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TITHABLES OF LANCASTER COUNTY, VA., 1654, WITH NOTES.

During the Seventeenth Century (with the exception of the years 1645-1648), all the revenues of the Colony of Virginia and of the separate counties, were raised by a poll tax. Every person subject to this tax was called a "tithable." About the middle of the century these tithables embraced all freemen above the age of sixteen, all male (white) servants, imported, of whatever age, and all imported negroes, male or female, all Indian servants, male or female, above the age of sixteen. No provision appears to have been made by the law at this time for negroes born in the Colony. They were doubtless few in number, and were taxed as imported slaves.

In each county a levy was annually laid and apportioned among the various public creditors. The amount of the levy and the names of the persons to whom payments are to be made are duly set forth in the records of the counties, universally; but while the numbers of tithables is always given, there is only one instance, so far as the writer is aware, in which the names of the heads of families taxed, are given. This was in the county of Lancaster, and the practice continued for a number of years. The first levy was dated October 25, 1653, but as this appears to have been incomplete, the one of the next year, dated Feb. 6, 1654, is given. Lancaster then included all the territory on both sides of the Rappahannock river from its mouth, as far west as the settlements extended. The numbers given are, of course, the tithables for which each person was accountable. The numbers in parenthesis refer to notes,

LEVY 1654.

Mr. John Catlet (1) to collect these: Mr. Loyd 2 (2), Mr. Lewcas 4 (3), Wm. Veale 3 (4), Mr. Hankins 3 (5), Mr. Catlet 5, Rich. Lawson 6 (6).

Mr. Andrew Gilson (7) to collect these: Ra. Warrener 3, Robert Moss 4, Robt. Tomlin 4 (8), Mr. Gilson 4, Jno. Gellett 4, Cle. Thrush 6, John Mills 1, Robert Armstrong 3, Robert Younge 2, Wm. Jnson 1.

Mr. James Bagnall (9), to collect these: John Cobbe 1, John Bebey 1 (10), Thos. Paine 6 (11), himselfe [*i. e.*, Jas. Bagnall] 4, Rog. Faris 3 (12), Cyp'ian Bishop 2, Henry Dedman 2, John Gregory 3 (13), Robt. Bryan 1 (14), Thos. Griffith 1, Mr. Loes 3 (15), Mr. Jackman 2, Mr. Jones 4 (16).

Mr. Richard Perrott (17) to collect these: himselfe 5, Wm. Thompson 3, Fra. Browne 3, Oliver Segar 2 (18), Fra. Cole 5 (19), Abr. Weekes 3 (20), Mr. Burnham 12 (21), John Wealch 5, Mr. Boswell 4 (22), Mr. Willis 3 (23), Mr. Obart 2 (24), Thos. Kid 3.

Mr. John Cox (25) to collect these: Mr. Moone 7 (26), Sir Henry Chicheley 24 (27), Capt. Wm. Brocas, Esq., 12 (28), Wm. Leech 12 (29), Mr. Kemp 5 (30), La. Lunsford 12 (31), Mr. Cox 4, Mr. Tignall 7, Ja. Bonner 3 (32), Wm. Lewcas 2.

Mr. Thomas Bourne to collect these: himselfe 5, Dennis Coniers 2 (33), George Keble 3 (34), Mr. Rigby 4, Row. Hadaway 2, Thos. Stamper 2 (35), John Needles 2 (36), John Bell 1.

Captain Henry Fleete (37) to collect these: himselfe 11, Elias Blake 3, John Prout 2, Teague Floyne 1, Toby Horton 3, Edey Benison 4.

Major John Carter (38) to collect these: himselfe 12, Mr. Row. Lawson 3 (39), Wm. Harper 3, Wm. Clapham, Jr., 7, Mr. Thos. Carter 4 (40), Hen. Rye 2, John Baylor 3 (41).

Mr. Thomas Brice (42) to collect these: himselfe 9, Thos. Hardinge 1, Capt. Hacke 2 (43), Thos. Powell 2 (44), Walter Dickinson 6, Mr. Edwards 4 (45), Thos. Hopkins 4 (46), Thos. Roots 1 (47), Dominie 4, Widow Grimes 4 (48), Edward Dudley 1 (49), John Merriman 2 (50), Wm. Neesham 6, Mr. Hanks, Mr. Beach 3, John Paine 7 (51).

