RECORDS OF THE DESCENDANTS OF JOSEPH AND ANN ("NANCY") BRADLEY METHENY, continued:

"They (the Mathenys) settled in Augusta, London (Loudoun), Rockbridge and other nearby counties and were remarkably prolific in those days. I am satisfied that there were other brothers besides Nathan & Joseph, as there was a printed biographic sketch somewhere of Andrew Matheny, born 1751, who came from Scotland and settled in Virginia. He enlisted in the Continental Army, and (was) awarded a medal for bravery. His son Stephen who was left at home with his mother, left descendants in Fincastle, Lexington, and Stanton (Augusta) Counties. One of his grandsons was a sheriff of Rockingham county for 28 years.

"Joseph Matheny was a judge on one of the counties (Preston) in Virginia. There is a complete line of descent of Joseph Matheny, whose grandson G. David lives in St. Louis Mo. His father was married in New Castle, Pa but has other relatives in Elwood City, Beaver Falls, and New Brighton (Pa.).

"(I have written to the Mathenys in Ohio but have had no reply)

"My great, great grandfather Joseph Matheny moved to Ohio from Virginia in the year 1800, taking all of his children, named as follows; John, Absalm, George, Israel, Isaac, Aaron, Rachel, & Mahalah, except Moses, my great grandfather, who settled in the district now called Wayne Township, Lawrence Co., in western Penna.

"Absalm and his family's records are lost.

"When Joseph and his family moved to Ohio, the boat upset at the place which is now Brownsville on the Monongahela River. Israel & Issac were drowned.

"The date of Joseph's marriage to Nancy Bradley is not known.

"Another Branch "James Matheny is the great grandfather of Irwin Matheny who lives at 1924 Hickory St. St. Louis, Mo. James married Diana Beasley in 1771 - lived in Loudon Co, Virginia - 15 miles from Harpers Ferry. In 1805 the children of James decided to separate. They traveled as far as Cumberland Gap, Tenn. Where they held a family council and decided to go in groups of two or three to a party, except Charles R. Matheny, who went alone to Illinois. Elijah, Samuel and Noah went to the eastern part of Tenn. Michael & Richard settled in Harrodsburg and Stanford Co. Kentucky. Sarah & William settled near Corydon, Ind.

"William, the grandfather of Irwin, married an Aunt of Samuel Langhorne (Mark Twain). Captain William L., the father of Irwin, and his two brother, John Franklin & James Madison were steamboat captains and pilots on the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers.
"Charles R. who went to Illinois, became a missionary and was sent to the North west territory by the Methodist church. He studied law on the side, went into politics became a clerk of legislature of the Northwest territory of Kaskaskia, 1817 to 1821. He married the daughter of Capt. Ogle who was prominent in the Revolutionary War (Defended Fort Henry against Simon Girty & 350 Indians.) His 6th child, N.W.Metheny, was clerk of courts of Sangamon Co. Springfield, Ill. nearly all his life.

He was a personal friend of Abraham Lincoln and issued his marriage license.
" (A. Lincoln had his law offices above the Matheny General Store..)"

 LETTER FROM MISS NELLIE A. CHIDESTER, 80 COLLEGE AVENUE, BUCKHANNON, W.VA.X,TO MR. W. BLAKE METHENY, 1518 LINCOLN-LIBERTY BUILDING, PHILADELPHIA 7, PA.,DATED JANUARY 12, 1947,

FURNISHED AS AN ENCLOSURE THE FOLLOWING "METHENY FAMILY LINE" COPIED BY MISS CHIDESTER FROM RECORDS IN THE POSSESSION OF MRS.ELIZABETH HEMING (HERMING?) OF 85 FAYETTE ST.,BUCKHANNON, W.VA.:

"A Copy of the Metheny Family Line.

"Three brothers, Joseph, Nathan, and James came directly from Ireland. Joseph and all his family except Absalom, went to Ohio after they were grown up (1818). James remained in Virginia (now West Virginia), until he had raised a family, and died in Preston County. His sons were Daniel, John, Nathan, William, Reuben, James and Moses, all of whom left Preston and went to Wetzel and other counties. Some went to Ohio. "Nathan the third one of the Irish brothers, had no family so far as can be learned. All Methenys, so far as is known to our family, descended from these three brothers.

"Absalom Metheny was born Mar. 14, 1776, died April 15, 1847.

"Susan Cress, his wife, was born Feb. 13, 1777, died April 11,1852.

"Their son:
Elijah Cress Metheny was born July 16, 1818. Christena De Witt his wife was born Oct.7,1820. Died Mar.12, 1902
"Their children:

John Metheny, born Nov.23, 1836
(Rev.) George W. Metheny, born Feb.4, 1838, died Oct. 18, 1899
Rebecca Ann Metheny, born Jan.28, 1840

Sarah Jane, born Feb. 14, 1842, died Jan.17,1893 single
Jos. M. Metheny, born Dec.3, 1843
Joanna C., born Jan 24, 1846
Rachel Ann, born Mar.30, 1848
Mary Adaline, born Dec. 18, 1850
Susan M.E., born Aug 17, 1853 according to E.T.King
Harmon Brooks, born June 16, 1856, died Nov.7, 1875.
Martha V.B., born May 11, 1860, died in infancy.
Margaret L., born July 16, 1862, died in infancy.
"(Rev.) Geo. W. Metheny married Elizabeth High (Born May1844) (Married ) Nov. 6, 1867
by Rev. R.A. Arthur in Kanawha Co. at the brides home.

"Their Children:
James William, born Aug. 16, 1868
Mary Christena, born July 13, 1870
Zella Carolina, born Aug 2., 1872
Homer Jennings, born Sept. 7, 1874, died Jan. 11, 1941
Percy Walter, born June 14, 1877
Emma Grace, born Dec. 18, 1879
Audrey Kate, born July 20, 1882, died Oct.6,1883
Ethel Elizabeth, born October 5, 1884. She is Mrs. John Brien 212 W. Olney Ave.
Philadelphia 20, Pa.

"The one who gave me the information on the Metheny line was the granddaughter of Rev.
George W. Metheny, Mrs. Elizabeth Heming (Herming?), Address 85 Fayette St.,
Buckhannon, W.Va.

This copy is almost exact. I omitted a few of the and Mrs. Heming has a daughter Betty
Jane whose great-great-great-grand father is Absalom. Zella Caroline (Mrs.Carrie Metheny
Stanley) is the mother of Mrs. Heming and lives at the above address. Absalom was the
great grandfather. (That was in it too.) N.A.C."
"BOOK OF BIOGRAPHIES/ THE VOLUME CONTAINS BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES OF LEADING CITIZENS OF LAWERENCE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA". *Published by the Biographical Publishing Company, Buffalo, N.Y., 1897.*

Pages 285-289:

"Elijah Gadd Matheny, one of Elwood City's oldest citizens, and in fact one of Lawerence County's oldest native-born residents, now living in retirement on his farm in the city, was born near the county line in Wayne township on the Weller farm, March 31, 1821.

"His grandfather, Joseph Matheny, was born in Germany of a High Dutch family. When a young man, he came to this country with his brother, and settled in Shenandoah, West Virginia, where he carried on farming, and served as a judge of the court. When past middle age, he removed to Wayne Co., Ohio, near Wooster, and bought a large farm, where his death took place in 1837. His wife also lived to a good old age, their hardy ancestry telling in their survival of the frost of many winters.

Their children were:

John, Absalom
George
Moses
Israel, who was drowned on the Monongahela;
Isaac
Aaron
Rachel
Mahala.

"Moses Matheny, our subject's father, was born while the family had its residence in Shenandoah, and while a youth learned the cabinet-maker's trade. In 1806, he married Hannah Nye, the daughter of Andrew and Rachel Nye of Wayne Township, Lawerence County, and removed to a farm, which he bought near the old Nye homestead. In 1817, he sold this property, and bought a farm near Wooster, Ohio, where he lived for a few years, and then came back to Pennsylvania, where the subject of this notice was born.

This farm had been but slightly improved, so for a number of years his labors were directed toward the removing of the forest growth and preparing the soil for cultivation; in this he was assisted by his sons; his trade of cabinet-making also proved very useful to him in this work, for he could exchange the furniture he made with his neighbors for work in the clearing.
In company with Judge Hemphill in 1820, Mr. Matheny bought three hundred acres of land on the present site of the village of Wurtemburg. There was a great scarcity of salt in this section of the country, and what there was had to be carted for hundreds of miles and thus was very expensive, so these two gentlemen bored a salt well 586 feet in depth, and found a small amount of salt water to reward their efforts, the water only furnishing enough saline matter to make one barrel of salt in twelve hours; very large profits were not realized from this venture, for salt was worth about $4. a barrel, and the work of drilling was done at great expense and hard work with a spring pole.

This was the only salt well in many miles, and consequently cattle strayed thither from far and near to lick the ground, and wild game abounded in the vicinity. Mr. Matheny was interested in this business for fifteen years, and then built a mill in Slippery Rock township, near Wurtemburg, which he finally traded for the farm our subject owns. Mrs. Matheny was past sixty-five when she passed over to the far country, and Mr. Matheny was sixty years of age, when his death occurred in 1845.

They reared the following children:
Joseph, Nancy, Aaron, Rachel, Elizabeth, George, Mahala, Elijah Gad, Amanda, James Parker, Hannah, Moses, and John Deemer.

They all grew to be strong and vigorous men and women, although at present time but four survive - Elizabeth, Elijah Gad, James Parker and John Deemer.

The father of our subject was a Whig in his political allegiance, and in religious matters favored the M.E. Church.

He was the first man "in the United States that struck oil in a well in 1828, there being another man in Kentucky who struck oil in 1829."Elijah Gad Matheny had few educational advantages, as the great system of public schools was then still in embryo and did not materialize until he was a grown man. when he was seventeen years old, his father died and left a burden on our subjects young shoulders to help carry on the farm, and care for the others of the household. He stayed with his mother until her death, and he owns the homestead which is managed by his son, Jerdon Nye Matheny.

"Mr. Matheny became the husband of Sarah Ann Nye on Feb. 12 1846. She was born June 24, 1824, and was a daughter of Col. Jerdon M. and Hannah (Plantz) Nye. Col. Nye was born on Peter Creek, twelve miles from Pittsburgh; he settled in Wayne township, where he carried on farming and stock-raising, inheriting the 130 acres of his father's estate, which
later passed into the possession of our subject through his wife. Col. Nye was a colonel in the State militia, and served as a justice of the peace twenty-four years.

"Elijah Gad Matheny, whose history is given herein, lived on his farm until 1874, when he removed to the farm referred to above, that belongs to Mrs. Matheny, and ran the old Matheny mill on the creek. He built a comfortable farmhouse in 1883, and was in the various industries of farm life until he sold his land to the Pittsburgh Manufacturing Co., retaining ten acres as a homestead, and retired to enjoy the sunset years of his life.

Mr. Matheny has always been a Republican until the last few years, when he transferred his allegiance to the Prohibitionists. He is overseer of the poor in Elwood City, and has served as justice of the peace. Mr. and Mrs. Matheny are Presbyterians in their religious faith.

Their children are:

1. Calesta Isaphenia, born Nov. 12, 1846, who lives at home;
2. Lizzie Jane, who died at the age of eighteen months.
3. Albert T., who also passed away when twenty-one years old;
4. Alice Arzina, born Nov. 5, 1852, who married Francis M. Davis, a prominent farmer and fruit dealer, and had six children:

   (1.) Alice A., (2.) Nellie E., (3.) Charles D., (4.) Nancy, (5.) Elijah G., (6.) Alma;

Alma Diadema, born Dec. 25, 1854, lives at home; Jerdon Nye, born June 18, 1857, married Anna M. Gillespie, and they have been blessed with two children - Alice A., and Joseph G.; Sherman Marshall, a flourishing dentist of New Castle, born July 22, 1862, married Nettie Grove.

Mr. and Mrs. Matheny show forth in the daily lives the beauty of the teachings of the Gospel. They have, as they deserve, the goodwill and cordial friendship of the entire community in which they live, and their record throughout life is one of which their children may well be proud."

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"THE NATIONAL CYCLOPAEDIA OF AMERICAN BIOGRAPHY", James F. White & Co., New York City,

Vol. 19 (1926), page 86:

"MATHENY, Albert Ralston, physician and surgeon, was born at Freedom, Pa., May 15, 1874, son of John Deemer and Caroline (Shoemaker) Matheny; grandson of Moses and Hannah (Nye) Matheny and great-grandson of Joseph Matheny, who came from the north Ireland, and located first in Western Pennsylvania, later moving to the Shenandoah valley of Virginia, and eventually settling in Ohio.

The family of Matheney originated in Languedoc, France, and were Huguenots. His grandfather, Moses Matheny, a cabinetmaker, removed from Virginia and established a branch of the family in Wayne township, Lawrence Co., Pa. He became the owner of a large tract of land, a part of which is now Elwood City, and which had also included Park Gate and Rock Point.

This account continues with a biography of Dr. Albert Ralston Matheny and included an engraved portrait. Dr. Albert Ralston Matheny was born May 15, 1874, died Dec. 10, 1922, in Pittsburgh, Pa., married on Jan. 24, 1905, Florence B. Kitzmiller, a daughter of Edward A. Kitzmiller, a financier and philanthropist, of Hawkins Station, near Pittsburgh, Pa.

Their children were:

1. Albert Ralston, Jr.;
2. Charles Edward;

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Vol. 1, pages 203-206:
The Metheny article above mentioned contains much interesting personal information, but I have taken from it only the following genealogical data:

Moses Matheny (Metheny) and his wife Hannah Nye had the following children:

1. Joseph, born in 1808, died Apr. 18, 1828, married in 1875 Mary McGregor, and after her death he married Jane Sterrett, who died Apr. 30, 1838;
2. Aaron;
3. Elijah;
4. George;
5. Parker;
6. John;
7. Rachel;
8. Hannah;

Joseph Metheny had by his first wife, Mary McGregor, a son Alpin Metheny, who served in the Civil War and was living in Missouri at the time of this sketch.

Joseph Metheny and his second wife, Jane Sterrett, had two children:

1. David, born Oct. 16, 1836, died June 4, 1897, in Mersine, Asia Minor (then Turkey), where he was a medical missionary and the United States Consul, married first, in 1862,
2. Emma Gregg, who died in 1876, married second Mary E. Dodds, born Dec. 27, 1849.
3. Elizabeth Metheny, who married first Theodore Sherrard, and married second a Mr. Myers, and was living in Iowa.
4. David Metheny had by his first wife, Emma Gregg, four children:
   1. Emma Matilda Mizpah,
   2. Emma Gregg Sterrett, died aged 6 years,
   3. Samuel Alexander Sterrett, married Margaret Slater,
   4. David Gregg, married Ida Patterson, David Metheny had by his second wife,

Mary E. Dodds, six children:
1. Mary Evangeline,
2. John Renwick,
3. Janet Theodora, married J. Vale Downie,
4. Robert Livingston,  
5. Carey Wycliffe,  
6. Coligny Brainerd.

