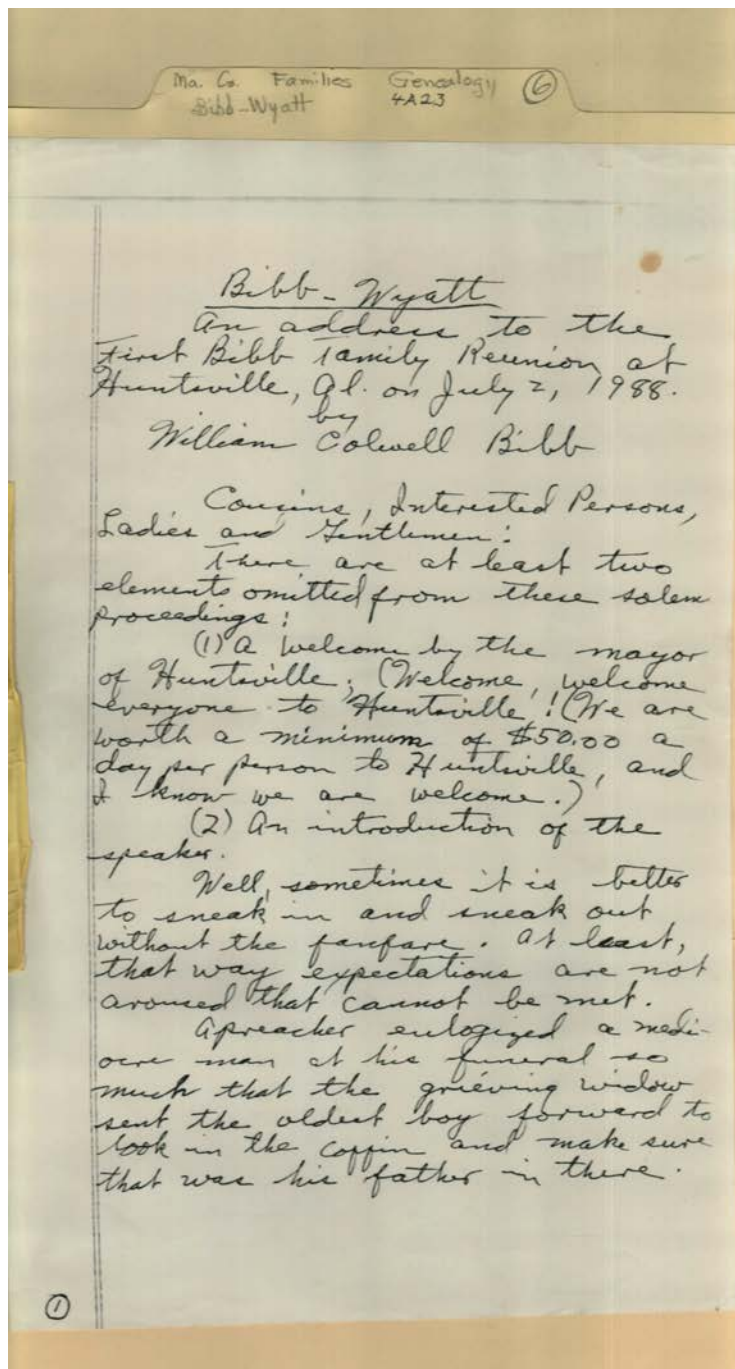


**Names:**

Sandiz, P. Bibb

**Types:**

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**Names:**

Bibb, William  
Colwell

Bibb-Wyatt

**Places:**

Huntsville, AL

**Types:**

address

**Dates:**

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We can avoid that type of situation by having the introduction. We may be able to avoid disappointment altogether.

The sheriff used to have the duty, or privilege, of hanging people, depending on who it was.

One sheriff asked his prisoner if he had anything to say, and the prisoner said, "Now." A young politician stepped forward and said, "Sheriff, I see some time has been allotted for speaking that is not being taken up. May I say a few words on behalf of my candidacy as tax collector?"

The sheriff said, "Well, if it's all right with the prisoner here," but the prisoner said, "I've heard this man speak before, and I'd rather go on and be hanged."

Dale Carnegie says an audience is entitled to know what the subject is, why it is appropriate to this audience, why it is appropriate at this time, and ~~whether or~~ why this particular speaker.

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**Names:**

Carnegie, Dale

**Types:**

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The subject is Bibb and Allied families - Cheffy Wyatt.  
 We are here to celebrate and learn more about our common ancestry and our kin-  
 ship ~~relationship~~ to each other.  
 As for "Why this particular speaker?" - me - William Colwell Bibb, I suppose I am standing here because I got this shindig up. I wanted Mr. Law Lamar but I could not get him interested in coming; so I saw a gap and leaped into it.  
 At the Kennedy compound they were choosing up sides for touch football, and John Fitzgerald Kennedy said he would be quarterback. Pierre Salinger said, "I want to be quarterback. Why do you have to be it all the time?"  
 Kennedy said, "Why do I have to be quarterback? Because it's my ball!" ~~that's today~~  
 The name, Bibb, seems well-rounded and complete to us. Charles William Bibb, The Bibb family in America, 1640-1940, says, "The word comes from certain equipment of ancient  
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**Names:**

Bibb and Allied Families  
 Bibb, Charles William

Bibb, William Colwell  
 Kennedy, John Fitzgerald

Lamar, Law  
 Salinger, Pierre

**Types:**

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ships "a cleat or bracket bolted to the hounds of a mast to support the trellis trees."

