

CHOATE FAMILY
OF
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INTRODUCTION

This project was inspired by talks with my mother Jessie Choate Odell Phillips. She was born August 4, 1861, at Odell's Mill, near Harrisonville, Baltimore County, Maryland, the first of three daughters of William Chapman Odell and Elizabeth Harryman Choate. Her mother died February 6, 1867, when Jessie was five and a half years of age. She went to live with her grandparents, Herod Choate and Priscilla Harryman, at Glen Farm, now (1979) called Four Chimneys, on Delight road about a mile south of Reisterstown. At that time the Choate family consisted of Herod age 71, Priscilla 63, son David 27, and daughter Ellenore 24. She lived with them six years until some time in 1873 when she was about twelve years old.

On June 30, 1870, her father married his second wife Catherine Georgianna Fite, daughter of William Fite and Achsah Owings. Three years later Jessie and her two younger sisters, Alice and Lucy, joined her father and step-mother at Hernwood, their 150 acre farm on Marriottsville road near Harrisonville. Thereafter Jessie frequently stayed with her Choate grandparents until Priscilla died in 1876 and Herod a year later. Having spent a good part of ten years with them, Jessie was very much a part of the Choate family. As such she personally knew many of the older members, their children, their in-laws, relations, and friends as well as the neighbors and people of the nearby village of Reisterstown. From them she learned a great deal of family history and local lore. Absorbed at an early age it always remained vivid and clear in her mind. Subsequent research proved she had a remarkably accurate memory.

In 1882 Jessie married Charles T. Phillips and went to live at Odell's Mill where she was born twenty-one years before. They remained there until the family moved to Baltimore in 1899. During all that period the Phillips, Odell, and Choate families were neighbors within a mile or two at Randallstown and Harrisonville. In 1919 she returned to Randallstown. She died in 1957, age 96, a widow since 1905.

During the last thirty years of her life much of our talk was about family matters of her early years which were still so fresh in her mind. Eventually I made notes of names, dates, places, relationships and events to keep it all straight. They are the basis for attempting to make a permanent record of the Choate family of Baltimore County, a project I started as a hobby after retiring in 1965 and which expanded beyond anything I ever contemplated. It has all the defects and shortcomings of a strictly amateur undertaking which I hope will some day be revised and corrected by someone better qualified for the task.

In addition to the notes mentioned above, the data herein are mostly from the following sources: Harryman, Choate, and Odell bible records; original list of marriages by Rev. E. w.Choate; marriage and death records of Balto. Cty. and City; newspaper notices; wills, probate, and land records, MHR; gravestone inscriptions; material in Md. Hist. Soc. ,Hist. Soc. of Simpson Cty.Ky., Oregon Hist. Soc.; family letters; Reisters Desire by Lillian Bayly Marks; Richard Choate of Pine Ridge, Ark. and Irene Choate Williams of Wartrace, Tenn.; Edw. Choate Odell; Balto. and Miriam Choate Schubert, Chevy Chase, Md.; John McGrain, Wm. Hollifield, and Wilson Herrera of Balto.Cty. Hist. Soc.; Georgia Stanfield Kerr, Randallstown; Richard Miller, Pasadena, Cal.; Gladys Peddicord May, Portland, Ore.; and special thanks to my research correspondent Mrs. Dorothy H. Smith of Annapolis, Md.& and George Horvath, Eldersburg, for maps and land records.

C H O A T E

Those who brought the Choate (Chotte, Chote, Choat, etc.) name to America came from England, although it apparently is not of English origin. In this connection E. O. Jameson in his monumental work; "Choates in Arnerica; 1643-1896" published in 1896 by Alfred Mudge & Son, Boston, has this to say:-

"When Philip of Spain set up the Inquisition in the Netherlands under the Duke of Alva in 1567, many of the Dutch fled to the eastern sections of England, most of them settling in the counties of Essex and Suffolk. Among them were the Van Choates from Antwerp and the province of Brabant where the name is still common. After their arrival in England, local antagonism to the industrious, thrifty, and independent Dutch made it expedient to drop the "Van" from the name.

"How early immagrants by the name of Choate may have appeared in England is uncertain. In the ancient parish records of Finchingfield, Essex County, on deposit in the Register Office in London, there is mention of those by that name as church wardens as early as 1500 A.D. A century later and onward the name appears with some frequency in the parish and church records of Hundon, Clare, County of Suffolk, and of Finchingfield, Birdbrooke, and Groton in the county of Essex.

"In the Parish Register the Vicar of Hundon, Rev. Arthur Hamp, by a search made in 1892,found the following:

1589 Elizabeth Choate filia of John Choate: bap.Mar.29th

1685 William Choate of Clare and Mary Arriss, widow of Hundon were married ye 7th.day of ffebruary

1776 Aug. 25th buried Robert son of John Choate.

The Rev. Mr. Hamp writes Many pages of our register are unreadable owing to damp in past years, and many pages have been cut out wholly or in part.

"The Register of the Parish Church in Finchingfield, which dates back to 1617,has among its earliest baptisms and burials the following, copied by William Coates, Parish Clerk in 1870:

1621 John Choate son of John and Susannah bap. May 15th.

1623 Annie Choat, daughter of Richard Choat Bap...Feb'y 9th.

1625 Edmund Choat, son of John Choat bap. June 2nd.

1632 John Choat son of Edward buried Nov.24th.

1637 Henry, son of Richard Choat, buried June 11th.

1654 Elizabeth, daughter of John Choat, buried Nov.24th.

1664 John Choat buried Jan.2nd.

1669 Robert Choat buried Aug.16th.

1702 Edmund Choat buried May 16th.

There are numerous burials of Choats since the above in Finchingfield."

In addition to the above records from the Jameson book, some interesting information about the English Choates is contained in a letter dated August 11, 1964 to Richard Choate, Walnut Ridge, Ark. by, Rev. Cautious A. Choate, D. D. pastor of the First Methodist Church of Stafford, Kansas, obtained while he was a student at Cambridge in 1930. Both Richard and Cautious Choate are descendants of Christopher 1-1 who left Maryland for Virginia about 1742.

By letter dated March 27, 1930 Rev. Choate was informed by Rev. W. H. Bonsey, vicar at Groton, Boxforth, that the church register listed the following:

Elizabeth d. of Robert Choate		Bap. 21 Jan. 1626
John s. of Robert Choate		Bap. 6 June 1624
Mary d. of Robert Choate		Bap. 25 Sept. 1628
Elizabeth Choate buried		25 Aug. 1627
Lettice Choate"		16 May 1666
Mary d. of Robert Choate	buried	28 June 1633
Robert Choate	"	18 August 1638
Sarah Choate	"	12 Sept. 1638

While still in England he received letters from Rev. A. Bodwell Choate in one of which he states "Among my fathers papers we came across the following notes which may be of interest to you.

"In July 1665 John Choate and his wife of Stambowne were cited before the archdeacon at Braintree for having conventicles in his house when Henry Howers preached.

"1530 Forty-one persons, Wycliffites, were arrested at Bridbrook, Essex, among, them Isbel Choate, widow and her sons -John, William, Christopher, and Robert, her daughter Margaret and Katherine their maid, - also Thomas Choate and his wife."

This small sample of English records suggests that Choates were established there well over a hundred years before the first of that name, John Choate, came to America and settled at Chebacco, Ipswich, in the Province of Massachusetts, in 1643. Jameson's book is devoted entirely to the descendants of John Choate, nearly all of whom, with few exceptions, were living in New England when the book was published in 1896. At that time it is unlikely the author had any knowledge of the arrival of Christopher Chotte in the Province of Maryland in 1676, nor of his descendant whose family remained in Baltimore County for nearly three hundred years. Nor did he have anyway of knowing about other descendants of Christopher who left Maryland in 1742 and 1754 for the newly opened lands of the south and southwest. The Maryland and the New England Choates are two separate and distinct families with a remote common ancestry, probably in England.

THE CHOATE FAMILY OF MARYLAND

1- Christopher Chotte
Arr. Md. 1676 Died 1692
Married - Unknown
Children
1-1 Christopher Choate 2nd.
1-2 Edward

The following is a copy of the original record of the arrival of Christopher Chotte in the Province of Maryland in 1676:

“Richard Benton	Thos. Yeasley	Mary Smith	Ann Wilson
Chr. Chotte	Hastings Pitts	John Lewis	Rich. Chandler
(16 assigned to Welsh)			
Ann Wheener	John Willoby	James Pauley	Sarah Clary
Henry Parsons	John Paeston	Geo. Garrish	Ann Glover
Jn. Farebrother	Jona England	Tho. Fisher	Robt. Owings
James Barnes	John Hawkins	Don Chipman	Geo. Olaroc
Robert Hilton	Tho.Fuller	Tho.Pickasgill	Hen. Oswaid
			RQ. Hulbert
			Frances Beatsone

15th. April, 1676 In all thirty transported at the charge of Capt. John Boddy Commander of the good ship Cecilous, the rights due being this day proved before me by the same body.
Ch. Baltimore

On the back of the foregoing list of rights was written:

Know all men by these presents that I doe assign over unto John Welsh of Ann Arundel County sixteen of the within specified rights which are thirty in all as witness my hand June 24th.1676.
John Boddy

16th August 1676 warrent then granted to John Welsh of Ann Arundel County for" eight hundred acres of land due to him by the above assignment from John Boddy. Warrent then granted to John Boddy for seven hundred acres of land due to him for transporting the fourteen last mentioned persons into this province to inhabit.”

(Patents Liber #15, fol.504, Md. Hall of Rec.)

In 1676 there were only about 7000 tithables (tax payers) in the Province and the entire population did not exceed 20,000. To attract more settlers, Lord Baltimore, who owned the entire province as a personal possession, offered rights to fifty acres of land for each new arrival. Since the above passengers could not pay their fare, they each agreed by indenture or contract to work for a period of time - usually four to six years - for whoever paid their transportation -any where from ten to twenty pounds. John Welsh, having bought sixteen of the rights from Capt. Boddy, was assigned the same number of workers, including Christopher Chotte, and also obtained a warrent, for eight hundred acres of land. At the time of the assignment, Welsh owned three hundred acres on the northeast branch of Herring Creek in Ann Arundel County which he bought from John Burrage in 1668. (Patents Liber #15, f.504, MHR)

It is not known exactly when Christopher's term of service ended but he was apparently a "freedman" (that is qualified to own land) by 1681, for on August 9th of that year an official survey was made for eleven acres, called Choates his Chance, lying in Ann Arundel County on the south side of the Magothy River at Little Piny Neck Point in the Manor of Ann Arundel. (Pat. Book.Vol.21, f.352, MHR) This was a very desirable location since the river not only provided fish and water fowl, but the all important means of transportation. At about the same time he received 174 pounds of tobacco from the public stock to plant a crop, being entitled to this by Act of Assembly. (Md.Arch.Vol.7, Lib.WH p.189) Tobacco was the only medium of exchange at that time so production was encouraged to provide taxes for the Provincial government and personal income for the Proprietor.

By the early 1680s Christopher was married, although the name of his wife is unknown, and became the father of two sons; Christopher 2nd born about 1685, and Edward, born about 1687. He died intestate in Ann Arundel County in 1692. The inventory and appraisement of the estate is as follows:

"An appraisment of Goods by order of warrent by Walter Carr and John Norris belonging to Christopher Chote lately deceased was appraised the 19th.of Nov.1692

8 bbls. corn @ .06 per bbl.	02-12-00
1 sow, 6 shoates	00-16-00
1 shoate	00-06-00
1 pot, 1 fry pan, 2 piggins)	
1 pr.flesh forks, 1 gridiron)	00-06-00
1 pr.plain shoes, 1 red wastcoat)	
1 bagg, 2 scissors, 1 axe, 1 hatchet, 1 hamer)	00-06-00
5 trayes	00-01-06
3 runletts	00-04-00
3 old tubs	00-02-00
1 gun, 1 raxe, 1 old cutting knife	<u>00-06-00</u>
	05-02-06

600 lbs.tobacco

Signed

Walter Carr

John Norris"

(Inv. & Acct. Lib.103 f.27, MHR)

Richard Gott was appointed administrator and his bond is recorded:

Test.Proc.Lib.15A, f.22, AA Cty.Ct.4/28/1693, MHR.

The widow probably did not remain unmarried very long; women were at a premium and the two half grown boys could be a real asset on a farm. Nothing more is known about her.

The two boys, however, eventually moved to Baltimore County, their names being found on the Tax List 115, Upper Part, Northside Patapsco, 1706. (Wilkins File, MHS) This tax district included the area where St. Paul's Church had built a small red brick Parish House, called Patapsco, at the head of Colgate Creek, only a few miles from the future site of Baltimore Town. Both brothers must have lived in the general vicinity of the Parish House for they are listed in its records from 1716 to 1735.

1-1- Christopher Choate, 2nd.

b. ca.1685 d. unknown

Married - Flora ----

Children:

1-1-1- Austin (Augustine) b. 11/6/1716

-2- Christopher 3r.d. b. 8/12/1720

-3- Richard b. 11/8/1722

-4- Mary b. 10/5/1724

-5- Zabritt b. 3/19/1730

Some time after the death of their father in Ann Arundel county in 1692, Christopher and his brother, Edward moved across the bay to Baltimore county where both are recorded on the List #115 of Upper Part, Patapsco, for 1706. This tax district included Patapsco Parish (later named St. Paul's), laid out in 1692 when the Church of England became the established church of the Province. The first, building, of red brick, was located on Patapsco Neck near the head of Colgate Creek, a convenient waterway emptying into the Patapsco river just a few miles from where Baltimore Town was laid out in 1729. Christopher lived in the vicinity of the church for the records of Old St. Paul's Church list the birth of his five children from 1716 to 1730. (Md. Hist. Soc.)

A near neighbor was Richard Gist, son of the immigrant Christopher Gist, who inherited from his father various tracts of land including South Canton, Walton, and Arden's Marsh. The last two tracts were resurveyed, March 12, 1726, and described as "lyeing on the north side of the Patapsco River below the church". (Ld. Com. for Bal. Cty., 1727-37, p.7, MHR) Christopher Choate and Richard Gist were not only neighbors but together were involved in numerous business transactions.

Gist was not only an extensive land owner, but also a merchant trader. One of his debtors was John Street, heir to the estate of his deceased father. On August 13, 1719 Gist took an assignment for debt from Street which included the interest in his father's estate. This transaction was witnessed by Christopher Choate.

Three years later, on August 18, 1722, Richard Gist, Merchant, of Baltimore County, sold to Christopher Choate, planter, a tract of 108 acres called Choate's Fancy, being parts of two tracts, that is one part Green Springs Traverse and one part Street's Adventure. (Gist likely acquired the latter tract under the assignment mentioned above) On the same day Zipporah Gist, daughter of Josephus Murray and wife of Richard, assigned her dower rights. Witnesses were Luke Bevan and Jn. Isreal. (Bal.Cty.Land Rec.1722, vol.IS#G, f.111-13, MHR)

For the next twenty years Christopher Choate lived and raised his family at Choate's Fancy, which he had purchased from Richard Gist for twenty pounds sterling. On May 20th.1742 Christopher Choate, Sr. and Christopher Choate, Jr. (2nd.and 3rd.) joined in a deed selling the place to Nathaniel Gist, son of Richard, for fifty pounds sterling. (Bal.Cty.Land Rec.1742, Vo1.TB#A, f.155-57, MHR)

After disposing of Choates Fancy in 1742, Christopher, 2nd, joined with William Hall, who was in possession of fifty acres in Baltimore County called Hall's Approach, in a swine raising venture, the tract being too small for tobacco planting. After several years this undertaking ended, on July 7th. 1745, with the sale by William Hall and Christopher Choate of 20 head of hogs (sic) and a moiety of growing corn as well as their interest in the land to Ammon Butler for fifty-four pounds. The wives, Mary Hall and Flora Choate, confirmed release of their interest. (See Balto. Cty. Land Grants, 1745, Vol. TB#D, ff 282-84, MHR) It is quite likely that Hall was the son-in-law of Christopher Choate whose daughter, Mary, would have been nearly twenty-one years of age in 1745.

The sale of Hall's Approach is the final record of Christopher 2nd and Flora Choate in Maryland.

