

North Carolina

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Colonial and State Land Patents

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The Colony of North Carolina was originally governed by a private commercial group. It was later taken over by the British Crown and ruled as a Royal Colony, with a Royal Governor appointed directly by the king. Settlers were encouraged to settle on unoccupied lands and settle them. They had only to pay the Colonial Government a small fee in most cases for the land, plus the cost of surveying.

The settlers received a "patent" or grant to the land and then became full owners of the site.

This practice was continued by the State of North Carolina after the Royal Colony declared itself independent during the Revolutionary War for Independence. After 1775, all "public" land was then owned by the new State government. The State continued granting land patents for many decades after 1775.

The original copies of the Land Patents are preserved by the State Land Office of the Secretary of State's Office at Raleigh, North Carolina.

Unfortunately, many of the original land patent records were stolen from the public offices during the 1930's. It is believed that Martha Alice Turnidge Hamot of Oregon and Idaho took these records. She mentioned several of the "disappeared" records in her book, "*The Trail Blazers*", printed in 1935.

The current whereabouts of these records which Alice took is unknown. Our Family Historian has searched for them for many years.

North Carolina Land Patents, continued

This book contains copies of all the existing original land patents now preserved by the State of North Carolina which were obtained by Turnages.

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COLONIAL AND STATE LAND GRANTS

TURNAGE,		County	Year
Emanuel		Pitt	1780
Emanuel		"	1787
George		Craven	1738
James		Dobbs	1778
James		"	1780
John		Anson	1779
Laz		Craven	1738
Luke		Pitt	1780
'		"	1784
William		Dobbs	1778
William		"	1779
William		"	1780
William		"	1782
William		"	1818
William		"	1818
William		Glasgow	1795
William		Pitt	1782
John	(TTB)	Beaufort	1779
John	(TTB)	Tyrrell	1782
James	(TTB)	Beaufort	1779 ?
Luke		Richmond	1799

NORTH CAROLINA COLONIAL AND STATE LAND GRANTS

NAME *James Turnage* No. 1731
County *Dobbs* Acres 25
Grant 622 Issued 10 Nov. 1784
Entry No. 976 Entered 16 May 1780
Bk No. 56 Page No. 150

Location
*On the North side of
Great Contentney Creek*

NAME *James Turnage* No. 1489
County *Dobbs* Acres 100
Grant 265 Issued 3 April 1780
Entry No. 173 Entered 14 April 1778
Bk No. 29 Page No. 465

Location
*On north side of Great
Contentnea*

NAME *William Turnage* No. 1519
County *Dobbs* Acres 114
Grant 376 Issued 29 Oct. 1782
Entry No. 460 Entered 10 Jan. 1779
Bk No. 45 Page No. 52

Location
*South side of Little Contentnea
Creek*

NAME No. _____
County Acres _____
Grant Issued _____
Entry No. Entered _____
Bk No. Page No. _____

Location
*I found them at
Sec. of State Office
Land Grants
Raleigh, N.C.*

NAME *William Turnage* No. 1526
County *Dobbs* Acres 100
Grant 383 Issued 29 Oct. 1782
Entry No. 913 Entered 9 Mar. 1780
BK No. 45 Page No. 56

Location
*Between Palecat Swamp and Little
Contentnea Creek*

NAME No. _____
County Acres _____
Grant Issued _____
Entry No. Entered _____
Bk No. Page No. _____

Location
*there may be more
I was running out of
time.*

NAME *William Turnage* No. 1534
County *Dobbs* Acres 200
Grant 391 Issued 29 Oct 1782
Entry No. 912 Entered 9 Mar. 1780
Bk. No. 45 Page No. 60

Location

NAME No. _____
County Acres _____
Grant Issued _____
Entry No. Entered _____
Bk. No. Page No. _____
Location

