Wright

Wright is an English occupational surname derived from the Old English word WRYHTA or WRYHTA (carpenter, joiner), but later came to denote a skilled worker in any trade. Chaucer says, "He was a well good wright, a carpenter." Peter le (the) Wryth of County Sussex, Robert le Wriche of County Essex, Roger le Wriche of Cambridgeshire and Thomas le Wrythe of Derbyshire lived in the period 1214-1330. Sir Robert Wright, who died in 1675, was chief justice of the King's Bench. Sir Nathan Wright was lord keeper of the Great Seal in 1702.

In Scotland, Rauf le Wrighte a burgess of Sterling in 1296, and Thomas le Wright of Lanarkshire rendered homage to the English crown. Robert and Thomas WRYHT were employed to repair the roof of the castle of Berwick in 1362. Richard Writhe was burgess of Aberdeen in 1482. Many of the Scottish Wrights were members of the Macinlye clan.

Burke's General Armstrong describes the many various arms. In Virginia, Robert Wright arrived in 1606 and was living on patented land in James City County with his wife and two children in 1624. Thomas obtained two land grants totalling 910 acres in Lower Norfolk County in 1635-47. John obtained two grants in Upper New Norfolk County in 1638-43 totalling 150 acres. Edward obtained a 50-acre grant in York County in 1652.

In Massachusetts, Henry was in Dorchester in 1635 and Richard was in Boston in 1630. In Connecticut, Thomas was in Wethersfield in 1639 and Benjamin was in Killingworth after 1643.

Thirty-three of the name were officers in the American Revolutionary Army.
Milly, Jim, Jack and Dorcis, my household & kitchen furniture, my new gig, harness and old horse called Mark, two Mules; son THOS. H. negroes & mare which he has already received, the furniture given by me to him, negro Jackson; son JOHN the money he has already received & horse, the negroes he has already received, negro Britton, one hundred dollars for his attendance on me while on my sick bed; dau. MARY C. wife of LEWIS B. BUSH the negroes, mare & furniture she has already received and to her son WILLIAM negro Manuel; dau. REBECCA E. wife of THOMAS C. HOOKS negroes she has in possession, the furniture she has received, seventy dollars to by a horse; dau. PATSEY E. negroes Judy, Hannah and Dolly and one hundred dollars to buy a horse, one bed, bedstead & furniture; son DAVID my lands I bought of my Brother THOS, my young black mare, one bed, bedstead & furniture; son ISAAC the balance of my land at the death of his mother, one bed, bedstead & furniture, one hundred dollars when he marries or becomes of age; little dau. ELIZA SMITH & KITTY ANN negroes Hary, Mary, Dorcis, Toney, Maria, Gillis, Evaline & Edmund, one bedstead & furniture to each; negroes George, Stephen & Calvin to be sold if necessary to pay debts together with the judgment of mine against JOHN B. WRIGHT and if not necessary George to dau. PATSEY E., Stephen to son DAVID and Calvin to son ISAAC; negro Sally & child Roderick sold to pay debts.

extrs: sons THOS. H. & JNO.

wit: WILLIAM HODGES, WILSON HODGES

signed: D. Wright

580. WRIGHT, ELIZABETH C. (CR.035.801.12)
18 Jan 1840 - Jul Term 1841
children THOMAS H., JOHN, MARY BUSH & REBECCA E. HOOKS five dollars each; dau. MARTHA E. SHINES one Bed & furniture; son DAVID my wagon & harness & a half dozen Silver table spoons, a trunk; dau. ELIZA S. a half Dozen Silver teaspoons, a trunk, my Gig & harness & her choice of my horses; dau. CATHARINE A. a half Dozen Silver teaspoons, a trunk, her second choice of my horses; children DAVID, ELIZA S. & ISAAC Jointly residue of my property consisting of Corn, Fodder, Cattle, Hogs, horses, household & Kitchen furniture, plantation tools and all other articles not mentioned; son ISAAC negro Calvin and a half dozen Silver teaspoons, a trunk, my mare that is called his, one hundred Dollars left him in his father's will.

extr: brother BUCKNER L. HILL

wit: THOS. HILL, JOHN S. HILL

signed: Elizabeth Wright

581. WRIGHT, JAMES "Planter" (CR.035.801.12)
24 Oct 1839 - Apr Term 1840
wife KITTY sum of nineteen hundred and ninety nine dollars; sons ISAAC and WILLIAM in special trust for my grandchildren the sons of JOHN B. deceased viz JOHN BECK, JAMES MUNROE, ISAAC and WILLIAM minors all my real estate in Duplin County; grandchildren JOHN & JAMES the sons of BRYAN my real estate in Cumberland & Bladen on the North west river now in possession of my son BRYAN; negroes including Fanny & her children now in possession of ALEXANDER McALLESTER divided into six equal parts or shares with Rose and her children thrown into the Lot for the use of my son BRYAN and Fanny & her children thrown into the Lot for the use of ANN McALLISTER, one sixth part to my son ISAAC, one sixth to son WILLIAM, one sixth to ISAAC & WILLIAM in special trust for my Son BRYAN and his Children, one sixth to ISAAC & WILLIAM...
in special trust for my dau. CHELLY MURPHY & her children, one sixth to ISAAC & WILLIAM in special trust for my dau. ANN McALLISTER & her children, one sixth to ISAAC & WILLIAM in special trust for my grandchildren the sons of my deceased son JOHN B. and none of the slaves given in trust are to be sold but if deemed advisable by my sons ISAAC & WILLIAM they may put the negroes thus divided into the possession of my son BRYAN and sons in Law JOHN MURPHY & ALEXANDER McALLISTER as they live at a distance; dau. ANN McALLISTER Three hundred dollars for her sole and separate use; dau. CHELLY MURPHY one thousand dollars, one Bed & furniture; dau. ANN McALLISTER one Bed & furniture; should my son in Law JOHN MURPHY bring any suit against my Executor then ISAAC & WILLIAM are not only to withold the onethousand dollars but apply the proceeds of all the slaves bequeathed to his wife and children to defray any expense or trouble which may arise therefrom

exrs: sons ISAAC & WILLIAM
wit: JOS. G. DICKSON, D. B. NEWTON, DAVID WRIGHT
signed: James Wright

Codicil: 24 Oct 1839, 11 Nov 1839
negro John Mirric should be added to the list of Slaves for the use of the sons of my deceased son JOHN B; sons ISAAC & WILLIAM to use all my real estate in Duplin County both the lands on which I reside & where AGATHY WRIGHT resides and all adjoining or detached Tracts to supporting grandsons the sons of my deceased son doctor JOHN B. and to divide the Same where they deem it necessary; sons ISAAC & WILLIAM to use all of my real estate in Cumberland County & Bladen County on the North West River & Wallis's Creek to supporting my son BRYAN and his sons JOHN & JAMES and to divide the Same where they deem it necessary
wit: JOHN S. HILL, DANIEL BOWDEN, HENRY BOWDEN
signed: James Wright

582. WRIGHT, JOHN (CR.035.801.12/A-511)
22 Jan 1798 - Apr Term 1800
wife REBECKAH the whole plantation whereon I now live including all my lands from the Oaks near the plumb Trees upon the Hill by the swapt to my son DAVIDS to my son THOMAS' line, half of the still, all my negroes, all my Stock of every Kind whatever including all my horses, Cattle, Hogs and sheep, all my household and kitchen Furniture, my riding Chair; son THOMAS after the decease of his Mother the part of my Land whereon I now live the west side of the Avenue to his Corner at the Trees where the old Still formerly stood including my dwelling houses as far as the upper part of my cleared land near a piny Slash to near the crooked Causeway, one Feather bed which he recieved when he was married; son DAVID after the decease of his Mother the part of the plantation which lies on the east side of the Avenue, Child which my Negro Grace brought named Polydon; dau. ELIZABETH BECK negro Patsey; dau. REBECKAH BECK negro Damond; dau. MARY CLARK negro Virgil; wife REBECKAH negroes Phillis and Grace and after her decease to my daus. ELIZABETH, REBECKAH and MARY; children JAMES, JOHN, THOMAS, DAVID, ELIZABETH BECK, REBECKAH BECK, and MARY CLARK after the decease of my wife negroes Durham and Mack, all my plantation Tools of every kind and all my Stock of every kind
exrs: son THOMAS, JAMES CLARK
wit: WM. DICKSON, ARCH WRIGHT, ISAAC WRIGHT
signed: John Wright
(Extract from Whitfield Genealogy)

William Whitfield, second son of William from England, married Rachel Bryan on Roanoke. Not long after his marriage, he packed up his movables and set out in search of a new country. He proceeded as far as South Washington (where that place now stands). He stopped with John Wright, the father of Col. James Wright, Thomas Wright and David of Duplin, John of Sampson, William, who died in Revolutionary War.

