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Cabell County
Evolution.

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Cesco McClure
Palermo, W. Va.

Luther Adkins &
Sias, W. Va.

Mrs. Evaline Neal,

Lives about 1 mi.
above Sias a dau.
of one Mark Adkins

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Virginia Books at V.M.I.
Library, Lexington. Homer brought
Nannie and me to Holly's, ~~Monday~~
of August 1949. We returned

"Social Life of Va., in the
Seventeenth Century" by Bruce,
April 25, 1907. Published by
Whillet & Shepperson, Printers,
Richmond Va. Fine on cus-
toms. It would pay to get
this, if possible.

Origin of Counties
Augusta County

See "Va. Co. Names 1908-
Pub. - The Neal Pub. Co.,
N. Y. & Washington, 1908
By Chas. M. Long, M.A.,
Ph.D.

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Augusta Co. from Orange 1738

Orange Co. from
Spotsylvania, 1734,

Spotsylvania from Essex,
King and Queen, and
King William 1720

a. Essex from Old
Rappahannock, English
Shire (?) 1691

b. King William from
King & Queen, 1701,
named after King
Wm. III.

c. King & Queen from
New Kent 1691,
named for
King Wm. & Queen
Mary (H.) (Howe-
Hist. of Va.)

"Old Rappahannock
in 1692 was divided
p. 68 into two new counties
also p. 166 Richmond & Essex, and
ceased to exist"

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New Kent County from

York 1654,

York ~~from~~ was an
original shore formed
in 1634

Note - Eight original
shores were formed in
1634 - Charles City

Elizabeth "

Henrico "

All of (on Atlantic) Va. divided ^{or Bay} into shores

Isle of Wight "

James City

Northhampton

Warwick.

York.

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Northhampton was an original shire, 1634, "Its name until 1642-48 was Accawwacke, called from the name of an Indian Tribe that lived on the "Eastern Shore" which is that part of Virginia lying between the Chesapeake Bay and the Atlantic Ocean, and containing the counties of Accomac and Northhampton."

"The county name of Accomac was revived in 1672, when Northhampton County was divided, and the northern part called Accomac."

(Here follows a lot on the origin of names of counties)

James J. McDonald - Life in
Old Virginia, 1907,

Pub. by "The Old Va.
Publishing Co. (Inc.)
Norfolk, Va.

Very good. Treats mostly
of Tidewater Va., but
excellent on early customs.

In Rivers of America
"The James River" by
Beair Miles

Farrar & Rinehart Inc.,
New York 1939
Fine.

Smith - The Governors
of Virginia - 1893

n. 310-12 Wm H. Cabell

2 Photo Slats

n. 321-325 - 3 Photo Slats

Pub by W. H. Lowdermilk & Co
1893
Washington.

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Abernathy - Three Virginia
Frontiers. (A small but
valuable book)
Louisiana State University
Press, 1940,
University,
Louisiana.
(Thos. Perkins Abernathy,
University of Va.,

Robinson - Va counties.

Louis B. Wright - The First
Gentlemen of Virginia
Pub. by
The Huntington
Library, San Marino,
California 1940

p. 95^{inclusive} - 116 Chap. IV -
(Rather Long)

Good.

11 Photostats.

An Education
Good. See also Chap 5,
on Books.

J. E. Davis - Jamestown and
her neighbors

Pub. at Richmond by
Garrett & Massie, Inc.
1928

This gives a good
map of Peninsula
between the York &
James Rivers. & prob-
ably includes the
origin of Cabell County
Not certain

Lyon Gardiner Tyler - "The
Cradle of the Republic"
1900

p. 120 - Opposite is
a map also
showing the
"Peninsula"
& the early
settlements.
A good map

F. A. Mc Guider - Recent Adminis-
tration in Va.

Baltimore 1912

Johns Hopkins Press

Chapter 1 - p. 11-77 inc.

"Public Education
(Long Chapter,
but good

In ~~above~~ following book

p. 1X (Foreword) is
a good acct of Old
Rappahannock Co.

1947. "Wills of Old Rap-
pahannock" - by 1638-1692
Wm. Montgomery
Sweeney. (now dead)

J. P. Bell Co.,
Lynchburg.

No doubt many ancestors
will be found here. among
which are Robert Goffe &
Thos. Goffe. (Wives not named)

There is a book
called Lawrence's Va. Wills
and Administrations which
I should try to find

p. 5-6 Wills of Rappahannock
Co., etc. locales
Col. Wm. Ball &
also Capt. Wm Ball.
Were they the same?

Col. Wm. Ball was
gr. gr. father of Geo.
Washington.

I can't find the wills
of Robt. & Thomas Goffe
both supposed (by index)
to be on p. 55 & 56 of
above book.

Later - Both on p. 5, I

He does find are mentioned as
not name Sons-in-law of John
his daughters, Prosser. giving farms
His four sons are John, Samuel, Roger & Anthony to both. Date of will
His first wife - Martha Aug. 28, 1673 & 30 June 1677
"second" - Margaret.

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"The Early Hist. of the
Eastern Shore of Va." by
Jenkins Cropper Wise 1911

Pub by The Bell Book
& Stationary Co. Richmond
1910.

