Pippenger, published by Virginia Genealogical Society, Richmond VA, 2010, citing Order Book 1804-1805, pp. 182, 240, 284, 321.

<sup>341</sup> The abstract of this record found in *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, p. 41, lists William's guardian as John Kidd.

<sup>342</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 61.

<sup>343</sup> Images of this record are available on-line at the Library of Virginia:  
[http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=033-1805-011](http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=033-1805-011)

This shows that Elizabeth Kidd, the widow of **Thomas Kidd**, dec'd, was allotted 124 acres of land, including the houses, as a full 1/3 (her dower share) on 11 Dec 1804; her infant son William was allotted 100 acres, and 100 acres went to Elizabeth Hundley, wife of Matthew Hundley and the daughter of said Thomas Kidd. His slaves were also allotted among the three.

1804-1810 – in 1804, **Thomas Kidd's** annual entry on the Caroline Co. LTL is for his estate, for the first time, still taxed upon 323 acres. That year, his estate received 26 acres, his share of his father, William's estate, taking his land total to 349 acres.

1804 – Thomas Kidd's estate, (blank), with a note, "to the alterations," but I find nothing in the alterations for him.

1805 – Thomas Kidd's estate, 349 acres

1806 – Thomas Kidd's estate, 323 acres

Thomas Kidd's estate to Rodham Keener, 156 acres

Thomas Kidd's estate to Elizabeth Kidd (his widow), 126 acre

1807 – Thomas Kidd's estate, 97 acres

[N.B. The acreage in the LTLs don't reconcile as they stand; we believe that this 1806 entry is in error, and should be 349 acres, as it was in 1805, and that the acres sold to Rodham Keener, apparently to pay debts, was 126 acres, rather than 156 acres – with these adjustments, the acreage reconciles.]

1808 – no taxes collected

1809 – Thomas Kidd's estate, 97 acres

In 1810, his estate drops from the LTLs, with no entry in the Alterations to explain what happened to the remaining 97 acres.

1804 – Hundley, Matthew and Lucey Kidd, dau of **Thomas Kidd**, 31 Jan. 1804. Security & witness, Willis Kidd.<sup>344</sup>

### **THOMAS KIDD**, orphan son of James Kidd and grandson of William Kidd Sr. of Caroline Co.

William Kidd's Sr.'s will, written in 1801 and recorded in 1802, names the two sons of James Kidd (the son of William Sr.) as "William and Philip." However, at the time of the first distribution of William Kidd Sr.'s estate (February 1806), the two surviving sons of James Kidd were William and **Thomas** (not Philip).

We suspect that the transcription of this will is in error, and there was no Philip, son of James. However, the copy we have of William Kidd Sr.'s will appears to bear his signature (different handwriting from that in the rest of the document, suggesting that it is indeed the original will).

An alternative explanation is that between the writing of William's will in 1801 and the Chancery court record of 1806, James' son Philip died, and son Thomas was born. Either is possible, and we have no way of proving either explanation. What IS clear is that James Kidd's two **surviving** sons were William and **Thomas Kidd**, because each of them is explicitly named in Caroline County Court records and in the Caroline Chancery Court Case as well.

<sup>344</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 225.

In the 1806 Chancery Court record, **Thomas Kidd** was made the ward of his uncle, John Kidd, who received his share of the estate.  
Nothing more known at this time.

**THOMAS D. KIDD, the son of William and Harriet Wright Kidd.**<sup>345</sup>

**Thomas D.7 (William6, Thomas5, William4, Daniel3, Thomas2, Thomas1) Kidd  
Born 13 September 1825**<sup>346</sup> in VA

**Died 10 Dec 1891 in Caroline Co. Buried in Edge Hill cemetery (the Kidd-Pollard family cemetery)**<sup>347</sup> in Caroline Co., as are his parents, his wife, and several of his siblings.<sup>348</sup>

1850 – on federal census in Caroline Co., VA, p. 267A, HH 679/680:

Kidd, William 61MW farmer, \$6000 real estate (birthplaces blank for entire page)

" , Harriett 49FW

" , Robert H. 23MW teacher (birthplaces blank for entire page)

" , **Thomas D.** 22MW farmer

" , Barton 17MW student

" , Maria 20FW

" , Margaret 15FW

" , Lucy A. 10FW

1858 – At a Circuit Court held for Caroline County on 1 March 1858, the suit of **Thomas D. Kidd** and others, Plaintiffs, against Harriet M. Kidd, Burton B. Kidd, and Robert H. Kidd, Defendants was heard. The Court appointed Burton B. Kidd *guardian ad litem* of Robert H. Kidd, a lunatic, to defend him in this suit.<sup>349</sup>

On the same day, the following Chancery Cause was heard in Caroline County Court:

**Thomas D. Kidd**, William B. Kidd, Maria L. Kidd and Leonidas C. Pollard and Margaret his wife, Plaintiffs, against Harriet M. Kidd, Burton B. Kidd and Robert H. Kidd by Burton B. Kidd, his guardian, Defendants -

After hearing the bill and the answers, the Court appointed Robert Hudgin a commissioner, to sell at public auction “two tracts of land, one called “Hedge Hill” and the other “Waldens” and (also) a lot of woodland of 40 acres”...and to pay to the plaintiffs and to defendant Burton B. Kidd each one-sixth of the proceeds. (The final one-sixth, belonging to Robert H. was apparently set aside for his benefit, to his guardian.)<sup>350</sup>

On 1 June 1858, William B. Kidd, administrator, presented his account of sales for the estate

<sup>345</sup> His death record in "Virginia Deaths and Burials, 1853-1917," at Ancestry provides the date of his death, and names his parents as "Thomas and H. Kidd." The name of his father is incorrect, and should be WILLIAM.

<sup>346</sup> This date of birth comes from the Kidd-Pollard Family Bible. See [Appendix Five](#) of this document for details.

<sup>347</sup> *Cemeteries of Caroline County, Virginia, Vol. 2 (Private Cemeteries)*, by Herbert Ridgeway Collins, 1994-1998, p. 94. The name of the old Kidd home, torn down in 1994, is said in this reference to have been “Hedge Hill,” and apparently the new name of the cemetery is a corruption of this name.

<sup>348</sup> <http://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=g&GSI=Kidd&GSIm=1&GScid=2435892&>

<sup>349</sup> Caroline County Order Book 1842-1866, page 276, retrieved from FHL #30856 (restricted access – FHCs only), image 451. Digital image available upon request.

<sup>350</sup> Caroline County Order Book, 1842-1866, pages 276-277, retrieved from FHL #30856, item two (restricted access – FHCs only), images 451-452. Digital images available upon request.

of William Kidd, deceased, to the Caroline County Court.<sup>351</sup> The total amount of sales was over \$2600. Purchasers included Mrs. H. M. Kidd (William's wife and widow, who purchased a substantial amount of household goods, and some livestock), **Thomas D. Kidd**, William B. Kidd and Travis Bagby, among others.

1860 – on federal census in Caroline Co VA (Kirkwood P.O.), p. 672, HH 776:

Kidd, Harriet M. 60FW farmer \$5440/20,000 VA  
 " , **Thomas D.** 30MW farmer \$300/6685 VA  
 " , Robert H. 32MW no occ listed \$300/3,000 VA  
 " , Maria L. 26FW no occ. Listed \$300/6,000 VA  
 " , Burton W. 24MW farmer \$5440/4,436 VA  
 Freeman, James 39MB VA

1870 – on federal census in Bowling Green twp., Caroline Co VA, p. 26 (Bowling Green P.O.), HH 174/183:

Kidd, Harriet M. 70FW housekeeping \$9400/550 VA  
 " , **Thomas T.** (sic) 40MW farmer VA  
 " , Maria A. 25FW VA  
 Pollard, Willie K. 8MW VA  
 Bird, Gay 2FW VA

1880 – on federal census in Bowling Green twp., Caroline Co VA, ED 30, sheet 1A, p. 545A, HH 5/5:

**Kidd, Thomas D.** WM 52S head farmer VA VA VA  
 " , Maria L. WF 50S sister VA VA VA  
 Pollard, William WM 18S (no relationship listed) at school VA VA VA  
 Bird, Gay MF 10S servant cannot read or write VA VA VA

1881 – Died 10 Dec 1891 in Caroline Co.<sup>352</sup>

**THOMAS M. KIDD**, the son of Willis and Lucy Kidd.<sup>353</sup>

**Thomas M.6 (Willis<sup>5</sup>, William<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) Kidd**

**Born abt. 1818<sup>354</sup>**

**Married Sarah Ann Harris Page, the widow of Robert Page (see below).**

**Died June 1881 in Caroline Co VA.**

1843, 1844 – **Thomas Kidd** appears these two years on the Caroline Co VA Personal Property Tax Lists (PPTLs). On both lists, he's charged with one white male tithe, and no property or horse. He appears the same year that Willis Kidd's Estate appears. In 1844, his entry looks like "Thomas M. Kidd."

No listing is found for him in the Caroline or K& Q PPTLs from 1845-1848.

<sup>351</sup> Caroline County Will Book 30, 1858-1863, pp. 43-46, FHL #30847, images 48-50. Scans of these images are in the Caroline Co. Sources folder.

<sup>352</sup> His death record in "Virginia Deaths and Burials, 1853-1917," at Ancestry provides the date of his death, and the names of his parents.

<sup>353</sup> His death record in "Virginia Deaths and Burials, 1853-1917," at Ancestry provides the date of his death, and the names of his parents.

<sup>354</sup> His birth year is estimated from his census entries listed in this paper.

1844 – Benjamin Weisiger's book, *Virginia Contested Election Files*, is in error in saying the following:<sup>355</sup>  
21 October 1844

Facts admitted to evidence by Andrew Broaddus to votes challenged on the poll of Archibald Samuel:

9. **Thomas Kidd**, Joel H. Kidd and Henry Kidd are sons of late William Kidd of Caroline, who died seized of 268 acres.

**This is incorrect in that none of the three above are this William Kidd's sons; they were the sons of Willis Kidd, and the grandsons of William Kidd Sr.**

1848 – Marriage of **Thomas M. Kidd** and Sarah A.H. Page in Caroline Co on 10 Jul 1848, Joel H. Kidd, bond.<sup>356</sup> This date also appears in the Page-Kidd family Bible.<sup>357</sup>

1849 – Mary Willis Kidd, daughter of **Thomas M.** and Sarah A. H. Kidd, was born 29 Oct 1849.<sup>358</sup>

1849-1853 – **Thomas M. Kidd** appears again on the Caroline Co. PPTLs in each of these years:

YEAR	TAXPAYER	WMT	B>16	B>12	H	COMMENTS
1849	Thomas M. Kidd	1	4	4	3	4-wh carriage (\$50)
1850	Thomas M. Kidd	1	3	3	3	4-wh pleasure carriage (\$50)
1851	Thomas M. Kidd	1	4	4	3	4-wh carriage (\$50)
1852	Thomas M. Kidd	1	4	5	3	pleasure carriage (\$60); NO cattle listed
1853	Thos. M. Kidd	1	4	5	3	67 cattle; pleasure carriage (\$50)

We have not checked the Caroline Co. VA PPTLs beyond 1853 at this point.

1849 – **Thomas Kidd** also appears for the first time in many years on the Caroline Co. Land Tax Lists (LTLs) in 1849. His entries are shown in the Table below:

Year	NAME	Acres	Description	CH	COMMENTS
1849	Thomas Kidd	160	R. Page's estate	10SE	"for Life" "From R. Page's Est." (his wife's dower from her first husband!)
1850	Thomas Kidd	160	R. Page's estate	10SE	"for Life"
1851-1853	Thomas Kidd	160	Wm Page	15SE	"for Life"
1854-1860	Thomas M. Kidd	160	Wm Page	15SE	"for Life"

<sup>355</sup> *Burned County Data, 1809-1848, As Found in the Contested Election Files*, by Benjamin B. Weisiger, Richmond, VA, 1986, p. 70, in the chapter of Caroline County records regarding contested elections.

<sup>356</sup> *Marriages of Caroline County, Virginia 1777-1853*, compiled and edited by Therese Fisher, 1998, Heritage Books, p. 128.

<sup>357</sup> Found online in the Archives & Manuscripts section of the Library of Virginia's website, at:

<http://image.lva.virginia.gov/Bible/20493>

<sup>358</sup> Ibid.

Year	NAME	Acres	Description	CH	COMMENTS
1861-1863	Thomas M. Kidd	160	Wm Page	15S	"for Life"

We have not checked the Caroline Co., VA LTLs after 1863.

1850 – on the federal census in Caroline Co., VA, p 272, HH 766/767:

**Kidd, Thomas M.** 32MW farmer \$960 (birthplaces blank, entire page)

" , Sarah A. H. 31FW \$1274? "Robt. Page's estate"

" , Mary W. 8/12FW

Page, Emma E. 5FW

" , Robert C. 3FW (sic)

Next door is Lucy Kidd, the widow of Willis Kidd and Thomas's mother.

[Sarah's maiden name was evidently Harris, marrying first Robert Page 23 December 1839 in Caroline Co., and after his death, marrying Thomas Kidd in 1848. Sarah A. Kidd died 28 April 1894 in Richmond City.<sup>359</sup>]

1855 – The will of Joel H. Kidd, which he had signed on 29 July 1853, was proved in Essex County Court on 15 January 1855.<sup>360</sup> It named his widow, Louisa F. Kidd, as his executor. **Thomas M. Kidd** and Henry Kidd appeared in Court and verified the writing to be that of Joel H. Kidd, and the will was ordered to be recorded.<sup>361</sup>

1860 – on federal census in Caroline Co VA, Sparta P.O., HH 673:

**Kidd, Thomas M.** 43MW farmer \$1280/4580 b'place column blank for whole page

" , Sarah A.H. 42FW

" , Mary W. 11FW

Page, Emma C. 15FW (her children by her first marriage)

" , Robinette C. 13MW

1870 – on federal census in Bowling Green twp., Caroline Co VA, p. 64, Bowling Green P.O., HH 443/459:

**Kidd, Thomas** 53MW farmer \$1600/150 VA

" , Sarah 52FW housekeeping VA

Same household, family 460:

Page, Robinett 25MW no occupation listed VA (Sarah's son)

Kidd, Mary W. 20FW (this is Thomas and Sarah's daughter)

1880 – on federal census in Bowling Green sub-district, Caroline Co VA, ED 30, sheet 42B, enumerated 21 June, 1880, HH 2:

**Kidd, Thomas M.** MW 63M farmer VA VA VA

" , Sarah A.H. FW 60M keeping house VA VA VA

(no others in HH)

<sup>359</sup> Richmond City death registers, 1853-1896, FHL #2048593. Scanned image available upon request.

<sup>360</sup> Essex County Will Book 27, 1851-1858, pp. 477, retrieved from FHL # FHL #1929910, item 1, image 268. A digital image of this will is available from the authors.

<sup>361</sup> Essex County Order Book 51, pages 802-803, retrieved from FHL # FHL #1929888, images 163-164. Digital images are available from the authors.

- 1881 – **Thomas M. Kidd** died 1 June 1881 in Bowling Green district, Caroline Co VA.<sup>362</sup> His death record lists his parents as Willis and Lucy Kidd. The informant was Henry W. Kidd, his brother.
- 1894 – Thomas's widow, Sarah Ann Kidd, died in Richmond City 28 April 1894 of pneumonia at the age of 73. This record says she was born in Caroline County, but unfortunately does not name her parents or her deceased husband. The informant was C. K. Chalkley, her physician (he was the informant for several consecutive death records on this page).<sup>363</sup>

**WALKER KIDD – the son of William Kidd Sr. of Caroline Co., below.**

**Walker<sup>5</sup> (William<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) Kidd**

**Born abt. 1790 in Caroline County<sup>364</sup>**

**Married Patsy C. Price in Lexington, Fayette Co., KY.**

**Died after the 1840 federal census and before July 1842 in Fayette Co., KY.**

- 1802 – **Walker Kidd** is named in his father, William Kidd's will, proved in court in 1802 (see [Appendix Six](#) of this document), and in his subsequent estate records.<sup>365</sup> These Caroline County Chancery Court records reveal that William Kidd died in 1802, leaving a widow, Mary Kidd, and eleven children: James, Elizabeth (who married Edwin Motley), Fanny (who married Washington Jones), John, Edmund, Joel, William, Thomas, Philip, **Walker**, and Polly, plus one grandson, Henry Kidd, the only child of William Kidd, deceased. **Walker**, Henry and Polly are infants (minors, under the age of 21) at the time of this record, and Thomas and Philip are administrators of this William's will.<sup>366</sup>
- 1802 – **Walker Kidd** was a witness 25 Jan 1802 as Ambrose Gatewood and John S. Gatewood gave their bond to Washington Jones, executor of Edmund Jones, decd. (along with Apphia G. Gatewood).<sup>367</sup> [N.B.: This Washington Jones was the husband of Walker's sister, Fanny.]
- 1803 – Philip Kidd married Ann Connor on 8 November 1803. Security and witnesses were Willis Kidd, Edmund Kidd and **Walker Kidd**.<sup>368</sup>

<sup>362</sup> His death record in "Virginia Deaths and Burials, 1853-1917," at Ancestry provides the date of his death, and the names of his parents. Scanned image available upon request.

<sup>363</sup> Richmond City death registers, 1853-1896, FHL #2048593. Scanned image available upon request.

<sup>364</sup> His year of birth is really difficult to estimate. He was a minor (under 21 years of age) in 1802, when his father's will was proved in Court (so born after 1781).

It APPEARS that he was still a minor in 1808 – see below) in Caroline Co. If true, he was born after 1787.

However, he first appears on Caroline Co. PPTLs in 1803, making his DOB **prior** to 1787 (unless he appears then because of his father's death, while still a minor; we believe that this was indeed the case, given the other data elements here).

Compounding things further, his three KY census entries (see 1820, 1830 and 1840, below) give conflicting estimates: 1820 – age 26-44, so born bet. 1776-1794; 1830 – age 30-39, so born bet. 1791-1800; and 1840 – age 50-59, so born bet. 1781-1790. Using the "preponderance of evidence" principle, we estimate that he was born about 1790, perhaps on the cusp of the age brackets in the later censuses.

<sup>365</sup> Library of Virginia on-line Chancery records, Caroline Co., VA case 1812-014, 20 images:

[http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=033-1812-014](http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=033-1812-014)

<sup>366</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 82.

<sup>367</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 159.

<sup>368</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 227, citing "Pt. 1, p. 4."

1803-1809 – he first appears on the Caroline Co. PPTLs in 1803, and appears almost annually (not found on the 1805 PPTL) through 1809, but not thereafter.

Year	Taxpayer	WMT	B>16	B 12-16	H	COMMENTS
1803	Walker Kidd	1	0	0	1	
1804	Walker Kidd	1	0	0	1	
1805	Not listed					
1806	Walker Kidd	1	0	0	1	
1807	Walker Kidd	1	0	0	1	
1809	Walker Kidd	1	1	0	1	
1810, ff.	Drops from	PPTLs				

1804 – John Smithers married Polley (sic) Kidd on 6 September 1804 in Caroline Co. Philip Kidd is named in this record as the guardian of Polley. Security and witness for this marriage were **Walker Kidd** and Joel Kidd.<sup>369</sup>

In a Court held for Caroline County in October 1804, the will of Fanny Jones was proved by **Walker Kidd** and Willis Kidd, and probate was granted to Joseph DeJarnett.<sup>370</sup>

1804-1812 – in 1804, **Walker Kidd**, along with his siblings, received 26 acres from the estate of his father, William Kidd, who had died in 1802 in Caroline Co.

Walker starts to appear on the annual Caroline Co VA Land Tax Lists (LTLs) in 1805, each year taxed on this 26 acres. This entry repeats annually through 1812 without change. But in that year, he and his brother, John Kidd, each transferred (sold) their 26 acre shares to their sister, Fanny Kidd Jones, the widow of Washington Jones.

Following this, he disappears from the Caroline Co. VA LTLs, at least through 1824.

1808 – **Walker Kidd**, Polly Kidd and Henry Kidd, infants (minors, under 21), answer the complaint of Mary Kidd & others against them in Kidd vs Kidd.<sup>371</sup>

1808 – On 5 October 1808 a John Kidd and a **Walker Kidd** were witnesses to the will of Edwin Motley in K&Q Co., VA.<sup>372</sup> Edwin Motley had married Elizabeth Kidd, the elder sister of John and Walker Kidd. They were raised in Caroline Co.

<sup>369</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 237, citing "Pt. 1, p. 9."

<sup>370</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, p. 40.

<sup>371</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 167.

<sup>372</sup> Lost Records Localities Digital Collection, King & Queen County, Motley, Edwin will, 1809. Library of Virginia, Richmond, VA 23219. This will and codicils can be viewed online: Go to [www.virginiamemory.com/collections/lost](http://www.virginiamemory.com/collections/lost) and search on Motley.

- 1810 – he's not found on the federal census in his own household in 1810.  
HOWEVER, **Walker Kidd** appears on the **K&Q PPTL** of 1810, charged with one white tithe. He's not seen on these tax lists either before or after this date. He evidently didn't leave Virginia when his older brothers did, and joined them after the spring of 1810.
- 1811 – **Walker Kidd** married Patsy Price in Fayette Co., KY on 30 October of this year.<sup>373</sup>
- 1820 – on federal census in Fayette Co. (Eastern Division) KY, p. 82.  
**Walker Kidd** – 2M<10 & 1 26-44; 3F<10, 1 16-25; 12 slaves  
No other Kidds nearby.
- 1822 – The 1822 tax lists for Fayette Co KY had a column for “number of children between 4 and 14 years of age,” this one year only. **Walker Kidd's** entry listed four such children.
- 1830 – on the federal census in Fayette Co KY:  
p. 355  
Frances Kidd 1M 10-14, 2 20-29; 1F 5-9, 1 10-14, 1 15-19, 1 20-29, 1 40-49; 1 female slave, over 55 years of age.  
p. 299  
**Walker Kidd** 2M 5-9, 1 10-14, 1 30-39; 1F<5, 1 5-9, 1 10-14, 2 15-19; 6 slaves.  
and in Lexington, Fayette Co., KY, p. 273:  
Philip Kidd 2M 10-14, 1 15-19, 1 20-29, & 1 50-59; 1F 10-14, 1 15-19, 1 50-59; 5 slaves.
- 1840 – **Walker Kidd** appears on the federal census in the eastern division of Fayette Co KY, p. 137 (images 7-8/51 at Ancestry):  
**Kidd, Walker** 1M 10-14, 1 15-19 & 1 50-59; 1F 10-14 & 1 15-19; 12 slaves.  
A Philip Kidd also appears in the same district of Fayette Co., KY (page illegible, but in 140s, images 31-32 of 51 at Ancestry):  
Kidd, Philip 1M 20-29, 1 60-69; 1F 20-29, 1 60-69; 4 slaves
- 1842 – On July 1842, Henry B Kidd was appointed guardian of Margaret Kidd, "orphan of **Walker Kidd, deceased,**" in Fayette County, KY.<sup>374</sup> So Walker died between the 1840 census and this date.

**WASHINGTON KIDD – the son of Joel and Sarah/Sally Saunders Kidd**<sup>375</sup>

**Washington<sup>6</sup> (Joel<sup>5</sup>, William<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) Kidd**

**Born by 1805**<sup>376</sup> in Caroline County, Virginia

**Appears to have not married**

**Drops from Caroline County and Virginia records after 1841**

- 1826 – 11 September 1826. Sarah Kidd, Henry Kidd and **Washington Kidd** are bound to the Caroline Co. Court in the amount of \$1500 for Sarah Kidd's guardianship of Polly, Eleanor

<sup>373</sup> Kentucky Marriages, 1802-1850, on Ancestry.com.

<sup>374</sup> Fayette County, Kentucky Guardian Bonds, volume 4, 1835-1846, retrieved from FHL #175013, image 644 via familysearch.org.

<sup>375</sup> He is named in his father's estate records in Caroline County Chancery Court in 1827.

<sup>376</sup> He is at least twenty-one years of age in 1826, when he serves as security for his mother, Sarah, when she was appointed the guardian of her younger children, following her husband's death.

and Frances Kidd, orphans of Joel Kidd, deceased. Sarah signed with an X; Henry and Washington signed their names.<sup>377</sup>

1827 – A Chancery Court record dated November 1827 records a suit by Henry Kidd, one of the sons of Joel and Sarah Kidd, against his mother, Sarah, the administratrix of Joel Kidd, and Robert Holloway, the administrator of Joel Kidd and the guardian of his daughter-in-law Lavinia Kidd (widow of John Kidd), and against his other siblings (it appears that he's trying to get his father's estate settled).

The Court ordered that Sally (Sarah) Kidd receive one-third part of the estate as her dower, and the remainder of the estate to be divided into 6 equal parts for **Washington Kidd**, Polly Kidd, Ellen Kidd, Frances Kidd (the other two parts were 'reserved', without explanation; these two moieties were for Henry and John Kidd, the other two children of this couple – see below).

Sally was to receive 162 acres adjoining William Brumley out of the total of 290 acres; this tract was sold 23 Oct. 1826 to her son Washington Kidd. At the time of his death (date not stated), there were six young children: Henry Kidd, John Kidd, **Washington Kidd**, Polly Kidd, Eleanor Kidd and Frances Kidd.

[It's not clear why the two parts reserved for Henry and John Kidd were not distributed at that time. Henry and John were evidently NOT minors, as this suit was brought by Henry Kidd directly, with no representation by his "next friend" or guardian, and by 1827, son John Kidd was deceased, leaving a widow, Lavinia Kidd.]

1828-1841 – first appears on the Caroline Co., VA PPTL in 1828, the year after his father's estate is divided. Continues to be listed annually through 1841, then drops from the list.

