

February 2, 2001

Mr. William D. Cannon

Culpeper, VA 22701

Dear Mr. Cannon,

First, I'd like to introduce myself since we have never met. I am the youngest and only living child of four daughters born to Oswald Athey Cannon and his wife Rosa Hitt Cannon of Rock Mills, Rapp. County - and later of Cedar Grove in Culpeper County. Oswald (known as O.A) was the youngest child of Thomas (known as "Moss") and his wife Ellen Johnson Cannon. My father was a cousin of your father and a cousin of William Johnson through his mother. I did meet your father while he was associated with the bank.

My purpose in contacting you ? I'm in the process of tracing the Rock Mills Cannon family history. I've traced back to my great grandparents, Reuben and Hannah to around 1800 but am stuck at that point unless I can get some further leads. I did hear my parents speak of Ben Cannon who lived on the left side of the road between Scrabble and Rock Mills. I also think Ben Cannon was related but I cannot trace how. I know that Reuben Cannon (my great grandfather) had 2 daughters and four sons as listed:

Sarah Louise who married a John Estes  
Hennetta who married a William Estes  
John R. Cannon  
Thomas R. Cannon - my grandfather - and the oldest son of Reuben according to census records  
Elijah Cannon  
George W. Cannon - who lived at the family home at Rock Mills until his death in 1916 and never married to the best of my knowledge

I can find no records in Culpeper or Rappahannock pertaining to Elijah. There are a number of records relating to John Cannon but since there were 3 - 4 John Cannons listed in the records and I'm unable to trace which is which by the dates. Many records are listed as MISSING in Culpeper and in the Rappahannock records begin after the county split-off from Culpeper in 1831.

What I would really like to know from you is whether you know of anyone who has traced the Cannon Family history and if so (with your permission, of course) may I have their name and address so I can contact them for help. Also - can you shed any light on how Ben Cannon, your father - William Cannon, Burl Frank Cannon and Anna Byrd Cannon who married Glenn Williams (also a distant cousin) are related to Thomas Cannon - my grandfather.

I've been to Culpeper 4 times in the past two years tracing the family in Culpeper and in Rapp. Co. I was delighted to find out the last time that I still have a female first cousin living in Culpeper - Anne Kilby who is the daughter of my father's twin sister, Essie Cannon Updike. I also have two other first cousins left that I know of - Alphaeus and Ray Cannon of Castleton. Since my father was the youngest of 10 children and I am the youngest of his children (I'm now 72) I didn't get to know many of my Cannon relatives.

I look forward to hearing whether you can shed any light in my search of our family history. I never married but do have a niece and nephew (and their offspring) who are quite interested in their ancestors and I hope to be able to contribute some information on their Virginia roots.

I appreciate any help you can provide on the Cannon Family History.

Sincerely,

Eleanore E. Cannon

Mercerville, NJ 08619



February 20, 2001

Eleanore E. Cannon  
Mercerville, NJ 08619

Dear Eleanore:

I received your kind letter concerning the Cannon Family History. I am sorry I have not written sooner but I was trying to gather some information that might be helpful. I am enclosing a history of Stonewall Farm in Rappahanock that appears to be the homeplace of my great grandfather and, perhaps, yours. A cousin, Gene Pulliam, gave me this information and may have some other information that would shed a light on your search. I have forwarded your letter to Gene and he has agreed to look into the matter on your behalf.

I believe Elijah Cannon was my great grandfather and his son, Benjamin, was my grandfather. My grandmother was a Partlow. Somehow both Warren Beaty and Shirley MacLaine are cousins. This is perhaps through one of the daughters of Rueben Cannon. I am sure that Ray or Alphaeus would know much more about the Cannon Family since they still live on land that has been in the family for many years. Both have the address of Castleton, Virginia. Ray's phone number is [redacted] and Alphaeus' number is [redacted].

My cousin, Don Cannon, has also done some work on the family history. Don lives in Leesburg, Virginia. I do not have his address, but his telephone number is [redacted]. I am sure he would like to speak with you concerning your research.

If you come back to do more research in Culpeper please give me a call. I would love to meet you. Good luck with your research.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bill Cannon".

William D. Cannon, Jr.

# CANNON FAMILY

## THOMAS "MOSS" R. CANNON FAMILY HISTORY As of July 2000

The following information on the Rock Mills, Rappahannock County, Virginia Cannons has been compiled from information furnished by the Rappahannock County Historical Society through the Cannon Family Cemetery records (thanks to Misty Hitt - a Society member), Donna Cannon Wilkers (daughter of Ray T. Cannon, and great granddaughter of "Moss" Cannon), the "Moss" Cannon Family Bible - now in the possession of Janet Stancil (great-granddaughter of "Moss"), A HISTORY of the "RED OAK" JOHNSON FAMILY, information passed on to me (Ellener "Eleanore" Edward Cannon - granddaughter of "Moss") by my mother and father (Oswald Athey Cannon - son of "Moss"), and my recollection and memories of Cannon Family members still alive from 1935 through the current time.

