

JOHN NORTON --- of ENGLAND --- WILL

WILL of JOHN NORTON of COTTESOCK COUNTY, NORTHAMPTON, Esq., made March 9th, 1662
proved at LONDON, May 27th, 1663

To be interred at the discretion of executor.

Wife--no name given, chief house in which testator lives, house occupied by Mr. Malkinson, lands and tenements in Lincolnshire, coach and nags.

Son and sole executor, JOHN NORTON, lands in Northamptonshire, by deed of settlement on his marriage, Leases and tithes of Cotterstone and Clapthorne, assigned to testator by Mr. Richard Kirkham

Cousins--John Cooke L 10 per annum; Edward Dickinson, late minister of Paston L 10 per annum; William Selgraveson 15th dau. of Edward Dickinson, Dorothy Dickinson, L 10 at 21;

Grandchild Mary Norton, plate after decease of testator's wife, rent of property in Lincoln for first year after decease of testator's wife.

Hannah, John, Mary Malkinson L 10 apiece at 21, Blanche Bamford L 5.

Testator made executor of Mr. Clement Bellamy of Yarwell County, Northampton, deceased; remainder of the estate to be put to charitable uses in Cottestock, Clapthorne, Tansor and Oundle. L 8 for 2 poor scholars at Cambridge--first two to be Benjamin, son of Mr. Johnson, late of Tinwell, and Benjamin, son of Mr. Rosbury.

Overseers -- William Maintyne, friend L 20; Thomas Hall of Donnington, esq., kinsman.

Witnesses -- Edward Browne, Charles Cowse, William Hodges, Thomas Linin.

Brother of George Norton of Barbados

WILL of JOHN NORTON, the elder, of Kenelworth, County Warwick, mercer, no date given when will was made --- proved December 5th, 1678.

Eldest son, residuary legatee and executor --- JOHN NORTON, one house and closes in Kenelworth, 20 books and sawed timber.

Son -- Joseph Norton -- property above, after death of John Norton, his brother, if the latter die without issue.

Eldest daughter, Elizabeth Brocksley, L 80; Son of Elizabeth Brocksley, John Brocksley L 80 at age of 21

Sister Hannah Walker, 50 s; Daughter of Hannah Walker, Hannah.

Residuary legatee and executrix -- Hannah Norton (no relationship given).

Cousin and overseer -- John Hartlett, the elder.

Friends and overseers -- Oliver Pamlett, William Donnton; Witness -- Hannah Walker

(Note on page by Mr. JOHN LADSON; "This JOHN NORTON definitely brother of GEORGE NORTON who died in Barbadoes Islands in 1665. The seat of this family "Kenelworth".)

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Re: Will of John Norton (b.ca.1645-d.1705)

On Sept. 6, 1964 (1964) I wrote to Mr. Chas. Lee, S.C. Archives Dept. asking if there was a will of John Norton on file (dated 9/30/1705) according to the Shaftsbury papers. I had this notation:
Bk.T-522, 32, A.A.1712.

On Oct. 19, 1964 I received this reply:

" South Carolina Archives Department-

"Dear Mrs. Strain: I have checked through the records of the Secretary and of the Register of the Province and find references to a John Norton but do not find his will. On an old index to Wills we find him listed - (Bundle T, No. 14) but we do not have these Wills here at the Archives.- /s/ Mrs. John Law, Museum Curator. "

X Robert - do you have a copy of this Will? If so I'd appreciate a copy. Thank

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Reference to this Will is contained in the Deed giving land, by John Norton and wife Mary Ann, for the Chapel of Ease on St. Helena Is. S.C. (1756). This deed states that John Norton died intestate.

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The deed states: "And Whereas said John Norton on or about the year 1705 departed this life intestate.....possessed of said Plantation or tract of 960 acres of land & premises which descended and came to the children of said John Norton, the whole 960 acres of land being equally divided into nine parts, one of the said Divisions being the most Southern part of the said 400 Acres of Land on St. Helena became vested in the said Jonathan Norton as one of the children aforesaid of which he stands now seized as of Fee,

See page #2

Page 2 of the Lease states:

".....Two Acres of Land being Situate and being on St. Helena Island aforesaid being the Southeast part of a larger tract of land containing 960 acres formerly granted by the then Lords Proprietors of the Province unto JOHN NORTON late of Johns Island deceased Father to the said JONATHAN NORTON WHO BY A Division of the whole into Nine Equal parts became invested in his ninth share in the Southeast part of the said Tract, part of which are the two acres hereby granted and on which now stands a Chappel and Vestry Room built by a public subscription for the worship and service of God.....