Year	Taxpayer	WMT	B>16	B 12-16	H	COMMENTS
1828	Washington Kidd	-	-	-	0	WMT not listed this yr. 1 B>12
1829	Washington Kidd	1	0	0	1	
1830	Washington Kidd	1	0	0	0	
1831	Washington Kidd	1	0	0	0	
1832	Washington Kidd	1	0	0	0	
1833	Washington Kidd	1	0	0	0	
1834	Washington Kidd	1	0	0	0	
1835	Washington Kidd	1	0	0	0	
1836	Washington Kidd	1	0	0	0	
1837	Washington Kidd	1	0	0	0	
1838	Washington Kidd	1	0	0	0	
1839	Washington Kidd	1	0	0	0	

<sup>377</sup> *Caroline County Guardian Bonds, 1821-1844*, FHL #30830, item 1, page 105 (microfilm image 66); scanned image of this page in the Caroline Co. Sources folder.

Year	Taxpayer	WMT	B>16	B 12-16	H	COMMENTS
1840	Washington Kidd	1	0	0	0	
1841	Washington Kidd	1	0	0	0	
1842	Drops from list					

1830, 1840 – despite the PPTLs above, I cannot find him on the federal censuses in these years, or subsequently. We do not know whether he died or moved away.

**WILLIAM KIDD(s)** – there were numerous William Kidds in Caroline County, VA over the decades. We've divided them here as best we can. Distinct William Kidds include:  
**William Kidd Sr.**, died 1802, patriarch of a large family of Carolina Co. VA Kidds  
**William Kidd Jr., son of William Sr.**; preceded his father in death  
**William Kidd, minor child of James Kidd** and grandson of William Kidd Sr.  
**William Kidd, the son of Thomas** and Elizabeth Kidd, who was a minor when his father died ca. 1804 in Caroline Co., **and grandson of William Sr.**  
**William J. Kidd, probable son of Henry Kidd**

**WILLIAM KIDD, SR.** of Essex, King & Queen and Caroline Counties, Virginia  
Patriarch of the largest Kidd family of this era and region, with twelve surviving children  
**William4 (Daniel3, Thomas2, Thomas1) Kidd**  
Born before 1732<sup>378</sup>  
Married Mary Halbert<sup>379</sup> before 1757, likely in Essex County.  
Was in Essex Co. in 1757; in K&Q by 1760; and in Caroline Co. by 1764, where he remained the rest of his life.  
Died by 1802, Caroline County, Virginia.  
The parentage of William Kidd Sr. is not proven,<sup>380</sup> but we believe that he and the Isaac and Henry Kidd of Essex County were sons of Daniel3 (Thomas2, Thomas1) Kidd. See [Appendix Four](#) of this document to see our evidence and analysis to support this statement.  
**William4 (Daniel3, Thomas2, Thomas1) Kidd**  
A number of his descendants are participants in the Kidd Y-DNA Study.

<sup>378</sup> He was of legal age by August 1753 when he was sued in Essex County over a debt. He could have been born earlier, but not later than 1732,

<sup>379</sup> The proof that her surname was indeed Halbert, and that she was the daughter of Joel Halbert and his wife Mary Biswell/Bizwell is convoluted, but convincing, at least to me. See the information at this URL: <http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~janet/Cooke.html> by searching on Halbert.

<sup>380</sup> Many trees on Ancestry.com and elsewhere claim that this William Kidd was the son of William2 Kidd of MSX Co. No evidence to support this claim has ever been put forward, and lacking evidence for this statement, we the authors of this compilation believe that he was instead the son of Daniel3 (Thomas2, Thomas1) Kidd, and make our case for this hypothesis.

**Their children (all named in his 1802 Caroline County estate and chancery records): Thomas, John, Edmund, Philip, Joel, Elizabeth (m. Edwin Motley), James, William, Frances/Fanny (m. Washington Jones), Willis, Polly (m. John Smithers) and Walker Kidd.**

Because of their relevance to the identity of Mary, the wife of William Kidd, the Essex Co deeds are also cited here.

- 1757 – Deed. 18 January 1757.<sup>381</sup> James Charles and Sarah his wife of Caroline Co. sell Theophilus Favor land in Essex Co. Deed says "that John Cook Great Grandfather of the said Sarah Charles formerly lived on." After death of Jno. Cook and his male heirs, 81 acres descended to John Motley, grandson of said Cook, and 81 acres descended to Sarah Charles and her sister Mary, great grandchildren of Jno. Cook, etc.  
Witnesses were Joel Halbert, William Halbert and **William Kidd**.  
Signed: James Charles  
Sarah (x) Charles

Deed. 13 November 1756. John Mottley and Tabitha his wife of Essex Co. sell Theophilus Faver of same Co. land inherited from Jno. Cook.<sup>382</sup>

A bond was given by **William Kidd** of **Essex Co.**, dated January 31, 1757, wherein he was bound unto Theophilus Favor of the same county and colony in the sum of two hundred pounds current money of Virginia. The condition of the bond was such that **Mary, now wife of William Kidd**, had equal right with her sister Sarah Charles to the half of that land and plantation that John Cooke great-grandfather to the said Mary Kidd and her sister, Sarah Charles lived on, etc. containing eighty-one acres. **William Kidd** for the sum of fifty-five pounds and thirteen shillings agreed, bargained and sold all the right that he and his aforesaid wife Mary and their heirs have or may have to the above said tract of land. This was to take effect when Mary Kidd came of age. At a court held for Essex Co. at Tappahannock the 20 of September 1757, this bond was proved.

Marginal note: "Original delivered to Theophilus Favor, Jr. for Theophilus, Sr., 7 June 1758."<sup>383</sup>

- 1760 – In an **Essex Co.** deed dated 21 September 1760, **William Kidd** and wife Mary of **K&Q** to Thos Faver of **Essex**, 1/2 interest in estate of John Cocke dcd, grandfather of said Mary Kidd and her sister Sarah Charles, who owns the other 1/2 interest, which previously had been sold to Theophilus Faver, father of said Thomas Faver. This deed to fulfill obligations of bond in the first sale. No witnesses.<sup>384</sup>
- 1761 – On September 1, 1761, **William Kidd** and Mary, his wife, of the County of **King and Queen** and Colony of Virginia to Thomas Favor (son of Theophilus Favor, deceased), of the County of Essex and Colony aforesaid of the other part, wherein the above-mentioned Mary Kidd had equal right with her sister, Sarah Charles to one half of the one hundred sixty

<sup>381</sup> *King and Queen County records concerning 18<sup>th</sup> century persons, 7<sup>th</sup> collection*, by Beverly Fleet, p. 43-44, citing K&Q (?) Co.

Deed Book 27, p. 253. It isn't apparent whether this was an Essex Co. deed or a K&Q Co. deed; the page heading states "Essex Co. items, (continued)"

<sup>382</sup> *Ibid*, p. 44, citing Deed Book 27, p. 257 (unsure if this is K&Q or Essex Co. DB).

<sup>383</sup> Essex County Deed Book 28, p. 16. I have not personally seen this deed.

<sup>384</sup> Essex Co DB 29, p 45, abstracted by Sandra Kidd.

and two acres of land lying in Saint Ann's parish in Essex County, it being the land and plantation of John Cooke, deceased, the Great-grandfather of the said Mary Kidd lived on and the said William Kidd for and in consideration of the sum of fifty and two pounds thirteen shillings current money, hath agreed to sell and convey unto the above-mentioned Theophilus Favor . . . all the right that he and his aforesaid wife Mary have or may have unto the above said tract of land, by a bond given by said William Kidd unto said Theophilus, which was duly proved in Essex County Court the 20th of September 1757.<sup>385</sup>

**1764 is the first record for William Kidd found in Caroline Co.**

- 1764 – a **William Kidd** was among the jurors who were dismissed in 1764, when the jury failed to convict two Caroline men from breaking out of debtors’ prison. This group of jurors were described as “all thrifty small planters” dismissed for failing to perform its duty.<sup>386</sup>
- 1765 – on 13 June 1765, **William Kidd** was named among those ordered to maintain the road near Col. Pendleton's Mill in Caroline Co.<sup>387</sup>
- 1767 – William Harrison, assignee of **William Kidd**, against David White. In Debt. Judgment for Plaintiff.<sup>388</sup>
- 1769 – **William Kidd** was a Lt. in the Caroline Co. militia, under Capt. John Broadus.<sup>389</sup>
- 1770 – **William Kidd** and others (incl. William “Mothley”) were executors of the estate of James (or Jane) Vaughan in Caroline Co.<sup>390</sup>

On 10 August 1770, Hannah Grant plaintiff against **William Kidd**, defendant. Judgment for Plaintiff for £3.10 and costs.<sup>391</sup>

- 1771 – **William Kidd** and Henry Stuart were executors of the estate of James Ledford of Caroline Co.<sup>392</sup> **William Kidd** was also one of those appointed to appraise this estate, along with John & Thomas Broaddus and Henry Stewart (sic).<sup>393</sup>

On 12 April 1771, Hannah Grant plaintiff agt. **William Kidd**, defendant. Judgment to be determined by Edmund Pendleton and James Upshaw, Gent. At later date.<sup>394</sup>

- 1774 – 13 January. John Byne acknowledged a deed indented with receipt thereon to **William Kidd**, together with a commission for the privy examination of Frances, wife of John Byne, are admitted to record.<sup>395</sup>

<sup>385</sup> Essex Co., Va Deed Book 29, p 45.

<sup>386</sup> *Colonial Caroline. A history of Caroline County, Virginia*, by T.E. Campbell, Deitz Press, Richmond, VA, 1954, p. 195.

<sup>387</sup> *Abstracts from Caroline County, Virginia Order Books*, abstracted and compiled by John Frederick Dorman, p. 4.

<sup>388</sup> *Ibid*, p. 32.

<sup>389</sup> *Colonial Caroline. A history of Caroline County, Virginia*, by T.E. Campbell, Deitz Press, Richmond, VA, 1954, p. 370.

<sup>390</sup> *Colonial Caroline. A history of Caroline County, Virginia*, by T.E. Campbell, Deitz Press, Richmond, VA, 1954, p. 482.

The name of the deceased is listed as James Vaughn in this reference, but as JANE Vaughn in *Order Book abstracts of Caroline Co., VA, 1770-1771*, by Ruth Sparacio, p. 497.

<sup>391</sup> *Order Book abstracts of Caroline Co., VA, 1770-1771*, by Ruth Sparacio, p. 44.

<sup>392</sup> *Colonial Caroline. A history of Caroline County, Virginia*, by T.E. Campbell, Deitz Press, Richmond, VA, 1954, p. 483.

<sup>393</sup> *Order Book abstracts of Caroline Co., VA, 1770-1771*, by Ruth Sparacio, 1992, p. 125.

<sup>394</sup> *Order Book abstracts of Caroline Co., VA, 1770-1771*, by Ruth Sparacio, p. 83.

<sup>395</sup> *Order Book abstracts of Caroline Co., VA, 1773-1774*, by Ruth Sparacio, p. 66.

1775 – 9 February 1775. On petition of Michael Brown Roberts for leave to turn the Three Notch'd Road which runs through his land, it is ordered that Thomas Broadus, John Broadus, Henry Stewart and **William Kidd** do view the road and way petitioned for and report to court the conveniences and inconveniences attending the proposed alteration.<sup>396</sup>

On 14 September 1775, **William Kidd** was appointed 2<sup>nd</sup> Ensign by the Committee on Public Safety for Caroline County.<sup>397</sup>

On 12 October 1775, **William Kidd** took the oath of his militia commission.<sup>398</sup>

1776 – On March 14, 1776, John Broadus, Thomas Broadus and **William Kidd** were appointed to appraise the Negroes and personal estate of James Garnett, dec'd.<sup>399</sup>

On 15 March 1776, **William Kid** (sic) took the oath of Lieutenant in the militia.<sup>400</sup>

1778 – 12 March. Edmund Jones, William Motley, **William Kidd** and Robert (torn) [sic] appointed to appraise the Negroes and personal estate of Thomas Moore, deceased.<sup>401</sup>

8 October. A deed indented and receipt from Benjamin Cluverius, Mary Garlick and Elizabeth White to **William Kidd** was proved by oath of John Hill, as to Benjamin Cluverius and by Christopher Tompkins and William Fleet as to the whole and recorded.<sup>402</sup>

1779 – 13 May. A deed indented from Benjamin Cluveriers [sic], Mary Garlick and Elizabeth White to **William Kidd** was further proved by oath of William Moore as to Mary Garlick and Elizabeth White and ordered to be recorded.<sup>403</sup>

12 August. Ordered that sheriff pay Fran. Buckner and **William Kidd** the depositions (torn) [sic] proportion to their claims.<sup>404</sup>

12 August. Andrew Harrison, **William Kidd**, Henry Stewart and James Page are appointed to appraise the estate of Nichs. Page, dec'd.<sup>405</sup>

9 Sept. John Broaddus, Thomas Broaddus, **William Kidd** and John Puller appointed to appraise estate of Robert Sale, dec'd.<sup>406</sup>

1780 – 14 April 1780. On a return made by John Broaddus, Thomas Broaddus and William Motley, processioners in the parish of Drysdale ordered that the county surveyor together with a Jury be summoned for that purpose survey the line that divides the lands of Henry Stewart and

<sup>396</sup> *Order Book abstracts of Caroline Co., VA, 1774-1778*, by Ruth Sparacio, p. 44.

<sup>397</sup> *Carolina County, Virginia County Surveys, 1729-1762, Proceedings of Committee of Safety, 1774-1776*, by Ruth Sparico, 1997 (abstracted at Library of Virginia for Kidd mentions by Nancy Heuser, June 2012), p. 84, citing Committee of Safety Order Book page 36.

<sup>398</sup> *Ibid*, p. 85, citing p. 41.

<sup>399</sup> *Order Book abstracts of Caroline Co., VA, 1774-1778*, by Ruth Sparacio, p. 64.

<sup>400</sup> *Ibid*, p. 91, citing p. 64.

<sup>401</sup> *Order Book abstracts of Caroline Co., VA, 1774-1778*, by Ruth Sparacio, p. 85.

<sup>402</sup> *Order Book abstracts of Caroline Co., VA, 1778-1781*, by Ruth Sparacio, p. 9.

<sup>403</sup> *Ibid*, p. 31.

<sup>404</sup> *Ibid*, p. 48.

<sup>405</sup> *Ibid*, p. 49.

<sup>406</sup> *Ibid*, p. 54.

**William Kidd** at the charge of the party against whom the right of such land shall be determined and make report at next court.<sup>407</sup>

11 May 1780 - To **William Kidd** payment for keeping and repairing bridges – £127.7.6.<sup>408</sup>

**William Kidd's** name appears on a Provision List for Caroline County in 1780. His entry states that he has 6 tithes and provided 12 bushels of corn (every entry on this list shows individuals providing 2 bushels per tithe).<sup>409</sup>

1781 – 8 May. Ordered that William Gray, Robert Broaddus, Thomas Broadus and **William Kidd** appraise the estate of Thomas Lowry, dec'd in Caroline County.<sup>410</sup>

11 October. Ordered that **William Kidd**, Henry Stewart, Chilion White and John White appraise the estate of William Page, dec'd.<sup>411</sup>

13 December. Ordered that James Upshaw, David Jameson, **William Kidd** and John Broaddus divide the estate of William Page, dec'd per will and report to the court.<sup>412</sup>

1782 – 12 July. Henry Stewart plaintiff against **William Kidd** defendant. In trespass. Plaintiff failing to prosecute, the suit is dismissed.<sup>413</sup>

8 August. Upon motion **William Kidd** is exempted from payment of tax on one Negro.<sup>414</sup>

Also in 1782, **William Kidd's** name appears several times in Caroline Co Court records pertaining to supplying livestock and provisions "for the publick use" during the Revolutionary War:

At a Court held 11 July 1782 (cont. through 12 Sept. 1782). Claims for horses, provisions, etc. furnished to the Army, Oct. 1780-Aug. 1782. **William Kidd**. 225# beef, £2.6.10½.<sup>415</sup> Certificates issued by John Broaddus, D. Comr. Of Caroline Co. for beeves collected to stall for publick use viz. April 1781. **William Kidd**, 1 beef, £375 (sic).<sup>416</sup>

Bacon taken by John Broaddus, July –Sept. 1780. List included **William Kidd**, 12#, £28.<sup>417</sup> Beeves collected by John Broaddus D.C. Caroline Co., 1781 brought over (list includes) **Wm. Kidd**, 1, £375.<sup>418</sup>

Driving of Beeves to the places of stalling, April to July 1781. List includes **Wm Kidd**, 1 beef, 3 miles, £4.10.<sup>419</sup>

<sup>407</sup> Ibid, p. 77.

<sup>408</sup> *Order Book abstracts of Caroline Co., VA, 1778-1781*, by Ruth Sparacio, p. 80.

<sup>409</sup> *Magazine of Virginia Genealogy*, volume 52, page 93, 2014.

<sup>410</sup> Ibid, p. 95.

<sup>411</sup> *Order Book abstracts of Caroline Co., VA, 1781-1783*, by Ruth Sparacio, p. 2.

<sup>412</sup> Ibid, p. 7.

<sup>413</sup> Ibid, p. 47.

<sup>414</sup> Ibid, p. 53.

<sup>415</sup> *Virginia Revolutionary Claims*, compiled and transcribed by Janice L. Abercrombie and Richard Slatten, Iberian Publishing Co., Athens, GA, 1992 (three volumes in 1, 1113 pages), p. 190.

<sup>416</sup> Ibid, p. 197.

<sup>417</sup> Ibid, p. 198.

<sup>418</sup> Ibid, p. 200.

<sup>419</sup> Ibid, p. 201.

Certificates for grass fed beeves in paper money, Oct. 15, 1781. List included **Wm. Kidd**, 1, £1125.<sup>420</sup>

1783 – 12 Sept. Ordered that **William Kidd** pay Elizabeth Satterwhite 50 pounds of tobacco for attending court two days as a witness for him in the suit of Stewart.<sup>421</sup>

13 November. Ordered that Henry Stewart, John Broaddus, Thomas Broaddus and **William Kidd** appraise the estate of Cornelius Chapman, dec'd.<sup>422</sup>

1783-1802 – **William Kidd** appears on the Caroline Co. **PPTL** in 1783, the first year for which these records are available. He continues to be listed annually through 1802, then drops from the list, and his widow Mary appears in his place through 1809. His entries on the annual tax lists show that he was fairly well off economically, with more slaves and other personal property than most Kidd individuals, and indeed most others in the county.

Year	Taxpayer	WMT	B>16	B 12-16	H	COMMENTS
1783	William Kidd	2	2	8	5	0 WM 16-21; 18 cattle; 1 Ord. license
1784	William Kidd	1	2	8	4	0 WM 16-21; 20 cattle
1785	William Kidd	1	3	4	3	0 WM 16-21; 20 cattle
1786	William Kidd	2	6	6	7	0 WM 16-21; 26 cattle; 2 wheels (gig)
1787	William Kidd	1	1	0	4	0 WM 16-21; 4 cattle. List FAINT.
1788	William Kidd	1	4	3	5	No wheels
1789	Kidd, William	1	4	2	5	No wheels
1790	William Kidd	1	5	2	6	
1791	William Kidd	1	5	2	5	
1792	William Kidd	1	6	3	5	
1793	William Kidd	1	6	3	6	
1794	William Kidd	1	5	2	6	
1795	William Kidd	2	5	2	5	
1796	William Kidd	1	5	2	5	
1797	William Kidd	2	7	0?	7	Faint, illegible # of young slaves
1798	William Kidd	1	6	1	6	
1799	William Kidd	2	6	1	6	
1800	William Kidd	2	6	1	7	
1801	William Kidd	1	7	2	3?	

<sup>420</sup> Ibid, p. 206.

<sup>421</sup> *Order Book abstracts of Caroline Co., VA, 1783-1784*, by Ruth Sparacio, p. 27.

<sup>422</sup> Ibid, p. 32.

Year	Taxpayer	WMT	B>16	B 12-16	H	COMMENTS
1802	William Kidd	2	5	1	4	other WM>16 is son Walker
1803	Mary Kidd	0	5	1	3	Wm's widow; 1 chair carriage
1804	Mary Kidd	0	4	0	1	1 chair carriage
1805	Mary Kidd	0	3	0	1	1 chair carriage
1806	Mary Kidd	0	3	0	1	
1807	Mary Kidd	0	3	0	0	
1809	Mary Kidd	0	3	1	0	
1810, ff	Drops from lists					

1784 – 8 April. Ordered that Henry Stewart, **William Kidd**, James Page and John Chapman appraise the estate of William Moore, dec'd.<sup>423</sup>

9 September. Ordered that Henry Stewart, **William Kidd**, John Broaddus and Jiles Richeson appraise the estate of Shildrake Broaddus, dec'd.<sup>424</sup>

24 Apr 1784: **William Kidd** placed an ad in the Virginia Gazette/American Advertiser newspaper, published in Richmond, for the return of a runaway slave Will:<sup>425</sup>  
 “TWO GUINEAS REWARD. RAN away from the subscriber in the lower end of Caroline County, on the 5th of last March, a likely negro man named Will, about 50 years old, of a very black complexion, has a scar upon his nose, and a remarkable large foot. I understand he has got a pass since he has been run away, and intends to make his escape. Any person who will apprehend the said slave, or give intelligence so that I get him, shall have the above reward. WILLIAM KIDD.”<sup>426</sup>

9 December. James Upshaw, David Jameson, John Broaddus, Thomas Broaddus and **William Kidd** ordered to divide the real estate of Ambrose Vaughan, dec'd., according to the will of said Vaughan.<sup>427</sup>

1785 – 10 February. Ordered that Henry Stewart, **William Kidd**, George Richeson and Giles Richeson appraise the estate of William Eubank, dec'd.<sup>428</sup>

9 June. On the petition of Henry Stuart [Stewart] for leave to turn a road, ordered the same be established agreeable to report and the said Stuart appointed overseer of the said road.

<sup>423</sup> Ibid, p. 39.

<sup>424</sup> Ibid, p. 98.

<sup>425</sup> *The Virginia Genealogist* 30:190, 1986.

<sup>426</sup> The Geography of Slavery website, University of Virginia, at [http://www2.vcdh.virginia.edu/saxon/servlet/SaxonServlet?source=/xml\\_docs/slavery/ads/vg1784.xml&style=/xml\\_docs/slavery/ads/display\\_ad.xml&ad=v1784040024](http://www2.vcdh.virginia.edu/saxon/servlet/SaxonServlet?source=/xml_docs/slavery/ads/vg1784.xml&style=/xml_docs/slavery/ads/display_ad.xml&ad=v1784040024)

<sup>427</sup> *Order Book abstracts of Caroline Co., VA, 1784-1785*, by Ruth Sparacio, p. 6.

<sup>428</sup> Ibid, p. 7.

Ordered that the hands of **William Kidd**, Henry Stuart [Stewart], James Pace, **Thomas Kidd** [et als] work thereon.<sup>429</sup>

1787 – 14 March. **William Kidd** assnee. of John Page, Plaintiff agt Edmund Gatewood and Joseph deJarnett, Jun., defendants. Defendants did not appear; plaintiff to recover against defendants and Richard Turner their security, 18 pounds, 16 shillings and 8 pence.

14 June. Thomas Garnett, Reuben Broaddus, James Garnett and **William Kidd, Senr.**, to appraise estate of Thomas Broaddus, dec'd.<sup>430</sup>

8 November. **William Kidd** to serve as foreman of Grand Jury.

1787 – **William Kidd** also appears in Land Tax Alterations in this year, taxed on 427 acres in Pickett's district (elsewhere called Nicholas Long's district.<sup>431</sup>

1788-1802 – **William Kidd** appears on the Caroline Co VA Land Tax List (LTL) for this year, taxed on 427 acres in Nicholas Long's district. (No actual Land Tax Lists exist for Caroline Co., 1782-1786; only alterations from one year to the next during these years have survived. The first extant LTL showing all landowners in Caroline Co. is that of 1787.)

This listing recurs annually until 1794, when he's added 100 acres in the prior year, from George Isbell.

This listing, taxed for 527 acres recurs annually until 1803, at which time it's termed "**William Kidd's Estate.**"

1788 – 14 February. **William Kidd**, Thomas Garnett, James Garnett and William Sanders to view road proposed by Thomas Broaddus and report to court.

8 May. **William Kidd** sworn in as member of Grand Jury.<sup>432</sup>

1794 – a **William Kidd** was among those indebted to “Branham and Sales,” evidently a company in Caroline Co., in a record dated 9 Jan. 1794. This list was very long, with over 100 names. No other Kidds.<sup>433</sup>

1796 – **William Kidd** was appointed by the June 1796 Caroline Co. Court as guardian of Henry Kidd.<sup>434</sup> William Sr.'s son, William Jr. died before his father, and William Sr. was apparently appointed guardian to his grandson.

1801 – Although all Caroline County will books up to 1864 were lost in Courthouse fires, a few wills somehow survived and have been microfilmed. Fortunately for us, William Kidd Sr.'s will was among those that survived.<sup>435</sup>

<sup>429</sup> *Order Book abstracts of Caroline Co., VA, 1784-1785*, by Ruth Sparacio, p. 61.

<sup>430</sup> *Order Book abstracts of Caroline Co., VA, 1787-1789*, by Ruth Sparacio, p. 27.

<sup>431</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Land Book Alterations, 1782-1789, and 1789-1792 and 1792-1795 and 1795-1798*, by Ruth Sparico, 1996, reviewed and abstracted by Nancy Heuser at the Library of Virginia, August 2012.

<sup>432</sup> Nancy Heuser's abstracts of the Sparacio abstracts of Caroline Co. Order Books.

<sup>433</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 10.

<sup>434</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and Other records from the Court Order and Minute Books 1781-1799*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA, 1999, reviewed for Kidd citations by Nancy Heuser, June 2012, p. 78.

<sup>435</sup> This microfilm is titled “Caroline County Wills, 1742, 1762-1830 and plats 1777-1847,” available both at the Library of Virginia (Caroline County reel 7) and from the Family History Center Library via familysearch.org (restricted

**William Kidd** made and signed this will on 10 February 1801. Images of this will can be seen in [Appendix Six](#) of this document.

1802 – **William Kidd Sr.** died sometime after the spring of 1802, when he appears on both the PPTLs and the Land Tax Lists for Caroline County, and prior to 12 October 1802, when his will was proved in Caroline Court and ordered to be recorded.<sup>436</sup>

Below is a transcription of this will:

In the name of God Amen.

I William Kidd of the County of Caroline, being of Sound Sense and memory: Do order this to be my last Will and Testament In manner and form following.