1-1-1 Augustin (Austin) Choate

b. 11/6/1716 d. 1740

April 2

Unmarried *tried June 1739 for fathering child with Sarah Savage*

Augustin Choate (baptized Austin), the first child of Christopher 2nd and Flora Choate, grew up with his three brothers and one sister on the family place called Choate's Fancy. When he was a few months shy of twenty-one years of age, he obtained a grant from Charles Lord Baltimore, dated July 25th. 1737, of one hundred acres in Baltimore County called Choate's Contrivance, located "by a great glade and near a run commonly known and called by the name of the Horse Head Branch or Glade" (See Pat. Rec. Vol. EIH2, ff. 635-6, MHR) This small stream flowed into a much larger one nearby called Gwins Falls. The area was not suitable for planting but was a likely spot for hunting and trapping. Augustin never married. When he died in 1740 Josephus Murray, Jr. was appointed administrator and on August 29th. 1740, Christopher Randall and Sam'l Owings filed an appraisal of the estate as follows:

1-old gun	1-0-0	<i>pounds shillings- pence</i>
1-rifle do	2-10-0	
1-very old mair	1-10-0	
1-dressed buck skinn	-8-0	

(The above record is found in box 42, folder 36, of Mr. Stokes papers, unperfected, MHR)

Having died without a will or direct heirs, Augustin's entire estate was inherited by his next oldest brother, Christopher 3rd, in accordance with the ancient English law of primogeniture in force in the Province at that time.

1-1-2 Christopher Choate, 3rd.
b. 8/12/1720 d. unknown
Married?

Christopher, 3rd, second child of Christopher, 2nd. and Flora Choate, was twenty years old when he inherited Choate's Contrivance upon the death of his older brother, Augustin, in 1740. Due to ever worsening economic conditions and bitter political squabbling, many planters sold out or simply abandoned their fields and struck out for the newly opened land of the south and southwest. Beckoning fortune and adventure had great appeal to the pioneering spirit of the young. It may have been this urge for a better future that led Christopher to sell out.

According to an indenture dated May 29th 1742 in which Christopher Choate, Jr.(3rd.) is described as "heir at law of Augustine Choate, deceased, "Nathaniel Gist at the request of Christopher Choate, Jr. conveys another parcel of land to James Killey for the account and by order of the said Augustine Choate of the value of twenty pounds, receipt acknowledged by Christopher Choate, Jr., and the said Christopher Choate, Jr., sells to William Lewis ----Choate's Contrivance lying in Baltimore County on the west side of Gwins Falls --- near a run called the Horse Head Branch or Glade --- containing one hundred acres.(See Balto.Cty.Land Rec.Vol.TB#A,ff,202-4,MHR) NOTE: The above described location of Choate's Contrivance would indicate it was near, if not a part of, the NW section of the property on which McDonogh School was established in 1850 and which at one time was owned by the Gist family.

On May 20, 1742, nine days before the above transaction Christopher 3rd. joined with his father in the sale of Choate's Fancy to Nathaniel Gist for fifty pounds sterling. In this indenture the father, Christopher 2nd.is described as Sr. and Christopher 3rd.as .Jr. Flora, wife of the father, assigns her rights but in neither this nor the above indenture did a wife of the son participate, which suggests he was not married (Bal.Cty.Ld.Rec.1742, Vol.TB#A,ff.155-57)

There are no further records in Maryland of Christopher Choate, 3rd. or of his younger brothers, Richard and Zabrit. However, all three are listed as tithables (taxpayers) in Lunenburg County, Virginia, in 1749. Later years finds their descendants scattered throughout the Carolinas, Kentucky, Tennessee, and the southwest.

1-2 Edward Choate
b. ca 1687 d. unknown
m. (A) Constant -----
Children
1-2-1 Edward b. ca 1720
1-2 m. (B) Elenore Savage, 5/22/1735
Children
1-2-2 Solomon b. ca 1736

Edward Choate, younger of the two sons of the immigrant Christopher Choate, was born in Ann Arundel county about 1687, probably on the small, farm his father obtained in 1681 on the Magothy River, not far from Gibson Island. After the father died in 1692, the mother and two boys, and maybe a second husband, eventually moved to Baltimore county, not far Patapsco, the first Anglican Parish House in Maryland, located north; of the Patapsco River near the head of Colgate Creek. In 1706 both Edward and his brother Christopher are shown on Tax List 115, Upper Part North Side, Patapsco District. (See Wilkins File, MHS)

In 1718, when he was about twenty-nine years of age, Edward obtained a warrent for fifty acres of land and at the same time got an assignment for another fifty acres out of a tract of two hundred fifty held by Richard Gist. This tract of one hundred acres Edward named Choate's Delight. For reasons unclear, however, a patent was not granted until November 5th 1731 in which the tract is described as lying in Baltimore County "on the south end of a ridge and on the northeast side of a run descending into Jones Falls known by the name of North Run". (See Ld. Pat. Rec. Vol. PL#8, pp 255-56, MBR) The Baltimore Atlas of 1877 shows the location to be in the 3rd District about one half mile north of Stevenson.

During the period 1781-1731 Edward very likely was in possession of the property for it as around 1718 that he married Constant, last name unknown. About 1820 (1720) a son, Edward, Jr. was born. This marriage, however, apparently was not made in Heaven for in 1725 a notice was posted at the court house at Joppa Town as follows:

“Whereas on the 16th.day of June 1725 My Wife Constant Choate did Absent herself from her home without leave consent or Knowledge.

These are therefore to forwarn all Persons from Dealing or Contracting any Debts with Said Constant under the Penalty of Looseing" Such Debts given Under my hand this Day and Year abovesaid

Edward Choate

Received June the 20th. 1725

Recorded August the 27th. 1725”

(See Lib. IS#H, f.133, Balto. Cty. Land Rec., MHR)

Whatever happened to the unconstant Constant is unknown.

Ten years later, on May 22nd. 1735, Edward married Elenore Savage in Old St. Paul’s Church as recorded in the original register.(MHS) they became parents of one child; Solomon born about 1736. After Edward, Jr. was married about 1751, Solomon and his parents continue to live at Choate's Delight.

In 1742 St. Paul's established St. Thomas Chapel about a mile, from Choate's Delight "for the people of the wilderness". Wm. Hammond, Thos. and Nath'l Gist, Rich. Treadway and Edw. Choate were among the contributors. (Balto. Cty. Hist., MHS)

1-2-1A Edward Choate, Jr.
 b.ca 1720 d. unknown
 m. Elizabeth Underwood
 Children - unknown

Edward Choate, Jr., only child of his father and first wife Constant Choate (A), was born at Choate's Delight about 1720. After the mother deserted them in 1725, son and father continued to live there and were joined by his second wife, Elenore Savage (B) in 1735. A year later their only child, Solomon, was added to the household. The four apparently lived together for the next fifteen years.

Some time around 1750, when Edward, Jr. was thirty years of age he married Elizabeth Underwood. The next year, on August 15, 1751, Thomas Cockey received a warrent for one hundred fifty-five acres or Common land and on August 21st of the same year assigned fifty acres to Edward Choate, Jr. This tract, which Edward named Buck Range, stood on a ridge next to a tract called Caanan. It was surveyed and laid out by Skipwith Rigbie, February 10, 1752. (Sur. Cert. #860, Patented, MHR)

The wife of Edward Jr., Elizabeth Underwood, was one of the heirs to the estate of her deceased father, Samuel Underwood, so they both had to join in the deed for the sale of the land, as shown by the following abstract:

Indenture made 24 October 1753 between Mary Underwood at the County of Baltimore, widow and devisee of the last will and testament of Samuel Underwood, deceased, late of the County of Baltimore, and Samuel Underwood of Baltimore, son and heir of Samuel, deceased, and Edward Choate, Jr. of said County of Baltimore and. Elizabeth, his wife, daughter and devisee of the said Samuel Underwood, deceased,-----to John Ford of Baltimore County, for forty-two pounds current money ----- Friendship, -- in Baltimore County, one hundred acres.

Witness-Samuel Owings All signed by mark (Sealed)
 George Ashman

(See Balt. Cty. Land Rec. 1754, Lib. BB #1, f.145-47, MHR)

Within eight months after sale, of the Underwood property, Edward, Jr. sold Buck Range as indicated by the following abstract, of the record.

INDENTURE made 25 July 1754 between Edward Choate, Jr. Planter of Baltimore County and Henry Pemberton of said County, Planter, ---- eighteen pounds current money ---- all that tract or parcell of land called Buck Range ----- fifty acres.

Witness-Sam'l Owings ,

Rachael Owings

Edward .Choate, Jr. (Seal)

Urath Owings

Solomon Choate, half brother of Edward Choate, Jr., witnessed the receipt given to Pemberton for the eighteen pounds.

In the prior transaction Edward Jr. signed by mark but in the sale of Buck Range he signed his name. In the last instance his wife did not join in the deed.

(See Balt. Cty. Land Rec. 1754, Vol.BB#1, ff.277-78, MHR)

In 1750 the area where the Choates lived was still little more than wilderness. It was too far from the bay and the rivers for commerce, the soil was unsuited for raising tobacco, the cash crop, and the main artery of transportation was a packhorse trail from York, Penna. to Elkridge Landing and the recently settled Baltimore Town, population about 150. It was still eight years before John Reister settled along the trail where it branches west to Frederick and Pittsburg and gave his name to the settlement and to the trail that later became the Reisterstown Turnpike.

Because of worsening economic conditions and the hated tax to support the established church, for fifteen years or more prior to 1750, many local families had moved to the newly opened sections of western Virginia, Carolina and Kentucky. Among them was Christopher Choate 2nd and his family who moved to Lunenburg County, Virginia, in 1742. There is no reason to doubt that thereafter many letters and messages came back extolling the advantages of the new area.

In any event, after the sale of Buck Range to Henry Pemberton in July 1754, Edward, Jr. and his wife Elizabeth moved to Bedford County, Virginia not far from his uncle Christopher Choate, Jr. who settled in Lunenburg County (from which Bedford had been carved) in 1742. The departure of Edward, Jr. and Elizabeth left Edward, Sr., his wife Elinore, and their son Solomon the only remaining members of the first Baltimore County Choates. Thus Solomon became the progenitor of all succeeding generations in Maryland.

NOTE: The records of my grandfather's brother, Walter George Odell, genealogist of the Odell family (1842-1932), contains the following information about the location of the Pemberton property which most likely included the tract called Buck Range purchased from Edward Choate, Jr.

"Henry Pemberton Sr. died 1795, was father of William Pemberton who died 1815 and who married Sarah Odell in 1797.

The old Pemberton homestead was in the 2nd. Dist. Balto. City Md, lying along the old Liberty Road (adjoining it) on the north; on the west the Pemberton property adjoined the land of the late; Edward S. W. Choate; on the east adjoined the land of the late Robert Breckenridge Chapman; on opposite or north side of Liberty Road is the land once belonging to Isaiah Odell who died about 1847 leaving his property to his daughter Rachael Odell, later Rachael Hines.

The Pemberton house burned down 10-20 years prior to 1913. Stood about 100 yds. south of Liberty Pike in a field."

From the above description Buck Range was located about half a mile west of the present village of Randallstown. (1979)

NOTE- Since writing the above later research indicates this particular Pemberton property did not include Buck Range which was sold to Henry Pemberton by Edward Choate, Jr. in 1754. Maps of old land grants prepared by George Horvath, Jr., Mineral Hill Rd., Eldersburg, Md. shows Buck Range and Caanan, the adjoining tract, were located in the vicinity of North Branch and in back of Ward's Chapel Church.

SOLOMON CHOATE 1736 - 1791

SOLOMON, only child of Edward Choate, Sr. and his second wife, Elenore Savage, was born about 1736 at Choate's Delight, his father's 100-acre place in Baltimore county near the present village of Stevenson. It was purchased in 1718 from Richard Gist and situated on the east side of a stream called North Run which joined Jones Falls and emptied into the Patapsco about a mile from where Baltimore Town was laid out in 1729. (See Land Patent Rec.vol.PL#8, pp 255-56, MHR) Choate's Delight was in the sparsely settled interior about twelve miles from Colgate Creek and the Patapsco where his father had lived as a young man. In 1744 St. Pauls Episcopal Church in Baltimore established a chapel at Garrison called St. Thomas "to serve the people of the wilderness."

Little is known of Solomon's boyhood except that he was raised with his half brother, Edward, Jr. who was fifteen years older and the son of Constant, his father's first wife. They both survived a rigorous pioneer upbringing. After Edward, Jr. married and departed for Virginia in 1754, Solomon remained with his parents. They apparently died intestate leaving him sole heir.

About 1757 Solomon married Sarah (last name unknown), probably in the Primitave or Particular Baptist Church at Winters Run near Jarrettsville (now in Harford county) which was established in 1754 by a group that seceded from Sater's Baptist Church on Falls Road, the first of that denomination in Maryland, 1742. They continued in the Baptist faith, particularly their son Edward, who became a minister.

The Revolutionary War was of immediate and pressing concern to those of the coastal areas but it had little direct affect on those living in the remote interior. Solomon, however, did pledge allegiance by taking the Oath of Fidelity in 1778. (See James Calhoun's Balto.Cty. returns, Hodges, Rev. Records, VI: 42) This qualifies his descendants for membership in DAR and SAR.

Solomon prospered. Like many planters of his time, he was interested in acquiring more land, especially near the growing village of Reister's Town. In twenty-five years from its settlement in 1759 it had a church, a tavern, a smithy, three or four stores, thirty or forty houses) and school. Of the several tracts of land he purchased the largest and most important was a tract of 260 acres, about two and one half miles south of Reister's Town, for which on June 16th 1787, he agreed to pay Daniel Bowley, Richard Ridgely and William West, heirs of Thomas Harrison, dec., 50 shillings per acre. However, the actual contract of sale and bond guaranteeing conveyance of title was made to Richard Choate. Four days later, on June 20th.1787, he assigned to his father, Solomon, the bond executed by Daniel Bowley and Richard Ridgeley legally binding them to produce title to the property. A few days later William West, one of the Harrison heirs, died suddenly leaving a complicated legal, situation among his, heirs. As this legal tangle dragged on, Solomon died in May 1791 leaving all of his real estate to his wife, Sarah, and youngest son, Austin. Eventually Daniel Bowley acquired the interest of all the other heirs and on April 23, 1899, conveyed the property to Sarah Choate, wife, and Austin Choate, son, heirs under the will of Solomon Choate, dec., for 650 pounds. (Prov. Ct. Rec., Land, Lib. JG 5, ff 502-6, MHR)

SOLOMON CHOATE (cont .1)

With the purchase of the 260 acres Solomon acquired a long two storied brick house divided across by a center hall, as well as the usual out buildings, including a large spring house made of logs and plaster located at the foot of a slope near the house. The house itself was on a high ridge overlooking a meadow dotted with cherry and chestnut trees that swept down to the "streight road to Reister Town" which it bordered for over half a mile. He lived there from June/1787, to the time of his death in MayJ1791. In later years the place became known as Cherry Hill and the lane leading past it from the road is still called. Cherry Hill Lane.

In his will dated April 11, 1791, Solomon leaves to his eldest son, Richard, five shillings: to his second son, Edward, 125 pounds in full for his dower and services; to his wife Sarah and son Austin, all negroes, stock of every kind, farm utensils, kitchen and household furniture, etc. jointly, the two to live together and share equally the profits, and after her death everything to Austin including various tracts of land. The will was signed "his-O-mark and witnessed by Richard Clark, John Ford and Thomas Clark. The place of his burial is unknown.

