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CAPT. RICHARD CHANCELLOR

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CHANCELLOR OF VIRGINIA

The original founder of the CHANCELLOR family was M. Gaultier, a French law officer of the Crown, who crossed over into England at the time of the Norman conquest, 1066, with William the Conqueror. At that time he wrote his name " Gaultier, le Chancelier, " to indicate his position as Chief law officer of the Crown. Subsequently his descendants dropped the surname of " Gaultier " and assumed successively, that of Le Chancelier, Le Chancellor, Le Chancelour, Chancellor, and finally, after the 14th Century, the name was written Chancellor.

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The founder of the family in America was RICHARD CHANCELLOR, who left England in 1682, and settled in Westmoreland County, Virginia. He had been a soldier in the service of Charles II, with the rank of Captain, but being a zealous whig, devoted to the protestant religion, he joined the party of Monmouth, Essex, Russell, Sidney

and others who were disposed to levy war and raise the nation in arms against the encroachments of the government of Charles II upon the established church of England ; but the plot being discovered Captain Chancellor found it necessary to escape by flight the penalty of death, or perpetual imprisonment, which he saw prefigured in the fate of Essex, Russell and Sidney, and he accordingly emigrated to America (1)

- (1) The Duke of Monmouth threw himself at his father's feet and found mercy ; the Earl of Essex perished by his own hand in the tower of London ; Russel and Sidney were beheaded, in defiance of law and justice, for high treason. Some of less rank were sent to the gallows, and others quitted the country. — *Macaulay*, vol. I, p. 210.

As related by Capt. Chancellor, in order to escape the fate of his confreres, he " laid concealed for some days under London bridge, and finally, through the aid of female adroitness and generosity, was enabled to board a vessel bound for America. " This statement is no doubt correct as far as it goes, but it is more probable that his escape was effected through the leniency of Charles II, and the connivance of his officers, on account of his father's loyalty to both Charles I and Charles II, and the valuable service he had rendered the Royalist cause. Captain Chancellor brought with him to America his sword and a small treatise on military tactics, which were preserved, and handed down as heirlooms until destroyed by the burning of the Rev. Melzi S. Chancellor's house during the battle of Chancellorsville, May 1863.

**Richard Chancellor, the founder of his name
in America.**

LINEAGE. — The family of CHANCELLOR is of great antiquity; established first in England in the 11th century, and subsequently in Scotland, in the 14th century.

GEORGE CHANCELER, the first of the name in Scotland, had lands confirmed to him in county Lanark, Scotland, in the reign of Henri IV. He was succeeded by his son Alexander, to whom the charter was renewed in 1460, and whose son and heir, the 2nd George Chancellor of Scotland, had a son and heir John, whose son William, married Margaret Hamilton, and by her had a son William who was the first to assume the name CHANCELLOR, as now written. This

WILLIAM CHANCELLOR (a cousin of Richard Chancellor who commanded the naval expedition fitted out by Mary I of England to explore Russia, 1553), joined the adherents of Mary Queen of Scots, and fought in her favor at the battle of Langside, 1568. He married Agnes, daughter of Sir James Hamilton, Baron of Evandale, and by her had a son Robert, who by Agnes Symington his wife had issue a son John, who married his cousin Catherine Hamilton, and had issue,

ROBERT CHANCELLOR, a noted Cavalier, who signalized himself by his loyalty for kings Charles I and II, and died immediately after the restoration, 1660. By his wife, Jean, daughter of Sir James Lockhart, he had issue, three sons,

I. JAMES CHANCELLOR, *d.*, 1704, without issue, was succeeded by his brother

II. JOHN CHANCELLOR, *m.* Jean, *dau.* of Sir James Agnew and Lady Mary his wife, *dau.* of the Earl of Ellington, and was succeeded by his son, Alexander Chancellor.