They were frolicking Mr. Wright's and suspecting Whitfield to have run away with his wife, who was exceedingly handsome, John Wright, who was a King's Justice of the Peace issued a warrant and had him put under guard.

During this time his wife was solicited and joined the dance. After a while he was asked if he could fiddle, and finding him quite handy with the bow, they declared that he should be set free, not only from custody but from suspicion, as such a clever fellow, they thought, could not have run away.

John Wright lived on the hill west of old South Washington.

From this place William Whitfield went to the Rich Lands of New Bern where he lived two years, and in this time his oldest son William was born in 1743."

"Genealogy of the Wright Family collected by Mrs. Rachel Wright Carroll - Information principally from her mother, Mrs. Catherine A. Wright daughter of David Wright of Duplin Co. (Mrs. Catherine Wright aged 76 at the time of the making of this record - begun May 12th, 1898) Catherine Wright married her cousin William Wright also of Duplin Co.

This original John Wright married Rebecca Wells, a Welsh lady. Their sons were: -

1. James Wright of Duplin Co. born 5 Dec 1755
John Wright, above, of Sampson married Penelope Clark of New Bern. Their sons were Isaac Clark Wright of Sampson, who married Eliza Cromartie.

John Wright, who lived and died a bachelor at the old home Coharie, leaving his share of property, the old home to his nephew John Cromartie Wright.

Daughters were,

Mary Wright (Married Solomon Boykin)

Rebecca Wright (Married John Boykin)

Penelope Wright (Married Arthur Brown)

James Wright (Son of original John) married Chelly Beck - their children were Isaac Wright of Bladen, first married a Miss Morehead, and there were 2 sons of this marriage. This wife died and he married Jane Gillespie. Isaac Wright died about 1864. His children were,

Clem Wright, a lawyer who lived first in Fayetteville and later in Greensboro and married a Miss Lindsey of Greensboro. And had one son Clem Wright.

A daughter, Catherine Wright who married Duncan Murchison, a widower. The children of Catherine were Ida Murchison who died single and Lutie Murchison and Isaac Murchison.
Eliza Wright married Dr. Daniel McDairmid of Cumberland Co. The children were Cattie McDairmid (married Dr. Henry Clay Robinson.

Annie McDairmid (married Mr. Wright Husk)
Janie (married Mr. Joel Williams)
Mollie (died single)
Archie
Willie

Lucy Wright, daughter of Isaac of Pladen, married a Mr. Monroe of Pladen and had two sons, William and Isaac.
Lloyd M. Smith Bible continued

Annie L. Smith Born January 5th, 1896

DEATHS

W. A. Atkinson Died January 7th, 1897
Ann Smith Died Feb. 1, 1896
L. M. Smith Died March 24th, 1896

MUNROE - GILLESPIE - WRIGHT BIBLE

Xerox copies from the Jack Crane files in the Cumberland County Library, Fayetteville, N. C. Copy in Bladen County Historical Society file. No publication date available.

MARRIAGES

Hugh A. Munroe and Lucy Gillespie Wright were married May 3d, 1842

Isaac Wright & Eliza Morehead were married May 24th 1803 in the evening

Isaac Wright and Jane Gillespie daughter of Honorable James Gillespie and Dorcas his wife of Duplin County were married Jan. 5th, 1809, Thursday evening

William G. Munroe son of Hugh A. and Lucy G. Munroe and Kate Street youngest daughter of Nathaniel H. and Catherine S. Street were married at New Bern by Rev. J. R. Brooks on the 26th day of Nov. 1879 at 6 o'clock

BIRTHS

Hugh A. Munroe was born April 11th, 1811
(Hugh A. Munroe is the son of John and Sarah Munroe of Cumberland County and State of North Carolina).

Lucy Gillespie Wright was born February 7th, 1814
(Lucy Gillespie Wright was the daughter of Isaac and Jane Wright of Bladen County and State of North Carolina)

The children of Hugh A. and Lucy Gillespie Munroe:

Sarah Jane Munroe was born May 21, 1843
Adelphas Munroe was born August 25, 1845
Isaac Wright Munroe was born June 17, 1847
William Clement Munroe was born May 14, 1849
Eliza Jane Munroe was born September 5th, 1851
DEATHS

Sarah Jane Munroe died June 27, 1844

Lucy Gillespie Munroe, wife of Hugh A. Munroe, died October 23rd, 1853

Rev. Hugh A. Munroe died Oct. 24th, 1874

James Wright father of Isaac died April ___, 1840, aged 85 years.

Charity Wright died Dec. 5, 1829

James Gillespie died at Washington City a representative in Congress from the Wilmington, N. C., Jan. 11th, 1805

Jane Wright the dearly beloved wife of Isaac Wright and daughter of Hon. James Gillespie & Dorcas his wife died on the tenth of June 1858 about 10 o'clock at night in her 74 year, at Duncan Murchinson's, her son-in-law, surrounded by her children and many of her grandchildren. First having taught them how to live and then how to die, full of piety, Christianity and love for her Redeemer whom she had long and faithfully served. Her last words were "Come Jesus, come quickly. Thy will not mine be done."

Isaac Wright died March 24th, 1865 in his eighty fifth year.

Hugh W. Munroe died Thursday morning at six o'clock, July 12th, 1888

Died Sept. Thirteenth at one o'clock a. m., 1893, James Gillespie, infant son of William C. and Kate S. Munroe. "It is well with the child."

William Clement Munroe, Jr., son of W. C. & K. S. Munroe, departed this life and went to be with the Lord, on Monday February 11th, 1902

Nathaniel Street Munroe, son of William C. and Kate S. Munroe passed through death into life May 28th, 1911 at El Paso, Texas

William Clement Munroe, Sr. died Dec. 15, 1913, Monday 1 o'clock a. m. To his wife he said, "do not cry we will all be together again soon, there is nothing in the world but the Bible for us to trust and believe in. I hope Christ will let me go soon." A beautiful Christian death.

Eliza Jane daughter of Hugh A. & Lucy C. Munroe died March 14th, 1865 at Duncan Murchinson's on the same day her uncle Clement C. Wright died at Greensboro, N. C.

BIRTHS

(Children of W. C. and Kate S. Munroe)

Kate Street was born at New Bern March 23rd, 1856.
W. Clement was born December 17th, 1880, Friday 4 o'clock p.m.
Mary Scott was born Aug. 17th, 1882, Thursday at 2 o'clock p.m.
Hugh Wright was born Wednesday July 30th, 6:50 a.m. 1884
Eleanor Street was born Monday Feb. 15th, at 4 o'clock a.m. 1886
Nathaniel Street Munroe was born Nov. 24th, 1888

NOTATION: The following were loose pages from another Bible inserted in the Munroe - Gillespie - Wright Bible.