Others trace Bibb back through Bibby to Isabella.

Still others give it an origin in the Anglo-Saxon name Bebingas.

Bibby seems the form that appeared first, mostly in Staffordshire and Yorkshire, but lately in Lancashire.

Be that as it may, Charles William Bibb says he could find no ship's passenger lists between 1665 and 1685 containing the name Benjamin Bibb, who he claims was the <sup>migrant</sup> first settler. He also says that neither Greer's Early Virginia Immigrants 1665-1666, nor Stanard's Some Early Some Immigrants to Virginia contains the name Bibb.

Charles William Bibb's answer is that there were scores of ships whose lists were not searched. My answer is different.

The Virginia Company of London gave 50 acres to everyone that ~~found his~~ <sup>own</sup> way to ~~the~~ Virginia. ~~At~~ ~~first~~ ~~they~~ ~~issued~~ ~~certificates~~

④ They also gave 50 acres for

**Names:**

, Isabella  
Bebingas,  
Bibb,  
Bibb, Benjamin

Bibb, Charles  
William  
Bibby, William  
Greer,

Stanard,  
Early Virginia  
Immigrants

Some Immigrants to  
Virginia

**Types:**

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paying someone else's passage.  
At first general certificates  
for unspecified acreage were  
given. Later, certificates described  
specific tracts of land.  
Cavaliers and Pioneers, Vol. 1,  
abstracts the old patent books  
and shows names, tracts, and  
dates.  
William Bibby got 400  
acres in Accomack County on  
June 24, 1636.  
John Flood received a  
grant on June 7, 1650, of ~~1100~~  
acres in James City County  
by surrendering a patent dated  
May 12, 1639, for 2,100 acres  
paying passages for him-  
self and other persons in-  
cluding John Bibby.  
March 11, ~~1653~~ 1653, Antony  
Hoskins got a grant bounded  
by lands of Edmond Bibby,  
William Bibby, and others.  
That should prove  
that there were Bibbys <sup>in Virginia</sup> pay-  
ing land, farming, and  
raising children from 1636  
on. In about 1920 Stella  
Pickett Hardy abstracted an  
old, worn record of a deed  
~~in~~ in Deed Book A, King William  
County, Virginia. It said,

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**Names:**

Bibby, Edmond  
Bibby, William

Biby, John  
Flood, John

Hardy, Stella Pickett  
Hoskins, Antony

Cavaliers and  
Pioneers

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according to her,  
"July 9<sup>th</sup>, 1720, Benjamin  
Bibb, of Hanover County, Va.  
and Nancy Bibb, his wife, sold  
to William Fairfield a parcel  
of land in --- County, which  
said land was deeded by James  
Bibber on May 10, 1695, to  
--- Benjamin Bibb, and by  
him on May 12, 1702, to his  
son, Benjamin Bibb."  
King William County was  
taken from King and Queen's  
County in 1702.  
So, if we supply the  
blanks created by wear and  
tear, taking Bibber to be  
Bibby with the tail rubbed  
off the y, we get this  
information:  
May 10, 1695, a parcel of  
land in King and Queen's County  
was so deeded by James Bibby  
to his son, Benjamin Bibb.  
May 12, 1702, the same  
parcel was deeded by Benjamin  
Bibb to his son Benjamin  
Bibb.  
July 9, 1720, the same  
parcel was deeded by Benjamin  
Bibb and wife, Nancy, to William  
Fairfield.  
So my answer is that  
probably our name was  
⑥ originally Bibby. The records