III. RICHARD CHANCELLOR, Captain in the Military service of Charles II, emigrated to America, 1682, and settled in Westmoreland county, Virginia, where he married Catherine Cooper, *dau.* of William and Catherine (Fitzgerald) Cooper (SEE CHANCELLOR - FITZGERALD GENEALOGY), and by her had issue

I. WILLIAM COOPER CHANCELLOR, who is supposed to have removed to Pennsylvania.

II. RICHARD CHANCELLOR, *m.* Miss Thomas, removed to that part of Virginia now embraced in Fauquier Co. He had issue, with others,

THOMAS CHANCELLOR, *b.* 1745, *m.* 3 times ; by his 3rd wife, Judith Gaines, niece of Edmund Pendleton, of Virginia, and a cousin of Gen. Edmund P. Gaines, U. S. Army, he had issue, 1. Richard, *d.* 1812, while serving in the Army ; 2. James, *d.* in the Army ; 3. Cooper ; 4. William ; 5. Thomas, of whom more presently ; 6. John, *d.* in Arkansas ; 7. Benjamin, *d.* in Miss ; and two daughters who *d.* in childhood.

THOMAS CHANCELLOR, 5th son of Thomas and Judith (Gaines) Chancellor, *b.* 1805, *m.* Prudence Rector, *d.* 1864, leaving issue,

1. William Nelson, of whom more hereafter;
2. Edmund Pendleton, of whom more presently ; 3. Harriet (Addison) ; 4. Eliza (Harwood) ;
5. Mary (Stephenson) ; 6. Emily (Brickle) ;
7. Alfred Bronson, *m.* Miss Logan.

WILLIAM NELSON CHANCELLOR, eldest son of Thomas and Prudence (Rector) Chancellor, *m.* Ellen C. King, of Miss., resides in Parkersburg, W. Va. Has issue, 1. Nellie Scott, *m.* Dr W. N. Burwell of Clark Co. Va. ; 2. Bettie de Selding, *m.* William C. Yeaton, Jr., of Alexandria, Va. ; 3. Anna Randolph, *m.* H. P. Moss, of Parkersburg ; 4. Estelle, and 5, Edmund Mc Dowell, both unmarried in 1892.

EDMUND PENDLETON CHANCELLOR, 2nd Son of Thomas and Prudence (Rector) Chancellor, *m.* Miss Miller, and had issue, 1. Edmund Pendleton Jr, married and living in Parkersburg ; 2. Eugenia (Rathborne), Kansas City, Mo. ; Rose and Anna. unmarried in 1892.

III. JOHN CHANCELLOR, 3rd son of Richard and Catherine (Cooper) Chancellor, born in Westmoreland Co. Va., married Jane Monroe, sister of Andrew and Spence Monroe, and aunt of James Monroe, 5th President of the United States, had issue three daughters, Susan, Jane and Elizabeth, and four sons : 1. Cooper, *m.* Miss Wroe of Prince William Co. ; 2. William, *m.* Miss Hooe of the same county ; 3. Andrew Monroe, *m.* Miss Rixey, had

issue Samuel, who *m.* Miss Ashby, and Elizabeth who *m.* Mr. Barbee of Fauquier Co. ; 4. John. This

JOHN CHANCELLOR, married, 1781, Elizabeth Edwards, daughter of Haden and Penelope (Sanford) Edwards of Stafford county, Virginia, had issue, 1. George Chancellor, of whom more presently ; 2. John Chancellor, married Mary Gatewood, removed to Alabama, then to Mississippi ; living issue, Margaret (Bell) ; Mary (Morris) ; Anna (Slater), all residing in Arkansas : 3. Sanford Chancellor, of whom more hereafter ; 4. William Chancellor, *b.* 1797, *d.* 1868, unmarried ; and three daughters, 1. Penelope, *m.* Thomas Rogers, removed to Kentucky ; 2. Jane, *m.* William Yeager, resided in Kentucky ; 3. Elizabeth, *b.* 1794, *d.* 1848, unmarried.

**George Chancellor, of Chancellorsville,
Virginia.**

GEORGE CHANCELLOR, of Chancellorsville, *b.* 1783 *m.* 1814, Ann (Lyon) Pound, widow of Richard Pound, *d.* 1836, had issue.