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LIST OF METHENYS WHO GRADUATED FROM JEFFERSON MEDICAL COLLEGE, PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, PRIOR TO 1933:

Albert Ralston Matheny, grad. 1898; died Dec. 1922.  
David Metheny, of Pa., grad. 1861.  
David Metheny, of Pa., grad. 1923.  
David Gregg Metheny, of Pa., grad 1896; died in Jefferson Hospital Dec. 1924; Professor of Anatomy at Temple University Medical School.  
Samuel Alexander Metheny, of Pa., grad. 1894; died Mar. ? 1921; Captain, Medical Corps, U.S Army; medical missionary in Syria.

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NOTES FROM METHENY WILLS ON RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF WILLS FOR PHILADELPHIA COUNTY, PHILADELPHIA, PA.:

Will of Samuel A. S. Metheny (Samuel Alexander Sterrett Metheny).  
Will No. 982 of the year 1921,  
Recorded in Will Book No. 431, at page 455;  
Inventory Book No. 86, page 290;  
Account Book No. 385, page 212.  
Wife Margaret Slater Metheny, executrix & guardian of his dau. Margery Metheny.  
Dated July 31, 1918, Probated March 31, 1921.

Will of David Gregg Metheny.  
Will No. 3663 of the year 1924, recorded in  
Will Book No. 475, page 409;  
Inventory Book No. 102, page 470;  
Account Book No. 426, page 523.  
Wife Ida Lee Metheny executrix and sole beneficiary, but if she predecease him, then his estate to go to "My brother Dr. S.A.Sterrett Metheny and in case he should predecease me then to his two children or the survivor of them." Dated May 29, 1918, probated Dec. 23, 1924, letters testamentary granted to Ida Lee Metheny, 4609 Spruce St., Philadelphia, Pa.
"HISTORY OF KNOX COUNTY, OHIO",

*BY N.N. Hill Jr., 1881:*

**Page 737:**

"MATHENY, James W., Pike Township, farmer, post office, Democracy, born in Brown township in this county, September 7, 1858. He is engaged in farming in this county, and is an active and enterprising young man."

**Page 740:**

"METHEANY, ISRAEL, retired, Pike township, post office, Democracy, born in Preston county, Virginia, in 1816, and was married in 1840 to Rebecca Dewitt, who was born in this township. They had eight children: Daniel, Simeon, Mary A., Harvey, Rebecca E., Aaron, William, and Emma. Daniel, Aaron and Simeon have died. He came to Ohio with his parents in 1820, located in Jefferson township, this county, in 1858, and came to Pike township where he has since resided.

"His father, Israel Metheany, was born in Virginia; in 1789 he was married to Rebecca Conner. They had twelve children. Mr. and Mrs. Metheany died in this county. They were among the earlier settlers." *(Note: 1789 was apparently the date of birth of Israel, Sr., not the date of his marriage. W.B.M.)*

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Aaron Mathene and Joseph Critchfield were among the first settlers of Jefferson township, Knox Co., Ohio, this township being the last one in the county to be settled.

"HISTORY OF ALLEN AND VAN WERT COUNTIES, OHIO",

*published 1896, by Bowen, Chicago.*
The following biography by Charles A. Metheany from the above mentioned history was copied by Mrs. John E Breese (see Mary Longsworth), of 333 South Metcalf St., Lima, Ohio, granddaughter of Charles A. Metheany:

"CHARLES A. METHEANY"

"The METHEANY family is an ancient and influential one in both Virginia and Ohio. They were always successful businessmen and took especial pleasure in pushing great enterprises through to success.

Cont.

"CHARLES ANTHONY METHEANY is the eldest son of RICHARD and ESTHER (LEVERING) METHEANY and was born August 1, 1837 in what is now Auglaize County, but in what was then Allen County.

"RICHARD METHEANY was a son of JOHN METHEANY who was a native of Rockingham County, Virginia. The family was of Scotch-Irish origin and settled in this Virginia county direct from Ireland at an early date. John and his brother Israel came to Ohio about 1802, Israel settling in Knox County where he died and in which are to be found at the present time many of his descendants. JOHN METHEANY settled in Brown County, (Note: Brown County was formed from Adams and Clermont Counties in 1817 - W.B.M.) remaining there until 1817, removing then to Clarke County, and living there seventeen years. In 1834 he removed to Allen County, dying in 1846 in Lima while living with his son RICHARD. He married a Miss LYDIA ROLLISTON who died in Clarke County.

They were the parents of three children as follows:

1. Nancy, who married a Mr. Baldwin and died in 1891 in her 85th year;
2. Prudence who died single;
3. Richard

Richard father of the subject of this sketch, and the only son who was born June 16, 1805 in Brown County, Ohio. Being born at a time when educational facilities were exceedingly limited his opportunities were not of the best and in fact he received only three months schooling in one of the log school houses of pioneer days. Plenty of work on his father's farm he could always find. In 1834 he removed to Allen County that portion now included in Auglaize County - and purchased 160 acres of land on Two-Mile Creek.

Here he lived until 1843 clearing up his land and converting it into a good farm. At this time he was appointed clerk of the county court under the old judicial system, remaining
in that office until 1852 when the entire judicial system was changed by the adoption of the new constitution. About the time of the adoption of this constitution the great enterprise of constructing the Ohio and Indiana Rail Road was projected (now the P. Ft. W. and C.R.R.) (later the Pennsylvania R.R.) and Mr. Metheany became associated with Judge Hanna in pushing it along.

Through the efforts of Mr. Metheany the right of way was secured through Allen County, Judge Hanna being the inspiring genius of the movement and Mr. Metheany being his principal assistant in that part of the state. Mr. Metheany was appointed the first agent of the road in Lima after its completion and held that position three years.

In 1855 he was elected county auditor by the American or Know-nothing party, filling that office until 1857 after which he was engaged in the buying and selling grain until his death which occurred June 22, 1879.

"Politically Mr. Metheany was a Whig in early life and passed through the American party into the Republican party, being a leading spirit in the organization of the latter party in Allen County. Throughout his entire life he was an active adherent of and supporter of the principles of that party, and was a prominent figure in both local and state affairs. He was eminently a man of business and in everything he undertook he proved himself a masterful spirit, succeeding where others would have failed. For more than thirty years he was thus prominent in private and public life, as clerk of Allen County courts, as auditor, as magistrate, as mayor and as school officer. The magnificent railroad system from Pittsburg to Chicago is one of the movements in which his influence was powerfully felt. Living after him, this system of railroads will always perpetuate his genius and be a worthy monument to him.

"In his religious convictions he (i.e. Richard Metheany) was a Baptist and was a member of the church during the later years of his life. He was one of the early members of Lima Lodge, F.& A.M. and was one of the original members of Shawnee Commandry. He was also a member of the state militia, holding a commission as adjutant.

"On June 16, 1836 he was married to Esther Ann Levering, daughter of Judge Charles Levering one of the associate judges of Allen County, Ohio. To this marriage the following children were born:

1. Charles A. of Lima, the subject of this sketch
2. John M. who was supt. of G.R.& I. R. R. but who is now deceased
3. Emma, widow of Charles A. Lynch
4. Augusta who died 1871
5. Mary S. wife of Colonel I.T. Moore
6. Albert M. who is engaged in the insurance business in Galion
7. Annetta E. wife of John H. Osborne of Gardner, Kansas
8. Clara A. of Lima
10. William L. shipping clerk of Moore Bros. Lima, Ohio

"(1.) C.A. Metheny was reared in Lima and received an education in the common schools and later attended a select school.

At the age of sixteen he entered the employ of the Ohio and Indiana R. R. Co. working for that company in different capacities, finally succeeding his father as agent at Lima. Remaining with this company for eight years he then accepted a position with the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton Rail Road Co. as book-keeper and retained that position for twenty years.

At the present time Mr. Metheny has practically retired from active business but has been one of the most successful men in his county. For some time, he filled to office of secretary and superintendent of the board of trustees of the Lima Water Works, was a member of the city council during 1878 and 1879 and director of the Lima National Bank 1885-1890. Politically he is a republican and his advice and counsel are always welcome to his party associates. He is a member of the First Baptist Church of Lima and has been a deacon therein for the past 21 years. He is past master and present master of Lima Lodge, F.& A.M. and a member of Lima chapter.

"Mr. Metheny was married 1858 to Miss Mary L. daughter of "Thomas Harper of Greene County, Ohio and by this marriage there are four children:

1. Mary Esther, wife of Ira H. Longsworth,
2. Charles FX. chief clerk, C.H. & D. R.R.,
3. George H., manager of Lima Home Telephone Co.,
4. Allen, a student.

Mr. Metheny is a man of very high character."

(Note: for an excellent genealogy of the descendants of Richard Metheny and Esther Ann Levering, see the "Levering Family History and Genealogy", by Col. John Levering, of LaFayette, Indiana, published at Indianapolis, 1897, at pages 186, 223, 286, 447, 448, 449, and 919. W.B.M.)
The U. S. Census for Clark County, Ohio, for the year 1820 shows John Metheny a resident of Bethel township and head of a family consisting of one free white male of 10 and under 16, one free white male of 26 and under 45, two free white females of 10 and under 16, and one free white female of 26 and under 45.

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U.S. CENSUS OF KNOX COUNTY, OHIO, FOR THE YEAR - 1820

CONTAINS THE FOLLOWING MATHENYS: (HEADS OF FAMILIES)

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Joseph Matheney - Free White Males:
one of 45 years & upward.
Free White Females:
one of 45 years & upward.

Aaron Matheney- Free White Males:
one of 45 years & upward.
one of 26 & under 45 years.
one under 10 years.
Free White Females:
one of 26 & under 45 years.
three under 10 years.

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Isaac Matheny- Free White Males:
one of 18 & under 26 years.
one of 16 & under 18 years.
one of 10 & under 16 years.
two under 10 years.
Free White Females:
two of 26 & under 45 years.
one of 10 & under 16 years.
two under 10 years.

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Aaron Matheny-

Free White Males:
one of 18 & under 26 years.
one under 10 years.

Free White Females:
one of 16 & under 26 years.

(Note: Israel Metheany, Sr., b. in 1789, may have been the male in the family of Aaron Matheney who was of 26 and under 45 years of age- W.B.M).

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NOTES FROM THE RECORDS OF CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND, AT LAPLATA, MARYLAND

These notes were made in 1934 and do not include all the Matheny items which appear in the portion of the Charles County Court Proceedings which are currently being published in the "Archives of Maryland"

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"Mr. Thomas Wentworth acknowledged this ensuing Conveyan of Land to Daniel Mathena

"This Indentur made the fifth day of August in the year of our Lord God one thousand six hundred and sixty-four betweene Thomas Wentworth of Charles County in the province of Maryland Planter of the one Party and Daniel Methena of the same County Planter of the other party witnesseth that the sayd Thomas Wentworth as well for and in consideration

Quantitie of three thousand pounds of tobacco and Caske for which three severall bills is part befor the exchange and delivery hereof by the said Daniel Methena to be payd as followeth eight hundred pounds of tobacco and caske to be payd on the tenth day of December next ensuing the daet of these presents another hundred pounds of tobacco and caske to be payd in the year of our Lord one thousand six hundred sixty five on the tenth day of December thousand one hundred pounds of tobacco and caske to be payd on the tenth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand six hundred sixty sixe where of where with the sayd Thomas Wentworth acknowledge himself Satisfied contented and Sayd therefore of Every part and parcell thereof doth acquit and discharge the sayd Daniel Metheniah his heirs Executors Administrators and every of them by these presents as also for divers other good Causes and Considerations him hear on to moving having granted bargained and assigned set over and Confirmed and by these presents doe fully Clearly and Absolutely grant bargaine sell assigne set over and Conferme unto the sayd Daniell Methenia his heirs Executors Administrators and assigns all that Parcell of Land Called wentworth woodhouse situate lying and being in Charles County fore mentioned liing n the North side of Pascatoway River (now the Potomac - W.B.M.) and on the south side of a Creek Called Matawoman in the sayd River or St. Thomas Creeke next adjoining to the land of John Wheeler beginning at the sayd Wheelers Northernmost bound Oake by the Creeke syde Running East North East up the Creeke for breadth one hundred and fifty perches to a marked Locus Tree bounding on the East by a line drawne Southward by East from the sayd Locus three hundred and twenty perches one the south by a line drawne south west and by west from the end of the south and by east line for breadth one hundred and fifty perches until it intercept a Parraroll drawne from the land of the sayd wheeler on the west with the sayd land and Parrarell on the north by the sayde Creeke Contayning by estimation three hundred Acres to the same more or lesse all and singular which sayd parcell of land together with all and Singular?os Right Jurisdiction and appurtenances with all how thear on Erected Easments tenements Orchards Meadows feeding Pasture wood and erwood, way, Profits Commodities herediments and appurtenances whatsoever unto the sayd parcell of Land belonging or in any Mannor of ways appertaining to have and hould the sayd Parcell of
Land and all and Singular the premises aforementioned to be hereby bargained and sould with all the appurtenances and every part and Parcell there of whatsoever before Named or Receited unto the sayd Daniel Mathenia his heirs Executors Administrators and assigns for Ever holding and paying therefor unto the Chief Lord our Lord of the fee or fees there of the Rents and Services which from hence forth from time to time shall guardian for and in Respect of his or their Signer or Signers and the sayd Thomas Wentworth for himself his heirs ...

........................( warranties, etc., omitted -W.B.M.)......

"Signed Sealed and delivered together with possession by Livery and Sizing by turf and Session in his mark

Presence of John W Wheeler
John W Ward
his mark his mark

Recorded in Libber B #1, folios 254-256.

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"not: Moony Attorney of Daniel Mathena & Sarah his Wife by vertue of the Letters of Attorney here underwritten on your behalfe & in your names of The sd Daniell Mathena & Sarah his wife doth acknowledge this Ensuing Indenture of conveyance in open foure before his L Sopps T Justices for your Land within specified attviding to ye form Effect of the within written patents.

Nathan: Barton Jr.

Know all men by these presents that I Daniel Mathena Late of Charles County in the Province of Maryland, but now of Stafford County in the Colony of Virginia; a planter doe by these presents appoint confes & ordaine my Loving friend Jn Son T Munn of the Province of Maryland gentlemen to be my true & Lawfull Attorney forever in my name to acknowledge unto Nathan Barton of Stafford County aforesaid gentlemen SmT an Indenture of Conveyance (bearing even date with these presents) for two parcels of land
Lyeinge situate & being in Mattawoman on St Thomas's Creeke in Charles County in the Province of Maryland, one Called (Wentworths Woodhouse) containing three hundred acres, other Called (Cowland) containing twenty eight acres.

sd. Daniell Mathena hereby ratifying & confirming whatsoever my sd. Attorney shall doe or cause to be done in & about premises.

