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Dear Cuzan Robert:

John & Ann Smith

In "The S.W. in Early Maps", Cumming, 1962 edn. Supplement pg 279, 91-A Mathews 1682 MS Carolinass: 13 Nov. 1682, Mr. John Smith & Ann, his wife, has Laid out 5800 A to him, Directed by Honb. Jos. Morton, and Certified, 7 January 1682 Mau: Mathews, Surv. Genl. (On Edisto River - Colleton County) Ref: John Carter Brown Lib, Annual Report 1956-57; Providence, R. I. 1958, 37-38. Orig: J.C.B.

Do not know if this is Wilkinson, pg 44-45, John Smith who m Mary, she d 1700; but the amount of Land suggest more than just a new Immigrant, to me. If possible, will run photo copies, to-day, & encl. with note.

Page 83, FOOTNOTES: Number 188 Gascoign-Swaine 1729 MS Capt. John Gascoign, agent for John Roberts, who had purchased 8 Baronies of 12,000 A each fm Lord John Carteret. Headlam & Newton, op. cit., 1733, Vol 40, pp xliii, 48,49, Nos 59-60. Also noted: Calender of State Papers, Am. & West Indies, 1731, London, 1938, Vol 38, p 83, Number 123.

* On Feb. 28, 1733 Gov. Johnson, Ordered Surv. Gen. to Lay Out 48,000 Acres to John Gascoign, Agent for John Roberts.

I'm sure this is Jean Robert, son of Rev. P. The RMC Record I have, I thought, said 6, or several Baronies: 2 in Georgetown, 2 Yamassee, 2 River May?. (K-200 - 1730 RMC) "Rambles in the Pee Dee Basin", Cook, pages 61, 66 refer to part, & report John Roberts was living at Monks Corner about 1735, I believe. Then Fm S. C. Gazette: 1736 he is in Dorchester, or Jr., and May 1739 the 1st Mail Run fm Charleston goes Mr. John Roberts Store, Dorchester. Then 1759 he is at St. Barth., Colleton, "The place he now lives". These are the Items dug up on 2nd son of Rev. P. since 1971, when I had only the Barrony in Geo., in Welsh Tract, & was not sure it was our John R.

Anyhow, "Thanks for the Title of an Interesting, if Complicated, List of Maps." I still do not know which Map it could be, that Listed, showed, about 5-6 ROBERT HOUSES, but think it was the List of Protestant Refugees, by Ramenel; an Early Edition, somewhere, out of Monroe, with a different Map. (1868 Chest. - Rep. 1888 NY - Ours 1968 Gen. Pub. G.)

Will enclose what Jos. Sanders & Ann Roberts Family Look Like. Do wish I'd done better on Maryann Thomas, Eliz. Ferguson, and could have found Mary, un-m 1759.

With best regards, I am,

Yours very truly,

Edward

*S.C. Gaz - Thurs 5/11/1738
D - Lowdquare Thos. Smith - Tuesday
754rs old - 54 in Prov.*

Yours of 5/7 arrived - Asw. Later!

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References: Cortesão, A., and A. Teixeira da Mota. *Portugaliae Monumenta Cartographica*. Lisbon, 1960, II, 129-131.

Quinn, D. B. *The Roanoke Voyages: 1584-1590*. London, 1955, I, 98 ff.; II, 517 ff.

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Taylor, E. G. R. *The Troublesome Voyage of Captain Edward Fenton: 1582-1583*. London, 1959, xxxiii ff.

Reproduction: Cortesão, A., and A. Teixeira da Mota. *Op. cit.*, II, Plate 240.

Original: London. British Museum. MS Cott. Rol., XIII, 48.

91-A. MATHEWS 1682 MS

Carolinass

This Platt Represents the shape and forme of five Thousand Eight Hundred Acres of Land, which According to a warr^t. to me Directed Under the hands of the Hon^{ble} Joseph Morton Esq^r and the rest of the Deputyes of the Right Honourable y^e Lords Proprietors beareing date the thirteenth of November 1682, I haue admeasured and Laid out vnto M^r. John Smith and Ann his wife scituate lying and being in a collony of Colleton County not yet Distinguesht by any Name or Number and Butting and bounding Easterly vpon the ffresh River of Edistoh, and Westerly Vpon Lands not yet run out, and Northerly and Southerly Vpon Lands not yet run out, and Marked with such Trees and other Markes as doth Appeare in this Platt. Certified this Twenty seaventh day of January anno 1682 Mau: Mathews Surv^r. Gen^l - [cartouche, right center]

Size: 18 1/8 x 20 1/2 (irregular). Scale: 1"=20 chains (1320').