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Vol 5 of Historical Soc. Collections (of S.C.) - Pg. 341 - Shaftsbury papers - Footnote on pg. 341 states:

"He (John Norton-eks) came from Barbados on the Carolina in 1671 and planted with Jackson til 1673. In 1673 he agrees to pay Col. Godfrey 7000 lbs. of sugar in Barbados. In 1691 Jno. Norton and Sarah his wife (dau. of Jon. Fitch Sr.) sell lot 79 to Jon. Amory Esq. He had lands at Stono and in 1701 a grant of 960 acres - WASHUA and DATA ISLANDS in Granville Co., - and by will of Sept. 30, 1705 gave 1/3 to his wife Sarah and 2/3 to his children:

1. William Norton, d.s.p.
2. Jno. Norton, (d. 1740) *bn. 20 Nov. 1732 St Helena's*
3. Geo. Norton of Stono 1710, 36
- * 4. Jon'n. Norton 1740 *d. 1774*
5. Dorothy m'd. Jno. Cowen, *dan. Sarah Cowen m. 27 Jan. 1728 Wm Haggard (1709 - bn. 9 Aug. 1701)*
6. Jane m'd Thos. Goreing *Son of Col. Wm + Sarah (Rose) Haggard*
7. Sarah m'd. Randolph Evens.

Book T- 522, 32 A.A. 1712 "

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As you see, Sarah, the widow, inherited only 1/3 of this property, so if John - son of John - ~~sole~~ "deeded lands he had ~~received~~ -- inherited from his mother, Sarah (Fitch) Norton, in 1724, it could only be the 1/3 that Sarah had inherited under the will of her husband, John. Sarah would have inherited 3 parts of the 9 equal parts, - but that left 6 equal parts of the 9 to be divided among the seven (7) children. Perhaps William had died young, leaving only 6 children to share the remainder of 6 equal parts.

Col. Wm Hazzard m(1) Sarah Rose m(2) Eliz. Russell
bur. 17 Mar. 1757
b. 1684

Wm Hazzard (1709 - bur. 9 Aug. 1741)

m. 27 Jan. 1728

* Sarah Cowen, dau. of John Cowen and Dorothy Norton (dau. of John Norton - will 30 Sept. 1705 - and Sarah Fitch, dau. of Jonathan Fitch & Sarah, widow, of Wm.; m. 6 Dec. 1742 John Cattel, widr. Eliz. Stangerne

Issue:
1. Wm., bapt. 27 July 1729 m. 22 April 1750 Catherine Wigg, spin

2. Sarah Hazzard

• m. 1730, bapt. 3 Jan. 1731

m. 1 Aug. 1749 Nathaniel Tucker, bech.

3. Thomas Hazzard

• 30 Jan 1732 bapt. 10 June 1733, bur. 5 Nov. 1753

4. Mary Hazzard

• 22 Aug. 1734 bapt. 9 Sept. 1734 m.

m. 15 Sept. 1754 Edward Tucker, bech.

5. John Hazzard

• 15 Feb. 1735 bapt. 25 Feb. 1735 bur. 15 Oct. 1737,

6. Elizabeth

• 24 Apr. 1737 bapt. 29 May 1737 bur. 18 Mar. 1739

7. Dorothy

• 2 Sept. 1738 bapt. 22 Sept. 1738 bur. ~~9 July 1740~~ 6 Sept. 1741

8. Anne

• 9 July 1740 bapt. 3 Sept. 1740

Refer to the Will of George Norton - (1665)

George refers to his Estate - leases, messuages, tenements, goods, chattels, ware, merchandizes and "debts to me owing" either in the Island aforesaid (Barbados) or in the ~~Reima~~ Realm of England, and ready money,....reckoned in three (3) equal parts, and "one equal third part whereof I give devise and bequeath unto my son JOHN NORTON, one other third part thereof I give and bequeath unto my eldest dau. Mary Norton, and the other third part thereof unto my dau. Hannah Norton.. .."

"Item. Whereas I have interest at Cape Faire as an adventurer to those parts in which affairs my said son JOHN NORTON is now employed as my Agent I will devise and bequeath unto my said son JOHN NORTON two equal third parts (the whole in three parts to be divided) of all and singular my concerns there and the other third part thereof of my aforesaid two daughters Mary and Hannah or to the survivor of them.....etc."

This shows that John Norton inherited lands in Cape Faire - Carolina - 2 equal parts of three -

Where were these lands located exactly?.....

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/Re: Time of arrival in S.C. of John Norton -

My chart and yours show that John Norton came to S.C. from Barbados in 1671. However the will of his father George makes it clear that John was in Cape Faire earlier - in 1665 - attending to his father's business interests there.

During the years 1668 - 9 John Norton executed various deeds in Barbados - probably in connection with the settlement of his father's estate there.