Thomas R. "Moss" was born November 25, 1833 and died February 27, 1906. He married Sarah Ellen Johnson (see A HISTORY of the "RED OAK" JOHNSON FAMILY) on March 6, 1860. Sarah Ellen was born August 11, 1843 and died October 23, 1927. At this time, I know Moss had one brother - George Washington Cannon born in 1840 and died February 14, 1916. He served in the Confederate Army (C.S.A.) Co. B. Va. George never married and lived with the Moss Cannon family until his death.

Moss was a merchant and general farmer, managing a general store, post office, grinding mill, and saw mill. George and O.A. (Moss' youngest son) managed the business until George's death in 1916 at which time O.A. and his wife, Rosa, managed the business until Sarah Ellen died in 1927. In 1929 or 1930 O.A. and Rosa Cannon bought a farm near Cedar Grove in Culpeper County and moved there. The family home place was rented until such time as it burned to the ground. The land was then sold.

Moss and Ellen are both buried in the Cannon Family Cemetery located at Rock Mills, Rappahannock County, Virginia. They had 10 children;

- S1 John W. (Johnnie) born February 13, 1861- married Frances Chewning. Johnnie and Fannie lived in Charlottesville, Va. where Johnnie was a merchant. Johnnie died on May 10, 1919. Fannie continued to live in their Charlottesville home until her death. None of John's family are buried in the Cannon Family Cemetery. John and Fannie had 4 children: Mattie, Bessie, Lewis and Laurence. See "Red Oak" Johnson History.
  - S2 Thomas W. (Peck) born May 29, 1863 - married Sarah A. (Aggie) Grigsby. Aggie was born in 1860. Peck and Aggie had a farm very near the Moss Cannon homeplace at Rock Mills. Aggie died in 1928 and Peck in 1936. Peck and Aggie are buried in the Cannon Family Cemetery at Rock Mills. They had 6 children:
    - S1 Henry born in 1889 married Bertha Settle. Henry had a farm near Rock Mills and near Mt. Salem Baptist Church. Henry died in the 1930's and Bertha in 1955. They had 2 children - Irene (married Charles Becraft) and Charles Henry never married.
    - D2 Lilliana (Ada) born 1892 married Wade Settle. Lilliana died in 1944 and is buried in the Cannon Family Cemetery at Rock Mills. No children.
    - D3 Sadie E. born 1894 married Edwin E. Johnson - born 1896. They had 2 children:
      - D1 Edna - married William A. Moore
      - D2 Ethel - died in 1941 at about the age of 15 - 17.
- Sadie E. and Edwin E. were merchants in the Rappahannock County area. They

and their daughter, Ethel, were killed by a schoolmate of Ethel's when he robbed their store. They all died in 1941 and are buried in the Cannon Family Cemetery at Rock Mills.

D4 - Mazie E. was born February 9, 1899 and died November 28, 1913. She is buried in the Cannon Family Cemetery at Rock Mills.

D5 - Lacie A. was born October 3, 1900 and died June 5, 1919. She is buried in the Cannon Cemetery at Rock Mills.

D6 Elsie Lee born 1902 married James W. Griffith. They had several children. (James E. Griffith - born September 30, 1930 and died February 26, 1937 buried in the Cannon Family Cemetery may be their son.) I think they had a daughter named Barbara who lived at the Griffith home place across the river from the Cannon Cemetery. Elsie died January 27, 1968, and is buried in the Cannon Family Cemetery at Rock Mills

S3 George Edward (Ed) - born November 24, 1864 married Nannie Scroggins. Ed had a large apple orchard near Flint Hill (and Rock Mills) Rappahannock County. They had 2 children:

S1 Thomas (Tommie) was struck by lightening and killed at about the age of 19.

D2 Agnes married Virgil Williams. They had 2 children:

S1 Thomas married Mary Hudson. They had two children - Mike and Eddie.

S2 Glen (Buck) married and had one son - Tommy.

Virgil Williams died and Agnes married a second time to a Sam Williams. They had one son - George.

Ed died March 28, 1932 and Nannie died in the late 1940's or the 1950's. They are buried in Fairview Cemetery in Culpeper, Virginia.

D4 Mary E. (Lizzie) was born January 14, 1867 married Charles C. Taylor. They lived in Charlottesville, Virginia. No. children. Lizzie had been a seamstress until her marriage. Charles was associated with the Southern Railroad. Lizzie died October 16, 1955 and was buried in the Taylor Family Plot in Charlottesville. Charles died in the late 1920's or early 1930's. They had no children.

S5 James Franklin ( Jim) was born January 20, 1869. He married Nena Belle Hockman, born December 7, 1893. Jim was a prominent merchant and postmaster in Castleton, Virginia. Jim died November 8, 1954 and Nena died December 28, 1969. They are buried in Fairview Cemetery in Culpeper County, Virginia. Jim and Nena had 4 children:

S1 James W. born 1921 - died 1921.

S2 John W. born 1925 - died 1925.

James W. and John W. are buried in the Cannon Family Cemetery at Rock Mills.

S3 Alphaeus married Katherine Estes. They had 2 children:

D1 Louise married James Grigsby - no children.