I. MELZI SANFORD CHANCELLOR, *b.* 1815, *m.* 1838, Lucy Fox Frazier, *d.* 1895, had issue, 1. Vespasian, *b.* Nov. 22nd, 1838, *m.* his cousin Susan Margaret Chancellor, resides in Fredericksburg, Va., no issue ; 2. Anna (King), *b.* Sept. 1840 ; 3. George Edwards, *b.* 1842, major of cavalry C. S. A., *d.* 188—, unmarried ; 4. Edmonia (Stonebraker), *b.* 1844 ; 5. Thomas Frazier, *b.* 1846, killed 1864 while serving on the Staff of Gen.

G. E. B. Stuart, C. S. Army ; 6. Bedell, *b.* 1848, *m.* 18— ; 7. Lucy Fox, *b.* 1850 ; 8. Susan Monroe, *b.* 1853, *d.* 18 — ; 9. Leona (Rawlings), *b.* 1855 ; 10. Melzi Sanford, *b.* 1858.

II. LORMAN CHANCELLOR, lawyer, Col. in Confederate Army, *b.* 1817, *m.* 184—, Margaret Smith, *dau.* of Hugh Smith, Esq., of Loudon Co. Va., *d.* 1894, had issue, 1. Elizabeth (Annan) ; 2. Carroll, lawyer, resides in Loudon Co., Va. ; 3. Bernard, lawyer, resides in Baltimore, Md.

III. JAMES EDGAR CHANCELLOR, physician, *b.* 1827, *m.* 1st Josephine Anderson, *dau.* of Thomas Anderson, Esq., of Spotsylvania Co. Va., by whom he had issue, 1. Eustathius, a rising young physician of St-Louis, Mo. Surgeon General of the Missouri National Guard ; 2. Clarendon ; 3. Sebastian ; 4. Samuel, residing at the University of Virginia.

2nd marriage, with Gabriella (Garth) Kirk, widow, no issue. Dr. Chancellor served with distinction as a surgeon in the Confederate Army, was subsequently demonstrator of Anatomy in the University of Va., where he now resides.

IV. SUSAN (Chartters), *b.* 1819, *d.* 1885, leaving issue, 1. Ann Elizabeth (King) ; 2. Lucy Park (Guy) ; 3. Xanthus, *m.* Evelyn Montague of Essex Co. Va.

V. ANN (Appler), *b.* 1822, resided at Columbus, Georgia, *d.* 1895, without issue.

**Maj. Sanford Chancellor, of Forest Hall,
Spotsylvania Co., Virginia.**

MAJ. SANFORD CHANCELLOR, of Forest Hall, Spotsylvania County, Va, *b.* 8th January, 1791, served throughout the war of 1812 on the Staff of Gen. Madison. His pursuit was that of agriculture, was twice High Sheriff of Spotsylvania Co., and for many years, until his death, which occurred in 1860, he was the presiding Justice of the county. He married, January 8th, 1823, Fannie L. Pound, eldest daughter of Richard and Ann (Lyon) Pound.

FANNIE L. (Pound) CHANCELLOR, *b.* July 22nd, 1803, *d.* July 9th, 1892, on her farm, " Oak Grove " near Fredericksburg, Va. She was a lineal descendant of Pocahontas, through her father, whose mother, Fannie (Underwood) Pound, was a grand daughter of Richard Underwood (son of William Underwood, member of the House of Burgesses of Va., 1652) who married a great grand daughter of Pocahontas.

By the intermarriage of Sanford Chancellor with Fannie L. Pound he had issue seven daughters and four sons :

DAUGHTERS :

1. JULIA DECARTRO, *b.* July 13th, 1825, *m.* 1847, Thomas R. Chartters, had issue William Sanford, Thomas, Charles, John and Estelle (Stephens).