As Witness my hand & scale this fourth day of December 1682.

signed
Daniel Mathena
(seal)

(Recorded in Liber K #1, folio 43)

Also recorded in Liber K #1, at folio 43-44, is a similar power of attorney, bearing the same date, to John Munn, her attorney in fact, from Sarah Mathena.

Abstract of deed from Daniel Mathena and Sarah Mathena, his wife, to Nathan Barton, dated December 4, 1682, and recorded in Charles Co; Md., in Liber K #1, folios 43-46:

Daniel Mathena, late of Charles County in the Province of Maryland, now of Stafford County in the Colony of Virginia, sold to Nathan Barton of Stafford County, aforesaid,"....

for and in consideration of full & just sume of twelve thousand pounds of good sound Ineshrankeable loose tobacco in Cask to him in hand paid by sd. Nathan Barton before the ensealing & delivery of these presents.... (two parcels of land, etc.)... Wentworth Woodhouse...(containing 300 acres).......(and)... Cowland ....(containing 28 acres)...." at Mattawoman on St.Thomas's Creek, Charles Co.,Md.

Signed by "Daniell Mathena"
and
"Sarah s Mathena"

and witnessed by Martin Scarlett
and
Mary Robinson.
Liber E #1, folio 33:

("At a Court held for his Lord in Charles Co. January 20th 1670.")

"Richard Boughton Ptf. came & appeared to prosecute his suite against Daniel Mathena. Daniel Mathena likewise came & appeared to defend the Suit Commenced against him by Richard Boughton as aforesaid. " (Judgment in favor of Boughton for the sum of 400 pounds of tobacco.)

Suit by Daniel Mathena against William Boyden for 1200 pounds of tobacco for failing to give him a bill of sale for a cow which he had bought of Boyden and for which he had paid.

The second Tuesday in January 1672/3) Liber , folio : (At a court held about 1672)

Daniel Mathena entered of record an ear mark of cattle for his daughter Sarah Mathena.

This entry is published in the "Archives of Maryland", volume LX, page 445, the volume being entitled "Proceedings of the County Court of Charles County 1666-1674", Baltimore, Md., 1943. between Page 62/63

"Dan. Makhenie having formerly mortgaged a parcell of Land containing [blank] acres to Mathias Obryan upon a debt of [blank] of tobacco the said Obryan in open acknowledged back again all his interest right and title to the said Land unto the said Daniell Makennie upon condition that he the s Sd T Makennie shall satisfy him the said Obryan his said debt at or before the [blank] or otherwise the said Land to returne unto the said Obryan in the same state and plight as before."

("At a Court held in Charles County the 13th of November 1666" Arch. Of Md., vol.LX,p.36)

Liber F #1, folio 203: (At a court held in 1674)

"Daniell Mathena enters this marke of hoggs for his daughter Mary (viz) kropt on the right ear overkeoled (?) x ahole & a nicke under ear, left ear cropt & split under of cows & horses then the upper."
Liber H #1, folio 293: (At a court held the 9th day of March, 1679)

"Daniel Mathena entered this Ensuing Marke of hoggs for his daughter Elizabeth Mathena, being formerly entered by him for his daughter Sarah, who being now dead did leave all her stock of cattle of that marke to her sister Elizabeth (Viz) the right eare cropt & overheeled, The left eare overheeled & tip of sd eare taken of & a hole & a nick (word illegible) in the under side of sd earre"

"Daniell Mathena entered his marke of horses & mares over heeled on the left eare & a slitt in underside of the sd earre."

Liber H #1, folio 298:

On June 24, 1673, Mathias O'Brian signed a release to Daniel Mathena for full payment of 2,200 pounds of tobacco which had been due upon the purchase of three hundred acres of land in the year 1666. Note: this was probably part of the consideration for the purchase of "Wentworth-Woodhouse" and Mathias O'Brien may have acquired by assignment from Thomas Wentworth two of the three "bills" (i.e., notes) given by Daniel Mathena to Thomas Wentworth in 1664 in payment therefor.

Liber H #1, folios 346-347:

(Abstract)

At a court held January 31, 1678/9 in Charles County. Jury trial of the case of John Bodich vs. Daniel Mathena. Bodich was suing for a balance claimed to be due from Daniel Mathena upon the sale of certain tobacco. Mathena defended on the ground that the tobacco was worthless as it was damaged. Decision: the plaintiff was non-suited and ordered to pay Mathena 632 pounds of tobacco in damages.

Liber I #1, folio 146, etc.: (At a court held August 9th, 1681)
Here appear the examination of Daniel Mathena and the depositions of witnesses concerning his participation in the unsuccessful "Protestant Revolution" of 1681, which have been published in the "Archives of Maryland", volume V XXX-, page 320; volume VII, page 329; volume XV, page 405 etc., volume XVII, page 31. These records will be given elsewhere in this compilation.

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**Liber I #1, folios 151-152:**
*At a court held August 10, 1681*
*(Abstract).*

Thomas Nottingham sued Daniel Mathena, late of Charles County, Maryland, for wages owing him, but lost his case because Daniel Mathena, who appeared by his attorney, pleaded off setting debts which canceled the obligation.

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DESCRIPTION OF "MATHENA'S FOLLY"

"...All that Tract or parcell of land Called Mathenas folly lying in Charles County Beginning att a bounded Red Oake standing on the brow of a hill near a path that goeth from the Said Mathenas to Maj John Wheeler by a Branch Running thence East one hundred twenty and five perches to a bounded Red Oake standing by a Branch thence North, North East one hundred twenty and five perches to abounded Hickory thence West North West one hundred twenty five perches to a bounded White Oake thence South South West to the first bound tree Containing and laid out according to the Certificate of Survey taken and Returned into the land Office att the City of St Maryes bearing date the fifteenth day of December One Thousand six hundred & Eighty & there Remaining upon Record for one hundred acres more or lesse..."

" (Note: the patent states that Daniel Mathena acquired this land by assignment from Randolph Brandt - W.B.M.)

DESCRIPTION OF "COWLAND"
FROM PATENT TO DANIEL MATHENA, DATED JULY 27, 1674, (Land Office of Maryland,
Liber No.15, pages 289-290 situated in "Zachaya Mann Sr, Charles Co., Md.:

"... all that parcel of land called Cowland, lying in Charles County and beginning at a bounded oake, the Northermost bound tree of a parcel of land called Wentworths wood house, on the south side of Mattawoman Creek, thence bounding upon the said land, east north east, up the creek a hundred and fifty perches to abounded Locust thence north west and by north sixty perches thence to the first bound tree containing and now laid out for thirty acres more or less ..."
EXTRACT FROM LETTER OF MAJOR JOHN BAILEY NICKLIN, III,
DANVILLE   HALL # 125, OAK RIDGE, TENN., TO CAPT. W. BLAKE
METHENY, JAGD, HQ. FIFTH AIR FORCE, A P O 710, % P.M., SAN
FRANCISCO, CALIF., DATED JULY 2nd, 1945:

"Dear Captain Metheney:-

"I made an exhaustive search among my records over the week end and the result was
almost nil! .On March 7th, 1692/3  (Stafford County) I find: 'Whereas William
Matheney made humble suit to this Court that he had faithfully served in the office and
Place of a Constable for Aquia District Within this County one whole year and upwards
did therefore Pray that William Waller shall serve
in the Room & Stead of the aforesaid William Matheny.'

There is not one Matheny entry in St.Paul's Parish Register! They evidently lived in the
Aquia District which was part of Overwharton Parish. If was Daniel and not William
Matheny who was deceased in 1691. His widow was Sarah and his son was William
who were mentioned in a petition presented to Court 16 Dec.1691.

The younger Daniel Matheny married Mary, widow of Daniel Crosby, before March 24,
1730/1. The will of George Crosby (1731) mentioned his mother Mary Matheny.
Frances, widow of Capt. John Norgrave later married Col. George Mason and then Dr.
Edward Maddocks whose wife she was last and on 12 Sept. 1693 the records state that
'Frances (Maddocks) is now dead.'

So she could not have been your Frances who married Matheny. She married,(1.) Capt.
John Norgrave "(d.1669); (2), Col. George Mason (d.1686) and (3) Dr. Edward
Maddocks who survived her. NOW William Matheny also married a widow Frances
Mason so she must have been the widow of William Mason who was deceased in 1690,
leaving a minor daughter Barbara.

There is a tombstone on Aquia Creek in Stafford county with the initials 'D.M.' and the
date Oct. 14, 1685. I have believed that this was the grave of Daniel Matheny. Who do
you think? In St. Paul's Parish Register I find the following Grigsby items: Married:
Benjamin Grigsby & Anne Folly (Foley?). 5 Sept. 1727.Died: John Grigsby, supposed to
be 107 years old, 11 Oct. 1730. Married: Thomas Grigsby of Overwharton Parish and
Anne Dishman of Washington Parish (Westmoreland County), 25 Nov.1729. Married:
Moses Grigsby of Overwharton Parish & Katherine Branson, 1 Dec. 1742. Died:
Thomas Grigsby, 7 May, 1745. (A Thomas Grigsby married, before 0 Oct 1729, Rose,
daughter of Gerrard Newton, dec'd., of Richmond County).

Cont.
"I am sorry to have so little to send you. If you will send me some other names I will be glad to send you any items about them from St. Paul's Register. Do you have a copy of Over-Wharton Parish Register of everything you need from them? The transcribe made many, many errors. In one place he gives the name as Elizabeth Gain and in another as Elizabeth Green! I have checked many of his attempts with the original register and he made a mess of things, believe me. No one who has not had much experience with old handwriting should presume to transcribe it! It is very probable that the name was Green and not Gain for I find Greens in St. Paul's Parish and Overwharton, but no other Gain (Gains, Gaines). The next time I go to Richmond I hope to be able to check the whole of this register with my transcript and correct all Dr. Boogher's many errors. Let me know if I can look up anything else for you.

"Sincerely yours,

John Nicklin."

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MANUSCRIPT NO. 20815 IN THE ARCHIVES DEPARTMENT OF THE VIRGINIA STATE LIBRARY, RICHMOND, VA., ENTITLED "RENT ROLL FOR STAFFORD COUNTY (Virginia) 1723", PREPARED BY JAMES CARTER, CONTAINS THE FOLLOWING MATHENY ENTRY:

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NOTES FROM WILL BOOK "M" (1729-1748), STAFFORD COUNTY, VIRGINIA:

Pages 28-29: Will of George Crosby, Sen Sr., dated Sept.14, 1725, probated April 14, 1731, mentions sons Daniel and George. George Crosby, son of my son Daniel Crosby and under 18 years of age; son George Crosby; George Crosby, Jr., son of my son George; my daughter Mary Eva and each of her three children namely William Mount, Joy Peter, Mozee (Mauzy?) & Eliza Mozes (Mauzy?); son George executor & residuary legatee. Brent Town Run mentioned. Has several slaves.
NOTES FROM WILL BOOK "M" (1729-1748), STAFFORD COUNTY, VIRGINIA, CONTINUED:

U Book-A Y
Daniel Mathena
Pages 253-254:

Will: "CROSBY'S"

"In the Name of God Amen I George Crosby of the County of Stafford am sick & weak of body but of perfect and sound judgment & calling to mind the uncertainty of this Transitory life am desirous to Settle & dispose of my worldly Estate in name and form as followeth. Impr I recommend my soul to the hands of God that gave it & my body the earth to be decently inter'r'd at the discretion of my Ex Srs hereafter mentioned.

"Item. I give & Bequeath to my brother Henry Smith one Tract of land lying on Rocke(y) Run a South branch of Acquiah Creek being by Estimation one hundred & twenty-two acres to him to be disposed of as him the said Henry Smith shall think proper

"Item. I give and Bequeath to my well beloved Sister Sarah that tract of land lying on the north side of Accokeek run where Jn S.Hunt now dwells being by Estimation one hundred acres to her & her heirs Lawfully begotten for Ever.

"Item. I give & bequeath to my afd Sister Sarah Smith one negro boy named Tony (Tomy ?) to her & her heirs Lawfully begotten for Ever.

"Item. I give to my afd Sister Sarah one young horse now in the possession of my uncle George Crosby as also one gun now in the Possession of my brother Henry Smith to her & her heirs lawfully begotten

"Item. I give to my honour'd mother Mary Matheny four pounds Curr money of Virginia to be Raised & levied on my Estate and to be paid her by my Ex Srs hereafter named - - - I likewise Bequeath my hon Sd mother one remnant of dow (tow?) lace.

"Item. I give and Bequeath to my well beloved Sister Sarah Smith all & Singular my goods Chattels not above mentioned or already willed to her & her heirs for Ever. my will is that my Estate after my decease shall not be Appraised
“Item. I appoint my brother Henry Smith Sole Sr of this my last will & Testament
Revolving all former will by me made In Witness of which I hereunto set my hand and
Seal this Tenth day of February MDCCXXXVI - VII.

"Signed Sealed and Delivered
in the presence of us

George Crosby
"(Seal)"          his mark
George Waller
William Matheny
Amos Matheny

"At a Court held for Stafford County the 10th day of January 1737.
The last will and Testament of George Crosby deced was presented in Court by Henry
Smith the Ex Sr T within named who made oath thereto according to Law & being
proved the oaths of the Witnesses thereto Subscribed Certificate is granted him for
Obtaining a Probate there of in due form and is Recorded.

"Tested:        Henry Tyler      Court Clerk"

Page 269:

Daniel Matheny, Thomas Barbey and George Waller appointed by order of court dated
July 13, 1736, to appraise the Estate of Walter Humphrys, Dec'd, they filed their
Inventory of said estate on April 16, 1739.

NOTES FROM WILL BOOK "M" (1729-1748), STAFFORD COUNTY, VIRGINIA,
CONTINUED:

Page 313-314:

George Waller, Daniel Metheny and William Mason made an inventory of the Estate of
William Allen, Deceased, dated June 2, 1741, pursuant to order of Court dated May 12,
1741.

Page 316: Will of Edward Ponton, dated October 2, 1741, probated March 9, 1741/2; of
Overwharton Parish; bequeaths ,

"... unto Mary my wife one third part of my Estate...", and
"... unto my Friend James Carter all the rest of my Estate." James Carter, Executor.

Page 324: Inventory of the Estate of Edward Ponton, Deceased, made April 8, 1742, pursuant to order of Court dated March 9, 1741/2. Inventory recorded April 14, 1742. Total of personal property was 7, 177.7.2, including five slaves.

Pages 386-387: William Mason, Edward T Waller and William Matheny were appointed Appraisers of the Estate of Edward Maulpin, Deceased, on November 8, 1743, and made an Inventory thereof on the same date.

Page 437: Account of the Estate of Anthony Linton, Deceased, dated July 9, 1745, lists payments of 5s. 11d to "Daniel Metheny".