First, my desire is that all my just debts should be paid by my Executors hereafter mentioned.....

Impremis, I give to my son James Kidd a certain tract or parcel of Land, formerly called Bins\_s; and after his decease, to be Equally divided between his two sons William and Philip Kidd.<sup>437</sup> Also a Negro man called George, that he has now in his possession.

(Item) I give to my Son Thomas Kidd, a Negro Man called Ned, and five pounds to him and his heirs forever.

(Item) I give to my Son Edmund Kidd, a Negro Man called Armstead, to him and his heirs forever.

(Item) I give to my son Joel Kidd a Negro Man called Ambrose, to him and his heirs forever.

(Item) I give to my Son Philip Kidd, a Negro Man called Hill. Also a beast and good bed and furniture, To him and his heirs forever.

(Item) I give to my son Willis Kidd, a Negro boy called Anderson and Twenty pounds cash, Also a beast and good bed and furniture. To him and his heirs for ever.

(Item) I give to my son Walker Kidd, a Negro boy called Caleb and ten pounds Cash. Also a beast and good bed and furniture; To him & his heirs for ever.

(Item) I give to my son John Kidd, a Negro Woman called little Janey, and her son called Caleb: That he has now in possession (with the afore said Janey's Increase) To him and his heirs forever.

(Item) I give to my Daughter Elizabeth Motley, a Negro Man called Lawney, that she has now in possession, To her and her heirs for ever.

(Item) I give to my Daughter Fanny Jones a Negro Woman called Frank, and her Daughter called Patience (and their Increase) during my Daughter's natural life. And then to her children for ever.

(Item) I give to my Daughter Polley Kidd, a Negro Girl called Debbie And a Negro Boy called Matthew. (With the Girl's Increase.) Also a good Feather bed and Furniture, To her and her heirs for ever.

access), FHL# 30828, images 74-75 on this reel. [Note: the wills and plats recorded in this volume are virtually all the surviving estate records in Caroline Co pre-1836].

<sup>436</sup> Ibid. The date the will was ordered to be recorded appears at the conclusion of the document.

<sup>437</sup> This name is in question, and may be an error. Feb. 1806 Chancery Court records state the names of the two orphans of James Kidd, deceased, who had died in the interval, were William and THOMAS Kidd. However a photocopy of the will proves that the name of James' son was indeed Philip, not Thomas. And William's signature at the bottom indicates that this was indeed the will itself, and not a transcription of his will into the Court record. Perhaps Philip died and Thomas was born after the will was signed in 1801. In any event, Philip was not living by February of 1806.

(Item) I give to my Grandson ----Henry Kidd, a Negro Girl called little Rachel. And a beast and Saddle; Also fifty pounds in cash (U C.) If my Grandson Henry makes no interruption Respecting a Negro Girl called Patty, that I sold to satisfy a Security Debt of Said Henry's Father. Also a bed and furniture I give to my Grandson Henry.

(Item) I Lend to my beloved Wife Mary Kidd; All that part of my Land lying below the Established Road that now Runs through my Plantation. Thence from the said Road down to Beverly Run, with all improvements there belonging. Also a Negro Man called Sam & a Negro Woman called big Rachel, a Negro Woman called Yallow Janey, another called Anicay, and a girl called Silvey and a boy called Moses. During her natural life (or so long as she continues my Widow.) After that period, my personable Estate lent her to be Equally divided amongst all my children except my son John. And my Real Estate lent her to be Equally divided amongst all my children Except James and John Kidd ---- The balance of my Land (Except what I have given to my Son James) lying above the afore mentioned Establish'd Road (After my Decease) to be Equally divided amongst all my children, Except the afore mentioned James Kidd. All my personable Estate Except what I have lent my wife to be Equally Divided among all my children except my son John Kidd (After my Death). Lastly I appoint my Son James Kidd and Thomas and Joel, Willis and Philip and Walker Kidd, Executors of this my above Mentioned Will and Testament. All whereunto I have set my hand and affixed my Seal. This tenth day of Feby Eighteen hundred and one.

Signed, Sealed and delivered in presence of --

George Sale

William Stuart

William Kidd {seal}

At a Court held for Caroline County on the 12th day of October 1802. This writing purporting to be the will of Wm Kidd dec'd Was presented to the Court for probate. On hearing the Testimony of George Sale, one of the subscribing witnesses and of Walker Kidd that certain erasures were made in the said Will since the execution thereof, the Court is of opinion that the said Will ought to be proved and admitted to Records.

Teste Wm. Wesson, Clk.

In November of 1802, the heirs of William Kidd Sr. filed a suit in Chancery Court, seeking the division of his property, including his land and slaves,<sup>438</sup> and commissioners were appointed to divide the lands of William and allot them to his heirs.<sup>439</sup> For reasons unknown to us, their original plea to the Chancery Court stated that William Kidd Sr. had died intestate. Perhaps the existence of the will was unknown to them at the time the complaint was drafted. In any event, no disputes among the heirs are evident in the records of this case.

In December of 1802, the commissioners filed their report with the Court:<sup>440</sup>

Agreeable to a decretal order of the \_\_\_\_ing at November Court 1802.

We the Subscribers have divided and allotted the lands of Wm Kidd dec'd, as will appear on

<sup>438</sup> Library of Virginia on-line Chancery records, Caroline Co., VA case 1812-014, 20 images:

[http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=033-1812-014](http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=033-1812-014)

Interested parties are encouraged to view this entire record for themselves.

<sup>439</sup> Caroline County Order Book 1802-1804, page 90, retrieved from FHL #1887726 (restricted access, FHCs only).

<sup>440</sup> The Library of Virginia, Richmond – Caroline Co. (VA) Wills 1742, 1762-1830, Plats, 1777-1840 – Reel 7, pp. 131-132 (photocopies available from the authors).

the above plat, each lot of land containing 26 acres and drawn by the legatee whose name is written on the lot, the first division line beginning at E and running agreeable to the course on the plat, all the division lines has(?) their courses set to them on the plat, the valuation of each lot is set thereon, which valuation when aded (added) together makes the sum of £383-18-0, which sum when divided between Eleven legatees makes the sum of £34-18-0, due to each legatee in land, as will appear in the division of Estate.

Given under our hands this 10 day of Dec. 1802.

Rueben Broaddy [ written Broaddy, but Broaddus]

Mordicai Redd (surname smudged – could be Broaddus or Broaddy)

Robert Pale (or more likely, Sale, who was a neighbor)

The plat itself is quite nice, and shows the course of the established road across his lands, and the course of Beverly Run.

Neighbors named in the accompanying landmarks include Robert Sale; Broaddus; Moore; Col. Taylor; Merritt; and Stuart.

1803 – In the February Court 1803, the division of the estate of William Kidd was recorded, naming his widow, Mary, and their surviving children: James, Philip, Henry, Thomas Willis, Edmund, John, Fanny (the wife of Washington Jones), Walker, Joel, Polly, and Elizabeth (wife of Edwin Motley).<sup>441, 442</sup>

In a Court held for Caroline County in March 1803, Philip Kidd was appointed Guardian to Polly Kidd, orphan of William Kidd, dec'd.<sup>443</sup>

1803-1805 – the 1803 Caroline Co. Land Tax Lists include **William Kidd's Estate**, as he died the prior year. The 1804 LTL contains an adjustment to the total acreage in his estate and documents the distribution of his land to his heirs. [N.B. The total of the acreage does not add up to 527, but this is the way the alterations were recorded.]

to James Kidd's estate: 105 acres

to Thomas Kidd's estate: 26 acres

to John Kidd: 26 acres

to Joel Kidd: 26 acres

to Edmond Kidd: 26 acres

to Edwin Motley (husband of William's daughter, Elizabeth): 26 acres

to Washington Jones' estate (husband of William's daughter, Fanny): 26 acres

to Philip Kidd: 26 acres

to Walker Kidd: 26 acres

to Willis Kidd: 26 acres

to Polly Kidd: 26 acres

to Mary Kidd (his widow): 165 acres

<sup>441</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, pp. 23-24

<sup>442</sup> Caroline County Order Book, 1802-1804, pages 130-134, retrieved from FHL #1887726 (restricted access, FHCs only), images 336-338. Digital images available upon request.

<sup>443</sup> *Ibid*, p. 49.

This left 26 acres in his estate (preserved for Henry Kidd, son of William's deceased son, William Jr.?)

1806-1825 – the Estate of **William Kidd** continues to be listed annually these years, containing that residual 26 acres. The description in later years reads "adj. Mrs. Jones, 18 miles E. of courthouse." Later that distance is given as 16 miles E. of the courthouse. It drops from the LTLs in 1826, and what became of the last 26 acres isn't apparent.

1807 – 25 Dec 1807. Samuel Stewart, one of the legatees of Henry Stewart, decd., and Elizabeth Stewart his wife of Louisa Co. to William Stewart of K&Q Co., 300 acres in Caroline that belonged to Henry Stewart, decd. And was left to be equally divided between his children. Land bounded by **William Kidd**, decd., and Beverley Run. Witnesses: Reuben Chapman, Ambrose White, James J. Garnett and William Long.<sup>444</sup>

1815 – A listing of the land holdings for all landowners in Caroline Co. for this year includes one for William Kidd's Estate; it was 18 miles east of the Courthouse.<sup>445</sup> This was the same location as land belonging to **James Kidd's Estate**, and to Polly and Willis Kidd.

#### **THE CHILDREN OF WILLIAM KIDD SR & HIS WIFE, MARY HALBERT KIDD:<sup>446</sup>**

(All born in Caroline County)

1. [Thomas Kidd](#) (bef 1760 – abt. 1803, Caroline County)
2. [Elizabeth Kidd](#), (~ 1770? – aft. 1820 census)
3. [John Kidd](#) (abt. 1769 – 1839, K&Q Co., VA)
4. [Edmund Kidd](#) (abt. 1771 – abt. 1826, Fayette Co., KY)
5. [Frances/Fanny Kidd](#) (bef. 1777 – bef. Oct. 1804, Caroline Co.)
6. [Joel Kidd](#) (abt 1775 – abt. 1811, Caroline Co.)
7. [James Kidd](#) (bef. 1760 – abt 1804, Caroline Co.) leaving two sons, William (taken in by Elizabeth and her husband, Edwin Motley) and Thomas (taken in by John Kidd, below).
8. [William Kidd](#) (died prior to his father's death in 1802, leaving one son, Henry, who is named in his grandfather's will). This child had died by Feb. 1806, and his share was divided among the other 10 heirs.
9. [Philip Kidd](#) (abt 1778 – aft 1840, Fayette County, KY)
10. [Willis Kidd](#) (abt 1779 – 1843, Caroline Co.)
11. [Polly Kidd](#) (aft. 1787 - ??)
12. [Walker Kidd](#) (abt 1790 – after the 1840 census, probably in Fayette Co., KY)

#### **WILLIAM KIDD, Jr., the son of William Kidd Sr.**

**William<sup>5</sup> (William<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) Kidd**

**Born by 1779<sup>447</sup> in Caroline County**

<sup>444</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 137.

<sup>445</sup> *1815 Virginia Landowners*, vol. 3.

<sup>446</sup> The birth order I have here is based (for the males) upon their order of appearance on the Caroline Co., VA PPTLs, at which the age when a man became "tithable" was 21 from colonial times through 1787, but changed to 16 as of 1788. For the females, I've guesstimated their birth order by where the gaps were between the males. I have NO evidence for birth years for any of them, other than what's listed in their own section in this document. - RK

<sup>447</sup> This estimated date of birth is predicated upon his first appearing as a household head and taxpayer on the 1800 Caroline Co. PPTLs. He could have been born earlier and remained in his father's household for several years.

**Died in 1801 or early 1802, before his father, William Sr.'s death**

1800, 1801 – First appears on the Caroline Co. VA PPTLs in 1800, and appears once more in 1801. Evidently died in 1801, prior to the writing of his father's will in December of that year.

Year	Taxpayer	WMT	B>16	B 12-16	H	COMMENTS
1800	William Kidd	1	1	0	1	
1801	William Kidd	1	2	0	1	
1802	Drops from PPTLs					

1802 – **William Kidd** is named in his father, William Kidd's will, proved in court in 1802 (see [Appendix Six](#) of this document), and in his subsequent estate records.<sup>448</sup>

1802 – In 1802, Mary Kidd, James Kidd, Edwin Motley & Elizabeth his wife, formerly Kidd; Washington Jones & Fanny his wife, formerly Kidd; Edmund Kidd, Joel Kidd, John Kidd & Willis Kidd plead that **William Kidd [Sr.]** died seized & possessed of considerable estate both real & personal, and died in 1802. Widow Mary Kidd and his 11 children (the above-named plus Thomas, Philip, Walker & Polly) state that **William Kidd, son of the elder William, received his father's share of this estate, then died, leaving one child, Henry Kidd, who has now inherited his father's share of this estate.**

1803 – In a Court held for Caroline County in January 1803, Joell Kidd was appointed Guardian of **Henry Kidd, orphan of William Kidd, dec'd.**<sup>449</sup>  
No probate, chancery or other records of him have been found, and nothing more is known about him.

**WILLIAM KIDD, minor child of James Kidd** and grandson of William Kidd Sr.  
**William<sup>6</sup> (James<sup>5</sup>, William<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) Kidd**

1801-1802 – Named in his grandfather, William Kidd Sr.'s will as one of two sons of William's son, James. The will stipulates that if James dies, that James' share of William's estate is to go to "James' two sons, William and Philip."  
[By the time of the first distribution of William Sr.'s estate in Feb. 1806, the two sons of James are listed as Thomas and William.<sup>450</sup> EITHER Philip has died, or the clerk wrote down the name of the second son wrong.]

Somewhere in these Chancery records, it is stated that this William, son of James, was raised by his aunt, Elizabeth Kidd, and her husband, Edwin Motley. This family resided in K&Q Co. by 1808, when Edwin Motley wrote his will, and he apparently died there in 1809. In any event, it's likely that this William Kidd, orphan son of James, was raised in K&Q Co., VA.

<sup>448</sup> Library of Virginia on-line Chancery records, Caroline Co., VA case 1812-014, 20 images:  
[http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=033-1812-014](http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=033-1812-014)

<sup>449</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, p. 48.

<sup>450</sup> William's chancery records online, image 20.

Nothing more is known about him at this time.

**WILLIAM KIDD (1789-1854), son of Thomas<sup>5</sup> Kidd, and grandson of William Kidd Sr. William<sup>6</sup> (Thomas<sup>5</sup>, William<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) Kidd Born 7 May 1789,<sup>451</sup> most likely in Caroline County Married Harriet M. Wright on 24 December 1821<sup>452</sup> in Caroline County. Died intestate in Caroline County on 9 February 1854.<sup>453</sup>**

Served in the War of 1812, and later was known as "Capt. William Kidd" locally. His home, called Edge (or Hedge) Hill, was located 0.1 mile west of Kidd's Fork on Rt. 640, thence 0.2 miles west on a private road to the site. The home was said to have been the second house built in Caroline County, and had been purchased from the original owner, whose name remains unknown.<sup>454</sup> This home was also known as the Pollard home, as it passed from William to his grandson, William Lee Kidd Pollard (William's daughter Margaret, married Leonidas C. Pollard, a Caroline Co. physician).

The WPA account of this home, in error, states that "*Capt. Kidd moved to Caroline County from Gloucester.*"<sup>455</sup> It also states that Capt. Kidd died of heart trouble on this farm.

1804 – his father **Thomas Kidd** evidently died in late 1803 or early 1804, as his Estate is listed on the 1804 Caroline Co. PPTL, taken in the spring of that year.

In December of 1804, in a Chancery Court suit, records show that Thomas's widow, Elizabeth Kidd was the administratrix of her husband's estate, and Thomas Hundley, the husband of Thomas and Elizabeth's daughter, Lucy Kidd, was his administrator. The Court ordered that Elizabeth receive one-third of the lands and slaves of the intestate Thomas Kidd, deceased; Matthew Hundley and his wife Lucy received one-third, and the other third went to **William Kidd, "infant son of Thomas Kidd**, deceased, by his guardian (who is not named in this record).<sup>456,457</sup>

1804 – A guardianship for **William Kidd**, son of Thomas Kidd, ordered to be recorded. Original not yet examined to determine name of the guardian.<sup>458</sup>

1810-1853 – listed continuously on the Caroline Co., VA PPTLs, with increasing wealth over the years, to the point that in 1853 (the last year we've checked to date) he had 16 taxable slaves

<sup>451</sup> This specific date of birth comes from the [Kidd-Pollard Family Bible](#).

<sup>452</sup> Ibid.

<sup>453</sup> The dates listed here come from the Kidd-Pollard Family Bible record. See below.

<sup>454</sup> Works Progress Administration of Virginia Historical Inventory, #157, Caroline Co., VA, Research Report by Selma Farmer, Port Royal, Virginia, July 7, 1937. This was also called the Pollard home.

<sup>455</sup> We think that this statement is incorrect. Sandra Kidd writes: "Nice story, but not true that Capt William Kidd of Edge Hill came from Gloucester Co, since his father Thomas Kidd, son of William Kidd d 1802 of Caroline, is found continuously in Caroline Co until Thomas died in 1804. Maybe someone else in the family who lived at Edge Hill came from Gloucester Co." In addition, we have checked the Gloucester Co. PPTLs from 1782-1799, and only a Ben Kidd appears in those records, in 1783, for one year. No evidence has been found to support this statement.

<sup>456</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 61.

<sup>457</sup> Images of this record are available on-line at the Library of Virginia: [http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=033-1805-011](http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=033-1805-011)

<sup>458</sup> *Index to Virginia Estates, 1800-1865*, vol. 10, compiled by Wesley E. Pippenger, published by Virginia Genealogical Society, 2010, citing Order Book 1804-1805, p. 239.

(above 16 years of age), 85 cattle, hogs etc., and monies or monetary assets worth \$5000, a very large sum in those days.

Year	Taxpayer	WMT	B>16	B 12-16	H	COMMENTS
1810	William Kidd	1	0	0	1	
1811	William Kidd	1	0	0	1	
1812	William Kidd	1	2	1	3	
1813	William Kidd	1	3	1	3	
1814	William Kidd	1	2	1	3	
1815	William Kidd	1	3	1	3	9 cattle
1816	William Kidd	1	3	1	3	
1817	William Kidd	1	3	1	3	
1818	William Kidd	1	4	0	3	Carriage (\$50)
1819	William Kidd	1	4	0	3	
1820	William Kidd	1	4	0	3	1 gig (\$50)
1821	Not listed					
1822	William Kidd	1	5	4	3	
1823	William Kid	1	4	5	3	
1824	William Kidd	1	3	5	5	1 gig (\$40)
1825	William Kidd	1	3	5	3	
1826	William Kidd	1	-	-	3	5 slaves >12
1827	Cap. William Kidd	-	-	-	3	6 slaves>12; gig (\$40)
1828	William Kidd	-	-	-	4	3 slaves>12; gig (\$20)
1829	Capt. William Kidd	1	4	4	3	1 gig
1830	William Kidd	1	5	5	3	
1831	William Kidd	1	5	6	2	
1832	William Kidd	1	5	6	2	
1833	William Kidd	1	5	6	2	
1834	William Kidd	1	6	8	3	
1835	William Kidd	1	6	8	3	
1836	William Kidd	1	5	9	3	
1837	William Kidd	1	5	9	3	
1838	William Kidd	1	5	9	3	

Year	Taxpayer	WMT	B> 16	B 12 -16	H	COMMENTS
1839	William Kidd	1	9	10	3	
1840	William Kidd	1	9	9	3	
1841	William Kidd	1	9	9	3	
1842	William Kidd	2	11	12	3	
1843	William Kidd	1	14	15	3	
1844	William Kidd	2	14	15	3	
1845	William Kidd	2	12	13	3	
1846	William Kidd	2	13	14	3	
1847	William Kidd	2	14	15	3	4-wheel carriage (\$300)
1848	William Kidd	2	15	16	6	Pleasure Carriage (\$250)
1849	William Kidd	3	13	15	5	4-wheel carriage (\$250)
1850	Wm Kidd	2	14	16	5	4-wheel carriage (\$250)
1851	William Kidd	2	14	15	5	4-wh carriage (\$200)
1852	William Kidd	4	14	15	4	1WM 16-20; pleasure carriage (\$150); 1 gold watch, 1 silver watch, 1 clock
1853	Cap. William Kidd	5	15	16	6	85 cattle; pleasure carriage (\$150); 2 watches; \$5000

1814-1815 – **William Kidd** was a member of Elliott DeJarnett's company, part of the 13<sup>th</sup> regiment, in 1814 and 1815, during the War of 1812. On the company roster, he's listed as **Lt.**

**William Kidd.** John P. Walden was a Sgt. In this company.<sup>459</sup>

1815 – A listing of the land holdings for all landowners in Caroline Co. for this year includes one for **William Kidd**; his land was "near Burke's bridge, 10 miles south of the Courthouse."<sup>460</sup> This was in the vicinity of Elizabeth Kidd's and also of Benjamin Kidd's lands. (see their entries in this paper)

1815-1863 – This **William Kidd** first appears in the Caroline Co. LTLs in 1815 (see Table below), and appears almost annually through 1863, the last year we have checked.

In the 12 months prior to the 1822 LTL, there was some sort of land exchange involving William, his mother Elizabeth, and a Matthew Hundley, wherein William received 62.5 acres from Matthew Hundley, and Elizabeth received 62.5 acres from William "for M. Hundley."

<sup>459</sup> *A History of Caroline County, Virginia; from its formation in 1727 to 1924*, by Marshall Wingfield, Regional Publishing Company, 1969, p. 232.

<sup>460</sup> *1815 Virginia Landowners*, vol. 3.

(Elizabeth's land increased by 62.5 acres that year, so the nature of the swap isn't clear. However, the following year, William is again taxed on only 200 acres, so perhaps the swap took a year.)

Year	NAME	Acres	Description	CH	COMMENTS
1815	William Kidd	200	-		"on land, fee"
1816-1820	William Kidd	200	near Burke's bridge	10S	
1821	William Kidd	200	adj. Geo Robinson	10E	
1822	William Kidd	262½	adj. Geo Robinson	12SE	
1823-1824	William Kidd	200	adj. Geo Robinson	12SE	
1825-1826	William Kidd	204	adj. Geo Robinson	12SE	No indication of source of addl. 4 acres
1827-1829	William Kidd	204	Geo. Robinson's Est.	12SE	
1830-1831	William Kidd	204	-	-	(columns blank)
1832-1838	William Kidd	204	adj. German Goodloe	12X	(CH entry varies between 12SE & 12E in these yrs.)
1839	-	-	-	-	LTL unreadable for Ks
1840	William Kidd	330	Geo. B__	?	Another dark page
1841	William Kidd	330	Geo. T. Burress?	9SE	
1842	William Kidd	-	-	-	List too dark to read
1843-1844	William Kidd	446¾	G. Burress	9SE	
1845-1846	William Kidd	563½	G.T. Burrus	9SE	"116¾ acres from Louisa Walden" in 1845
1847-1850	William Kidd	933½	Mary Wright	9SE	"370 acres from Jesse F Burk" in 1847
1851-1853	William Kidd	933	Geo. T. Burrus	9SE	
1854-1858	William Kidd Est.	933	George T Burrus	9SE	
1859	William Kidd Est.	633	Geo. T. Burrus	9SE	"300 acres to H(ar)T M. Kidd" (his widow; dower?)
1860-1863	William Kidd Est.	633	Geo. T. Burrus	9SE	Location changes from 9SE to 9S in 1862

1820 – on federal census in Caroline Co., VA, p. 348:

**William Kidd:** 1M 26-44, 1F 26-44 and 9 slaves.

1820 – 5 Dec 1820. Richard Gatewood to Thomas Berry and **William Kidd**, 400 acres he bought from Edmund Pendleton, Jr., John C. Sutton and Elizabeth P. Sutton his wife, I being inherited part of her father's land, assigned by division to Jane B. Pendleton as her inherited part of her father's land. The land is bounded by Richard Gatewood, Col. Edmund Pendleton, Edmund Pendleton Jr. and John Gayle, Sr. Witnesses: H. Sale, John Sale Jr. and Daniel Turner.<sup>461</sup>

1821 – A Marriage Bond for **William Kidd** and Harriet M. Wright was issued on Dec. 10, 1821, Robert Wright, bond, in Caroline Co., VA.<sup>462</sup> The couple was married 24 December 1821.<sup>463</sup>

1822 – in 1822, the Caroline Co. VA LTL Alterations shows that William Kidd received 62½ acres from Matthew Hundley. That same year, he transferred 62½ acres to Elizabeth Kidd (the widow of Thomas Kidd) "for Mr. Hundley," in essence just a land swap of some sort. In 1823 and 1824 (the last year we've checked so far), he continued to be taxed on 200 acres adjacent to George Robinson, now designated "12 miles SE" of the CH.

On 9 December 1822 in Caroline Court, a deed from Philip & **William Kidd** to Willis Kidd, proved by John Kidd and Thomas Dew, two of the witnesses thereto, and ordered to be recorded.<sup>464</sup>

1827 – 9 July 1827. Platt of the lands of William L. Walden, decd., shows that it is bounded by Pendleton's Mill Pond, Munday's corner to Gayle and Munday, corner to **William Kidd** in Josiah Gayle's line, corner to John Gayle and a corner to Sale and Green.<sup>465</sup> (There are several other citations regarding Waldens in this reference.)

1830 – on federal census in Caroline Co., VA, p. 196, line 18:

**William Kidd:** 2100001-10001 (2M<5, 1 5-9 & 1 40-49; 1F<5 & 1 20-29, plus 17 slaves; 23 total persons).

Also on this census are Willis, Henry, Benjamin and Sarah Kidd.

1837 – a **William Kidd** as one of many to provide affidavits in a Caroline Co. VA Chancery Court case, Thomas C. Claytor and William Claytor vs. Same in 1837.<sup>466</sup>

1840- on federal census in Caroline Co., VA, p. 96, line 14:

**William Kidd:** 1111001-121001 (1M<5, 1 5-9, 110-14, 1 15-19 & 1 50-59; 1F<5, 2 5-9, 1

<sup>461</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 139.