2. MARY EDWARDS, *b.* May 7th 1825, *m.* John T. Frazier. No issue.

3. ANN ELIZABETH, *b.* Augt. 30th, 1834, resides with her sister, Mrs. Abbett in Atlanta Ga.

4. JANE HALL, *b.* April 10th, 1837, *m.* 186— Henry M. Abbett of Atlanta Ga. had issue, Fannie, Charles, and Appler who died 1894.

5. FANNIE DOUGLAS, *b.* February 3rd, 1840, *d.* Augt. 19th, 1864, unmarried.

6. PENELOPE ABBETT, *b.* December 31st, 1841, *d.* Augt. 14th, 1864, unmarried.

7. SUSAN MARGARET, *b.* February 19th, 1849, *m.* 1892, Ves. Chancellor, of Fredericksburg, Va.

SONS :

1. JOHN ANDREW, *b.* December 31st, 1823, *d.* September 28th, 1838.

2. WILLIAM COOPER, *b.* January 15th, 1829, *d.* March 9th, 1838.

3. GEORGE SANFORD, *b.* March 31st, 1845, *d.* Fébry. 17th, 1878, unmarried.

CHARLES WILLIAMS CHANCELLOR, only surviving son of Sanford and Fannie L. Chancellor, *b.* February 19th, 1832, physician, educated at Georgetown College and the University of Virginia, was Medical Director of Gen. George E. Pickett's Division, Confederate States Army, 1861-1865; Professor of Surgery and Dean of the Faculty, Washinton University, Baltimore, 1868-1878; Secretary State Board of Health of Maryland, 1874-1893; President of the Maryland State Insane Asylum, 1874-1889; Corresponding member of the Gynecological Society of Boston, Mass.; member of the Medical and Chirurgical Faculty

of Maryland ; member of the American Medical Association ; member of the American Public Health Association ; Honorary Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts, Sciences and Literature, London, England ; United States Consul at Havre, France, 1893-189—. Twice married,

1st. With Mary Archer, eldest daughter of Col. Alexander Galt, and Agnes H. (Marshall) Taliaferro, a grand daughter of Chief Justice John Marshall of Virginia.

MARY ARCHER (Taliaferro) CHANCELLOR, married 1863, died March 23rd, 1864, leaving an infant daughter, Leah Seddon Chancellor, who married, 1887, Henry Garnett Willis of Orange Co. Va. and has issue two children

Dr Chancellor was married the second time, in the City of New-Orléans, La, February 28th, 1867, by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Wilmer, to Martha Ann Butler, *dau.* of Col. William Ormonde and Martha Ann (Hale) Butler of Jackson, Tennessee.

MARTHA ANN (Butler) CHANCELLOR, born January 12th, 1839, is a grand daughter of the late Dr William Edward Butler of Tenn, youngest son of Col. Thomas Butler of the United States Army, who commanded a Regiment in the Pennsylvania Line, and was in nearly every engagement from Lexington to Yorktown during the Revolutionary war. His older brother, Maj. Gén. Richard Butler, commanded the right wing of the Army, and was killed at the disastrous defeat of Gen. St. Clair, Nov. 4th, 1791. Three other brothers, William, Pierce and Edward were distinguished

officers in the Revolutionary war. They were sons of Thomas Butler, Sr. who emigrated to America and settled in Lancaster Co. Penn. in 1748, grandson of Edward Butler, 8th Baronet of Ireland, a lineal descendant of Sir Pierce Butler, 8th Earl of Ormonde, through Sir Edward Butler, Lord Dunboyne, a son of James Butler 9th Earl of Ormonde, who *m.* Jean, *dau.* of James Fitzgerald, 11th Earl of Desmond, from whom was descended Catherine (Fitzgerald) Cooper, the mother of Catherine Cooper, who married Capt. Richard Chancellor, the founder of the Chancellor family in America. On her grandmother's side, Mrs. Chancellor is a great niece of Mrs. Gen. Jackson, wife of ex-President Andrew Jackson, and a cousin of ex-President James K. Polk.