Solomon and Sarah had three children;

- 1- Richard b. 1759
- 2- Edward b. 1765
- 3- Austin b. 1775

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CHART
Male descendants of
SOLOMON CHOATE
b.1736 d.5-/1791
M. Sarah (Unknown) ca.1757

1-Richard
b. 1759 d. 11/29/1813
M. Jane Ann Lowe, 10/14/1783
b. 1763 d. 7/30/1855

Children:
i- Sarah b.1784
ii- Flora b.1786
iii- Elias b.1789
iv- Rebecca b.1791
v- Ellender b.1794
vi- Herod b.1796
vii- Debrough b.1799
viii- Mary b.1802
ix- David b.1804
x- Jesse L. b.1806
xi- Harriett b.1808

iii-Elias Choate
b.ca.1789 d. after 1837
M. Barbara Milliron, 3/14/1811
Children, if any, unknown. No trace of this family in Maryland after 1837.

vi- Herod Choate
b. 10/25/1796 d. 6/13/1877
M. Priscilla Harryman, 11/2/1824
b. 11/18/1804 d. 2/23/1876

Children:
Jesse Columbus b. 8/4/1824•
Edward d. infant
Georgiana b. 3/17/1831
Vilmina d. infant
Mary Jane b. 5/6/1836
Elizabeth H b. 1/23/1838
David Lowe b. 9/6/1840
Ellenore Gill b. 10/16/1843

Jesse Columbus Choate b. 8/4/1824
d. 4/4/1845 in war with Mexico. Unmarried

David Lowe Choate b. 9/6/1840
d. 3/2/1882 Unmarried

x- Jesse Lowe Choate
1/17/1806 d. 2/10/1876
M. Reginah (Unknown), 1834-5
b.1816 d. 11/12/1896

Children
See page #2

3-Austin

Mary Jane b. 5/6/1836
Sarah R. b. 7/10/1838
Martha Ann b. 10/15/1840
David b. 1843
Susan b. 1852
Julia b. 1854
Herod 2nd b. 1856

Descendents of

2-Edward Choate 3rd

b. 1765 d. 12/18/1840 *b. in Baltimore d. Mary Price's diary 1821 says Dec 13, 1840*
M. Elizabeth Dimmitt, 12/12/1789 *1840 will of Ed. Choate, father of Eliz was William Dimmith*

Children

i- Solomon 2nd b. 1796
ii- Rebecca b. 8/11/1798
iii- Richard 2nd b. 2/14/1808 *1804*
iv- Mary b. 1806 *"Polly" 1840 will of Ed Choate – Mary Beasman b. 1795*
v- Maria b. 1809 *Maria Odell/ O'Dell, Walter*

i- Solomon Choate 2nd

b. 1796 d. 3/6/1861

M. Elizabeth Beckley, 4/11/1824

Children:

Mary Ann b. 3/22/1829 *Married Owens – 2 kids Eliz & boy*
Maria R. b. 5/-/1834 *3 kids Betty, Edgar, Annie (O'Dell Scroll)*

iii Richard Choate 2nd

b. 2/14/1808 d. 2/23/1867 *b. 2-4-1804 d. 2-3-1867*

M. Ann Jane Pearse *b. 3-2-1804 d. 1864*

Children:

Mary Elizabeth b. 8/20/1840
 Edw. Stephen W. b. 7/7/1842 *(Williams) or 7/2/1842*
 Richard Pearse b. 8/15/1844 *called Pearse*
 Georgianna b. 8/15/1844 *Aunt "George"*

Edward Stephen W. Choate (of Richard 2nd)

b. 7/7/1842 d. 12/11/1905 *b. 7-2-1842 in Randallstown*

M. Margaret Ann Shipley *b. 10-4-1848 in Balto. D. 11-13-1937 in Eusti Married 1-16-1873*

Children:

Mary Corrinne b. 1/20/1876 *d. Nov 1893*
Anna Mable b. 1878 *d. Jan 26, 1962*
Edward Stephen b. 12/9/1879 *d. 1983*
Georgia Pearse b. 1881 *tombstone b. 6-9-1882 d. July 21, 1932*
Charles Shipley b. June 12, 1883 d. Aug 1883

Edward Stephen Choate (of Edw. Stephen W.)

b. 12/9/1879 d. (alive in 1977)

M. Margaret Ann Wilson *"Anna"*

Children

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Children of Edward Stephen Choate
and Margaret Ann Wilson:

Margaret Irwin b. 6/3/1910

M. (1) R. E. Daniels
(2) Ernest Phillips

Evelyn Pearse b. 8/24/1911

M. Ernest Lyons

Ruth Wilson b. 4/13/1915

M. J. F. McGinn

Sarah Jeanne b. 11/5/1916

M. C. H. Ferran

Miriam Virginia b. 5/6/1924

M. Dr. J. R. Schubert

1 child unknown
"Ray"

2 sons

Lewis

2 dau., 1 son d. 12/6/93

John Franklin

2 sons, 1 dau.

Clarence Harold

2 sons, 2 dau.

John Rockwell

Richard Pearse Choate (of Richard 2nd.)

b.8/15/1844 d.11/11/1919

M.(1) Laura Fite (No issue)

(2) Emma Jane George, 12/21/1882

b. 3/27/1850 d. 2/-/1941

Children:

Richard Pearse 2nd. b. 9/25/1883

Blanche George b. 12/18/1886

Marvin Edward b. 12/4/1889

d. 3-14-1939

d. 5-18-1958

d. 2-9-1971

Richard Pearse Choate 2nd.

b. 9/25/1882 d. 3/14/1939

M. Margaret Lawson

No issue.

Marvin Edward Choate

b. 12/4/1889 d. 2/9/1971

M. Mary Claggett

No issue.

Blanch George Choate

b. 12/18/1886 d. 5/18/1958

M. Clarence Wright

Children:

Pearse Choate Wright b.

Doris Choate Wright b.

Descendants of

3- Austin Choate

b. 1775 d. 1822

M. Amy Ford

b.1776 d. after 1860

Children:

Mary Ann (Marian) b. 1803

M. Jesse Gore, 1/10/1826

Ruth b.1805

M. John Fisher, 12/20/1822

iii- Isabella b. 1806

M. William Gore, 2/5/1822

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Children of Austin Choate
and Amy Ford, cont.

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iv- Hillen (Hill)

b. 1810 d. 1833

M. Ann Cook

Children:

Hillanna b. 1833 d. 4/18/1879

M. Cornelius H. Stocksdale, 1/7/1854

v- Austin, Jr.

b. 1812 d. after 1833

M. ?

1-RICHARD CHOATE
 b.1761 d.11/29/1813
 m. Ann Jane Lowe 10/4/1783 *14th on pg 25*
 b.1763 d.7/30/1855

Richard Choate, first of three sons of Solomon and Sarah Choate, was born about 1761 (*1759 on pg 10,25*), probably at Choate's Delight, the 100 acre farm patented by-.Ms grandfather, Edward Choate, Sr. in 1718. This place was located in Baltimore county a mile or two east of the wagon trail to Pennsylvania (later to become the Reister Town road and in the vicinity of what is now the village of Stevenson. Little is known of his boyhood. The whole area was still very sparsely settled so he grew up much as a child of the wilderness. His family managed to survive the ups and downs of an unstable farm economy, and Richard succeeded in acquiring enough education to read and write and keep accounts, after a fashion.

By the time he was grown a whole system of wagon trails to the south enabled the family, by messages carried back and forth by travelers, to keep in infrequent touch with those members who had settled in Virginia, Carolina and Kentucky thirty to forty years before. This was an important development. (Bal. Mar. Rec. 222, MHS)

On August 4 (*14th on pg 25*), 1783, Richard married Ann Jane Lowe (daughter of a substantial planter who lived about three miles SW of the village of Reister Town. They probably went to live with her parents. By 1786 two daughters had been born, Sarah and Flora, and the family moved into a small house on ten acres of land, part of a large tract called Clark's Park, which Richard bought from Edward Parrish on June 26, 1786 (Balto. Cty. Land Rec. Lib. WG#Z, f.44, MHR)

The following year his father, Solomon, bought 260 acres and a large brick house close to Richard's place and moved there with his wife, Sarah, and two sons, Edward, aged 21 ,and Austin, aged 11-12. Several years later, in December 1789, Edward married Elizabeth Dimmitt and settled on one of the tracts of land owned by her father. In May 1791 Solomon Choate died, Richard promptly moved his family into the large house occupied by his mother and younger brother who had inherited the place jointly under Solomon's will.

On February 11, 1796, Richard bought 202 acres from Daniel Bowley, which adjoined or was near the property owned by his mother and brother, Austin. On February 2, 1802, Austin married, Amy Ford, daughter of a neighbor, John Ford. The couple probably went to live with the Fords since by that time Richard and Jane had eight children ranging in age from one to eighteen which would crowd the most commodious house. In early October, 1803, the mother, Sarah, died, terminating her life interest and making Austin sole owner of the property in his father's estate. He apparently had no interest in farming, for a few days after his mother's death he sold his father,1 place to Richard on October 15,1803 for \$800.00.(Balto. Cty. Land Rec Lib.WG#79,f.30,MHR)

The growth of Reister Town and Baltimore brought such an increase of traffic between them that the dirt wagon road was often impassable due to mudholes and ruts. By the year 1800 there was much agitation for its improvement, but it was not until 1806 that the county court agreed to an arrangement to provide convict labor, materials, and funds for the job. Richard Choate was appointed supervisor for one section for which he posted a bond for the faithful performance of his duties, dated October 9, 1806, in the sum of \$5000.00, with William Dimmitt, William Berryman, and John Hasselbach as sureties~ (Richard's brother, Edward, was married to William Dimmitt's daughter).

By deed dated August 12, 1812, Richard conveyed to his brother-in-law~ David Lowe, 125 acres of Clark's Park. Consideration not mentioned. (Balto. Cty. Land Rec. Lib. WG#120, f.321, MHR) About a year later, on November 29, 1813, Richard died. He is buried in the Lowe family burying ground off Delight road near the present Pikesville Shooting Range.

Richard apparently was ill for several years before his death his will, made six days before, states he is "sick and weak in body". The state had been making demand for an accounting for the funds advanced for the road but his records were so jumbled and incomplete it was impossible to determine what had been done with them. After his death it, was agreed that \$1186.10 could not be accounted for but there was no cash available to reimburse the state. These were difficult times. The war of 1812-14 brought the British blockade of the bay and the attack on Washington and Baltimore leaving business man and farmer alike in dire straits. To protect its claim, the state entered suit against Jane Choate as executrix, each of the -, sureties, and all of the children as heirs, and requested the court to appoint a trustee to sell sufficient property to pay the debt, and costs. Since three of the children, Sarah Walker, Rebecca Gary, and, Ellender Kelley, were married and lived in Kentucky, the proceedings dragged on until they could return to Maryland to sign a waive: of their interests under the will of their father. Finally, Upton S. Heath was appointed trustee. The Federal gazette and Baltimore Advertiser, September 15, 1817, p.2, col.5, carries the following notice

IMPORTANT SALE - That old established tavern stand for many years occupied by Michael Grant, and later years by Richard Choate-- By virtue of decree --be sold-- October 18 --- All that part of two tracts of land, situated in Baltimore County, called Soldiers Delight and Food Plenty, 14 miles from the city of Baltimore, containing about 94 acres , fronting three quarters of a mile on the Turnpike road leading from the city of Baltimore to Reisters Town, with the buildings and improvements, consisting of Tavern House, Stables, Sheds and Barn, sufficient to accommodate 100 horses; an orchard containing about 300 trees of the best fruit, a large proportion of which are red streaks, with various other fruit trees; the residue well proportioned for tillage and meadow, the whole well watered and having a never failing stream running through the tract sufficient to turn a mill, and which can be brought; into the tavern yard at trifling expense --No place is better calculated to accommodate the traveler or to render the occupation] and enjoyment of the same convenient and agreeable.

also

Clark's Park--and--that well known and snug little Tavern Stand on the Liberty town road, containing Three acres.

U. S. Heath, Trustee

1-Richard Choate (cont.)

The legal proceedings involving Jane and the children terminated in 1818. (State of Md. vs. Jane Choate et al., Levy Ct. of Balto. Cty., Chancery, 1817, MHR) By that time, the six older children had married, three of the girls to men from Kentucky where they lived in Simpson county near what is now the town of Franklin along the Tennessee border. Shortly thereafter, Jane with son Herod, then about 22, and the four younger children started off to make a new life, in Kentucky. The 1820 census of Simpson county shows Herod Choate head of a household.

In 1825 Jane returned to Baltimore county. (See 1vi Herod Choate) The Baltimore American and Commercial Advertiser, August 11, 1855, carried the following obit; "On 30th July at the residence of her. son-in-law, James C. Conn of Baltimore county, Mrs. Jane Choate, relict of Captain Richard Choate, in the 92nd. year of her age (Kentucky, and Missouri papers please copy"). Jane Lowe Choate is buried with her husband in the Lowe family burying ground off Delight road. Her gravestone reads, "Jane Choate, relict of Capt. Richard Choate~ died July 30th. 1855t~n her 92nd. year."

From the above it would appear that James C. Conn married Jane's youngest daughter, Harriett. He was postmaster at Owings Mill from 1833 to 1849.

Jane and Richard had eleven children

1-i	Sarah	b. 1784
1-ii	Flora	b. 1786
1-iii	Elias	b. 1789
1-iv	Rebecca	b. 1791
1-v	Ellender	b. 1794
1-vi	Herod	b. 10/25/1796
1-vii	Debrough	b. 1799
1-viii	Mary	b. 1802
1-ix	David	b. 1804
1-x	Jesse Lowe	b. 1806
1-xi	Harriett	b. 1808

NOTE: The Trustee's notice of sale of the Tavern indicates Richard Choate merely "occupied" it suggesting a leasehold interest rather than ownership. It is doubtful that he ever actually operated it. The tract called Clark's Park and the little Tavern on Liberty Road, mentioned in the notice of sale, he did own.

CHILDREN OF 1- RICHARD AND JANE CHOATE

- 1-i SARAH, first child of Richard and Jane Lowe Choate, was born ca 1784 at her parents' place near Reisterstown. She married William Walker of Kentucky and went there to live. In 1931 they lived in 'Logan county near Terrapin Creek. (See Jesse Lowe Choate)
- 1-ii FLORA, second child of Richard and Jane Lowe Choate, was .born ca 1786 near Reisterstown. About December 14, 190B, she married John Gill of Thomas (Balto. Cty. Marriage License #366). The designation "of Thomas" means "son of" and was frequently used in Maryland to distinguish those of the same name but of different fathers. The Gills were an old Maryland family and many of them lived in the vicinity of Reisterstown at that time. John Gill died sometime between 11/11/1821 when he and his brother James gave first accounting of their father's estate (Balt.Cty.Adm.Accts.L.2211820-23, f.325-26) and 2/17/1824 when Flora Gill, Adm. of John Gill, made first accounting of his estate, \$728.54. Flora was made guardian of their two children, Owen A. Gill and Eleanor Jane Gill.
(Note: My mother, (1861-1957) recalled that Eleanor Gill was a beautiful woman, married Martin Gillett, a coffee, tea and spice importer of Baltimore; the first to sell tea in round tinfoil packages, called He-No Tea. For years Gillett exchanged a carton of tea with his wife's uncle, Herod Choate for a bushel of chestnuts.)
- 1-iii ELIAS, third child, first son of Richard and Jane Lowe Choate, was born near Reisterstown ca. 1789. Little is known of him. On March 14, 1811 he was married to Barbara Milliron by his uncle, Rev. Edward Choate. (Rev. Choate's original marriage records) He was in the Harrisonville Granite area in 1837 for the account book of my great grandfather, George E. Odell of Harrisonville shows he was paid \$7.00 for one week's harvesting.
- 1- iv REBECCA, fourth child, third daughter, of Richard and Jane Lowe Choate, was born near Reisterstown ca. 1791~ On December 24, 1816 she was married to Sabrit Gary of Kentucky by her uncle, Rev. Edward Choate. (Rev. Choate's original marriage records). She and her husband were living in Simpson County, Kentucky, when they came to Baltimore County in 1817 to testify in litigation involving the estate of her father. (St. of Md. vs. Jane Choate, etal, Levy Ct. of Balt. Cty., Chancery, July term 1817, MHR)
- 1- v ELLENDER, fifth child, fourth daughter, of Richard and Jane Lowe Choate, was born ca. 1794, probably at Cherry Hill. On May 6, 1813, she was married to Nicholas Kelley of Kentucky by her uncle, Rev. Edward Choate. (Rev. Choate's original marriage records) She and her husband were living in Kentucky in 1817 when they came to Baltimore County to testify in litigation involving her father's estate. (See above) It is reported they were divorced in Kentucky Oct. 31, 1823.