<sup>462</sup> *Marriages of Caroline County, Virginia 1777-1853*, compiled and edited by Therese Fisher, 1998, Heritage Books, p. 128.

<sup>463</sup> This date comes from the Kidd-Pollard Family Bible record. See transcription in [Appendix Five](#) of this document.

The record itself is viewable from the Library of Virginia's web site, in their Archives/Manuscripts section.

<sup>464</sup> Caroline County Order Book, 1822-1824, page 101, reviewed on FHL #30843, item 2, image 332.

<sup>465</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 126.

<sup>466</sup> [http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=033-1840-001](http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=033-1840-001), image 132 of 222. Nothing of use that I could see in a quick scan. –RK.

10-14 and 1 30-39, plus 15 slaves; 25 total, 9 in agriculture).

Also on this Caroline Co. census are Harry H., Willis and Sarah Kidd.

1847 – The Executors of the last Will and Testament of William W. Taliaferro, who died in Caroline Co. before 28 September 1841, exposed a tract of land belonging to the deceased, in order to pay the expenses of the estate. This land was bounded on the west by the land of Robert Wright, on the south by **William Kidd**, and the tract of land which said William W purchased of the estate of the late German Goodloe, and on the north by Houston and Green...three hundred and three acres. This deed was recorded 16 December 1847.<sup>467</sup>

1843 – **Harriet F. Kidd**. Died, at the residence of her father (Capt. **William Kidd**) in the county of Caroline, on the 24<sup>th</sup> of Sept. 1847, Harriet F. Kidd aged 13 years and 8 months.<sup>468</sup>

1850 – on federal census in Caroline Co., VA, p. 267A, HH 679/680:

**Kidd, William** 61MW farmer (birthplaces blank for entire page)

" , Harriett 49FW

" , Robert H. 23MW teacher (birthplaces blank for entire page)

" , Thomas D. 22MW farmer

" , Barton 17MW student

" , Maria 20FW

" , Margaret 15FW

" , Lucy A. 10FW

1854 – According to the Kidd-Pollard family Bible [see records below at end of William's section], he died 9 Feb 1854 in Kidd's Fork and is buried in the Kidd-Pollard cemetery in Caroline Co., VA, off Rte. 654.<sup>469</sup>

1855 – Despite his wealth, **William Kidd** died prior to March 1855 without a will, as none seems to be recorded in the Will Book. Will Book 29 records the appraisal of the estate of William Kidd in 1855, with sale following in 1858 and recorded in Will Book 30.<sup>470</sup>

15 March 1855. William B. Kidd presented to the Caroline Co. Court the inventory and appraisal of the estate of **William Kidd**, decd., and it was admitted to record. This estate included 35 slaves.<sup>471</sup>

1858 – On 1 June 1858, William B. Kidd, administrator, presented his account of sales for the estate of **William Kidd, deceased** to the Caroline County Court.<sup>472</sup> The total amount of sales was

<sup>467</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia "Lost" Wills, 1676-1855 and Related Records from Other Sources: Volume Two*, by Kimberley Curtis Campbell, Iberian Publishing Co., 2013, p. 178, citing Caroline Co. Deed Book 45, p. 547.

<sup>468</sup> Pippenger, Wesley E. *Death Notices from Richmond, Virginia Newspapers 1841-1853*. Richmond, VA: Virginia Genealogical Society, 2002. These are arranged chronologically, with an every-name index, p. 261, citing the *Richmond Enquirer*, 21 Dec 1847, p. 1.

<sup>469</sup> From a Table of individuals serving in the War of 1812, from the War of 1812 Society, provided to me by Bill Kidd. This table indicates that William did apply for and receive a pension for his service, but in fact, the War of 1812 Society dropped that statement in a later version of this table.

<sup>470</sup> *Index to Virginia Estates, 1800-1865*, vol. 10, compiled by Wesley E. Pippenger, published by Virginia Genealogical Society, 2010, citing Will Book 29, 1853-1858, p. 241, for appraisal, and Will Book 30, 1858-1862, p. 43, for sale.

<sup>471</sup> Caroline County Will Book 29, pp. 241-243, retrieved from FHL #30846. Scans of these pages are in the Caroline Co. Sources folder.

<sup>472</sup> Caroline County Will Book 30, 1858-1863, pp. 43-46, FHL #30847, images 48-50. Scans of these images are in the Caroline Co. Sources folder.

over \$2600. Purchasers included Mrs. H. M. Kidd (William's widow, who purchased a substantial amount of household goods, and some livestock), Thomas D. Kidd, William B. Kidd and Travis Bagby, among others.

1860 – The widow of William Kidd and some of their children are on the federal census in Caroline Co VA, Kirkwood P.O., page 672, HH 776:

**Kidd, Harriet M.** 60FW farmer \$5440/20,000(!) VA  
 " , Thomas D. 30MW farmer \$300/6685 VA  
 " , Robert H. 32MW no occ listed \$300/3,000 VA  
 " , Maria L. 26FW no occ. Listed \$300/6,000 VA  
 " , Burton W. 24MW farmer \$5440/4,436 VA  
 Freeman, James 39MB, VA

1870 – on federal census in Bowling Green twp., Caroline Co VA, p. 26 (Bowling Green P.O.), HH 174/183:

**Kidd, Harriet M.** 70FW housekeeping \$9400/550 VA  
 " , Thomas T. (sic) 40MW farmer VA  
 " , Maria A. 25FW VA  
 Pollard, Willie K. 8MW VA  
 Bird, Gay 2FW VA

The **children of William and Harriet M. Wright Kidd were:**<sup>473</sup>

1. [Robert Hawkins Kidd](#), b. 3 December 1822; d. 7 August 1892
2. [Thomas D. Kidd](#), b. 13 September 1825;
3. [Maria Louisa Kidd](#), b. 26 September 1830; d. 14 January 1904
4. [William B. Kidd](#), b. 22 December 1828; d. 9 August 1907
5. [Margaret Elizabeth Kidd](#), b. 26 September 1830; d. 10 September 1863
6. [Barton/Burton W. Kidd](#), b. 3 May 1831; d. 19 June 1863 in Civil War
7. Harriet F. Kidd, b. 14 January 1836; d. 24 September 1847<sup>474</sup>
8. James Henry Kidd, b. 16 May 1836; d. 26 May 1838
9. [John W. Kidd](#), b. 16 February 1838, d. 4 December 1845
10. Lucy Ann Kidd, b. 4 July 1840; d. 9 November 1852

This Capt. William Kidd, his wife Harriet M. Wright Kidd, and all but two of their children are said to be buried in the Kidd-Pollard family cemetery, located on Rt. 654 (Burke's Bridge Rd.) at old Kidd's Fork Post Office.<sup>475</sup> This source lists their dates of births and deaths, saying that these come from the Kidd-Pollard family Bible, and states, "All the graves are unmarked but a complete listing ...exists."

**WILLIAM B. KIDD**, the son of William Kidd and his wife Harriet M. Wright

**Born Dec. 22, 1828**

**Married Attaway M. Broaddus 18 Nov. 1858 in the Salem Bapt. Church in Sparta, Caroline Co VA.**

<sup>473</sup> Named, with their dates of birth listed, in the Kidd-Pollard family bible. See [Appendix Five](#).

<sup>474</sup> An obit for Harriet F. Kidd appeared in the Richmond Enquirer on Dec 27, 1847 (p1 col 7), found in the Enquirer Obits Index online at LoV. It reads: Died, at the residence of **her father, Capt. William Kidd**, in the county of Caroline, on the 24th day of Sept 1847, Harriet F. Kidd, aged 13 years and 8 months... Richmond Enquirer, 21 Dec 1847, p. 1.

<sup>475</sup> *Cemeteries of Caroline County, Virginia, Vol. 2 (Private Cemeteries)*, by Herbert Ridgeway Collins, 1994-1998, p. 94.

**Died testate 27 December 1875 without issue**

**This information is substantiated by the Kidd-Pollard family Bible,<sup>476</sup> and the Broaddus family Bible No. 2.<sup>477</sup>**

According to these sources, his wife Attaway died in Richmond, VA on 6 August 1916 and is buried in Riverview Cemetery there.

1850 – I don't find him on the federal census in this year. Specifically, he's not in the household of William and Harriet Kidd in 1850.

1858 – At a Circuit Court held for Caroline County on 1 March 1858, the suit of Thomas D. Kidd and others, Plaintiffs, against Harriet M. Kidd, Burton B. Kidd, and Robert H. Kidd, Defendants was heard. The Court appointed Burton B. Kidd *guardian ad litem* of Robert H. Kidd, a lunatic, to defend him in this suit.<sup>478</sup>

On the same day, the following Chancery Cause was heard in Caroline County Court: Thomas D. Kidd, **William B. Kidd**, Maria L. Kidd and Leonidas C. Pollard and Margaret his wife, Plaintiffs, against Harriet M. Kidd, Burton B. Kidd and Robert H. Kidd by Burton B. Kidd, his guardian, Defendants -

After hearing the bill and the answers, the Court appointed Robert Hudgin a commissioner, to sell at public auction “two tracts of land, one called “Hedge Hill” and the other “Waldens” and (also) a lot of woodland of 40 acres”...and to pay to the plaintiffs and to defendant Burton B. Kidd each one-sixth of the proceeds. (The final one-sixth, belonging to Robert H. was apparently set aside for his benefit, to his guardian.)<sup>479</sup>

On 1 June 1858, **William B. Kidd**, administrator, presented his account of sales for the estate of William Kidd, deceased to the Caroline County Court.<sup>480</sup> The total amount of sales was over \$2600. Purchasers included Mrs. H. M. Kidd (who purchased a substantial amount of household goods, and some livestock), Thomas D. Kidd, William B. Kidd and Travis Bagby, among others.

He married Attaway/Attie M. Broaddus on 18 November 1858.<sup>481</sup> This fits with the land tax lists below, where he's apparently received land from his new wife's father's estate.

1859-1863 – **William B. Kidd** appears for the first time on the Caroline Co. Land Tax Lists (LTLs) in 1859, taxed on 400 acres adjacent to the J. Broaddus estate, 13 miles SE of the Courthouse. According to the notation with this entry, he acquired this land from John Long in the prior 12 months.

<sup>476</sup> *Bible records of Caroline County, Virginia families*, by Herbert Ridgeway Collins, Heritage Books, Westminster, MD, 2008, pp. 176-177.

<sup>477</sup> *Bible records of Caroline County, Virginia families*, by Herbert Ridgeway Collins, Heritage Books, Westminster, MD, 2008, p. 43, ff.

<sup>478</sup> Caroline County Order Book 1842-1866, page 276, retrieved from FHL #30856 (restricted access – FHCs only), image 451. Digital image available upon request.

<sup>479</sup> Caroline County Order Book, 1842-1866, pages 276-277, retrieved from FHL #30856, item two (restricted access – FHCs only), images 451-452. Digital images available upon request.

<sup>480</sup> Caroline County Will Book 30, 1858-1863, pp. 43-46, FHL #30847, images 48-50. Scans of these images are in the Caroline Co. Sources folder.

<sup>481</sup> The Kidd-Pollard Family Bible. See [Appendix Five](#) of this document.

Year	NAME	Acres	Description	CH	COMMENTS
1859	William B. Kidd	400	J. Broaddus Est.	13SE	"transferred from John Long"
1860	William B. Kidd	400	J. Broaddus Est.	13SE	
1861-1863	William B. Kidd	400	Thos. B. Sale	13S	

We've not checked the Caroline Co. VA LTLs beyond 1863.

1860 – on the federal census in Caroline Co., VA, Kirkwood P.O., p. 666, HH 727:

**Kidd, William B.** 30MW farmer \$5000/\$3000 (bplace column blank, whole page)  
 " , Attie M. 24FW  
 (no others)

1861 – **William B. Kidd** enlisted in Co. H of the 30<sup>th</sup> VA Infantry, CSA on April 24, 1861 as a Sergeant. Promoted to full Captain on 17 Sept. 1862, and to full Lt. on 7 June 1862. Mustered out 9 April 1865 at Appomattox CH. His company was known as the Sparta Grays, and was organized in Caroline Co. in December of 1860.<sup>482</sup>

1870 – on the federal census in Bowling Green twp. and P.O., Caroline Co., VA (misindexed at Ancestry as RIDD), p. 38, HH 262/273:

**Kidd, W.B.** 38MW farmer \$7220/835 VA  
 " , Attie 30FW housekeeping VA  
 Broaddus, Sarah A. 45FW  
 (no others)

1875 – **William B. Kidd** died in Dec 1875 in Caroline Co., VA, and is named in Virginia Deaths and Burials Index, 1853-1917 at Ancestry.com.<sup>483</sup> This citation names his parents as William and Margaret H. Kidd [Harriet] and his spouse as Allie [Attaway] M. Kidd. He was 46 at the time of his death.

**William B. Kidd** wrote and signed his short will on 17 December 1875 in Caroline Co.

“Having no children and no needy near relations, I give absolutely and in fee Simple to my wife Attaway all my property, both real and personal, of every description whatsoever.” He named his wife Attaway the executrix of his will and specified that she should be permitted to do so without having to give security.

The witnesses to his will were A. Broaddus and John P. Broaddus. The will was proved and admitted to record on 14 February 1876.<sup>484</sup>

<sup>482</sup> *The Virginia Genealogist* 48:138, 2004.

<sup>483</sup> [http://search.ancestry.com/cgi-bin/sse.dll?rank=1&new=1&MSAV=0&msT=1&gss=angs-g&gsfn=William+B&gsln=Kidd&mswpn\\_\\_ftp=Caroline+County%2c+Virginia%2c+USA&mswpn=493&mswpn\\_PInfo=7-%7c0%7c1652393%7c0%7c2%7c3245%7c49%7c0%7c493%7c0%7c0%7c&msbdy=1829&msddy=1875&uidh=0p\\_b&pca=ROOT\\_CATEGORY&h=83857&recoff=5+6+7+34+45+46+59&db=ESVirginiaDeath&indiv=1](http://search.ancestry.com/cgi-bin/sse.dll?rank=1&new=1&MSAV=0&msT=1&gss=angs-g&gsfn=William+B&gsln=Kidd&mswpn__ftp=Caroline+County%2c+Virginia%2c+USA&mswpn=493&mswpn_PInfo=7-%7c0%7c1652393%7c0%7c2%7c3245%7c49%7c0%7c493%7c0%7c0%7c&msbdy=1829&msddy=1875&uidh=0p_b&pca=ROOT_CATEGORY&h=83857&recoff=5+6+7+34+45+46+59&db=ESVirginiaDeath&indiv=1)

<sup>484</sup> Caroline Co. Will Book 35 (Sept. 1871-Aug 1881), p. 174. Scanned image available upon request.

1876 – At a court held for Caroline County on 15 March 1876, Attaway M. Kidd appeared in Court and on her motion was granted certificate for obtaining a probate of the will of **William B. Kidd**, dec'd.<sup>485</sup>

**William B. Kidd** is buried in the Salem Baptist Church cemetery in Sparta, Virginia. His headstone there lists his dates as 1835-1875, according to the source below, but a correction by the author states, “should be 1828-1875.” No other Kidds are buried in this cemetery, according to this source.<sup>486</sup>

**WILLIAM J. KIDD (1825-1902) – the son of Henry H. Kidd**, below (see 1850 census, below).

**William J.7 (Henry H. 6, Joel5, William4, Daniel3,, Thomas2, Thomas1) Kidd**

**Born 7 February 1825 in Caroline County<sup>487</sup>**

**Died 7 April 1902 in Caroline County<sup>488</sup>**

**The Library of Virginia has a collection of letters and other papers, 1848-1898 in their Archives and Manuscripts department (Accession 35050) naming him and his siblings. See their catalog online for more details.**

1842-1852 – A **William J. Kidd** appears for the first time of the K&Q PPTLs in 1843. He's listed almost annually through 1852 (missing 1844-1845), but is not found in 1853-1855, the last years we've checked. In one of these lists (1842) he's listed as William Jr., and on others as William J. (1843, 1846, ff.)

Year	Taxpayer	WMT	B>16	B 12-16	H	COMMENTS
1842	William Kidd, Jr.	1	0	0	0	
1843	William J. Kidd	1	0	0	0	
1844	Not listed					
1845	Not listed					
1846	William J. Kidd	1	0	0	0	
1847	Wm. J. Kidd	1	0	0	0	
1848	Wm. J. Kidd	1	0	0	0	
1849	Wm. J. Kidd	1	0	0	0	1 patent lever watch
1850	Wm. J. Kidd	1	0	0	0	1 patent lever watch
1851	William J. Kidd	1	0	0	0	1 patent lever watch
1852	Wm. J. Kidd	1	0	0	0	1 silver watch (\$30)
1853	Not listed					

<sup>485</sup> Ibid, p. 175.

<sup>486</sup> *Cemeteries of Caroline County, Virginia, Vol. 1 (Public)*, by Herbert Ridgeway Collins, 1994, p. 147.

<sup>487</sup> This date and place of birth come from his headstone in the Greenlawn Cemetery in Bowling Green.

<sup>488</sup> Ibid.

1850 – on federal census in Caroline Co., VA, p. 314A, HH 1415/1417:  
 Kidd, Henry 50MW farmer \$1350 (birthplaces blank for entire page)  
 " , Maria A. 48FW  
 " , **Wm. J.** 25MW teacher  
 " , John W. 23MW book agent  
 " , Mary F. 17FW attended school within the year  
 " , Benjamin F. 15MW attended school within the year  
 " , Henry G. (or Y) 12MW attended school within the year  
 " , Mana L. 9FW attended school within the year  
 " , Betty 3FW  
 Bullock, Alice F. 53FW (no occupation listed) (his wife's sister)

1856 – **William J. Kidd** appears for the first time on the Caroline Co., VA LTLs in 1856, taxed upon the 135 acres he received in the past 12 months from his brother, Henry (H.) Kidd. See Table below.

Year	NAME	Acres	Description	CH	COMMENTS
1856	William J. Kidd	135	Thos W Goulding	9N	"from Henry Kidd
1857-1863	William J. Kidd	135	Thos W Goulding	9N	

We have not checked the Caroline Co. LTLs beyond 1863 at this point.

1860 – on federal census in Caroline Co., VA, p. 172-173, Rappahannock Neck P.O., HH 1309:  
**Kidd, William J.** 35MW teacher \$1500/500 VA  
 " , Maria 60FW (his mother)  
 " , Bettie A. 12FW attended school within the year  
 " , Alice T. Bullock 61FW \$0/6,000

1870 – on federal census in Port Royal twp., Caroline Co., VA, p. 349, Rappahannock Academy, HH 419/433:  
**Kidd, Wm.** 45MW farmer \$1350/275 VA  
 " , Fannie 38FW housekeeper VA  
 " , Lewis 47MW teacher VA  
 " , Maria 69FW no occupation VA  
 Bullock, Alice 72FW no occupation VA  
 Kidd, Franklin 36MW dentist VA  
 " , Louise 30FW at home VA  
 " , Alice 22FW at home VA  
 Rollins, H\_\_\_ 10BM domestic

1880 – on federal census in Port Royal, Caroline Co., VA, ED 23, sheet 26B, HH 283:  
 Kidd, Lewis T. WM 57S Head farmer VA VA VA  
 " , **William J.** WM 55S Brother farmer VA VA VA  
 " , Maria L. WF 39S Sister teacher VA VA VA  
 " , Alice B. WF 33S Sister at home VA VA VA  
 Bullock, Alice T. WF 82S aunt at home VA VA VA  
 Beverly, Francis BF 23S servant domestic servant VA VA VA  
 " , William H. BM 10/12S Aug. son VA VA VA

1900 – on federal census in Port Royal twp., Caroline Co., VA, ED 20, sheet 8A, p. 272A, HH 133/136:

**Kidd, William J.** head WM Feb 1825 75S VA VA VA farmer  
" , Benjamin brother WM Aug 1834 65M marr29yr VA VA farmer  
" , Sally B. sister-in-law WF Aug 1843 57M marr29yr 0/0 VA VA VA  
" , Alice B. sister WF Dec 1847 22S VA VA VA  
Bullock, Nannie niece WF April 1862 28S VA VA VA  
Mattey, Lizzie L. niece WF Feb. 1892 8S VA VA VA at school

1902 – **William J. Kidd** died on 14 April 1902, according to his headstone in Greenlawn cemetery, in Bowling Green VA,<sup>489</sup> where he and his wife (among other Kidds) are buried. His date of birth also comes from his headstone.

**OTHER WILLIAM KIDD(s) – Some, perhaps many of these later entries belong to the William Kidd, son of James and grandson of William Kidd who died in 1802. This younger William was a minor at the time of his grandfather's death and was taken in by Edwin and Elizabeth Kidd Motley after his father's death.**

1798-1813 – In 1798, a **SECOND William Kid** shows up for the first time (since 1787, when the first true Caroline Co. Land Tax List is available) on the 1798 LTL, taxed for 100 acres in James Jones' district. This listing recurs annually through 1813, and his land is designated as lying in St. Margaret's Parish. He's on the same list as Benjamin Kidd, and in a different district than the elder William Kidd. Moreover, he's too old to be the son of this William Sr. He may be related to Benjamin Kidd. See below for the Caroline Co. **LTLs**, 1814, ff.

1800, 1801 – in these two years, a second William Kidd shows up on the Caroline Co., VA **PPTLs**. He's in the other district from the wealthier William Kidd (above), and is taxed only for himself, one slave over 16, and a horse in 1801; in 1802 he as added one more slave. After 1801, he disappears from the Caroline Co. **PPTLs**. Despite this, he continues to appear on the annual Land Tax Lists!

**WILLIS KIDD**, the son of William Kidd Sr. of this document, so named in this William's will.

**Willis<sup>5</sup> (William<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) Kidd**  
**Born circa 1780<sup>490</sup> in Caroline Co., VA**  
**Married Lucy (maiden name unproven<sup>491</sup>), date unknown**  
**Died 2 February 1843 (per his obituary; see below) in Caroline Co.**

<sup>489</sup> Findagrave.com: <http://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=gr&GSln=Kidd&GSiman=1&GScid=50449&GRid=18064829&>

<sup>490</sup> His obituary (see footnote above) published in February of 1843 says that he died in "his 63<sup>rd</sup> year, consistent with his birth in 1779 or 1780. This estimated birth year fits reasonably well with his ages shown on the 1810-1840 federal censuses.

<sup>491</sup> Some state that her maiden name was SAUNDERS, but no evidence or documentation has ever been provided to support that claim, that we can find.

**Plantation was named Cedar Grove.**<sup>492</sup>

One of Willis Kidd's descendants is a participant in the Kidd Y-DNA Study.<sup>493</sup>

1802 – **Willis Kidd** is named in his father, William Kidd’s will, proved in court in 1802 (see [Appendix Six](#) of this document), and in his subsequent estate records.<sup>494</sup>

1803 – In the February Court 1803, the division of the estate of William Kidd was recorded, naming his widow, Mary, and their surviving children: James, Philip, Henry, Thomas, **Willis**, Edmund, John, Fanny (the wife of Washington Jones), Walker, Joel, Polly, and Elizabeth (wife of Edwin Motley).<sup>495, 496</sup>

Philip Kidd married Ann Connor in Caroline County on 8 November 1803. Security and witnesses were **Willis Kidd**, Edmund Kidd and Walker Kidd.<sup>497</sup>

**Willis Kidd** was also the witness to the Caroline Co. marriage of Thornton Seal and Amelia Jones on 17 December 1803, by John Sorrill.<sup>498</sup> (It's not clear from this record whether he was the witness to the marriage, or the security for the bride. The latter is more probable.)<sup>499</sup> This Amelia Jones was apparently the daughter of Fanny Kidd and her husband, Washington Jones, who had died prior to this marriage.

In a Court held for Caroline County in December 1803, The Caroline County will of Washington Jones was proved by the oaths of two of the witnesses, **Willis Kidd** and Philip Kidd. Letters of administration were granted to Fanny (Kidd) Jones.<sup>500</sup>

1803-1842 – **Willis Kidd** appears continuously on the Caroline Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists from 1803 through 1842.

Year	Taxpayer	WMT	B>16	B12-16	H	COMMENTS
1803	Willis Kidd	1	0	0	1	

<sup>492</sup> There is some confusion here about a plantation by this name. According to the WPA Historical Inventory of Virginia, Cedar Grove was the name of the family home of John Kidd

<sup>493</sup> Kit #74260, a member of Group 2.

<sup>494</sup> Library of Virginia on-line Chancery records, Caroline Co., VA case 1812-014, 20 images: [http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=033-1812-014](http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=033-1812-014)

<sup>495</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, pp. 23-24

<sup>496</sup> Caroline County Order Book, 1802-1804, page 130-134, retrieved from FHL #1887726 (restricted access, FHCs only), images 336-338. Digital images available upon request.

<sup>497</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 227, citing "Pt. 1, p. 4."

<sup>498</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 236, citing "Pt. 1, p. 88."

<sup>499</sup> *Marriages of Caroline County, Virginia*, by Teresa Fisher, Heritage Books, 1998, p. 196 is a different transcription of this event. It's dated 16 Dec 1803 (the day before the marriage according to the Hopkins reference). In her introduction, Fisher says that when the other person named in the record (as Willis Kidd is here) is not listed specifically as the minister and has a different surname than the groom or the bride, that this person is usually the bondsman for the bride.

<sup>500</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, p. 31. Image retrieved from FHL #1877726 (restricted access – FHCs only), image 740. Copy available upon request.