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"VIRGINIA COLONIAL ABSTRACTS", by BEVERLEY FLEET, VOL.III (entitled "NORTHUMBERLAND CO. RECORD OF BIRTHS 1661-1810 _") contains births from the Register of St. Stephen's Parish, one of the two parishes forming Northumberland County:

Page 17: Winne Bearcroft, daughter of Samuel and Ann, born February 27, 1776.

Page 80: "Job Sims Son to Tho's Born Oct'r 20 1700"

Page 79: "Hanah Sims Daughter to Tho's Born Jan'y 8 1709" "Sam'l Sims Son Born March 2, 1706" "Cathrin Sims Daughter Born Dec 29, 1703"

Page 81: "Tho's Sims Son to Tho's Born Sept 3 1723"
   "Jobe Sims Son Born Dec'r 15 1727"
   "Wenif'd Sims Daug'r To Tho's Born Mar 7 1730"

   (many more Sims entries - W.B.M.)

Page 118: Sarah Jones, daughter to Owen Jones, born August 6, 1728

Page 110: "Ann Mathaney Daughter to William & Mary his wife was Born Augt 21, 1781"

Page____: Two entries give birth of Daniel and George Crosby sons to Daniel Crosby (this from memory -W.B.M.), between the years 1670 and 1690.
(Note: from the above records and from other records it appears that the Mathenys of Stafford County married into two and possibly three families having Northumberland Co. connections.)

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NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY, VIRGINIA, PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX LISTS, 1782-1800
(Archives Division, Virginia State Library):

1782: (List of Peter Coxe, dated April 10, 1782;)

Thomas Metheny - 10 taxable persons, 8 cattle, 1 horse.
William Metheny - 2 taxable persons, 1 horse
(William is shown next to Thomas Metheny in a non-alphabetical list).

1783: Thomas Metheny - 1 white male of 21 years & upwards, 3 slaves of 16 & upward, 6 slaves under 16, 8 cattle, 1 horse.

1784 to 1800: No Mathenys listed, but "John Matney", as follows:

1793: (List of Thomas x Schofield:) John Matney, 1 white male, 2 horses.

1798: John Matney, 1 white male, 1 horse.

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NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY, VIRGINIA, RECORD BOOK 1780-1782
(Photostatic copy in Archives Division, Virginia State Library).

Pages 8-9:

Lease from Peter Cox and Jane, his wife, to William Metheny, all of Northumberland County, Virginia, for life, dated May 1, 1780, recorded June 12, 1780, at an annual rent due on or before December 25th each year in Gold or Silver or shoes and cotton cloth (note: in 1780 the Continental currency was inflated, W.B.M.), of a Tract of land containing 16 1/2 acres by survey, commonly called Frost(Fort?) point, near Pond called Fort Pond thence eastward across the point by the house where the said Mathaney lives to the Creek call'd Corneshes Creek from thence northwest round the meanders of the said Creek to Gocomoco (Yocomoco) River and from thence round the Water Courses of the said River to the beginning tree (standing near the head of Fort Pond).

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WESTMORELAND COUNTY, VIRGINIA, PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX
LISTS, 1782-1811 (Archives Division, Virginia State Library):

1783: No Mathenys listed.

1784: Thomas Mathany - 1 white male of 21 & upward, 0 white males of 16 & under 21 years; 3 Negro tithables, 7 young Negroes, 2 houses, 6 cattle, special tax 7 5. 15. 6, Certificate tax 7 2. 5. 6.-

1785: Methany Thos Proprietors Names : Negroes Names Tithables
Methany : Negroes names under 16 years: Sam, Jack, Babs, Jerry, Sarah, Harry.
2 white males of 16 years & upward, 3 Negro tithables, 6 Negroes under 16, 4 cattle, 2 horses.

1786: Thomas Mathaneys List - 3 Negroes Frank Peg & Bob, 5 young Negroes Jack Sub, Jerry, George & Harry under 16 years, 2 horses & Eight Cattle.

1787 (April 23): Thomas Mathany - 1 white male of 21 & upward, 3 slaves of 16 & upward, 5 slaves under 16, 2 horses, 10 cattle.

1788 (March 17): (William H. Parker's District)
Methany, Thomas - 1 white male of 16 & upward, 3 slaves of 16 & upward, 1 slave of 12 & under 16, 2 horses.

1789 (June 4): (William H. Parker's District)
Methany, Thomas - 1 white male of 16 & upward, 2 slaves of 16 & upward, 1 slave of 12 & under 16, 3 cattle.
Methany, John - 1 white male of 16 & upward, 1 slave of 16 & upward.

1790: Mathaney, Thomas - 1 white male of 16 & upward, 2 slaves of 16 & upward, 1 slave of 12 & under 16, 2 horses.
Mathaney, John - 1 white male of 16 & upward.

1791 (June 31): (District of William H. Parker)
Mathany, Thomas - 2 white males of 16 & upward, 3 slaves of 16 & upward, 0 slaves of 12 & under 16, 3 cattle.

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1799: (District of Westmoreland County, List by Thomas Muse)
Thomas Mathany - 1 white male of 21 & upward, 4 slaves of 16 & upward, 2 slaves of 12 & under
16, 3 horses. tax $3.00.
Daniel Mathany - 1 white male of 21 & upward, 1 horse.

1800: (Cople Parish)
Mathany, Thomas - 1 white male of 21 & upward, 3 slaves of 16 & upward, 1 slave of 12 & under 16, 2 horses.
Mathany, Daniel - 1 white male of 21 & upward, 0 slaves over 12, 1 horse.

1801: (Lower District of Cople Parish)
Thomas Matheany - 1 white male of 21 & upward, 5 slaves of 16 & upward, 2 horses.
Daniel Matheaney - 1 white male of 21 & upward, 1 slave of 12 & under 16, 1 horse.

1802: (Lower District, list by Thomas Muse)
Thomas Mathaney - 1 white male of 21 & upward, 6 slaves of 16 & upward, 2 cattle. Tax $2.88.
Daniel Mathany - 1 white male of 21 & upward, 1 slave of 12 & under 16, 1 horse. Tax 56

1803: Mathany, Daniel - 1 white male of 21 & upward, 5 slaves of 16 & upward, 1 slave of 12 & under 6, 4 horses & cattle.

1804: Mathany, Daniel - 1 white male of 21 & upward, 4 slaves of 16 & upward, 1 slave of 12, & under16, 3 horses.

1805: Mathany, Daniel - 1 white male of 21 & upward, 5 slaves of 16 & upward,3 horses.

1806: Mathany, Daniel - ditto.

1807: Mathany, Daniel - ditto, except 6 slaves over 16.

1809: Mathany, Daniel - ditto, except 7 slaves over 16,& 4 horses.

1810: Mathany, Tho - No white males of 21 & upward, 1 slave of 16 & upward, 1 horse.
Mathany, Daniel - 1 white male of 21 & upward, 5 slaves of 16 & upward, 3 horses.
1811: (Cople Parish)
Methany, Daniel - (New type list not mentioning white tithables), 5 slaves of 16 & upward, 2 mules.
Methany, Thomas Estate - 1 slave of 16 & upward.

1812: (Cople Parish)
Methany, Daniel - 3 slaves over 12, 2 horses.

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U. S. CENSUS OF 1800 FOR ST. MARY'S COUNTY, MARYLAND,
V. (Photostat Book, in the National Archives, Washington, D. C., page 422):

"Thomas Matthany" - 1 free white male of 45 & upward,
1 " " of 26 & under 45.
1 " " female of 45 & upward,
2 " " females of 16 & under 26,
1 " " female under 10.

(Note: I examined the U. S. Census of St. Mary's County, Md., for the years 1810 and 1820 and found no Mathenys. W.B.M.)
(St. Mary's County is directly across to Potomac River from Westmoreland County, Va.).

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ST. ANDREWS PARISH REGISTER, ST. MARY'S COUNTY, MARYLAND,
Manuscript, copy in the library of the Maryland Historical Society, Baltimore, Md.;

Page 31:

"Thomas son of Thomas Matheny and Elizabeth his wife born August 1st 1803 and Baptized the 1st August 1803".

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"MARYLAND RECORDS, COLONIAL, REVOLUTIONARY, COUNTY AND CHURCH, FROM ORIGINAL SOURCES", by G. M. BRUMBAUGH,
Vol. 1 (1915) gives the following Matheny marriage licenses, all from St. Mary's County, Md.
Page 328: 1816, Jan. 8 - Cornelius Clarke and Maria Mathney (Matheny).

Page 377: 1827, Sept. 27 - James Nagh and Martha Mathaney.


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TRINITY PARISH REGISTER, CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND,
MS copy in Md. Historical Society, contains two Matheny entries, viz: -

Page 75: 1843, May 9th - William Mathaney and Mary C. Dixon were married.

Page 61: 1846, Aug. 27th - Jane Frances, daughter of William Mathaney and Mary C., his wife; born Oct. 3rd, 1845; baptized Aug. 27th, 1846.

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"MARRIAGE LICENSE BONDS OF WESTMORELAND COUNTY, VIRGINIA,
FROM 1786 TO 1850", by STRATTON NOTTINGHAM, Onancock, Va.:


Daniel Mathaney & Eleanor Beane, 14 Jan. 1819, Willis Garner, security.

George Mathaney & Lucy A. Sutton, 18 May 1826, William Sutton, security.

John Mathaney & Winney Barecroft, 9 Mar. 1787, Dan'l Laycock, security.

Thomas Mathany & Mary W. Courtney, 26 Apr. 1806, William Franklin, security.

Page 50: Isaac Newton & Hannah Mathaney, 4 May 1826, George Mathaney, sec.

"MARRIAGE LICENSE BONDS OF NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY, VIRGINIA, FROM 1783 TO 1850", by STRATTON NOTTINGHAM,

1929, PAGE 99:


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"THIRD CENSUS OF THE U.S.A. WESTMORELAND COUNTY, VIRGINIA (1810)", by Mrs. ANNIE (WALKER) BURNS BELL, shows the following heads of families for the year 1810:

Daniel Mathany - Free white males:
One of 26 & under 45,
One under 10.
Free white females:
Five between 26 & 45,
One of 10 & under 16,
One under 10.
15 Slaves.

Thomas Mathany - Free white males:
One of 26 & under 45,
Two under 10.
Free white females:
One of 16 & under 26,
One of 10 & under 16,
One under 10.
1 Free Black.
3 Slaves.

James Thomas, Jr. - Free White Males:
One of 26 & under 45,
2 under 10.
Free White Females:
One of 16 & under 26,
One under 10.
1 Slave.
James Thomas, Sr. - Free White Males:
2-1-1-1-1
Free White Female:
1-1-0-1

WESTMORELAND COUNTY, VIRGINIA, COURT RECORDS
(Notes made by W. Blake Metheny on Aug.5, 1946, from records in the Office of the County Clerk, Montross, Virginia):

WILL of: "METHANY THOMAS"

In The Name of God amen I Thomas Mathany of the Parish of Cople & County of Westmoreland being weak of body but of Sound mind and disposing memory do make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form as follows.

Imprimis It is my Will and desire that all my just debts shall be as soon as possible,

Item I leave and bequeath to my son Daniel Mathany one negro man named Jerry, one negro woman Named Peg, one Grey Horse, Stephen G. Bailey's Bond to me and the Interest thereon 1/4 part of the stock & 1/4 part of my Houshold furniture, Except one Bed of furniture, all of this I leave to him and his heirs forever.

Item I leave to my Grand Son William Barecroft Mathany one young Negro man named Harry one Negro Girl named Nancy one bed and furniture and one 1/8 part of the Stock & one Eight part of the furniture all this I leave to him & his heirs forever,

Item I leave to my grand Daughter Nancy Mathany one Negro Girl named Bell and one Eight part of the Stock and one Eight part of the household furniture to her and her heirs forever.

Item I leave and bequeath to the Children of my Daughter Nancy Neale to Wit Daniel, Thomas and Betsy one Negro Lad named James, one negro "woman named Sarah and the daughter of the Said Sarah named Linda and their future Increase to be equally divided among them when Betsy arrives to the age of 18 years and until that time my Son Daniel to have the use of them also one fourth part of the Stock and Household furniture to them and their heirs forever.

Item I leave to my grand Daughter Nancy White one Negro Boy Named Abram and one forth part of the Stock & household furniture to her and her heirs forever.

Item I do hereby Constitute and Appoint my Son Daniel Mathany Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament and I do hereby revoke and annul all the other wills and Testaments by me heretofore made.
In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this Twelfth day of April in the year of our Lord one Thousand Eight hundred and Three.

"Thomas Mathany  (Seal)

"Signed Sealed acknowledged & declared to be the last Will & Testament of Thomas Mathany before us.

"David Wardrok (?)  ( At a Court held ( for Westmoreland County the 25th day of September 1803 )

"The afore going Last Will and Testament of Thomas Mathany dec'd was presented to the Court by Daniel Mathany the Executor there in named who made Oath thereto According to Law and the same being also proved by the oaths of the Witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded, and on the Mo. of the said Executor and he having performed what is usual in such Case Certificate is granted him for obtaining a probate thereof in due form.

"Teste                      "Joseph Fox Sr. Clerk C"

(Recorded in Will Book 20, Page 486)

Inventory of the Estate of Thomas Mathany, Deceased, dated November 5, 1803, made by David Crenshaw, John Redman and John Smith, lists 10 Negro’s valued at 7 522., and other personal property amounting in all to 7 649. 14. 0; inventory recorded Nov.28, 1803, in Inventory & Account of Sales Book 8.

Page 369.

"Inventory and Appraisement and Division of the Estate of John Mathany made this 23rd day of September 1803" by John Smith, William Askins and Stephin Bailey, lists
one negro woman named Lucy and personal property in total amount of $96. 11. 0, and allots in kind about one-half of said property (including the negro woman Lucy)
"...to Nancy Mathany Daughter of John Mathany", she to pay Thomas Mathany's account of 7 8.1.3 and 22/.10 1/2d to William Mathany which two sums deducted from her allotment leaves her proportion of her Father's Estate as 7 44. 4. 10 1/2; and said proceedings further allot to,

"...William Mathany Son of John Mathany..." the other half of said personal property in the amount of 7 43. 2. 0, and directs that he is to receive from Nancy Mathany the sum of 22/.10 1/2 d. (Recorded in Inventory & Account of Sales Book 8, pages 426-429).

"Westmoreland Sd Sct.

"AGREEABLE to the annexed Order to us directed we have this day Settled Thomas Mathany's Administration A/C with the Estate of John Mathany dec'd as produced to us by Daniel Mathany and find a Balance due said Estate of 7 8. 1. 3 as will appear by the annexed A/C - which said Sum is to be paid to the said Thomas Mathany's Heirs by Nancy Mathany one of the heirs of John Mathany and we have also divided the said John Mathany's Estate agreeable to the above Statement between the representatives of the said John Mathany agreeable to Law.

Given under our hands this 23rd day of September 1803. Also ten Dollars due by said John Mathany's Estate to Thomas Mathany for Medical and funeral Charges to be paid Jointly by the heirs of John Mathany.