**Names:**

Bibb, Benjamin

Bibb, Nancy

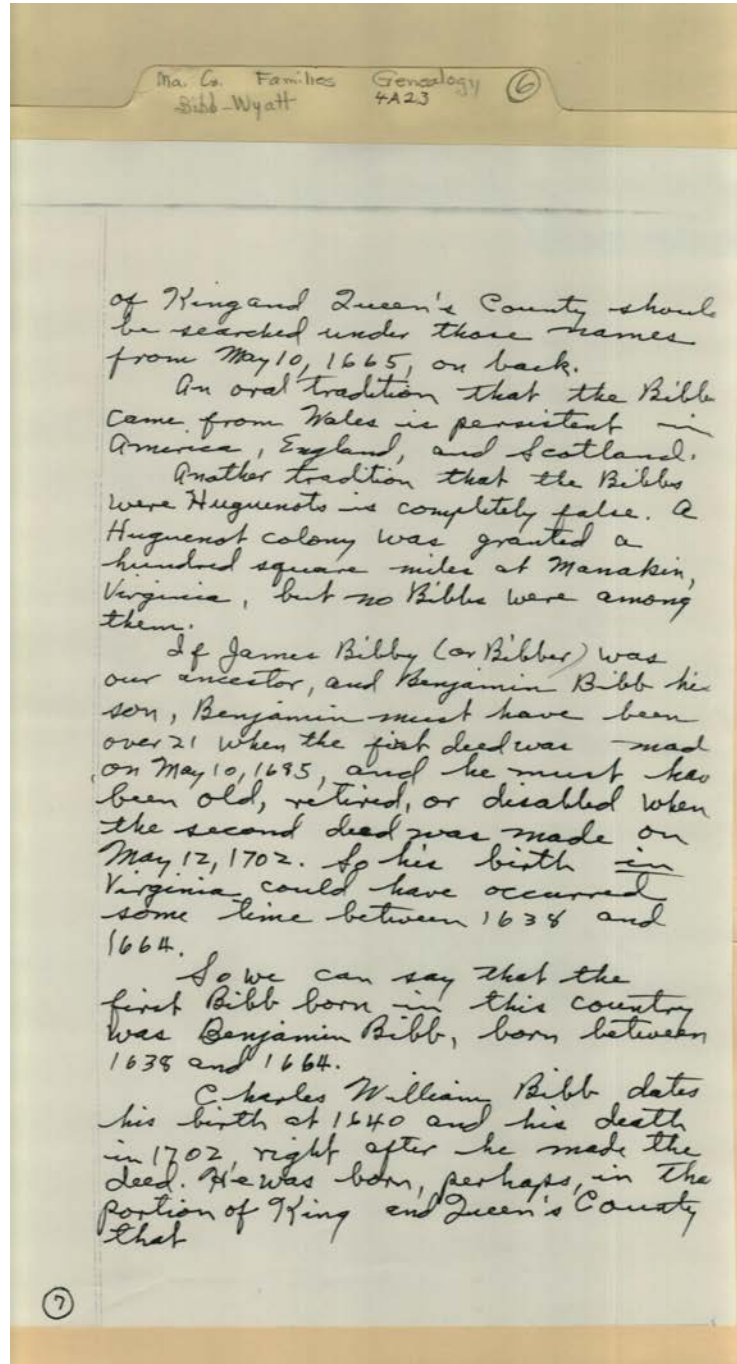
Bibber, James

Fairfield, William

**Types:**

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**Names:**

Bibb, Benjamin

Bibb, Charles  
William

Bibby, James

**Types:**

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was later formed into King William County. His wife's name was given by Charles Willings Bibb as Mary.

His second son was William Bibb, 1665-1744, born in King William County and ~~he~~ married to Miss Clark. He was a wealthy planter and prominent citizen.

The couple had three children, John, 1703-1769, who married Susanna Bigger, later described by her grandson as "a young lady of remarkable beauty; Nancy, who married Barton Key; and Mary (or Martha) who married Robert Edwards of New York.

When the war broke out, the Edwardses left for England, never to return; but they had one piece of property that excited our branch of the Bibb family for a hundred years, a lease on property in Lower Manhattan. Nothing ever came of it.

John Bibb left a detailed will naming his wife and seven children. One curious bequest was a pair of chair horses to his wife.

We will notice only five of his children. Susanna married James Bigger, and went out to Kentucky. She was the mother of Congressman

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**Names:**

Bibb, Charles  
William  
Bibb, John  
Bibb, Mary

Bibb, Nancy  
Bibb, William  
Bigger, Susanna  
Clark, Miss

Edwards, Mary  
(Martha)  
Edwards, Robert  
Key, Barton

**Types:**

address

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James Bigger of Paducah, Ky.  
 John moved to Georgia in  
 about 1799, didn't like it and  
 moved back to Virginia. His  
 son, William, was said to have been killed  
 by his overseer. His two <sup>William's</sup> ~~sons~~  
 grandsons were among the  
 earliest graduates of the  
 University of Virginia and settled  
 near Monroe, North Carolina.  
 Of these two sons, Dand-  
 ridge Walthall Bibb married  
 Esther Moses and became  
 the sole progenitor of the  
 Thomasville, Georgia, Bibbs.  
 William Bibb married,  
 first, the widow Hannah Clark  
 Booker. She had a daughter,  
 Lucy Booker. The two of them  
 had four daughters. Then she died.  
 Richard Bibb married his  
 brother's step-daughter, and  
 they moved to Kentucky.  
 James Bibb married Sally  
 Farrar, and they moved to  
 Georgia. They were the  
 ancestors of Governor Bibb  
 Graves, and his wife Dixie  
 Bibb Graves.  
 The Virginia Gazette, in  
 its issue of Dec. 4, 1779,  
 printed a notice of the  
 most profound interest to  
 us here:

**Names:**

Bibb, Dandridge  
 Walthall  
 Bibb, James  
 Bibb, John

Bibb, Richard  
 Bibb, William  
 Bigger, James

Booker, Hannah  
 Clark  
 Booker, Lucy  
 Farrar, Sally

Graves, Bibb  
 (Governor)  
 Graves, Dixie Bibb  
 Moses, Esther

**Types:**

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"Marriage, Captain William Bibb of Prince Edward County, to Miss Sally Wyatt of New Kent; an amiable young lady with a handsome fortune."

They eventually presided over a ménage containing four step-children and eight of their own.

Sally's oldest child was William Wyatt, born in Prince Edward County in 1781. ~~a part~~ Some of her children were born in Elbert County, Georgia because the family moved there in 1789 to Elbert County Georgia, in 1789, where Captain William Bibb died in 1796, leaving an estate heavily burdened with debt and a 37-year-old wife who was soon to be delivered of their eighth child, the redoubtable Benajah Smith Bibb.

Over the years Sally ~~and~~ corresponded with Lucy Booker Bibb. A standing joke between them was a humorous bet as to whose son would first become President of the United States.

Lucy's son, George Mortimer Bibb, born in 1776, in Virginia, was Senator from

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**Names:**

Bibb, Benajah Smith

Bibb, George  
Mortimer

Bibb, Lucy Booker  
Bibb, William

Wyatt, Sally  
Wyatt, William

**Types:**

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Kentucky from 1811 to ~~1816~~ and from 1829 to 1835. During a part of the interim he was President Tyler's Secretary of the Treasury. The Coast Guard cutter, "Bibb," was named for him.