Near front of this
book, the statement is
made that slavery ex-
isted in Va., before the
Hulch brought them.

This gives a good
acct. of Accomac.
The book is well
documented.

Well —
documented.

According to this
a Tithable = "For
many years taxes were
levied only on persons
not on property, and
a tithable generally
speaking, was such a
person as was subject
to taxation; usually
all male persons sixteen
years of age, and
servants of that age
of both sexes."

✓✓

p. 17 - The genesis of Orange
 " 17-32 inclusive!
 10 Photoprints

p. 17 1634 - 100 yrs before
 formation of Orange
 "the country was
 divided into sept
 shires which are to
 be governed as the
 shires of England.
 And Lieutenants
 To be appointed the
 same as in England,
 and in a more spec-
 ial manner to take
 care of the war a-
 gainst Indians. Sher-
 iffs shall be elected
 as in England, to
 have the same powers
 as there; and sergeants
 and bailiffs, where
 need requires (1 Hen-
 ring 224)

Names of Shires:

Charles River "as named by the colonists" in honor of King Charles. The Indian name of the whole river had been Pomunkey ^(spelled Pamunkey by Henning) which means according to Campbell the historian, "where we took a sweat".

It is not known when these political divisions ceased to be called shires and became known as counties, but in 1642-3 the name of the shire Charles River, then called County, was changed to York, and the river below the confluence of the Mattaponi was called York River. The boundaries of these counties was not defined toward the frontiers, and it is assumed that, like Spotsylvania, they extended as far as might be convenient.

The genesis here becomes somewhat confused. Lancaster County is first mentioned by Henning in 1652, when it had two representatives at a session of the House of Burgesses.

It is included because subsequent formations relate back to it and seem to constitute it a link in the line.

New Kent was formed from York in 1654.

Old Rappahannock from Lancaster, in 1656, ceasing to be a county name in 1692, when two counties, Richmond and Essex, were formed from it.

And thus Orange, as will be seen later, furnishes the paradox of being alike the daughter and the mother of a Rappahannock County.

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King and Queen were formed
from New Kent in 1691.

Essex from Old Rappahannock
in 1692

King William from King and
Queen in 1701.

Spotsylvania from Essex,
King William and King and
Queen in 1720; and

Orange from Spotsylvania
in 1734.

This is believed to be
the genealogy of Orange,
direct and collateral. To
complete its geography, its
dismemberment and line
of descent is here added.

Augusta and Frederick
embracing all the territory
of Orange lying north and
west of the top of the
Blue Ridge, were formed
in 1738.

Culpeper, embracing
Madison and Rappahannock
was formed from Orange, in
1748.

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Madison was formed from Culpeper, in 1792, and named for James Madison

Rappahannock was formed from Culpeper, in 1833.

Greene, named in honor of General Nathaniel Greene, was formed from Orange, in 1838, the last dismemberment."

(not quoted exactly) Spotsylvania was the 'immediate' Territory from which Orange was formed.

Here p. 20 & 21, is given the boundaries of Spotsylvania.

"While Orange was yet a part of Spotsylvania, and, indeed, before Spotsylvania itself was formed, thousands and thousands of acres of land to the westward, even as far as to the Mississippi, had been granted to individuals by the Crown, acting mainly through the gover-

ness of the Colony; and Titles
to much land in Orange of
to-day are traced back to
Spotsylvania, King and Queen,
and the Land Office at
Richmond"

Orange County was
not named from "the color
of its soil" as erroneously
stated by Howe and others,
for there is no soil of orange
color in the County; but
for William, Prince of Orange,
one of England's most
worthy kings." (Most loved
by colonists of all their kings)
King William, King and Queen,
Williamsburg, and William
and Mary College were all
named in his honor; two
of them in honor of him
and his queen."

The Act establishing
the County was passed
at the August Session, 1734
(4 Henning 450) Leaving
out unnecessary words it
reads: (Here copy) p. 23.

Gwaltney - Twelve Virginia
Counties, 1937
The Daily Press
Richmond, Va.

"A people which takes
no pride in the noble
achievements of remote an-
cestors will never achieve
anything worthy to be re-
membered with pride by
remote descendants."
— Lord Macaulay.

Much of the above
territory is located between
the two rivers, York and
Rappahannock. This is
shown by a good map
on front cover & page

Why only 12 counties
selected? "It was for the
reason that most of the
leaders in the settlement
of Kentucky and the North
West Territory, and perhaps
a majority of the families

who first settled west of the
Alleghenies were from these
counties"

Above book should,
by all means be purchased.

Rev. Alfred Bagby, A. B., D. D.,
1908

The Neale Pub. Co.,
New York &
Washington.

King & Queen Co., Va.

Chap. 5 p. 42-43
gives formation of
the County - 2
Photostats.

Marshall Wingfield -

A Hist. of Caroline
County.

Pub. Trevel Christian
& Co. Inc. Richmond
1924

p. 1, 2 & 3, 4 & 5, 6 & 7
8 & 9, 10 & 11 give
much early county
history.