CHILDREN OF 1- RICHARD and JANE CHOATE (Cont 'd) - 2

1-vi HEROD, sixth child, second son of Richard and Jane Lowe Choate, was born at Cherry Hill October 25, 1796. His early youth was not uneventful. By 1810 disturbing incidents began, including blockade of the port of Baltimore by the British, leading to the war of 1812-14; his father died in November, 1813, and the estate was at once involved in litigation; in 1814, with the British threatening Baltimore after their burning of Washington, he joined Captain Drucker's company and participated in its defense. The British Navy was repulsed, and Baltimore was spared a land attack. With the end of war hostilities the litigation was revived and terminated in 1818 with appointment of Upton Heath as trustee of the real estate. By this time his older brother, Elias, and six of the girls were married. All of the property in his father's estate was taken over by the court-appointed trustee, and the economic situation was very bleak. Under these circumstances Jane, the mother, Herod age 21, David age 14, Jesse Lowe age 12, and Harriett age 10, all set out to make a new life among their relatives in Simpson County, Kentucky.

By 1820 they had apparently settled in with relatives, for the 1820 census of Simpson County, Kentucky shows Herod Choate head of household including: males under 10, 1; 10-16, 2; 16-18, 1; Females under 10, 1; 10-16, 1; 26-45, 2; 45 & over, 1. In the Fall of 1824 Herod came back to Reisterstown to marry Priscilla Harryman, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth Wheeler Harryman, early settlers of that area. They were married November 2, 1824. (Harryman Bible record). They returned to Kentucky. It would seem, however, that life there soon had its problems. In July, 1824 James Miller entered suit at common law against H. Choate. (Simpson Circuit Ct. Clerks Officer Index to orders, Bundle 26). In April 1826 Michael Woods sued Herod Choate at common law. (above, Bundle 34)

Meanwhile, their first child, Jesse Columbus Choate, was born on August 4, 1825. With a law suit entered in 1824, a new baby a year later, and a second suit started in April 1826, it is clear the young couple had more than a handful of problems. The second suit apparently was the last straw, for shortly thereafter Herod, Priscilla and the baby, together with the mother, Jane, and youngest daughter Harriett, then about 18 years of age, pulled up stakes, and started on the return trip to Maryland.

(Note: Herod Choate told my mother, his granddaughter, who spent much time with her grand parents that as he and the family turned into Cherry Hill Lane from the turnpike, they stopped under a large chestnut tree to change the baby before going on to the house). (NB) Deeds to Cherry Hill five times mention Chestnut trees as benchmarks). It is not known who was living at the

CHILDREN OF 1- RTCHARD 2nd JANE CHOATE (Cont'd)-3

Cherry Hill house at that time (1826) for the place had already been sold and the heirs of the purchaser and the trustee were engaged in litigation that lasted for ~~ten~~ 29 years. (See Robt. Conn, etal. Vs. James Conn, James Hall and Upton S. Heath, trustee, Balt. Cty. Chancery Ct., B 159, fol.337 -352, 1842) Herod and Priscilla passed Cherry Hill on their way to the house of his maternal grandparents, the Edw. Lowes, who lived about two miles further on. They lived with them some eight or nine years.

By about 1835 Herod and Priscilla, with their two children, Jesse and Georgianna, had moved to a place with a substantial, stone and brick house about a mile southwest of Cherry Hill, on Delight Road. It was variously known as Valley Home and Glen Farm, either being appropriate. The house stood at the head of a valley or glen that gradually spread between two low ridges covered with pine trees. It was built into a bank, so that it appeared two stories and an attic from the front but three stories from the back. Originally, it was two rooms on each floor with a chimney at each end. The two bottom rooms had dirt floors and huge open brick fireplaces where the cooking, baking and preserving were done. Later, additional rooms and a chimney were added to the east end, providing a root cellar for the basement and two bedrooms above. The timbers of the ceiling in the basement were hand-hewed solid logs. This was the house in which the Herod Choate family was raised.

Herod was a moderately tall man, spare of build, with a pleasant manner and quiet humor. A picture of Priscilla, taken when she was about seventy, shows a woman of clear-cut, delicate features, trim figure, poise and decided character. Herod's parents were Baptists, and Priscilla's Lutheran, but apparently religion in their lives was more a matter of inheritance than dedication. Religious services were often held at their house; however, by any itinerant preacher who came along, frequently by Rev. Chick of Reisterstown. All of their children received as much education as local facilities afforded. They were a close knit family.

Priscilla died April 23, 1876, age 72; Herod died a year later, June 13, 1877, age 81. Both are buried in Trinity Lutheran Cemetery in Reisterstown, along with four of their children.

Children of Herod and Priscilla Harryman Choate:

1-vi-A	Jesse Columbus	b. 8/4/1824
1-vi-B	Edward	died infant
1-vi-C	Georgianna	b. 3/17/1831
1-vi-D	Vilmina	died infant
1-vi-E	Mary Jane	b. 5/6/1836
1-vi-F	Elizabeth H.	b. 1/23/1838
1-vi-G	David Lowe	b. 9/6/1840
1-vi-H	Ellenore Gill	b. 10/16/1843

For history of above children see pages 20 - 24 incl.

CHILDREN of RICHARD and JANE CHOATE (Cont'd 4)

- 1- vii DEBROUGH, seventh child, fifth daughter of Richard and Jane Lowe Choate, was born at Cherry Hill near Reisterstown ca. 1798-9. She was reputed very beautiful. She married John Berryman of Reisterstown, said to have been Sheriff of Baltimore County at one time.

Map of 1850 shows them living at or near Cherry Hill. They had four children:

- (1) John Berryman m. Nellie -----
- (2) Philomena m. Wm. Lyons; Virginia, William, Taggert, Armistead, Alice
- (3) Causmelliam. -----Fullerton; Alice, Isabelle, Howard
- (4) Fannie m. -----Pilson; no children.

- 1-vii MARY, eighth child, sixth daughter, of Richard and Jane Lowe Choate, was born at Cherry Hill ca. 1801. On April 14, 1818 she was married to Nicholas Norwood by her uncle, Rev. Edward Choate. (Rev. Edw. Choate's original marriage records). Nothing more is known of her.

1-ix DAVID, ninth child, third son, 9f Richard and Jane Lowe Choate, was born at Cherry Hill ca. 1804. After the suit involving his father's estate was terminated in 1818, David, then a boy about 14, went with his mother and brothers, Herod and Jesse, and sister Harriett, to Simpson County, Kentucky, where his older sisters, Sarah Walker, Rebecca Gary and Ellender Kelley lived with their husbands. Nothing; is known of his activities there, but like most pioneers, he probably got involved in land deals. At any rate, in April 1825 two suits were entered by D. T. Boisseau against David Choate, one at common law and one in chancery. (Simpson Circuit Ct. Clerk's Office, Index to Orders, bundles 30 and 10). Nothing further of record. Nothing further of David.

- 1-x JESSE LOWE, tenth child, fourth son, of Richard and Jane Lowe Choate, was born at Cherry Hill in 1806, January 17th. In 1818, when he was about 12 years old, he went with his mother, two older brothers, Herod and David, and younger sister Harriett, to Simpson County, Kentucky, where his three older married sisters had settled with their husbands some years before. Fortunately, he escaped the legal difficulties that involved his older brothers in 1825.

For some time prior to 1831 Jesse was living on Terrapin Creek on property owned by Henry Owings, which adjoined that of his sister Sarah and her husband, William Walker. The County Court Records at Russellville, in adjoining Logan County, show that by deed dated August 17, 1831, recorded August 19, 1831, Jesse L. Chote of Logan County, Ky., purchased of Henry Owings and Mary, his wife, 140 acres on Terrapin Creek, "including the place whereon said Chote now lives." (Logan Cty. Deed Book Q, page 524.)

CHILDREN of RICHARD and JANE CHOATE (Cont'd - 5)

1-x JESSE LOWE (Cont'd)

In 1835 Jesse married Regina S----- of Simpson City, then a girl 17 years of age.

Several years later Jesse Chote and Regina Choate, his-wife, by deed recorded November 7, 1837, transferred the, Terrapin Creek property to William Walker. (Logan City Deed Book W, page 103) Jesse and his wife continued to live there, however, until about 1841, by which time they had three children, all girls.

Apparently Jesse could not resist the popular urge to move farther West, for by 1843 he had located someplace in Missouri where their fourth child, David was born. It is not known how long they stayed there, but seven years later the family had completed the rugged and dangerous trek to Oregon, arriving there in 1850. On July 4th 1851, under Oregon Donation Land Claims, he received 621.57 acres between Hubbard, and Needy. By 1859 this location was known as Elliot Prairie. (See Genealogical Material in Oregon Donation Land Claims vol.2). Three children were born there. He was a successful farmer and lumberman.

Clackamus County Cemeteries, Vo1.2 D.A.R., Ore. Hist. Soc. Library records the following: Gleason Cemetery-Private, Whiskey Hill Road, Meridian, United Brethren
 Choate, Jesse L. Jan. 17, 1806 Feb. 10, 1876
 Choate, Raganah S. wife of Jesse, Mar. 23, 1818 Nov. 12, 1896

They had seven children:

- 1-x-A Mary Jane b. 5/6/1836 d. 10/3/1894
 m. Erastus Rosecrantz Apr.22, 1855, by John M. Bacon, J.P., Wit. Jesse L. Choate, M. Rosecrantz, Rec.7/2/1855, F. S. Holland, Rec. (Index to Clackamus Co. Marriage Rec.Vol.3)
- 1-x-B Sarah R (agina) b. 7/10/1838 d. ca 1895
 m. Andrew J. Marshall, Jan.2, 1859, by C. O. Boynton, J. P., Wit. Benj. Hornsby, Jesse L. Choate. The Oregonian of Mar.29, 1908 in reporting the death of A. J. Marshall states "In 1859 he was married to Sarah R. Choate, daughter of a well-known, pioneer living at Elliot Prairie. She died some years ago. He is survived by three sons: Henry, of Forsythe, Mont., John and Edward of Greenhorn, Ore., and two daughters, Inez M. Ryan and Grace M. Noble of Oregon City.
 Oddfellow and Mason. Interred by side of wife in Lone Fir Cemetery, Portland."

CHILDREN OF RICHARD AND JANE CHOATE (Cont'd - 6)

JESSE LOWE (Cont'd)

1-x-C	Martha Ann	b. 10/15/1840	d.
		m. George W. Taylor, June 4, 1863 by Jesse Moreland, Minister, Wit. C. O. Boynton, Chas. Owings. Filed and rec. 7/3/1865	
1-x-D	David	b. 1843	d. 1870 Census
1-x-E	Susan	b. 1852	d. “
1-x-F	Julia	b. 1854	d. “
1-x-G	Herod	b. 1856	d. ”
		m. Jane, Gleason, Sept. 22, 1879	

Jessie May Choate, daughter of David or Herod, married George W. Tyacke, December 21, 1898.

1-xi HARRIETT, eleventh and last child, seventh daughter of Richard and Jane Lowe Choate, was born Jan. 17, 1806 at Cherry Hill. She went with her mother and brothers to Kentucky in 1819 and returned with her mother and brother Herod and his wife in 1825.

The newspaper account of her mother's death, July 30, 1855, age 92, states she resided with her son-in-law, James C. Conn, of Baltimore County. From this it would appear that Harriett was his wife. He was Postmaster at Owings Mill from 1833 to 1849.

Letter 3/20/79 from Mrs. Shirley Hadley, Ste.1 (1920 143rd Ave SE), Box 772, Tenino, Wash. 98589, states - Oregon census of 1870 shows:

House #530, item 26, Taylor, Martha, 22 f. w., housekeep, per. prop. \$300

Children, Charles, age 5 m. w., John age 2 m. w. both born Oregon. No husband is listed. David Choate, 1-x-D above, is listed as a neighbor, age 27, unmarried. (NOTE.1-x-C Martha is shown as born in Mo., which may be correct but she was 30yrs.of age, b.10/15/1840.)

Marriage Records, Multnomah Cty. Ore., book 2, p.337 - John James Reed & Susan M. Choate (1-x-E) both of Mult. Co.,m.9/21/1871 at the, House of the Pres. Ch. by A. L. Lindsey, M.G., Wit. J. B. Wyatt and W. T. Shanahan

Book 3, p.183 - Casper J. Hinkle of Clackamas Cty. and Julia H. Choate of Mult. Cty., m.12/28/1876 at ,the house of A. J. Marshall by H. W. Davis, J. P., Wit. Sarah A. James, Amanda Fuller

Hadley letter 5/22/79- 1900 Soundex for Oregon,Vol.1, Ed.181, Sheet 5, line 60~lists David L. Choate, Feb.1844, 56, b. Mo. resides Baker City., Parker Pct. No mention of family. Al L. Weiss, Pa., Oct.1862 37, Va., appears to be listed as a partner.

CHILDREN OF HEROD and PRISCILLA HARRYMAN CHOATE

I-vi-A JESSE COLUMBUS, first child of Herod and Priscilla Harryman Choate, was born August 4, 1825, in Simpson County, Kentucky. The following year, however, his parents returned to Baltimore County near Reisterstown, where Jesse spent his boyhood on his father's farm, called Glen Farm, with his four younger sisters and a brother.

He apparently had more than a casual interest in education for in his late teens he spent much of his time in Baltimore where he succumbed to the literary pretensions of the period by becoming a member of the Washington Literary Association.

With the outbreak of the war with Mexico, he hastily joined Capt. Fletcher B. Archer's Co., 1st Regt. Va. Volunteers, on November 26, 1846 (Muster Rolls of Va. Militia in the War of 1812, pp. 59, 60, Va. State Library), possibly at the urging of some of his Virginia cousins. The Harryman family Bible has the following record:

"Jesse Columbus Choate died at the U. S. Hospital at Matamoras, Mexico, on the 4th day of April, 1847, age 21 yrs. 8 mos. and 3 days. Deceased was a volunteer in the Virginia Regiment during the war with Mexico. Requiscat in pace."

The Washington Literary Association (*of Balto.*) sent the parents a formal resolution of condolence.

1-vi-C GEORGIANNA, third child of Herod and Priscilla, was born March 17, 1831, at Glen farm near Reisterstown. She was among the early pupils of Hannah More Academy which was established in 1832 on the Reisterstown road about two miles from her home.

About 1853 she married Kirk Crosby of Baltimore. At that time the city was a thriving seaport, and the firm of J. Crosby and Son ran a very prosperous business in the operation of cargo vessels and the sale of maritime supplies. The Baltimore Sun of February, 1847 carried this item:

"For Ireland: The new barque, Cornelia L. Bevan, owned by Messers. J. Crosby & Son, and commanded by Capt. Burnham, has been loaded by Messrs. Guest & Gilmore for Dublin, Ireland, with 500 bbls. com meal, 500 bbls. flour, 694 bushels corn and 2760 bushels wheat. She will sail in a day or two.

The Crosbys lived at Mt. Dillon, a beautiful estate of some 260 acres on the Johnnycake Road about three miles from Catonsville. (A plot and description of the place may be

CHILDREN OF HEROD and PRISCILLA HARRYMAN CHOATE (Cont'd)

found in a book at the Md. Hist. Soc. called "Baltimore and Environs" published 1896, Vol. II, p. 22). Their large, three-story house had little room to spare for their fifteen children, thirteen of whom survived. Of the eleven girls, none married; of the four boys, two married. Howard Crosby, an Army Colonel, married but had no children. Warren Crosby married Mary Smith and had two children, Charles and Nellie.

Georgianna and Kirk died within a week of each other in May, 1911, each about 80 years of age. My Mother and I, then a boy of 11, spent that Summer at Mt. Dillon with Miriam, the youngest daughter, and Joe, her older brother.

I-vi-E MARY JANE, fifth child, third daughter of Herod and Priscilla, was born May 6, 1836. After attending the local school she was one of the early pupils at Hannah More Academy.

