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Newport News, Va.

Dear Mr. Duncan:

You asked me for a list of as many of the people on the "Sea Venture" - or of those who continued on in the "Deliverance" and "Patience" - as we could ascertain from all the different accounts. Of the approximately 150 souls, I have made out the attached list for you, but I am quite sure that the large majority of these are known to you already. I deliberately made the exception of Matthew Somers because in my Radio Play, "Rendezvous with Destiny", which is on tape and broadcast from ZBM every Somers Day, I took the liberty of having Matthew aboard the "Sea Venture" with his uncle to provide dramatic contrast and conflict. But that is by the way.

Now I am anxious to add the name Henry Bagwell to my list of castaways after I receive copy of the official record of his being aboard from you. Of course, during the nine-month sojourn of the castaways on these islands no land was apportioned or any plans made to settle here, so that the name M. Bagwell appearing on Norwood's Map made in 1618 puzzles me. Do you mean that there was a Henry Bagwell in the Sea Venture whose son (or other relation ?) returned to Bermuda and took up land here ? Or did this M. Bagwell buy a share of land from the Company while he himself remained in America ?

I now have a card in my index file made out Bermuda - Biography-BAGWELL with reference to the article that appeared in THE ROYAL GAZETTE but I am looking forward to getting further elucidation from your self as to the court records.

Very sincerely yours,


TERRY TUCKER.

I. Henry Bagwell came to Virginia in the Deliverance in 1608 (Hatten's Commentaries). He makes deposition Feb. 19, 1633 that he is 43 years old, therefore born 1590 and 18 years of age when he came to Virginia (Va. County Records, Vol. 2). He married Alice Stratton, widow of Thomas Stratton, before 1636 (see Northampton Co. records Jan. 1, 1636 when Alice, wife of Henry Bagwell petitions Court for pay of 200A. for transportation of persons to Virginia). She was the daughter of Mrs. Ann Hawkins (her will Vol. 3, Northampton Co. Records, also statement of Mr. Stratton Nottingham, genealogist). Henry Bagwell was a member of the House of Burgesses 1629-1630 (Hening Vol. 1, pp. 147-149 and 178-179. Also Wise's History of the Eastern Shore of Va., p. 41). Henry Bagwell, gent., was appointed first clerk of the monthly court at Old Plantation, 1632, and held the office continuously until 1640 (Wise p. 42 and p. 100). Henry Bagwell had business in court May 12, 1648. This is the last record found of him (Northampton Co. Records). Died about 1648 or 1650, he was therefore about 58 or 60 years old at the time of his death. Henry Bagwell and Alice Stratton Bagwell had issue; John and Thomas Bagwell (she also had a son Thomas Stratton, see Northampton Co. Records of Jan. 1, 1636, when she assigns 100 A. of land to her son Thomas Stratton and 100 A. to her daughter Mary Chilcott, children of former marriage).

II. John Bagwell and Thomas Bagwell (Oct. 13, 1659 Thomas Stratton's will mentions his half brothers John and Thomas Bagwell).
Apr. 28, 1667 John Bagwell and Thomas Bagwell sold 115 A. of land on Old Plantation Creek. John heired this land from his father, Henry Bagwell, dec'd, and given by the said Henry Bagwell to his son John as a deed of gift. Bond dated and recorded Apr. 28, 1667. Acknowledged in court by John and Thomas Bagwell.
On Feb. 28, 1667 John Bagwell married Ann the Elder and Thomas Bagwell married Ann the Younger. Ann Bagwell, the Elder, wife of John, and Ann Bagwell, the Younger, wife of Thomas, relinquish their rights Feb. 28, 1667. wit; Agnes Powell. May 6, 1668 Thomas and Ann Bagwell of Metompkin, Accomac County, Va., make a loan to John Bagwell of Northampton Co, Va. August 5, 1684 John Bagwell makes deposition that he is 46 years old (Acco. Records Vol. 7, p. 156). Ann Bagwell, his wife makes deposition that she is 38 years old at this same date.
Nov. 18, 1685, Wills and Deeds - 1676-1700 p. 433, John Bagwell's will Probated Nov. 30, 1686--- To his wife Ann during her widowhood. To his son Henry $\frac{1}{3}$ plantation purchased of Thomas Bagwell, and one third the Island (Cedar). To his son Alexander the same. To his daughter control of property when she was 17 years of age. (She probably married a Bevel). Exces; Brother Thomas Bagwell and friend William Burton. (William Burton m. Ann Stratton daughter of John Bagwell's half-brother, Thomas Stratton).

III. Henry Bagwell's Will-- August 12, 1734, Accomac Records, Vol. 1729-1737, Part I, p. 384. To his son Thomas land on Old Plantation Creek. To his son Henry, land. To his grandson Charles Bagwell, son of his son John Bagwell---. To his daughters Ann, Tobuta and Elizabeth who m. Isaac Rodgers.