Description: This vellum manuscript plat of a tract of land on Edisto River is attached to a warrant for the survey. The warrant is registered and attested by Edward Mayo on June 21, 1683. This grant presumably refers to the land belonging to "Mr. Smith" just above New London on the Edisto River, shown on Mathews 1685 MS and Crisp 1711 (see Plate 44). "Here is a revealing record of the activities of Maurice Mathews as a surveyor in Carolina. The nature of the document suggests that the competence of Mathews in the larger survey of 1685 was

based upon intimate first-hand knowledge of the small components which made up the whole": JCBL Annual Report, 1956-7, p. 37.

Reference: John Carter Brown Library. Annual Report 1956-1957. Providence, 1958, 37-38.

Original: John Carter Brown.

110-A. DE LEON 1690 MS

Viage que el año 1690 hizo el Governador Alonso de Leon desde Cuahuila hasta la Carolina Prouincia habilitada de Texas y otras naciones al Nordeste de la Nueva España. [cartouche, top left center]

Size: 23 x 23 1/4. Scale: 1"=7 Spanish leagues.

Inset: Descripcion exacta del Lago de S. Bernado y del Todos los Santos que nueuamente se hallo este año de 1690. Size: 8 1/4 x 8 1/4. Scale: 1"=3 1/2 Castilian leagues.

Description: At the left side of the sheet is a long legend, corresponding to the lettering on the map and giving the distances and directions of the journey. "Carolina" is at the top right of the map; the journey stops there at the "Poblacion de los Texas" on the "Rio d S Miguel."

Reproduction: Gil Munilla, Roberto. "Politica Española en el Golfo Mexicano." *Anuario de Estudios Americanos* [Sevilla], XII (1955), opp. p. 524 (ref.: p. 565).

Original: Sevilla. Archivo General de Indias. Mexico 88 [est. 61, caj. 6, leg. 21(3)].

189-A. BEAUFORT ca. 1722

Plan of Beaufort Town

Size: 15 x 9 1/2. Scale: None.

Description: This plan of Beaufort, North Carolina, is laid off into 106 lots, with streets named. "James Green" appears on the right side. The plat is in the Secretary of State's Papers, Land Patent Book No. 7 (1707-1740).

Original: North Carolina State Department of Archives and History.

215-A. WIMBLE 1733 MS

A Large and aisect [exact] Draft of the Sea Cost of N^o: Carolina with the true Latt^d of y^e Harbours from Sholote Inlet to Coretuck

FOOTNOTES

182. Alden, op. cit., pp. 283, 287, with references there cited.

183. See Stuart-Gage ca. 1773 MS.

184. See Stuart-Purcell ca. 1773 MS.

185. See under Stuart-Gage ca. 1773 MS.

186. The information on the Stuart maps is to be found in simplified form on the 1776 map by Bernard Romans, "A General Map of the Southern British Colonies, in America. . . by B. Romans, 1776. London. Printed for R. Sayer and J. Bennett." Size: 25 1/8 x 19 5/8. Scale: 1" = ca. 65 miles. See P. L. Phillips, Lowery Collection, p. 381, No. 585. It was reproduced on a separate sheet by the United States Constitution Sesquicentennial Commission, Washington, D. C., 1939.

The influence of French maps on British conceptions of the trans-Appalachian region in the eighteenth century, especially before the Stuart maps, was strong: see Susan M. Reed, "British Cartography of the Mississippi Valley in the Eighteenth Century," *Mississippi Valley Historical Review*, II (1915), 213-224.

187. For problems of communication and transportation, the importance of good harbors, and the condition of roads during this period, see C. C. Crittenden, "The Seacoast in North Carolina History," *North Carolina Historical Review*, VII (1930), 433-442; "Overland Travel and Transportation in North Carolina, 1763-1789," op. cit., VIII (1931), 239-257; and F. W. Clouts, "Travel and Transportation in Colonial North Carolina," op. cit., III (1926), 16-25.