Year	Taxpayer	WMT	B> 16	B12 -16	H	COMMENTS
1804	Willis Kidd	1	0	0	1	
1805	Willis Kidd	1	0	0	1	
1806	Willis Kidd	1	0	0	1	
1807	Willis Kidd	1	1	0	1	
1809	Willis Kidd	1	0	1	1	
1810	Willis Kidd	1	0	3	1	
1811	Willis Kidd	1	3	0	2	
1812	Willis Kidd	1	2	0	2	
1813	Willis Kidd	1	2	0	2	
1814	Willis Kidd	1	1	2	3	
1815	Willis Kidd	1	2	0	3	5 cattle
1816	Willis Kidd	1	3	0	2	
1817	Willis Kidd	1	2	0	3	
1818	Willis Kidd	1	3	0	2	
1819	Willis Kidd	1	3	0	2	
1820	Willis Kidd	1	3	0	3	
1821	Willis Kidd	-	-	-	3	3 slaves >12; WMT not listed this year
1822	Willis Kidd	1	3	3	3	1 stud horse
1823	Willis Kidd	1	3	3	1	
1824	Willis Kidd	1	3	3	4	1 stud horse valued at \$250
1825	Willis Kidd	2	3	3	4	
1826	Willis Kidd	2	?	?	3	3 slaves over 12
1827	Willis Kidd	-	?	?	3	3 slaves over 12; WMT not listed, 1827
1828	Willis Kidd	-	?	?	3	3 slaves >12; WMT not listed
1829	Willis Kidd	2	3	3	3	Back to enumerating WMTs, slaves
1830	Willis Kidd	2	3	3	3	
1831	Willis Kidd	2	3	3	5	1 carry-all (\$25)
1832	Willis Kidd	1	2	2	3	

Year	Taxpayer	WMT	B> 16	B12 -16	H	COMMENTS
1833	Willis Kidd	2	3	3	4	
1834	Willis Kidd	2	2	4	3	
1835	Willis Kidd	2	2	5	3	
1836	Willis Kidd	3	2	5	2	1 gig (\$45)
1837	Willis Kidd	3	3	5	4	
1838	Willis Kidd	3	3	5	3	1 gig (\$25)
1839	Willis Kidd	3	5	5	5	1 gig (50)
1840	Willis Kidd	3	5	5	6	1 gig (\$50)
1841	Willis Kidd	3	5	6	7	1 carry-all (\$50)
1842	Willis Kidd	2	5	6	5	1 carry-all (\$40)
1843	Willis Kidd Estate	0	6	6	4	1 carry-all (\$75)
1844	Willis Kidd Estate	0	6	6	3	Gig (\$50), "will" notation
1845	Willis Kidd Estate	1	5	5	3	1 Carry-all (\$50)
1846	Willis Kidd Estate	1	6	6	3	1 carry-all (\$25), I clock, and "money on investment."
1847	Willis Kidd Estate	1	6	6	3	1 carry-all (\$25)

See Lucy Kidd (his widow) for a continuation of his property.

1804 – Hundley, Matthew and Lucey (sic) Kidd, dau of Thomas Kidd, 31 Jan. 1804. Security & witness, **Willis Kidd**.<sup>501</sup>

In a Court held for Caroline County in March 1804, **Willis Kidd** was appointed processioner in the room and precinct of Thomas Kidd, dec'd.<sup>502, 503</sup>

In a Court held for Caroline County in October 1804, the will of Fanny Jones was proved by Walker Kidd and **Willis Kidd**, and probate was granted to Joseph Dejarrett.<sup>504</sup>

1804-1863 – In 1804, Willis and his siblings each received 26 acres from the estate of their father, William Kidd, who had died in 1802. Beginning in 1805, Willis shows up annually on the Caroline Co. Land Tax Lists (LTLs), taxed on this 26 acres.

<sup>501</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1990, p. 225, citing Pt. 1, pp. 7, 78.

<sup>502</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, p. 118.

<sup>503</sup> Caroline County Order Book 1802-1804, page 384, retrieved from FHL #1877726 (restricted access – FHCs only), page 396 (image 468).

<sup>504</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: probate and other records from the Court Order and Minute Books, 1800-1804, Vol. 3*, by Kimberly Curtis Campbell, Athens, GA 2001, p. 40.

The Table below shows the annual listings for Willis through 1842, and for his estate for the next 21 years.

Year	NAME	Acres	Description	CH	COMMENTS
1804-1810	Willis Kidd	26			(none)
1811-1813	Willis Kidd	191			Received 165acres from Mary Kidd, his mother. Not sure if she died?
1814	Willis Kidd	165			Has sold to Robert Smithers 26 acres
1815-1822	Willis Kidd	165	adj. Wm Sale Jr.	18E	
1823-1824	Willis Kidd	270	Adj. Mrs. Jones	18E	Received 105a from Jas Kidd Estate
1825-1826	Willis Kidd	270	Mrs. Jones	16E	
1827-1830	Willis Kidd	270	adj. J. Page	16E	
1831	Willis Kidd	350¼	adj. Jno. Page	16E	Received 80¼ acres from M.H. Jones
1832-1838	Willis Kidd	358½	adj. Jno. Page	16E	No indication of source of the additional 8¼ acres
1839	-	-	-	-	Too dark to read
1840	Willis Kidd	309	adj. Jno. Page	16E	
1841	(not found)				Very dark film. 26 acres to Henry & Thomas Kidd, 15a to Joel H. Kidd, later reversed, in 1843
1842	Willis Kidd	-	-	-	Too dark to read
1843-1850	Willis Kidd Estate	309	Adj. Harrison's Mill	15E	
1851-1861	Willis Kidd Estate	309	Adj. Wm Page	15SE	
1862-1863	Willis Kidd Estate	309	Adj. Wm Page	15S	(his land is migrating SW!)

We have not checked the LTLs past 1863.

1810 – on the federal census in Caroline Co., VA, p. 12, line 20:

**Willis Kidd:** 2M 0-9 & 1 16-25; 1F 16-25, plus 4 slaves.

1814 – Corporal **Willis Kidd** served in Capt. William Harrison Jr.'s Infantry [30<sup>th</sup> V.M., Tankersley's] from 2 Dec 1814 to 9 Dec 1814, present 9 Dec 1814.<sup>505</sup> Most Caroline troops

<sup>505</sup> Willis Kidd CMSR War of 1812, card numbers 38807552, 7582, original at NAB, viewed 1-7-2010, copies on file.

were called to serve in December 1814 at Loyd's in Essex County.<sup>506</sup>

He is listed on the muster roll of Captain William Harrison's Company, 1st Regiment. Time of service was 9 days.<sup>507</sup>

A William Kidd from Caroline Co. also served in the same regiment, though a different Company.

1815 – A listing of the land holdings for all landowners in Caroline Co. for this year includes one for **Willis Kidd**; his land was 18 miles east of the Courthouse.<sup>508</sup> This was in the vicinity of James Kidd's estate, Joel Kidd's estate, William Kidd's Estate, and of Polly Kidd's land. See their entries in this paper.

1816 – Willis Kidd never lived in Essex Co VA, but appears in two 1816 Essex Co court records as an assignee of the plaintiffs to recover debts:

**Essex County** Quarterly Court, 19 March 1816. **Willis Kidd**, assignee William Smither, who was assignee of Thomas Fogg, Plt. vs. George P. Keesee and John Keesee, Defts.} In Debt. On the motion of the Defts' attorney, the office judgment in this case is set aside...and the case was continued.<sup>509</sup>

**Essex County** Quarterly Court, 22 May 1816. **Willis Kidd**, assignee William Smither, who was assignee of Thomas Fogg, Plt. vs. George P. Keesee and John Keesee,, and John T. Hill, their appearance bail, Defts.} In Debt. The court rules that the Plt. recover from the Defts. the sum of thirty pounds specie, the debt in the declaration, and his costs. And the Defts in mercy plead...But this judgment is to be satisfied by the payment of £15 with interest thereon from 1 January 1814 till paid and his costs.<sup>510</sup>

1820 – on federal census in Caroline Co VA, p. 348:

**Willis Kidd**: 2M <10, 2 10-15, & 1 26-44; 1F <10 & 1 26-44, plus 9 slaves.

1822 – On 9 December 1822 in Caroline Court, a deed from Philip & William Kidd to **Willis Kidd**, proved by John Kidd and Thomas Dew, two of the witnesses thereto, and ordered to be recorded.<sup>511</sup>

1830 – on federal census in Caroline Co VA, p. 196, line 16:

**Willis Kidd**: 2M 10-14, 1 15-19 & 1 50-59; 1F 5-9, 1 15-19 & 1 50-59, plus 8 slaves.

1840 – on federal census in Caroline Co VA, enumerated by Anthony Thornton, p. 96, line 7:

**Willis Kidd** (2M 10-15 & one 50-59; 1F 20-19, 1 20-29 & one 60-69, plus 9 slaves) – 7 in Agriculture.

(also on this census were Harry H., William, and Sarah Kidd – census listings were by first letter of last name, so no info as to proximity of residence can be drawn from it, beyond the enumerator's district.)

<sup>506</sup> "A Guide to Virginia Militia Units in the War of 1812", by Stuart Lee Butler, page 64, copy on file.

<sup>507</sup> "Virginia Militia in the War of 1812, vol. 2, from the rolls of the Auditor's Office", by Stuart Butler, page 445, located at LVA, viewed 7-17-2009, WRK.

<sup>508</sup> *1815 Virginia Landowners*, vol. 3.

<sup>509</sup> FHL #1929882, Essex Co. Order Book 42, p. 138.

<sup>510</sup> FHL #1929882, Essex Co. Order Book 42, pp. 214-215.

<sup>511</sup> Caroline County Order Book, 1822-1824, page 101, reviewed on FHL #30843, item 2, image 332.

1843 – **Willis Kidd** died in Caroline County on 2 February 1843. His obituary appeared in the *Richmond Enquirer* on 28 February 1843: <sup>512</sup>

Departed this life, on the second of February, in the county of Caroline, after a painful illness, **Willis Kidd, Esq.**, in the sixty-third year of his age. **Mr. Kidd** was a man of sterling worth, and of unbending honesty and integrity of character. In all the different relations of life he was upright and exemplary. Few men have lived through three score years with more uniformity and consistency of life, and with less reproach, than the deceased. He was truly an honest man. I.

1843 – **Willis Kidd** wrote and signed his will on 7 Jan 1843, and it was recorded in Caroline County court on 13 Feb 1843. The original will was destroyed in the fire that destroyed the Caroline County courthouse in April 1865, but his son and executor, Joel Kidd, had a copy that he produced in the Clerk's office in Caroline on 8 November 1868, and the attested copy was admitted to record anew.<sup>513</sup>

Will of **Willis Kidd** of Caroline Co. Estate to be kept together for wife and children. Children to receive estate of slaves and land at death of Willis's wife, who is not named. To son Joel my man Anderson and woman Nutty. To son Henry, negro boy Jerry. To son Thomas, negro man Peter. To daughter Willie Ann Kidd, negro woman Clara and Eliza's child George. To daughter Mary E. Kidd, Eliza and her child Titus. Rest of estate to be divided equally at death of my wife. Executor: Joel Kidd. Witnesses: Burton B. Wright, M.H. Jones, William Kidd. Signed Willis Kidd.<sup>514</sup>

The Caroline PPTL for 1843 shows his entry as "**Willis Kidd Estate.**" That same year, both Lewis T. and Thomas M. Kidd show up for the first time on the Caroline Co. PPTL, suggesting that they are the sons of Willis Kidd. However, Lewis T. was the son of Willis's brother, Joel.

His estate continued to be listed in the PPTLs annually until 1848, when it drops from these annual lists.

1855 – Caroline Co. Marriage Record: Henry Kidd, age 38, single, born Caroline, parents – **Willis & Lucy Kidd**, farmer/Mary F. Kidd [White], age 22, single, born Caroline. parents – Henry and Cath. White. Married 24 May 1855 by Robt. Scott in Caroline.<sup>515</sup>

1857 – Caroline Co. Marriage Record. Peter Campbell, age 28, single, born Essex, parents – Ro{bert} & Mary Campbell, Farmer/Mary E. Kidd, age 26, single, born Caroline, parents –

<sup>512</sup> *Richmond Enquirer* Obit Index, online at the Library of Virginia in their catalog, citing this issue, p. 3, column 6.

<sup>513</sup> Caroline Co. Will Book 33, pp. 246-247, retrieved from LoV microfilm reel 69. Scanned images available upon request.

<sup>514</sup> *Burned County Data 1809-1848, As Found in the Virginia Contested Election Files*, by Benjamin B. Weisinger III, 1986, Caroline County, p. 75. Weisinger's abstract also cited in *Index to Virginia Estates, 1800-1865*, vol. 10, compiled by Wesley E. Pippenger, published by Virginia Genealogical Society, 2010.

<sup>515</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia lost Marriage Register 1854-1865, Extant Marriage Register 1866-1868*, by Kimberley Curtis Campbell, 2005, p. 15.

**Willis & Lucy Kidd**/Married 19 March 1857 by A. Broaddus in Caroline Co. at the residence of Mrs. Lucy Kidd.<sup>516</sup>

His widow, Lucy Kidd appears on the 1850 and 1860 federal censuses in Caroline Co., with some of her children in her household. See [her section](#) in this paper.

**THE CHILDREN OF WILLIS KIDD AND HIS WIFE, LUCY \_\_\_\_**

1. [Joel H. Kidd](#) (~1807 – bef. 15 January 1955)
2. Willie Ann Kidd (~1812 – aft. 1880)
3. [Henry Willis Kidd](#) (1814 – aft. 1880)
4. [Thomas M. Kidd](#) (~1817 – 1881)
5. Mary E. Kidd (~1821 – adt. 1860)

<sup>516</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia lost Marriage Register 1854-1865, Extant Marriage Register 1866-1868*, by Kimberley Curtis Campbell, 2005, p 35.

## APPENDIX ONE: SOURCES INCLUDED IN THE CREATION OF THIS DOCUMENT

The following sources of genealogical and historical information on Caroline County have been identified, using the web sites for the LDS library, the Library of Virginia, and WorldCat. Those with black text have been reviewed and abstracted, and all Kidd entries in them have been added to this document; those in **red font** have yet to be reviewed and mined for Kidd entries.

### **PRIMARY SOURCES**

1. U.S. Federal censuses, 1810-1850.
2. Caroline County Personal Property Tax Lists (PPTLs), 1782-1853 (LDS microfilms #30859, 30860, 30861, 30862, 308863 and 30864, reviewed and abstracted by RK).
3. Caroline County Land Tax Lists (LTLs) 1782-1853, reviewed and abstracted by SKK
4. **Index of Marriage Register, 1786-1853**, 174 p. – LoV reel 33  
**Marriage Bonds 1795, 1802-1860** (LoV reel 35) – not indexed, unsearchable  
Caroline County marriages are the subject of a 1937 book by Joel Ricks that is not available at LoV or in Seattle. We're trying to obtain this book via inter-library loan (August 2018).
5. Caroline County Deeds, 1758-1845, index, 244 p. (Deeds separated from Caroline Co. Chancery Court papers and judgments, and NOT covered by Index to Deeds, 1836-1872.) – LoV reels 6 & 62 (duplicates) – only 1 Kidd entry (Benjamin Kidd)  
N.B.: This is the subject of a TLC Genealogy book by this title, available at SPL, that we've already mined – RK

Caroline County Index to Deeds, 1836-1872 – LoV reel 5 (not digitized yet at familysearch.org)

6. **Caroline County Minute Books, 1770-1851** (14 reels) – not worth the effort at this time.
7. **Caroline County Court Order Books**, 1732-1824 (18+ reels, at LoV AND at FHL)  
Order Books 1825-1861 appear to not be extant.  
Order Books 1732-1824 are available at FHL (restricted access – FHCs only).  
MOST OF THE ITEMS BELOW HAVE BEEN ABSTRACTED BY OTHERS  
(Dorman's 23 volumes covering 1732-1770; Sparacio's Order Book Abstracts covering 1764-1789; Kimberly Campbell's abstracts covering 1801-1804). We have elected to rely on those as 'finding aids' and decided to not review the Order Books themselves.

Index to wills, inventories and administrations **from order books**, 1732-1800, FHL #30842, item 5 (restricted access). Starts on image 768. Is actually not an alphabetical index but a chronological list of documents by surname, NOT in alphabetical order. BROWSED IMAGES 768-888, AND SAW NO MENTION OF KIDD.

Order Books (photostat) 1732-1740 – FHL #30831  
Order Books (photostat) 1740-1746 – FHL #30832  
Order Books (photostat) 1746-1754 – FHL #30833  
Order Books (photostat) 1755-1763 – FHL #30834  
Order Books (photostat) 1764-1767 – FHL #30835  
Order Books (photostat) 1767-1772 – FHL #30836

- Order Books (photostat) 1772-1776 – FHL #30837, items 1 & 2  
Order Books (photostat) 1777-1785 – FHL #30838  
Order Books (photostat) 1785-1787 – FHL #30839  
Order Books (photostat) 1787-1789 – FHL #30840  
1790-1798 appear to be missing  
Order Books (photostat) 1799-1804 – FHL #30841, items 1-4 - **reviewed**  
Order Books (original) 1804-1805, 1807-1809 – FHL #30855, items 1 & 2 - **reviewed**  
Order Books (original) 1822-1824 – FHL #30843, item 2. (starts on image 209) - **reviewed**  
Internal index at front; K's on image 226:  
Sally Kidd v Taylor, final decree, p 51 - July 8, 1822 - SCANNED (image 282)
8. Superior Court Order Books, 1820-1826, incl indexes (LoV reel 27)  
Item 1 – OB, 1820-21. Index at front. No Kidd entries in Index (Plaintiff index only) BUT one Kidd entry found by browsing rest of index.  
**Item 2 – Caroline Co. Deeds, 1809-1814** (no index? Not reviewed)  
**Item 3 – OB, 1821-1826.** No index. Not reviewed.
  9. Circuit Superior Court of Law and Chancery Order Books (1831-1866, LoV reels 52 & 53, indexed)  
Item 1 – records in 1960s, not reviewed  
Item 2 – Common Law OB, 1831-1831. Indexed. Several trivial finds.  
**Item 3 – Common Law OB, 1836-1841.** Did not review this.
  10. Caroline County Probate records – "Only a few 'loose wills' and Will Book #19, November 1814 – July 1818, have survived prior to 1853."<sup>517</sup>
  11. Caroline Co Guardian bonds:  
1806-1821, FHL #30829, item 3 (restricted access) starts on image 409 of 580  
Only 1 K, not Kidd  
1821-1844, FHL #30830, item 1 (restricted access) Starts on image 3; Ks on image 8:  
Polly Kidd, etc, p 105 (image 66); no others  
1844-1858, FH #30853, item 4 (restricted access) – begin on image 518. Index in front. No Kidds in Ks (image 525)
  12. Caroline Co Survey Book, 1729-1762, FHL #30828, item 3 (restricted access)  
image 6 of 601 (“Caroline County Wills and Plats Index – typewritten)  
Kidd, William, will, 66 (images 74-75) – William’s loose will, w his signature)  
Kidd, William, plat, 131 (image 140). I ALREADY HAVE THESE  
no other Kidds
  13. Wills and other probate records, 1789-1895 (Virginia District Court – district composed of Spotsylvania, Caroline, King George, Stafford, Orange and Culpeper counties)  
Volumes individually indexed  
FHL #31529 (restricted access) (2 vols: A-3, 1789-1831, and A (-4?), 1832-1895)  
item 1 (1789-1831) – no Ks in index  
item 2 (1832-1895) – no Ks in index

<sup>517</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records Will Book 1793-1897, Will and Plat Book 1742-1840 and Will Book 19 1814-1818*, by Kimberley Curtis **Campbell**, 1998, introduction, p. v. We've abstracted this book. Fortunately, one of the early wills that DID survive as a "loose will" was that of William Kidd of Caroline Co.

Wills & Plats, 1742-1830, w index, 124 pp. Wills and Plats separated from Caroline County Chancery papers and judgments. NOT covered by General Index to Wills, FHL #30828, items 1 & 2 (restricted access) – 601 images

Item 1 - This was the source of William Kidd's will and plat – image 6 of 601. NO other Kidds

Item 3 – Caroline Co VA appeals and land causes, 1777-1807, part 1 (starts on I 239 of 601) Index – No Ks listed (I 246)

**Caroline County Will Books 29-30, 1853-1858, FHL #30846**

No index for WB 29 or 30 in individual books, so these cannot be checked easily

Caroline County Will Books 30-31, 1858-1863, FHL #30847

item 1 - WB 30, index; K's – image 14 of 617 – one Kidd entry:

Kidd, Wm a/c sales p 43-46 – account of Wm B Kidd, admr of estate of Wm Kidd, dec'd (images 48-50) - scanned

item 2 - WB 31, index; K's on image 442 of 617 – NO Kidds

14. **Caroline County Appeals and Land Causes, 1787-1807**, pt 2, FHL #30829, item 1 – No index in front or in back. Decided to not browse this resource.

15. **Chancery Order Books, 1814-1831** (Four Microfilm reels – all restricted access)  
THESE ARE SUPERIOR COURT OF CHANCERY RECORDS, and covered Caroline and many other counties..

Most volumes are individually indexed. Chancery order books for 1814-1831 are included in the general index titled: Indexes of court records in the clerk's office, Fredericksburg, Virginia, 1782-1904.

**FHL #31548**

Item 1 Fredericksburg City Chancery Book, v. 1, 1814-1818. Internal index (plaintiffs only?) on image 20 - **No Kidds**

Item 2 Fredericksburg City Chancery Order Book, 1816-1818 (starts on image 265), has internal index on image 268 - **No Kidds**

Item 3 Fredericksburg City Chancery Court Order Book v. 2, 1818-1820 (starts on image 546) NO internal index

**FHL #31549** – Chancery Order Books, 1816-1822

Item 1 - Fredericksburg City Chancery Order Book, 1815-1820, starts on image 4. Has internal index. **NO KIDDS**

ITEM 2 - Fredericksburg City Chancery Order Book, 1819-1820, starts on image 296. Has internal index on i 299 - **no Kidds**

Item 3 - Fredericksburg City Chancery Order Book, 1821-22, starts on image 571, has internal index, with Ks on image 585. **No Kidds.**

**FHL #31550** – Chancery Order Books, 1820-1825.

Item 1 - Fredericksburg City Chancery Order Book, 1820-1825. Index on image 7. **NO KIDDS**

Item 2 - Fredericksburg City Chancery Order Book, 1823-1825. Starts on image 306, index at front, with Ks on image 324. **Kidd vs. Alexander, p 114 (Image 399) - Scanned.**

**Benjamin Kidd and Pittman Kidd, administrators of Isaac Kidd, dec'd, 15 sept 1823 SCANNED**

**FHL #31551** – Chancery Order Books, 1825-1831

ITEM 1 - Fredericksburg City Chancery Order Book, 1825-1827. Internal index in front,

with Ks on image 21. **NO KIDDS**

ITEM 2 - Fredericksburg City Chancery Order Book, 1827-1829, starts on image 257.

Internal index in front, with Ks on image 272 - **NO KIDDS**

Item 3 - Fredericksburg City Chancery Order Book, 1830-1831, starts on image 536, with internal index, Ks on image 550. **NO KIDDS**

16. **Law Order Books, 1814-1831 (4 microfilms – all restricted access)**

Volumes B-H are individually indexed

Most volumes are individually indexed. All volumes are included in the general index titled: Indexes of court records in the clerk's office, Fredericksburg, Virginia, 1782-1904. For this index, check the locality catalog under: Virginia, Fredericksburg (Independent City) - Court records - Indexes.

FHL #1928325, items 2 & 3 (Unrestricted!) – Law Order Books A & B (p. 1-313), 1789-1797 (Reviewed 3 Oct 2019)

Vol. A. – No index. Not reviewed. Starts on image 171 of this reel.

Vol. B – starts on image 459 of this reel. Plaintiffs index at front. Ks on i 473. **NO KIDDS** as plaintiffs.

17. **FREDERICKSBURG DISTRICT SUPERIOR COURT OF LAW (Four reels)**

**FHL #31554 – Law Order Books, (no vol. #), 1790-1793; v. A-B, 1798-1798**

Item 1 - District Court Law Orders, 1790-1793 - **NO INDEX. NOT BROWSED**

Item 2 - District Court Law Orders, Vol. A, 1789-1793 - Starts on image 79 **NO INDEX. NOT BROWSED**

Item 3 - District Court Law Orders, Vol. B, 1793-1798. Starts on image 355 with internal index at front. K's on image 370 - **NO KIDDS**

**FHL #31555 – Law Order Books C-D, 1799-1804**

ITEM 1 - Book C, 1799-1801, internal index in front, Ks on image 20 - **NO KIDDS**

Item 2 - Book D, 1801-1804; Starts on image 281 internal index in front, Ks on image 296 - **NO KIDDS.**

**FHL #31556 – Law Order Books E-F, 1804-1811(1812)**

Item 1 - Law order book E, 1804-1806. Internal index at front, with Ks on image 19. **NO KIDDS**

Item 2 - Law order book F, 1807-1811, starts on image 314. Internal index, with Ks on 328. **NO KIDDS**

**FHL #31557 – Law Order Books G-H, 1812-1831**

Item 1 - Law Order Book G, 1812-1822. Internal index, with Ks on image 20 - **NO KIDDS**

Item 2 - Law Order Book H, 1822-1831. Starts on image 334. Internal index, with Ks on image 350. **NO KIDDS.**

18. **Caroline County Deed Book, 1809-1814, FHL #30853, item 1 (restricted access)**

682 images on this reel; index to DB, Ks on image 11 – no K's, BUT first item was Court order book, Oct 1820-Nov 1821. No DB images to speak of.

19. **Caroline Co Land Causes, 1835-1913 – FHL# 30853, item 3. index in front, Ks on image 145;**

Kidd & Kidd's exers, p. 401 – no Kidd entry on this page, BUT the date is 1906. I surmise that an entry this far into this book would be well beyond the mid-1800s.

