

THE GREEN FAMILY STORY

Information gathered here and there (and occasionally not documented) indicate that as early as 1642, Peter Green and his wife, Katherine are in the records of the new Virginia colony founded at Jamestown in 1607. They lived in the original James City County until April 1652, when Surry County was formed on the south side of the James River. Peter was transported by William Lawson (Isle of Wight County) and is on the list of Early Virginia Immigrants. The Greens are together until 1666, when he dies; she remarries to John Salway, then she dies. Any children of Peter and Katherine are not yet documented, a possibility is that there were two daughters who m. John Dunstan and James Reddick respectively. (This is one of those notes I made that I did not document) But the name Peter becomes the clue that ties future generations together.

In 1656, Peter Green got 200 acres in Surry County, 350 more, same place, 2-21-1663. This land was bought from William Lea. (Swemm has many references to the Green family, but since the Halls took precedence, few have been consulted.) Since we are going back in time to try and document the parents of Judith Green who married Isaac Hall, we will be using research done by a score of others.

LEWIS GREEN AND SUSANNAH GRIGG

(b. abt 1665, d. abt 1730) (no dates known)

Assuming that the Lewis Green (1) is a child of Peter and Katherine, most people believe that Lewis (1) married Susannah Grigg. Susannah is said to be a daughter of William Grigg and Frances Burwell. William Grigg is well documented in a report on the GRIGG FAMILY LINEAGE as compiled by O. H. Carper and sent to Shirley by another researcher.

He was named in a headright grant to Thomas Liggon in April 1664 as having sailed from England. It is assumed by Mr. Carper that he was able to pay his own way and that he was in his twenties when he arrived and that very soon, he married Frances Burwell. I can find absolutely no connection to the Burwell family that would include a Frances. Here is a synopsis of the PROMINENT AND WELL-DOCUMENTED Burwell family.

1. Major Lewis Burwell, the immigrant (1621-1653) m. Lucy Higginson.
2. Their only son, Major Lewis Burwell (1653-1710) and his first wife, Abigail Smith, had 10 children. All were born beginning about 1675. Since the FRANCES BURWELL we are trying to document was married about 1665, (see birthdates of her children below) it does not seem possible that she fits into this particular family. There is a record of a brother of the

immigrant Lewis Burwell named Edward who was living in York County in 1648. He could be the father of the mysterious Frances Burwell. Very little information has been found on Edward. Since the BURWELL name is repeated over and over in all families related to the Greens, Griggs, Halls, etc. there has to be some connection.

Moving on with the Griggs, we find these two children in the next generation: William Grigg II, b. ca 1666 at Baly's Creek in Westopher Parish, Charles City County, VA. m. Susannah Lockett b. 1671 in Henrico County, who was a daughter of Thomas Lockett and Margaret Osborne

Susannah Grigg, b. ca 1668, d. after 1726, same place, m. Lewis Green.

Lewis Green's name is all over the early Virginia records. Many, many land transactions, many records of his serving on the Vestry of the Bristol Parish Church in Prince George County which is adjacent to Surry. October, 1720 is the date of the first "saved" vestry minutes and Luis (Lewis) was present. (I have this book.) He and his children remained active in this church for many years. People researching the Green family all seem to have the same list of children. No one can tell me where it came from!!

Children attributed to Lewis Green and Susannah Grigg (from unknown sources):

1. Lewis, Jr. b. 1688 who m. Francis Gilliam and had a son named Peter
2. William b. 1690 who m. Mary----? and had children: Burwell, Benjamin, Mary, Elizabeth and William, Jr.
3. Nathaniel b. 1692, d. 1738 who m. Faith....?
4. Peter b. 1694, d. 1745 who m. Mary Coleman and had a son, Nathaniel, b. 1714
5. Mary b. 1696, who m. Edward Epes
6. Susannah b. 1698, who m. William Gilliam
7. Martha b. who m. Wm. Richardson
8. Judith b. 1702 who m. Isaac Hall
9. Burwell b. 1704 who m. Ann Poythress
10. Francis who m. Edw. or Ephraim Parham (not sure of this one)

The last clue we have on Lewis Green is that his will was written on April 28, 1730. It has evidently been destroyed, but land records involving Mary Green Epes show that she had received title to the land in Surry County on which she was already living from her father in his will. No other bequests to any of Lewis Green's children have been uncovered. Nothing I have ever found gives absolute proof that Judith is Lewis and Susannah Green's daughter except for

the fact that when Judith marries into the Hall family, the name Lewis is carried on for at least the next four generations...even down into Georgia.

