

CHAPTER II.

NEWBY FAMILY.

I. JOHN NEWBY was a member of the Society of Friends, and doubtless related to the family of Newby residing at Kendal, in the County of Westmoreland, England, who were among the early converts to Quakerism, and had suffered greatly for their religious belief.* There is, however, nothing to show that he ever came to North Carolina, though his children and widow resided in Pasquotank Precinct (now county) in that province, she being then the wife of Matthew Calley, a Friend, who in his will, which was dated April 16, 1699, bequeathed to his step-daughter, Rebecca Newby, a plantation containing 100 acres on Symons Creek, which after the decease of her second husband, Robert White, she conveyed to her grandson, John Overman.† In 1696 her sister, Elizabeth Newby, is in her marriage certificate styled “daughter of John Newby and daughter-in-law of Matthew Calley.”‡

Issue of *John Newby* and ———, his wife:§

- i. JOHN, whose second wife, Elizabeth, d. March 6, 1720.
- ii. JAMES, SR., m., first, Sarah ———, who d. 3d mo. (May) 13, 1718.
They had issue:
 1. Samuel, b. 1704.
 2. Benjamin, b. 1707.
 3. Ann, b. 1708.
 4. James, Jr., b. 1710; m., 5th mo. (July), 1732, Naomi, dau. of Henry and Damaris White.

* Besse's *Sufferings of the Quakers*, Vol. II, pp. 30, 50.

† Book B, Pasquotank County Deeds, p. 83.

‡ Minutes of the Little River Monthly and Quarterly Meetings.

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