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Mr. Wm. Clapham, Sr. (52) to collect these: himselfe 5, John Meredith 5 (53), Mr. Conaway 4 (54), John Nichols 1.

Mr. David Fox (55) to collect these: himselfe 16, Mr. Sharpe 14, John Philips 3, Mr. Powell 7, Mr. Travers 7 (56), Thomas Williams 2.

Mr. Toby Smith (57) to collect these: himselfe 5, John Edgecombe 2, Thos. Staines 6, Capt. Fauntleroy 7 (58), Mr. Griffin 5 (59).

Mr. James Williamson (60) to collect these: Mr. Lambert 5, Jen. Hall 2, Thos. Robinson 2, Fra. Gower 3 (61), Mr. Wm'son 7, Thos. Meade 3, Mr. Bradshaw 6 (62).

Mr. George Taylor (63) to collect these: Wm. Ireland 3, himselfe 3, Mr. Weir 5 (64), Ex per Rixham 2, Sil. Thatcher 3 (65), Thos. Whitlock 5, Joh. Ayres 3.

NOTES.

(1). Col. John Catlett, long a man of prominence in Rappahannock county. For notices of him and his descendants see this Magazine, III, 35, 61-66; and Hayden's Virginia Genealogies, 244, 280. A manuscript pedigree of the family is in possession of the writer. President Madison was a descendant.

(2). "Mr. Loyd," was doubtless Col. Wm. Lloyd long a prominent man in the Northern Neck. On April 17, 1667, with John Biddle, he patented 4,750 acres in Westmoreland on Nominny river; on April 18, 1668, he patented 2,467 acres on Rappahannock creek (now in Rd. county), and on the same day an adjoining tract of 300 acres. He had other grants. In 1686, Lt.-Col. Wm. Lloyd was a justice of Rappahannock and Lieutenant-Colonel of militia. He married, 1st, Mary, widow of Moore Fauntleroy (there is a deed dated June, 1666, which shows this). He married 2nd, Elizabeth, widow of John Hull. (Her daughter, Elizabeth Hull, married Col John Carter, Jr., of "Co-rotoman.") In a deed dated Jan. 10, 1690, and recorded in Lancaster, Elizabeth, wife of Wm. Lloyd, gent., states that she was one of the overseers of Col. Jno. Carter's will, and grandmother of his daughter Elizabeth. Col. Wm. Lloyd had, it is believed, two sons, John and Thomas. John Lloyd was a justice of Richmond county 1692, and was in 1693, recommended by the Governor as one of "the gentlemen of estate and stand-

ing," suitable for appointment to the Council; married about 1693, Elizabeth, only child of Col. John Carter, Jr., and returned to England about 1700. There is on record in Richmond county, a power of attorney from John Lloyd, of the city of Chester, Eng., to his "worthy kinsman, Griffin Fauntleroy, gent.," which states that he owned several considerable plantations in Virginia, which had been entrusted to his brother Thos. Lloyd, lately deceased. Another deed speaks of lands he inherited from his brother Thomas. Thomas Lloyd was a justice of Richmond county. His inventory, dated 1699, shows a very large estate.

(3). "Mr. Lewcas." Thomas Lucas, member of the House of Burgesses from Rappahannock, March, 1657-8. For notice of him see this Magazine III, 36, 61, 112.

(5). "Mr. Hawkins." Thomas Hawkins, Sr., afterwards of Rappahannock county. See this Magazine I, 60, III, 36, 61-66.

(6). Richard Lawson, brother of Epaphroditus Lawson, and Rowland Lawson, of Lancaster county, died between 1656 and 1662, leaving a widow, Elizabeth. See this Magazine IV, 203.

(7). Andrew Gilson was J. P. for Lancaster in 1655, and on the formation of Rappahannock, was appointed, December 11, 1656, one of the first justices of that county. He afterwards lived in Stafford, and as Major Andrew Gilson, was a justice of that county in 1680.