D2 Margie - no children

S4 Ray T. Cannon born February 7, 1918 married Ruby Stringfellow born August 3, 1928. Ray was a prominent realtor until he retired. Ruby died May 16, 1995. Ray and Ruby had 3 children:

D1 Mary Ann born June 17, 1949 married Peter Powell. They have 3 children:

D1 Bethany Swain born July 15, 1976

S2 David Wendell born June 6, 1978

S3 Meredith Cannon born December 27, 1984

S2 James Michael born February 24, 1951 married Deborah Diaker. They divorced - no children. James remarried to Martha Fulbright. They have 2 children:

D1 Ashleigh Grady born October 21, 1980.

S2 James Michael II born September 5, 1985.

D3 Donna Faye born January 14, 1959 married Charles Raymond Wilkers. They have 3 children:

S1 Charles Ross born June 10, 1988.

S2 Lee Thomas born August 1, 1990.

S3 Andrew Raymond born July 23, 1998.

D6 Annie J. born January 23, 1871 married Ed Updike. Annie died August 6, 1908. She is buried in the Cannon Family Cemetery at Rock Mills. Annie and Ed had 1 child:

D1 Hattie married Charles Parish. They had 2 children - Jean and Charles.

D7 Lieuiemma (Emma) was born September 16, 1874. She married Ed Cooksey. They had 1 adopted son, Sam. Emma died July 21, 1953.

D8 Bessie V. born November 4, 1877 - died September 28, 1882 - buried in the Cannon Family Cemetery at Rock Mills.

D9 Essie born June 20, 1883 (Essie and Oswald were twins) - married James E. Updike. Essie died April 22, 1955. They had 4 children:

D1 Una married Leon Reid - second marriage to George Hahn. no children.

S2 Thomas

D3 Elizabeth married Glen Hudson. One child - Glenn Jr.

D4 Annie Ellen married Stonewall Kilby. They had 4 children:

S1 Thomas

S2 Jack

D3 Jean

S4 James

S10 Oswald Athey born June 20, 1883 - married Rosa Lee Hitt born November 25, 1892. They had 4 children. (See Hitt Family History attached.) Oswald died February 7, 1962 and Rosa died August 8, 1975. They are buried in the Hitt Family Plot, Fairview Cemetery, Culpeper, Virginia.

Peter Hitt - Hitt 1 -Emigrant (updated 6-2000)

William Hitt

S4 - Henry Thomas Hitt

S7 - Benjamin Clifton Hitt - born 1868 - died 1935 - married Mary Margaret (Molly) Burke - 1890  
See Burke Genealogy

D1 - Rosa Lee Hitt

D2 - Mattie E. Hitt

D3 - Eva James Hitt

S4 - Chelf Clifton Hitt

S5 - James Benjamin Hitt

D1 - Rosa Lee Hitt born 11-25-1891 (See Burke Gen.) married Oswald Athey Cannon (See Cannon & Johnson Gen) 1-26-1910 - four (4) children - all daughters. Oswald died 2-7-1962 and Rosa died 8-8-1975. They are buried in the B. C. Hitt family plot in Fairview Cemetery in Culpeper, Virginia.

D1 - Annie Mary born 12-6-1910 married Milton Harry Shinn April 28, 1933. two children. Milton died Dec. 1980 , Anne died 5-12-1985. Anne and Milton are buried in Franklin Memorial Cemetery, East Brunswick, N. J.

D1 - Phyllis Anne born 4-30-1947 married Joseph J. DiFrancesco 10-12-74.  
One child:

D1 - Jennifer Anne born January 3, 1976.

S2 - Donald Milton Shinn born 4-12-49 married Colleen Mockler 10-21-72.  
Two (2) children:

D1 - Christine Anne born 10-21-74.

S2 - Mark Donald born 11-16-76.

D2 - Mattie Lee born 9-4-1915 married Virgil Lee Gore June 17, 1937.  
Lee died 11-24-1963 and Mattie Lee died 8-10-1985 They are buried in National Memorial Park, Merryfield, Virginia. Two (2) children:

D1 - Janet Lee born 8-24-1939 married W. A. Parrish, Jr. 11-26-1956.  
Three (3) children:

S1 - Warren Allen married Charlotte Goby , No children. Warren died December 1990 and is buried in Manassas, Virginia.

D2 - Wanda Lee married David Grey.. Three sons.

D3 - Sharon Elaine married Jeff Sine. Six (6) children:

Rosa Lee Hitt Cannon - continued

D1 - Shannon Marie. One child - Alexander Trea Atkins.  
D2 - Brandy Rena  
D3 - Nicole Lee  
D4 - Amber Lynn  
D5 - Charity Elaine  
S6 - Cody Alan

Janet's first husband (Parrish) died and she then married Jimmy Stancil. They had one son - Bert. Bert has one son - Jonta. Janet and Jimmy were divorced. Jimmy is deceased.

S2 - Edward (adopted) married Hope Obaugh - no children.

D3 - Mildred Athey born December 14, 1922 married M. Wheatley - divorced - no children. Married Stanley W. Carson. They had two (2) children. Stanley died November 1983 and Mildred died November 8, 1995. They are buried in Cedar Hill Cemetery, Hightstown, New Jersey.

S1 - David Walter born 11-27-1947. Not married - no children.

D2 - Susan Elaine born January 25, 1953. Married Richard Hamilton - no children.

D4 - Ellener (Eleanore) Edward born - November 10, 1928 - not married - no children.