In January, 1867 she married Evan Peddicord of Baltimore County and probably went to live with his family on their farm on the Windsor Road about two miles from Rockdale. This area was known locally as the "white grounds." After living there some nine years, Mary Jane and Evan decided to take their three children and make the long trip to Hubbard, Oregon, where her uncle, Jesse Lowe Choate, had settled in 1850 and established a substantial business in farming and lumbering. (See I-x Jesse Lowe Choate). They arrived there in March 1876, about a month after the uncle died, Feb. 10, 1876. Evan bought some land nearby and helped the widow run the farm and saw mill until the estate was settled. Several years later he sold his land and took up a homestead near Palouse, Washington. There Mary Jane died on October 3rd, 1894. Evan died in 1921. Both are buried at Palouse. (*See 21 A, 21B*)

The children of Mary Jane Choate and Evan Peddicord:

1-vi-E1	Wilson	b. 2/12/1868	d. 10/26/1951
	m. Stella Mae Pate, 3/30/1898, Palouse, Washington		
		b. 7/24/1875	d. 10/11/1959, Bethany Cem. Amisk,
	They had nine children		
			Alta., Can.
	Ernest b. 8/13/1899; Mary Ellen b. 8/20/1901; Oliver b. 6/29/1904; Audrey b. 3/18/1906; Edwin b. 11/3/1907; Caleb b. 1/4/1911; Gladys b. 6/26/1912; Milton b. 4/13/1915; Jan. b. 7/27/1917		
1-vi-E2	Lucretia	b. 1869	d. 1927
1-vi-E3	Jessie Choate, b. 18713		
		d. 1950	m. David Mossman
	Children:		
	Evan Mossman b. 4/1/1908		m. Gladys Allen
	Margaret Mossman b. 3/12/1912		m. W. G. Mitchell

Hubband, Jan 3rd 1877

My Dear Little Lucy;

Jessie says I must write to you. I asked her what I must say and she says tell you, Ally and Edith that she has a Christmas tree, and she is going to send you some leaves. Aunt Lucretia sent them what we call four bits here, -it is 50 cents for buying Christmas gifts. They have not spent it yet. I intend putting some of their other money with it and buy them a nice little rocking chair as soon as we get the rest of our house up. We have bought a lot out in Hubbard it contains a little over an acre. We paid \$90 in gold. We put up a kitchen 16 feet square and moved in to it. Uncle Evan has taken down the house at the saw mill and is now nearly done hauling it over and will put it up as soon as he can. This one will be put up more substantially than was the other one as it is on our own ground and expected to stand.

You will be surprised when I tell how much we have now in our one room and still have room to turn around. We have two bedsteads, a table, 6 chairs, a lounge, trunk, stove, meat barrel, wash tub, wood box, clothes, bench, pots, dishes etc. necessary to a well regulated house. Evan put up shelves and they look real nice and we are living very happy and comfortable. I forgot among the articles to mention ten boxes of splendid apples and a box of potatoes. Besides we have a nice piece of crockery ware under the bed. It has a cover to it and is often rattled by Jessie.

Dr. Beldon is our nearest neighbor. We get water from his pump as our well, is not dug yet. His wife is a very sweet lady. They have two little girls 10 & 8 years old, who are constant companions of ----- real nice little girls, they go to school together. Iquise De Buy is with the Dr. in the drug store. He is a gentleman of 60 or 70 years old from New York. He is a great friend of Jessie. Shw calls him Missa Pu and when they are out together her tongue is running all the time.

Jessie has just gone to the window to see the train pass. It is the ----- train, passenger trains pass our door 4 times a day and freights twice regularly, and often 4 times. So you may know we do not get very lonely with so much stirring. From our house we have a beautiful view of Mt. Hood covered with perpetual snow. Looking up the railroad tracks you can see Mt. Jefferson, Washington Territory. Jessie says to tell you the Christmas tree has changed to apples and pears on it, candies -----, pocket books, flowers and a china dog. They had the stockings you children gave them filled with candies and nuts. Kris Kringle put them in. He also gave Wilson a knife and a little blue tin bucket with ----- on it, Jessiea book with pretty pictures and a new dress, and me some aprons. Now don't you think he is right good out here to. They have taught, Emma and Johnie Beldon to play Joe Crooks and they have nice times or an evening.

PS-I commenced on the back side of the paper as grandpa would say but never mind you can read it. J. wants to write to Ally soon but she is going to school and has not much time. I received a letter form Jessie last night, will write as soon as I can but have a great many letters to answer which has me behind a little. Don't wait for me, you must all write as often as you can. Love to grandma and grandpa, Pa & Ma and all the little ones. Uncle Evan Wilson Lucritia and Jessie join me in love to all of you.

Your Aunt Mary

The copy of letter dated Jan.3, 1877 addressed to "Little Lucy" by her "aunt Mary" was written by Mary Jane Choate, wife of Evan Peddicord, from their temporary home at Hubbard, Ore. With their three children, Wilson Stewart age 10, Lucretia Harryman age 9, and Jessie Choate Peddicord age 4, they had left their home near Hebbville, Baltimore City. Md. in early February of the previous year and started on the arduous trip across the continent to her uncle Jesse Lowe Choate, who had settled near Hubbard in 1850 (Clackamas Cty.spec.cen.1856) and engaged in farming and lumbering. A letter to me, Jesse Choate Phillips, dated Dec.1978 from Mary Jane's granddaughter, Gladys Peddicord (Mrs. John D. T. May) from Portland, Ore, gives the following account of the trip.

Evan and Mary Jane with their three children took the train from Baltimore to Omaha. A few years before, May 10, 1869, the railroad had been completed as far as Sacramento, California, so they transferred to the "emmigrant train", made up of freight and passenger cars, and continued to the end of the line. From Sacramento they went by boat to San Francisco, a days trip, but arrived too late to catch the boat to Portland, Oregon. After a weeks wait they got the next boat for the three day trip up the Pacific coast to Portland. Hubbard, their destination, was, thirty or forty miles south. By the time they arrived there Mary Jane's uncle Jesse had been dead about a month, having died Feb.10,1876,leaving a widow, Regina Choate, and seven children, four at home age 20 to 33 years.

After staying at Hubbard for two years, Evan and his family went to Portland where he bought four horses, a covered wagon and provisions and set out on the long and hazardous trip to a place, called Palouse, in the eastern section of the Territory of Washington near the Idaho border, to stakeout a homestead. They travelled for some days over the Barlow Trail to Ty Valley where they learned at the store that there was Indian trouble ahead in the Pendleton area which they had to pass through. So they turned back a few miles and camped at a place called The Dalles for about a month. They then proceeded for about another month without serious incident and arrived at Palouse in August 1878. Evan was a successful farmer and lumberman. Mary Jane died October 3, 1895; Evan died in 1921. Both are buried at Palouse.

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The letter was intended for Mary Jane's family back home in Baltimore county, Maryland.

Identity of the people mentioned –

"Little Lucy", age 12, was Lucy Hutson Odell (Mrs. George I. Banes) youngest of three daughters of Mary Jane's sister, Elizabeth Harryman Choate (Mrs. William Chapman Odell) who died in 1867. Ten years later when the letter was written, the girls, were living at Hernwood on the Marriottsville road with their father and stepmother, Catherine Georgianna Fite Odell, and their half sister Edith (Mrs. William E. Ehlers).

"Ally" is Lucy's older sister, Alice Dickson Odell, age 14; (Mrs. Albert Ewell Trisechman).

"Edith" is Lucy's half sister age 1 1/2 yrs.

"Aunt Lucretia" was Mary Jane's aunt Lucretia Harryman, sister of her mother, Priscilla Harryman Choate (Mrs. Herod Choate).

"Jessie", mentioned in the PS, is Jessie Choate Odell, 16. (Mrs. Chas. T. Phillips, my mother)

"Grandma and grandpa" refers to the girls, grandparents, Geo. E. and Sarah Odell who lived nearby at Odell's Mill.

1-vi- CHILDREN OF HEROD and PRISCILLA CHOATE (Cont'd)

1-vi-F ELIZABETH HARRYMAN, sixth child, fourth daughter, of Herod and Priscilla Harriman Choate, was born January 23, 1838 at Glen Farm on Delight Road, about a mile from Cherry Hill and three miles from Reisterstown. She grew up in a family of two older sisters, Georgianna and Mary Jane, a younger brother, David Lowe, and younger sister, Ellenore Gill. She hardly knew her older brother, Jesse Columbus, who died in the Mexican war in 1845, when she was but seven years of age.

She attended the local school and was one of the early pupils at nearby Hannah More Academy. Her letters are beautifully written and reflect a lively spirit and sense of humor. Her picture shows a young woman with hair parted in the middle, pulled down and knotted in the back, the style in those days, with slightly broad, full features; not beautiful, but intelligent and attractive. In those days a visit by anyone but a neighbor meant a stay of days or even weeks, so young ladies usually kept a "Memory Book" for visitors to write a reminder of their stay, usually in verse. The sentiments "To Bettie" from, 1858 to 1860 suggest an appealing and popular young lady.

When she was twenty-two years of age, Bettie married William Chapman Odell on October 16, 1860. He was the son of George. E. and Sarah Chapman Odell, an old Baltimore County family that operated Odell's Mill near Harrisonville on the Liberty Road. They moved into the house opposite the Mill and there their first child, Jessie Choate Odell, was born on August 4, 1861. (I am her youngest child). A few months later they, moved into a house in Reisterstown where their second child, Alice Dickson Odell, was born October 29, 1863. About a year later they took over a large stone house on Liberty Road opposite Beam's Mill at North Branch of the Patapsco. There a third daughter, Lucy Hutson Odell, was born April 7, 1865.

The stone house was located at the foot of a long hill and near the stream that was subject to frequent flooding by Spring thaws and heavy rains. The stone house retained the dampness which is thought to have brought on pneumonia, causing Bettie's death on February 6, 1867, age 29. She is buried in the cemetery at Mt. Paran Presbyterian Church on Liberty Road at Harrisonville.

1-vi- CHILDREN OF HEROD AND PRISCILLA CHOATE (cont.)

1-vi-F ELIZABETH HARRYMAN CHOATE (cant.).

Children of Elizabeth A. Choate and William Chapman Odell:

- 1-vi-F-1 Jessie Choate Odell b.8/4/1861 d.6/1/1957
 m. Charles Tomlinson Phillips, b.10/11/1859 d.2/1/1905
 on 2/1/1882 at Mt. Paran Ch., Harrisonville, Md.
 Children, 8, six survived.
- | | | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------|--------------|---------------------|
| 1. Thomas Burton Phillips | b.12/1/1882 | d.5/10/1954 | |
| William Guy (infant) | b. 7/25/1885 | d.7/30/1886 | |
| Margaret Elizabeth | b.2/12/1887 | d.4/23/1889 | |
| 2. Charles Luther | b.5/18/1889 | d.12/29/1965 | |
| 3. Katherine Guthrie | b.9/29/1891 | | |
| 4. Carroll Dunbar | b.10/13/1893 | d.1/5/1937 | |
| 5. Edith Odell (unmarried) | b.9/13/1897 | d.5/17/1963 | |
| 6. Jesse Choate <i>Phillips</i> | b.9/28/1900 | | author of this book |

Both parents, Guy, Bessie, Carroll and Edith buried at Mt. Paran. (Phillips family continued P.26, 26R)

- 1-vi-F-2 Alice Dickson Odell, b~10/29/1863 d.7/16/1952
 m. Albert Ewell Trieschman 2/26/1896. Lived at Randallstown. They and two first
 Child buried at Mt. Paran.
 Children 4
- | | | | |
|----------------------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|
| 1. Edward Theo Trieschman, | b.12/16/1896 | d. 1917, | unmarried |
| 2. Elenore Elizabeth | b.10/13/1899 | d.2/20/1900, | infant |
| 3. William Odell | b.2/6/1902 | | |
| 4. Albert Ewell | b.9/20/1905 | d.4/4/1967 | |
- (Trieschman family continued [P.26, 27](#))

- 1-vi-F-3 Lucy Hutson Odell, b.4/7/1865 d.4/2/1942
 m. George Ira Banes, 8/4/1891. Lived in. Balto. and
 Children 4
- | | | | |
|------------------------|--------------|------------|--|
| 1. Alice Emeline Banes | b.9/13/1892 | d. | |
| 2. Helen Ridgely | b.2/26/1894 | d.4/5/1930 | |
| 3. George Lafayette | b.12/13/1896 | d. | |
| 4. William Keith | b. 7/26/1899 | d. | |
- (Banes. family continued [P27](#))

1-vi-G DAVID LOWE, SEVENTH CHILD, third son of Herod and Priscilla Choate, was born at Glen Farm 9/6/1840. He remained at home, unmarried, until his death, March 2, 1882. Buried with his parents in Trinity Luth. Cem., Reisterstown. HIS DEATH MARKED THE LAST OF. THE RICHARD CHOATE, SON OF SOLOMON, LINE IN Maryland.

1-vi-H Elenore Gill, eighth and last child, fifth daughter of Herod and Priscilla Choate, was born at Glen Farm October 16, 1843 where she spent practically her entire life. She never married. A year after her mother died, her father died, June 5, 1877, and she continued to live at the place alone. In July of the following summer my mother, Jessie Choate Odell, then about seventeen, visited her aunt "Ellie" and the two had the unnerving experience of

1-vi CHILDREN of HEROD and PRISCILLA CHOATE (Cont'd)

ELLENORE GILL (Cont d)

watching three or four men drive up to the barn at night and make off with all the newly harvested wheat. Being very upset by the incident, Ellie sold her interest in the place to her brother, David, and went to live with her brother-in-law, William Chapman Odell, and his family at their place called Hernwood, on the Marriottsville Road near Harrisonville. Two years later she died there, July 16, 1881, and is buried at Trinity Lutheran Cemetery at Reisterstown.

(Note) My mother told me that David soon sold Glen Farm to his uncle Alfred "Neddie" Lowe who left it to a nephew he had raised named Jacob Worrell. This was confirmed to me by letter dated 7/21/1971 from the present owner, J. Temple Smith, Esq. in which he states: "the farm was devised to Jacob Worrell in item 3 of the last Will and Testament of Alfred Lowe—" (Orph. Ct. Balt. Cty 2/14/1900, HJH 11-448). Mr. Smith has added a large room, with fireplace across the East end of the house and renamed it Four Chimnies. In the Lowe burying lot is a stone that simply says, "In Memory of Alfred Lowe."

Descendants of Richard Choate, son of Solomon
PEDDICORD family - cont.

(2) Lucretia Peddicord, 1869 -1927,m. Frank Knight. No issue.

(3) Jessie Choate Peddicord 5/11/1873 - 8/-/1950

m. David I. Mossman. Children - 2

Evan Mossman b. 4/1/1908 m. Gladys Allen

Margaret Mossman b. 3/12/1912 m. W. G. Mitchell

4- Eliz. Harryman Choate b. 1/23/1838 d. 2/6/1867

m. Wm. Chapman Odell 10/23/1860

Children - 3

(1) Jessie Choate Odell b. 8/4/1861 d. 6/23/1957

m. Chas. Tomlinson Phillips, 2/2/1882

Children – 8 – 2 died infants

Thos. Burton Phillips b.12/1/1882 d. 5/10/1954

m. Mable N. Greenawalt. No issue m. 6/28/1941

Chas. Luther Phillips b. 5/18/1889 d. 12/29/1965

m. Gladys L. Runge 10/21/1924

Children - 2 (cont. page 26A)

Brian Hartley Phillips b. 7/28/1925

Patricia Odell Phillips b. 7/29/1929

Katherine Guthrie Phillips b. 9/29/1891 d.

m. John Chairs McCollister, 1/6/1911

Children -1

Katherine Phillips McCollister b. 10/26/1911

m. Harold Everett Eggers

Children - 1

Susan Cartwright Eggers b. 2/7/1952

Carroll Dunbar Phillips b. 10/13/1893 d. 1/5/1937

m. Ruby Arizona Smith 12/12/1925

Children -1

James Odell Phillips b. 11/15/1933

m. Anita Douglas

Children -2

James Odell Phillips,Jr.b. 9/6/1964

Stephen Douglas Phillips b. 2/17/1968

Edith Odell Phillips b. 9/13/1897 d. 5/17/1963,single

Jesse Choate Phillips b. 9/28/1900 d [author of book](#)

m. Mildred E. Johannsen 10/17/1931 No issue.