20. 1862 Map of Caroline County – available online (to be downloaded) at the Library of Congress: <https://www.loc.gov/item/2002627427/> . Shows roads and major waterways at that time.
21. 1827 Map of Virginia's Counties – available online (to be downloaded) at the Library of Congress: <https://www.loc.gov/item/2012589665/> . Shows roads and major waterways at that time. (30MB, downloaded and in Statewide file on Dropbox, in Maps subfolder)

**SECONDARY SOURCES** (arranged alphabetically by **author**) (those with black text have been abstracted and all Kidd entries in them have been added to this document; those in **bold font** have not been examined yet):

1. *Virginia Revolutionary "Publick" Claims, Volume 1, Caroline Co.*, by Janice L. **Abercrombie & Richard Slatten**, 1992.
2. *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records: Will Book 1793-1897, Will and Plat Book 1742-1840 and Will Book 19 1814-1818*, (Vol. 1) by Kimberley Curtis **Campbell**, 1998.
3. *Caroline County, Virginia Probate and Other Court Records 1781-1799*, (Vol. 2) by Kimberley Curtis **Campbell**, 1999. Reviewed by RK at SPL, April 2018
4. *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, Probate and other Records from the Court Order and Minute Books 1800-1804*, (Vol. 3) by Kimberley Curtis **Campbell**, Iberian Publishing Co., 2001. Eighty-four mentions of Kidds in this book, in a short span of 4 years.
5. *Caroline County, Virginia "Lost" Wills, 1727-1852 and Related Records from Other Sources: Volume One*, by Kimberley Curtis **Campbell**, Iberian Publishing Co., 2012.
6. *Caroline County, Virginia "Lost" Wills, 1676-1855 and Related Records from Other Sources: Volume Two*, by Kimberley Curtis **Campbell**, Iberian Publishing Co., 2013.
7. *Caroline County, Virginia "Lost" Wills, 1676-1855 and Related Records from Other Sources: Volume Three*, by Kimberley Curtis **Campbell**, Iberian Publishing Co., 2013.
8. *Caroline County, Virginia "Lost" Wills, 1667-1852 and Related Records from Other Sources: Volume Four*, by Kimberley Curtis **Campbell**, Iberian Publishing Co., 2013.
9. *Caroline County, Virginia lost Marriage Register 1854-1865, Extant Marriage Register 1866-1868*, by Kimberley Curtis **Campbell**, 2005.
10. *Caroline County, Virginia Colonial Census 1650-1773. St. Mary's District, 1650-1770; Drysdale District, 1655-1773; St. Margaret's District, 1673-1770*, by Ray Campbell  
SPL 929.37553 C1534C. 2016 - No Kidds in index
11. *Colonial Caroline. A history of Caroline County, Virginia*, by T.E. **Campbell**, Deitz Press, Richmond, VA, 1954.
12. *Bible records of Caroline County, Virginia families*, by Herbert Ridgeway Collins, Heritage Books, Westminster, MD, 2008.
13. *Cemeteries of Caroline County, Virginia, Vol. 1 (Public), Vol. 2 and Vol. 3 (Private Cemeteries)*, by Herbert Ridgeway **Collins**, 1994-1998.
14. *Virginia County Records, Volume VII*, edited by William Armstrong **Crozier**, Genealogical Publishing Co, 1971, p 100: "Marriage Bonds of Caroline Co, VA."

15. *Caroline Co. VA Order Book part 1, 1732-1734/5*, abstracted and compiled by John Frederick **Dorman**, Washington, DC, 1965
16. *Caroline County, Virginia Order Book, 1732-1740, parts 1, 2, and 3,*, abstracted and compiled by John Frederick **Dorman**, Washington, DC, 1966.
17. *Caroline County, Virginia Order Book, 1740-1746 (parts 1,2, and 3, 1744-1746)*, abstracted and compiled by John Frederick **Dorman**, Washington, DC, 1973.
18. *Abstracts from Caroline County, Virginia Order Books, 1732-1770 (23 volumes)*, abstracted and compiled by John Frederick **Dorman**. We have now reviewed all 23 volumes, available at Seattle Public Library.
19. ***Hidden Village, Port Royal Virginia 1744-1981***, by Ralph Emmett **Fall**, 1982.  
The town of Port Royal served as the major center of commerce in colonial Caroline as two main roads in the county led to Port Royal. Tobacco was shipped to England and goods from Europe were received at this port on the Rappahannock River. This history provides valuable information on Caroline county.
20. ***Historical Record of Bowling Green Virginia, 1667-1970***, by Ralph Emmett **Fall**, 1970.  
This book provides an important history of the homes and people in the county seat and includes 50 photographs.
21. ***People, Post Offices and Communities in Caroline, Virginia***, by Ralph Emmett **Fall**, 1989.  
There were many post offices in the country stores in Caroline by 1900 before the introduction of automobiles when many people walked to the country store and post office. Many of these old stores and post offices no longer exist and many of these cross roads do not even have a sign to denote the name of these landmarks. This book records important records on these places and the people.
22. *Marriages of Caroline County, Virginia, 1777-1853*, by Theresa **Fisher**, Heritage Books, 1998. (SGS)
23. ***Caroline County: A Pictorial History***, by Mary Tod Haley **Gray**, 1985.
24. *Caroline County court records and marriages, 1787-1810*, by William Lindsay **Hopkins**, (Contains abstracts from chancery suits, boxes 1-[15?], 1737-1840; court records, box 1, acc. #26675, 1751-1847; court papers 1800, 1802, boxes 1-19 (1796-1831); legislative petitions 1777-1797; appeals and land causes, 1777-1807; wills found in other sources, 1742-1859; historical papers, boxes 1-4, 1732-1851; criminal suits, box 2, 1810-1823; court records 1724-1864, acc. #22656; estate papers, 1787-1848; guardian papers 1807-1839; and marriages 1787-1810.) 273 pages.
25. *Caroline County, Virginia Court Records, 1742-1833, and Marriages, 1787-1833*, by William Lindsay **Hopkins**, Richmond, VA, 1990.
26. *Some Wills from the Burned Counties of Virginia*, by William Lindsay **Hopkins**, 1987, referencing Caroline Co Court Papers, by same author (LOV).
27. *Caroline County court records (1742-1833) and marriages, 1787-1810*, by William Lindsay **Hopkins**, Richmond, VA, 1987.
28. *Virginia Kidds Serving in Wartime, 1800-1848*, by William R. Kidd.

29. *The Kidds in Virginia, 1623-1700*, a 12-page paper by Paul H. **Kidd** of Monroe, LA (date unknown). [note: much of this document is not correct, many dates are speculative, and all of it is unsourced—SKK]
30. *Kidd Konnections CD* – all entries in this periodical newsletter pertaining to Caroline Co. VA Kidds have been added to this compilation.
31. *Index to Herbert Ridgeway Collins' Bible Records of Caroline County, Virginia Families*, compiled by Wesley E. Pippenger, Heritage Books, 2011.
32. *Index to Virginia Estates, 1800-1865*, Vol. 10, Caroline County citations, compiled by Wesley E. **Pippenger**, published by Virginia Genealogical Society, 2010.
33. *Cedar Creek, Camden, Portobago in Caroline County Virginia, 1650-1997*, by Beverley C. **Pratt**, 1997. Provides a history of ownership of these properties, events and the people in these areas.
34. *Places I Have Known along the Rappahannock River*, by Beverley C. **Pratt**, 2005. Provides a history of ownership of these properties, events and the people in these areas.
35. *Caroline County, Virginia Marriage Bonds, 1787-1852*, by Joel **Ricks**, 1937. This book is not available at LoV; RK has ordered it via ILL, July 4, 2018.
36. *A Guide to Historic Bowling Green Virginia*, by Carolyn A. **Roth**, 2007.
37. *Carolina County, Virginia County Surveys, 1729-1762, Proceedings of Committee of Safety, 1774-1776*, by Ruth **Sparacio**, 1997 (abstracted at Library of Virginia for Kidd mentions by Nancy Heuser, June 2012)
38. *Abstracts of Appeals & Land Causes, Caroline County, Virginia, 1787-1794*, by Ruth **Sparacio**, 1995, reviewed for Kidd citations by Nancy Heuser, June 2012. (No Kidd mentions)
39. *Abstracts of Appeals & Land Causes, Caroline County, Virginia, 1795-1800*, by Ruth **Sparacio**, 1996. (No Kidd mentions)
40. *Guardian Bonds, Caroline County, Virginia, 1806-1821*, by Ruth **Sparacio**, 1990. (No Kidd mentions)
41. Order Book Abstracts of Caroline County, Virginia, by Ruth **Sparacio**, 1989. (Multiple volumes, all in red font abstracted by Nancy Heuser, 2012 – see Source Documents folder for her notes)
  - Caroline County Order Book, 1764-1765
  - Caroline County Order Book, 1765-1767
  - Caroline County Order Book, 1767-1768
  - Caroline County Order Book, 1768-1770
  - Caroline County Order Books (several), 1770-1787
  - Caroline County Order Book, 1787-1789
42. *A History of Caroline County, Virginia; from its formation in 1727 to 1924*, by Marshall **Wingfield**, Regional Publishing Company, 1969. Available online at FamilySearch.org, FHL #1000633, item 5 (images 708-983). Two Kidd entries in index: Kidd's fork (named for Kidd family) and a Mary Kidd in 1915.
43. *Caroline County Virginia Land Tax Lists, 1787-1799*, **TLC Genealogy**, Miami Beach, FL, 1991.

44. *Caroline County, Virginia, Chancery Court deeds, 1758 – 1845*, Miami Beach, Florida, **TLC Genealogy**, c1990, 79 pages.
45. *The Virginia Genealogist*, vols. 1-50 (all Kidd entries in the index have been examined, and added here, where appropriate).
46. *Burned County Data, 1809-1848, As Found in the Contested Election Files*, by Benjamin B. **Weisiger**, Richmond, VA, 1986.  
LoV F225. W394
47. *Caroline County, Virginia, marriage references and family relationships, 1728-1800*, by F. Edward **Wright**, Colonial Roots, Lewes, Delaware, 2012.. Reviewed by RK at SPL, May 2018.

## **APPENDIX TWO: HYPOTHESIS THAT WILLIAM P. KIDD & HIS SIBLINGS WERE THE CHILDREN OF BENJAMIN F. KIDD JR AND HIS WIFE, MARY A. DUNN OF CAROLINE COUNTY**

The early life of Benjamin Kidd Jr., the son of Benjamin<sup>5</sup> (Isaac<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) Kidd of Caroline County is reasonably well documented: he was born between 1795 and 1800 in Caroline County; he married Mary Dunn in January 1823 in Caroline County; and he and his small family appear on the 1830 census there. (See [his section](#) of this compilation for full details.). However, he disappears from Caroline County records after 1836, and what became of him and his family has been a mystery.

We believe that the 1850 census record below, and subsequent findings about the individuals in this household, closely match the known facts about Benjamin Kidd Jr. and his wife, Mary A. Dunn, and that in fact, are the wife/widow and children of Benjamin Kidd Jr. Below we lay out our argument for this hypothesis.

First, some "reference points" for Benjamin Kidd Jr.:

1823 – Marriage of **Benjamin Kidd Jr.** and Mary Dunn, 13 Jan 1823, James Kennon, bond.<sup>518</sup>  
Another abstract of this bond gives the security or witness as Benjamin Hunt.<sup>519</sup>

1830 – on federal census in Caroline Co., VA, p. 196, line 22:  
**Benjamin Kidd:** 000001-2000011 (1M 30-39; 2F<5, 1 30-39 & 1 40-49; plus 1 slave, a male less than 10 years old)

Benjamin Kidd Jr. disappears from the Caroline County Personal Property Tax Lists and Land Tax Lists after 1836 as noted above.

Compare the above with the following:

1850 – on the federal census in Richmond City, Virginia, page 364b, HH 375/451:

Mary Kidd 46WF (occ. Blank) b. VA

Sarah J. Barnes 28FW VA

Nancy F. Kidd 24FW VA

Mary A. Kidd 23FW VA CROW

Wm P Kidd 10MW VA

Lewis C. Kidd 8MW VA

She apparently ran a boarding house, as the following individuals were listed as boarders at this house:

Richard Riley 24MW Overseer b. Ireland

Marion Croxley 23MW blacksmith NY

William Barnard 35MW carpenter \$500 VA CROW

Samuel Barnard 3MW VA

Joseph Roberson 23MW overseer England

Susan Roberson 2FW VA CROW

William W. “ 8/12MW VA

<sup>518</sup> *Marriages of Caroline Co Virginia 1777-1853*, compiled and edited by Therese Fisher, 1998, Heritage Books, p. 128.

<sup>519</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Marriages, 1787-1852*, by Joel Ricks, 1937, p. 75.

Note that the two young females were born before 1830, and are a close (but not perfect) match for the two females in Benjamin Jr.'s household at the time of the 1830 federal census. Mary's age is also not an exact match, but is close.

1860 – In this year, Mary A. Kidd, the widow of Benjamin Kidd Jr., is on the federal census in Richmond, Henrico County, Virginia, living in the household of her presumed daughter, Mary A. Robertson,<sup>520</sup> on page 52, HH 271/345 (one of six families living in an apartment building or boarding house):

Mary A. Robertson 33FW domestic no real or personal estate VA CROW<sup>521</sup>

Elizabeth T.(?) “ 2FW VA

James P. “ 5/12MW VA

**Mary Kidd** 58FW VA no real or personal estate (no indication that she cannot read or write)

1870 – Again on the federal census in Richmond City, VA, Madison Ward, page 124, HH 1471/1747 (listed as Mary KEED on this census, but a good match with the 1860 census above):

**Keed, Mary** 67FW keeping house no real or personal estate VA

Robinson, Mary 42FW dressmaker no real or personal estate VA

“ , James 10MW at home VA attended school within the year

Our second piece of evidence is the marriage record below, which specifically names both parents of William P. Kidd:

**William Kidd**, age 22, **son of Benjamin and Mary A. Kidd**, married Emeline Tinsley in Richmond, Virginia on 4 October 1860.<sup>522</sup>

His young family is found on the 1870 federal census in Manchester City, Virginia, page 346B, HH 396/429:

**Kidd, William P.** 30WM nail cutter, \$1800 VA

“ , Emeline 26FW keeps house VA CROW

“ , Lewis P. 7MW VA

“ , William 4MW VA

“ , Emma 1FW VA

Our third piece of evidence is the death record for this Mary A. Kidd in 1871:

Mary A. Kidd, a WF **widow born in Caroline County, Virginia**, died in Richmond City on 19 July 1871, cause “bowelitis,” aged 69y 1mo 19d. The informant was her physician, J. A. Bradshaw.<sup>523</sup> This record leaves the space for the names of her parents blank.

Other records for this William P. Kidd are below:

1880 – on the federal census in Manchester City, Virginia, p. 12D, ED 70, p 12, HH 117/127:

**Kidd, Wm. P.** MW 40M head nail maker VA VA VA

“ , Evaline (sic) WF 38M wife Keeps house VA VA VA

“ , Louis MW 17S son nail feeder VA VA VA

<sup>520</sup> Note that a decade earlier, there was a Mary A. Kidd, age 23, living in the HH of Mary Kidd.

<sup>521</sup> Cannot read or write.

<sup>522</sup> Ancestry.com, citing FHL #33620, p. 33

<sup>523</sup> Richmond City death register, 1871, retrieved via Familysearch.org (restricted access) from FHL #2048591, image 488 of 707 on this reel; scanned image available upon request.

“ , William B MW 15S son nail feeder VA VA VA  
“ , Emma L. FW 11S at school VA VA VA  
“ , Harvey E. MW 8S VA VA VA

1888 – **William P. Kidd** died in Manchester City, Virginia on 23 April 1888 at the age of 48. The cause of his death was listed as “paralysis.” This record does not list the names of his parents. The informant was his wife, who was not named in the record.<sup>524</sup>

Several of William P. Kidd's children are named in other VA marriage records, and each of their records names both their parents:

L.P. (Lewis P) – b 1863; m. Ella L. Baber 24 July 1884, Manchester, VA  
Emma L. – b 1869; m. Jas. I. Galloway 22 May 1888, Manchester, VA  
William B – b 1867; m. Emma J. Munn 18 Jan 1887, Manchester, VA

**Based upon the above, we conclude that this constellation of findings makes a strong case for this family unit being the surviving family of Benjamin Kidd Jr.**

**What became of Benjamin Kidd Jr. remains a mystery.**

Their death records state that William P. Kidd was born in Richmond City (1840) and Lewis C. Kidd was born in Chesterfield County in 1842. This is a clue as to where Benjamin was, but we still can't find him.

<sup>524</sup> Death Registers of Manchester City, Virginia, 1853-1896, retrieved from FHL #2048589 (restricted access, FHCs only), image 633 of 693 on this reel, via Familysearch.org. Scanned image available upon request.

### APPENDIX THREE:

#### 1815 PETITION BY CITIZENS OF CAROLINE AND HANOVER COUNTIES ON BEHALF OF BENJAMIN KIDD, KEEPER OF LITTLEPAGE'S BRIDGE ON THE PAMUNKEY RIVER

On Dec. 15, 1815, in Legislative petition #6640, a number of citizens of Caroline and Hanover counties petitioned the General Assembly to provide relief in the form of tolls for Benjamin Kidd, who is represented as "having ruined himself financially in building Littlepage's Bridge at a price far below costs."<sup>525 526 527</sup>

As transportation by water began to slow and inland roads were being established, bridges began to take the place of many ferries. One example is Littlepage's Bridge.

People living near these bridges and using them most often were typically the ones appointed by the County authorities to maintain the bridge, just as road maintenance was delegated to those landowners and slaveholders who lived along the roads.

The Pamunkey River is the boundary between Caroline and Hanover counties. Littlepage's Bridge crossed the Pamunkey where Route 301 crosses the river today, north of the Hanover County courthouse.

Benjamin Kidd was the person appointed by Caroline and Hanover Counties to maintain Littlepage's Bridge, and the increasing traffic on the bridge resulted in more frequent and more costly repairs, which evidently placed Benjamin Kidd in financial peril, because his neighbors wrote a petition to the Justices of the courts of both Hanover and Caroline Counties on his behalf:<sup>528</sup>

To the worshipful Courts of Caroline and Hanover – the petition of Benjamin Kidd and sundry others, Freeholders and Inhabitants of said Counties, who think that the said Kidd has justice on his side, humbly sheweth:

That when the said Benjamin Kidd contracted by your worships for the rebuilding of Littlepage's Bridge, and keeping the same in repair for ten years, he did it under the well understood and implied condition that the ware and tare (sic) on the said bridge would be little or no greater for the ten years to come than for the ten years past, neither he nor anyone else imagined that all the weight of merchandize which had hitherto floated on our rivers would be brought to pass over Littlepage's Bridge, and that instead of eight or ten wagons a day, with two to three thousand weight each, ninety to one hundred with three to four thousand weight each would cross it, racking the timbers, hastening the destruction of the said bridge and keeping him and his hands employed almost every other day in repairing the damages of the previous day. Had such an idea ever occurred to him or been suggested by others, he would not, because he could not, have undertaken to build and keep it in repair for ten years, for double the sum agreed upon. In that case it would have required timber

<sup>525</sup> *A History of Caroline County, Virginia; from its formation in 1727 to 1924*, by Marshall Wingfield, Regional Publishing Company, 1969, p. 59.

<sup>526</sup> Virginia Legislative Petitions, Caroline County, Reel 35 and Box 49, Folders 75, 89. Indexed under Inhabitants of Hanover & Caroline.

<sup>527</sup> This transcription was taken from Hanover County Historical Society, vol. 39 (November 1988), pp. 5-6 (an article about ferries and bridges in Caroline and Hanover counties), and not from the petition itself.

<sup>528</sup> Virginia Legislative Petitions, Caroline County, Reel 35 and Box 49, Folders 75, 89. Indexed under Inhabitants of Hanover & Caroline, and cites Reel 79, Box, 106, Folder 12.

of much greater strength and magnitude, materials for the abutments of more durability than poles and earth, double the labor to have complied with his contract and greater expense, in many respects, to have done justice to the counties and credit unto himself. As it is he will be compelled to haul stone thither at a great expense for the said abutment, and if this present unforeseen state of things should continue for any time longer, he must be eventually ruined, unless your Worships should take his hard, his uncommonly hard case into tender consideration, and grant him such additional aid as you, in your wisdom and justice may think him fairly entitled to. He begs leave further to state that when the rebuilding of the said bridge was contracted for, no Act of Assembly had passed to establish it as a toll bridge, nor was it expected that such an act would pass. But of consequence of it being exited into a toll bridge, the very same causes which are likely to effect his ruin, are pouring into the coffers of the two counties great and unexpected treasures. That is to say in one word the two large and respectable counties of Caroline and Hanover are growing rich at the expense of poor Benjamin Kidd!

He, therefore, and those whose names are here unto subscribed, humbly pray that your worships may take his hard case into consideration and grant him, out of the surplus tolls of the said bridge, a fair equivalent for his additional expense and labor bestowed thereon, or do in the premises, as to your wisdom and justice, and Honour, may seem right and proper. And he and they, as in duty bound, will ever pray, etc. etc. the damages of the previous day. Had such an idea ever occurred to him or been suggested by others, he would not, because he could not, have undertaken to build and keep it in repair for ten years, for double the sum agreed upon. In that case it would have required timber of much greater strength and magnitude, materials for the abutments of more durability than poles and earth, double the labor to have complied with his contract and greater expense, in many respects, to have done justice to the counties and credit unto himself. As it is he will be compelled to haul stone thither at a great expense for the said abutment, and if this present unforeseen state of things should continue for any time longer, he must be eventually ruined, unless your Worships should take his hard, his uncommonly hard case into tender consideration, and grant him such additional aid as you, in your wisdom and justice may think him fairly entitled to. He begs leave further to state that when the rebuilding of the said bridge was contracted for, no Act of Assembly had passed to establish it as a toll bridge, nor was it expected that such an act would pass. But of consequence of it being exited into a toll bridge, the very same causes which are likely to effect his ruin, are pouring into the coffers of the two counties great and unexpected treasures. That is to say in one word the two large and respectable counties of Caroline and Hanover are growing rich at the expense of poor Benjamin Kidd!

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**APPENDIX FOUR:**

**GENEALOGICAL PROOF STATEMENT FOR DANIEL<sup>3</sup> KIDD BEING THE MOST LIKELY CANDIDATE FOR THE FATHER OF WILLIAM KIDD SR. OF ESSEX AND CAROLINE COUNTIES**

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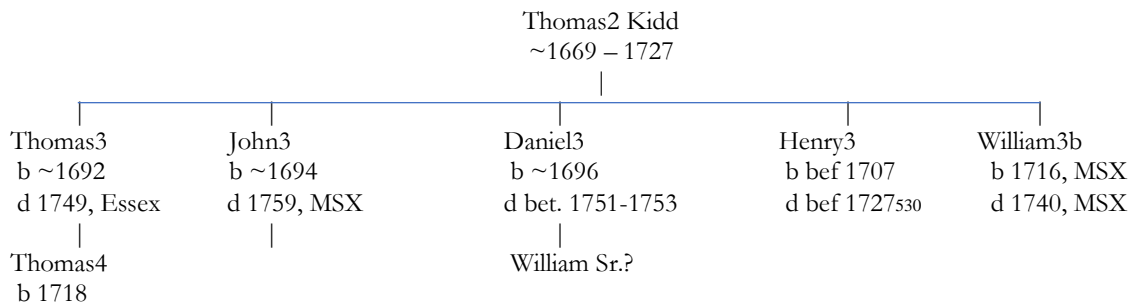
**WILLIAM KIDD, SR.** of Essex and Caroline Counties, Virginia was born by 1732,<sup>529</sup> and possibly earlier. He is found in the 1750s in Essex County, Virginia before settling in Caroline County, Virginia by 1764. He died there by 1802, leaving a large estate and family. His life is well-documented in Caroline County, but **who was his father?**

A major clue to the identity of this **William Kidd** may be found in the wording of a 1753 power of attorney filed in Essex Co. Thomas<sup>4</sup>Kidd, named as “of Edgecombe Co NC,” signed a document on 30 May 1753 giving his power of attorney to William Upshaw Davis “to ask, demand recover and receive for me all my Lands and Houses with all other the appurtenances thereunto belonging which I have or claim right to in the Counties of Middlesex and Essex within the Colony of Virginia.... I give my Attorney full power and authority to take peaceable possession of all the lands which I brought suit against my Unkle John Kidd & **Cousin William Kidd** and William Williamson in County of Middlesex...In witness whereof I the said Thomas Kidd have hereunto set my hand & seal this 30<sup>th</sup> day of May 1753.”

This “**Cousin William Kidd**” must have been at least 21 by 1753, when he is named in Thomas<sup>4</sup> Kidd’s power of attorney filed in Essex Co and in a 1753 Essex Co order to repay a debt. Thus he was born no later than 1732. **This matches William Kidd Sr. perfectly.**

Thomas<sup>4</sup> Kidd had inherited his land through the terms of his great-grandfather Thomas<sup>1</sup> Kidd’s will: the land was entailed to the oldest son of each generation and had passed to Thomas<sup>2</sup> Kidd, then to his oldest son Thomas<sup>3</sup> Kidd, and then to Thomas<sup>4</sup> Kidd in 1749 when his father Thomas<sup>3</sup> died. Thomas<sup>4</sup> Kidd was filing suit in 1753 to claim the land in order to dock the entail, or break the inheritance, so that he could sell the family properties.

Below is a **schematic diagram, showing the sons of Thomas<sup>2</sup> Kidd**, and thus listing the uncles of Thomas<sup>4</sup> Kidd (and potential fathers of “Cousin William Kidd”):



<sup>529</sup> He was of legal age in 1753, when he was sued for debt and also sued by his cousin Thomas<sup>4</sup> Kidd. See his section in the Essex County Kidds document for more detail, as well as the sources of these statements.

<sup>530</sup> He’s not named in his father’s 1727 will, and evidently died prior to the writing of that will.

“Cousin William Kidd” clearly was not the son of **Thomas3 Kidd**, because that would have made him the brother, rather than cousin, of Thomas4 Kidd.

Is **John3 Kidd**, the “Unkle John Kidd” named in this suit, possibly William’s father? This John Kidd and his wife Rebecca Godbee did not have a son William named among their children’s births recorded in the Middlesex Christ Church Parish Register. Nor was a son William named in the 1736 Goochland Co will of Rebecca’s mother Frances Godbee Cheadle, who specified bequests to all Rebecca’s children who were born by the time Frances wrote her will in 1736. Thus John3 Kidd is not a candidate for the father of “Cousin William Kidd.”

What of Thomas2 Kidd’s other sons: Henry, William and Daniel?