MARRIAGES

Isaac Wright and Eliza Moorehead were married the 24th day of May 1803. Say one thousand eight hundred and three in the evening.

Isaac Wright and Jane Gillespie, daughter of the Honorable James Gillespie and Dorcas his wife of Duplin County were married, on Thursday the fifth of January one thousand eight hundred and nine in the evening.

Moorhead Wright of Red River, Arkansas was married on the 22nd November 1842 to Miss Elizabeth Fulton, daughter of Genl. Fulton, United States Senator from the State of Arkansas.

Ann Eliza Wright daughter of Isaac Wright and Jane, his wife, was married the 24th of December 1833 to Daniel McDiarmid of Cumberland County in the evening.

Catharine D. Wright, daughter of Isaac Wright and Jane, his wife, was married on the 22nd of May 1833 to the Reverend Alexander McIver of Duplin County, in the evening.

Lucy G. Wright, daughter of Isaac Wright and Jane, his wife, was married on the 3rd of May 1842 to the Reverend Hugh A. Munroe.

BIRTHS

Isaac Wright son of James & Charity Wright of Duplin County was born the 5th of November 1780

Eliza Moorehead first wife of Isaac Wright was born 14th March 1783

James M. Wright the oldest son of Isaac Wright and Eliza his wife was born the 6th day of June 1804

William G. Wright son of Isaac Wright & Eliza his wife was born the 3rd of May 1806

Moorehead Wright son of Isaac Wright & Eliza his wife was born 1st of January 1808
Jane Gillespie second wife of Isaac Wright was born the 19th of March 1785

Catherine D. Wright daughter of Isaac and Jane Wright was born the 20th of December 1809

Ann Eliza Wright daughter of Isaac Wright and Jane his wife was born 15th of September 1811

Lucy Gillespie Wright daughter of Isaac Wright and Jane his wife was born 7th February 1814

Mary Louisa Wright daughter of Isaac Wright and Jane his wife was born 17th August 1818

David Gillespie Wright son of Isaac Wright and Jane his wife was born 22nd of August 1820

Clement Gillespie Wright son of Isaac Wright & Jane his wife was born the 15th of October 1823

Children of Moorehead Wright by his wife Elizabeth R. Fulton of Arkansas:

William Fulton born in Lafayette County, Arkansas, August 12th, 1845

Elizabeth Moorehead born March 22nd 1848

Imogene born January 25th, 1852

Isaac was born June the 11th, 1854

Matilda Amelia was born October the 20th, 1857

DEATHS

Eliza the first wife of Isaac Wright died the 1st of January 1808

James Moorhead father of Eliza Wright died on the 11th of November 1807

William Grady Wright son of Isaac Wright and Eliza his wife died the 11th of May 1829

James Moorhead Wright son of Isaac Wright & Eliza his wife died at Clinton, Mississippi the 5th September 1833

Charity Wright consort of James Wright of Duplin County, died the 5th December 1829, aged 68 years.

James Wright of Duplin County and father of Isaac Wright died the 18th of April 1840 and was born 5th December 1755

The Reverend Alexander McIver son-in-law of Isaac Wright & Jane his wife and husband of her daughter Catherine Dorcas, died the 14th October 1839.
Munroe - Gillespie - Wright Bibles continued

Col. Clement G. Wright son of Isaac and Jane Wright died in Greensboro, N. C. March 14th, 1865

Mary Louisa Wright daughter of Isaac Wright & Jane his wife died the 24th October 1820

David Gillespie Wright son of Isaac Wright & Jane his wife died the 28th May 1823

James Gillespie, the father of Jane Wright died at the City of Washington, a representative in Congress from the District of Wilmington, North Carolina the 11th January 1805, in the 60th year of his age.

Lucy Gillespie Munroe consort of Reverend Hugh A. Munroe and daughter of Isaac Wright and Jane his wife died at Walkers Bluff, her and her husbands residence on the 23rd of October 1853 at one o'clock in the morning.

Moorehead Wright son of Isaac Wright and Elizabeth his wife died on 22nd of April 1857 on his way from Red River to Little Rock, Arkansas.

Died on the tenth of June 1858 about ten o' clock at night at Duncan Murchinson's, Little River, Cumberland County, Jane Wright, the dearly beloved wife of Isaac Wright and daughter of James Gillespie and Dorcas his wife, in her seventy fourth year.

Isaac Wright died on the 24th day of March 1865 in his eighty fifth year.

COLUMBUS BARNHILL'S BOOK

Lutheran Prayer Book, By Benjamin Kurtz, 1852. At the time this record was copied (1968) this prayer book was in the possession of Mr. Columbus Raymond Barnhill, Route 1, Ivanhoe, N. C.

"Columbus Barnhill's Book this July the 28, 1863, he belongs to Co. E 18th Regt. N.C.T. Lanes Brig. Penders Division."

BIRTHS

Columbus Barnhill was born June the 28, 1842

A. N. Barnhill was born May 29th, 1845

Lular Barnhill was born Feb. 4, 1869

Mary A. Barnhill was born Aug. 28, 1871

Hulon B. Barnhill was born March the 12, 1875
Mary Jane Collins, wife of James [M.? ] Collins:
  Died 8 Aug 1855, Age 19 years

William Hurst :  Died 8 Jan 1822, In the 48th year of his age

Margaret Hurst, wife of William Hurst : Died 1 Nov 1843,
  In the 62nd year of her age.

Sarah Oliver, wife of Matt Moore : 8 Jul 1833 - 23 Nov 1899

Gertrude H. Moore, dau. of Dr. Matt & Sarah O. Moore :
  24 Feb 1869 - 14 Aug 1919

MM unreadable

121. WRIGHT-LOFTIN CEMETERY  (B-4)
  Located on SR 1301, .5 east of the intersection with US 117,
  (Bowden), .4 mile on the north side of the road, in edge of woods.

  John Beck Wright :  15 Jan 1798 - 13 Jan 1831

  Charity Wright, Consort of James Wright :  5 Dec 1829, Aged 68

  James Wright :  5 Dec 1755 - 18 Apr 1840
    [The following were inside a fence, next to the above]

  Luther R. Loftin :  31 Aug 1822 - 5 Sep 1865

  Susan H. Loftin :  27 Feb 1827 - 4 Dec 1904, wife of L.R. Loftin

  Franklin Loftin :  1852 - 1914

  David Marion Koonce :  1880 - 1919

  Francis Loftin Koonce :  26 Oct 1845 - 15 Feb 1929

  Winfield E. Koonce :  1 Nov 1878 - 11 Aug 1912

  Oscar Loftin, son of L.R. & Susan Loftin :  15 May 1858 - 29 Sep 1862


122. BLOUNT-LOFTIN CEMETERY  (B-4)
  Located on SR 1301, 2.2 miles east of the intersection with US 117,
  (Bowden), .1 mile on the south side of the road, in a field.

  Samuel P. Blount :  20 Jul 1853 - 30 Jan 1863
    same stone

  Julia A. Blount :  26 Aug 1821 - 24 Apr 1866

  Dr. J.W. Blount :  12 Jul 1823 - 15 Jan 1853
    same stone

  Maria G. Davis, wife of Dr. J.W. Blount

  W.S. Loftin :  4 Dec 1847 - 13 Jan 1898
    same stone

  Victoria C. Blount, his wife :  26 Oct 1850

  Liston L. Loftin, son of W.S. & V.C.

  Susan H. Loftin, dau. of W.S. & V.C.

  Ellanora Loftin, dau. of W.S. & V.C.

  Ernestine Loftin, dau. of W.S. & V.C.

  Fannie V. Loftin, dau. of W.S. & V.C.

  Emna A. Loftin, dau. of W.S. & V.C.