If we could just figure out who Frances Burwell was, this report would have a happy ending.

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Shirley is a direct descendant of Isaac Hall/Judith Green, whose son Lewis moved to NC, and Lewis's children: Lewis Hall, Jr., Instance Hall, Berrien Lewis Hall, David Dyal Hall, Emory Day Hall who all ended up in Appling County, GA about 1790 and have left many descendants.

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ADDENDUM as of March 18, 2005

Another one of those serendipitous happenings! Alfred has a line, which goes back into early Virginia. We have recently "revisited" this and discovered that his Tapley/Redmond (Redman) ancestors may have had a link to a Green family of Surry County. I am adding some thoughts, which may bear investigation.

1. Brent Kennedy, our Melungeon researcher and friend, says that a Nancy Green married Peter Hutchinson in 1748 in Culpepper, VA. AND that Peter's sister Elizabeth was the mother of Andrew Jackson. This Nancy Green is credited as being the daughter of Lewis Green...and furthermore, that Lewis Green's wife was a Powhatan Indian. Now: this Nancy could not be the daughter of our Lewis (1) and Susannah Grigg for two reasons... she is not on the list of children and she would have been more likely to have been their grandchild due to her age.
2. I signed up for the MELUNGEON-L at Rootsweb recently and made contact with a lady who says "they" think that there was a Lewis Green who m. Elizabeth Sarah Lauderdale (b.1730...Augusta Co, VA) Her father William was supposed to be married to an Indian...or a non-white (Melungeon??)
3. ...SO IS IT POSSIBLE THAT THIS LAST LEWIS GREEN IS A GRANDSON OF THE SURRY COUNTY GREENS? I DON'T KNOW

IF THE LEWIS WHO M. FRANCES GILLIAM HAD A SON OR NOT.
BUT THERE ARE RUMORS CIRCULATING ALL THROUGH THE
HALL FAMILY THAT ENOCH HALL, SON OF LEWIS HALL, SR.
MARRIED A COUSIN OF ANDREW JACKSON. I DELVED INTO
THIS SOME YEARS BACK AND COULD NOT FIND A SINGLE
UNBROKEN THREAD THAT WOULD PROVE IT. BUT GREENS
AND HALLS ARE POSSIBLE COUSINS FOR SURE!

4. In the line of Thomas Redman/M. E. Tapley there is a Francis. And remember Mary Elizabeth's grandmother was a Sarah Green...possibly the namesake of Elizabeth Sarah Lauderdale/Lewis Green? The Melungeons think she was Sarah Green Payne.
5. Condensing this:
 - A. Lewis Green (1) and Susannah Grigg
 - B. Lewis Green (2) (a brother to our Judith Green Hall) and Frances Gilliam
 - C. A son of theirs? named Lewis (3) who m. Elizabeth Sarah Lauderdale
 - D. Their daughter Sarah Green who m. Hosea Redman, Jr? They named children Francis, Martha...all Green names...this, however, does not compute since the Melungeons think Sarah married Josiah Payne, son of Matthew and Mary. Oh, well.

This a lot to think about. And here is even more. My Melungeon researcher tells me this:

The Lewis Green connected to the Melungeon folks married in 1750 in Culpepper County, VA to Elizabeth Lauderdale. She was the daughter of William Lauderdale and an unknown Indian woman. The Laurdaldes have a great history going back to Scotland. Lewis Green had Zachariah, James, Lewis (the 4th?), Sarah, and Nancy, who m. Peter Hutchinson.

OUR BIG PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED IS THIS: Get more on Nancy Green Hutchinson. Figure out the dates of all involved. See if any info is available on Daniel Boone and his connection. And to Nancy Jackson. Restudy the Andrew Jackson story. And place the Tapleys...were they near Dungannon and Ft. Blackmore where Lewis Green settled about 1773?