The births of Henry Kidd and William Kidd are recorded in the Middlesex Christ Church Parish Register. **Henry3 Kidd**, born in 1707, is not named in his father’s 1727 Middlesex Co will and so appears to have died prior to 1727, probably as a child. **William3b Kidd**, son of Thomas2 Kidd, was born in 1716 and died in 1740, when his death was recorded in the Middlesex CCPR, and there is no evidence he ever married. He also is too young to be the father of the William Kidd born before 1732.

The only remaining son of Thomas2 Kidd and Alice Trigg is **Daniel Kidd**. Daniel Kidd was born ca 1696 in Middlesex Co VA. We know little about Daniel’s life. He was likely named after his grandfather Daniel Trigg. Neither Daniel’s birth, marriage, nor death is recorded in the Middlesex Christ Church Parish Register. He appears in only three records that we have found: the 1727 Middlesex Co will of his father, a 1746 Essex Co deed with his brother Thomas3, and a 1750/1 estate account for Thomas3. The latter two records place Daniel Kidd in Essex Co VA in 1746 and 1750, just 3 years prior to the first appearance of William Kidd Sr. in a 1753 Essex County Order, and to “Cousin William Kidd” being named in the 1753 power of attorney.

We believe that Daniel Kidd died between 1751 (when he received funds from his father’s estate) and 1753, when this action occurred.<sup>531</sup> For William to be named in lieu of Daniel, he would have been his oldest son. Though Henry and Isaac Kidd appear in records earlier than William does, this fact does not automatically make them older than William Kidd. [See Appendix Two for more information about Henry and Isaac.]

**Daniel Kidd is the only Kidd male in Essex County in this time frame who could be the father of William Kidd Sr. And Daniel Kidd is the only uncle of Thomas4 Kidd who could have had a son named William. For these reasons, it is most likely that Daniel3 Kidd, the son of Thomas2 Kidd, was the father of William Kidd Sr.**

## **OTHER CANDIDATES FOR THE FATHER OF WILLIAM KIDD SR?**

The name William Kidd appears frequently in Middlesex Co records, so it is important to consider other Kidd men who could be the father of William Kidd Sr. Could Thomas4 Kidd have been referring to a second cousin? In order to determine this, we must consider the other grandsons of Thomas1 Kidd who were the sons of William2 Kidd.

<sup>531</sup> Had Daniel Kidd been alive at the time, he should have been named in this suit.

Sons of William<sup>2</sup> Kidd and his wife Margaret

We know that **William<sup>3a</sup> Kidd**,<sup>532</sup> the oldest child of William<sup>2</sup> and Margaret Kidd, remained in Middlesex Co where he married Elizabeth Thurston. William and Elizabeth had at least two sons: William, whose birth is recorded in the Middlesex CCPR in 1729, and John, whose birth is recorded in the Middlesex CCPR in 1733.

Nothing more is known about this William or his brother, John.

While William<sup>4</sup> could conceivably be William Kidd Sr., this seems less likely to us, for several reasons. First, this William would be Thomas<sup>4</sup> Kidd's second cousin, not his first cousin. Second, there is no evidence that any of this particular Kidd family ever left Middlesex Co for Essex Co or Caroline Co. Third, the descendants of Thomas<sup>2</sup> Kidd generally were wealthier than those of William<sup>2</sup> Kidd, and William Kidd Sr. came to possess substantial wealth and property.

Robert Kidd, the second son, had no known residence in Essex Co. He is named in only one Essex Co court record in 1725, when he traveled 25 miles (presumably from Middlesex Co) to appear as a witness. He is next found in Henrico Co in 1735/1736, in Goochland & Albemarle Cos in the 1740s, and disappears after 1746.

Moses Kidd, the third son, was born in 1707 and is named in only one Essex Co record when he served as a witness to a 1736 deed. He appears in two Caroline Co records in 1734 and 1737, and in four records in King and Queen Co from 1747 to 1751. Apparently without property or wealth, Moses seems unlikely to be the father of William Kidd, who amassed considerable property in Caroline Co.

William and Margaret's remaining sons John, Duel, Aaron, James, and Benjamin Kidd were born between 1708-1716 and were all too young to be the father of William Kidd. None of them ever appear in Essex Co records. All these sons except Benjamin left Middlesex Co and settled in central Virginia.

## CONCLUSION

**Daniel Kidd, son of Thomas<sup>2</sup> Kidd, is the best candidate for the father of William Kidd Sr. of Essex and Caroline Cos VA.**

Only Daniel Kidd and Thomas<sup>3</sup> Kidd are found in Essex Co VA in the mid-1700s, and William Kidd is not named as a son of Thomas<sup>3</sup> Kidd in his 1749 will. He is not among the children of John Kidd, brother of Thomas<sup>3</sup> and Daniel Kidd. Since he is named as a cousin to Thomas<sup>4</sup> Kidd, son of Thomas<sup>3</sup>, it is most likely that he is the son of Daniel Kidd.

The other possibility, that William Kidd Sr. was the son of William<sup>3a</sup> (William<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) Kidd and his wife, Elizabeth Thurston, is deemed less likely but cannot be disproven at this time.

<sup>532</sup> Both Thomas<sup>2</sup> Kidd and William<sup>2</sup> Kidd had sons named William. Both are 3<sup>rd</sup> generation Kidds and grandsons of Thomas<sup>1</sup> Kidd, the immigrant and patriarch of our Kidd family. To distinguish between the two, we dubbed William, son of William<sup>2</sup> as **William<sup>3a</sup>**, because he was born earlier, and dubbed William<sup>3</sup> Kidd, the son of Thomas<sup>2</sup> Kidd as William<sup>3b</sup>, because his birth occurred later than William<sup>3a</sup> Kidd's.

## APPENDIX FIVE: THE KIDD-POLLARD FAMILY BIBLE

The Library of Virginia has a collection of family Bible records, one of which is a photocopied Bible record for the family of William Kidd and Harriet M. Wright.<sup>533</sup> This Bible was published in 1838. The Bible gives birth, marriage and death dates for members of the Kidd and Pollard families. It appears to have been handed down through the Pollard family.

Births:

William Kidd, born May 7<sup>th</sup> 1789

Harriet M. Wright born May 3<sup>rd</sup> 1801 [looks like 1811 but must be 1801]

Children born to said Wm Kidd and Harriet M his wife:

Robert H. Kidd born 3<sup>rd</sup> December 1822

Thomas D. Kidd Sept 13<sup>th</sup> 1825

Maria L. Kidd April 22<sup>nd</sup> 1827

Margaret E. Kidd Sept 26<sup>th</sup> 1830

Bartin [Barton] W. Kidd May 3<sup>rd</sup> 1832

Harriet F. Kidd Jany 14<sup>th</sup> 1834

James H. Kidd May 16<sup>th</sup> 1836

John W. Kidd Febry 16<sup>th</sup> 1838

Lucy Ann Kidd born 4<sup>th</sup> July 1840

William B. Kidd 22 Demr 1828 [not known why he is listed last among the list of births]

[same page, second column—different handwriting and clearly recorded at different time]

William L. Kidd Pollard born March 6 1862

Son of Margaret Kidd and Dr. L.C. Pillard [Pollard]

other children born who died in infancy [appears to refer to the following two children]

Louise Lee Pollard born 1858

Burton Pollard born September 10<sup>th</sup> 1863 and died June 1864

[very faint entry follows that appears to say “Alice L. Kidd Pollard wife of William Kidd died March 7 1946.” Must be last event recorded in this Bible]

Births [on separate page]

W.L.K. Pollard born March 18—

[end of year obscured but must be 1862, see above for William L. Kidd Pollard]

Alice L. Gray born May the 6, 1867

Children born to said Wm and Alice L. his wife

Margaret E. Pollard born April 7, 1885

William L. K. Pollard born Dec the 12, 1886

Annie M. Pollard born October the 27, 1887

E. Cary Pollard born Feb the 8, 1889

Robert B. Pollard born 1892 June the 13

Callie Q. Pollard born June the 11, 1893

<sup>533</sup> Library of Virginia, Family Bible Records collection, “Bible of William Kidd,” Caroline Co VA, Call number 24103.

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<http://image.lva.virginia.gov/Bible/25103/index.html>

[same page, second column]

Robin Stuart son of L.C. and Margaret E. Bowers born Sept 14 1904. May God guide direct and teach him through life.

Marriages:

Harriet M. Wright married to William Kidd December 24<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1821

Margaret E. Kidd married to L.C. Pollard 28 Octo 1857

Attie M. Broaddus married to Wm. B. Kidd 18<sup>th</sup> November A.D. 1858

Margaret E. Pollard married to S.C. Bowen [sp?] July 11<sup>th</sup> 1906

Deaths:

James Henry Kidd died May 26<sup>th</sup> 1838

John W. Kidd died 4<sup>th</sup> December 1845

Harriet L. Kidd died 24<sup>th</sup> September 1847

Lucy Anne Kidd died 9<sup>th</sup> November 1852

William Kidd died Feby 9<sup>th</sup> 1854

Maria – Kidd died Jan 14<sup>th</sup> 1904

Margaret Kidd Pollard died September 10, 1863

Dr. L.C. Pollard died July the 22, 1912

Margaret Kidd Pollard his wife died September 10<sup>th</sup> 1863

[her death recorded twice in two different sets of handwriting]

Robert B. Pollard died Aug the 7, 1892

Callie Q. Pollard died 27 of Sept 1895

William L. Kidd Pollard died August 9, 1917

APPENDIX SIX: THE 1802 WILL OF WILLIAM KIDD SR.<sup>534</sup>

In the name of God Amen

William Kidd of the County of Caroline; being of sound  
 Sense, and memory: Do order this to be my last Will and Testament, in manner  
 and form following Viz -

First, my desire is, that all my just debts should be paid by my  
 Executors hereafter mentioned.

(Impremis) I give to my son James Kidd, a certain Tract, or Parcel of Land, formerly call'd  
 Bines; and after his decease, to be Equally divided between his two Sons, William  
 and Philip Kidd - Also a Negro Man call'd George, that he has now in possession.

(Item) I give to my son Thomas Kidd, a Negro Man call'd Geo. & five pounds, to him & his heirs forever.

(Item) I give to my son Edmund Kidd, a Negro Man call'd Amster, to him and his heirs forever.

(Item) I give to my son Joel Kidd a Negro Man call'd Ambrose, to him and his heirs for ever.

(Item) I give to my son Philip Kidd, a Negro Man call'd Bill, also a bear, and  
 good bed and furniture, To him and his heirs for ever.

(Item) I give to my son Willie Kidd, a Negro boy call'd Anderson, and Twenty Pounds  
 Cash, also a bear, and good bed, and furniture, To him & his heirs for ever -

(Item) I give to my son Walker Kidd, a Negro boy call'd Caleb, and Ten Pounds Cash,  
 also a bear, and good bed and furniture; To him & his heirs for ever -

(Item) I give to my son John Kidd, a Negro Woman call'd little Nancy, and her son  
 call'd Caleb: That he has now in possession (with the afore said Nancy's Increase)  
 To him and his heirs for ever -

(Item) I give to my Daughter Elizabeth Melley, a Negro Man call'd Sawney, that she  
 has now in possession - To her and her heirs for ever -

(Item) I give to my Daughter Fanny Lewis, a Negro Woman call'd Frank, and her  
 Daughter call'd Patience (and their Increase) during my Daughter's natural life,  
 and then to her Children for ever -

(Item) I give to my Daughter Polly Kidd, a Negro Girl call'd ~~Polly~~ and a Negro Boy  
 call'd Maltheu, (with the Girl's Increase) also a good Feather bed and  
 furniture, To her, and her heirs for ever -

(Item) I give to my Grandson - Henry Kidd, a Negro Girl call'd little Rachel,  
 and a bear and saddle: also fifty pounds in Cash (i. e.) If my Grandson Henry  
 makes no interruption respecting a Negro Girl call'd Pally, that I sold to satisfy  
 a Security Debt, of said Henry's Father, also a bed and furniture, I give to my Grandson Henry.

(Item) I lend to my beloved Wife Mary Kidd; All that part of my Land lying below the Establish'd Road that  
 now runs through my Plantation. Thence from the said Road down to Beverly Run, with all improvements  
 belonging - Also a Negro Man call'd Sam: a Negro Woman call'd big Rachel, a Negro Woman call'd Yellow Nancy, another  
 call'd Aricay, ~~and a Girl call'd Silvey~~ and a boy call'd Moses. During her natural life, (Or so long as she continues  
 my Widow.) After that period, my reasonable Estate lent her, to be Equally divided amongst all my Children except my Son John  
 and my Real Estate lent her to be Equally divided amongst all my Children except James and John Kidd - The balance of  
 my Land (except what I have given to my Son James) lying above the afore mentioned Establish'd Road, (After my Decease)  
 to be Equally divided amongst all my Children, except the afore mentioned Sam: - All my reasonable Estate  
 except what I have lent my Wife, to be Equally divided amongst all my Children except my Son John Kidd (After my Death)

Lastly I appoint my Son James Kidd, and Thomas, and Joel, Willie, and Philip, and Walker Kidd Executors of this my above  
 mentioned Will and Testament; All whereunto I have set my hand & affix'd my Seal, This tenth day of Feb<sup>r</sup> Eighteen hundred & One  
 My said Seal and delivered in presence of -

George Sale.  
 William Stewart

William Kidd

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534534 "Caroline County Wills, 1742, 1762-1830 and plats 1777-1847," available both at the Library of Virginia (Caroline County reel 7) and from the Family History Center Library via familysearch.org (restricted access), FHL# 30828, images 74-75 on this reel. [Note: the wills and plats recorded in this volume are virtually all the surviving estate records in Caroline Co pre-1836].

A Court held for Caroline County on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of October 1802. This writing purporting to be the Will of Wm Kidd dec<sup>d</sup> was presented to the Court for probate. on hearing the Testimony of George Sals one of the subscribing witnesses and of Walker Kidd that certain erasures were made in the said Will since the execution thereof, the Court is of opinion that the said Will ought to be proved & admitted to Record.

Justo 

Wm. Kidd  
Kidd

## **APPENDIX SEVEN:**

### **Was James Kidd of Slate River the Father of Moses Kidd of Buckingham County, Virginia and His Siblings? And Who Was This James Kidd?**

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Buckingham County was created in 1761 from Albemarle County. In 1869, a courthouse fire in Buckingham County destroyed nearly all records, making Buckingham among the worst of Virginia's "burned record counties." Only one plat book and wills or documents found in the court records of other locales survived. The loss is even more severe since Buckingham County was formed from Albemarle County in 1761, and the Albemarle courthouse was burned by the British in 1781, destroying many early Albemarle records. Very few pre-1861 county records are available. However, researchers have the Buckingham County Virginia personal property tax lists (PPTLs) and land tax lists (LTLs), because the law required that copies of these annual lists be sent to Richmond every year.

With few surviving records to work with, researchers must extract as much as possible from those records that remain, in an attempt to weave them into a plausible, coherent story that fits with the known facts and that can withstand scrutiny.

This paper represents our efforts to answer the two questions posed in the title (above); in it, we lay out our case for two related hypotheses:

- that the James Kidd who received a patent for 290 acres of land in 1760 in that part of Albemarle County that became Buckingham County in 1761 was the father of Moses Kidd of Buckingham and his siblings; and
- that this James Kidd was most likely the James Kidd born on 27 March 1716 in Middlesex County, Virginia to William<sup>2</sup> Kidd and his wife Margaret.

Of necessity, our reasoning relies on multiple disparate pieces of evidence, some of which may at first seem unrelated. For this reason, we thought it might be useful to provide readers with a synopsis of the main points we address in this paper, in the order that they appear in this document.

1. The 1808 Chancery suit over the estate of Moses Kidd, which survives because it was filed in Superior Court of the District held in Prince Edward County, provides the names of his 3 brothers (John, William and Benjamin) and 5 sisters.
2. Buckingham County PPTL and LTL entries for Moses' brother, William Kidd, name the father of William as James Kidd. Therefore, a James Kidd must have been the father of Moses and his other siblings as well.
3. Two of Moses' brothers (John and William) were also landowners in Buckingham County, near Moses' land.
4. Moses Kidd received his first Buckingham County land from his father (who was not named in the court record).
5. a James Kidd received a patent for 290 acres on the north side of the Slate River in Albemarle County in 1760. This land was in the part of Albemarle County that formed Buckingham County in 1761.
6. Five sons and one daughter of William<sup>2</sup> Kidd and his wife Margaret also migrated to Albemarle County in the same time frame as this James Kidd.

7. James<sup>3</sup> Kidd, the son of William<sup>2</sup> (Thomas<sup>1</sup>) Kidd and his wife, Margaret is the best (if not the only) fit for the known facts about the James Kidd of early Buckingham County.

See the full exposition below for the evidence we've reviewed and analyzed, to reach the conclusion that James<sup>3</sup> Kidd, son of William<sup>2</sup> Kidd, was the father of Moses Kidd and his siblings.

## FACTS RELATED TO OUR HYPOTHESIS

In early July 1798, Moses Kidd of Tillotson Parish, Buckingham Co VA, died at his home near New Canton in northeastern Buckingham County. At his death, he owned 367 acres of land on Phelps Creek (also known as Bear Garden Creek) near the community of New Canton.

The years following his death found Moses' siblings – three brothers and six sisters – in court bringing a chancery suit over the rightful ownership of his land, against his widow Elizabeth Toney Kidd and her Toney relatives. Because the case was heard in the Superior Court of the District, which was located in Prince Edward Co VA, before being settled in favor of the defendants the Toneys, the papers detailing the suit have survived in the Prince Edward County chancery files. Since Buckingham is a severely burned record county, this is a remarkable piece of fortune for researchers of the Buckingham Co Kidds.

At issue in the suit was the will of Moses Kidd, written in 1781 as he was leaving for militia service in the Revolutionary War. This will was presented by his executors (wife Elizabeth, her brother John Toney, and William Wilkinson) on 9 July 1798, the Monday following his death. Moses and Elizabeth were childless, so the inheritance of his large estate, consisting of 367 acres of property and slaves, was clearly a matter of great importance.

The siblings of Moses Kidd, represented initially by his brother John Kidd as the lead plaintiff, contended that the 1781 will was not Moses' rightful will. Without a valid will, the plaintiffs knew that the property of the childless Moses Kidd would revert to his Kidd relatives, with only a dower portion for his widow Elizabeth.

To further complicate matters, some of the numerous witnesses testified in the suit that Moses had written a second will leaving his estate to Sarah (Sally) Falwell, a woman of color with whom he reputedly had at least eight children (named in testimony as Elisha, Mary, Elizabeth, Dinah, Judith, Sarah, Nancy, and John). Although the attorney for Sally Falwell presented the will in her possession immediately following Moses' death, it was quickly tossed out by the court (this was, perhaps, inevitable, given that Sally, though likely free, was a woman of color with little legal standing in 18<sup>th</sup> century Virginia).

This constellation of events led the siblings of Moses Kidd to sue his widow over his estate in 1803 in the Superior Court of Richmond District, Prince Edward District Court.<sup>535</sup> **Thanks to this suit, we are able to learn the names of all his surviving siblings.** With this information, we can theorize about the identity of the father of this large Buckingham Co VA family of Kidds.

<sup>535</sup> John Kidd et al v Elizabeth Kidd, widow of Moses Kidd et al, Superior Court of Richmond District (VA), Prince Edward District Court (VA), 1803-1807. Final disposition Sept. 1808. See Library of Virginia, Prince Edward County Chancery Causes. File 1808-018. Images of this record are available at this URL: [http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/full\\_case\\_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018#img](http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/full_case_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018#img)

## Brothers of Moses Kidd (named in this Chancery suit)

1. **John**, listed in early records as of Tillotson Parish<sup>536</sup>, and a large landowner of 324 acres of property on the Slate River in Buckingham Co, died by 1804. Known sons: James<sup>537</sup>, Joseph<sup>538</sup>, Sherwood<sup>539</sup>, Absalom<sup>540</sup>, Archibald/Archers<sup>541</sup>, Edmond<sup>542</sup>, William<sup>543</sup>. Another possible son is John (Jr.). Testimony in the suit attested that John and Moses were both prosperous landowners, and that Moses had intended his brother John and family to have his property along with his sister Sarah's family. [pls see Buckingham BD.]
2. **William**, a smaller landowner of 100 acres in Buckingham County near New Canton on Phelps Creek, died by 1807.<sup>544</sup> Wife Ann(e). Known sons: William, Jr., Shadrack, and Robert. Another possible son is Henry. Testimony in the suit attested that Moses believed that if his brothers William and Benjamin got his land, they would not know "how to possess it."<sup>545</sup> This suggests they were not as prosperous as Moses and John. In the years following William's death, at least part of his holdings were subject to a sheriff's sale, which possibly indicated insolvency.<sup>546</sup>
3. **Benjamin**, named as a party to the suit and as Moses' brother, so presumably alive in 1803. Benjamin appears once, in 1786, on the personal property tax lists for Buckingham Co (with one white tithe) and is not found on the land tax lists.<sup>547</sup>

We believe this to be the Benjamin Kidd who is found in Pittsylvania Co VA and Surry Co NC<sup>548</sup>, and who in his Revolutionary War pension application attested that he was born in

<sup>536</sup> Tillotson Parish was created in 1757 from St. Anne's Parish in Albemarle County, Virginia. Most if not all of the area comprising Tillotson Parish was in current-day Buckingham County. Buckingham was created in 1758 out of Albemarle and Appomattox counties. For more information, see

[https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Tillotson\\_Parish,\\_Virginia](https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Tillotson_Parish,_Virginia)

<sup>537</sup> Listed on the 1790 Buckingham Co. PPTL as "James, son of John."

<sup>538</sup> Named as a son of John in the Kidd v. Kidd suit

<sup>539</sup> Named as a son of John in the Kidd v. Kidd suit; listed as "Archibald, son of John" in 1797 Buckingham County PPTL.

<sup>540</sup> listed as "Absalom, son of John" in the 1797 Buckingham County PPTL.

<sup>541</sup> listed as "Archibald, son of John" in the 1797 Buckingham County PPTL.

<sup>542</sup> On the 1793 Buckingham PPTL tax for John's HH, the initials S, A, and E appear as his white tithables. There is no other given name of Kidd starting with E. Edmond appears in his own HH 1796-1799. We consider this evidence supporting the inclusion of Edmond as one of John's sons.

<sup>543</sup> listed as "William, son of John" in the 1799 Buckingham County PPTL.

<sup>544</sup> In 1807, his widow, Ann Kidd, first appears on the Buckingham PPTLs, with one WMT and two taxable slaves.

She's found on most but not all of the annual PPTLs through 1819, after which she drops from the list. In some years, she pays a tithe for son Robert; in others, either Robert or "William, son of Ann" are listed adjacent to her on the PPTLs. This is evidence that William, son of James died before 1807, despite his continuing to appear on the LTLs through 1813.

<sup>545</sup> Prince Edward County (Va.) Chancery Causes, 1754-1913. John Kidd *et al* v. Elizabeth Kidd, widow of Moses Kidd *et al*. 1808-018. Local Government Records Collection, Prince Edward District Court Records. The Library of Virginia, Richmond, Virginia. See [http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018](http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018)

<sup>546</sup> See William<sup>4</sup> Kidd's section of the Buckingham County BD for details.

<sup>547</sup> We believe that he's the Benjamin Kidd who is found on the 1830 and 1840 federal censuses in Surry Co., NC, and who applied for a Rev. War pension from there in 1845, in which he states that he was born in Buckingham Co., VA in 1752. This Benjamin was dead by 1852, and probably by 1850, since he's not found on the 1850 Surry Co., NC census that year.

<sup>548</sup> See Benjamin Kidd's section of the Buckingham County BD for details and specific citations.

Buckingham Co in 1752 [*sic*, Buckingham not formed until 1761.]  
Known sons are Jesse and Allen Kidd.

### Sisters of Moses Kidd

4. **Sarah**, m James Boatright; their son Benjamin Boatwright was named as the second plaintiff in the suit, which suggests that Sarah, and perhaps James, were both deceased by the time of the suit in 1803.
5. **Dacey**, m Richard Falwell
6. **Susanna**, m unknown Quarles, widowed by time of suit in 1803.<sup>549</sup>
7. **Judith**, m James Quarless<sup>550</sup>
8. **Patsy (Martha)**, m Reuben Southern. The Southern family intermarried with the Kidds; Margaret Kidd, daughter of William<sup>2</sup> and Margaret Kidd, married John Southern and they were part of the Kidd family migration to central Virginia, where they owned land on Bear Garden Creek. Reuben is believed to be the son of John and Margaret Southern. This family moved to Stokes Co NC, where Reuben and Patsy Southern sold land in Stokes Co in 1828 to Peter Hairston.<sup>551</sup>
9. **Nancy**, m unknown Smith, no husband named in suit and not identified as a widow. It is possible that this is the Anna Kidd who married Platt Smith in 1790 in Buckingham Co.<sup>552</sup>

While rich in detail about the life of Moses Kidd, the 1803 suit, *Kidd v Kidd*, names neither father nor mother of Moses and his siblings--but it does provide important clues that help us to determine the possible identity of the father of these Kidds.

Among the testimony of the witnesses was a deposition made on 3 July 1804 by Moses' estate executor William Wilkinson that Moses received 200 acres from his father and later added significantly to his initial land holdings.<sup>553</sup> See Figure below:

<sup>549</sup> She is likely the Susanna Quarles on the federal census in Buckingham Co. on the 1810 census: Susannah Quarls – 1M 26-44; 2F 16-25, 2 26-44 & 1 45 and older. No slaves. Next door is a William Quarls, age 26-44, with his family. I don't find her after 1810. Judging from her age on this census, Susanna was born by 1775, perhaps considerably earlier.

<sup>550</sup> On federal census in Buckingham Co., VA in 1810 – Judith Quarls 2M<10, 1 10-15; 2F<10, 2 10-15, 1 16-25, 2F 45 & older, no slaves. Thus Judith too would have been born prior to 1775, perhaps much earlier. Not found in Buckingham in 1820 or later.

<sup>551</sup> Stokes Co NC Deed Book 9, p 257.