123. WEEKS CEMETERY  (A-4)
  Located on SR 1338, .5 mile west
  .3 mile on the north side of the road.

  Arthur Weeks :  1 May 1845 - 15 Jun 1916

  Sarah A. Weeks :  26 Dec 1841 - 21 Jan 1884

124. WILLIAMS CEMETERY  (B-3)
  Located on US 117, .8 mile north
  the road, in a field.

  Daniel D. Harper, son of Daniel & P.J.

  Alcy A. Harper :  Died 1 Aug 1857, Age

  Edna Croton Williams, son of B.W. & L
  17 Jun 1855 - 28 Jul 1855

  Eddie Bowden, dau. of B.W. & Martha

  D.G. Sasser :  Died 29 Jul 1904, Father

  Anna Williams Sasser :  Died 3 Jul 1918

  Annie Sasser Lee :  Died 15 Jul 1914,

  Martha Lorenzo Williams :  Died 11 Jul 1916

  Mollie Louise Williams :  Died 23 Feb 1917
was about two years ago, [1984], the timber had been cut and tree branches covered the place, however the old stones were still there."

In the publication, MEMOIRS OF JOSEPH RICHARD KEMP, on page 17, is found this information, with words spelled as in the original: "John D. Saltar son of Wm. Saltar and my own cousin lived and died on the plantation where his father lived six miles from E. Town on the NE side of Cape Fear River and near Ellises Creek and the upper lake run. John never married and died aged some 55 years ... buryed not far from the creek and in the field near his mill on the lake run ... John D. Saltar died the 8th day of June 1852."

96. DEEMS CHAPEL CEMETERY

Location: S of Hwy 53, 4.9 miles NW of the intersection of Hwy 242 and Hwy 53, adjacent to Hwy 53. Only these two graves, fenced. Information was in Wanda S. Campbell's handwriting.

W. ARTHUR WOODBURN, 1871—1947, Father
MINNIE S. WOODBURN, 1875—1961, Mother

97. JIM W. CROMARTIE FAMILY CEMETERY

Location: N of Hwy 53, 5.2 miles NW of the intersection of Hwy 242 and Hwy 53, across the road from the home of the Cromartie family, now the property of Dr. Don W. Creed. Recorded by Nash A. Odum, November 15, 1970.

JANE S., wife of J. W. CROMARTIE, Sept. 21, 1831—Mar. 12, 1906
J. W. CROMARTIE, 1819—1908
ETTA GRADY CROMARTIE, wife of C. H. CROMARTIE, Aug. 12, 1875—Jan. 27, 1929
CHARLES HOMER CROMARTIE, Aug. 7, 1871—Nov. 30, 1945
CHARLES ALBERT CROMARTIE, Oct. 18, 1911—June 23, 1964
HENRY LACY CROMARTIE, May 10, 1874—Oct. 1, 1966
NANNIE B. McEuen, wife of HENRY LACY CROMARTIE, May 10, 1875—Apr. 16, 1934
HOMER COLVIN, son of J. W. & JANE S. CROMARTIE, no dates
CORINNA EUGENIA, dau. of J. W. & JANE S. CROMARTIE, no dates
Believed to be buried here is NINA CROMARTIE JESSUP, 1st wife of ROBERT MOREHEAD JESSUP

98. ISAAC WRIGHT CEMETERY, a.k.a. WRIGHT-VICKERS CEMETERY

Location: N of Hwy 53, going NW of the intersection of Hwy 242 and Hwy 53, at Ruskin turn N on SR 1335. The cemetery is behind the Chason home. Recorded by Nash A. Odum, November 15, 1970, with this description: "... almost directly across the river from old Bladen Courthouse. ... There is only one large stone for the Wright family with smaller stones denoting the specific graves and one other tombstone for the Vickers family...

ISAAC WRIGHT, born in Duplin Co. Nov. 5, 1780, died at Milton, his home, March 24, 1865
WILLIAM GRADY, son of ISAAC & his first wife ELISA MOOREHEAD WRIGHT, died May 10, 1829, age 23 years
JANE, his second wife, daughter of HON. JAMES GILLESPIE of Duplin Co., born March 19, 1758 (should be 1785), died July 10, 1858 at Holly Hill, the home of her son-in-law DUNCAN MURCHISON

LUCY GILLESPIE, dau. of J. ISAAC & JANE WRIGHT, wife of REV. H. A. MONROE, born Feb. 17, 1814, died in 1854

DAVID GILLESPIE, born Aug. 22, 1820, died May 28, 1823, child of ISAAC & JANE WRIGHT

MARY LOUISA, born Aug. 17, 1818, died Oct. 24, 1820, child of ISAAC & JANE WRIGHT

SARAH J., infant dau. of REV. H. A. & LUCY G. MONROE [no dates]

HIRAM VICKERS, May 18, 1815—June 23, 1903

FLORA CATHERINE, wife of HIRAM VICKERS, July 7, 1825—Aug. 29, 1912

Abstracted from Nash A. Odom's notes: Isaac Wright was a Senator from Bladen County for 1811, 1812, and 1813. His first wife, Elizabeth, was the daughter of James Moorehead, a member of the House of Commons from Bladen County for the year 1797. His second wife, Jane, was the daughter of Hon. James Gillespie of Duplin County, a member of the House of Commons for Duplin Co. for 1779, 1780, 1782, and a member of the Senate for 1784, 1785, 1786, 1792. The wills of these men reveal their wealth. The WPA worker who recorded the Wright cemetery in late 1930s, recorded that Isaac Wright was one of the largest slave owners in the south.

99. BURNEY FAMILY CEMETERY (at Ruskin)

Location: Recorded by Nash A. Odom, Dec. 8, 1970, with these directions: "Near Ruskin on White Oak-Elizabethtown Hwy 53. Go to Ruskin, take little dirt road leading by Negro settlement and follow road to where little road forks to the right. Follow for about 50 yards." There were two infant graves located here, but they have been moved to the Burney Cemetery at Church of God of Prophecy. See that cemetery for the identification.

100. FRANK BURNNEY FAMILY CEMETERY

Location: S of Hwy 53, only 0.4 mile NW of the Ruskin sign, on the S side of the hwy in front of old Frank Burney house. Recorded by Nash A. Odom, Nov. 3, 1970.

FRANK BURNNEY, Jan. 13, 1849—Aug. 28, 1926
SARAH, wife of FRANK BURNNEY, Aug. 7, 1849—Aug. 9, 1932 [dau. of JOHN RICE]

101. WOODBURN CEMETERY

Location: Approx. 3 miles E of White Oak, on the NE side of Hwy 53, across from the intersection of Hwy 53 with SR 1320. Recorded by Wanda S. Campbell, Mar. 3, 1985.

THOMAS MAURICE WOODBURN, SGT US ARMY, WORLD WAR II, Sept. 20, 1919—Mar. 11, 1979

MERLE RICE WOODBURN, wife of THOMAS MAURICE WOODBURN, Oct. 6, 1925—n.d.d.

FLORENCE CAIN, wife of ALBERT R. WOODBURN, Apr. 24, 1889—June 14, 1976
ESAU AND CHARITY -- Leonard Stephens pulls a weed from the grave site of Esau and Charity Stephens, the earliest members of the black family which still uses the wooded graveyard.

WRIGHT CEMETERY

TO THE MEMORY OF
ISAAC WRIGHT
C. 1755 — 1808
HIS WIFE
ANN
C. — 1830
THEIR SON
STEPHEN WRIGHT
1806 — 1851
HIS WIFE
AMELLA "MILLY" ANN FOWLER WRIGHT
1807 — 1869

Monument to early members of Wright family
Wright, Stephens Families Using Cemetery Begun During Slave Era

By BOB HIGH

The wooded lot has been swept clean of all underbrush, some aged pieces of wood carefully preserved. Many of the pieces of cypress and heart pine are more than 150 years old.

There's a small ditch which divides the lot and on the east side there are more wooden markers and some recent gravestones.