By the intermarriage of Dr C. W. Chancellor with Martha A. Butler he has had issue four Children, Edward Ormonde, *b.* May 18th, 1868, *d.* July 4th, 1868; Charles Chester, *b.* January 31st, 1870, died July 4th, 1870. Living issue,

MARTHA BUTLER CHANCELLOR, *dau.* of Charles W. and Martha A. (Butler) Chancellor *b.* in the City of Baltimore, July 6th, 1874. She early discovered a taste for literature, and at the age of 12, wrote a small volume of " Fairy Stories for Boys and Girls, " published by John Murphy & Co., Baltimore, 1886.

PHILIP STANLEY CHANCELLOR, only surviving son of C. W. and M. A. Chancellor, *b.* June 12th 1875, at " Oak Grove, " the residence of his

paternal grandmother, near Fredericksburg, Virginia. He was named for his sponsors in baptism, Maj. Philip B. Hooe of Alexandria Va., and Admiral Fabius Stanley of the United States Navy. At the age of 19 he was appointed by President Cleveland United States Deputy Consul at Havre, France.

Both Philip and his sister have been educated principally in Europe, having attended schools, successively, in Switzerland, France and Germany, from 1882 to 1890, and are remarkable for their linguistic attainments. In addition to their native tongue, they read and speak French, German, Italian, Spanish and Russian. Philip was subsequently a student at the University of Virginia, 1892-93.

The representatives of the Chancellor family in Great Britain at this time are the sons of Alexander Chancellor of Shield Hill, County Lanark, Scotland, sometime Captain in the 38th Royal Regiment. They are, 1. John George Chancellor, now of Shield Hill ; 2. Frederick Hugh Chancellor, *b.* 1824, Colonel in the Royal Army ; 3. Alexander, *b.* 1827, was Captain in the 75th English Regiment, killed at the seige of Delhi ; 4. Edward, *b.* 1828, and his son Alexander Richard.

ARMS. — Or, a lion rampant sa. armed and langued gu. on a Chief of the last three mullets of the first. CREST. An eagle displayed sa. MOTTO. *Que je surmonte.*

FITZGERALD --- COOPER

CATHERINE FITZGERALD. — The history of Catherine Fitzgerald, the mother of Catherine Cooper, the great maternal ancestor of the Chancellor family of America, forms a romantic episode in connection with the early history of Virginia. She was an only child of Edmond Fitzgerald, Knight of Glin, Dublin, Ireland, who possessed large estates entailed by his grand father, Gerald Fitzgerald, under a deed of settlement to his father Thomas Fitzgerald. Edmond had one sister, Catherine, who married her cousin, Robert Fitzgerald, and two brothers, Richard and Thomas. The two brothers were named in the deed of settlement as successive inheritors of the estates, should Edmond die without issue. Edmond married and had issue one child, Catherine, heir presumptive to the great estates.

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The cupidity of Richard led to a conspiracy to make way with the young heiress, and through his machinations she was kidnapped, while on her way to school, and sent to America, when not more than ten or twelve years old. (1)

- (1) Hildrith in his history of America says : " A regular trade was early established — 1640 to 1670 — in the transport of persons who for the

sake of a passage to America suffered themselves to be indentured by the master of the vessel for a term of years after their arrival, to pay the expenses of their transportation. Nor was the embarkation always voluntary. Sometimes they were entrapped by nefarious arts ; sometimes even kidnapped, and sometimes they were sentenced to transportation for political offences. Those who were kidnapped were for the most part maids of virtuous education, young, handsome, and of incorrupt lives. On the expiration of their term of servitude, of four, six or eight years, they were not only free, but entitled to the fifty square acres of land to which all emigrants had claim. In Virginia they were sure of a cordial welcome, and the kindest treatment during their term of servitude, which being terminated they could marry, but only to men well able to support them. "

All communication with her friends in Ireland was denied the kidnapped child, and the story of her birth and early life were hurried into oblivion ; but her identity was established in after life by a bible and a small lace frame, or loom, which she had with her when captured, and which she brought with her to America (1).