Jno Gatling 200 D°, Abra Taylor Jun^r 200 D°, Gilbert Devour 200 D°, Jno Williams 400 D°, Eliz Stevenson 150 D°, Edward M^cConsby 200 D°, W^m Row 200 D°, James Keith 300 D°, Laz Turnage 300 D°, Dan West 200 D°, George Turnage 200 D°, Jas M^cCroean 400 Craven, Abra Owen 640 D°, Isaac Barrington 300 D°, Henry Bonner 400 Rowan, George Moy 500 Beaufort, D° 200 D°, D° 400 D°, Clifton Bowen 300 N. Hanover, Jno Enzor 200 D°, W^m Hester 500 Bladen, Jno Godfrey 320 D°, Jas Wathen 612 D°, Gershon Benbow 250 D°, Rich^d Baker 640 D°, Thos Hester 200 D°, Jno Russ 300 D°, W^m Norton 640 D°, W^m Singelary 500 D°, Jacob Crosby 200 D°, Edw^d Walmsley 400 D°. Granted

Read the Petition of Michael Lowber for 640 acres of Land adjoining to Rush Watts and other lands Survey returned opposed by Col Moseleys Attorney for that the said Survey is thought to interfere with a Patent of the said Moore

Ordered that Col Moore hath time to the next Court to inform himself whether the said Lowber has incroached upon his Lines

Read the Petition of Saban Plumer Sarah Catherine his Wife praying that a Grant passed last Court to the Petitioners for 350 Acres on Areneuse Creek in Pasquotank may be altered to 150 Acres that being the true quantity contained in the said tract and that the same be made out according to the following description being escheated Land from which an Escheat Patent formerly passed but is lost—beginning at a pine at the mouth of Areneuse Creek then up the said Creek by various courses to a Gut called Ware point gut then up the said Gut by various courses to a marked beach then N W to a hickory being the Corner tree then S^o 05^d E to a red oak by the Pocosen of the River then down the pocosen and the River to the first Station being butted by the Lines of Richard Fourd and Abel Ross. Granted.

The 24th November 1738. Present as before.

Read sundry Petitions Viz^t

Jno Fellows 640 Craven, Roger Moore 640 N. Hanover, Margaret Haines 100 D°, Christ^o Ottey 190 D°, Joshua Granger 640 Onslow, Magdalen Campbel 150 Bladen, Vincent Amiat 640 Craven, D° 200 Carteret, John Richards 300 Craven, Peter Dubois 640 D°, Rob^t Halton 170 N. Hanover, Roger Jones 150 Beaufort, Mich Heggins 300 N. Hanover, James Pollard 250 D°, Rob^t Halton 170 D°, Tho^s Child 1320 D°, Tabettha Larkins 640 D°, W^m Norton 200 D°, Martin Jenkins 320 D°, W^m Cain 640 Bladen, Juⁿ James 200 Craven. Granted.

By order NATH RICE, Cl.

I indorse the within ^{of} Warrant of 150 ^{acres} of land
unto Cornelius Turnage and order the Surveyor
to make Return in said Turnages Name Witness
my hand this 2nd Feb 1707 ^{Philip} ^{Phillips}

Test ^{at} ^{the} ^{City} ^{of} ^{London} ^{the} ^{2nd} ^{of} ^{Feb} ¹⁷⁰⁷
John ^{Phillips} ^{Surveyor}

marks

[Signature]

Philip Phillips
150 Acres

1707

[Faint, mostly illegible handwriting throughout the lower portion of the document, possibly representing a survey description or return.]

Warrant No 704
 27 Feb 1780
 111 306
 10178
 142 pole
 2316
 Em Turnage

land by a scale 100 pole to the inch
 Survey March the 9th 1787 For
 Emanuel Turnage a Tract of land

Containing sixteen Acres by Virtue of a Warrant
 N^o 704 and Dated July the 27th 1780 Granted unto
 Phillip Phipps and by him assigned over
 unto Said Emanuel Turnage Situate in Pitt
 County on the South Side of Little Contentee Creek
 Beginning at a White Oak Sake Turnage Corner
 Runs North Forty Degree East and ~~one hundred~~
 Eleven pole to a Red Oak Sake Turnage Corner
 Then South Thirty Seven Degree East
 one hundred and Forty Two pole to a Black gum
 on the Creek Bank Then down the Creek South
 Sixty one Deg^s West Twenty Three pole to a holly
 Tree on the Creek Bank Sake Turnage Corner
 Thence the Beginning
 G B John Turnage
 & G B Bentley

J. Phipps
 Wm. Mayo Suror

Prof. Caroline M. M. (Mrs. M.) Price 25. 1858
Phonograph or Gramophone
July 8th 1858
E. M. M. M. M.
E. M. M. M. M.

