

OTHER PUTMANS/PUTNAMS IN VIRGINIA

In *VIRGINIA COLONIAL ABSTRACTS, Records of Prince George County 1666 to 1719*, there is a reference to 1000 acres being granted to a Richard Taylor on the south side of the James River on the backwater behind Merchant's (Possibly Marchant?) hope or home. The Patent was dated November 3, 1673 and included among others a **RICHARD PUTMAN**.

There is also a reference that an **ELIZABETH PUTMAN** was included in a group that was being granted land in Prince George County, Virginia in 1706. I have no other references for these people and do not know what if any connection they might have had to Thomas. This transaction is also listed in *VIRGINIA COLONIAL ABSTRACTS* series 2, volume 6. It appears to be part of a headright granted Robert Bolling for the transportation of 40 persons including this Elizabeth Putman and a Richard Merchant. An Abraham Marchant sold lands to Zachariah Putman a few years later, so there may be a connection here folks.

There was a **JOHN PUTMAN** who signed the Oath of Allegiance in Philadelphia on September 29, 1753. This would indicate that he just arrived in this Country. He is Johann Putman or Butman, German family. They settled in Frederick and Washington Counties in Maryland. The Peter Putman in Hampshire County, Virginia was part of this line, descending from Johan's brother Philip Jacob Putman. I have a whole section on this German family in the Addenda.

In 1694, there was a land grant in the Old Ablemarle County of northeastern North Carolina. This grant for a headright included a **JOHN PUTMAN**. The grant was given by the officials in Virginia to encourage settlement of the Carolinas. This document is included in the addendum.

In the 1790 reconstructed census of Virginia, there is a **BENJAMIN PUTMAN** living alone in Norfolk County. He is most likely a New England Putnam, probably Dr. Benjamin Putnam of Savannah, Georgia.

I mentioned earlier the **JOHN PUTMAN** and son who were in Accomack County in the 1800 census.

In the marriage records of Wythe County, Virginia there was a marriage of **JOSEPH M. PUTMAN** and Eva Smith that took place on November 1, 1868. On this certificate Joe's folks were listed as **THOMAS PUTMAN** and Mary Hoback. Joseph was 31 so he was born in about 1836 or 1837. Thomas, the father appears in the 1840 census of Shelby County, Tennessee, but that's the only place I ever find him. Wythe County, Virginia is in the southwest part of Virginia above both North Carolina and Tennessee. I haven't the foggiest who either Thomas or Joseph were. They may well be New Englanders or whatever.

In the 1870 Census of Hertford County, North Carolina there are two brothers **WILLIAM A. PUTMAN**, 25 and **J. D. PUTMAN**, 24, both born in Virginia. This is in northeast North Carolina just below Virginia. I don't find that family in Virginia in 1860.

In the 1910 census of Falls County, Texas, there is a gentleman named **SIDNEY PUTMAN** age 70 born in Virginia, living by himself. This would place his birth around 1839 to 1840. As there are no 10 year old Sidneys in Virginia in 1850, I haven't a clue as to who he was. Never pops up either before or after. He may have actually been a Patman or Pitman, no clues.

There is one other major family in Virginia that I have some information on. Although the family

spelled their name Putman, they were New England Putnams and listed in Eben Putnam's book. This is the family of John Putman of Bath County, Virginia. His life follows.