Reuben and Hennetta (Hannah) Cannon  
as of October 2000  
(Information gathered by Eleanore Cannon)

From the County Clerk's Office (I think in Culpeper - I will verify this the next time I go to Virginia) showing the marriage of Thomas R. "Moss" and Sarah Ellen Johnson, the following information appears:

Thomas R. Cannon and Sarah Ellen Johnson were married March 6, 1860 by Barnet Grimsley.

Thomas R. Cannon - 25 yrs. 2 months, and 10 days old. Parents of Thomas were Reuben and Hennetta (Hannah) Cannon -- lists Reuben's occupation as "Miller".

Sarah Ellen Johnson's parents were William and Mary J. Johnson.

Both Thomas (Moss) and Sarah Ellen were born in Rappahannock Co., Virginia.

I have been unable to determine Reuben's birth date. Reuben is not listed on the Culpeper Census for 1810 (Rapp. Co. did not break off from Culpeper Co. until 1831). Reuben is listed on the Culpeper Census in 1820 as head of household, however the column headings are so distorted I can't determine his or Hannah's approximate age. Reuben is listed as head of household on the Culpeper Census for 1830 and it lists one (1) white male as being between 30 - 40 and lists one (1) white female between 30 - 40. I assume these have to be Reuben and Hannah. This also lists one male and one female each under the age of five (5) years old. If the 1830 census is correct that would place the birth date of both Reuben and Hannah between 1790 and 1800. The Culpeper Census for 1840 and 1850 do not list Reuben Cannon as being the head of household. I will check the Rapp. Co. Census the next time I'm in Virginia.

The Rapp. County Clerk's Office shows Reuben made his will July 29, 1841 -- stating "being weak in body but of sound mind". He left everything to his widow (Hannah) for her lifetime - as long as she did not remarry - and then to be divided equally between his children (or the heirs of any children that were deceased). Reuben's will was probated June 12, 1842, therefore Reuben died sometime around the end of May and June 12, 1842. The inventory shows 140 acres, one (1) Negro man "Guy", one (1) Negro boy "Lewis" and one (1) Negro girl - no name. It also lists all other property. If the Census records are correct he would have been just under or just over 50 years at his death.

On March 15, 1870 Hannah made a Deed of Trust naming a Joseph Reid (I think this is correct as the handwriting is hard to decipher) as Trustee. In the time between Reuben's death and this Deed of Trust Hannah had acquired an additional 115 acres. The Deed of Trust lists the following as the children of Reuben and Hannah:

Sarah Louise who married a John Estes  
Hennetta who married a William Estes  
John R Cannon.  
Thomas R. Cannon  
Elijah Cannon  
G. W. Cannon

The Rappahannock County Historical Society survey of the Cannon Cemetery shows a Henrietta (?) J. Estes born May 25, 1832 and died June 14, 1904. It also lists William J. Estes born January 23, 1829 and died July 3, 1896. These ages would be about right for Henrietta to be "Moss" Cannon's sister and William Estes his brother-in-law. The survey also shows a listing for Thomas J. Estes born October 13, 1863 and died March 22, 1882 at the age of 19. This could possibly be Henrietta and William's son.

The 1830 census listed one female and one male in Reuben's household as being under the age of five so Hennetta was the first born (born 1832 shown on her tombstone) and Thomas R. (Moss born 1833) the

second child (and oldest son).

Additional information in the Culpeper County Clerk's Office shows Reuben Cannon as being the Executor for a John Cannon. The Will and Inventory listing for John Cannon show as MISSING in the WILLS file - only the listing of expenses submitted by Reuben are on file. The expenses listing show this John Cannon as having died in 1816 and "Mrs. Cannon" (his wife I assume) as having died 1829. This Executor's document was entered by the Clerk May 22, 1838 and finalized by the clerk on February 15, 1839. Why so long? There are several John Cannons listed in the Culpeper and Rappahannock Court Clerk's office records and on the Census records in Culpeper and I can't determine if John is Reuben's father or if he is some other relative such as Uncle. It can't be Reuben's son since he died before Reuben's son, John, was born.

I see no reference to an Elijah Cannon in any Culpeper or Rapp. Co. records. The G. W. Cannon was George Washington Cannon who lived at the "Moss" Cannon home until his death in 1916.

The census records also list James Cannon, Sr., James Cannon Jr., and another Cannon whose first name appears to be Thomas. I haven't investigated these since I thought Reuben's father would turn out to be John since Reuben was Executor of John's estate.

I have copies of numerous handwritten documents copied from the court records. Some of these I haven't tried to decipher yet. A number of them are deeds either buying or selling land. It seems if they owed a debt in those days they would write some type of deed which would put a lien on the property until the debt was paid - cash didn't seem to be very plentiful. Incidentally, neither Reuben nor Hannah could write their names. The documents all carry a circled X with a notation next to it saying "His Mark" or "Her Mark".

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Some of the above mentioned documents show Reuben Cannon as Executor for a John Cannon who died in 1816 and for his wife who died in 1829. Reuben must have been John's son or maybe John's nephew. Reuben's son, John was not born until 1830 so it couldn't be his son. I also have translated a deed of land to a Sarah Cannon, wife of John Cannon, by Sarah Cannon's father, William Hammett, dated May ~~1965~~ 1765.

