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In 1727 1. James Jameson sold land in Essex county, and Margaret Jameson relinquished her right to dower. A James Jameson was justice of Essex in 1714, and one of the name died January 17, 1720. (Middlesex Parish Register.) The will of 1. James Jameson (dated April 19, 1736, recorded November 17, 1736) is as follows:

"In the name of God, Amen: I, James Jameson, being sick and weak, but of sound and perfect memory, do make, constitute and ordain this my last will and Testament in manner following:

Item. I give and bequeath to my son James the land I bought of Richard Coleman, lying in King & Queen county:

Item. I leave ten pounds current money to my son David and one Gold ring with a stone to Mrs. Eleanor Roy; and will that all the remainder of my Estate of what kind soever be Equally divided amongst my beloved sons Thomas, James and David, appointing the Rev Robert Rose,¹ Mr. Dan' Gaines, Munyo Roy & my said son James Exrs of this my last will and Testament.

JAS. JAMESON {seal}

"Nov' 17, 1736, D. Gaines, Thomas Short and Charles Sharp were appointed Commissioners to meet at the house where James Jameson deceased did live, and appraise all the Estate." Among articles mentioned were:

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This inventory and appraisement was admitted to record 17th day of May, 1737, and John Vawter appointed Admr, during the minority of James Jameson.

On the 18th December, 1739, Thomas Jameson, with Robert Rose,¹ as security, qualified in two bonds of £1,000 each as guardian of David Jameson and James Jameson respectively.

2. James Jameson, born about 1720, died Saturday, December 6th, aged 46 years. He m. Mary Gaines, who departed this life ¹Rev. Robert Rose (died June 20, 1751, in the 47th year of his age) married Anne, daughter of Henry Fitzhugh.
JAMESON FAMILY.

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at 9/4 past 6 o'clock on Friday evening, July 18, 1806, aged about 84 years.

From a book, *The New Whole Duty of Man*, etc., etc., 17th edition, London, 1761, in which, on title page, is found, "York, Dec' 6, 1764, Thomas Jameson, Jr" (now in the possession of his descendant, Mrs. Q. D. Vaughan, of Louisville, Ky.) will be found the following, written in a splendid hand:

10—i., "Martha* Daughter of Jas* & Mary Jameson, Born on

Mary Jameson was the daughter of Daniel Gaines, as shown by the following will, viz.:

"In the name of God, Amen. I, Daniel Gaines of Essex County, being sick and weak, but of perfect mind, memory and understanding, do by these Presents make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following:

"Imprimis. I Lend to my beloved wife Eliza. Gaines all of my whole Estate, bothe real and personal, during her natural life or Widowhood, out of which she is to pay all my Just debts and Legacies, and support my Family, and my Will is as soon as she Conveniently can Raise money to Purchase Two small negro Girl slaves she do it, the one for Martha Jameson, the other for Mary Harvie, my Two Grand daughters, to them and their Lawful heirs for Euer, my Will is that in Case of my Wife Marrying, Embezling or Squandering any Part of my Estate, that is so left to her, that it shall be directly taken out of her hands to be taken Care of for the use of my six Children, viz., Bernard Gaines, George Gaines, William Gaines, Sarah Gaines, Elenor Boulware and Judith Gaines to be equally divided among them, my Will is that my Wife dispose of any part of my Estate to raise Money to discharge my Just debts and Legacies and I do hereby Constitute, ordain and appoint my beloved wife Eliza. Gaines and Capt. James Garnett my whole and sole Executors of this my last will and Testament. In witness thereof I have hereto set my hand and seal this 21st day of April 1757.

"(Signed) D. Gaines."

Signed and sealed
In Presence of
John Molar
John X Welch.

Mark

Proved July 19, 1757.
Governor Gilmer in his *Georgians*, and Miss Minor in her *Meriwether Family* both err in stating that Frank Meriwether, second son of Thomos Meriwether, married Martha Jameson, sister of Lieutenant-Colonel John Jameson, of the Continental army. It was the above Martha, his first cousin.

11—ii., "Thomas, son of Jas & Mary Jameson Born on Thursday the 17th July 1745." (This is the person to whom the book belonged.)

12—iii., "Peggy, daughter of Jas & Mary Jameson Born on Monday 18 April 1748 & died the 2d Feby following."

13—iv., "James, son of Jas & Mary Jameson Born on Thursday 21st March 1754 and died the 19th March 1765."

14—v., "David, son of Jas & Mary Jameson Born on the 15 October 1757."

15—vi., "Mary, daughter of Jas & Mary Jameson Born on Sunday 2d March 1760."