IV. Henry Bagwell's will (son of Henry) Mch. 1, 1735; To son Heli the home plantation, to son Spencer---, to wife Sabra daughter of John Dix---, to mother Margaret. He m. Sophia Dix. Heli Bagwell on Mch. 31, 1761 as a bachelor willed property to mother Sabra---, and, to brother Spencer---. Vol. 1798-1800.

V. Spencer Bagwell—Feb. 23, 1799— Will— To wife Sophia, to son John, to son Heli tenement at the Folly and 26 A. on Cedar Island, to son William, Sophia Bagwell legatee to remainder of Spencer Bagwell's estate wh. is in her hands, P341, Vol. 1796-1798, P201, June 4, 1797, (Sophia was probably a daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth Wharton Bagwell, both of whom d. 1748. They had a son Isaiah and a daughter Sophia, Isaiah was adm. "In acct. with Sophia Bagwell settlement," 1797. Perhaps he was Sophia Bagwell's brother), To Heli Bagwell her grandson (son of her son Heli who died in the West Indies) to grandson Henry, to grand children Jesse and Nancy Bonnewell, to her daughter Sally Bull. Same Vol. P. 355, Cash E 2175 94 left in the hands of Jacob Ross, admr. Legacy to Heli Bagwell by Sophia Bagwell. *From the obituary notice of this Heli Bagwell's son published in the Richmond Christian Advocate written by Rev. C. C. Wertenbaker and printed Nov. 1881. Capt. Heley Bagwell owned and commanded a vessel plying between Baltimore and West Indies. He married Ann (Nancy) Drummond, and Heley Drummond Bagwell was the only child of this marriage. Some short time after his son's birth Capt. Heley Bagwell died in the West Indies of yellow fever. His widow Ann (Nancy) soon died of sorrow and their young son Heley D. Bagwell was reared by his maternal grandmother. (A copy of the Advocate containing the full text of this notice is owned by Mr. Healey P. B. Rue, Belle Haven, Va., who is a lineal descendant of this line). *Parker Bagwell*

VI. HELI BAGWELL— Jan. 28, 1800— Vol. 1798-1800—P. 341— m. Ann Drummond This man was the Capt. Heley Bagwell who died in the W. I. Nancy Bagwell administratrix of Heli Bagwell settles his estate and it is recorded Jan. 28, 1800. The grandson of Sophia Bagwell— Vol. 1796-1798, P. 201, is son of this Heli and Ann D. Bagwell.

VII. HELEY DRUMMOND BAGWELL— 1795-1881— The following data is recorded in the family Bible inherited by Mr. H. P. B. Rue from his mother Mrs. Bettie A. Bagwell Rue, only child of the above marriage and born Sept. 5, 1795, d. Mch. 13, 1881 in Northampton County, Va. Married Elizabeth Parker Bloxson, b. Sept. 1, 1803 d. Nov. 24, 1834, daughter of Anderson P. and Ann Bloxson. Date of marriage Dec. 23, 1819. Two sons— Healey Parker Bagwell and Thomas H. Bagwell were issue of this marriage.

Second marriage— Elizabeth Ann Ashby Mears widow of Rev. Wm. Mears— she died Apr. 7, 1837, married Jan. 21, 1836, no issue.

Third marriage— Elizabeth S. Kellan, widow of Esau Kellan and daughter of John and Margaret Joynes. She was born in Northampton County, Apr. 18, 1802, d. Sept. 11, 1873, married Mr. Bagwell Oct. 3, 1838, no issue.

VIII. HEALEY PARKER BAGWELL— 1823-1882— B. Nov. 25, 1823, D. Nov. 29, 1882. Married Oct. 24, 1843 by Rev. Geo. C. Westcott to Sarrah Ann Edmonds who was born Sept. 8, 1826, D. Sept. 5, 1905, daughter of Thomas and Ann Belle Edmonds. Issue— Bettie A. m. Wm. J. Rue., William H. m. Sue Watson, Sarah E. P. Bagwell m. Wm. T. Wise, Mary Drummond died an infant.

IX. HETTIE A. BAGWELL— 1845-1922— B. June 29, 1845, D. June 16, 1922, Married Jan. 15, 1873, to William J. Rue, B. --- D. May 17, 1917, son of William and Julia Rue.--- Issue— Heley Parker Bagwell Rue m. Fannie Humphreys and M. 2nd Edna L. Willis, Julia Edmonds Rue m. Thomas P. Duncan, Sadie Drummond Rue, Clarence Alden Green Rue m. Evelyn Rowley—M 2nd Gertrude Drummond, Bettie Ann Rue m. Frederick H. Lord.

X. JULIA EDMONDS RUE— B. Aug. 16, 1876, m. Thomas Purnell Duncan, Oct. 6, 1896 Thomas Purnell Duncan B. Feb. 24, 1870 son of William and Emeline Duncan Issue— Thomas Purnell Duncan Jr. B. July 12, 1897, died an infant.

(XI) Julia Rue Duncan, B. Jan. 16, 1900.
Thomas P. Duncan, B. Jan. 31, 1902. (*Warwick, Newport News, Va.*)

(Copied from—Wessie N. Eason, Genealogist, Pungoteague, Virginia.)