STATE of NORH-CAROLINA.

No. 173.

RICHARD CASWELL, Jun.
Entry Officer of Claims for
Lands in the County of *Dobbs*.

To the SURVEYOR of the said County, Greeting.

YOU are hereby required, as soon as may be, to lay
off and survey, for *James Turnage* —
a Tract or Parcel of Land, containing *One*
hundred ————— Acres, lying in the
County aforesaid, *Joining Samuel Popes, Daniel*
Magees, John Mollerston's and his
own lines —————

Observing the Directions of the Act of Assembly in such
Case made and provided for running out Lands. Two
just and fair Plans of such Survey, with a proper Certificate
annexed to each, you are to transmit, with this Warrant, to
the Secretary's Office without Delay.

GIVEN under my Hand at *Kingston*
the *14th* ————— Day of *April* Anno
Dom. 1770.

Richd. Caswell Junr

No. 173.

James Turnage

100. Dotts.

Plum by Mr. Orman

April 14-1775

No. 1409

County Dotts

Name Turnage James

Acres 100

Grant No. 265

Issued April 3. 1780

Warrant No. Entry No. 976

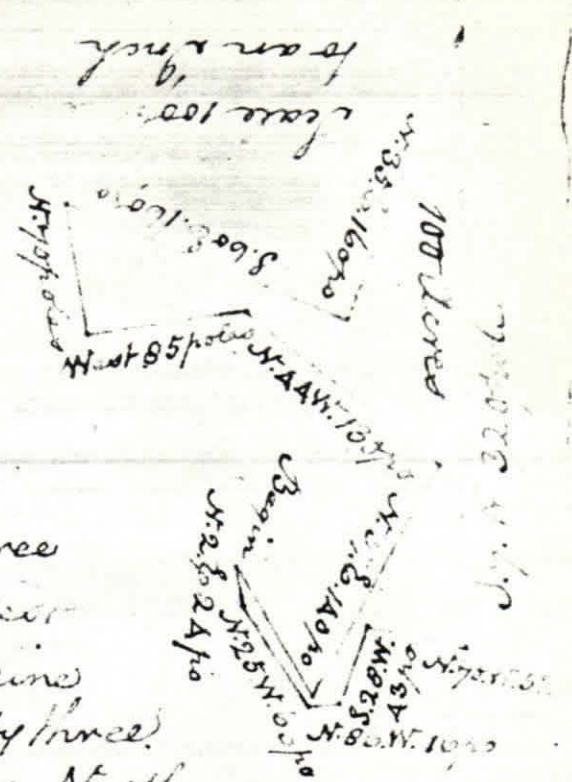
Entered 16th May 1788

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Location on the north side of Great Bottoma Creek.

Survey of January 18th 1780 for
 James Sprague's tract of land contain-
 ing One hundred poles lying in Dobbs
 County in the State of North Carolina
 on the north side of Great Wolfcreek
 Creek beginning at a red cedar tree

Corner & Run
 North two degrees East twenty four
 poles to a white oak tree's corner then
 North twenty six degrees West six three
 poles, then North thirty six degrees West
 sixteen poles then with Molliston's line
 south three degrees eight degrees West forty three
 poles to a white oak tree's corner then North
 twenty degrees West fifty two poles to Wade's Corner then with
 his line south seven degrees West three hundred & twenty four
 poles then with House's line North thirty five degrees East one hun-
 dred & sixty poles then South sixty degrees East one hundred &
 sixty poles then North seventy four then West eighty five poles
 then with Bond's line North forty four degrees West one hun-
 dred & thirty poles then with his other line North thirty
 degrees East one hundred & forty poles & from there
 to the beginning at the above place Represents



Wm. Johnston

No. 1534

County

Dobbs

Name

Jurnage William

Acres

200

Grant No.