- (1) These articles are still in the possession of her descendants. In a letter received, February 1892, from Mr. Mead Randolph Pagett, of Xania, Ohio, now 90 years old, he writes : " So far as the date of Catherine Fitzgerald's landing in this country is concerned, I can furnish no accurate data ; but circumstances lead me to believe that it was in the earlier days of the Colonies. Her bible, which she brought with her, was handed down from generation to generation, until it came into the possession of my wife in the year 1844, a short time before we left Virginia. It was given to her by her mother, a grand daughter of John and Jane (Monroe) Chancellor, who remarked : ' This bible is over 200 years old ; it was brought to America by our great maternal ancestor, Catherine Fitzgerald. ' There is no fly leaf, date

or record of any kind in the book to indicate its age, or the time when it was brought to this country. The lace frame is believed to be in the possession of a member of the family now residing in Texas. The record of the marriage of Catherine Cooper, with Capt. Chancellor, and the birth of their children, was destroyed when the old Round Hill (Episcopal) Church, in Westmoreland County, Virginia, was burned. "

On her arrival in America Catherine Fitzgerald was indentured, as was the custom at that time, to a planter, Richard Cooper, who had emigrated to America in 1634, in the merchant ship " Bonaventure " from London. After the expiration of her term of service she married, about 1670, William Cooper, a son of Richard Cooper, and they had issue one child, Catherine, who married Capt. Chancellor.

LINEAGE. — Catherine Fitzgerald was descended from the House of the Earls of Desmond. Her great paternal ancestor, Thomas Fitzgerald, Knight of Glin, married Joan, daughter of James Butler, Lord Dunboyne, and left issue,

GERALD FITZGERALD, Knight of Glin, who married Joan O'Brien and left issue, Thomas his successor; John; and Honora. His eldest son,

THOMAS FITZGERALD, Knight of Glin, married his cousin Mary, daughter of Edmond Fitzgerald, and had, with a daughter, Catherine, three sons, Edmond, Richard and Thomas, successive inheritors of his large estates. The eldest,

EDMOND FITZGERALD, Knight of Glin, had one child, Catherine, who, as already stated, was kidnapped and taken to America, where she married William

Cooper, and became the great maternal ancestor of the Chancellor family of America. Edmond was succeeded by his brother, Richard Fitzgerald.

The present representative of the family in Ireland is Desmond John Edmond Fitzgerald, Knight of Glin, of Linfield, county Limerick, Ireland.

ARMS. — Erm., a saltier gu. — CREST : A boar passant gu. bristled and armed or. — MOTTO : Shanet a boo.

Cooper of Virginia.

LINEAGE. — The name was formerly Cowper. The family resided originally in Sussex, England, but removed to Chester County, 1377. John Cowper or Cooper, Esq., son and heir of John Cowper, of Bosden, was born 1593, married, 1631, Mary, daughter and heiress of W. R. Hanford, Esq., of Hanford Hall, Chester Co., England. He was an older brother of Richard Cooper who emigrated to America, 1634, when only 18 years old,

ARMS. — Gu. on a chevron between three lions passant arg., each holding a battle-axe in his forepaw or., three lozenges sa., on a chief engrailed gold, a lozenge of the field between two marlets of the fourth. — CREST. — On a gazon vert a lion sejant or. and erminois, holding in his dexter hand a battle-axe, and in his sinister a tilting-spear, all ppr. — MOTTO : Tuum est.

Present representative of the family in England William Cooper-Cooper, Esq., F. S. A., of Toddington manor, County Bedford, England, Barrister-at-Law.

CHANCELLOR - EDWARDS

Edwards of Virginia.