188. See Gascoigne-Swaine 1729 MS. Captain Gascoigne's maps were published about 1776 by Jeffreys and Faden. Gascoigne's original MS of D'Awfoskee is apparently lost. Both of these surveys were made in 1729. For several years Gascoigne continued his surveys, for on April 3, 1731, Governor Rogers of the Bahamas wrote Mr. Alured Popple, secretary of the Board of Trade, that Captain Gascoigne, in command of three vessels, was now "sayleing hence for ye Bahamas in order to carry on his survey of them": Cecil Headlam and A. P. Newton, eds., *Calendar of State Papers, America and West Indies, 1731*, London, 1938, Vol. 38, p. 83, No. 123. On February 28, 1733, Governor Johnson of South Carolina ordered the Surveyor General to lay out 48,000 acres to John Gascoigne, agent for John Roberts, who had purchased eight baronies of 12,000 acres each from Lord Carteret: Headlam and Newton, op. cit., 1733, Vol. 40, pp. xliii, 48, 49, Nos. 59-60.

189. Plates 51-54. Moseley had been at work on this map for some time, as he wrote the Duke of Newcastle on May 22, 1731: "I am preparing a large Map of this Province for his Majesty's view, drawn from several observations I collected when I was Surveyor General of this Province and many helps I have received from several Gentlemen of this and neighboring Governments": C. R. N. C., III, 137.

190. C. R. N. C., III, 430 and 436. In this same letter Burrington condemns violently the surveying methods of Moseley and his deputies. He had transmitted the three drafts of harbors with his letter of November 14, 1732, at which time he wrote: "I had agreed to give ten guineas for a Map of the Country which was drawn for me but is sent as I am told to Coll. Bladen which is better then if I had pay'd for it being at this time very Poor": *Ibid.*, III, 372. Mr. Burrington's map of Winyeau (Winyah) Bay is referred to by Alured Popple, who sent it to Mr. Carkesse of the London Customs House on behalf of Governor Johnson. See C. Headlam, ed., *Calendar of State Papers, America and West Indies, 1730*, London, 1937, under dates February 18 and 19, 1730. The map apparently was not returned or has been lost.

191. "Chart of the Coast of America from Cape Hatteras to Cape Roman From the Actual Surveys of D^r Dunbibin Esq^r" [cartouche, upper left] Size: 32 x 20 1/2. Scale: 2" = 10 miles. In John Norman's *The American Pilot*, Boston, 1792, No. 5 (and in the later 1794, 1798, and 1803 editions of *The American Pilot*). On May 19, 1757, Daniel Dunbibin, who had been a merchant in Newton (Wilmington) as early as 1740 and was a landowner in New Hanover, petitioned the North Carolina House of Assembly for a sum necessary to complete a survey of "a great part of the Coast of North and South Carolina," as the expense had been larger than he had expected and the subscriptions received insufficient. On February 11, 1764, the widow of Dunbibin petitioned the House that fifty pounds be paid her "for services rendered this Province, by her deceased husband Daniel Dunbibin in surveying and Making a Map of the Sea Coast thereof." The House approved the petition on February 28 and forwarded it to the Council, which suggested the sum of one hundred pounds as being not unreasonable for "the care and time employed." The House turned down this proposal but reaffirmed its grant of fifty pounds, which was approved by the Governor on March 9, 1764. See C. R. N. C., IV, 504, 643; V, 847; VI, 1114-5, 1137-8, 1160, 1187-8, 1191, 1210, 1214.

Collier Cobb refers to a map of the North Carolina coast made by Dunbibin in 1764 in his "Some Changes in the North Carolina Coast Since 1585," *North Carolina Booklet*, IV, No. 9 (January 1905). This reference to a Dunbibin 1764 map has caused some confusion, for no printed map of that date has come to light. Miss Mary Cobb, his daughter, reports that no such map is to be found among Professor Cobb's papers, nor is such a map in the Carolina Collection or in the Geology Department Library at the University of North Carolina. It is probable, therefore, that Professor Cobb was referring to the map made by Dunbibin and mentioned in his widow's petition in 1764.

The following advertisement is found in the *South Carolina Gazette*, September 23, 1756 (No. 1161), fol. 249, p. 3, col. 1: "Capt. Dunbibin having proceeded in his Survey of the Coasts on North and South Carolina, as far as Winyah: and now being come to compleat it as far as that of Port Royal, but the Subscriptions are not sufficient to enable him to do it. Those therefore that would not see so necessary an Undertaking dropped,

Jean Robert Son of Rev. P.

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