William Wyatt Bibb, five years younger, graduated from William and Mary, then got his M.D. in 1801 at Philadelphia Medical College, which later became the medical school of the University of Pennsylvania.

He practiced in Petersburg, Georgia, and also went to the state legislature. Then he went to Congress for three terms and resigned.

He was elected, or appointed to fill the reexpired term of William H. Crawford in the United States Senate. In those days the state legislatures elected the Senators.

He sponsored in the Senate the compensation bill providing \$1500 a year for representatives and senators. He was asked to do this because he was rich and would appear disinterested.

A tremendous furor arose in Georgia, and

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**Names:**

Bibb, William Wyatt

Crawford, William H.

Tyler, President

**Types:**

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the legislature refused to return him to the senate. He instantly resigned ~~the~~ the unexpired portion of his term, and moved to Coosada, Alabama, in 1816.

President Monroe appointed him territorial Governor of Alabama. Then in 1819, he was elected Governor of Alabama. He ruptured a kidney on February 3, 1820, in a fall from a horse, and died July 10, 1820.

Mrs. Martha Bibb Fitts, of the line from James Bibb, but now deceased, wrote my father, on May 18, 1940: - - - "John Bibb, born Va 1703, died Va., Goochland County, June 1, 1769, married Susanna Bigger, the daughter of William Bigger, the son of William Bigger and Martha Woodward Bigger. Martha Woodward Bigger, the daughter of William Woodward, was the grandmother of Martha Washington Dandridge Washington." ~~the~~

Bibb was, therefore, Martha Dandridge Washington's first cousin once removed.

Through the Dandridge family Sally Wyatt Bibb was

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**Names:**

Bibb, James  
Bibb, John  
Bibb, Sally Wyatt

Bigger, Martha  
Woodward  
Bigger, Susanna

Bigger, William  
Fitts, Martha Bibb  
Monroe, President

Washington, Martha  
Dandridge  
Woodward, William

**Types:**

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also first cousin once re-  
 moved to Martha Washington.  
 Naturally, when Sally's  
 new baby was born March  
 10, 1787 (or 1788), ~~the first~~  
 Mrs. Washington had to come  
 over and see the new  
 baby.  
 She picked him up out  
 of his crib and asked,  
 "Have you given this  
 little boy a name yet?"  
 The answer was, "No."  
 "Then," she said, "I want  
 you to name him for  
 my brother, John Dandridge.  
 Her brother had lived only  
 about 16 years.  
 John Dandridge Bibb  
 was his name, and that  
 name has been cherished  
 and bestowed among his des-  
 cendants right on down to  
 my grandson, John Dandridge  
 Bibb, of Decatur, born Sept.  
 2, 1988, just about exactly  
 200 years and six months  
 later.  
 At one time our  
 ancestors were starting  
 the New Year on April 1.  
 Much confusion was caused  
 later about dates. If the  
 old system prevailed, March  
 10 would have been called

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**Names:**

, Sally

Bibb, John Dandridge

Dandridge, John

Washington, Martha

**Types:**

address

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1787. When the system of starting the year on January 1 began, that date would be changed to March 10, 1788. The family Bible gives 1787. History gives 1788.

The first Wyatt we know anything about ~~was~~ came over with William the Conqueror. The name was Guyot, meaning in French Little Guy. He was said to be Chamberlain to the king.

~~200 years later~~ My research has a gap of about 200 years. Then I pick up Adam Wyatt as the first in a continuous line down to Sally Wyatt. The Wyatts seem to have been a noble family of Yorkshire. The line runs from Adam Wyatt in 1320 to William Wyatt of Southange, who married Agnes Wigan of Norwood, to Robert Wyatt of Southange, who married Jane Skipworth of Southange. Their daughter, Anna, married Geoffrey Wyatt of Southange; and from there on we are dealing with a cadet (or younger) branch of the family. Their son, Richard Wyatt, married Margaret, daughter and heir of William Bayliff

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**Names:**

Clark, Margaret  
Clark, William  
Bayliff  
Guyot, Little Guy

Skipworth, Jane  
Wigan, Agnes  
Wyatt, Adam  
Wyatt, Anna

Wyatt, Geoffrey  
Wyatt, Richard  
Wyatt, Robert  
Wyatt, Sally

Wyatt, William

**Types:**

address



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(alias ~~Clark~~ Clarke) of South-  
 ange; and their son was  
 Henry Wyatt, a well-known  
 figure of history.  
 He was born in 1460 and  
 was always loyal to Henry  
 Tudor. Richard III. seemed  
 eager to gain his loyalty  
 and services and heaped many  
 favors upon him, only to  
 punish him severely when  
 he did not respond. He  
 must have been a youth  
 of great promise.  
 Mrs. Stella Pickett Hardy  
 was allowed, in about 1910,  
 to read and copy <sup>a list</sup> ~~many~~ original  
 manuscripts in the possession  
 of Lord Romney. A portion  
 read:  
 "He was imprisoned  
 often, once in a cold and  
 narrow tower, where he  
 had neither bed to lie on, nor  
 clothes sufficient to warm him,  
 nor meat for his mouth; he  
 would have starved had not  
 God sent him a cat, both  
 to feed and to warm him ---  
 --- A cat came into the  
 dungeon with him, and, as it  
 were, offered herself unto him.  
 He was glad of her, laid her in  
 his bosom to warm him, and

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**Names:**

Hardy, Stella Pickett  
 Richard, III

Romney, Lord  
 Tudor, Henry

Wyatt, Henry

**Types:**

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by making much of her won  
her love.

