

Appendix III

Transcript of Downman Family Bible, pages 3 and 4 (of 12)

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History of the Ball family of Barkham Com Berks taken from the visitation book of London marked C 24 in the College of Arms

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William Ball, Lord of the Manor of Barkham com Berks died in the year 1480 -

Robert Ball, of Barkham com Berks, his son & heir died in the year 1543 - He left two sons, William & Edward. To William he gave his personal estate and he dwelt at Wokingham. Edward inherited the landed estate -

William Ball died at Wokingham in 1550, & was succeeded by John Ball his son, who married first Alice Haynes of Finchamsted, by whom he had four Children, William, Richard, Elizabeth & Joane & second Agnes, daughter of Richard Holloway Esq.^e of Barkham by whom also he had xxxx children - John, Robert, Thomas & Rachel, and died in 1599. He was succeeded by his son John Ball who married Elizabeth daughter of Thomas Webb of Ruscombe com Berks. He died in 1628 leaving five sons and six daughters. William, Thomas, George, Richard & Samuel; Rachel, Elizabeth, Susan, Als, Dorothy & Mary - William Ball of Lincolns Inn and one of the four Attorneys in the Office of Pleas in the Exchequer was living in 1634. His son Col. William Ball emigrated to Virginia in the year 1657 and settled at Millenbeck on the Rappahannock River, Lancaster County, Parish of St. Mary's White Chapel. He married Hannah Atherold & died in 1680, leaving two sons William & Joseph & one daughter Hannah who married David Fox.

(*Capt*) William Ball married Margaret daughter of Rawleigh Downman & resided at Millenbeck

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He died Sept 30.th 1694, leaving eight sons and one daughter - William, Richard, James, Joseph, George, David, Stretchley & Samuel. The daug[hter] Margaret married her first cousin Rawleigh Downman

Joseph Ball, second son of Col. W.^m Ball of Millenbeck, lived at Epping Forrest in Lancaster county Va. He was married twice, first to - Romney of London by whom he had one son Joseph and ~~second to Mrs Mary Johnson, by whom he had~~ and four 5 daughters, Hannah, who married Mr Rawleigh Travers of Stafford, Anne, married Col

Edward Conway, Esther married Mr Rawleigh Chinn, Elizabeth Married Rev: Mr Canogie, & second Mrs Mary Johnson by whom he had one daughter Mary who married Mr Washington & was the mother of Gen. George Washington. Joseph Ball died in June 1718 and is buried at Epping Forrest. His son Joseph by his first wife, was educated in England, became a barrister at law, and married Frances daughter of ~~Thomas~~ William Ravenscroft Esq. of London. He returned to Virginia and resided for some years at Morattico in Lancaster Co Va, but finally went back to England & lived at Stratford by Bow in Essex Co. where he died Jan 10.th 1760

He had only one daughter Frances who married Rawleigh Downman - they returned to Virginia in 1765 and lived at Morattico. They had three children who survived them, Joseph Ball Downman, Rawleigh William Downman & Frances Downman who married Mr James Ball of Bewdley -