I have copies of two "Indentures" between John Cannon and his wife Sarah --- one dated 1806 to a James Duncan and one dated 1807 to James Duncan.

I also have a copy of a document between Reuben Cannon and Charles Browning dated 1822 and a copy of another document between Reuben Cannon and his wife, Hannah, dated 1827. This could mean that Reuben and Hannah were married between 1822 and 1827 since Hannah is not mentioned in the 1822 document and is listed in the 1827 document.

All of the above documents are on record in the Culpeper County Clerk's Office. Reading through I don't see any leads to any of Reuben's brothers or sisters or any connection to a John Cannon. I'll translate (decipher) these 4 as soon as I have an opportunity but I don't think they will have any leads back into the Cannon Family roots.

March 23, 2001

To: Donald Cannon  
William Cannon  
Gene Pulliam

From: Eleanore Cannon

I've enclosed a bunch of information I've gathered on the Rapp. Co. Cannon Family. I guessed incorrectly that Thomas was Reuben's oldest child - I don't know why? I think it was because the Culpeper County census records at the Culpeper Library list in the 1830 records that Reuben had 1 boy and 1 girl under the age of 5. Since my grandfather was born in 1833 I thought he was the boy.

I've just finished an internet course and plan to go online soon. Of course, my main reason is to search records that I can have access to in order to find out what I can on the family. I wish this would go faster since I'm also helping a cousin on the Burke side to trace my Burke direct line.

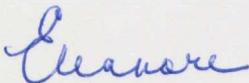
The Hitt line is pretty nearly done except I have to put various pieces together from William Hitt back to the original Peter. I have the information gathered by my niece from online information she gathered from other Hitt descendents. I just need to put it all together in some format.

In all cases I'm tracing only the direct line mainly but will include any information on the other Cannon descendents that I can locate. By the way, can any of you three let me know how Anna Byrd Cannon and Burrell Frank Cannon fit into the picture? I think they come in through Elijah and then Ben but I'm not sure..

By the way, Thomas R. (known as Moss) is my grandfather -- not my great grandfather. I don't know what the R. stands for but it is most likely Reuben. Moss was born in 1833, my father (Oswald Athey known locally as O.A.) was his youngest child (of 10) and he was born in 1883. He married in 1910 at the age of 27. I'm his youngest child born Nov. 1928 when my Dad was past 45.

Hope the enclosed will help in your research. I'll pass on any further info I gather and hope that you all will do the same for me.

My best to all of you.



Eleanore E. Cannon

Mercerville, N.J. 08619

John Cannon - Executor Appointment of Reuben Cannon

Reuben Cannon Executor of John Cannon Dec'd

1829 - Amount of Sale	\$30.00
1816 May 19, Funeral expenses for J. Cannon	\$ 4.50
1817 paid Jeremiah Strother	\$ 10.30 3/4
1829 paid funeral expenses for Mrs, Cannon	\$ 4
“ “ cash paid W. Lightfoot	\$ 2.34
“ To cash paid Lewis Runale	\$ 1.25
“ To commission on \$30.00 at 7 pr ct	\$ 2.10
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	\$ 24.49 3/4
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	\$ 5.50 1/4

In Culpeper County Court 22nd day of May 1838

On the motion of Reuben Cannon executor of John Cannon deceased, ordered that Brvant O'Bannon, Daniel Jasper, Henry Miller and Barnett Grimsley or any of the three being first come for that purpose, examine, state and settle his executorial account and make report thereof to the Court.

A. Copy

Teste F. T. Lightfoot

This day Henry Miller, Brian O'Bannon & Barnet Grimsley were qualified agreeably to the within order.  
Rappahannock Feb. 15, 1839

R. Slaughter F.P.

Agreeable to an order made by the Court of the County of Culpeper to us directed is the undersigned being first qualified, have examined the acct. of Reuben Cannon, Executor of John Cannon Dec'd and find the above items sustained by proper vouchers, leaving a balance of five dollars 50 1/4 cents as given under hand this 15th day of February 1839.

Barnett Grimsley  
Henry Miller  
Bryant O'Bannon

Translated by Eleanor Cannon in February 2001. Index to Wills, from WILL BOOK 0 Page 394. The will for John Cannon dated 1813 should be in Bk. G Page 269 - This Will Book shows Pg. 269 as MISSING. The Inventory listed as being in Book L Page 303 dated 1827 is also listed as MISSING. From Culpeper County Court - County Clerk's Office.