After this she would come  
every day to him, diverse times,  
and, when she could get one, bring  
him a pigeon, and she kept  
dressed for him from time to  
time such pigeons as his Acater,  
the cat, provided for him.

"Sir Henry, in his pro-  
penty, would ever make much of  
a cat, and perhaps you would  
never find a picture of him  
anywhere. . . . but with a cat  
beside him."

Several things commemo-  
rated his various imprisonments  
and tortures. He used the  
design of a horse barnacle at  
the four corners of a rug he  
had. A horse barnacle was  
a metal thing like a jar  
opener, except with a ring on  
the two jaws by which it  
could be tightened.

His Coat-of-Arms, granted  
to him by Henry VIII, showed  
three ~~to~~ pigeons, and a lion  
walking (possibly a reference to  
the cat). It also showed  
~~three~~ ~~ermine~~ ermine bear's heads  
cut off - possibly a reference  
to the death of Richard  
III whose personal banner  
showed a white bear.

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**Names:**

Henry, VIII

**Types:**

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The ermine, white with black spots, denoted royalty. The motto on the coat of arms was Duroa Virtus, which my friend, Janie ~~Freeland~~ Freeland a scholar of Medieval Latin, translates, Virtue is rather hard. I presume to translate it Harsher Circumstances evoke Manliness.

Henry Wyatt's personal motto was Oubliés ne puis, I cannot forget. We would say Oubliés. All these things relate to Richard III and Henry Wyatt's troubles with him.

When Wyatt was 25, Henry Tudor met Richard III ~~at~~ at Bosworth. Richard was slain, and his crown was found hanging on a thorn bush. Sir William Stanley placed it on the head of Henry Tudor, who became Henry VII, King of England.

Wyatt was a member of his privy council and also a member of the privy council of Henry VIII. He was knighted by Henry VIII in 1509, and in 1513, on the field of battle was made knight banneret, meaning that he was authorized to lead troops in battle.

