

Philippo de Martinangelo

1 The son of an aristocratic Italian family born ca. 1720  
2 in Rome and immigrated to South Carolina before the American  
3 Revolution.

4 He received a land grant from King George III for land on  
5 Dufuskie Island and settled on the Island.

6 He was a Captain in the Loyal Militia of South Carolina  
7 during the American Revolution and was assassinated by  
8 the "Bloody Legion" about Christmas 1781. The assassins  
9 came from Hilton Head Island and were commanded by  
10 John Leaycraft. The group entered his home where  
11 Israel Andres shot him as he lay sick in his bed.

12 The Royall Gazette, of Charleston, South Carolina  
13 reported the incident, Wednesday, January 30, 1782 and  
14 included the following names of the men who participated  
15 in the assassination: John Erving, Lewis Bone, Daniel  
16 Savage, Christian Rankin, James Devant, John Bull,  
17 James Erving, James Allan, Charles Floyd, Isaac Davids,  
18 Nathaniel Gambal, William Chriswell, Thomas Roberts,  
19 John Mongin, Sr., John Mongin, Jr., David Ross,  
20 Patrick M. Mullin, Isaac Bolder, Meredith Rich,  
21 John Fendon and William Scott.

MARKER TITLE:

Philippo de Martinangelo

SOURCES USED:

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Savannah Duels and Duellists, by Thomas Gamble, Jr.,  
Savannah, Georgia 1923, Chapter on Hopkins-McIntosh  
Duelling Affair

## Account

of

PHILIPPO DE MARTINANGELO.

"Philippe de Martinangelo, as second son of a Tuscan nobleman, living at Rome, did not inherit title, estates or wealth; but was destined for the Church. After fighting many battles for the Roman Catholic Church, as an officer in the Pope's Army, he became a Protestant, was arrested, imprisoned in Rome, and summoned to appear before a court of inquisition.

Aided by his sister, Margaret, and an English officer, he escaped from prison and bribed the sentinel at the city gate to let him pass through. He reached France and went thence to England and finally to America. He located in South Carolina, first at Charleston; later, on Daufuskie Island, where he had a grant of land from the King, and was one of the earliest settlers there."

According to the unwritten law of the British Colony, he anglicized his name, and when he served, during the Revolution, in the Loyal Militia of S. C., he was known as Captain Philip Martinangel; was assassinated by the "Bloody Legion" about Xmas time, 1781.

He married Mary Foster, May 8, 1743. When he escaped from Rome he had on his finger a red carnelian ring in which the Martinangele Crest is preserved, a sunflower turning to the sun, with the motto "Tibi Soli", "To Thee, O Sun", or, "To Thee Only", as translated by some of his descendants. It is owned by the family of Haviland Gregory Anderson of Fort Valley, Ga., who inherited it thro' the marriage of Margaret Martinangel Pendarvis, youngest daughter of Captain Philip Martinangel, to Captain William Edwards Mongin of the Continental Army of S.C.

I have a reproduction of his ring in a gold seal ring. E.F.H.

P. 132. S.C. Hist. and Gen., Vol. XXIII, No. 3, July 1922.

St. Helens Parish Register.

<p><u>MARTINANGLE, PHILIP,</u> Bach. born at Rome.</p>	<p>FILIPPO DE MARTINANGELO Married by Jones, May 8, 1743, Mary Foster, spinster.</p>	<p>Gd-father of Francis Hopkins of McIntosh Co., Ga., born 1772.</p>
<p>MARTINANGLE, FRANCIS,</p>	<p>Sn. of Philip and Mary, born Feb. 2, 1744; Bapt. May 23, 1744, by Jones.</p>	
<p>P. 135</p>	<p>MARTINANGLE, MARY, da. of Philip and Mary, born Dec. 16, 1745.</p>	<p>Mother of Francis Hopkins of McIntosh Co., Ga.</p>

Martinangle, Philip, Sn. of Do.  
born Nov. 20, 1747.

Martinangle, Isaac, Sn. of Do.  
born Aug. 1, 1752.

P. 136 MARTINANGLE, Abraham, Sn. of P. and M.  
b. July 20, 1754.

P. 139 MARTINANGLE, Mary, of Isaac and Elizabeth of  
Dafuskee, born 29 Dec. 1785, bapt.  
24 April, 1787, by Lewes.

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MARGARET MARTINANGEL, youngest daughter of Philip Martin-  
angel and Mary Foster, married 1. Richard Pendarvis (son of Jos-  
iah Pendarvis and Elizabeth Baker, daughter of Richard Baker and  
Mary Bohun), during the American Revolution. Richard Pendarvis,  
commonly called "Tory Dick", was a S.C. Loyalist, well known for  
his activities during the Revolutionary War.