This Deed made this the 15th day of March in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and Seventy between Hannah Cannon of the one part and Joseph Reid(?) Trustee of the other part. Witness (?) that (?) the said Hannah Cannon doth grant unto the said Joseph Reid(?) Trustee the following property viz. these(?) several lots of land lying, being and situated in the County of Rappahannock and State of Virginia. one, a lot in area, thirty (30) acres conveyed to Hannah Cannon by Elijah Settle(?) and wife by deed of record in Book F Page 101 in Clerk's Office of Rappahannock County; two, a lot in area twenty-four acres conveyed to Hannah Cannon by Joseph Mannion (O'Bannion) by deed of record in Book G Page 198 (or 190) in the aforesaid office; three, a lot in area sixty-one acres (61,12) and seventy-four (or 75) perches conveyed to Hannah Cannon by Mary A. O'Bannion by deed of record in Book G Page 199 in the aforesaid office; said lots of land amount to 115 acres 2 roods and 25 perches, and the life estate of the said Hannah Cannon is 140 acres of land which was directed(?) to her by Reuben Cannon, dec'd., during her life, in trust to secure the payment of Twelve hundred and Fifty dollars (1250) and interest to Sarah Louise Estes wife of John Estes. Henrietta Estes wife of Wm. Estes, John R. Cannon, Thomas R. Cannon, Elijah Cannon and G. W. Cannon which is due to them under the will of Reuben Cannon, dec'd, the said Reuben Cannon having directed the payment of the said sum of (1250) dollars in equal portions to the said Sarah Louise Estes wife of John Estes, Henreitta Estes wife of William Estes, John R. Cannon, Thomas R. Cannon, Elijah Cannon and G. W. Cannon and also to save harmless and indemnify (indemnity?) of John R. Cannon, John Estes, William Estes, Hiratio (?) G. Moffet and James R. Jones(?) as the sureties of the said Hannah Cannon Executor of Reuben Cannon deceased, from any \_\_\_\_\_ (?) as such executor and also to secure the payment of 3 bonds/binds(?) of James \_\_\_? \_\_\_; 1st for \$102 68/100 dated 6 Jan. 1857, 2nd for \$45.16 dated July 19, 1859; 3rd for \$33.34 dated March 22nd 1861; one bond/bind(?) to Mary F. Kinsey for \$80.00 dated August 29th 1857 and whatever of any money is due Mary F. Kinsey by open account. Two bonds/binds(?) to Chelf(?) & \_\_\_\_\_, 1st for \$70.78 dated 1st September 1857, 2nd for \$30.97 dated 29 January 1864; one bond/bind(?) to \_\_\_\_\_ for \$21.50 dated 15 Jan/June/Jul(?) 1861, two bonds/binds(?) to C B Wood(?) & Co., 1st for \$104 12/100 dated 25th November 1859, 2nd for \$28 69/100 dated 20th April 1866, also on open account due D. D. Miller amount not known. Also open account to \_\_\_\_\_ Dennis amount not known, also two bonds/binds(?) to G. W. Cannon assignee(?) of Thomas R. Cannon; 1st for \$108 70/100 \_\_\_\_\_ dated 20th day January 1860, 2nd for \$46 80/100 dated 10th day of January 1861; one bond/bind(?) to John R. Cannon for \$70 00/100 dated 15th March(?) 1857; and any other debt which may be due by the said Hannah Cannon at this time; and the said Hannah Cannon and Joseph Reid(?) Trustee covenant and agree that the said Joseph Reid(?) Trustee as aforesaid shall proceed to sell at public auction the property hereby conveyed when/where(?) required by any of the creditors aforesaid after giving 90 days notice of the time and place of sale, said real property to be sold upon a credit of one, two and three years, the purchaser to give bond/bind(?) and good(?) security and the title to be returned until the purchase money is paid and after paying the costs(?) of this Trust and deducting compensation, the said Trustee shall pay the said debts excepted/excused(?) aforesaid saleably(?) after giving to the said Hannah Cannon all the benefits of a homestead as the Constitution provides and as the benefits of the changes of the law in regard to the homestead.

Witness the following signatures and seal this 15th day of March 1870.

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This Deed of Trust by Hannah Cannon to Joseph Reid(?) is located at the Rappahannock County Clerk's Office, Washington, Virginia, Index to Deeds A - D, Grantors Vol. M Page 269. Pages 268 and 270 will be copied when I am next in the Rapp. Co. Clerk's Office. Translated by Eleanore E. Cannon in March 2001.

Know all men by these presents that Hankinson Read, James Pendleton, Thomas Spilman, John Cannon Jr., Joseph Duncan, Wm. Dulany, Wm. Pendleton, Francis Morgan, William Clarke, James Hufman, George Clarke, Thomas Brown, John Jones, and Lewis Corbin, to acknowledge ourselves indebted to William Cannaday in the sum of Fifty Thousand Pounds current money to which payment will and truly to be made, we bind ourselves our heirs Executors and Administrators jointly and severally firmly by these Presents sealed with our seals and dated this 23rd day of August 1780.

The condition of the above is such that the above named William Cannaday hath agreed to enter into the Continental Service as a Substitute for the above bound persons agreeable to a late law whose time expires on the last day of December One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty one in consideration that they or either of them do engage to acquit him from any Personal Service either in the Continental Army, State Service or Regular or Militia Service (except attending musters) for & during the term of twenty-two years from the date here of which they do oblige themselves to acquit him of. Witnefs our hands and Seals this twenty third day of August One Thousand Seven Hundred & Eighty.

Teste

Henry Pendleton  
William Bowman  
John Read  
Wm. Haynie  
Samuel Farganson  
Joshau Browning

Hankinson Read (S S)  
James Pendleton (S S)  
Thomas Spilman (S S)  
John Cannon (S S) (John Cannon, Jr.)  
Joseph (X) Duncan (S S) ("X" = his mark)  
William Dulany (S S)  
Pendleton (S S)  
Francis Morgan (S S)  
William Clark (S S)  
George Clark (S S)  
James Hufman (S S)  
Thomas Brown (S S)  
Lewis Corbin (S S)  
John Jones (S S)

At a Court held for Culpeper County the 19th day of February 1780 This Bond was proved by the  
Witnestes thereto and ordered to be Recorded.