Since slave times, blacks have been buried on the east side. Whites are buried on the west portion of the plot, the first being Isaac Wright in 1898, the same year Columbus was formed as a county from parts of Brunswick and Bladen counties.

The blacks are the Stephens family, their last name coming from Isaac's son Stephen Wright.

This is one of the few places in Columbus County where blacks and whites still use the same burial ground, another being the Todd Cemetery near Clarens where Moses Williams, for whom Williams Township was named, is buried.

"This is one of the rare places where people were actually laid to rest," says Richard Wright as he points out the wooden rails framing a couple of the graves.

Many whites and blacks are buried with only wooden markers; however, there is no wording on the markers and it's anyone's guess as to just who was buried... and when.

The oldest-known black grave is that of Esau Stephens, a legendary figure in this area of Lower Columbus in that he lived to be at least 104 and some members of his family think he was born in 1805. Although his tombstone shows the dates of 1817-1917.

I remember seeing Esau several times when I was a child. He and his family were well respected and still are," recalls Mrs. Kate Prince who lives near the cemetery.

Family history shows Esau was one of the slaves of Stephen Wright and when the War Between the States came to an end in 1865, the family adopted the Stephens name and stayed in the same community where they had lived for the preceding 65 years.

Leonard Stephens is a present-day member of the family which cares for his family plot and he is a descendant of Sam Pinckney Stephens, one of Esau and Charity's sons.

Sam Pink, reports Velma Stephens, was born as a twin of William David Stephens, and lived 85 years, outliving four wives. Sam Pink first married Lucy Ann Rouse and had six children, then his second wife was Anna Rouse. Third was "Mother Etta" Jordan and fourth was Rosie Woodbury, both of South Carolina.

Rosie died in 1958 and Sam Pink died in Horry County in September 1969.

Wilber Stephens, the youngest of the six children born to Sam Pink and Lucy Ann, is the father of Leonard and Velma, and he died in September 1974.

There's a distinct likeness among the Stephens family, especially the older men and women. "I can see one of them and I know which family they are in," says Mrs. Prince.

The Wright family came to Columbus from Pitt County and Sampson County. While in Sampson, the Wrights witnessed deeds for the John Fowler family and eventually both families moved to the area then known as Brunswick County.

"Amenia Ann Fowler met Stephen Wright here, they were married and started the large Wright family," Richard Wright says of his great-grandparents.

A monument to the memory of Isaac and Ann Wright, plus Stephen and "Milly" Wright, has been erected.

Today, the earliest members of the Wright family rest beside the eldest members of the Stephens family, just as they lived over 130 years ago.
of Joseph Hollingsworth. Grandchildren: Hayes F. Shipman, Maria J. Shipman, Caroline F. Hollingsworth, Lucy A. McDaniels, Emily Helen Shipman, John D. Shipman, Florilla Dorcas Shipman (infant), Andrew Jackson Shipman, James Shipman, children of my daughter Dorcas Shipman. (Lucy A. McDaniels, wife of Thomas McDaniels) Executor: Hayes F. Shipman (grandson). Witnesses: James Brown, Jr., River Jordan. (Hayes F. Shipman, the executor, died before probate of will and Hayes Lennon appointed adm. c.t.a. by giving bond with Richard Wooten and D. J. McCall as sureties).

Wooten, John A. (Holograph Will) June 14, 1853.
August Term 1859. Wife and Executrix: Mary.

Wooten, Shadrach August 17, 1845. Nov. Term 1845.

Wright, Isaac (Planter) 22 December 1806.

State of North Carolina
Pitt County

This Indenture made this twenty fifth day of July in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety Nine, between Isaac Right and Shadrach Mayo.

Witnesseth that the said Isaac Right for and in consideration of the sum of sixty two pounds ten shillings to him in hand paid by the sd Shadrach Mayo the receipt whereof he doth hereby acknowledge himself fully satisfied, hath given, granted, bargained, sold, aliened, released, and confirmed and by these presents do give, grant, bargain, sell, alien, release and confirm unto the sd Shadrach Mayo and to his heirs and assigns forever a certain tract or parcel of land lying and beling on the North side of Terr River in in County and and State aforesaid. Beginning at a white oak the corner tree of the old patent land of David Hasway, deed. thence west along the sd line to the Road thence up the various courses of the Road containing fifty acres of land. With all building, cleared ground, woods and underwood, stand and growing upon the premises and all ways easements, profits, commodities and appurtenances whatsoever thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining and the reversion and reversions remainders and remainders thereof in all and singular the premises with all and every the appertences thereof to have and to hold the said tract or parcel of leand with all and singular the premises herein before mentioned or intended to be hereby granted with all and every their appertences unto the sd Shadrach Mayo and his heirs the said tract or parcel of leand with all and singular the premises herein before mentioned with all the appertences unto the sd Shadrach Mayo, his heirs and assigns so his and there own proper use benefit in behoof against the challenge, claim and demand of all persons what soever, shall and will warrant and forever defend from the date of this deed. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this day above written.

Isaac Wright

Said, Seal'd and Delivered

in presents off

J. Miller
J. Stokes
William Hathaway

Pitt County, October Term 1799.

This deed was exhibited into open Court & proved by the oath of Joshua Miller, a witness thereto. Ordered to be Registerd.

ATTEST: George Evans Clk
A couple of miles north of the hill, along a hard sandy road, lie the remains of Kinyon Wright, Richard's great-great uncle. He must have been quite a character.

Around the slender obelisk of his tombstone are deep holes. They were dug by persons looking for the gold that was reputedly buried near the grave by Kinyon before he died.

Along with eight of his brothers, Kinyon served in the Confederate Army. But before he left for the war, he put his gold in a hollow log, stopped up both ends of the log and turned it over to his brother-in-law, Isaac Fowler.

"When he came back," Wright says, "he came down to the log and found the gold as he left it, all but one gold piece. He thought Isaac had done him wrong. But Isaac found the missing gold piece underneath the log. It had tooth marks on it, as though a rat or other small animal had carried it."

Kinyon did not trust banks and was known to come to the area and bury his money. When he died, he told his relatives he wanted to be buried near his money, and people are still looking for it.

Nearby, the town of Tabor City is excavating clay to repair town streets, and the excavation nearly reaches the grave. The land now belongs to J.C. Gaskins, whose father purchased it from Daisy Edwards, a friend of Kinyon's. Kinyon was the only child among his 17 brothers and sisters who did not marry.

Inscribed on the grey granite tombstone is the phrase, "Rock of Ages," and the dates: Born, Jan. 11, 1834. Died, March 28, 1914.

Wright exclaims: "Today is his birthday!"

It is the 144th anniversary of Kinyon Wright's birth. We move away from the site, feeling the wind chilling.

Perhaps it is more than the wind.
Wright Family Settled Here About
1803 In Mill Branch-Iron Hill Area

By RICHARD WRIGHT

The ancestors of the Wright family of Columbus County, Isaac Wright, came into what is now Columbus County from Sampson County, N.C., just after 1803. He began accumulating property on both sides of the Sill Branch and along Iron Hill and Mill Branch before his death about 1805.

The first wife of Isaac was a daughter of Isaac Wright of Pitt County, the daughter of Thomas Haskay and the granddaughter of David Haskay of Pitt County.

In 1799 Isaac Wright was in Pitt County, but some time before 1803 he moved to Sampson County, where, during the 1790s, he lived near John Wright and in 1801 he sold his property to John Boykin, who was married to a Wright, and moved to Columbus County.

When he died in 1818 he was buried in Columbus County and was survived by his widow Ann, a daughter Maria who married Benjamin Cox; a daughter Elizabeth who married Joseph Blackburn; a daughter Nancy who married John Withers, a daughter Temperance and a son Stephen who married Amelia Ann Fowler.