(2)Alice Dickson Odell b. 10/29/1863 d. 7/16/1952

m. Albert Ewell Trieschman, 2/26/1896

Children - 3

Edward Theo Trieschman 12/16/1896 d. 1917 single

Wm. Odell Trieschman b. 2/8/1902 d.

m. Kenova Archer b. 5/9/1903 d. 11/24/1978

Children -1

Edward Theo Trieschman 2nd.b. 6/9/1926 d.

m. Shirley Preston

Children - 1

Edw. Theo Trieschman 3rd. b. 3/9/1949

Descendants of Richard Choate, son of Solomon
Children of Charles L. Phillips and Gladys L. Runge, cont.

Brian Hartley Phillips b. July 28, 1925 d.
m. Doris Mae Crashley, 6/10/1950 Oakville, Ont. Can.

Children 4 -

1-Scott MacArthur Phillips b. 12/2/1951 d.
m.9/8/1979 Nancy Harrison Bennett, Kennebunk Bch. Me.
children-

2-Wendy Hartley Phillips b. 11/29/1952 d.
m.5/25/1974, Roderick Flavelle Barrett, Oakville
children-

3-Christopher Phillips b. 9/26/1957 d.

4-Tracy Crashley Phillips b. 5/11/1963 d.

Patricia Odell Phillips b.7/29/1929 d.
m. Norman R. Ritter, 2/8/1958, Baltimore, Md.

Children 2 -

1- Cynthia Ritter b.3/26/1959
2- Gordon Ritter b.10/15/1964

Descendants of Richard Choate, son of Solomon
TRIESCHMAN family – cont.

Edw. Theo Trieschman, 3rd. b. 3/9/1949

m. Patricia Merkle

Children - 2

Crystal Michele b. 10/10/1969

Brian Edward b. /1/1971

Albert Ewell Trieschman, Jr. b. 9/20/1905 d. 4/3/1967

m. Charlotte Borcharding Sept.6, 1930

Children - 2

Albert E. Trieschman, 3rd. b. 9/20/31 d.

m. Nancy Ann Eaton, 6/25/1955 b. 6/20/1931

Children - 3

Thomas Eaton Trieschman b. 11/5/1958

Karl Hendricks Trieschman b. 6/30/1960

Matthew Odell Trieschman b. 3/5/1964

Wilma Charlotte Trieschman b. 5/30/1935

m. Richard Henry Frese, 8/-/1958, b. 11/-/1932

Children - 2

Karen Trisha Frese b. 12/3/69

Charlene Gisla Frese b. 3/13/1966

(3) Lucy- Hutson Odell b. 4/7/1866 d. 4/2/1942

m. George Ira Banes, 8/25/1891, b. 8/4/1864 d. 4/5/1942

Children - 4

Alice Emeline Banes b. 9/3/1892 d.

m. H. Wayne Thoms, *3/31/1926*

Children -1

Louise Thoms b. 8/24/1938 *unmarried*

Helen Ridgely Banes b.2/26/1894 d. 4/5/1930

m. Clarence Margeson Walcott, 2/4/1917 b.? d. 5/31/69

Children - 1

William Odell Walcott b. 1/12/1920 d.

m. Hilda Fosmark, 3/15/1946, b. 3/17/1917 d.

Children - 3

Patricia Walcott b. 10/10/1949

m. Jeffery DuBois, 10/8/1977

Susan Walcott, b.6/1/1951 d.

m. Michael Stapleton, 3/9/1974

Children -2

Justin Stapleton b. 11/3/1975

Seth Stapleton b. 9/29/1977

Christopher Banes Walcott b. 12/29/1958

George Lafayette Banes b. 2/13/1896 d.

m. Louise Osborn *6/15/1929 b. 1890 d. 9/4/1976*

Children - none

William Keith Banes b. 7/26/1899 d. unmarried

5-David Lowe Choate b. 9/6/1840 d. 3/2/1882 Unmarried

6-Ellenore Gill Choate b. 10/16/1843 d. 7/16/1881 Unmarried

Descendants of Richard Choate, son of Solomon

DEBROUGH m. John Berryman,

Children -4

- | | |
|--|------------------------------|
| 1- John Berryman | m. Nellie ----- |
| 2- Philomena Berryman | m. William Lyons |
| Children: Virginia, William, Taggert, Armistead, Alice | |
| 3- Causmellia Berryman | m. ----- Fullerton |
| Children: Alice, Isobelle, Howard | |
| 4- Fanny Berryman | m. ---- Pilson. No children. |

MARY m. Nicholas Norwood, 4/14/1818

DAVID b. ca. 1804. Was in Simpson City Ky in 1825

JESSE L b. 1/17/1806 d. 2/10/1876

m. Reganah -----, 1834-5, b. 1816, d. 11/12/1896

Children -7

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| Mary Jane Choate, | b. 5/6/1836 | d. |
| m. Erastus Rosencrantz, 4./22/1855 | | |
| Sarah R. Choate | b. 7/10/1838 | d. |
| m. A. J. Marshall, 1/2/1859 | | |
| Martha Ann Choate, | b. 10/15/1840 | d. |
| m. George W. Taylor, 6/4/1869 | | |
| ^{3rd} David Choate | b. 1843 | |
| Susan Choate | b. 1852 | |
| Julia Choate | b. 1854 | |
| Herod Choate, 2nd. | b. 1856 | d. |
| m. Jane Gleason | | |

HARRIETT b.1/17/1806 d.

m. James C, Conn (?)

NOTE: The death of David Lowe Choate, March 2, 1882, brought to an end the male line of Richard Choate son of Solomon in Maryland. However, there may be sons of David and Herod, listed above, on the west coast but I •have been unable to find them. (JCP-1979).

Descendants of
 EDWARD CHOATE .3RD
 (2nd. son of Solomon)

b.1765 d.12/18/1845 *(p. 10B says 1840 Mary Price's
 diary 1821 says Dec., 2, 1840)*

Edward Choate, second son of Solomon and Sarah, was born on his father's plantation near Reisterstown, Baltimore City in 1765. The family was one of the earliest to settle in that area and as the father acquired more and more land and slaves its prominence also increased. Edward was raised in modest affluence. Since there were no schools in those days he was taught by such tutors as were available from time to time although his parents, members of the very conservative Primitive Baptist Church, probably did not look with favor with much book learning.

The parents were members of Harford Baptist Church neap Jarrettsville, founded in 1754 by a group who broke away from Sater's Baptist Church on Falls road, established in 1742 on land granted to Henry Sater by 5th Lord Baltimore to be used for church purposes "forever to the end of the world". After a number of years the Harford Church disbanded and the records were badly mutilated. In. order to re-establish the church, in 1803 new articles, of doctrine were drawn up and among the subscribers were the mother, Sarah, and her sons Richard and Edward Choate.

Edward took his religion seriously. By 1808 the elders of Harford Baptist Church made him a preaching elder and he was licensed as a minister by the Baltimore Baptist Association. He proceeded to organize Patapsco Baptist Church on Liberty road some one hundred yards from the west end of the bridge over the present Liberty Reservoir. In 1828 he established the Old School Baptist Church on Falls road at Black Rock and became its first minister. (For more information about his ministry and a list of his marriages, see History Trails, Vol.7, #1, Autumn 1972, pub. by Balto. Cty. Bist. Soc.)

Although he served four separate churches, known as independent "fellowships" or "associations", his ministry did not interfere with him becoming a very successful businessman and farmer. In fact he was often mentioned among the prominent local residents. In his will dated July 25, 1840 he left to his wife Elizabeth; negro woman Valettee, money due from her father's estate, all specie in house including a note for two hundred dollars signed by Thomas D. Cockey and John Worthington, another note for one hundred fifty dollars signed by his son-in-law Philip Beckley, one third life interest in all real estate then to son Richard. To son Solomon: one hundred dollars. To his three daughters- Mary Basemen, Rebecca Beckley, Maria Odell- eight hundred dollars each. To son Richard: four negro men to be freed at times specified, real estate and residuary estate. The will was witnessed by Ellias Brown, William Chapman, and George E. Odell, my g.grandfather.

Edward's wife, Elizabeth, was the daughter of William Dimmitt of an early Maryland family. They were married December 12, 1789 by Rev. West. (Balto. Mar. Rec. #28, Wilkins File, MHS)

Both were buried in the church yard at Patapsco, now - 1979- converted to the residence of Miss Katherine Phillips

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DECENDANTS of
EDWARD CHOATE, CONT.

Edward and Elizabeth had five children.

- 1- SOLOMON, 2nd. b. 1796
- 2- REBECCA b. 8/11/1798
- 3- Richard, 2nd b. 2/4/1804
- 4- MARY b. 1806
- 5- MARIA b. 1808

*p.31 ca.1795 probably right per Odell Scroll
p.31 in 1809*

- 1- SOLOMON CHOATE, 2nd. b. 1796 d. 3/6/1861
- m.4/11/1828 Elizabeth Beckley, b. 1795 d. 8/11/1874

In the war of 1812-14, Solomon served as a volunteer in Capt. Ducker's 7th. Maryland regiment when the British besieged Baltimore in the battle of North Point. (See British Invasion of Maryland by W. M. Marine, pub.1965)

Solomon was a successful businessman and landowner. He owned three houses in the village of Reisters Town in addition to a tract of land on Deer Park road in Soldiers Delight where chrome was discovered in 1825, then the only known source of this valuable ore. It was mined in small quantities for seventy five years but dwindled when large deposits were found abroad in 1850. (For further information about Solomon and his wife, see REISTERS DESIRE by Lillian Bayly Marks, pub.1975, MHS)

Both are buried in the Lutheran Cemetery in Reisterstown where his wife's tombstone proclaims her religious affiliation: - "In memory of Elizabeth wife of Solomon Choate, for 50 years a member of the Methodist Church, who departed this life 11 August 1874 in her 80th.year".

They had two daughters.

- Mary Ann Choate b. 3/22/1829 d. 3/1/1865
- m. 2/15/1849 Philip Reister Owings, b. 3/17/1820 d. 8/11/1908.

Children - 3

- Francis Orlander, Owings b.1851 d. 10/9/1931
- Alice Elizabeth b.1853 d. 2/16/1937
- Eugene b.10/26/1857 died infant.

See Reisters Desire p. 80, 68, 69.

- Maria Choate b.1834 d.1910
- m.3/3/1863 James H. Berryman. Both buried Trinity Luth. Reist.

Children

Annie S. Berryman. Others, if any, unknown see *O'Dell Scroll also Edgar & Betty*

- 2- REBECCA CHOATE b. 8/11/1798 d. 8/15/1867
- m. 2/21/1821 Philip Beckley

Children - 5

- Mary b. 1/1/1822 unmarried
- Elizabeth b. 8/11/1824 d. 8/2/1904
- m. George B. Johnson Had children *-George, Phillip, Edward, Mary Eliz*
- Jesse R. b. 3/12/1832 unmarried
- Johnsee b. 1831 died infant
- Philip Edward b. 10/24/1838 unmarried.

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4- *Mary/Choate b. 1806 (*ca. 1795 probably O'Dell Scroll see * Polly*)
 m. *Joshua* Beasman *5/5/1814* lived near Reisterstown (*2 kids Joshua and Caroline B Feb 22, 1815 d. Feb 6, 1897 married David Prugh, see page 32 A*)

5- Maria Choate b. 1809 d. 3/8/1848
 m. Walter Independence Odell b. 1/25/1805 d. 3/19/1863

Children -4 Lived at Harrisonville, Md

Lucinda Jane Odell b. 8/12/1829 d. 2/10/1901

Faversham Odell b. 6/8/1831

Edward Choate Odell b. 4/15/1835 d. 3/30/1882

Sarah Elizabeth Odell b. 4/30/1840

3- Richard Choate, 2nd b.2/14/1804 d. 1864 *last page Mary Pearse Price diary – Feb 4*
 m. Ann Jane Pearse, *10/17/1839 b. 3/2/1804 d. 1864*

Baltimore County map of 1850 shows them living some distance west of the Marriottsville road across the valley from Odell's Mill. A few years later they bought about 150 acres and a large stone house on the Liberty road west of Randallstown that was originally used as a tavern or "ordinary". For some years after the gold strike in California in 1849 it was a stopping place for gold seekers headed west. The house is in excellent condition today. (1979) Richard 2nd and Ann Jane had four children:

(1) Mary Elizabeth b. 8/20/1840 d. 6/19/1866

m.10/9/1860 William Edward Fite *b. 11/5/1837 d. 1910*

Children 3

Mary Emma Fite b.7/14/1861 d.

m.4/4/1891 George Philetus Stanfield (see p.32B)

Children

Mildred Amelia Stanfield b. 9/7/1896 d. 2/23/1977

Mary Katherine Stanfield b. 6/27/1898 d. 7/12/1970

Edward Fite Stanfield b. 5/10/1900 d. 7/24/1979

Georgia Pearse Stanfield b. 12/22/1902

Annie Achsah Fite b. 10/25/1863 d. 12/29/1876

Georgia Pearse Fite b. 4/11/1866 d. *12/23/1857*, unmarried

(2) Edward Stephen W. (*Williams*) second child of Richard and Ann Jane Choate b.7/7/1842 (*June 2, 1842*) d.12/11/1905. He lived on a farm across the Liberty road from his father's place. (*The Randall Home*) He was a success- farmer and business man, active in fraternal and political circles, and was elected to the Legislature on the Democratic ticket in 1870. In 1860 his father was one of the organizers of the Baltimore and Liberty Turnpike Co. and upon his death the stock went to Edward. In 1873 he and James I. Ridgely and some other directors were involved in protracted litigation over the operation of the toll road by other investors. (DIFFICULTIES MADE EASY by Wm. Hollifield, pub. by Balto. Cty. Hist. Soc.) In 1873 he married Margaret Ann Shipley, b.10/4/1848, *d 1937* daughter of Charles Shipley of Baltimore, a substantial real estate investor.

Children - 4

Mary Corrinne Choate b. 1/20/1876 d. 11/22/1893

Anna Mable Choate b. 9/5/1877 d. 1/28/1962

m. Herbert Odell of Harrisonville, b. 9/20/1875 d. 7/23/47

He was in the wholesale produce brokerage business.

Children - 2

Edward Choate Odell b. 6/14/1901 d. *3/24/1982* Unmarried

Corrinne Odell b. 7/14/1902 d. 12/18/66 "

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DECENDANTS of
EDWARD CHOATE, cont.
family of Richard 2nd. cont.

Edward Stephen Choate, b. 12/9/79 d. *April 28 1983*
Third child, only son, of Edward Stephen W, Choate and Margaret Ann Shipley,
operated a farm on the south side of Liberty road above Randallstown, which he
inherited from his parents; on which he raised a variety of fruit and vegetables.
About 1920 he sold the farm and became a real estate promoter in Florida. *They*
moved to Tampa 1927, to Eustirl 1928

m. Margaret Ann Wilson

Children - 5

Margaret Irwin Choate b. 6/3/1910

m. (1) R. E. Daniels

(2) Ernest Phillips

Evelyn Pearse Choate b. 8/24/1911

m. Ernest Lyons

Ruth Wilson Choate b. 4/13/1915

m. J. F. McGinn

Sarah Jeanne Choate b. 11/5/1916

m. (1) C. H. Ferran

m. (2) Paul Herbert Cox *m. (3) Dunbar Harrison*

Miriam Virginia Choate b. 5/6/1924

m. Dr. J. R. Schubert

Georgia, Pearse Choate b. 1881 d. *12/23/1957*, unmarried

(3) Richard Pearse Choate b. 8/16/1945(44) d. 11/11/1919

Third child of Richard Choate 2nd. and Ann Jane Pearse (*twin to Aunt George*) He was
raised and lived in the large stone house on the north side of Liberty road above
Randallstown. He was a prosperous farmer, school director and well known local
resident. He and his wife are buried in Druid Ridge cemetery at Pikesville. He married
(1) Laura Fite (2) Emma Jane George - No issue

Children - 3

Richard Pearse Choate, Jr. b. 9/25/1883 d. 3/14/1939 ~

m. Margaret. Lawson - No issue

Blanch George Choate b. 12/18/1886 d. 5/18/1958

m. Clarence Wright

Children -2

Pearse Choate Wright b.

m.