Teste

John Jameson \_\_\_\_\_ (clerk?)

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Translated by Eleanore Cannon in January 2001. This document is in the County Clerk's Office - Book K  
Pgs. 284 & 285. in Culpeper, Virginia.

In the name of God Amen, I, Reuben Cannon of the County of Rappahannock and State of Virginia being weak of body but sound of mind and disposing memory do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following, viz.

First, I give and bequeath to my beloved wife, Hannah Cannon, the tract or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the County and State above written, together with all my freehold estate whatsoever, to be held and enjoyed by her, the said Hannah Cannon during her widowhood.

Secondly, I do give and bequeath to my beloved wife, Hannah Cannon, all my perishable property, goods and chattels whatsoever, to be held and enjoyed by her, the said Hannah Cannon, during the term of her widowhood. In the event of my beloved wife's marrying after my decease, it is my will and desire that all the property above mentioned, both real and personal, shall at the time of her marriage, or decease, be sold and divided equally among my surviving children, their heirs or assigns.

Thirdly, it is my will and desire that the sum of Twelve hundred and fifty dollars (nine hundred and fifty in the hands of Elijah (Clark? Chelf?)) shall be equally divided among my children, to be paid them as they shall separately arrive at the age of twenty-one years.

Lastly, as to the residue and remainder of my personal estate, goods, chattels, debts of what kind \_\_\_\_\_(?), I do give and bequeath to my beloved wife, Hannah Cannon, whom I do hereby appoint sole executor of this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all other former wills by me made. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 29th day of July 1800 and forty-one.

Reuben X Cannon

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His Mark

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the above named Reuben Cannon to be his last will and testament in the presence of us, who have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses in the presence of the Testator.

Barnett Grimsley  
Thomas Holbyman (?)  
Bryant Thornhill

At a Court held for Rappahannock County on Monday the 13th day June 1842, this Last Will and Testament of Reuben Cannon, dec'd, was this day produced to the Court and proved by the oaths of Thomas Holbyman (?) and Bryant Thornhill, two of the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded. And at a Court held for the same County, on Monday 11th day of July 1842, on the motion of Hannah Cannon executor named in the said last will and testament of Reuben Cannon, dec't, which was proved and ordered to be recorded at Term(?) Court last and who made oath and together with Elijah Settle, Sr. who testified in open court as to her sufficiency, entered into and acknowledges a bond in the penalty (?) of \$10,000 conditioned on the law desires (?), Certificate is granted her for obtaining a probate thereof in due form.

Teste

William J. Menefer Clk.

In Rappahannock County Court a July Term 1842

Ordered that Bryant O'Bannon, Thomas Holbyman, Barnett Grimsley, Henry Miller and Reuben Slaughter, or any three of them being first duly sworn for that purpose. appraise the real and personal estate of Reuben Cannon, dec'd, and return this appraisement to the Court.

A Copy

Teste

William J. Menefer Clk.

An inventory of the personal and real estate of Reuben Cannon, dec'd, made by me the executor thereof on the 6th day of August One thousand eight hundred and forty-two, with a column on the right hand of the appraisement to assign (?) the value of the several items, to wit:

	\$	C		\$	C
Land - 140 acres more or less at 20\$ per acre	2800	00	5 Geese	1	25
1 Negro man - Guy	50	00	Kitchen furniture	6	00
1 Negro boy - Lewis	120	00	3 cows	18	00
1 Negro girl	123	00	1 clock	6	00
3/16 bus. wheat at 80 cts	not noted		3 beds & furniture	60	00
15 hogs at \$2.25	not noted		2 beds & furniture	20	00
Wagon & Gear(?)	36	00	1 wheel	1	50
? ton ( _ ? _ )	5	00	9 counterpanes	29(7)	00
2 _____) ploughs	2	00	( _ ? _ ) ( _ ? _ ) ( _ ? _ )	not listed	
1 McCormick	1	00	1 scythe		50
2 cultivators	3	00	2 hoes & axe	1	50
cutting box & knife	1	00	1 stove	10	00
1 Bay mare	40	00	1 walnut table	4	00
1 Bay mare	15	00	( _ ? _ ) & contents	10	00
1 sorrel mare	20	00	1 ( _ ? _ )	4	00
1 sorrel mare	30	00	1 Trunk Man's	1	50
2 bridles	1	50	1 ( _ ? _ ) ( _ ? _ )	1	00

2 Man's Saddles	6 00	8 chairs	2 00
1 Woman's Saddle	12 00	(__?__) Table	25
2 steers & heifer	20 00	2 (__?__) stands	2 00
Calf & yearling	4 50	24 barrels of flour in (__?__)	138 50
3 sheep	6 50	10 barrels in mill	not listed
		\$4.90 per (__?__)	49 00

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Given under my hand the day & date above written.