(8). Robert Tomlin died in Rappahannock county in 1688; his will was dated March 7, 1683, and proved October 9, 1688; legatees: sons Robert and William, cousin George Tomlin, wife Rebecca, daughters Rebecca, Hannah and Martha, brother Captain George Taylor, cousin Martha Taylor, sister Mrs. Martha Taylor. He patented land on the south side of the Rappahannock river in 1653. His son Wm. Tomlin lived in Essex, and was J. P. for that county in 1704, &c. He married Anne, widow of George Hazlewood, and daughter of Richard Robinson, both of Middlesex. Robinson arms as shown on documents at Middlesex C. H., were the same as those of Bishop Robinson. There is a deed recorded in Richmond county, and dated Dec. 1, 1697, from Wm. Tomlin and Anne his wife, conveying the

and the produce to be delivered unto my executrix to the satisfying of my debts or relief of her and her children. Item—I give to my said loving friend Henry Soane ten pounds. I give to my honoured friend Coll. Francis Morrison ten pounds. I give unto Thos. Lane so much land as he can occupy for seven years where my executrix shall appoint him * * My stock of cattle I give between my Executrix * * youngest children * * Executrix the liberty of taking * * eldest son & daughter * * the rest of my estate I give * * do here nominate my wife * * to be sole executrix * * friend Mr. William * * as assistant to my

TOBY SMITH.

Neale Peterson (x),
John Lacey (x), [Witnesses.]
John Warner (x).

["Inventory of Lt. Coll. Toby Smith appraised 15 Aprill, 1658."]

RICHARD LAWSON.

Delivered by word of mouth to Mr. John Catlett and Mr. John Paine; being the day before he departed out of this life, which was * ber, 1658. That his wife enjoy his plantation that he * * during her life, and afterwards Elizabeth Lawson, the daughter of Epaphroditus Lawson * * case said Elizabeth die before his wife, then his wife to dispose of the plantation. His wife to have and enjoy all his goods, excepting that James Gaines have another heifer; that John Taylor, his servant, have a heifer. If said John Taylor survive his m * * time with Eliz., his daughter, & if the said Eliz^h survive * * then she to have * aforesaid heifer * * land upon the so * Occupation Creek * * John Whitty according to mutuall agreement * * deliver unto the said Lawson two men Servants between the age of sixteen & twenty years, having sufficient bedding and clothing. Note that the said land was excepted in case the full tract were included within the bounds of the patent, and not entrenching upon any man's land.

JOHN CATLETT,
JOHN PAINE.

Postscript. In case the said Captain Whitty would not accept the said land in payment of his debt, it was to be sold to pay said debt.

THOMAS WHITLOCK.

Very sick and weak in body. To be buried as thought fit by my loving wife Mary Whitlock, my sole executrix. * *

My overscers * * * Thos. Whittle. I give my son Thomas Whitlock the land I live on, 600 acres, when he is of the age of 21, and during his minority to my wife. The land not to be further made use or by planting or seating than the first deep branch that is commonly rid over, that my son may have some fresh land when he attains to age. I desire all my goods, chattels, servants, and tobacco due by bill to be given one-half to the sole use of wife, and the other half to the use of son Thomas. I desire my said wife to be good to my son, bringing him up in the fear of God and to let him to be put to school according as in her mature care shall be thought good. The two heifers that are my son's being given him by his godfather * * * Thacker * * * kept upon the land * * For the better improvement of my land I desire that a orchard be made, and that it be made with the stock of trees due me by condition from my Mate Samuel Nicholls. Dated 9 October, 1659.

THOMAS WHITLOCK.

Alex. Fleming,
Joh. Richardson,
James Gate. [Witnesses].

AUGUSTINE WITHEY.

Visited with sickness. To be buried at the pleasure of my loving friend, More Fauntleroy. My debts to be paid, which are to Henry Nicholls, 270 lbs tobacco; to Clement Herbert, half a hogshead, and to Thos. Griffin, two hogsheads. Appoint friend More Fauntleroy, gent., executor, and bequeath to him all my estate. Dated * * 1659.

AUG. WITHEY.

[Names of witnesses destroyed].