Doris Choate Wright b.

m. Edward Olson

Marvin Choate b. 12/4/1889 d. 2/9/1971

m. Mary Claggett. No issue. Buried Cath. Ch., Harrisonville

NOTE-Edward Stephen Choate (above) now (1979) nearly 100 yrs. lives in Florida, was married
again three years ago and is the only living male of the Md. family that I know of. *Married*
Virginia Woodward Miller 11/16/72 in Florida

DECENDANTS OF EDWARD CHOATE - (cont)

Family of Richard Choate, 2nd. (cont)

Aunt George Georgeanna Maria

(4) GEORGIANNA M. CHOATE b. 8/15/1844 d. 12/25/1930 (Twin of Rich. Pearse)
 m. 11/6/1872 Geo. Marion Prough b. 11/19/1845 d. 8/6/1930 *originally Prugh*

Children 1

Pearse Choate Prough b. 8/15/1873 d. 3/29/1952

m. - - 1900 Mary J. DeVeries b. 3/1/1873 d. 11/1/1944

Children 4

1. Marion Pearse Prough b. 8/1/1902 d.

m. 9/21/1927, Erenestine Bennett b. 11/9/1904

Children, 1 daughter

2. Le Roy DeVeries Prough b. 7/2/1905 d. 12/27/1976- single

3. Ann E. Prough b. 7/26/1908 d.

m. 5/5/1935, William Donald McDonald

Children 4

a. Eliz. Anne Prough McDonald b. 4/8/1936 d. single

b. William Donald McDonald, Jr., b. 5/17/1937 d.

m. 2 dau., 2 sons.

c. Sarah DeVeries McDonald b. 7/12/1940 d.

m. 2 sons

d. John Pearse McDonald b. 10/30/1945 d.

m. 1 dau.

4. Irma Prough b. 9/4/1913 d. 7/31/1973 single. *Lived in SC*

The Prugh family has been in Maryland since-the early eighteenth century. Frederick Prugh, 2/2/1769-7/28/1831, m. Catherine Baile, 11/15/1770-5/3/1816, and had nine children, including the youngest David Prugh, 10/23/1813-3/2/1899, who married, 3/16/1837, Caroline Beasman, 2/22/1815-2/6/1897. They had four children including George Marion Prugh, 11/19/1845-8/6/1930, who married, 11/6/1872, Georgianna M. Choate, at which time "o" was added to the name. Four generations of this family lived on a large farm on the Liberty road in Carroll county until it was sold by Marion Pearse Prough in 1961.

The above information obtained through the kindness of Mrs. Anna Prough McDonald-9/28/1979 She lives in Randallstown in the house built about 1925 at 9601 Liberty Road by Richard Pearse Choate, Jr., directly across the road from the house of his father, Richard Pearse Choate, which was built about 1851 by his grandfather Richard Choate.

MARY EMMA FITE, daughter of Mary Eliz. Choate & Wm. Edw. Fite
 b. 7/14/1861 d. 9/17/1938

m. 4/11/1895 George Philetus Stanfield b. 7/26/1867 d. 10/28/1960

Children 4

1. Mildred Amelia Stanfield b. 9/7/1896 d. 2/23/1977
 m. Arthur M. Fuller children (see below)
2. Mary Katherine Stanfield b. 6/27/1898 d. 7/12/1970
 m. William I. Wolf No children
3. Edward Fite Stanfield b. 5/10/1900 d. 7/24/1979
 m. Marjorie Ruff 6/22/29 Children, 2 sons
 - a. Edward F. Stanfield, Jr. b. 7/6/1931 d.
 m. Brantly Tolyman, Children, 2, 2/19/1953
 Sally Fite Stanfield b. 2/1/1956
 Edward B. Stanfield b. /15/1959
 - b. Richard R. Stanfield b. 6/28/1934 d.
 m. Roberta Lertsh Children, 3girls, 4/18/1959
 Stacy Stanfield b. 12/13/1962
 Laurie Stanfield b. 6/7/1964
 Nancy Stanfield b. 3/21/1966
4. Georgia Pearse Stanfield b.12/22/1902 d.
 m. 11/25/25 Howard Wm. Kerr b. 3/19/1901 d.
 Children, 2
 - a. Georgianna Pearse Kerr b. 5/22/1929 d.
 m. 8/6/1957 John R. Mainhart, b. d. 4/30/1966
 Children, 2
 Steven Robert Mainhart b. 3/5/1960
 Catherine Ann Mainhart b. 7/20/1962
 - b. Howard William Kerr, Jr. b. 4/20/1932 d.
 m. 6/10/1961 Carole Lynda Saffran
 Children, 2
 Howard Thomas Kerr b. 4/10/1963 d.
 Susan Carole Kerr b. 3/22/1966 d.

NOTE- William Edward Fite was the direct descendant of Heinrich Vogt (later anglicized Henry Fite) who landed in Philadelphia, Sept.28, 1749 from Hesse-Kassel, Germany. By 1769 he had settled in Maryland and built a large combination house and hotel in Baltimore on Market (now Baltimore) street where the Continental Congress met in 1776 after the British captured Philadelphia. He was very wealthy. Had 6-8 children. The above William Edward Fite was the last of that name in Maryland. Some chairs and a bench used by the Congress are now in the State House at Annapolis. (The history and genealogy of the Fite family may be found in The Biographical and Genealogical Records of The Fite Families in the U.S., Compiled and Published by Elizabeth Mitchell Stephenson Fite, New York, 1907, I n the Library of Congress Washington, D.C.)

*Mary Emma Fuller b. 9/12/1925 d.

m. (1) John Hart, 12/11/1948, (divorced 9/2/1954) 1 child.

Nancy Kathy Hart b. 7/19/19(49?)

m. Thomas S. Hartzell 4/3/1971 - 3 sons Adam S., Mathew T., Justin Jay Hartzell

(2) Leo F. Moore, 10/8/1960

Descendants of
AUSTIN CHOATE
(3rd.son of Solomon)
b. 1775 d. 1822

AUSTIN CHOATE, third son, last child of Solomon and Sarah, was born on his father's plantation near Reisterstown about 1775, about ten years after his next brother, Edward. As the son of a successful farmer, landowner and slaveholder, he was raised in above average circumstances.

In 1787 his father bought a tract of 260 acres, about two miles south of the village where John Reister had settled in 1757, which included a large brick house situated on a ridge that overlooked "the straight road to Reister's Town". Into this house, later known as Cherry Hill, Solomon moved with his wife and sons Edward and Austin. At this time son Richard, his wife and four children lived on a small place nearby.

In December 1789 Edward married Elizabeth Dimmitt, daughter of *William* a substantial landowner, and moved to one of his farms. This left the father and his fourteen year old son, Austin, to operate a rather substantial farm. It is most likely that after Edward left, Richard and his family moved in with his parents and brother. The father probably was not very well at that time for he died in May 1791.

In his will, dated April 11, 1791, the father left to Richard, five shillings; to Edward; one hundred twenty-five pounds; to Austin and his mother, Sarah, jointly during her life time, "-- all of my negroes, stock of every kind, farm equipment, household and personal property, various tracts of land,----". Despite his half ownership of the property, Austin probably was not interested in farming nor likely very comfortable living in the house with his brother and wife and five small children. By the time Austin married in 1802 the number of children had increased to eight so he and his wife went to live in Reisterstown.

In 1803 his mother and brothers, Richard and Edward, signed the new articles of doctrine re-establishing the Harford Baptist Church near Jarrettsville but Austin did not join them. The mother apparently died early in the next year for in 1804 he sold five tracts of land without his mother joining in the deeds. One of the tracts was Cherry Hill which he sold to his brother Richard for eight hundred dollars.

Austin died in late 1822 leaving a substantial estate. On May 30, 1823 a sale of his personalty, except negroes, was held by his administrators, Amy Choate, his wife, and John Ford, his father-in-law. On Mar. 20, 1824 the negroes Charles, Jack, Jacob, Sidney and Harriette, were sold, the latter being bought by daughter Marian Choate. (See Index to acct. of Sales, Balto. Cty. , Micro 10,699 1780-1885, Bk.8-9, Micro CR9514, MHR)

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Descendants of
AUSTIN and AMY CHOATE

On February 2, 1802 Austin Choate married Amy Ford, daughter of a neighbor John Ford. They lived near Reisterstown. They had three daughters and two sons:-

Mary A

Marion Choate b. about 1803 d. unknown
m. Jesse Gore 1/10/1826 (Bal. Mar. Lic. MHR#584 Card)
Children, if any, unknown.

Ruth Choate b. about 1805 d.?
m. 12/20/1822 John Fisher by her uncle Rev. Edward Choate.
A July 18, 1833 land record (Micro WK1197-98, L.229, f.24244, MHR) describes her as Ruth Fisher, widow. Children, if any, unknown but map 1877 shows a John Fisher living in Reisterstown who may have been a son.

Isabella Choate b. about 1806 d. unknown. _
m. 2/5/1822 William Gore by her uncle Rev. Edward Choate
Children-8

Henry Gore	b. 11/1/1823
Isaac Gore	b. 5/23/1825
Charlotte Gore	b. 2/14/1827
Ruth Gore	b. 11/4/1829
Eliza Gore	b. 8/29/1831
William Gore	b. 4/2/1833
Charles Gore	b. 6/10/1835
Alfred Gore	b. 4/3/1837

Note- Map of 1850 shows Jesse and William Gore living side by side about two miles west of Reisterstown on Gore's Mill Road where they operated a grist mill and a saw mill. Their mother-in-law Amy Choate lived on adjoining property.

Hillen Choate b. about- 1810 d. 1834
m.12/26/1832 Ann Cook daughter of Jeremiah and Patience Isreal Cook who lived along Liberty road near Harrisonville.

Children - 1

Hillanah Choate b. 1833 d. 4/18/1879
m.1/7/1854 Cornelius H. Stocksdales. Lived on Mount St. in Baltimore.

Children - 7:

Eliza, Emma Kate, Thomas, Clara Belle, Edmund H., Robert, Mary

Austin Choate, Jr. b. 1812 d. after 1833.

At the time of their father's death Hillen and Austin were minors and their brother-in-law, William Gore, was made guardian of their estate. In 1833, when both were of age, they sold to their three sisters for nine hundred dollars their interests in the estate of the deceased father. Hillen died the next year and nothing further is known of Austin, Jr.

Condensed transcript of Choate records in Maryland Hall of Records

Aug't the 9th 1681 Christopher Choate Cert. 11 acres Knowles Chance No. ass. from Hauslap fol. (192)

(Patents Docket - Vol.21 f.352 Md. H. R.)

By virtue of a war't. Granted to Col. Thomas Tailor of Ann Arrundele County for one thousand acres of land bearing date the thirtieth day of April one thousand six hundred eighty one which said war't. was assigned by the said Tailor unto Henry Howslap of the said county and by the said Howslap eleven acres war't thereof was assigned to Christopher Choates of the said county as appears These are therefore in ---lible maner to certifie that I George Yates deputy Surveyor under Vincent Lowe Esq. Sur. Genl. have laid out for the said Choates a parcel of land called Choates his Chance lying in the said county on the south side of Magoty River beginning at a bounded red oak standing on a point called Little Piney Neck Point and running for length West by South West with the line of the land called Little Piney Neck one hundred perches to a bounded red oak standing at the head of a creek called Little Piney Neck Creek and bounding on the said creek fifty five perches to a bounded cedar standing at the mouth of the said creek then bounding on the said river to the first bounded tree containing and now laid out for eleven acres of land more or less to be held of the Manor of Ann Arrundell.

by me Geo. Yate Dty. Surveyor

NOTE: The above is not a deed but the record of the deputy surveyor identifying the property, its location and boundaries. At this time and for the next seventy-five years, there was great speculation in Maryland land and the above assignments are an example. This small piece of land on the Magothy river and Piney Neck Creek was a very desirable location not only for planting but for seafood, water fowl and transportation. Since it continued to "be held of the Manor of Ann Arrundell" it is apparent that Chr. Choate had but a leasehold interest.

Balto. Cty. Land Records 172a Vol.IS#G ff.111-13

THIS INDENTURE made this 18th.day of august -- 1722 Between Richard Gist of Baltimore County merchant of the one part and Christopher Choate of the county aforesaid planter of the other part WITNESSETH that the said Richard Gist for and in consideration of twenty pounds sterling -----doth sell ----- to Christopher Choate ----- a certain parcel of land called Choate's Fancy it...

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...being taken out of two larger tracts Viz. part out of the Green Spring Traverse and part out of Street's Adventure- beginning ----- for one hundred and eight acres more or less -----
----- in witness whereof the said Richard Gist has hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Richard Gist +

Signed Sealed and Delivered in the presence of us –

William Camall,
Tho. Hooker

Memorandum that on the 18th.day of Aug.1722 came Richard Gist before us two of his Lordships Justices of the peace for the county of Baltimore and acknowledged the within deed to be his act and deed and that the within land and premises are the right title and interest of the within mentioned Christopher Choate -----and at the same time came Zipporah Gist wife of the aforesaid Richard Gist being parted and privately examined out of the hearing of her husband did give up her dowery freely and without Constraint of her said husband.

Taken and acknowledged before us -

Luke Baven
Jn. Israel

Christopher Choate Sen., Christopher Choate Jr. to Nathaniel Gist
Balto .Cty. Land Records 1742 Vol.TB#A ff.155-57

(Note: This record, first says 180 acres then 108 acres. The latter is correct as shown by the deed above .JCP)

THIS INDENTURE made this 20th.day of May 1742 between Christopher Choate Sr. and Christopher Choate .Jr. of Balto. Cty. in the province of Maryland planters of the one part and Nathaniel Gist of the county and Province afs. planter of .the other part WITNESSETH that the said C. C. sr. and C. C. jr. for and in consideration of the sum of fifty pounds sterling ----- doth hereby ~---- sell unto the said Nathaniel Gist one hundred and eighty acres of land being part of two tracts or parcells of land viz. Greenspring Traverse and Street's Adventure beginning

-----,
----- for one hundred and eight acers of land more or less -----
TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the afsd. one hundred and eight acres of land

his	his
Christopher ∞ Choate Sr. (seal)	Christopher CC Choate Jr. (seal)
mark	mark

Signed sealed and delivered in presence of - John Risteau, Katherine Risteau

On the back of which foregoing deed is then written Viz. Memorandum that on the 28th.day of May...

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1 Coat best and breeches old	1-5-0
1 old saddle	1-5-0
1 Small horse	3-0-0
1 Old gun	1-0-0
1 Rifle Do	2-10-0
1 very old mair	1-10-0
1 Drest Buck skinn	0-8-0

The above goods and Chattles appraised by us the subscribers this 29 d ay of Augst 1740.

Christopher Randall
Saml Owings

Note: The inventory is dated 29 August 1740 which suggests that Augustine probably died the early part of that year. His property was located in the deep wilderness beside a fine stream and the nature of his possessions and the fact that he apparently lived ALONE would indicate he was a hunter and trap-per rather than a planter.

Baltimore County Land Records 1745 MHR Vol.TB#D ff 282 84)
William Hall and Christ. Choate to Ammon Butler

THIS INDENTURE made the twenty seventh day of July 1745 Between William Hall and Christopher Choate both of Baltimore Cointy in the Province of Maryland planters of the one part and Ammon Butler of the said county planter of the other part WITNESSETH that the said William Hall and Christopher Choate for -----fifty four pounds -----hath sold to Ammon Butler all that parcell of land called Halls Approach lying in the county fifty acres more or less TO HAVE and TO HOLD the said fifty acres---with all the estate right title interest whatsoever of them the said W.H and CC---(and they do further covenant) with the said Ammon Butler that the fifty acres are free and clear ---- of former sales grants gifts sales or leases -----or suffered to alter or change the property thereof the rents and services which from henceforth shall become due and payable to the chief Lord of the fee of whom the premises are holden only excepted and foreprised IN WITNESS WHEREOF the said William Hall and Christopher Choate hath hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year above written.

