

the son of the Edward Godwin whose will was probated on the 24th of June, 1713, and who was a son of Thomas Godwin, the first settler. Thomas Godwin, the original settler and ancestor of the Godwins of Nansemond County, represented Nansemond County in the House of Burgesses in 1658 and other years. In the Act of 1674 (2 Henning, 318) ascertaining the bounds of the counties of Isle of Wight and Nansemond, he is designated as "an ancient inhabitant of the Nanzemond Countie Court"—and the Act directed that the boundary line should be so run as to leave the house and cleared land of Capt. Thomas Godwin within Nansemond County. His will is dated March 24th, 1676-7.

Joseph Godwin, son of the said Thomas and Mary Godwin, was a brother of the said Patience Gregory, nee Godwin. His will, dated October 12th, 1747, provides:—"Item, I give to my sisters Mary Holladay, Patience Gregory and brother Jeremiah each fifty shillings to buy them a mourning ring." The Jeremiah Godwin here mentioned, son of Thomas and Mary Godwin, married Mary Holladay, and had among other children, Jeremiah Godwin, designated as Jeremiah Godwin, Jr. Jeremiah Godwin, Jr., married Sally Wilkinson and had among other children, David and Harriet. David married Cherry Kelley, and had among other children David Jeremiah Godwin, who married Lucrece P. Wilson, daughter of W. H. Wilson and Ellen Keeling. He was an eminent lawyer, Lieut. Col. of 14th Va. Inf.; and afterwards Col. of 9th Va. Regt., C. S. A.; and became Judge of the Cor-