"John Smith
"William Askins
"Stephen Bailey

"1797 John Mathany To Thomas Mathany Dr.
"To Rent of Land $20 7 6.
" 25/ paid to Wm. Attwill 1. 5.
" 1 Clerks Note 4. 3

"1801 To putting Mare to William Atwells Horse. 7.12
Balance due Thomas Mathany to be pd by Nancy Mathany 7 8.1. 3
"At a Court __________________________________ held for Westmoreland County
the 25th day of June 1804. This Inventory and Appraisement of the Estate of John
Mathany
dec'd. and also a Division and Settlement of said Estate being returned is ordered to be
recorded.

Teste

"Jos. Fox Sr.             " C W C"
(Recorded in Inventory & Account of Sales Book 8, page 428)

"An Inventory taken of the Estate of John Mathany late of Westmoreland County
decesd & Appraisment thereof Made by Virtue of an Order of Court dated the 26th day
of April
1796", by John Critcher, David Crenshaw, and William Habron, was recorded on April
26, 1797.
It lists slave Lucy, 1 black Mare and Coat (colt), 5 cattle, 1 sow & household and farm
equipment, all valued at 7 91. 3. 3.(Inventory & Appraisement Book 7, page 422).

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In a "Pole" taken to choose two delegates for Westmoreland County in the General
Assembly of Virginia, on April 30, 1793, Thomas Mathany and John Mathany voted to
elect Richard Lee and W. Newton (Inventory & Appeasement Book 7, pages 118-119).

In a "Pole" taken to elect delegates to the General Assembly for 1798, taken on Aug.27,
1798, the candidates were Henry Lee, George Garner and John Hungerford. Thomas
Mathany voted for Lee and Garner.(Inventory & Appeasement Book 7, page 484).

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Account of Sales of Thomas Mathany's Estate, dated Nov.17,1803, recorded April 25,
1808 in Inventory & Appeasement Book 9 page.44, shows that property was sold
bringing a total of 7 112. 14. 2, and that Daniel Mathany was the purchaser of the
property sold to the extent of 7 76. 16. 8.

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Account of Daniel Mathany, Executor of the Estate of Thomas Mathany, Deceased,
settled Dec.9, 1807, recorded Apr.25, 1808, in Inventory & Appeasement Book 9,
pages 45-46, shows total for personal property of 7 154. 14. 2, and contains, among
others, the following interesting items: "2 3/8 Gall Spirit furnished at the Sale...19 1.",
and "Cash paid David Ball, Jr. for rent due the 1st Jan 1802. 7 30. -.-"
"Account of Sales of John Mathaney's Estate of 17th Nov 1803", recorded Apr.25, 1808, in Inventory & Appraisement Book 9, page 46, shows that personal property bringing 7 74. 5. 7, was sold at the executor's sale.

Deed of trust from Daniel Mathany to James Johnson as security for debt of 7 36. 7. 8 3/4 due Willoughby Newton, conveying to the trustee two negroes named Hannah and Jacob. Dated Jan.2, 1809, recorded July 24, 1809, in Deed Book 21, page 519.

Deed of trust from Daniel Mathany to James Johnson as security for the payment of the quantity of seven thousand pounds of crop Tobacco & caske with legal interest thereon from the 1st day of Jan next till paid to Willoughby Newton (owed him for rent), conveying to the trustee the following negroes and their future increase: Eve & her three children Hannah, Jacob & Esther. Dated Dec.4, 1809, recorded June 25,1810, in Deed Book 22, page 98.

Deed of trust from Daniel Mathaney to John Bailey as security for debt of $700 and interest due to Robert Bailey, conveying two Negroes named Levina and Jacob, one Horse, eleven head of cattle, furniture, hoggs, etc. Dated January 15, 1821, recorded January 22, 1821, in Deed Book 24, page 131.

Bill of Sale from Thomas Mathany to Matthew W. Courtney conveying "my part of three Negroes, Namely Beck, Sofa and Rose" and certain furniture as security for the payment of the sum of $100 which Courtney therein lent Mathany. Dated September 15, 1810, recorded May 28, 1811, in Deed Book 22, page 207.

Deed of trust from George Mathany to William Sutton as security for debt of $575 due to John Sutton on Aug.20, 1830,conveying "...One negro woman slave named Sarah and her future increase" and all his furniture. Dated July 27, 1831, recorded Mar. 19, 1832, in Deed Book 27, page 107.

Deed from Lucy A. Mathany to Robert P. Andrews, dated April 28, 1838, recorded in Deed Book 29, page 377, consideration $10., conveying piece of land which she purchased from Stephen D. Pitts, described as commencing at the corner between the said Andrews and Matheny, adjoining Henry H. Hazard, and being on the main road leading to the Westmoreland Court House, containing 1/4 acre.

Deed of trust from Overton C. Mathany to David T. Chevis as security for the payment of a debt of $100 due to James Nash, conveying "all my personal property". Dated September 9, 1835, recorded in Deed Book 28, page 419.
Deed from Wm. M. Mathany to Francis F. A. Butler, dated Nov.28, 1848, recorded Dec. 13, 1848, in Deed Book 33, page 71, consideration $25., conveying all his interest in a certain lot near Westmoreland Court House and adjoining lands of William Hutt and others, containing 4 acres; said interest being 1/6 part of the reversion in the said land upon the death of R.Wilson.

Petition of Daniel Morgan, Executor of the Estate of Mathew....(?), Deceased, against Thomas Mathany and William Rice was presented at May Term, 1784, Summons issued, and the action abated (County Court Order Book, 1784, May Term).

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Thomas Mathany against Robert Newberry. Action in Debt. Judgment for Mathany for 7 8.8.4 plus costs (Court Held July 28,1784)(County Court Order Book, 1784, page 228)

Bill in Equity praying for an injunction, by Thomas Mathany against Margaret Clark, April 30, 1788 and July 29, 1788, no facts recorded (County Court Order Book 1787-1790, pages 138, 176).

"Daniel Mathany is recommended ensign in Captain Settle Company in the Room of John Bailey resigned." (A Court held Sept. 23, 1806- the county court recommendation was equivalent to the appointment as the Governor almost always appointed the court's nominee) (County Court Order Book 1804-1807, page 301).

Daniel Mathany is appointed Surveyor of the road from Tuckers Hill to Lockstone (?) mill and thence by Garners to Lees cross roads in the room of William Hazard and it is ordered accordingly (County Court Order Book 1814-1818, page 351).

The Order Books contain several legal actions by Daniel Mathany, Executor of the Estate of Thomas Matheny, Deceased, to collect debts due said estate, but I did not find any data in them of particular interest from the genealogical point of view.

The Westmoreland County records contain the will of James Thomas, dated about 1743, mentioning, among others, a son James Thomas who received the home place in Cople Parish containing about 200 acres, and some slaves. This younger James Thomas was probably the same James Thomas who was guardian to Ann Matheny, the daughter of William and Mary Matheny, in the year 1800 when she married a James Thomas, presumably the son of her guardian (i. e., she probably married James Thomas, III).

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FREDERICK COUNTY, VIRGINIA, COURT RECORDS
(Notes made by W. Blake Metheny in August, 1946, from records in the Office of the County Clerk, Winchester, Virginia.

As both Berkeley and Dunmore (re-named Shenandoah, in 1778) Counties, Virginia, were formed from Frederick County in the year 1772 it is possible that the Daniel Matheny mentioned below may have been a resident of either of these localities in the period 1752-1754. The names of his neighbors may give some clue to the locality in which he lived.):

**County Order Book No.4 (1751-1753), page 241:** At a Court Continued & held for Frederick County on Thursday the 6th Day of August 1752, Daniel Matthenie was a party to four law suits, as follows:

1. Thomas Bushrod vs. Danl Matthenie, on attachment, case agreed and dismissed;
2. James Wood against Dan'l Matthenie, on attachment, - "This suit being agreed is ordered to be dismissed.
3. Thomas Wood against Dan'l Matthenie on attachment, - "This suit being agreed is ordered to be dismissed."
4. Samuel Pritchard against Dan'l Matthenie on attachment. The sheriff having returned that he had attached of the "Estate of the Deft fifteen plates one small Bason two new dishes one old dish one large Iron Pott one small pott one old Coat one dark bay horse branded on the near shoulder and Buttock one black Cow & Red Calf and the Deft being called & failing to appear the plt in Court produced the Defts note of hand for five pounds one shilling & five pence Current money It is thereupon considered by the Court that the sd. plt recover against the Deft the said sum of five pounds one shilling and five pence... with his costs... that the sheriff do sell the goods attached or so much of them as will be sufficient to satisfy the sd plt the sd Debt & Costs..."

**County Court Order Book No. 4 (1751-1753), page 260:** At a Court continued and held for Frederick County on Friday the 7th Day of August 1752, was listed the case of Daniel Matthenie, Petitioner, against Robert Fox, "On Petition", with the following order by the Court: "This suit is ordered to be dismissed neither party appearing".

**County Court Order Book No.4 (1751-1753), page 189:** At a Court held on June 5, 1752, the following case was listed:

John & William Bogle and Colin Dunlop vs. Daniel Matthenie, On Petition. The defendant, Daniel Matthenie, failed to appear and the petitioners produced their account against the defendant proved before Lewis Stephens, Gent., one of the Judges of the Court for one pound eleven shillings & eleven pence Currant money. The Court entered judgment for the petitioners. (It has been suggested by an experienced Frederick County historian that the petitioners may have been Baltimore merchants who traded in the Shenandoah Valley).
County Court Order Book No. 4 (1751-1753), page 282: At a Court held September 2, 1752, was listed the case of Sam'l Pritchard vs. Daniel Mathenie, In Debt, with the notation that the Capias not being executed, at the plaintiff's motion this suit is ordered to be dismissed.344,419:

County Court Order Book No. 4 (1751-1753), page 296: At a Court held September 14, 1752, was listed the case of James Walker vs. Dan'l Mathenie, On Attachment - continued to next court on motion of Plt. And, at page 344, the same case was again continued to the next court. At a court held March 17, 1753 (page 419) the same case again came up and the following order was made:

"The sheriff having returned on the attachment Executed in the Hands of Samuel Prichard and Summoned him according to law who being called & failing to appear Ordered that an attachment issue agt him returnable to the next Court." (garnishment proceedings).

County Court Order Book No.5 (1753-1754), page 108: At a Court held February 9, 1753, was listed the following case: Walker vs. Mathenay, which was dismissed for failure of the plaintiff to prosecute.

County Court Order Book No.5 (1753-1754), page 342: At a court held on Thursday, March 5, 1754, was listed the case of Enock Pearson vs. Daniel Mathaney, On Attachment; the sheriff having attached one mare owned by Daniel Mathaney and the defendant not appearing, judgment in the amount of 7 1.5s. 6d. and costs was entered for the plaintiff and the mare was ordered to be sold to satisfy said judgment and costs.

County Court Order Book No. 18 (1781-1784), page 167: At May Term, 1783, the Court ordered Richard Surter (?) to pay William Matheny the sum of 100 pounds of tobacco for attending court for four days as a witness for said Richard Surter in a law suit against (?) Surter by David Ashby.

County Court Order Book No. 18 (1781-1784), page 479: At a Court held May 7, 1784, was listed the case of Stephen Johnston vs. Luke Metheny, an action In Debt. The suit was dismissed, being agreed by the parties.

County Court Order Book No. 7, page 25: At a Court held March 3, 1756, was listed the case of Humphrey Keys against Benjamin Satterfield, an action In Debt, with the notation: "The Writ not being executed on the Plts motion the suit in Ordered to discontinue." (Note: both parties appear to have resided in what is now Jefferson Co., W.Va.).
County Court Order Book No. 7, page 291: At a Court held October 5, 1757, was listed the case of Gershom Keyes vs. Benj. Saterfield, an action In Case. It was agreed and dismissed.

County Court Order Book No.8 (1758-1760), page 319: At a Court held September 6, 1759, was listed the case of John Davis vs. Benjamin Saterfield, an action In Case, with the following notation: "The Deft being dead on the motion of the Plt the suit Abates."

NOTE: I searched the indices of the Frederick County Court Order Books for Mathenys, looking under direct listings as plaintiffs and also under indirect listings (non-alphabetical) as defendants, for all volumes from the beginning around 1745 to and including Book No. 19 for the year 1789. I did not search the Order Book later than 1789. W.B.M.

Marriage Records in the Office of the County Clerk
(no record of marriages was kept prior to about 1783-4- in Frederick Co.):

1814, Aug.20 - John Howe to Sarah Mathany, Marriage Bond; Thomas Mathany, surety. Notation: "John Howe and Sarah Mathany daughter of the above bound Thomas Mathany".

BERKELEY COUNTY,(WEST) VIRGINIA,COUNTY COURT RECORDS
(Notes made by W. Blake Metheny on July 29-30, 1946, from the records in the office of the County Clerk, Martinsburg, W.Va. The MATHENY, COPAS, and SATTERFIELD families lived in that part of old Berkeley County which was taken in 1801 to form JEFFERSON COUNTY,(WEST) VIRGINIA. They resided between the
Shenandoah River and the Blue Ridge Mountains, that is, in the strip of Jefferson County next to Loudoun County, Virginia. Many present residents of Jefferson County refer to families living in that locality as being "of Loudoun County" because formerly the Shenandoah River interposed a considerable barrier to frequent social intercourse by those families with those living west of the river. For a list of the Mathenys appearing in the Berkeley County personal property tax lists from the earliest list in 1782 to 1800, see pages 15 and 16 of these notes. A continuation of that list for the years 1802 to 1810 will appear later in these notes.:

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Deed Book No.8, pages 163-166 (partial copy):

"THIS INDENTURE made the 24th day of February in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and eighty six between the Honorable George William Fairfax, Esquire by George Nickolas his Attorney in fact of the one part and James Metheny of the Other part WITNESSETH that the said George William Fairfax for and in Consideration of the Rents and Covenants herein after Mentioned, on the part of the said James Metheny to be paid and performed hath demised Granted, Let, and to farm let, and by these presents doth demise...(etc.).... unto the said James Metheny his heirs and assigns One hundred and forty three Acres of land with the Appurtenances, situate lying, and being in the parish of Narborne in the County of Berkeley on the Northwest side of the blue Ridge being part of a Tract of land of 30185. Supposed Acres and Called Shannondale and bounded as followeth beginning at a black Oak Chestnut oak and with the line of the land once laid out for Archibald Campbell now John Bunfield thence with his line and the line of the Reserved lands north to south 69 So W. One hundred and Seventy four poles to a pine on the brow of a steep hill thence N 22 So T E. One hundred and Thirty two poles to a small pine by a large flat Rock on a steep hill Side, thence S 68 E One Hundred and Seventy four poles to a Spanish Oak near the foot of the Ridge thence S 22 -So. T W. One Hundred and thirty two poles to the beginning Containing One Hundred forty three Acres which was Surveyed by Craven Payton, Deceased......... To have & to hold the said One hundred and forty three acres of land...... unto the said James Metheny his Heirs and Assigns from the day of the date hereof for and during the natural lives of the Sons of the said James Metheny Elijah and William Metheny Sons to James Metheny Yeilding and paying unto the said George William Fairfax ... yearly and every year on the first day of May the Rent of Three pounds one Shilling and three in Specie Current Money of Virginia for and during the space and term before mentioned......
"George Nickolas (S)

"Sealed and Delivered in the presence of:

George Rootes  William Bready &  Battaile Muse

"Att a Court held for Berkeley County the 21st day of March 1786 This Indenture was proved........ and Ordered to be Certified (on side of page) Craven Peyton's will probated 1781 in Loudoun Co., Va.