16—vii., "Eliza, daughter of Jas & Mary Jameson Born on Tuesday 14th Sept. 1762."

The youngest child was named for her mother's mother.

3. David Jameson married Mildred Smith, daughter of Edmund and Agnes Smith. Meade, in *Old Churches and Old Families of Virginia*, says her tombstone was lying down on the Temple Farm. The *William and Mary College Quarterly*, Vol. II., p. 12, gives the inscription thereon as follows:

"Underneath this Marble lies the Body of
Mildred Jameson
wife of David Jameson
and Daughter of
Edmund and Agnes Smith
She departed this life
the 11th Day December 1778
In the Forty Sixth Year of her Age."

The tomb has the Jameson arms impaling Smith, with a ship as crest.

Jameson—Az. a saltier or cantoned with 4 ships under sail ar.
Smith—Az. a chevron between three acorns slipped and leaved or.

Of course, the tinctures on the tomb are not given, but are taken from Burke's *General Armory*. 
The descendants of Thomas and James, brothers of David, have silver displaying a ship, the crest.

Edmund Smith, father of Mildred Jameson, was descended from the Martians and Reades of Yorktown (see QUARTERLY, Vol. II. p. 12), and through them was a kinsman of Gen. George Washington. David Jameson was made in 1777 one of the privy council. In 1781 he was Lieutenant-Governor under Governor Thomas Nelson, and in 1783 a member of the State Senate, &c. He was also a prominent merchant of Yorktown. His will is thus set out in the records of the Hustings Court of that place:

"In the name of God, Amen. I David Jameson of York Town being of sound mind, but at present of indifferent health, do make, constitute & appoint this my last will & Testament.

I give and bequeath unto my nephew John Jameson one moiety of my estate both real and personal of which I may die possessed of to him the said John and his Heirs forever.

I give the other moiety of my Estate that I may die possessed of both real and personal to be equally divided between my nephews, David Jameson of Culpeper & David Jameson of Caroline county, to them & their Heirs forever.

Witness my hand and seal this 14th of October, 1792.

Signed [signed] David Jameson sealed, published and declared to be the last Will of David Jameson & we subscribed our names as Witnesses thereto by his desire.

WM REYNOLDS
WM CAREY
MARY MENNIS

Mem. On the 21st of May 1793 Mr. David Jameson of York desired me to add, by way of Codicile to his Will, that Cupid & Frank, two of his slaves, should at his decease be Emancipated, the last mentioned to be bound out to some trade by the administrators of his Will, and that Grace a Girl at present about the House should be given to Mrs. Mary Mennis.

WM REYNOLDS."

"At a Court of Hustings held for the Corporation of York Town the 22d day of July, 1793.

This Will . . . . was proved by the oaths of William Reynolds and William Carey Witnesses thereto and ordered Recorded and
on motion of John Jameson, David Jameson and David Jameson Jun't the Legatees mentioned in the Will, administration with the Will annexed is granted them, and certificate for obtaining a probate thereof in due form they having made oath thereto and given bond in the sum of Thirty thousand pounds with William Goosley, William Reynolds their securities according to Law, and a memorandum in the handwriting of William Reynolds Esquire being produced to the Court containing some requests of Devisees of the said Decedent by which a Negro Man named Cupid is to be set free, a Negro Girl named Grace is given to Mrs Mary Minnis & a Mulatto Boy named Frank to be set free and directed to be bound by his administrators to some Trade, which Memorandum was proved by the oath of the said William Reynolds and the said administrators being well satisfied that the said Bequests were the desire of the Testator desire to comply therewith agree and request that the said Memorandum may be annexed and recorded as a Codicile to the Will.

Teste, THOMAS NEWMAN C. C.

a copy—Teste

C. Wade, Clerk of York Co Va. By W. C. Wade

April 12, 1892. Deputy."

In my former article I made a mistake in stating that Enoch Smith Jameson had sold his great-grandfather Jameson's residence. He still owns it.

David Jameson was a member of the Society for the Promotion of Useful Discoveries at Williamsburg, and there is a letter by his friend, Governor John Page, President of the Society, giving the result of some experiments made by him and David Jameson with an instrument of their own invention on the fall of dew and rain—these experiments being the first that ever were made of their kind in America. Indeed, as Page said, "the first, with such an instrument, in the world."

(To be continued.)

THE COUNTY COMMITTEES OF 1774-'75 IN VIRGINIA.

By CHARLES WASHINGTON COLEMAN.

In a meeting of the inhabitants of Boston, November 2, 1772, committees of correspondence were established, on motion of Samuel Adams, between the towns of Massachusetts. On the 6th of January following, the Speaker of the Massachusetts Assembly