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**Names:**

Freeland, Janie

Henry, VII

Henry, VIII

Richard, III

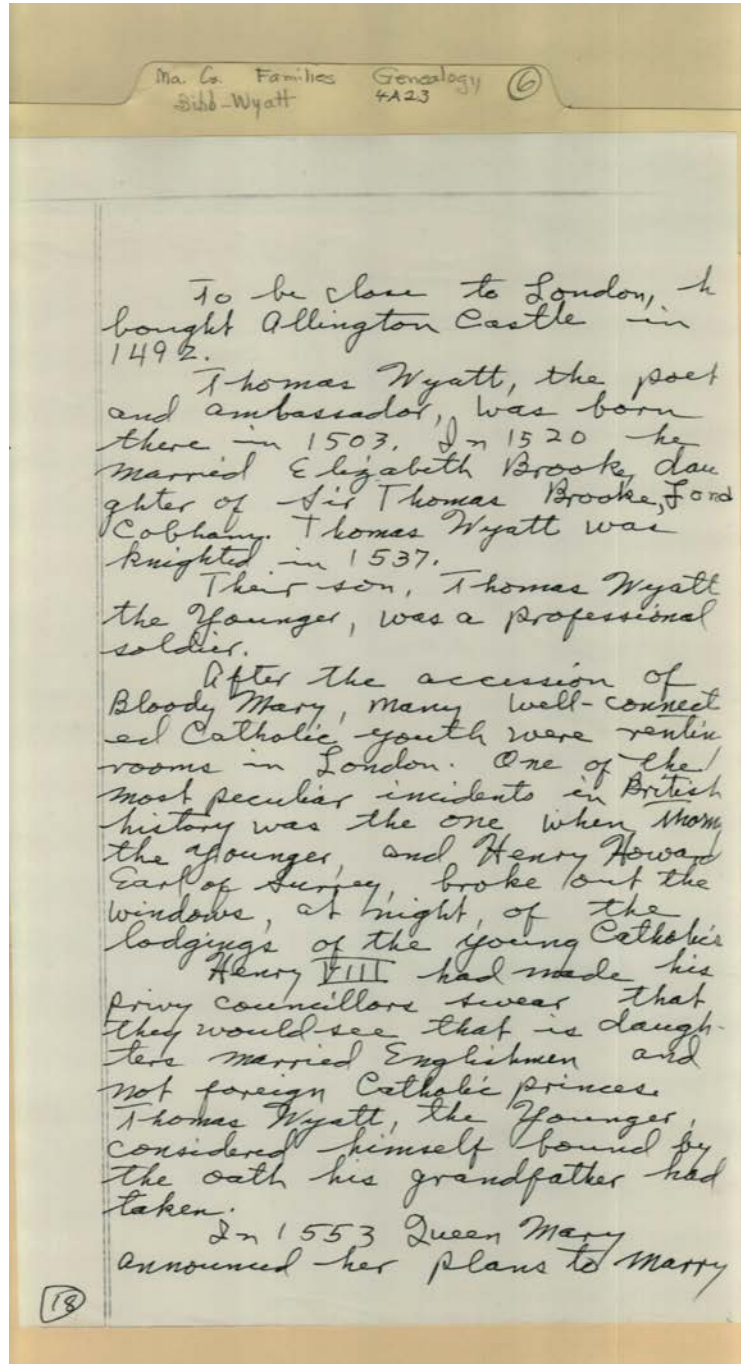
Stanley, Sir William

Tudor, Henry

Wyatt, Henry

**Types:**

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**Names:**

Brooke, Elizabeth  
Cobham, Lord  
Henry, VIII

Howard, Henry  
Wyatt, Thomas

Wyatt, Thomas, the  
younger  
Bloody Mary

Queen Mary

**Types:**

address



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Prince Philip of Spain.  
 We find Thomas Wyatt, the Younger, leading a rebellion against Mary. Wyatt approaches London with 15,000 men. 8000 melt away, and the next day he enters Southwark with only 7000. He cannot rest there because he is under the batteries of the tower.  
 He conspires with men in London to seize Judgate Palace before sunrise, but ~~his~~ he is delayed. His conspirators desert him and reveal his plans.  
 A strong force loyal to the queen is placed at Judgate at about nine a.m. Wyatt reaches Hyde Park Corner. The loyal forces give way before the vanguard of 400 and close on the main body defeating and dispersing them. Wyatt hastens on through Piccadilly toward the City. At Judgate, he knocks and demands admittance for, he lies, "The queen hath granted all my petitions."  
 Lord William Howard shouts from the gallery:

**Names:**

, Mary

Howard, Lord  
William

Philip, Prince

Wyatt, Thomas, the  
younger

**Types:**

address



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"Avaunt, traitor! Thou shalt have no entrance here."

Wyatt fights his way back, now with only forty companions, and reaches the Temple Bar. Loyal forces are pouring in on him from every street.

Norroy, King-at-Arms shouts to him to spare the blood of his friends and yield. He ~~dropped~~ <sup>drops</sup> his head in though for only ~~an~~ a moment, then throws away his sword and yields himself, a prisoner to Sir Maurice Berkeley.

Wyatt was executed on Tower Hill on April 11, 1554. His estates were forfeited for treason, and his young wife Lady Jane Haute, and his eventual heir, George Wyatt aged four, were left with no place to call their own.

~~A year after~~  
Wyatt's severed head was ~~stuck up~~ <sup>impaled</sup> on a pike and stuck up at the Marble Arch on Tyburn. An orgy of killing commenced, but about a month later, Wyatt's friends took down the head and buried it. Queen Mary <sup>took that as a signal</sup>

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**Names:**

Berkeley, Sir Maurice  
Haute, Lady Jane

Norroy,  
Queen Mary

Wyatt, George

Wyatt, Thomas, the  
younger

**Types:**

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to call off the killing.  
 A year later the queen took pity on Lady Jane and her little brood and granted them the manor of Boleyn and the Upper Grange. The estate, by the deed, was entailed to male heirs only.  
 When George was twenty, Queen Elizabeth deeded him the rest of his father's property, except Arlington Castle, which she had already given to Lord Arley.  
 George moved into the house at Boleyn Abbey, about a mile away from Boleyn House. The parish church, the Church of St. Mary the Virgin and All Saints, is more or less in between, about a quarter mile from Boleyn House.  
 When George was 32, he married Jane, daughter of Sir Thomas Finch at Eastwell. Their children were Thomas, Henry, Francis, Hawte, Elinor, and George.  
 Francis was appointed Governor of Virginia by the Virginia Company of London. Hawte, a priest, was, presumably, his private chaplain. I had presumed that he was priest of the church at

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**Names:**

Finch, Sir Thomas  
 Queen Elizabeth  
 Wyatt, Elinor

Wyatt, Francis  
 Wyatt, George  
 Wyatt, Hawte

Wyatt, Henry  
 Wyatt, Lady Jane  
 Wyatt, Thomas

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Jamestown, but I really do not know. The assumption that he served his brother, the governor, as chaplain seems more logical.

Sir Francis Wyatt, his wife, Margaret ~~Sandys~~, her father, Sir Samuel Sandys, Hawte Wyatt, his wife, Barbara Elizabeth Mitford, and their baby son, Edward, took ship for Virginia on the Georgia and arrived in Virginia on November 18, 1621.

Hawte and Elizabeth had their second son in Virginia in 1622, George Wyatt, our ancestor.

George Wyatt of Bosley Abbey died in 1624 and Sir Francis was his heir. Sir Francis was required to appear in a lawsuit in Ireland over a part of his father's estate; so the two brothers resigned and returned to England in 1626 or 1627.

Hawte Wyatt became Vicar at Bosley and died ~~in~~ in 1638. He had land or certificates for land in Virginia.

In 1702 Sir Edwin Wyatt of Bosley Manor erected a monument on the north wall of the chancel of St. Mary's, Bosley, detailing the history of Sir Henry and his descendants.

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**Names:**

Mitford, Barbara  
Elizabeth  
Sandys, Sir Samuel

Wyatt, Edward  
Wyatt, George  
Wyatt, Hawte

Wyatt, Margaret  
Wyatt, Sir Edwin  
Wyatt, Sir Francis

Wyatt, Sir Henry

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One statement interests us:  
 "George Wiat~~te~~ left also Hawt  
 Wiat who died Vicar of this  
 parish and hath issue living  
 in Virginia ----"

In 1639, Sir Francis re-  
 turned to Virginia as governor.  
 Hawte's son, Edward, went with  
 him. George may have gone  
 with him also.

George is recorded as  
 patenting specific lands in  
 the Middle Plantation (or William  
 burg). He and Edward acquired  
 much land there.

