

WILL OF WILLIAM HOLMAN, 1820

Rowan County Register. P 3158 & 3159

Rowan Co NC Wills

H:27 William Holman. 3 May 1819. Prb. Feb 1820. Weak of body. Wife Sarah to have one sorrel mare & colt, two cows & calves her choice, one two-year-old heifer, eight head of sheep, fifteen head of hogs her choice, the whole flock of geese, one feather bed & furniture of her choice, one woman's saddle and bridle, a negro girl Cate and a negro boy George, the plantation where I live during her widowhood, a negro boy Charles, and the kitchen furniture, son Thomas Holeman to have a horse called Jack, bridle & saddle, a feather bed & its furniture. Son Samuel to have a gray mare called Midus, bridle & saddle, a feather bed & its furniture, and eleven head of hogs. Patience Reavis, wife of David Reavis, \$25.00. Dau Sarah Holeman and dau Temperance Holman- one feather bed & its furniture each. Sons Thomas & Samuel Holeman my home plantation at my wife's decease or the expiration of her widowhood, with Thomas to have the upper tract and half the new entry and Samuel to have the lower tract & building and the other half of the new entry. My three negroes lent to my wife during her life or widowhood are then to be sold and daus Sarah & Temperance are each to have \$50.00. All the rest of my property to be sold and the money divided equally: sons William Holman, James Holman, Isaac Holeman, David Holeman, also my daus. Rebekah Lovelace, Patience Reavis, Mary Sigler, Sarah Holeman, & Temperance Holeman, also my two younger sons Thomas Holeman and Samuel Holeman. Exrs: John Hendrick, John Joyner. Wit: John Sommers, John (X) Harris.

(Note: William Holeman is the son of Isaac whose 1807 Rowan Co Will, prb 1808, is recorded in Book G:93. Isaac Holeman was in Rowan at the time the county was formed; he was originally from Anne Arundel County, MD, see Newman, Anne Arundel County Gentry, p. 437. An Isaac Holeman was selling land in Rowan by Jan 15 1754, Deed Book 2:96, no purchase deed for this land survives in Rowan County nor in the Granville grants. William Holeman's first wife was Elizabeth Johnson; his surviving wife nee Sarah Whitlock. The 1815 Rowan tax list shows William Holeman Sr with one black poll and 268 A; James Holeman Sr, with four black polls and 250 A; Jacob Holeman with 1 white poll; 2 blacks polls, 513 A; David Holman 500 A; David Reavis with 336 A, Rebekah Holeman, b.27 Feb. 1775 Rowan, d. 1834 KY, m. Surry Co., NC, 6 Oct. 1795 Andrew Lovelace; the Rowan Co. marriage bond of David Reavis & Patience Holeman is dated 20 Apr. 1809; Mary Holeman is said to have married Jacob Sigler; the Rowan marriage bond of Temperance Holeman & Thomas Whitlock is dated 22 May 1824; the Rowan marriage bond of Bennit Windsor & Sarah Holeman is dated 27 Apr 1823.

The Whitlocks of Rowan Co. were the subject of an article in December 1997 issue of the WFN. The James Whitlock mentioned in that article also appears in a Deed dated Aug.9,1787 State Grant #1562 @ 50 sh[illings?] the 100 A[cre] to Silvas Whitlock, 300 A adj James Whitlock, William Holmar (Holman?), William Cook and John Gwaltney. I think this William Holmar is

the William Holman who's will is shown above. William's wife is shown in other records to have been Sarah Whitlock. It is speculated that Sarah was the daughter of James Whitlock of Rowan Co. Thomas Whitlock who married Temperance Holeman in 1824 is shown on the WHITLOCK87 chart as a possible child of James Whitlock and Nancy Bowen.

I will repeat my comment from the 1997 article. "If there is a clue here, I am missing it." Somehow these Rowan Co., North Carolina families are connected together but how continues to elude us. Hopefully more research into some of the collateral families such as the Holemans and the Bowens will make this clear.

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