391

Issued

Oct. 29, 1782

Warrant No.

Entry No.

912

Entered

9th March 1780

Book No.

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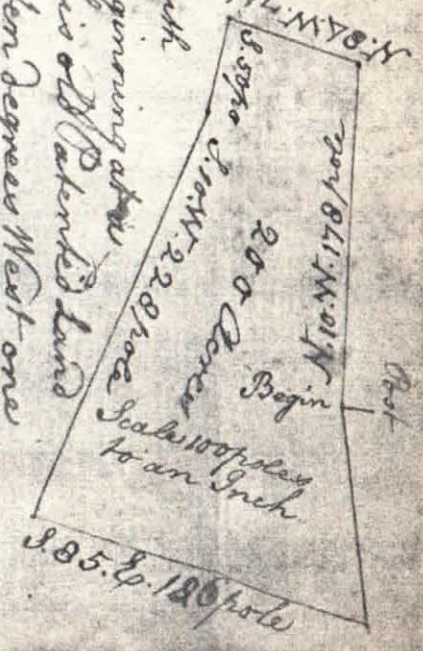
Location

The side of Sandy Run Swamp Beg. at a post oak

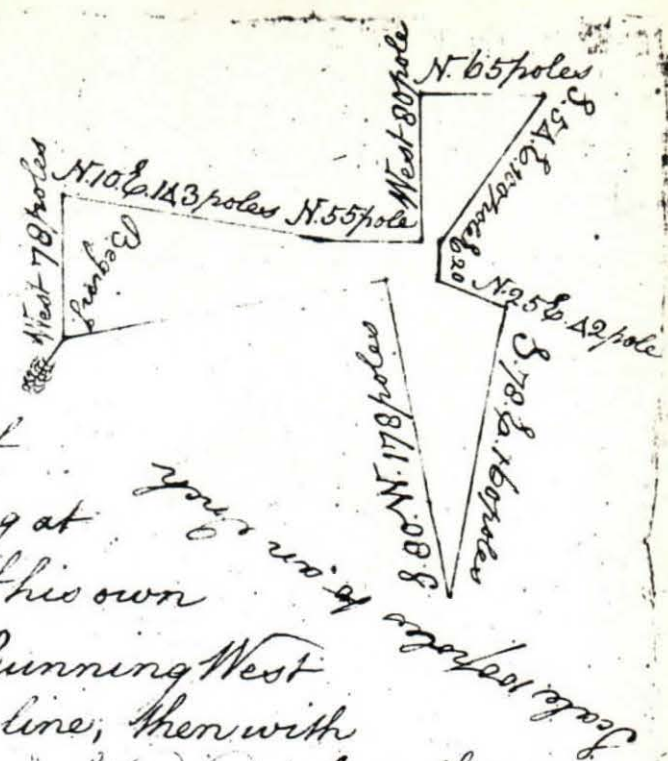
Remarks:

Surveyed the November 30th 1781 for William Jurnage a Tract of land containing two hundred Acres lying in the State of North Carolina in Dobbs County the south side of Sandy Run - Beginning at the foot the beginning corner of his old patented land & thence with his old line North ten degrees West one hundred & seventy eight poles to Sandy Run Swamp, then North eighty four West seventy four poles to Bryan's line then South fifty poles thence with Bryan's old line South ten West two hundred & twenty eight poles to a black Oak tree corner, then South eighty five East one hundred & eighty six poles to Smith's line then with his line to the beginning as the above plan represents.

William Jurnage



Survey'd December 10th
 1779 for William Turnage a.
 Tract of Land containing One
 hundred & fourteen Acres situ-
 ated in the State of North Carolina
 in Dobbs County the South side of
 Little Contentmenty-Creek Beginning at
 a pine the beginning Corner tree of his own
 Land in or near Smith's line & Running West
 Seventy Eight poles to Bryant's line, then with
 his line North Ten degrees East one hundred & forty three poles,
 to a red Oak his Corner, then with another of Bryant's lines
 North fifty five poles, then with another of his lines West
 Eighty poles, then North Sixty five poles, then with Pipkin's
 line South fifty four degrees East one hundred poles, then
 with his other line East twenty poles, then with another of
 his lines North twenty five degrees East forty two poles, then
 with another of his lines South Seventy Eight degrees East
 one hundred & Sixty poles to said Turnage's own Corner
 in the Run of the Creek, then with his own line South
 Eighty degrees West one hundred & Seventy Eight poles
 to his own Corner & then with another of his own lines
 to the beginning as the above plan Represents.