BERKELEY COUNTY, (WEST) VIRGINIA, COUNTY COURT RECORDS
(including JEFFERSON COUNTY formed in 1801), continued:

"And at a Court held for the Said County the 15th day of April 1788 This Indenture was further proved by the Oath of William Brady Another Witness thereto and Ordered to be Recorded & Sc T

"Teste A H Hunter C C"

( Recorded Mar.21,1788 )

Deed Book No.8, pages 166-170: ( abstract only )

Lease dated February 18, 1786, recorded March 21, 1788, from the Honorable George William Fairfax, Esquire, by George Nickols his Attorney in fact, of the one part, to John Metheny, of the other part, of One Hundred Acres of Land, with Appurtenances, Situate lying, and being in the Parish of____________,in the County of Berkeley "....on the North Side of the blue Ridge being part of a Tract of Land of 30185. Acres and Called Shannondale and bounded as followth Beginning at a White and black Oak, Extending thence S. 22 So. W. One hundred and Sixty poles to a black Oak in Corner(?) thence N. So. To 68 So. One Hundred poles to a small Scrubby Oak thence No. 22 So. To E. One Hundred and Sixty poles to a pine thence S. 60 So. E. to the beginning Containing One Hundred Acres by a survey made by Craven Peyton Deceased...... To have and to hold...... unto the said John Metheny his Heirs and Assigns from the day of the date here of for and during the natural lives of the said John Metheny Sarah Metheny his Wife and
John Metheny his Son.... paying ....Every Year on the first day of May the rent of Two pounds Two shillings and six pence in Specie Current Money of Virginia for and during the space and term before mentioned...” (p.167).

Deed Book No.8, page 159,etc: (abstract only)

Lease from the Honorable George William Fairfax, Esquire, by his Attorney in fact, George Nickolas, to Greenberry Copas, for 105 acres of land in the Parish of Norburne, County of Berkeley, part of a tract of 30185 acres called Shannandale, Beginning at Two Sycamores from one Root on Shanondoah River Side Extending thence One hundred and Sixty poles to a forked White Oak on the East Side of big Run in the Line of the Reserve Thence with the said Line N. 68 So. To W. One hundred and six poles to a small hickory sapling & pine thence N 22.So.To E. One Hundred and Fifty Eight poles to a W oak and Hickory on the Shenandoah River thence down the said river to the place of Beginning....which was surveyed for:

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Edward Goldsberry by Craven Peyton February 3 ,1779.....To have and to hold...
"...during the natural lives of  him the said Greenberry Copus Mary Copas his wife John Copus their Son..."(page 160).

Deed Book No.8, pages 184-188: (abstract only)

Lease from the Honorable George William Fairfax, Esquire, by his Attorney in fact, George Nickolas, to William Copus, Farmer, dated March 20, 1786, recorded April 15, 1788, for 50 acres in the Parish of Norbone, County of Berkeley, part of a tract of 30185 acres called Shannondale....adjoining Richard Hoddy and Richard Baskett, surveyed by Craven Peyton in February, 1779, for Richard Baskett who sold said land to William Copus ....To have and to Hold unto the said "...William Copus his heirs and assigns ...for and during the Natural lives of him the said William Copus John Copus his son Elizabeth his Daughter..."

Land Entry Book No.1 (1785) pages 8-9, contains the following attempted entry of former Fairfax lands which had been "leased" by the Fairfaxes to the settlers, usually for a term of "three lives". It was finally decided that settlers holding Fairfax lands under such leases (of a feudal character) became the owners in fee simple of the lands so held upon the confiscation by the Commonwealth of Virginia of the estate of Lord Fairfax after the American Revolution. In the period while this question was undecided, various persons
attempted to take up as ungranted land the lands held by settlers under the Fairfax feudal leases; the following "entry" is such an attempt, but it bears the marginal entry "This Entry Withdrawn June 2nd 1791 Page 25", thus indicating that the ownership of the lands remained in the settlers mentioned in the "entry" as the occupants thereof. The entry reads as follows:

"Thomas Williams Assee of Lewis Franklin and Foster Webb on Monday the 7th day of April 1788 Enters 3000 Acres of waste and ungranted lands by virtue of three Treasury Warrants N.S. 21350 dated the 13th December 1783 & 310 & 311 dated 5th May 1786 Directed to the principal Surveyor of any county.... on the south east side of Shenandoah river adjoining the ridge of mountains called the Blue ridge and in the said Ridge, That is to say including all the bottom and up land from the Junction of the Potomac and Shenandoah Rivers that is now in the possession of the under mentioned Person Viz.

"Acres / In Possession of / Acres / In Possession of /
100  John Walker 100  James Wilson
100  John Shubridge 100  Benj. Goldsbury
150  Robert Goldsbury 150  William Piles
100  John Conner 100  Caleb Baldwin / 2400 Acres
100  Daniel Matheny 100  Henry Sittle
100  James Schooley 100  Richich Hoddy Cont.
100  Richard T Basket 100  Alex Burnett
100  Richard Grooms 100  Zachariah Hill
100  Peter Dillon (Dillow?) 100  Ezekiel Wright
100  Abraham Groome 100  Daniel Matheny
100  James Mathews 100  Joseph Albreght
100  William Jones
"600 Acres bounded on the river Shenandoah by John Conner and on the side of the ridge by Daniel Matheny to take in three Iron Oar banks and the land on which there runs a stream together with the land be the same more or less Total 3000"
(Marginal note: "This Entry Withdrawn June 2nd 1791 Page 25")

County Court Minute Book No.1, page 377
("At a Court continued and held for Berkeley County the 18St Day of August 1773" - see p.360 for the beginning of the session):

"Mess Hough & Canby ... Plts )
against ) In Case
"Daniel Matheney Deft )
"The Defendant being arrested and failing to appear tho Solomnly called on the Motion of the Plaintiffs by their Attorney It is Ordered that unless the Defendant shall appear here at the next Court and Answer the Plaintiffs Action that Judgment shall then be given the Plaintiff against the said Defendant and Benjamin Rankin Bail for his Appearance for the Damages in the Declaration mentioned and Costs."
County Court Minute Book No.2, page 32: At a court held September 23, 1773, the same case was listed, and Daniel Matheny appeared by his Attorney and demanded jury trial.

County Court Minute Book No.2, page 199: Case of Hough & Canby vs. Daniel Matheny was continued to the next court.

County Court Minute Book No.2, page 215: At a court held March 16, 1774, the case of John Hough vs. William Copas was listed.

County Court Minute Book No.2, page 216: At a court held March 16, 1774, the case of John Hough vs. Joseph Satterfield was listed.

County Court Minute Book No.2, page 291: At a court held March 18, 1774, the case of John Hough vs. John Copas was listed.

County Court Minute Book No.3 (1777), page 340: ("At a court continued and held August 18, 1778,..."): "Ordered that Margaret Matheny, widow of William Matheny, Dec'd, late a soldier in the Continental service, be allowed her five pounds for her present year subsistence." (Note: the above entry has been published in the "William and Mary College Quarterly", First Series, Volume 13, page 32.)

County Court Minute Book No.(1792-1793), page ____: the case of Thompson vs. James Matheny is listed. I was leaving when I came across this item and did not have time to make proper note.

County Court Executions Book (1798-), page 126: In the case of George Matthews vs. Elijah Matheny, a writ of Fifa was issued and the Sheriff made return, dated 1799, of "No Inhabitant", thereby indicating that Elijah Matheny was no longer a resident of Berkeley (incl. Jefferson) County. (Ua_fifa_ is a writ for execution against defendant's personal property)
NOTES ON THE MATHENYS OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, (WEST) VIRGINIA
(FORMERLY PART OF BERKELEY COUNTY):

The following Matheny Notes were furnished by Mrs. R. M. Craig of Memphis, Missouri,
in her letter dated March 2, 1943, addressed to W. Blake Metheny:

"Matheny Notes

"The following is taken from the statement of Sarah Matheny Satterfield to the editor
of the Pike County Republican of Pike County, Ohio, in May 27, 1875 issue. The paper is
on file in the public library in Columbus." Sarah Matheny Satterfield lived to the age of 108

"I was born in Berkley County, Virginia, between the Shenandoah and Blue Ridge
Mountains. I do not know the year I was born, for I was not taught to read and am
unfamiliar with dates, but I know that my father was a soldier in the Revolution; and that
he came home from the army; that soldiers were seeking to arrest him and take him back
to the army and because my mother could not tell where he was, they set fire to and
burned the house in which we were living at the time. I came near being burned to death
before my mother could rescue me.

Cont.

My recollection is that I was 7 years old at the beginning of or during the Revolutionary
war. Supposing that I was born at the beginning of the war, I am now in 1871, 96 years
of age. My father's name was Daniel Matheny. My mother was Isabella Copas. I well
remember my grandfather Matheny. I think his name was John, but I am not sure. I
imagine my father was a native of Virginia.

Grandfather Matheny had a large family of children. I remember James, Samuel,
William, Michael, Isiah, Daniel, Jane, Rachel, Jessamine, and Mary. I remember of
Grandfather Copas' family only Thomas, William, Greenburn, Rachel, and Mary.
Grandfather Copas 'net a violent death. He perished in a terrible snow storm, while under
the influence of liquor, when his hair was gray. He rented land of the Fairfaxes. I was
brot up to do all kinds of housework and to work in the fields.

I was 16 years of age as near as I remember when I married James Satterfield, near
where I was born. He was a farm laborer. We had four children when we came to Ohio.
We came down the Ohio River and landed at the mouth of Brush Creek in Adams
County, Ohio. My husband rented land and sometimes made or mended shoes. We
bought about a hundred acres of land on Chenowith's Fork of the Sunfish and moved on
it several years before the general call of 1814. My husband went on that call. I have
lived here ever since we first settled on Chenowith's Creek.'
"In 1873 a few remarks on Mother Satterfield were published in which she states, 'I am the mother of 17 children, 102 grandchildren, many gr-grandchildren and some gr-gr-grandchildren. My husband, James Satterfield died in May 1845. I have been a member of the Methodist church for 66 years'. "Her children--approximate dates--from her own statements and other sources---

1. Mary b. 1794 died in infancy
2. Joseph b. 1796 died in infancy
3. Susan m. 1798 married Richard Grimes had a large family of children lived in Adams Co., Ohio
4. Rebecca b. 1800-married Randolph Wilburn Had a large family-Rebecca died in 1845--and he married Rachel Hugh.Lived about a mile from the home place.
5. 6. Susan & Elizabeth b. 1802 Twins, Susan died young, Elizabeth married William Beekman had a large . . . family, lived at Grassy Fork on the Sunfish.
7. Massie- b. 1803--married John Beekman-had 6 children--lived at Grassy Fork
8. Unnamed boy b. 1804--died at birth
9. Fanny never married b. 1806
    Cousin) b. 1808- mar. Matilda Legg-had two children after her death he mar. Elizabeth Copas
11. Isabella.- b. 1810- mar. Reuben Hughes--5 or 6 children lived at Carmel in Highland Co., Ohio
13. Polly- b. 1814-
14. Benjamin- 1816- died young
15. Nancy b. 1818- died in infancy
16. Anna b. 1820- mar. Russel Wilburn--had 10 children and lived at Latham, Ohio
17. William- b. 1821 or(1822)- Mar Fanny Shamks Shanks?)--Dec.24, 1853, had nine children--inherited the homestead.

"Mr. Clinton Satterfield, grandson of the above William, of Elm Grove, Ohio, now owns the land the Satterfields settled on when they first came to Ohio. The Satterfield, Copas, Matheny, Shanks, and Grooms families all come to Ohio from Vir. about the same time. James and Sarah Satterfield were buried less than a quarter of a mile from where they first settled. James and William, their sons were buried in the Elm Grove vicinity. These dates are supposed to be tombstone records---

"James Satterfield b. 1764----D. 1842"
"Sarah Satterfield b. 1766----D. 1874"
Mrs. R.M. Craig's maiden name was Lillian Rolston. She is the daughter of Allen Ralston and Rose Satterfield, his wife. Rose Satterfield was the daughter of Henry David Satterfield (B. Pike Co., Ohio, 1838) and Rebecca Johnson, his wife. Henry David Satterfield was the son of John Satterfield (B. Ohio 1812) and Mary Copas (B. Ohio 1813), his wife. John Satterfield was the son of the above mentioned James Satterfield and Sarah Matheny, his wife. In 1943 Mrs. R. M. Craig wrote that she had two children: Barbara, aged seven, and Richard, aged four.

(Note on Copas Family: The Copas family of Jefferson County, W.Va.(then Berkeley County), apparently came from Maryland as I find in an article on the Gorsuch family in the Virginia Magazine of History, Volume 24, page 438, a reference to a John Copas who in August, 1693, brought a suit against John Oldton and Ann, his wife, relict of David Jones, in a dispute about the ownership of a heifer; with the reference: "Baltimore Co. Ct. Proc. 1691-3; 484-5" for the lawsuit. Also, there is recorded in Wm. & Mary Coll. Quarterly, 1st ser., vol. 18, page 181, the birth of Ann Copes, dau. of Giles and Margaret Copes, in Hungars Parish, Northampton Co., Va., in the year 1661.-W

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NOTES ON THE MATHENYS OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, (WEST) VIRGINIA
(FORMERLY PART OF BERKELEY COUNTY)

The following is a copy of a letter received by Mr W .P .Matheney of Dallas, Texas, and appears clearly to relate to the Mathenys of Jefferson County then Berkeley County, W.Va.:

Mr W.P. Matheney
Box 533, Estes Park, Colorado, Dallas, Texas.

"Dear Mr. Matheney,

"My sister-in-law, Mrs. Willaim H. Matheny, sent on to me the letter which she had from you, thinking that perhaps I could help you more than she could. If my brother were living, he could give you names and addresses of other Mathenys that he knew in both Illinois and Ohio who were interested in tracing the family. I am sorry to say that I have paid little attention to these things and know more about my mother's than my father's side of the family. I think this is because my father died when I was only twelve while Mother lived till long after I was grown. However I will give you what information I have.