<sup>552</sup> On 15 December 1790, Baptist minister Rev. Rene Chastain Jr. solemnized the marriage of **Anna Kidd** to Platt Smith, per Chastain's personal papers ("Diary of Rev. Rene Chastain Jr.," *Buckingham County Virginia Church and Marriage Records, 1764-1822*, compiled and abstracted by Mary Bondurant Warren, Heritage Papers, Athens GA, 1993, p 48). This same minister performed the 1785 marriage of Dacey Kidd to William Goss; the 1786 marriages of Absolom Kidd to Lettice Owen and of Mary Kidd to John Walker; the 1789 marriage of James Kidd to Elizabeth Meglason; and the 1793 marriage of James Kidd to Elizabeth Baltimar (*Magazine of Virginia Genealogy*, volume 30, pp. 247-251).

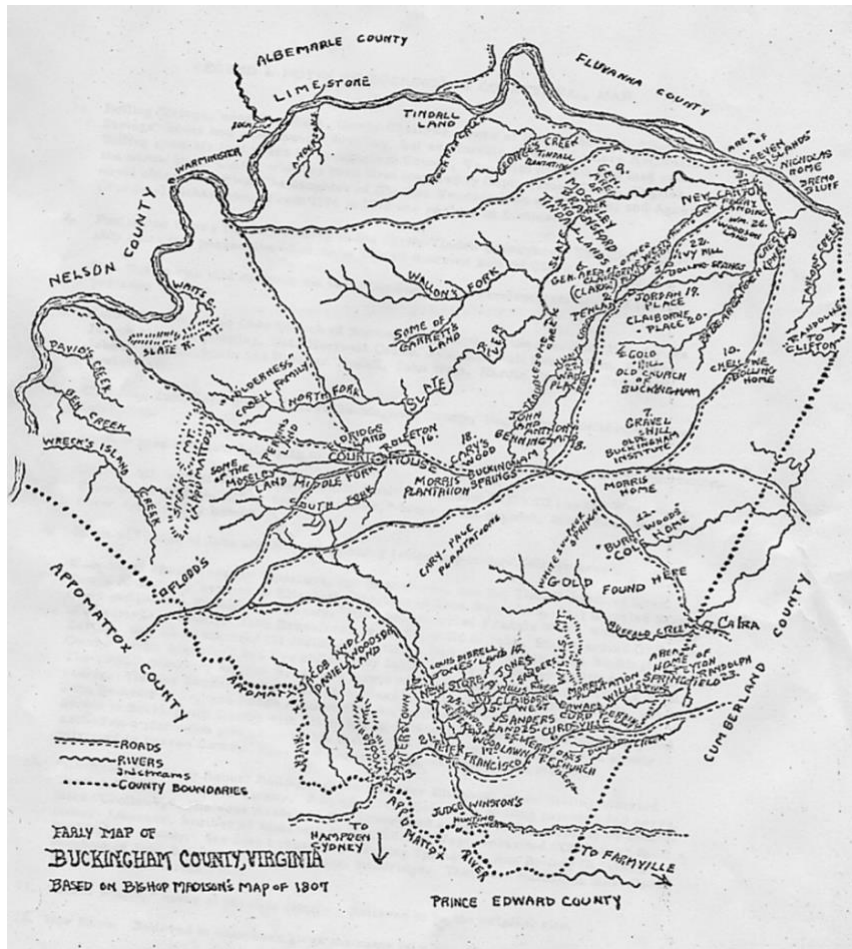
<sup>553</sup> Prince Edward County (Va.) Chancery Causes, 1754-1913. John Kidd *et al v.* Elizabeth Kidd, widow of Moses Kidd *et al.* 1808-018, image 12 of 19 at URL below. Local Government Records Collection, Prince Edward District Court Records. The Library of Virginia, Richmond, Virginia. See [http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018](http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018)

... did the property then willed come by his wife, Answer, No. - Question by the same, did Moses Kidd buy the land conveyed by that will, and did he not buy land after that will was made, Answer, The land owned by Moses Kidd when the will was made, was given him by his father, and Moses Kidd purchased the balance of the tract now in the possession of Mrs. Kidd, since said Will was made.  
 Sworn to before us at house of Benjamin Pollard in the Town of New Canton 3<sup>rd</sup> July 1844.  
 William Wilkinson

**FIGURE:** Statement of Moses Kidd’s executor William Wilkinson, made on 3 July 1804, regarding the source of Moses Kidd’s land in Buckingham County. Unfortunately for us, it does not name Moses’ father. But it does confirm that Moses Kidd’s father was a landowner in Buckingham County.

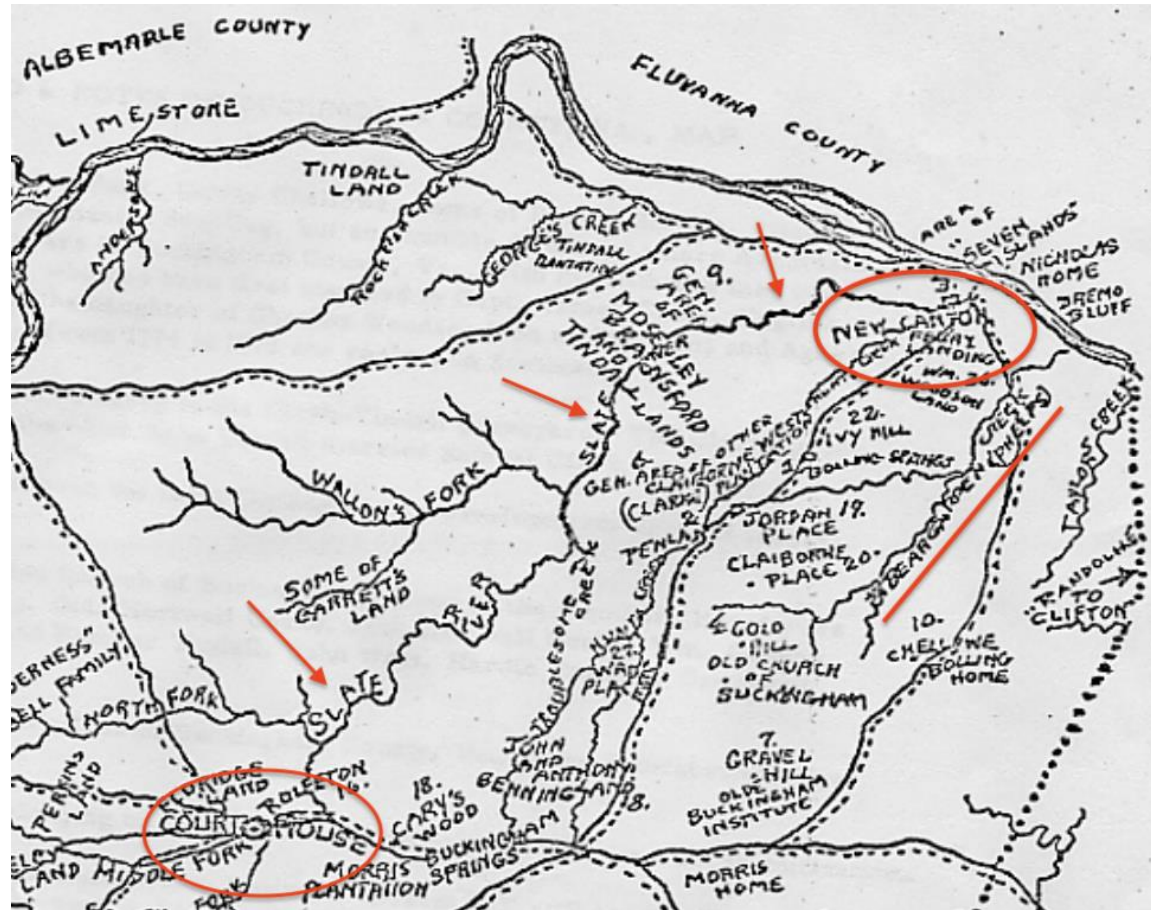
**The Location and proximity of Kidd lands on the Slate River and Bear Garden Creek**

Below is a facsimile of an 1807 map of Buckingham County:



**FIGURE:** Early map of Buckingham County, showing its waterways, and its borders with neighboring counties. See next page for an enlargement of the NE portion of the county.

It is possible to determine through Buckingham Co land tax records the approximate location of the lands of Moses Kidd, and the proximity of the land of his known Kidd siblings, as well as the land belonging to James<sup>3</sup> Kidd. The parcels that are of interest here are in the north-eastern portion of Buckingham County. See Figure below:



**FIGURE:** Cropped image of the previous Figure, showing the NE area of Buckingham County. The community of New Canton is in the upper right of this image, within the oval. The County Courthouse is marked by the oval in the lower left corner. Bear Garden (Phelps) Creek is underlined with the diagonal line below New Canton. And the Slate River is denoted by the red arrows. Using a USGS map, the distance between Buckingham Courthouse and New Canton is 19.7 miles “as the crow flies.” It would have been farther by the roads of the day.

In the land tax list descriptions, Moses’ land was consistently noted as lying on Glover Road and on Phelps Creek (also known as Bear Garden Creek), 23 miles east of the Courthouse, near New Canton. John’s land was noted as lying on the Slate River. William’s land was also on Phelps Creek, and near New Canton. Furthermore, William’s widow Ann was noted as living near the land of the deceased Moses Kidd, and later William and Ann’s sons Shadrack and Robert had possession of 70 acres of the Moses Kidd estate, which they sold in 1824 to F.B. Dean.<sup>554</sup>

<sup>554</sup> We have personally reviewed the extant Buckingham County Land Tax Books from their inception in 1782 through 1863, found on FHL microfilms #29901 (1782-1803), #29902 (1804-1807, 1809-1819, #29903 (1820-1831), #29904

William and John are very popular American names, and the Kidd family in 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> century Buckingham Co was no exception. When men of the same name appeared on the tax lists, the tax collector often noted additional family information or geographic location, in order to identify which man was being taxed. In this case, William of New Canton, a landowner with 100 acres, was noted consistently on the tax lists as “son of James.”<sup>555</sup>

We know from this descriptor, then, that James Kidd is the father of William Kidd of Phelps Creek, also known as Bear Garden Creek, near New Canton. Since the *Kidd v Kidd* suit identifies William along with John and Benjamin as brothers of Moses Kidd, it stands to reason that this James Kidd is the patriarch of this Buckingham Co VA family.

Given that Moses and Benjamin both served in the Revolutionary War—and that Benjamin stated in his RW pension application that his date of birth was 1752—a man old enough to be their father would most likely have been born by 1720. The Kidd men found in central Virginia who are old enough to fit this date parameter are all believed to be sons of William<sup>2</sup> and Margaret Kidd of Middlesex Co VA, six of whom migrated out of Middlesex in the years following the 1727 deaths of both their parents. One of the six sons who left Middlesex Co was James Kidd.

In 1760, James Kidd received a land patent in Albemarle Co, for the sum of 30 shillings, for 290 acres on the north side of and joining the Slate River, adjoining the land of Edward Kersie.<sup>556</sup> This land was in the part of Albemarle that became Buckingham County soon thereafter, in 1761.

Also acquiring land in Albemarle Co were James’s brothers, Robert, Aaron and John Kidd. The first Kidd land reference found in Albemarle Co was in 1746, when a survey dated 13 Oct 1746 was made for Robert Kidd, for 200 acres on both sides of the Hardware River.<sup>557</sup> However, Robert Kidd likely did not retain possession of this land, since a note on the plat reads “Kidd insolvent.”<sup>558</sup>

Aaron and John Kidd’s tracts were further north on the Rivanna River, at Roundabout Creek. Aaron Kidd patented an 80-acre tract in 1763 on the Roundabout Creek.<sup>559</sup> John Kidd was named

(1832-1835), #29905 (1836-1844), #29906 (1845-1850), #29907 (1851-1858), and #29908 (1859-1863). Digital images of some of these entries are available upon request from the authors.

<sup>555</sup> Ibid. See this William’s section of this document for specifics.

<sup>556</sup> James Kidd, grantee, Virginia Land Office Patents database, online at Library of Virginia, Land Office Patents No. 34, 1756-1765, p. 710 (reel 33-34). See Albemarle Co source documents for image scan.

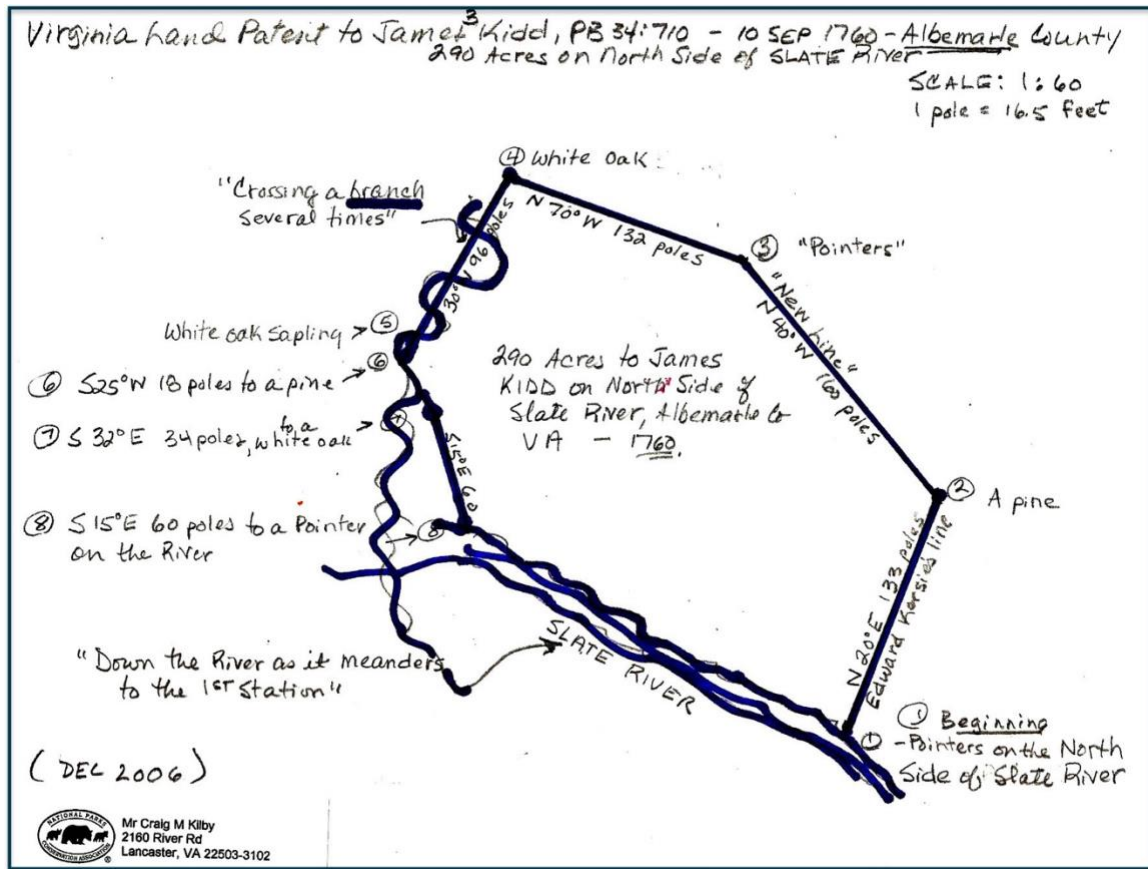
<sup>557</sup> *Land lying in the county of Albemarle : Albemarle County, Virginia surveyor's plat books, volumes 1, part land 2, and volume 2, 1744-1853, [and 1892]*, by Eric G. Grundset, Fairfax, Va. : E.G. Grundset, 1998, p. 9, citing Survey Book 1, p. 29, abstracted by C Kilby 2007]. Images of this page, and of Robert Kidd’s individual survey may be found in the Albemarle Source Documents folder on Dropbox.

<sup>558</sup> Also cited in *The Deeds of Amherst County, Virginia, 1761-1807 and Albemarle County, Virginia, 1748-1763*, by The Rev. Bailey Fulton Davis, Southern Historical Press, 1979, pp. 2-3., citing Order Book 1744-1777, p. 290.

<sup>559</sup> Aaron Kidd, grantee, Virginia Land Office Patents database, online at Library of Virginia, Land Office Patents No. 35, 1762-1764 (v.1 & 2 p.1-556), p. 434 (Reel 35). Scanned image in Albemarle Co source documents folder.

in several deeds (1752,<sup>560</sup> 1756,<sup>561</sup> 1760,<sup>562</sup> and 1761<sup>563</sup>) as a landowner or neighboring landowner in Albemarle County.<sup>564</sup>

Also in this area were John Southern and his wife Margaret Kidd, the daughter of William and Margaret Kidd of Middlesex Co. In 1749, John Southern purchased from William Webb a tract of 325 acres, lying on Bear Garden Creek, later known as Phelps Creek.<sup>565</sup>



**FIGURE:** Land plat of James Kidd, 1760, Albemarle County, drawn by Craig Kilby, researcher, Lancaster Co VA

<sup>560</sup> *Land lying in the county of Albemarle : Albemarle County, Virginia surveyor's plat books, volumes 1, part land 2, and volume 2, 1744-1853, [and 1892]*, by Eric G. Grundset, Fairfax, Va. : E.G. Grundset, 1998, p. 49, citing Survey Book 1, [part 1?], p. 215, abstracted by C Kilby 2007].

<sup>561</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 82, citing Survey Book 1, part 2, p. 22. Images of this plats page and of John Kidd's survey are available upon request.

<sup>562</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 87, citing Survey Book 1, p. 42, abstracted by C Kilby 2007]. Images of this plats page and of John Kidd's survey are available upon request.

<sup>563</sup> William Melton, grantee, Virginia Land Office Patents database, online at Library of Virginia, Land Office Patents No. 34, 1756-1765, p. 803 (Reel 33-34). Scanned image in Albemarle Co source documents.

<sup>564</sup> See their entries in the Albemarle BD for more information.

<sup>565</sup> *Deed and Will Abstracts of Albemarle County, Virginia (1748-1752)*, compiled by Ruth and Sam Sparacio, Antient Press, McLean VA, 1990, p. 51.

The Slate River runs across Buckingham Co from southwest to northeast, where it flows into the James River near New Canton.

Moses Kidd's land was on Glovers Road and Phelps Creek (formerly known as Bear Garden Creek), 23 miles east of the Courthouse, according to the annual Land Tax List descriptions. This location is just south of New Canton, on the south side of the James River.

Moses' brother John Kidd died with 324 acres on the Slate River by 1803/1804. His land was listed for nearly a decade under the name of his son Joseph Kidd before dropping from the land tax lists in 1812.<sup>566</sup>

Moses' brother William Kidd: there were several men by this name in Buckingham Co records, and three were land owners. One of them, listed in the LTLs and PPILs as "William, son of James," owned 100 acres in 1782; its location was given as on Phelps Creek, near New Canton & 25 miles east of the courthouse. Starting in 1814, the 100 acres is listed as Estate of William Kidd. The estate continues through 1846, when the last of the acreage has been sold, apparently by Shadrack Kidd (William's son) in 1844. The land is subject to several sheriff's sales, which may indicate insolvency of the estate.

Also supporting this relationship is that in 1834, Shadrack and Robert Kidd sold 70 acres of the Moses Kidd estate to F.B. [Francis] Dean. [footnote LTLs and suit]

The other two William Kidds who were landowners weren't proximate to Moses. One, named in the Buckingham LTLs as "William Sr.," owned 190 acres from 1787-1803, after which he drops from the LTLs in 1804. A second William Kidd, listed as "William, son of John" in the LTLs, is likely the nephew of William Kidd of New Canton and first appears with land (60 acres) in Buckingham County in 1806. His land was described as "on the Slate River, 20 miles NE of the courthouse.

We find no land in Buckingham Co in the name of Benjamin Kidd.

### **CONCLUSION ONE:**

**We believe that the above constellation of records make it highly probable that the father of Moses Kidd and his siblings was the James Kidd who in 1760 patented land on the Slate River, in proximity to these other Kidds.**

### **Identifying James Kidd of early Buckingham County**

Having made the case that the James Kidd who patented 290 acres of land on the Slate River is the father of Moses Kidd and his siblings, we turn to the next question: what is the identity of this James Kidd?

We believe that this James Kidd is likely James Kidd, son of William<sup>2</sup> and Margaret Kidd of Middlesex Co VA.

Supporting evidence for this theory:

1. A man old enough to be the father of children born in the early 1750s would likely have been born by 1720 in this era.  
James Kidd, son of William and Margaret, was baptized 28 Apr 1716 in Christ Church Parish in Middlesex Co VA.

<sup>566</sup> See his section in the Buckingham County BD for full details.

2. Six of William<sup>2</sup> and Margaret Kidd's sons—Robert, John, James, Aaron, Duel, and Moses—and one daughter Margaret Kidd Southern, wife of John Southern, have been indentured in central Virginia records, confirming their migration from Middlesex Co to central Virginia by the mid-1700s.
3. There is a connection between the Parish family of Goochland Co and James Kidd and John Kidd. By 1755, according to the records kept by Rev. William Douglas, this James Kidd had married Morning Parish, daughter of Henry Parish.<sup>567</sup> At least six years earlier, James' brother John Kidd had married Ruth Parish, daughter of Henry Parish and sister to Morning. The Parish connection is a useful clue to identifying this James Kidd and tying him to John Kidd, son of William<sup>2</sup> Kidd of Middlesex Co.
4. Three of the daughters of James Kidd and Morning Parish are listed in Rev. William Douglas's register of marriages and births. Dicea Kidd, daughter of James Kidd [published as Kill] and Morning Parish, was born 6 Aug 1756 and baptized 5 Sept 1756.<sup>568</sup> Mary Kidd, daughter of James Kidd [published as Caid] and Morning Parish, was born 11 Jan 1759 and baptized 18 Feb 1759.<sup>569</sup> Sally Kidd, daughter of James Kidd and Morning Parish, was born 3 Feb 1761 and was baptized 29 Mar 1761.<sup>570</sup>

Two of these daughters – Dicea/Dicey and Sarah/Sally – also appear in the list of siblings of Moses Kidd given in the suit *Kidd v Kidd* in Buckingham Co VA (1803). Dicey Kidd was listed as the wife of Richard Falwell, and Sarah as the wife of James Boatwright.

5. The absence of any other known James Kidd in central Virginia records during the mid—1700s. **Our reasonably exhaustive search has not found evidence of any other James Kidd, born by 1716, anywhere in Virginia. There is no other James Kidd to consider as an alternative suspect.**

All records found to date indicate that all the Kidds in eastern or central Virginia prior to 1760 are by definition the descendants of Thomas<sup>1</sup> Kidd of Middlesex County. No records have been found to indicate the presence of another unrelated branch of Kidds.

Thomas<sup>1</sup> Kidd had two sons, Thomas<sup>2</sup> and William<sup>2</sup> Kidd.

Thomas<sup>2</sup> had five known sons, and none of them were named James Kidd.

Thomas<sup>2</sup>'s first son, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, had two known sons. Neither was named James, and both were born after 1716.

Thomas<sup>2</sup>'s second son, John<sup>3</sup>, did have a son named James, born in 1738. This James Kidd could not have been the father of Moses, who was likely born by 1743. He lived out his life in Middlesex Co where he was a tavern owner in the town of Urbanna and left numerous records in Middlesex Co.

Thomas<sup>2</sup> Kidd's third son Daniel<sup>3</sup> was born abt 1696 and had no known son James; the Essex Co men suspected to be his sons were named Henry, Isaac, and William. Thomas<sup>2</sup> Kidd's

<sup>567</sup> *The Douglas Register*, pp. 30, 80, citing p. 2 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

<sup>568</sup> *The Douglas Register*, p. 167, citing p. 49 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

<sup>569</sup> *The Douglas Register*, p. 230, citing p. 54 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

<sup>570</sup> *The Douglas Register*, p. 230, citing p. 59 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

fourth son Henry, born in 1707, was not named in his father's 1727 will and likely died before 1727.

Thomas<sup>2</sup> Kidd's fifth son, William was born in 1716, and could not have had a son born before 1730.

William<sup>2</sup> Kidd DID have a son named James, born in 1716 in MSX Co. This James is our top candidate for the father of Moses and his siblings.

What about the other sons of William<sup>2</sup> Kidd? Might any of them have sired a son named James, born by 1720 or so, soon enough to have fathered Moses and his siblings. This seems improbable, to say the least. William<sup>3</sup>, the eldest son of William<sup>2</sup>, was born circa 1707; his two known sons (William<sup>4</sup> and John<sup>4</sup>) were born in 1729 and 1733 respectively in Middlesex Co. Robert<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>'s second son, was born circa 1703, and would be very unlikely to have fathered a son by 1720. He had no known descendants and disappears from the central Virginia records by 1746.

All eight of William<sup>2</sup>'s other sons were born after 1706, too late to have fathered a son by 1720. Of these sons, only Duel had a known son named James, who was born in 1737 in Middlesex Co and so was too young to be the father of Moses Kidd.

**By process of elimination, James<sup>3</sup> Kidd, son of William<sup>2</sup> Kidd, is by far the most likely to be the James Kidd of Slate River in Albemarle/Buckingham County in 1760.**

6. Evidence against this theory is that James Kidd, if he were the father of Moses Kidd, was likely married at least a decade before 1755. In 1764, Moses Kidd appears on an early Buckingham Co VA tax list fragment that was found in the records of Prince Edward Co. In order for Moses to be old enough in 1764 to be on a tax list, he would have been born by 1743. Did James have a first wife (which seems likely); or was this marriage date an estimated "no later than" marriage date, as were many others in the published version of Rev. William Douglas's register?
7. Other unreconciled evidence is that the Douglas Register includes the 1759 birth/baptism of a Mary as a child of James Kidd and Mourning Parish. There is no Mary or Polly among the siblings of Moses Kidd. It is possible, however, that Mary had died or moved away prior to the *Kidd v Kidd* suit.

Research into the Boatwright, Quarles, and Falwell families – and additional research into the landowners and neighbors of the Kidds who lived near New Canton in Buckingham Co – may help to confirm or refute this theory.

## CONCLUSION TWO

**Based upon the above analysis, the James Kidd who patented 290 acres on the north side of the Slate River in 1760, was James<sup>3</sup> Kidd, the son of William<sup>2</sup> Kidd and his wife Margaret, born in 1716 in Middlesex County.**