JOHN EDWARDS, was the first of the name to emigrate to America. He came to Virginia in 1623, and settled in Northumberland County in 1623. He died in 1663, bequeathing all his property "to be sold and proceeds to be remitted to his wife and three children in London, England." (*Extract from the records of Northumberland County Court, Virginia.*)

THOMAS EDWARDS. — Came to Virginia 1635, and settled in Surry County, where he died in 1702, leaving his property to his sons, John, William and Thomas, and to his daughters, Sarah and Elizabeth. — *Surry Co. Records.*

ROBERT EDWARDS. — Emigrated to Virginia 1635, purchased land in Westmoreland County, Virginia, in 1669. The records of the county show a deed for this land "from Robert Edwards and Mary his wife" in 1670. Died without issue,

WILLIAM EDWARDS. — The youngest of the four brothers who emigrated to Virginia, was the founder of

the family in America. He came in July 1635, when only 19 years old, in the bark "Ye Merchants Hope," and settled in James City County. He was a member of the Virginia House of Burgesses in 1653, and patented large areas of land in the counties of James City, Surry, Isle of Wight, Norfolk and Lancaster. A bond given by him, 1659, is recorded in Surry county, witnessed by John Washington, the grand father of George Washington, who came to America in 1655. He died in 1697, at the age of 81, leaving his property, by will dated 1668, to his sons John and William.

WILLIAM EDWARDS, second son of the preceding, is mentioned in the Surry County records as "William Edwards Jr." He inherited large landed estates from his father. He was specially mentioned by Gov. Nicholson, Colonial Governor of Virginia, in a letter to the Crown, dated 12th August 1700, as having "Contributed liberally to relieve the sufferings of the Huguenot immigrants who had arrived in the James river in a destitute and impoverished condition." In 1678 William Edwards, Jr. married Ann Harrison, daughter of Col. Benjamin Harrison, grandfather of Benjamin Harrison of "Berkeley" a Signer of the Déclaration of Independence, and the father and great grandfather, respectively, of Gen. William Henry Harrison and Benjamin Harrison, ex-Presidents of the United States. He had issue four sons and three daughters.

WILLIAM EDWARDS, fourth child of William and Ann (Harrison) Edwards, b. 1687, married, 1712, Miss

Haden (now written Hayden) of Lancaster County, Virginia, a sister of William Haden, the father of Mrs Ambrose Jones. — The records of Westmoreland Co. show a deed to land purchased by him in that County in 1708. He left issue four sons and several daughters.

I. ROBERT EDWARDS, *b.* 1713, in Northumberland County, Virginia, died or was lost at sea 1785-1790. Unmarried. (1)

- (1) The court records of Northumberland Co. show that Robert Edwards was, in 1733, or 1735, fined 50 lbs. of tobacco for absenting himself from the Parish Church for thirty days. After this he quitted the State and followed the sea.

II. JOHN EDWARDS, *b.* in Northumberland Co, Virginia, resided in Prince William County, Virginia, in 1756.

III. HADEN EDWARDS, *b.* 1723, in Northumberland County, Virginia, *m.*, 1747, Penelope Sanford of Stafford County, Virginia. Removed to Kentucky 1787.

IV. BENJAMIN EDWARDS, *b.* 1725, resided in Prince William County in 1756. Married and removed to Loudon County, Virginia. Issue, several daughters and sons. (1)

- (1) The names of John and Benjamin Edwards appear on the rolls of the Prince William County Rangers in 1756. There were probably several daughters of whom there is no record.

HADEN EDWARDS, above mentioned, and his wife, born Sanford, had issue,

I. JOHN EDWARDS, *b.* 1748, *m.* 1st Miss Wroe of Prince William County, Virginia, removed to Kentucky

1780. United States Senator from Kentucky 1791 to 1794, married 2nd time, left issue 24 children.

II. BENJAMIN EDWARDS, *b.* 1750, removed from Stafford County. Virginia, to Rockhill, Maryland, *m.* 1784, Margaret, daughter of Ninian Beall of Montgomery County Maryland, and resided at Mt. Pleasant in that County. He was Known as " the friend and patron of William Wirt, " who he raised and educated. He represented his County several times in the Legislature; was a member of the State Convention that ratified the Federal constitution, and was twice a member of Congress. He removed to Kentucky in 1800, and died 1826.