Wm. Hall (seal)

his

Christopher CC Choate Jr. (seal)
mark

Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of

Wm. Rogers E----- Teal

Memorandum July 27, 1745 Wm. Hall and Chris. Choate confirmed the conveyance and their wives, Mary Hall and Flora Choate, released their dower rights to

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Ammon Butler before his Lordships Justice for Baltimore County.

T Sheredine Charles Ridgely

Received the 27th.day of July 1745 of Ammon Butler fifty four pounds ---being the consideration for the within mentioned land -- as also for twenty head of hoggs and one moity -- of corn now growing on the said land for which the said Butler has a bill of sale dated this 27th.day of June last of Christ. Choate.

Wm. Hall (seal) his Christopher CC Choate Jr. (seal) mark

Witness William Rogers

August 6th.1745 five shillings---- aliena tion fine for use of Lord Baltimore.
Thos. Franklin

Received and recorded August 7th.1745
T. Berewood, Clerk Balto. Cty

NOTE:- From the above it would appear that Wm. Hall and Chr. Choate held a joint lease on the property which at the time of the transfer was being farmed by C.C. who a month before had sold his hogs and crop of growing corn to Butler. This is the first time we have come across the word "lease" used in connection with the possession or use of land

Mary Underwood - Samuel Underwood - Edward Choate. Jr. - Elizabeth Choate
to John Ford Balto.Cty.Land Rec. 1753 Vol.BB#1 ff.145-47

MARYLAND SS: THIS INDENTURE made the 24th.day of Oct.1753 Between Mary Underwood of the county of Baltimore widow and devisee of the last will and testament of Samuel Underwood of Balto. Cty. afsd. deceased, Samuel Underwood of Balto.Cty.afsd. son and heir and devisee of the said Samuel Underwood deceased and Edward Choate Jun. of the said Cty. of Balto. and Elizabeth his wife Daughter and devisee of the said Samuel Underwood deceased of the one part and John Ford of the Cty. of Balto. afsd. Planter of the other part WITNESSETH for and in consideration of forty two pounds paid -----to Mary and Samuel Underwood ----- and the sum of five shillings to Edward Choate Jun. and Elizabeth his wife ---- (they) have sold to John Ford all that parcel of a tract of land called Friendship -- in the cty. of Balto.----- one hundred acres more or less together with all the orchards, fences

her
Mary /Underwood
Mark
his
Samuel /// Underwood
Mark

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Edward Choate Jun (Seal)
 her
 Eliza X Choate
 Mark (Seal)

Signed and Delivered in the presence of
 Samuel Owings George Ashman

Received the day and year first written -----
 of John Ford the sum of forty two pounds -----
 Witness: Samuel Owings her
 George Ashman Mary / Underwood
 Mark
 his
 Samuel /// Underwood
 Mark

* * * * *

Received the day and year first written five shillings of John Ford by us
 Witness: Samuel Owings Edward Choate Jun
 George Ashman her
 Eliza X Choate
 Mark

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BALT. COTY SS October 24th 1753 Mary and Samuel Underwood and Edward and Elizabeth Choate acknowledge and confirm the sale of their .interest to John Ford before their Lordships Justices

Samuel Owings George Ashman

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November 6th.1754 four shillings received alienation fine for Lord Balto. -----
 Thomas Franklin

Received the 5th.of March 1754 and recorded Beale Bordiey Clk

Edward Choate Jun to Henry Pemberton
 Balto. Cty. Land Rec. 1754 Vol.BB#1 ff.277-78

THIS INDENTURE made this 25th.day of July 1754 Between Edward Choate Jun. of Baltimore County in the province of Maryland Planter of the one part and Henry Pemberton of the said county planter of the other part WITNESSETH that for and in consideration of the sum of eighteen pounds current money of Maryland ----by Henry Pemberton -- to Edward Choate Jun. in hand paid -----the said Edward Choate. Jun. -----hath sold to the said Henry Pemberton ---- all that tract or parcell of land called Buck Range Beginning at two bounded chestnut trees standing on a Ridge near

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the -----line of a tract of land called Caanan -----containing and laid out for fifty acres of land more or less To Have and To Hold - - - - - IN WITNESS whereof the said Edward Choate Jun. hath hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Edwd. Choate Jun (Seal)

Signed Sealed and Delivered in the presence of
Sam L Owings - Rachael Owings - Urath Owings

* * * * *

On the back of the preceding deed are these three endorsements, Viz-
JULY 25th.1754 came the within Edward Choate Jun. before us two of his Lordships Justices of Baltimore County and. acknowledged the within deed -----

Saml Owings

REC'D eighteen pounds curt. money of Maryland of Henry Pemberton - - - - -
25th.July 1754

Edward Choate Jun

Test: Solomon Choate

REC'D 8th.August 1754 two shillings sterling alienation fine - - - - - for the Lord ProPry. by order of Edw. Lloyd Esq. Agent

. B.. Bordley Dep •

Rec'd 8th. Aug.1754 to be recorded and here recorded being. Liber BB1 folios 277,278
by R. Bordley Clerk of Balto.Cty.Court.

9/19/1975 - Copied from photostatic copies of original records in Md. Hall of Rec. by
Jesse Choate Phillips 4213 Orchard Hill Road Harrisburg, Penna. 17110

Transcript - Choates Delight, Edward Choate Nov.5th.1731
Vol.PL#8, pp.255-56.Patents Rec. MHR

CHARLES, ETC., KNOW YE that for and in consideration that Edward Choate of Baltimore County in our said Province of Maryland hath due him 100 acres of land situated in our said Province by Virtue of a Warrent for a quantity granted him the 26th day of September 1718 and the remaining 50 acres by Virtue of an assignment of that quantity from Richard Gist of said county Gent being part of a War't. for 250 acres Granted said Gist the 17th.day of January 1718 as appears in our Land Office and upon such Conditions and Terms as are expressed in our Conditions of Plantation of our said Province bearing date the 5th.day of April 1684 and remaining upon record in our said Province together with such alterations as in them are made by our further conditions bearing date the 4th.day of December 1696 together also with the Alterations made by our Instructions bearing date at London the 12th.day of September 1712 and Registered in our Secretarys Office of our said Province WE DO therefore and hereby grant unto him the said Edward Choate all that tractor parcell of land called Choates Delight lying in Baltimore County BEGINNING at a bounded white oak standing on the south end of a ridge and on the north eastside of a Run desceading into Jones Fall known by the name of North Run and running from the said oak

and now laid out for 100 acres of Land more or less according to the certificate of survey thereof taken and returned into our Land Office, bearing date the 16th day of March 1718 and there remaining together with all rights profits benefits and privileges thereunto belonging (Royal mines excepted) TO HAVE and to HOLD the same unto him the said Edward Choate his-heirs and assigns for ever to be holden of us and our heirs as of our Mannor of Baltimore in Baltimore County in free and common soccage by fealty only for all manner of Services yielding and paying therefore yearly unto us and our heirs at our receipt at the City Of St. Maries at the two most usual feasts in the year Viz. the feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary and St. Michael the Archangel by even and equal portions the rent of four shillings sterling in silver or gold and for a fine upon every aleination of the said land or any part or parcell thereof one while years rent in silver or gold or the full value thereof in such commodities as we and our heirs or such officer or officers as shall be appointed by us and our heirs from time to time to collect and receive the same shall accept in discharge thereof at the choice of us and our heirs or such Officer or Officers aforesaid PROVIDED that if the said sum for a fine for alienation shall not be paid unto us and our heirs or such Officer or Officers aforesaid before such alienation and the said alienation entered upon record either in the Provincial Court or County Court where the same parcell of land ly and be paid in one month next after such alienation then the said alienation shall be void and of no effect GIVEN under our Great Seal of our Province of Maryland this 5th.day of November 17 WITNESS our Dear Brother Bened't Leo'd Calvert Esq., Governor and Commander in Chief in and over our said Province of Maryland Chancellor and Keeper of ye Great Seal thereof

Bend't Leo'd

Calvert, Chancellor

Transcript - Choate's Contrivance, Augustin Choate, 1737
Patents Record, Vol.EI#2 ff.635-36, MHR

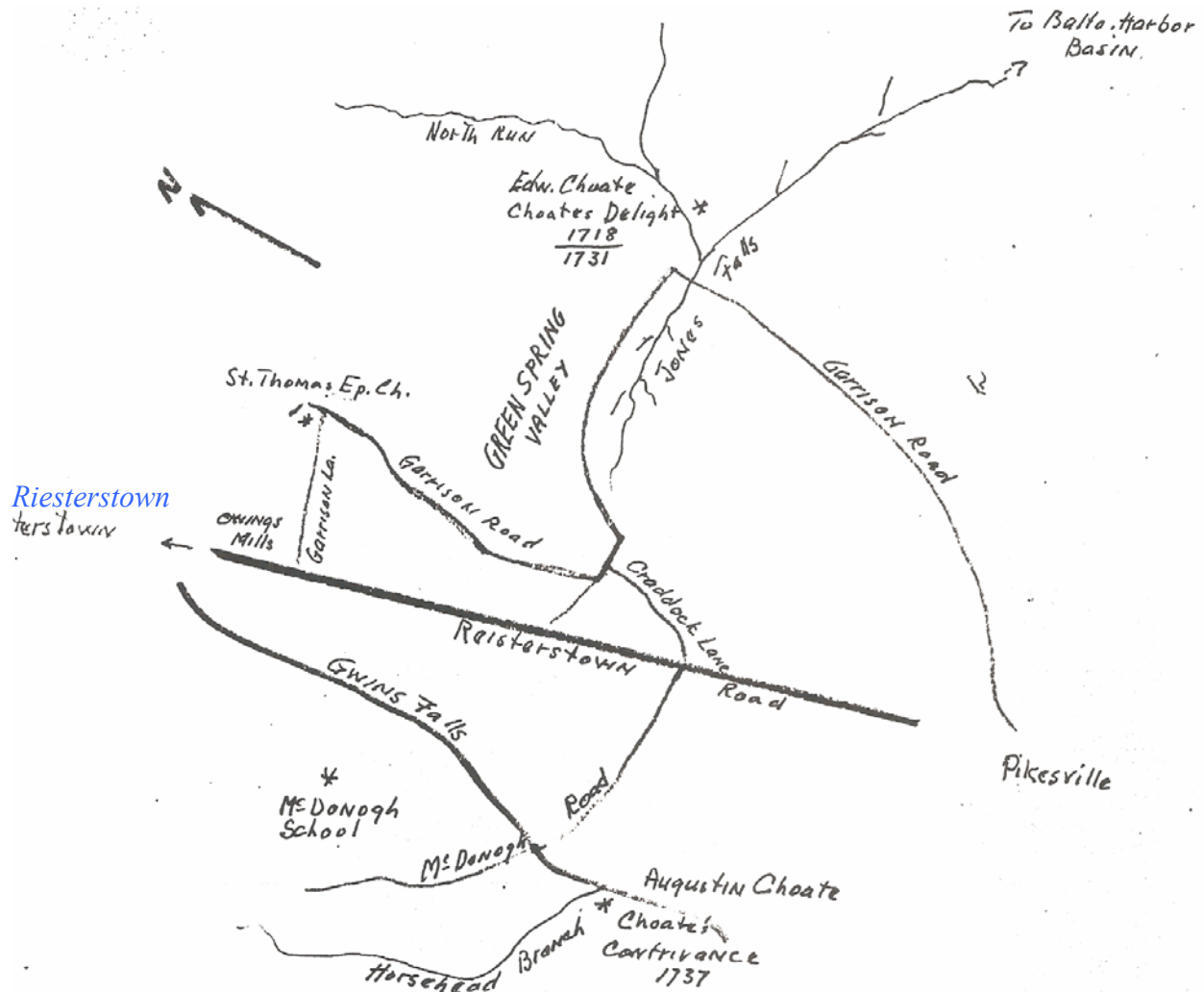
CHARLES, Etc., Know Ye that whereas Loyd Harris of Baltimore County by his humble petition to our Agent for Management of Land and within this province did heretofore set forth that on the first day of May 1725 he had granted unto him a certain tract or parcell of land called the Biter containing 126 acres lying in said County by virtue of so much part of a special warrent for 250 acres of vacant cultivated land patented him the 2nd.day of January 1721 as by the said patent appeared but so it was the whole of the said 126 acres was taken in by ---surveys and the petitioner having paid for the same and being apprehensive that there was a piece of vacant land partly cultivated lying in said county near Jones Falls and not far from a place called the Bare Hills humbly prayed that the said patent might be vacated on record and a special warrent might be granted him to affect and secure the like quantity of acres in the place aforesaid and that upon return of a certificate of survey thereof he complying with all Requisites as usual in like cases might have our Letters Patent issued unto him thereon which was granted him and accordingly a warrent on the third day of July 1734 to him for that purpose did issue but the said warrent not being executed within the time therein limited it was on the 12th.day of February 1734 aforesaid renewed and made in force for six minths longer from that date all whose right title and interest of in and to the said warrent and the location thereof he the said Loyd Harris on the 17th. day of July in the year aforesaid did assign sell transfer and make over unto a certain William Rogers of said county who in like manner on the 7th.day of July 1735 did assign sell transfer and make over 100 acres part of said warrent unto a certain Augustin Choate of the same county in pursuance whereof it is certified unto our Land Office that there is surveyed and laid out for and in the name of him the said Augustin Choate the exact quantity of 100 acres for which rights were made good at the time of granting the said warrent by the said Loyd Harris's surrendering up the above mentioned patent in order to be vacated on record according to Charles Lord Baron of Baltimore our grandfather of noble memory his instructions to Charles Carroll Esq. his then agent bearing date at London the 12th.day of September 1712 and registered in our Secretarys Office of our said province WE DO therefore hereby grant unto him the said Augustin Choate all that tract or parcell of land called Choate's Contrivance lying and being in the county aforesaid Beginning at two bounded oaks standing by a great glade and near a Run commonly called and known by the name of the Horse Head Branch or Glade and running thence

Containing and laid out for 100 acres more or less according to the Certificate of Survey thereof taken and returned unto our Land office bearing the date the 6th day of July 1735 and there remaining together all rights profits benefits and privileges thereunto belonging (Royal mines excepted) TO HAVE and TO HOLD the same unto him the said Augustin Choate his heirs and assigns forever to be holden unto us and our heirs as of our Manor of Baltimore in Baltimore County in free and common soccage by fealty only for all manner of services Yielding and Paying therefore yearly unto us and our heirs at the receipt at the

Choate's Contrivance, Augustin Choate, 1737
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City of St. Marys at the two most usual feasts in the year Viz. the feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary and Saint Michael and the Arch Angel by equal and even portions the rent of four shillings sterling silver or gold and for a fine upon every alienation of the said land or part or parcel thereof one whole years rent in silver or gold or the full value thereof in such commodities as we our heirs or such other officer or officers as shall be appointed by us or our heirs from time to time to collect and receive the same shall accept in discharge thereof at the choice of us and our heirs or such Officer or Officers aforesaid PROVIDED THAT IF THE SAID SUM for fine for alienation shall not be paid unto us and our heirs or Officer or Officers aforesaid before such alienation and the said alienation entered upon Record Either in the Provincial Court or County Court where the said parcell of land be situated within one month next after such alienation then the said alienation shall be void and of no effect GIVEN Under our Great Seal of the Province of Maryland this 25th.day of July in the twenty third year of our Dominion over our Province Anno Domini 1737 Witness our trusty and well beloved Samuel Ogle Esq. Leut. General and Chief Governor of Maryland

The Great Seal thereof



The above indicates the approximate location of Choate's Delight and Choate's Contrivance. The Reisterstown Road was then merely an Indian trail and the whole area as almost virgin wilderness when these land grants were made. A troop of 30-40 soldiers were stationed near what is now Pikesville to patrol the region for protection of the settlers from bands of Indians on their north to south trek. Hence the name Garrison.

In 1744 Old St. Paul's Church in Baltimore built a small red brick "chapel of ease for the people of the wilderness" about a mile and a half from Choate's Delight for which Edward Choate was among the original subscribers. It was called Garrison Forest P. E. Church but later changed to St. Thomas' in honor of its first rector, Thomas Cradock.

Jones Falls empties into the harbor basin near Colgate Creek where Edw. Choate lived in the early 1700's. He likely followed this stream in locating at Choate's Delight in 1718.

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