Hennetta (Henrietta) Cannon

Rappahannock to Wit

We the subscribers, pursuant to an order of the County Court of Rappahannock, have, being sworn before a justice of the peace for that purpose, truly and justly to the best of our judgment, viewed and appraised all the real and personal Estate of the said Reuben Cannon, dec'd, produced to us by the said Henrietta Cannon, and comprised in the sd. (said?) inventory & we have answered(?) the prices of the several items thereof in the column left for that purpose, given under our hands this 6th day of August One thousand Eight hundred and forty-two.

Thomas Holbyman  
Henry Miller  
Bryant O'Bannon

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This Last Will and Testament of Reuben Cannon in 1841 and probate in 1842 is located in the Rappahannock County Clerk's Office in Washington, Virginia, Will Book A, Pages 653 through 656. Translated from the original by Eleanore Cannon, March 2001.

This Deed made this the 15th day of March in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and Seventy between Hannah Cannon of the one part and Joseph Reid(?) Trustee of the other part. Witness (?) that (?) the said Hannah Cannon doth grant unto the said Joseph Reid(?) Trustee the following property viz. these(?) several lots of land lying, being and situated in the County of Rappahannock and State of Virginia. one, a lot in area, thirty (30) acres conveyed to Hannah Cannon by Elijah Settle(?) and wife by deed of record in Book F Page 101 in Clerk's Office of Rappahannock County; two, a lot in area twenty-four acres conveyed to Hannah Cannon by Joseph Mannion (O'Bannion) by deed of record in Book G Page 198 (or 190) in the aforesaid office; three, a lot in area sixty-one acres (61,12) and seventy-four (or 75) perches conveyed to Hannah Cannon by Mary A. O'Bannion by deed of record in Book G Page 199 in the aforesaid office; said lots of land amount to 115 acres 2 roods and 25 perches, and the life estate of the said Hannah Cannon is 140 acres of land which was directed(?) to her by Reuben Cannon, dec'd., during her life, in trust to secure the payment of Twelve hundred and Fifty dollars (1250) and interest to Sarah Louise Estes wife of John Estes, Henrietta Estes wife of Wm. Estes, John R. Cannon, Thomas R. Cannon, Elijah Cannon and G. W. Cannon which is due to them under the will of Reuben Cannon, dec'd, the said Reuben Cannon having directed the payment of the said sum of (1250) dollars in equal portions to the said Sarah Louise Estes wife of John Estes, Henrietta Estes wife of William Estes, John R. Cannon, Thomas R. Cannon, Elijah Cannon and G. W. Cannon and also to save harmless and indemnify (indemnity?) of John R. Cannon, John Estes, William Estes, Hiratio (?) G. Moffet and James R. Jones(?) as the sureties of the said Hannah Cannon Executor of Reuben Cannon deceased, from any \_\_\_\_\_ (?) as such executor and also to secure the payment of 3 bonds/binds(?) of James \_\_\_?\_\_\_; 1st for \$102 68/100 dated 6 Jan. 1857, 2nd for \$45.16 dated July 19, 1859; 3rd for \$33.34 dated March 22nd 1861; one bond/bind(?) to Mary F. Kinsey for \$80.00 dated August 29th 1857 and whatever of any money is due Mary F. Kinsey by open account. Two bonds/binds(?) to Chelf(?) & \_\_\_\_\_, 1st for \$70.78 dated 1st September 1857, 2nd for \$30.97 dated 29 January 1864; one bond/bind(?) to \_\_\_\_\_ for \$21.50 dated 15 Jan/June/Jul(?) 1861, two bonds/binds(?) to C \_\_\_ B \_\_\_ Wood(?) & Co., 1st for \$104 12/100 dated 25th November 1859, 2nd for \$28 69/100 dated 20th April 1866, also on open account due D. D. Miller amount not known. Also open account to \_\_\_\_\_ Dennis amount not known, also two bonds/binds(?) to G. W. Cannon assignee(?) of Thomas R. Cannon; 1st for \$108 70/100 \_\_\_\_\_ dated 20th day January 1860, 2nd for \$46 80/100 dated 10th day of January 1861; one bond/bind(?) to John R. Cannon for \$70 00/100 dated 15th March(?) 1857; and any other debt which may be due by the said Hannah Cannon at this time; and the said Hannah Cannon and Joseph Reid(?) Trustee covenant and agree that the said Joseph Reid(?) Trustee as aforesaid shall proceed to sell at public auction the property hereby conveyed when/where(?) required by any of the creditors aforesaid after giving 90 days notice of the time and place of sale, said real property to be sold upon a credit of one, two and three years, the purchaser to give bond/bind(?) and good(?) security and the title to be returned until the purchase money is paid and after paying the costs(?) of this Trust and deducting compensation, the said Trustee shall pay the said debts excepted/excused(?) aforesaid saleably(?) after giving to the said Hannah Cannon all the benefits of a homestead as the Constitution provides and as the benefits of the changes of the law in regard to the homestead.

Witness the following signatures and seal this 15th day of March 1870.

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This Deed of Trust by Hannah Cannon to Joseph Reid(?) is located at the Rappahannock County Clerk's Office, Washington, Virginia, Index to Deeds A - D, Grantors Vol. M Page 269. Pages 268 and 270 will be copied when I am next in the Rapp. Co. Clerk's Office. Translated by Eleanore E. Cannon in March 2001.