Isaac had been preceded by Zachariah Wright who died prior to 1799 in Pitt County after having been conveyed property by his grandfather Thomas Haskay.

Since, in 1803, Columbus County was not yet in existence, and was to be formed from Bladen and Brunswick counties, the will of Isaac Wright, found in the office of the Bladen County Register of Deeds, left to Ann a life estate in the land.

By 1825 Stephen Wright and the husband of his sister, along with the single sister Temperance, and the mother Ann, had divided the property. After receiving his share of the estate of Isaac, Stephen began accumulating additional property in the area from the South Carolina state line through Iron Hill and over to Mill Branch Church and Vinegar Hill.

Stephen Wright was born in Sampson County in 1803 and married Amelia Ann Fowler, the daughter of the Revolutionary Private John Fowler (1741-1825). Between 1819 and 1843 Stephen Wright and Amelia Ann, known as Mill Hill, became the parents of three daughters and thirteen sons. As Stephen accumulated land and children he also purchased slaves George, Isaac, and others who took on their surname Stephen after Stephen Wright.

When Stephen Wright died in 1851 he was buried in the cemetery near Iron Hill where Isaac Wright had been buried in 1806. The Stephens family, descended from George and Isaac, still use this old cemetery in which they are buried today.

The Stephens family, the Wright family, the Cox family, and the community of Iron Hill, where the Stephens family lived, is the home of the descendants of Isaac and Stephen Wright.

Descendants of these children of Stephen and Amelia Ann Fowler Wright continue to live in the area purchased by Isaac Wright and by Stephen Wright between 1803 and 1851 in the communities of Mill Branch, Vinegar Hill, Iron Hill, New Life, Oaklands, Clendenon, Sandy Plain, and Taber City.

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August 17, 1991

To: Various Wright Researchers

From: Richard Wright

Re: Isaac Wright of Pitt, Sampson and Columbus (Bladen)

For many years I have tried to research the origin of my great-great-great grandfather Isaac Wright who had various dealings in Pitt and Sampson Counties and who died in Bladen County in the Iron Hill Community which is 1808 became part of Columbus County. According to family tradition, he died in 1808 and is buried in the Wright Cemetery near Iron Hill where his daughter, Marinda Wright Cox and her husband, Benjamin Cox, are buried. His son, Stephen Wright (1800-1851) is buried there also with Stephen's wife, Amelia Ann "Milly Ann" Fowler, daughter of the patriot, John Fowler (1747-1845), who fought at Moore's Creek.

In an effort to try to determine the origin and family of Isaac Wright, I list the following facts:

1. Isaac "Right" is in Pitt County, North Carolina, according to the 1790 Federal Census.

2. On 13 November 1792, Issac Wright and Jim King witness a contract of David Hathaway found in Book M, Page 813, Pitt County Registry.

3. On 13 November 1792, James King and Isaac Wright witness the signature of Benjamin Bell, Book M, Page 681, Pitt County Registry.

4. Deed Book N, Page 419, Pitt County, 19 September 1796, Thomas Hathaway, a son of David Hathaway, gave 50 acres of land to his grandson, Zachariiah Wright, "son of Isaac Wright" being the land where Isaac Wright "now dwells" being on the north side of Tar River and on the east side of Conoto Creek being part of the old "Patent Land" of David Hathaway.

5. 9 August 1796, Isaac Wright is appointed to work with Joab Bullard, Solomon Magee and the hands of Owen Holmes to work on the great Cohary, Sampson County Court Minutes Page 214.

6. 14 August 1797, Isaac Wright, Byus Boykin and Wright Williamson were appointed to do road work SCM page 233.

7. 13 November 1797, Isaac Wright, Byus Boykin and Wright Williamson were appointed to do river work from Solomon Magee Landing to Peterson's Landing, SCM page 237.

8. 22 January 1798, Isaac Wright, Archibald Wright and William Dickson witness the Will of John Wright and the Will was probated during April 1800.

9. 11 February 1798, Isaac Wright was appointed overseer to work with Wright Williamson and Coore Cooper on the road from the courthouse to
Governor's Ford on the South River, page 243, SCM.

10. 14 May 1799, in the "room of Isaac Wright", Isaac Wright and William Cooper were appointed to a road committee.

11. 25 July 1799, Deed Book O, page 369, Pitt County, Isaac Wright conveyed his interest in the 50 acre tract conveyed to Zachariah Wright in 1796 to Shadrack Mayo being the same land found in Deed Book N, page 419, Pitt County.

12. 1 November 1799, Solomon Magee conveyed to Isaac Wright tract of land in Sampson County with the deed being in Deed Book 12, page 223, Sampson County Registry.

13. 20 October 1801 (recorded May 1804), Deed Book 12, Page 230, Isaac Wright conveys the same land to Byrus Boykin (who was married to a Wright) and the land states that it was a plantation "where on I now live" on the west side of the Great Cohary on both sides of Canady Branch. A second tract in the deed is on the west side of the Great Cohary on the mouth of Governor Marsh Branch. In the deed, Isaac Wright states that he had originally purchased both tracts from Solomon Magee and the witnesses were William Cooper, Shadrack Magee and Reubin Morgan.

14. 22 December 1806, Book 34, Page 302, Bladen County Registry, is a deed of Isaac Wright whereby he conveys to his wife, Ann, his "possessions of all kinds until her death." The deed was "signed, sealed and delivered" in the presence of Benjamin Clark, Marinda Wright and Josiah Jay.

15. 19 November 1810, Benjamin Cox and wife, Marinda Wright Cox, and Joseph Blackburn and wife, Elizabeth Wright Blackburn, were paid $5.00 each by Shadrack Mayo for any of their claims to 50 acres of land "given to our brother, Zachariah Wright, by his grandfather, Thomas Hathaway." The deed is in Deed Book S, Page 51 and describes the same property found in the 1796 Deed Book N, page 419 and the 1799 deed found in Deed Book O, page 369, Pitt County Registry.

16. 10 May 1817, Ann conveys her life estate in a 100 acre tract to Benjamin Cox, Deed Book B, page 251, Columbus County Registry.

17. On 10 May 1817, Ann Wright conveyed her life estate in a tract of land to Stephen Wright, Deed Book B, page 252, Columbus County Registry.

18. On October 10, 1825, Joseph and Elizabeth Blackburn, John and Nancy Wright Watts, Stephen Wright and Temperance, deeded their interest in the 100 acre tract, which had been described in Book B, page 251, to Benjamin Cox.

19. On 10 October 1825, the sisters of Stephen Wright and their husbands, conveyed the 200 acre tract described in Book B, page 252, which had been conveyed by Ann to Stephen as to her life estate, to Stephen Wright.

20. In 1825, Stephen Wright and his sisters and their husbands, deeded a 240 acre tract to Temperance "excepting the house and plantation of Ann Wright during her natural life time" with the tract being on Big Pond Branch and the description is in Book E, page 250, Columbus County Registry.
1796 when Zachariah received the 50 acres.

You will note that only Marinda and her husband and Elizabeth and her husband executed a Deed in 1810 in Pitt County to convey their undivided interest in the Mayo 50 acre tract. Mr. Mayo must have considered Isaac Wright as the father of the late Zachariah Wright, and Miranda and Elizabeth as the sisters of Zachariah Wright as the only heirs of the batchelor brother Zachariah who must have died prior to 1799 but after 1796.

Ann Wright, the wife of Isaac who is the grantee in the 1806 Bladen County (Columbus County) Deed, must have been a second wife and possibly is the mother of Stephen, Temperance, and Nancy since none of them signed a Pitt County Deed.

It is interesting that Stephen Wright (1800-1851, a son of Isaac Wright of Sampson County) named his first son Isaac, after his father, and named his second son Zachariah after the brother or half-brother who died in Pitt County prior to the 1799 Deed made by Isaac Wright or the Zachahariah Wright 50 acres.