NINIAN EDWARDS, son of Benjamin and Margaret (Beall) Edwards, *b.* 1785, was a distinguished lawyer, politician and statesman. He graduated at Dickinson College, Pa. at the age of 18; removed to Kentucky and became a representative in the Legislature before he was 21 years old; was Judge of the Court of Appeals of Kentucky 1806; Territorial Governor of Illinois 1809 to 1818; United States Senator from Ill. 1818 to 1824; Governor of Ill. 1826; appointed Minister to Mexico by President James Monroe.

III. SANFORD EDWARDS, *b.* 1752, Served on the Staff of Gen. Marion during the Revolutionary war. Resided in South Carolina. He had issue several children. One daughter, married Mr. Morris, of Morrisania N. Y.

IV. GEORGE EDWARDS, 1754, *m.* Elizabeth Monroe, cousin of ex-President James Monroe, and removed to

Kentucky in 1785. He had numerous descendants, some of whom became very distinguished.

V. PENELOPE EDWARDS, *b.* 1757 ; *m.* William Pope of Virginia ; removed to Kentucky ; had issue, Gov. John Pope of Kentucky, United States Senator, and President *pro. tem.* of the Senate, 1811-1812 ; Judge Nathaniel Pope of Arkansas. Gen. John Pope, U. S. Army, and Gov. James Edwards Cantrell of Kentucky were grandsons.

VI. MARY EDWARDS. *b.* 1759, *m.* William Ashmore of Kentucky.

VII. ELIZABETH EDWARDS, *b.* 1760, *m.* 1781, John Chancellor, son of John and Jane (Monroe) Chancellor. Had issue,

I. GEORGE CHANCELLOR, *b.* 1783, married, 1814, Ann Pound (widow) née Lyon, *d.* 1836.

II. JOHN CHANCELLOR, *b.* 1785, *m.* 1816, Mary Gatewood.

III. SANFORD CHANCELLOR, *b.* 1791, *m.* 1823, Fannie Longwill Pound, eldest daughter of Richard and Ann (Lyon) Pound. Died 1860, at his residence, Forest Hall, Virginia.

IV. PENELOPE CHANCELLOR, *b.* 1787, *m.* Thomas Rogers — removed to Kentucky. No record of issue.

V. JANE CHANCELLOR, *b.* 1789, *m.* William Yeager, resided in Kentucky. Had issue several children. The oldest son, Sanford Yeager, was a distinguished physician.

VI. ELIZABETH CHANCELLOR, *b.* 1794, *d.* 1848, at " Forest Hall, " Virginia, the residence of her brother Sanford Chancellor. Unmarried.

VII. WILLIAM CHANCELLOR, *b.* 1797, *d.* 1868. Unmarried.

LINEAGE OF THE EDWARDS FAMILY. — The family descended from the ancient Welsh Kings of Powysland. The first who assumed the name of Edwards (originally written Edwardes) was Robert, son of Edward ap Thomas ap Llewellyn, and was lineally descended from Einion Efell, Lord of Cynllaeth, in Montgomeryshire. He married Ann, daughter and heir of Robert Kyffin of Cynlleath, and was succeeded by his son John, who purchased Ness Strange, Salop. The branch of the family that emigrated to Virginia early in the 17th century came from near Cardiff Wales, where the ruins of an Old Castle, known as " Edwards Hall, " are still to be seen. It is said that this castle was built in the time of William the Conqueror, by Sir Godefor de Pommeroi, and came into the possession of the Edwards family by subsequent intermarriages of the two families.

The present representative of the Edwards family in England is Col. George Rowland Edwards, of Ness Strange, Salop, *b.* 23rd June, 1810, *m.*, 11th March 1847, Catherine Jane, eldest daughter of Gen. Edward Armstrong.

ARMS. — Per fess sa. and arg. a lion rampant counterchanged. — CREST : Within a wreath, a lion rampant as in the arms.