Wm. Smith
 Surveyor

N. 912

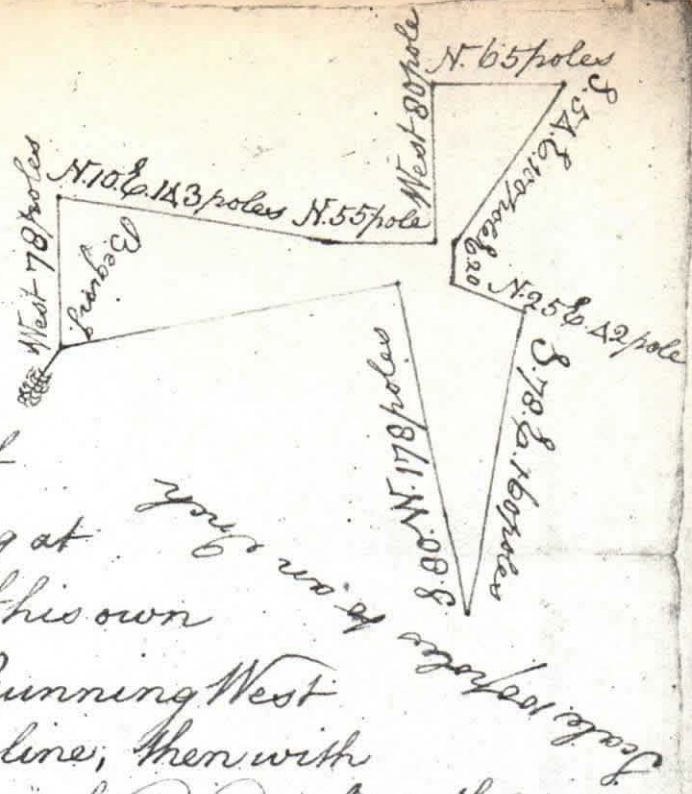
State of North Carolina }
Dobbs County — } To the Surveyor of said County

You are hereby required to Measure & lay
of according to Law two Hundred — acres of
Land for William Turnage, on the S. Side of Little
Contentnea Creek, including all the Vacant Land
Between the Lines of Micajah H. St. John & Smith,
William Bryants & his own lines — —

Given under my hand at Kingston
the 9th day of March 1780

James Oglethorpe

Survey'd December 10th
 1779 for William Turnage a
 Tract of Land containing One
 hundred & fourteen Acres Situ-
 ated in the State of North Carolina
 in Dobbs County the South side of
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 one hundred & Sixty poles to said Turnage's own Corner
 in the Run of the Creek, then with his own line South
 Eighty degrees West one hundred & Seventy Eight poles
 to his own Corner & then with another of his own lines
 to the beginning as the above plan Represents.



Attest
 [Signature]

STATE of NORH-CAROLINA.

No. *460*

RICHARD CASWELL, Jun.
Entry Officer of Claims for
Lands in the County of *Dobbs*.

To the SURVEYOR of the said County, Greeting.

YOU are hereby required, as soon as may be, to lay
off and survey, for *William Turnage*
a Tract or Parcel of Land, containing *two*
hundred Acres, lying in the
County afore said, *Joining William Bryant*
John Smith & Cornelius Broome

Observing the Directions of the Act of Assembly in such
Case made and provided for running out Lands. Two
just and fair Plans of such Survey, with a proper Certificate
annexed to each, you are to transmit, with this Warrant, to
the Secretary's Office without Delay.

GIVEN under my Hand at *Kingston*
the *10th* Day of *January* Anno
Dom. *1779*

R. Caswell