John Wyatt born to Hawte's  
 second wife Anne Cope (or  
 Coker), in 1630, joined his  
 brothers in 1658.

Edward named his plantation  
 "Dorley".

George Wyatt of Gloucester  
 County married Susannah. Their  
 second son was Richard Wyatt  
 (b. 1650).

Richard married Sallie Peyton  
 (b. 1665). Their third son was  
 Henry (b. 1690). He married  
 Elizabeth Dandridge (b. 1703),  
 sister of John Dandridge, father  
 of Martha Dandridge (Custis)  
 Washington.

Their only son was Joseph  
 Wyatt (b. 1728). He removed  
 to New Kent County and married

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**Names:**

Cocke, Anne  
 Coxe, Anne  
 Dandridge, Elizabeth  
 Dandridge, John

Dandridge, Martha  
 Custis  
 Peyton, Sallie  
 Wiat, George  
 Wiat, Hawt

Wyatt, Edward  
 Wyatt, George  
 Wyatt, Henry  
 Wyatt, John  
 Wyatt, Joseph

Wyatt, Richard  
 Wyatt, Sir Francis  
 Wyatt, Susannah

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Dorothy Peyton.  
 Their three children were Joseph (b. 1751), Sally S. (b. 1759) and Ann (Nancy) (b. 1760).  
 Sally's second son, and the one most like her, was Thomas, second governor of Alabama.  
 He was born in Prince Edward County, Virginia, in 1783, and grew up in Elbert County, Georgia. The first official record of him in Madison County, Mississippi Territory (now Alabama) is related in Early History of Huntsville, Ala., by Edward Chambers Betts, Brown Printing Co., Montgomery, Ala., 1916, pp. 20 and 22:  
 "----- the first court ever held in the county was known as the inferior court, which was convened the first Monday in January, 1910. ----- LeRoy Pope was chief justice, and E. Ward, William Dickson, J. Withers, and Thomas Bibb were associate justices.  
 "Large tracts of land along the road leading north from Twickenham were bid in ----- Clear in to the settlement, but along that part of this same road, which is now known as Meridian Pike, purchases of land were made by R. Thompson,

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**Names:**

Betts, Edward  
 Chambers  
 Bibb, Thomas  
 Dickson, William

Peyton, Dorothy  
 Pope, LeRoy  
 Thompson, R.  
 Ward, E.

Withers, J.  
 Wyatt, Ann (Nancy)  
 Wyatt, Joseph  
 Wyatt, Sally S.

Wyatt, Thomas  
 Early History of  
 Huntsville, AL

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Thomas Bibb, J. Manning, B. S. Pope, J. Lowery, J. W. Watkins ---  
--- and C. Cabaniss.

" --- For among those who purchased lands and settled in Twickenham in 1809 and 1810 were: Thomas Bibb ---  
--- [and others]."

He was elected a member from Madison and Pine-stone Counties to the Constitutional Convention and signed the Constitution in July, 1819, just 169 years ago.

He was a member of the State Senate and was elected President of the Senate by its members. On the death of his brother, the governor, he succeeded to the governorship.

Henry Clay once said of him in discussing an important financial measure before Congress that "in a conversation of fifteen minutes Thomas Bibb shed more light upon it than had been done by all the speeches in Congress."

He was the wealthiest man in Alabama and was ~~planning to expand into ex-~~ expanding into Louisiana when he became ill, probably with yellow fever; he returned to Alabama and died within

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**Names:**

Bibb, Thomas  
Cabaniss,

Clay, Henry  
Lowery, J.

Manning, J.  
Pope, B. S.

Watkins, J. W.

**Types:**

address



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about a year.  
He married Parmelia Thompson, daughter of Robert Thompson, who was a partner in Watkins and Thompson in Petersburg, Georgia.  
Robert Thompson was known as "Old Blue" because he kept his money in blue denim bags which he had made for that purpose.  
The third son of William and Sallie Wyatt Bibb was Peyton, born in Virginia in 1785. He started his business career in Abbeville District, South Carolina.  
He married Martha Cobb and moved to Autauga County, now Elmore County, Alabama. He was a large planter and also cut millions of board feet of Southern yellow pine from the forests of Autauga. He established the steamboat line from Montgomery to Mobile.  
He was a very rich man. He was also a Methodist minister and traveled miles every year preaching the Gospel without charge. He was a benefactor to the poor, and his barns and storehouses were kept open to the needy.

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**Names:**

Bibb, Peyton

Bibb, Sally

Bibb, William Wyatt

Cobb, Martha

Thompson, Parmelia

Thompson, Robert

Watkins & Thompson

**Types:**

address

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Joseph Wyatt Bibb, the fifth son, was a much beloved doctor and graduate of Philadelphia Medical College. He practiced first in Petersburg and later in North Alabama with Dr. McDonald.

Becoming deaf he gave up his practice and moved to Montgomery. He was there induced to reopen his practice but died in about a year.

Benajah Smith Bibb, son of the Revolutionary soldier, Captain William Bibb, was born ~~in 1796~~ September 30, 1796. He moved to Montgomery County in 1822 and became a large planter. In 1825 he was elected Judge of the County Court. That office corresponds to Probate Judge in those counties where the Probate Judge is Chairman of the County Commission.

In 1829 he moved to Morgan County and was elected to the legislature in 1829. He returned to Montgomery County and was again elected Judge of County Court, which position he held 15 years.