I therefore believe that we have been incorrect in our family by indicating that the maiden name of Ann is Hathaway. I think it is clear that the first wife of Isaac was a Hathaway but that we do not know her first name. I think it is also clear that the second wife of Isaac is Ann and that we do not know her surname.

Since she and Isaac named their first son Stephen and since Ann must have been from Sampson County, I would guess, and it is just a guess, that she might have been a Beck since there is a Stephen Beck living in the same neighborhood with Isaac Wright between 1796 and 1799. Possibly one of the researchers who receives this letter would be acquainted with the names of the children of Stephen Beck of Sampson County.

It is interesting also that many with the surname Blackburn also lived in the section of Sampson County where Isaac lived between 1796 and 1801.

The John Wright who died in 1800 had Isaac Wright as a witness when he executed the Will in 1798. The period Isaac Wright who made his fame and fortune in Bladen County was a grandson of that John and would have been eighteen (18) in 1798. I do not believe he is the Isaac Wright who was a witness to the Will since the age of majority in 1798 was twenty-one (21) and not eighteen (18).

George Wright Lennon, an attorney in Raleigh, and a descendant of Isaac Clark Wright of Wilmington and Sampson County has sent information from a copy of the old John Wright bible. It indicates that James Wright was born to John and Rebekah Wells Wright on September 25, 1755, William on November 25, 1757, John on December 5, 1759 and Thomas on December 3, 1761.

George indicates that four (4) other names in appear in the bible with one Wright having been born on April 1, 1764, another on April 16, 1766, another on May 20, 1769, and another on April 5, 1771. The Will of this John Wright indicates David, Elizabeth Wright Beck, Rebekah Wright Beck and Mary Wright Clark so perhaps those are the names which would fit the above four dates.

George had speculated that perhaps John and Rebekah were the parents of my Isaac who died in 1808, and he very well could have been born sometime between
1755 and 1770. His daughter, Marinda Wright Cox, was born prior to 1790 and was old enough to witness his 1806 Deed. We know that Stephen was born in 1800 and apparently was younger than his sisters and certainly much younger than his brother or half-brother Zachariah who died prior to 1799.

Perhaps my Isaac is a nephew of John Wright who died in 1800. Perhaps he was a younger brother of John Wright who died in 1800.

Perhaps James Wright, the son of John I, named his son Isaac in 1780 after his possible Uncle Isaac, my ancestor.

John Wright (1759-1835) who married Penelope Clark is the son of the John Wright who died in 1800 and is the father of Isaac Clark Wright (1803-1864). For some reason John Wright (1759-1835) the husband of Penelope Clark, and the Revolutionary Patriot, is referred to as John Wright, Sr. although he certainly is the son of John and Rebekah Wells Wright.

Earlier, I mentioned that Stephen Wright (1800-1851) my great-great-grandfather, named a son Isaac and another son Zachariah. He also had James, John and William. Truly, these are very common names but also were used by the Duplin and Sampson County Wright family. I know my Isaac was there from 1796 to 1801 and I am sending a copy of this long, rambling letter to others who are interested in the Wright family of Sampson-Duplin. Please read through this and please give me your ideas and your facts. I look forward to hearing from all of you.

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ADDENDUM TO MEMO

August 17, 1991

To: Wright Researchers

From: Richard Wright

Re: Isaac Wright

After I had dictated the enclosed memorandum I found some interesting additional information as follows:

A. 1 August 1794, Sampson County Deed Book 9, Page 248, Thomas Page, Sr. conveyed 200 acres to Lewis Holmes and the description states "in the fork of Hudsons including Isaac Wright's improvements beginning near said branch." The property had been conveyed to Thomas Page on 20 December 1791 and it is interesting that it included improvements made by Isaac Wright prior to 1 August 1794.

B. 14 August 1799, Deed Book 12, Page 209, Sampson County Registry, Solomon Magee to Isaac Wright for 100 acres on the west side of the Great Cohary on both sides of the Cannady Branch beginning in the edge of said Cohary Creek at the mouth of a small drain. The witnesses were Fleet Cooper and Jacob Cooper. It is interesting that Stephen Wright, son of Isaac Wright, named one of his sons Fleet Cooper Wright.

C. 1 November 1799, Deed Book 12, Page 223, Sampson County Registry, Solomon Magee conveyed to Isaac Wright 98 acres in the Greaty Cohary beginning in the edge of the swamp in the corner of the land "where I now live sold by me to the said Isaac Wright." The deed mentions an island at the mouth of Governor's Marsh Branch, the line of Roger Alden and the Great Coharie Swamp. The witnesses were Byus Boykin and Robert Magee.

D. 20 October 1801, Sampson Deed Book 12, Page 230, by which Isaac Wright conveys to Byus Boykin the 100 acre tract and the 98 acre tract. This was abstracted above.

E. 9 February 1801, Sampson County Court Minutes, Isaac Wright was ordered as overseer of the road "in the room of Simon Royall" with the "usual hands work under him."
The Honorable Willard C. Wright
Live Oak Street
Tabor City, NC  28463

Mrs. Henry Milligan
Porter Place
Route 1
Tabor City, NC  28463

Mr. William R. Wright
10 Oceanic Avenue
Wrightsville Beach, NC  28480

Mr. Jason Bordeaux
Route 1, Box 95
Elizabethtown, NC  28337

Mrs. Edward L. Stock, Jr.
Hanover Farm, Box 63
Beallsville, MD  20704

Mrs. Frances Johnson
Route 6, Box 557
Clinton, NC  28328

Mrs. Kathleen Snyder
602 North Pine Street
Warsaw, NC  28398

Mr. Claude Moore
Turkey, NC  28393
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Apr. 27, 1792. May Ct., 1792. Wife: ANN, all my property, except a piece of land lying between Hog Pen Branch and Causway Branch, which is for JAMES WOOTEN. Wit: JOEL WOOTEN, JOSHUA WOOTEN.

WORSLEY, DICY
Apr. 7, 1831. Aug. Ct., 1833. Daus & Extx: POLLY and ELIZABETH, all furniture divided between 2 daus, also 1 cow and calf each; son: LITTLE, colt, cow and calf; residue divided between 3 chil. Wit: WILLIS KNIGHT.

WRIGHT, WILLIAM

WINN, JOHN M.
Oct. 16, 1847. Feb. Ct., 1848. Bk. F, p 307. It is my will that my wife and family take $300 or $400 and buy land to settle upon which land I lend my wife for a home for herself and children. Reversion to all children. Wife: LUCY; sons: JOHN, 2 years schooling; ROBERT, 3 years schooling Wit: WILLIAM J. ARMSTRONG, JOHN WHITEHEAD. No Exx. Adm. given MATHEN WHITEHEAD. Bond $3000 with JOHN ______? and JOHN WHITEHEAD, Securities.

Wills of Edgecombe Co. N.C.

[Signature]

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HODGE of Edgecombe Co., Jan. 19, 1776, for 100 pds. Proc. money two tracts of land as follows: (1) 150 acres on the north side of Tar River; (2) 100 acres adjoining the first tract, lying on Cheek's Creek, Robin's Branch, and Hodge's Pocosin, taken up by John Thigpen. Wit: Joseph Morgan, Benja. Hodge.

DB 3-144 ISAAC BEACHAM and SUSANNA BEACHAM of Edgecombe Co. to THOMAS HODGES of same, Nov. 26, 1776, for 413 pds. Proc. money a tract of 600 acres on the south side of Fishing Creek on the bank of Crooked Swamp at its fork with Moore's Swamp adjoining Benjamin Hart, Swanson, and Proctor. Wit: Jacob Sessums, Wm. (X) Mecenney.