"In March, 1779, he killed Capt. Doharty, a Revolutionary  
leader who was trying to ambush him".

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Georgia Gazette, April 19, 1781.

"Last Friday, April 13, Captain Richard Pendarvis was shot  
within twenty yards of his house on May River.

The perpetrators of the murder consisted of a Rebel officer  
and five men; the names of four of the men were, Leacraft (a  
prisoner on parole), Blackwood, Bettison and Nathan Gamble, who  
had received and was under protection.

The villains afterwards went to the house and insulted  
Mrs. Pendarvis with opprobrious language, and, on leaving, took  
with them three horses and Captain Pendarvis's gun."

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"He was warned when the Leacrafts pursued him, and, find-  
ing that he could not escape, he turned upon them, baring his  
breast, and bid them; 'shoot and be damned'".

Upon which, John Leacraft, (leader of the "Bloody Legion"  
that assassinated his ~~father~~-in-law, Philip Martinangel, Dec. 1781)  
a nephew of Doharty, fired, killing Pendarvis."

*brother*

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MARGARET MARTINANGEL PENDARVIS married (2) William Edwards  
Mongin, son of *\*David* William Mongin, who married a daughter of Jonathan  
Edwards of Princeton, and, in order to avoid the severe winters  
in New Jersey, moved to South Carolina, where he was given a  
grant of land near Bluffton. *[No! REHP. Grant was at Purrysburg; he*

Their daughter, Elizabeth Edwards Mongin, born at Hilton  
Head, December 30, 1785, married Robert H. Petigru, and was known  
to the Hopkins family as "Cousin Eliza."

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DEATH OF CAPT. FILIPPO DE MARTINANGELO.

S.C. Hist. and Gen. Mag., Vol. V, No. 1.

Jan., 1904, P. 59.

"HISTORICAL NOTES".

We are informed from Savannah that, about Christmas last, a gang of banditti came to a house on Daufusky Island, where Capt. Martinangel of the Royal Militia was lying sick, and whilst two of them held his wife, another, named Israel Andrews, shot him dead; they afterwards plundered Mrs. Martinangel and her children of almost everything they had. These wretches came from Hilton Head; they stile themselves the Bloody Legion, and are commanded by John Leayeraft. The following is a list of the gang; John Erving, Lewis Bona, Daniel Savage, Christian Rankin, James Devant, John Bull, James Erving, James Allan, Charles Floyd,\* Isaac Davids, Nathaniel Gambal, William Chiswell, Thomas Roberts, John Mongin, Sen., John Mongin, Jun., David Ross, Patrick M'Mullin, Isaac Bolder, Meredith Rich, John Fendon, William Scott.

The Royall Gazette, Charleston, S.C., Wednesday, January, 30,  
1782.

- \* Two of his gd-daus. (daus. of Gen. John Floyd of Camden County, Ga.,) married  
Gt-gd-sons of Philip Martinangel (sons of Major Francis Hopkins of McIntosh Co., Ga., who served under Gen. Floyd in the war of 1812.

S.C. Hist. and Gen. Mag., Vol. 9, P. 154, " Beaufort - Original Plan. Grant of lot 91 - Philip Marten Angelo - Oct. 10, 1759".

There is the will of Philip Martinangel in "Chatham Co. Wills", pub. recently by Mrs. Wilson of Sav. - don't know whether it is father or son, as I haven't yet seen the book. Will get it as soon as possible. Have written for an abstract.

Reply to request for abstract is that there is no will - merely an appraisal of the estate. You remember he was assassinated by the "Bloody Legion" after the "Peace". So there is another hope gone of data that I believed would help to clarify the record.

From the Diary of Cecelia B. Hopkins, (p. 141) 1878

"Philip de Martinangel married Mary Foster.

The children were,

1. Margaret who married (1) Capt. Richard Pendarvis.  
(2) William E. Mongin of S.C. formerly of N.J.
2. Philip -
3. Thomas -
4. Simeon - who married the widow of Sir Edward Yard and lived in the Bermuda Is.

5. MARY - who married Francis Hopkins. This latter couple  
being the grandparents of my father Dr. Thomas  
Spalding Hopkins.

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