

Samuel Carter Morton and Samuel Morton Edmunds are both descended from Col. William Morton, Nathaniel Venable and Thomas Watkins, as follows:

Col. William Morton, born Nov 27, 1743 (son of Joseph Morton and Agnes Woodson, see above). He was a Revolutionary Soldier. See Nat. No. D. A. R. 210,605; he married Oct 29, 1764, Susannah Watkins (daughter of Thomas Watkins of Chickahominy (died 1783) and Miss Anderson). They were the parents of fifteen children; the eleventh child, Joseph Morton, born 1784; married, 1809, Elizabeth Woodson Watkins (she was second child of Col. Thomas Watkins and his wife Betsy Ann Venable.) Issue: Fanny Morton, married Thomas Edmunds of Charlotte County, Va.; see Edmunds above; among other children they had Samuel Morton Edmunds, born Oct 15, 1844; who married Nannie Barksdale Edmunds, his first Cousin; see issue above.

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William Goodrich Morton (son of Joseph and Betsy Woodson Watkins), married America Carter; their son, Samuel Carter Morton, married two sisters; first, Arabella Lois Edmunds and second Lucy Lavallette Edmunds; see above.

**Captain** Thomas Watkins, born 1761; died 1797; married Betsy Ann Venable, born Nov 11, 1769; d. 1826; Capt. Thomas Watkins was Revolutionary Soldier; Nat. Nos. D. A. R., 38,046; 44,740, Va. Revolutionary Rolls Vol. 8, p. 460. Venable Family, p. 35, Wm & Mary Quarterly, Vol. II, p. 50; Hayden's History, p. 321. Watkins Genealogy of Watkins of Chickahominy; he was son of [the first child of Thomas Watkins and Miss Anderson] Henry Watkins who married Temperance Hughs.

Betsy Ann Venable was daughter of Nathaniel Venable, born March 1, 1733; d. December 27, 1804; married, March 29, 1755, Elizabeth Woodson, born June 6, 1740; died Sept 27, 1791. Nathaniel Venable was a distinguished patriot and founder of Hampden-Sidney College; assisted financially in the Revolutionary War and was Trustee, 1775. He was a member of the House of Delegates and Justice of the Peace. He was born in Hanover County and died at "State Hill" Prince Edward County. See Nat. Nos. D. A. R., 28,306; 42,384.

Abraham Venable came to Virginia about 1685; his second, wife Elizabeth Lewis, widow of John Hicks or Nicks (daughter of **Captain** Hugh Lewis, and an older sister of Abadiah Lewis who married Robert Davis and were the parents of Martha Davis, who married Abraham Venable II).

Abraham Venable, II., born in New Kent County Va, March 22, 1700; died in Louisa County, December 16, 1768; married, in Hanover County, 1723, Martha Davis, an earnest Quakeress, born July 14, 1702; died Feb 18, 1765. They had ten children; the fifth child, Nathaniel Venable, above; sixth child, James Venable, b. 1734, in Hanover

County, Va.; died, 1814, Shelbyville, Kentucky (will dated August 28, 1812 recorded Shelbyville, Ky.); married Judith Morton, born in Charlotte County, Virginia, December 17, 1739; died Shelbyville, Ky., 1826; she was daughter of Joseph Morton, b. 1709; d. 1782; who married Agnes Woodson, b. 1711; d. 1802; see Morton-Woodson above. Among the children of James & Judith Morton Venable was Abraham Venable who married Sally Morton, daughter of Samuel Morton and Mary Moore Morton. One of the children of Abraham and Sally Venable was Dr. George Venable who married (first wife) Elizabeth Hill of Cadiz, Trigg County, Ky. Dr. George Venable lived in Hopkinsville, Ky. where he practiced his profession for many years; they had two daughters: Caroline Elizabeth Venable, born July 4, 1824; died September 17, 1857; married, Sept 10, 1842, Thomas Green (first wife), born Sept 20, 1819; died Oct 3, 1896; their third child, George Venable Green, born March 23, 1848; died Oct 11, 1926; married, Feb 18, 1869, Elizabeth Westwood Dade, born Oct 1, 1845; died January 11, 1923; their eldest child Mary Stuart Green married Nov 19, 1895 Stuart Ashby Edmunds, born Sept 16, 1867; died August 31, 1930; no issue. See Green-Payton Blackwell above. See Dade, Tyler's Magazine, January and April numbers, 1935.\*

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Col. Nathaniel Venable married Elizabeth Woodson, born 1740, Prince Edward County; died Sept 29, 1791, married March 29, 1755. Her father was Richard Woodson of "Poplar Hill", often called "Baron Woodson" on account of his vast estates, he was son of Richard Woodson and Anne Smith; grandson of Robert Woodson and Elizabeth Ferris; greatgrandson of Dr. John Woodson and his wife Sara.

Richard Woodson of Poplar Hill, born abt. 1690; married, 1715, Anne Madelin Michaux, born in Holland abt. 1693. She was daughter of Abraham Michaux and his wife, Susanna Rochette. Abraham Michaux, born in Sedan, France; went to Holland, where he met Susannah Rochette who had escaped from France in a hogshead; they were married in Amsterdam, Holland, and lived there some years, then emigrated to Virginia, settling in King William Parish. His will was probated in Henrico County court July, 1717. They were the parents of twelve children.

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Charlotte Ella Edmunds married James Alexander Wimbish, he was son of Mr. Wimbish and May Jane Townes, daughter of William Townes, born 1791; died 1879; of "Occaneechy"; he married Lucy Maclin. He was son of Joseph Townes and Isabella Hopkins; Joseph was son of William Townes of Amelia County, b. 1711; d. June 1774; this William was son of James Townes an Englishman who came to Virginia with his five brothers and settled in Henrico County. Lucy

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\*Pages 428-458, this volume.