DB 3-146 WILLIAM HURST of Bertie Co., N. C., planter, to THOMAS HURST of Edgecombe Co., Jan. 20, 1777, for 40 pds. Proc. money a tract of 115 acres on Everit's Swamp, it having been conveyed to said William Hurst by deed from Thomas Rodgers and was the land whereon Thomas Hurst then lived. Wit: Richard Wiggins, Wm. (M) Mayo.


DB 3-148 EDWARD (X) COBB, SENR. of Edgecombe Co. to his son, WILLIAM COBB, JUNR., of same, March 11, 1776, for paternal love and affection a 120 acre plantation on the Briery Pond adjoining Doil, David Averitt, and Abraham Little. Wit: Amos Atkinson, James Cobb, James Cobb.

DB 3-149 ABRAHAM LITTLE of Edgecombe Co. to EDWARD COBB of same, Feb. 13, 1775, for divers good causes and considerations but more especially for the sum of 2 pds. Proc. money a tract of 30 acres on the north side of Tar River on Cheek's Mill Creek adjoining Cheek. Wit: Amos Atkinson, William Little, William Cobb.

DB 3-150 EDWARD (X) COBB, SENR. of Edgecombe Co. to his son, EDWARD COBB, JUNR., of same, March 11, 1776, for paternal love and affection a 150 acre plantation on Cheek's Mill Creek and the Briery Pond. Wit: Wm. Little, Wm. Cobb, Britain Cobb.
20 pds. Proc. money a tract of 120 acres on Hatcher's Swamp at the mouth of Buck Meadow Branch and on Bee Tree Branch, it being part of a Granville grant to William McDeed bearing date Aug. 4, 1762, conveyed from McDeed to Ponder, and from Ponder to Richard Bracewell, Senr. By the death of Richard Bracewell, Senr. the land descended to his son, Richard Bracewell. Wit: Samson Dillard, William Bracewell, Nicholas Dillard, Wms. Sherrod.

DB 2-88 MARTIN (X) THORN of Edgecombe Co. to JACOB POPE of same, May 11, 1773, for 26 pds. Proc. money a tract of 200 acres on Beaver Dam Branch adjoining Mead's purchase patent line, it being part of the land granted to Francis Whitney by deed bearing date June 1, 1762. Wit: Chas. Lee, Thomas (X) Page.

DB 2-89 ROBERT VICK of Edgecombe Co. to JOHN TAYLOR of same, Feb. 24, 1772, for 56 pds. Proc. money two tracts of land as follows: (1) 700 acres on the south side of Toisnot Swamp adjoining Joseph Strickland and Arthur Taylor, it being a Granville grant to said Vick bearing date Nov. 3, 1761; (2) 100 acres on the Bear Branch adjoining Arthur Taylor's old line, which land said Vick had of Edward Moore. Wit: Edw. Moore, Hosey (X) Dixon, Joseph (X) Vick.

DB 2-90 JOHN (X) DUNNAGIN of Edgecombe Co., planter, and wife, ELIZABETH (X) DUNNAGIN, to JONAS JOHNSTON of same, Aug. 3, 1773, for 22 pds. 10 sh. Proc. money a tract of 60 acres on the south side of Beaver Dam Swamp and on Johnston's Mill Swamp adjoining William Davis, it being part of a larger tract granted from Earl Granville to William Davis bearing date June 20, 1749. Wit: Amos Johnston, Nath'l Permester, Owen Cravey. Elizabeth Dunnagin was examined separately concerning her right of dower.

DB 2-91 WILLIAM (M) MAYO, SENR., of Pitt Co., N. C. to DAVID MAYO of same, April 18, 1774, for divers good causes but more especially for the sum of 25 pds. Proc. money a tract of 100 acres in Edgecombe Co. adjoining James Smyth, Wm. Mayo, Junr., and Solomon Wright. Wit: John Lewis, Peter Mayo, Jonas Mayo.

DB 2-91 JAMES (I) SMITH of Pitt Co., N. C. to JAMES BROWN of same, Jan. 26, 1773, for 10 pds. Proc. money a tract of 100 acres in Edgecombe Co. adjoining Middleton Mobley, Wil-
Wright, Solomon. Edgecombe Co.

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Descriptive references for land: Conetoe Creek, James Brown, Peter Mayo, William Mayo, James Mayo, William Wright, Samuel Gainer Warrant: 1760 December 8. 700 acres  
Descriptive references for land: Conetoe Creek, James Brown, Peter Mayo, William Mayo, James Mayo, William Wright, Samuel Gainer Plat: 1761 January 21. 668 acres  
Descriptive references for land: James Brown, Conetoe Creek, Peter Mayo, James Smith, Samuel Gainer  
Chain carriers: Peter Mayo, William Wright  
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Conetoe Creek

**Personal Names:**
Wright, Solomon
Brown, James
Mayo, Peter
Mayo, William
Mayo, James
Wright, William
Gainer, Samuel
Smith, James
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**Note:** For deed see 12.13.30.42
Wright, Solomon. Edgecombe Co.

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- Brown's line 2 copies Deed #172

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  - Brown, James

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Roultedge Cemetery
Location: just east of Fernanville, on N. side of Hy. #24

Dorcas, Wife of Hon. James Gillispie, died Nov. 5, 1801, in the 51st year of her age. "Erected by her affectionate grandsons, David Gillispie & Clement Y. Wright.

* James Gillispie is buried in Washington, D.C.

Abstract of Early Deeds 1840-1846 (Columbus Co.)
1) Ann Wright to Stephen Wright, 15 May 1817; $200, 200 acres on Grissett's Swamp. Wit: Joseph Powell
2) Benjamin Cox to Jesse Cox, 27 Nov. 1834; $68, 200 acres adjacent adj. Ann Wright, Benjamin Cox, Reeves, William I., Gore & Stevens. Wit: John Watts & Thomas Frink
1808 - 1818 Early Deeds

1. Benjamin Lewis (Marion District, S.C.) to Benjamin Watts (Bladen Co.), 22 Mar. 1803; 200 Silver Dollars, 300 A. land on both sides of Sapway Swamp adj. John Coleman + Michel. Also 200 A. deeded from Jacob Rhodes to Lewis, and 100 A. pat. by Ben Eason. Wit: Richard Watts and Willis Rowles.

2. Ann Wright to Benjamin Cox, 10 May 1817, 50$; 100 A. on Mill Branch. Wit: Joseph Powell

3. John Pontilhan Harbor (Barberton, S.C.), Lewis Lay and Alexander Lemire to Jesse Hinson (Robeson Co.) 1 Apr. 1811; #30, Lot No. 80 in Town of Alexander fronting Madison, Lumberton + Lee streets. Wit: A. Rowland + J. Clinton


5. John Edward to John Fowler, 26 Oct. 1817; $100, 2 tracts; (1) 50 A. on Beaver Dam Swamp; (2) 250 A. on S. side of Big Swamp adj. Smith's line. Wit: William Sims + Richard Fowler

Wit: Elisha Sellers + Joseph Cartwright.

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10. Stephen Wright to Isaac Wright, 10 May, 1845; 150, 100 A. on NW of Big Bay, + another tract of 100 A. adj. first tract and adj. Mackey spring; another tract on S of Wolf pit Branch adj. hit own line + Bowell, total 500 A. Wit: Nathaniel Bowell.


12. Benjamin Cox/Cox to "beloved son" Leonard Cox/Cox + "beloved daughter" Polly Cox for the "Natural love and affection," 7 Apr., 1844; DoG to son Leonard Cox: 225 A. land at his death (providing lifetime rights to wife Marenda Cox). DoG to daughter Polly Cox: 375 A. land at his death. Include plantation and building where he now lives. If wife "should live the longest the balance of the property is hers as long as she lives a widow and then equally divided amongst all the heirs except Euniceah + Clark." Wit: Edward T. Todd + Hingard Cox.