"My grandfather was Daniel Matheny, born in 1770 in West Virginia. His wife was Susannah Satterfield. Three of their children were born here in the Shenandoah Valley. They moved to Ohio (I have no date for this) and settled in Adams County on a farm. There the rest of their children were born - nine of them. They are David, John, Elijah, Samuel, Wesley, Michael, Daniel, William, and Sarah. My father was William and he was born in 1822. When he was grown he went back to West Virginia and there married his first wife, Amanda Atkeson, in 1848. Four of their children were born there in Randolph County. These were Adaline, Reed, Nancy, and Michael. About 1856 or 57 they came to Illinois to Prairie City where their last daughter, Eliza Anne, was born. His first wife died here in 1860 and in 1864 he married Martha Filer. These two had five children Martha Belle, William H., Abagail May, Harry, and Elizabeth. These are all dead except myself, Elizabeth. To carry on the name, Reed had two son (sic), Chester and Robert, Michael had one son, Frederick. I'm sorry not to be able to give addresses for these. Chester went to New Jersey the last I knew, Robert is a rover since the last war, and Fred was a patent lawyer in Seattle the last I knew.

"I think you will at once realize from this that my father is not of the direct line of the James Matheny from whom your family came. I would guess that my grandfather, Daniel, was perhaps the son of a brother of James. I know that some of his family came to Kentucky at the same time that others came to Ohio. Father, himself, went to school at Hiram College in Kentucky and for some time he was a Methodist minister in the
His sister Sarah married Monroe Stivers and lived all her latter life in Peoria, Ill. and at least two of his brothers, Michael and Elijah settled in Iowa.

"This is the extent of my knowledge of the family. I fear it won't be of much use to you.

"Sincerely yours,
"(Mrs. Charles H. McGee)
"Elizabeth M. McGee"

NOTES ON THE MATHENYS OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, (WEST) VIRGINIA
(FORMERLY PART OF BERKELEY COUNTY):

Record of Marriages No 1(1801-1853), in the office of the County Clerk of Jefferson County, W.Va., contains the following marriages:

Page 7: 1812 Apl 30 Jonus McCanly (Matheny?) & Lidia Morgan by J. Mathews.
Page 16: 1819, Thos Matheny & Anna Dillon (or Dillow?) Married by Thomas Keyes.
         1819, Apl 8 Wm Frieand & Sarah Matheny Married by Thos Keyes.
         1829, Jan 30 Robert Metton (Matheny?) & Harriet Croez. Married by Thomas Keyes.
Page 17: 1821, Feb 4 Samuel Wells and Elizabeth Matheny. Married by Thos Keyes.
Page 22: 1826, Jan 26 Moses Matheny and Anna Jones. Married by Thos Keyes.
Page 33: 1834, July 25 James Matheny & Mary Strodes (Strode?). Married by S. Tuston.
         1834, June 13 Jacob Roby & Patsy Matheny. Married by S. Tuston.
Jefferson County, W.Va., Marriage Bonds preserved in the office of the County Clerk (only a few have been preserved) contain the following:


Jefferson County, W.Va., Marriage Register for 1865-1882 (part for the years 1854 to 1864 is missing) contains:

Page 42, No.11: Jacob A.R.Matheny and Mary Elizabeth Ott were married on Feb.9,1873, by Samuel Brown. Groom aged 22 yrs and son of Jonah Matheny. Bride aged 16 years and daughter of Addison Ott. Fathers gave consent in person.

Page 64, No.2: J.A.R.Matheny and Mary C. Turner were married on Feb.28, 1878, at Charlestown, by T.B.Shepherd.

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Groom was 28 years of age, born in Jefferson County, and was a widower. Wife was 23 years of age, born in Rockingham County, Virginia, but was then resident in Jefferson County, and was single (Note: see Chancery suit in Jefferson County Circuit Court entitled J.A.R Mathena’ s Administrator vs. Mary C. Mathena et al.,(1907) in which Mary C. Mathena, widow of J.A.R. Mathena, testified that she was born in Rockingham County, Va., on April 22, 1862, that she ran away from home to get married and that J.A.R. Mathena gave her age as 21 in order to get marriage license.).

Page 64, No. 10: Maurice Grove and Mary Elizabeth Matheny were married on April 7,1878. Husband was single and aged 25 years.Wife was a "widow divorced" and aged 22 years.

Register of Deaths within the District of R. A. Alexander, Assessor, for the County of Jefferson in the Year Ending 31st December, 1885, entry No.40:

"Mathaney, John - Date of Death: May 4, 1885 - (Place of Death:) Charlestown Dist. Heart Disease
(Age:) 77 years -
(Names of Parents:) Jonah & Rebecca
Mathaney - (Occupation:) Toll-G Keeper - (Consort of:) Jane E. Mathaney
(Source of Information:) J.A.R. Mathaney - (Informant:) Son."

Additional Matheny entries from Jefferson County, W.Va.,
Registers of Deaths:

Frances Matheny, daughter of Moses and Elizabeth Matheny, died in Shepherdstown on Oct. 10, 1858, aged 5 years. She was born in Shepherdstown.

Eva Green Mathaney, daughter of J.A.R. Mathaney and Mary E (C.?) Mathaney, his wife, died in Charlestown Dist., on January 20, 1886. She was born in Charlestown Dist.

Mollie (Mary?) Agnes Mathena, daughter of Jacob (J.A.R.) and Mary C. Mathena, died in Charlestown Dist., on Sept. 2, 1891, at the age of 6 months.

Eugene Mathena, son of J.A.R. and Cassie Mathena, died in Charlestown Dist., on August 18, 1896, aged 17 years and 6 months.

J.A.R. Mathena died on January 18, 1906, aged 56 years, Occupation: Tax Collector.

Mary Louise Mathena, died in Charlestown Dist., on November 3, 1923, aged 5 years. Return by Dr. J. J Rittman.

Mary Catharine Mathena died in Charlestown Dist., on October 24, 1924, aged 63 years, 6 months and 2 days, a widow. Return by Dr. A.O Albin.

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Register of Births of Jefferson County, W. Va.,(1853-1860 and 1872-1875) in the office of the County Clerk:

Page 2: Dec. 21(24?), 1853 Frances Cooper Matheny, born at Shepherdstown, daughter of Moses Matheny (Miller, by occupation), a resident of Shepherdstown, and Elizabeth Matheny, his wife.

Page 38: July 8, 1858 William Matheny, born in Jefferson County, son of Moses
Matheny (Miller, by occupation), a resident of Jefferson County, and Elizabeth Matheny, his wife.

A partial search of the Registers of Births of Jefferson County for the years subsequent to 1875 reveals the following entries:

Dec. 25, 1881 Jacob A(?). Mathany, son of Jacob A. Mathany and Mary C. Mathany, born in Charles Town District.

July 30, 1883 Ida J. Mathaney, daughter of Jacob and Mary C. Mathaney, born in Charles Town District:

Nov. 16, 1916 Dora Mitchell Mathena, daughter of Charles J. and Bessie Mathena, born at Mountain.

May 23, 1922 John Jacob Mathena, son of Eber and Halsie M. Orebaugh Mathena, born at.

Index of Jefferson County Wills and Administrations:


Will Book E, pages 212-214, contains an authenticated copy of the Last Will and Testament of Robert R. Mathena, Deceased, from the Office of the Register of Wills of Alleghany County, Pennsylvania, showing that Robert R. Mathena of the Borough of Pitcairn, County of Allegheny and State of Pennsylvania, died on July 28, 1924, at 8:40 P.M. in Pitcairn, Pa., leaving a will dated July 24, 1924 and probated on August 8, 1924 in Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, by which he left real estate in Pitcairn Borough and personal estate to his widow Ola Mathena, estate valued at $18,000.
NOTES ON THE MATHENYS OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, (WEST) VIRGINIA
(FORMERLY PART OF BERKELEY COUNTY):

Jefferson County Court Tax Book for the years 1859 and 1860 (University of West Virginia Library, County Court Record Room, Range 20):

Page 167: 1859
"Jonah Matheny & 2 sons
"To 3 Levies 0 250 7.50 7.50
" 1 White male of 21 = 80 property 88 1.68
" School x tax 3.17
" tuition fee 53/3 & 1.00 - 1.53 - $13.88"

Page 114: 1860
"Jonah Matheny & 2 sons Dr 3 Levies 240 7.20
1 white male of 21 = 80 property 91 1.71
School tax 3.14 - extra 1.10 tuition
for 75.94"

Jonah Matheny served as a private in Captain James Conn's Company of Infantry, Second Battalion, 55th Regiment, 16th Brigade, Virginia Militia, on April 16, 1814, in the war of 1812 (Bushong, "History of Jefferson County, West Virginia", appendix A, page 359).

Randolph Matheny served as a private in Chew's Battery, Rosser's Brigade, Army of Northern Virginia, in the Civil War (Bushong, "History of Jefferson County, West Virginia", appendix A, page 365).

U. S. Census of Jefferson County, Virginia, for 1810 (as furnished to W. Blake Metheny by Mrs. R. M. Craig of Memphis, Mo. in letter dated March 2, 1943), page 179:

"Jonas Matheny - males - to 10 - 1 : females:
10 to 16-1 : 16 to 26 - 1
26 to 45-1 : 45 and up-4 :
"John Matheny - males - under 10 - 2 : females:
10 to 16 - 1 : under 10 - 2
45 and up- 1 : 10 to 16 - 1
45 & up - 1

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Deed from Lewis Mayer and Mary his wife of the Borough of York, Pennsylvania, by their attorney in fact, John L. Mayer of the same place, of the one part, to Moses Matheny of Shepherdstown, Virginia, of the second part, for a lot of ground situate on the North East corner of High and Mill streets in said town of Shepherdstown, Jefferson County, Virginia, consisting of two contiguous parts of the lot known on the general plan of said Town as lot No.89. Deed dated January 29, 1846, recorded February 6, 1846, in Jefferson County Deed Book No.27, at page 468 etc.

Deed from Isaac Fonke, Special Commissioner, to Jonah Matheny, dated August 13, 1874, conveying to Matheny the "Saw Mill" property which Matheny had bought as highest bidder on June 1, 1868 at a public sale held by said Commissioner pursuant to court decree in front of the Sappington Hotel in Charlestown for $440, said land being located on the East Side of the Shenandoah River and containing 5 acres. Adjoining owners were B.C. Washington and Walveren (?). (Jefferson County Deed Book "B", page 216).

Deed from Moses Matheny and Elizabeth, his wife, of Alleghany County, State of Maryland, of the one part to John R. Ray of Jefferson County, State of West Virginia, of the other part, conveying for a consideration of $1000.00 a "House and Lot of ground situate lying and being on the Corner of High and Mill Streets in Shepherdstown Jefferson County West Virginia and known on the plat of said Town as Lot No. 89." to said John R. Ray. This deed was acknowledged by Moses and Elizabeth Matheny before John D. Porter, Notary Public, of Frostburg, Alleghany County, Maryland, on May 1, 1867. Deed dated April 15, 1867, and recorded in Jefferson County Deed Book No.4, page 57.

Deed from Jonah Mathaney to Barnett Smallwood, both of Jefferson County, State of West Virginia, for a certain Saw Mill property on the East Side of the Shenandoah River, containing 5 acres, being the same land conveyed to said Matheny by Isaac Fouke (Fonke?), Special commissioner; consideration $275.00. Deed dated August 13, 1873, and recorded April 7, 1876. in Jefferson County Deed Book "D", at pages 170-171.

Bill of Sale, dated January 21, 1889, from Jonah Matheny of Jefferson County, West Virginia, to J. A. R. Matheny, for $672.00 for which consideration he conveys to said J. A. R. Matheny the following property, viz:- Four horses, also one Mare, eight head of cattle 2/3 of about 75 bushels of rye not threshed, all my interest (3/5) in 35 a. of wheat in the ground on the farm where I now reside east of the Shenandoah River & all farming & household equipment etc. (Recorded March 20, 1880, in Deed Book "H", page 190).
Deed from E. A. B. Henderson to Jacob A. R. Matheny, dated April 27, 1880, for five acres of land located about one mile south of Charlestown on the Bloomery Turnpike (Jefferson County Deed Book "H", pages 365-367).

Greenberry Coopus served as a juror in the case of Islor &c vs. Carter, on August 11, 1803 (Jefferson County Minute Book No.1, 1801-1807).

Acknowledgment of assignment of lease from Copus to Davis on June 12, 1805 (Jefferson County Court Minute Book No.1, page 142).


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Jefferson County, (West) Virginia, Personal Property Tax Lists for the Years 1802 to 1810 (Archives Division, Virginia State Library. See pages 15 and 16 of these notes for the lists from 1782 to 1800 for Berkeley County while it included all of the present county of Jefferson):

1802- List taken by Jacob Bedinger includes:
John Matheny - 1 free white male over 16 years.
Jonas Matheny - 1 "   "   "   "   "   "   "

1803- List taken by Jacob Bedinger does not include any Mathenys, but the list has been badly damaged.

1804- List taken by Daniel Morgan includes:
Jonis Matheny
John Matheny

1804- List taken by Jacob Bedinger, Jan. 23, 1804, includes:
Johan Matheny - 1 free white male over 16 years.
John Matheny - 1 free white male over 16 years.
1805-
List taken by A. Davenport includes:
John Matheny - 1 free white male over 16 years.
Matheny - 1 " " " " " "

1806-
List taken by A. Davenport includes:
Jonah Mathena - 1 free white male over 16 years.
John Mathena - 1 " " " " " "

1807-
List taken by William Malin includes:
Jonah Metheney - 1 white male (no ages given).
John Metheney - 0 " " " " " "

1808-
Lists missing.

1809-
List includes:
John Matheney - 0 free white males over 16 years.
Jonas Matheney - 1 " " " " " "
James Matheney - 1 " " " " " "

1810-
List includes:
Jona Matheny - 1 free white male over 16 years.
John Mthaney's Executors - 0 free white males over 16.

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Information on the Family of Jonah Matheny, Jr., furnished to W. Blake Metheny by Mrs. John Wiggin Kline (nee Mary Agnes Mathena) during interview on July 30, 1946, at her home, 111 N. Charles Street, Charles Town, Jefferson Co., W.Va.:

Jonah Matheny (Jr.) is buried at the Methodist Graveyard in Charles Town. He probably lived just east of Charles Town. He married a Miss Robey of Loudoun County, Va. Both must have died around 1850. Their children were:

Patricia, called "Patty", born before 1850, died about 1914, buried in Methodist Episcopal Churchyard in Charles town. She never married, but lived all her life with her brother J. A. R. Mathena.

Jacob Andrew Robey, born about 1850, died about 1906; buried in Edge Hill Cemetery in Charles Town, W.Va.; married Mary Catherine Turner of near Harrisonburg, Rockingham Co. Va., born about 1861, died 1924.

Randolph, and possibly others.
Jacob Andrew Robey Matheny adopted the present spelling of the family name, "Mathena", as he believed that it was the proper one. His children were:

Eugene Baker, born about 1877, died at the age of 16 years when his horse ran away and threw him; buried in Edge Hill Cemetery in Charles Town, W.Va.