Chief Justice Stone said of him, "Nature made him

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**Names:**

Bibb, Benajah Smith

Bibb, Joseph Wyatt

Bibb, William,

Captain

McDonald, Dr.

Stone, Chief Justice

**Types:**

address

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a ~~lawyer~~ <sup>lawyer</sup>, for in 15 years  
on the bench no decision he  
made was ever reversed."

He was against secession  
but, loyal to his state, he  
furnished the product of his  
land except bare necessities  
to the Confederacy and gave  
the labor of his slaves for  
public purposes.

Under the Confederacy he  
was elected Judge of the Criminal  
Court for the City and County  
of Montgomery.

He was the very first  
office-holder removed by Federal  
authority, which testified to  
his unflinching devotion to  
the Confederate cause.

He was married to  
Sophia Lucy Ann Gilmer from  
1819 to Feb. 17, 1854, when he  
died.

She was President of the  
Ladies Hospital for Sick and  
Wounded Soldiers, which Jeffer-  
son Davis declared the best-  
run hospital in the South.  
She went herself or sent her  
carriage to the funerals  
of over 1700 soldiers, Federal  
and Confederate.

She organized the  
Ladies Confederate Memorial  
Association and superintended

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**Names:**

Davis, Jefferson

Gilmer, Sophia Lucy

Ann

**Types:**

address



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the erection of 800 granite headstones over Confederate graves.

She then turned her attention to financing and erecting the towering Soldier and Sailors' Monument on the Capitol grounds. When the cornerstone was laid in 1886 she was on her deathbed and died Feb. 9, 1889, five years after her husband.

In memory and imagination, we have spanned the time from 1320 to 1989, 668 years in an unbroken line of descent. We have followed our ancestors across the sea and across the continent. We have seen them heaped with the highest earthly honors, thrust down into degradation and disgrace, and mingled with their kindred dust.

All, all have been borne away by the ever-rolling stream of time, to exist only in memory, <sup>within</sup> the pages of history, and on the stone monuments of churches and graveyards.

No one now seems to know where Captain William

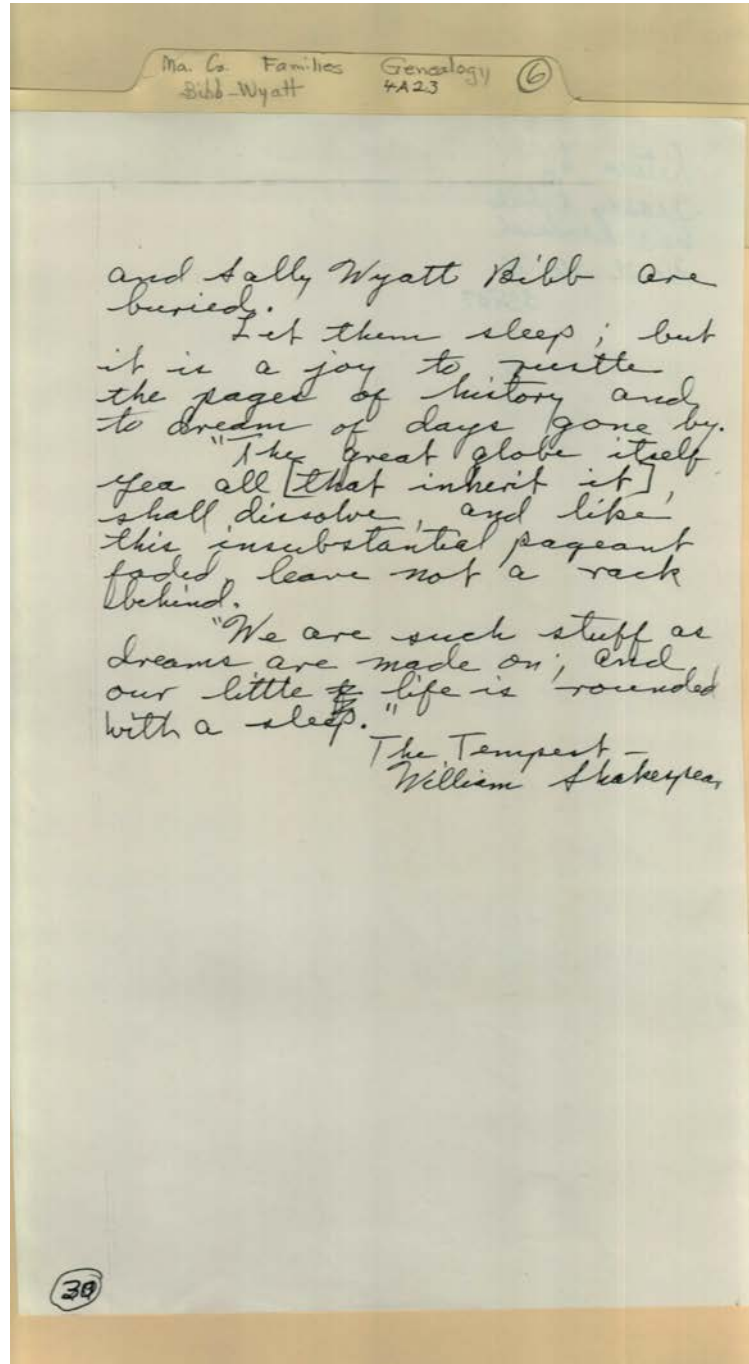
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**Names:**

Bibb, William,  
Captain

**Types:**

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**Names:**

Bibb, Sally Wyatt

Shakespeare, William

**Types:**

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