Bessie Baylor, born about 1878, married about 1907, Joseph Harper, formerly of Winchester, Va. She lives at 3900 Yuma St., N. W., Washington, D. C., and has six children.

Charles Jonah, born about 1880, married about 1904 Bessie Ellen Orem of Harper's Ferry, W.Va. For some years he lived at Pitcairn, Allegheny County, Pa., but he is now living on a farm near Kabletown, Jefferson County, W.Va.

Ida Jane, married Joseph Wilson Smith of Charles Town, W.Va., by whom she had five children:

(a) Grace Augusta Smith, married Raymond H. Boyar, and had two children: Elizabeth Jane Boyer and Ann Catharine Boyer.
(b) Charles Jacob Wilson Smith, married Pauline McAtee from near Charles Town and has two children: Charles Wilson McAtee and Warren Eugene McAtee.
(c) Edith Elizabeth Smith, married David Shoemaker of Rippon, W.Va., and has one child: Edith Jane Shoemaker.
(d) Dorothy Smith, married Edward Arnett from Spencer, W.Va., and has one child: Edward.

Robert Rissler, born about 1885, died in 1924 at Pitcairn, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania; married Leola Delle Peoples of Wilkinsburg, Pennsylvania. She is now deceased.

Eber Green, born about 1886, died about 1930 in Charles Town, W.Va., married Halsie M. Orebaugh of Charles Town, and had one son: John Jacob Mathena, born about 1921, who served in the U. S. Navy during World War II and is not married.

Mary Agnes, born December 27, 1891, married June 2, 1917, at Summit Point, W.Va., John Wiggin Kline, born Nov. 9, 1892, son of Charles Daniel and Mary Lauretta Dailey Kline of Bloomery, Jefferson Co., W. Va., grandson of Daniel Kline of Rockingham Co., Va. Mr. John Wiggin Kline is a prominent merchant in Charles Town, W.Va., and his wife, Mary Agnes Mathena Kline, furnished this information.

They have one son: Charles William Kline, born July 3, 1924, at Charles Town, W.Va., who served in the U. S. Army in World War II in the European Theater for 36 months. He was a student at the Univ. of W.Va. for one year before the War, and now plans to resume his education at the Shepard State (W.Va.) Teachers College. Charles Jonah
Mathena and Bessie Ellen Orem, his wife, have the following children:

1. Robert Andrew, born about 1916, unmarried and lives with his parents.
2. Grayson U., born about 1918, died about May, 1946, near Baltimore, Md., where he
   lived in one of the suburbs. He married there, had no children.
3. Vernon, born about 1920, lives near Ilchester in the vicinity of Baltimore, Md.;
   married Leola Wilt from near Harpers Ferry, W.Va. They have one son,
   Vernon Mathena,Jr., and five daughters.
   they now reside. They have one child: Bolling Brown. Robert Rissler Mathena and
   Leola Delle Peoples, his wife, had two children:
   1. Mary, married Charles Madden.
   2. Robert, lost on the U. S. S. Quincey in August, 1943. He had no children.

Lyman Chalkley's "Chronicles of the Scotch-Irish Settlement in Virginia. Extracted from
the Original Court Records of Augusta County, 1745-1800", 3 volumes, 1912, at
Volume 2, page 473, gives an abstract of the Revolutionary pension application of
William Matheny as follows:

"William Matheny's Declaration, October 24th, 1832:

Aged 73 years; enlisted in the United States Army in 1777 for 3 years; with Captain
Francis Willis, and served in the Sixteenth Regiment of the Virginia Line, under Col.
William Grayson, Lieut. Col. Powell, Capt. Francis Willis, First Lieutenant
Christopher Greenup, Second Lieut. Cato Moore, Ensign John Sitton; rendezvoused at
Shenandoah River, in Berkeley County, and marched to Leesburg; thence to Philadelphia
via Alexandria; thence to the Cross Roads, where he joined the army under Washington;
was afterwards in the battle of Brandy wine, where he was wounded in the left leg and
taken prisoner; was paroled on the ground, and taken to Pennsylvania (Lancaster), where
he remained until he was well; never heard of his being exchanged and never went back
into the army."

The pension file of William Matheny of Augusta in the National Archives, Washington,
D. C., contains, in addition to the above information, the following:

"This applicant further states that he resided on the Shenandoah River, in the County of
Berkeley in the State of Virginia, when he entered the service in the same County: That
he marched from there to Leesburg & from there to Philadelphia...."
A letter in this pension file from William McCoy, dated Jan.28, 1830, states that William Matheny of Augusta has applied to Congress for a special Law in his behalf. In this file, also, the date shown on his pension application appears to be October 22, 1832, and not October 24th, 1832, as given by Chalkely above.

The U.S. Census of 1830 for Augusta County, Virginia, at page 62, gives the following:

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(Note): It appears likely that the two younger members of the family of William Matheny, Sr., were James Matheny and his wife, Catharine Susan Knowles. "1820,Apr.3 James Matheny, bachelor, and Catharine Susan Knowles, spinster. Surety, John Gordon who testified that the bride was over 21 years of age." Augusta Co., Va., Marriage License Bonds, published in "Tyler's Quarterly Magazine", Vol.25, No.4 (April, 1944), page 291).

William Matheny of Grayson’s Regiment, Continental Troops, Revolutionary War, appears on 12 company pay rolls now in the Old Records Division, Adjutant General's Office, War Department, located in the National Archives Bldg., 10th & Constitution Ave., Washington, D.C., which give the following personal information: on the pay roll to Oct.1, 1777, under Casualties it is stated that he was supposed to have been killed, but was only wounded, and now at Lancaster; and on a later pay roll it is stated that he was wounded Sept.11, 1777, and is absent. The pay rolls of May & August, 1778, list him as a prisoner.

The Old Records Division had, also, a record of William Matheny, private, Revolutionary War, whose name appears in a book entitled ”A list of Soldiers of the Virginia Line on-
Continental Establishment who have received Certificates for the balance of their full pay Agreeable to an Act of Assembly passed November Session 1781." , Pay rec'd by Ben Ashby, Sum 7-6 - 15 - 10, Vol.176 p.402.

From the above information showing that it was first believed by William Matheny's organization that he had been killed, it can be readily understood why the Berkeley County Court on August 18, 1778, allowed Margaret Matheny, his wife, a widow's pension.

NOTES ON THE MATHENYS OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, (WEST) VIRGINIA (FORMERLY PART OF BERKELEY COUNTY):

Abstract of the declaration of Luke Metheny for pension for Revolutionary War service now on file in the National Archives, Washington, D.C., File No.R.7149, Virginia service:

Luke Metheny made pension declaration on Sept.14, 1818, in Overton Co., Tenn., before Judge Parry Humphreys, in which he stated that he enlisted on March 27, 1777, in Berkeley Co., Va., with Captain Francis Willis, 16th Regiment, under Colonel Grayson, for a term of three years, that "On the 11th of Sept 1777 he was taken prisoner at the battle of Brandywine was exchanged on the 14th of June following & on the 28th of June was at the Battle of Monmouth he was attached to a regiment commanded by Col Nat. Gist, Capt. Muir's Co. & in the year 1779 he was one of the troops of the Virginia line who volunteered under Gen. Wayne to Storm Stony Point & he was in that action..."; then he went to Trenton and there he enlisted for the war and afterward, on the 13th of April 1780 he was discharged by providing a man to serve during the war in his stead. The original discharge is in the Auditor's office at Richmond. That he is in 65th year of his age and is not well.

On October 26, 1820, Luke Metheny, of Overton Co., Tenn., then in his 67th year, made an additional declaration in which he stated that he was taken prisoner by the British and kept for some time on a prison ship in the River Delaware where he contracted a complaint which still afflicts him, that he enlisted at Trenton in 1779 in Col. Washington's 'Corpse of horse" and served until April, 1780 when ill health caused his discharge at Petersburg, Va., upon his substituting a man in his place, that he owns 90 acres of land and various personal property, that his wife is aged about 63 years and is very sickly and almost blind, that he has three children at home:- the eldest a daughter named Emillia aged 22 years, the second a son named William aged about 20 years, and third a son named Joshua aged about 14 years.
In January, 1826, Luke Matheny's pension was transferred from the West Tennessee Agency to Monroe Co., Ky., at his request because his children were in Monroe County, Ky., and he was then too old to remain in Tennessee by himself.

The file contains two letters from T A. Tidball, Clerk of the Court of Frederick County, Virginia, dated Sept. 25, 1834 and Sept. 26, 1839, in response to inquiries for the marriage record of Luke Metheny and Elender Orr. The clerk stated that no register of marriages was kept in his office prior to the year 1782, and to the second of said letters is attached an old paper containing the names and dates of birth of the following children to Luke Metheny and his wife, Elender Orr:

"John Metheany Born November 25, 1783
Anne Metheany Born November 15, 1785
Sary Methenay Born October 1, 1787(?)
Margaret Metheany Born January 15, 1790
Mary Metheany Born January 2, 1792
Luke Metheany Born May 2, 1794
Nely Metheany Born September 4, 1796
Emily Metheany Born January 2, 1799

(Either I overlooked the second piece of paper, or it has been lost W.B.M. the above list is not complete).

Luke Matheny's Pension Declaration, continued.

The file contains the declaration of Elender Metheany, dated January 30, 1840, made in Monroe County, Ky., for a widow's pension, wherein she states that she is 80 years of age and is a resident of Monroe County, Ky., that she is the widow of Luke Metheny of Overton Co., Tenn., whose pension was transferred to the Kentucky agency, that she has no marriage certificate, but the above enclosed list of her children is in her husband's handwriting, that she was married two years less one month when her son John Metheany was born which enables her to fix with certainty the date as December 25, 1781, in Frederick Co., Va., that she had "Ten Children Recorded on two pieces of Paper both marked A and that her husband the aforesaid Luke Metheany died on the 5th of August 1839 that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service but the Marriage took place previous to the first day of January Seventeen hundred and Ninety four." A supporting affidavit was made by Mary Fulks in Monroe County, Kentucky, on March 3, 1840, wherein she states that she was born in Loudoun County, Va., in 1772, and in 1778 her father removed to Frederick County where her brother John Fulks was born the same year and in the year 1781 September 18th, her youngest sister was born and in the Beginning to the next year Archibald Metheany and
Daniel Metheany Came to her fathers and told the family that their Brother Luke Metheany was Married to Elender Orr on Christmas Day and that they both saw them Married and had every reason to believe them for they were considered truthful men.

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She has been acquainted with Luke and Elender Metheany ever since and they have cohabited together as husband and wife nor has she ever heard it doubted by any person.... She did not see herself and she has learned from a creditable source that Archibald & Daniel Metheany is both dead. Sworn and Subscribed to before William G. Howard, J. P. Certificate that Henry Gramblin and Joshua Metheany have proved that Luke Metheany died on August 5, 1839. Affidavit by Joshua Metheany made in Monroe Co. Ky., at September Term of Court, 1843, wherein he states that Luke Metheany had a pension of $96. per annum, and that Elender, who received a widow's pension in Luke's stead after his death, died on May 15, 1842, leaving the following children as her lawful heirs, to wit: John Metheney, Sarah, Nancy, Polly, Margaret, Luke, Ellender, Milley, William and Joshua , and that they are the only heirs, that he is the youngest child of the said Luke and Ellender Metheney & he is 30 years old on December 16th last, and that John Metheney the oldest son is about Sixty years old.

NOTE: Luke Metheny appears in other records after the Revolution as follows:
Frederick Co., Va. on May 7,1784 (see p.80, above);

Hampshire Co.,(W.)Va., as witness to deed dated Mar.18,1785(Sage & Jones ,"Records of Early Hampshire Co.,W.Va.",p.2); Rockingham Co., Va., personal property Tax Lists in 1786,87,88; Augusta Co., Va., (part which became Bath Co. in 1791 and Highland Co. in 1847)when he patented 130 acres of land on an East Branch of Back Creek on West side of the Mountain, on June 17, 1789 (Va. State Land Office, Land Grants and 1790-92 tax lists. 1779-1803,Book No.20,P.447),

Luke Metheny removed from Back Creek in what is now Highland County, Virginia, and settled on Turkey Creek in what is now Monroe County, West Virginia, by the year 1794 when he purchased 59 acres of a tract of 175 acres of land located on Turkey Creek from Philip Cooper (Oren F Morton, "A History of Monroe County, W. Va." ,page 97).

A deed from Philip Cooper and Elizabeth, his wife, to Isaac Kilburn, dated 1795, for 116 acres of a tract of 175 acres on Turkey Creek mentions the adjoining owners as: Edward Calahan, Luke Metheny, William Robinson, and Thomas Kincaid (I bid.,page 96). And in 1797 Luke and Elender Metheny, his wife, sold 77 acres of land on Turkey Creek to
Andrew Crosier of Botetout County, Virginia (Ibid., page 92). Robert Metheny, who appears to have been a younger brother of Luke, Archibald and Daniel Metheny, and who owned land in Back Creek Valley adjoining that surveyed for Archibald Matheny on October 14, 1790 (Va. State Land Office, Richmond, Va., Patent Book No.40, page 396), appears to have removed to Monroe County about the same time as did Luke Metheny, as Morton's history of Monroe County lists a Robert Matheny as a resident of Monroe County in 1799.

Robert removed to Cumberland County, Kentucky, where he received a grant of 200 acres of land located on Spring Creek (now in Clinton County, Ky.), which was surveyed for him on September 24, 1806 (Jillson, "The Kentucky Grants", page 361, under the heading "Grants south of Green River").

However, Robert Matheny appears to have resided in Tennessee from about 1809 until about 1817, or later, and to have removed to Ray County, Missouri, before 1850 when he and his children appear in the U.S. Census of 1850 for Ray County (Records of Robert Matheny and his descendants will be given hereafter).

Luke Metheny, as shown by his pension file, removed to Overton County, Tennessee, before 1813, and about 1826 again removed to Monroe County, Kentucky, where his children had settled and where he died on August 5, 1839.

SCHARF "HISTORY OF WESTERN MARYLAND", Volume II:

Page 1486: "Moses Matheney, died Oct.16, 1869, aged 68", inscription from Percy's Cemetery in Frostburg District, Allegany County, Maryland.

Page 1492: Robert Matheney, (V. D.) officer of Frostburg Lodge, No.590, Knights of Honor, in Frostburg, Allegany County, Maryland, on April 17, 1877.

THOMAS & WILLIAMS, "HISTORYOFALLEGANYCOUNTY,MARYLAND",1923.

Volume II, pages 1207-08, contains a biographical sketch of Harry Wellington Matheney, with a portrait:
Harry Wellington Matheney, born April 18, 1882, at Lonaconing, Allegany Co., Md., son of Robert Matheney and Mary Elizabeth Russell, his wife, is a prominent druggist in Cumberland, Md., and married Gertrude Sincell.

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