

Give up in despair, if you do not
get any information.

With me love from your son

Sincerely yours

Virginia M. Bird

SEP 17 1894 MASS.



Robert Cape & Co
West Chester
Pa.

W. Long, 121 St. Wanda, N. Y.

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which reminded me of the
I have had letters from
Virginia; but could get
no aid - I think Maryland
or Chertu are the places
to search - I feel that you
had a Bird's nest must
have been in Thomas
& near tin - will mail
in my Bird papers, &
you will go to work, and
I will send you a check
for \$50.00 to work on,
when that is done, I may

Richard Lytle & Co
New Orleans
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at any rate. Unless
Benjamin Shoemaker
Hoping she can
out and that she
information with the
Bermantown Very sincerely
May 12 1894. Dan

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Deed June 20. 1707. Thomas Bird of city of Philadelphia, carpenter
to Jonathan Cook of same, carpenter. for £45
messuages & lot on Third Street, purchased of Joseph Ward
March 25. 1707. E. 3. vol 6. 158

Deed of Release March 20. & 21. 1715. of John Bird of the city of
Philadelphia, carpenter & his Elizabeth to Hugh Lowden of same
merchants for £200 a parcel of land on Walnut Street which
David Powell Aug 29. 1705 conveyed to John Bird
E. 7. vol 9. 239

Deed Aug 28. 1719. Mary Bird of Phila. widow of Valentine Bird
Layton etc. Thomas Bird of Phila. cordwainer
George Mumford " " " " " " " "
John Fox of Cape Henlopen weaver & his Mary
James Peartree of Phila. merchant & his Katherine
Robert Bird
John Bird
Sarah Bird of Phila. merchant
Elizabeth Bird
Jeremiah Bird

Part to Commissioners Patent given to Valentine Bird
deed for a lot on 20th side of Broad Street
now sold to Nicholas Bitcher & Elizabeth
Valentine Bird died intestate (168 37)

16 156 John Bird of Phila. city carpenter. Dec. 23. 1707
to John Redwood of Phila. merchant a lot on 4th side of
part of land from David Powell 6-14-1705
Valentine Bird a witness

John Gaudes died intestate & letters were granted to
Elizabeth Bird, formerly Elizabeth Gaudes Feb 20. 1715.

See "Iron and Coal in Pennsylvania", p 30, for some mention of the Birds of Birdsboro.

Permylvania Marriage Licenses
 May 14 1748 Bird and Shippen
 March 3. 1762. John Bird and Mary Stille
 Dec 31. 1762 Mark Bird and Mary Ross
 Dec 31. 1762 Rebecca Bird and Peter Turner
 Mar 26. 1768 Nicholas Bird and Sarah Bell

Anna Mary Bird married Isaac Studham

John Bird ^{son of this + Rachel} married Lydia Stille who had three children. She died in 1761 and her last child was buried in ~~the~~ coffin with her.

John then married her sister Mary who had no children

3d wife Ann (Bird) Middle no ch.

Thomas Bird son of John born 1757 Feb
 married Mary Babb dau of Garrison & Ann (May) Babb
 she died 1825 she died 1851

children John
 Nancy
 Lydia
 Benjamin 27
 Garrison 27
 Jacob
 Mary
 Sarah
 Thomas
 Rebecca
 Julian 6 1808
 Rachel 1810
 William 6 1800

in George J. Eastmell
 in 84th yr

At a Court of Quarter Sessions held at Chester the Twenty Second Day of February in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred Eight (1708/9) before Joseph Yeates, Leath Pivaly, Jonathan Heagy, Philip Romane Thomas Powell Justices Present John Dimock Sheriff. Henry Hollingsworth Clerk Present

Thomas Bird having made application to this Court for satisfaction for his Damages sustained by his Servant Julian Driskell's bearing a Bastard Child this Court orders that the sd Julian shall serve her sd Master or his assigns two years after the expiration of her Indented time in Consideration of his Trouble & Damages for her bearing a Child in the house of her nursing of it one year and he having further applied himself to this Court that the sd Child may serve him to the age of Twenty one years he providing for it meat drink washing Lodging & cloaths the Court has consented that he have the sd Child during the sd Term and further that she the sd Julian shall pay her sd Master three pounds Towards the Court Charges after the expiration of her Indented time of Servitude.

The indictment is against Julian Driskell late of Darby Spinster for committing fornication with some person unknown June 1st (1708) endorsed Thomas Bird for verdict guilty

£9, 399 268. 37 36 156 £3. 108
 63-124 23. 244 397-277

CHESTER COUNTY TAXABLES.

1720	Wm.	Bird	U. Providence	Tax 12/0	Single freeman
1721	John	Bird	Darby	Tax 12/0	Single freeman
1722	Thomas	Bird	Springfield	Tax 9/0	Single freeman
1732	Jos.	Bird	Kennet	Tax 7/6	
1747	Bartholomew	Bird	West Bradford	Tax 1/6	
	Samuel	Bird	Kennet	Tax 1/0	
1749	Bartho.	Bird	West Bradford	Tax 3/6	
	James	Bird	W. Marlborough	Tax 3/3	
1750	Bartho.	Bird	West Bradford	Tax 5/0	
1753	Bartho.	Bird	East Caln	Tax 3/0	
	Mathias	Bird	East Nantmel	Tax 1/6	
1754	Bartho.	Bird	East Caln	Tax 4/3	
1756	Andrew	Bird	E. Marlborough	Tax 9/0	Single freeman
1757	Andrew	Bird	E. Marlborough	Tax 10/0	" "
1758	Andrew	Bird	E. Marlborough	Tax £1.	" "
1760	Andrew	Bird	E. Marlborough	Tax £1.	" "
1762	Andrew	Bird	E. Marlborough	Tax 9/0	" "
1763	Andrew	Bird	E. Marlborough	Tax £1.	" "

Bird

1755: Wm Bedford of New Castle, Co merch + by Catherine Bird of Brandywine hundred Gentlewoman for £39 of Marsh in Vertings Hook formerly granted to William ich? Nicholls June 20. 1665.

16. 1755 William Empson of Brandywine hundred + Martha to Thomas Bird the elder of same place Robert Fitzgerald Sheriff to Joseph Wood a tract on Brandywine shoreshook in Rockland Manor 260 acres Litch 19. 1720 (J 11) Ebenezer Empson dec 9. 1720 who left wife Susanna + three liam, Mary + Susanna. The trustees named in will sold to Bird but did not convey. Mary + Susanna affixed their Wm atty who now confirms to Bird the said 260 acres

1756. Thomas Bird of Brandywine + by Rachel to Catherine Woolbough widow of Adolphus Woolbough of same place who was seized Thomas Bird of the land purchased from John Richardson + Adam Alley, trustees under will of Ebenezer Empson. Wm Empson having joined the land to Thomas Bird, he + wife convey to the widow a part of the land as it was divided in life time of Adolphus Woolbough was of her self + children John, Peter, Mary, Elizabeth + daughter of Edward + Buckley. 130 acres. 10 shillings to Bird + £70 to

425 Feb 25-1758. Matthias Norton of New Castle hundred yeoman + wife Mary, to Empson Bird of Christiana hundred gentleman for £47. 10 3rd 50 per of Marsh on Christiana Creek + 1st 150 per in another lot - part of Conrad's Cripple.

452. May 17. 1757. Luloff Peterson yeoman + by Mary + Samuel Milner yeoman + Elizabeth his wife all of Brandywine born to Margaret Bird of same, widow, in trust for her son John Reciter November 6-29. 1689, to Hans Peteron for marsh 8 acres who Oct 2. 1714 conveyed same inter alia to son Israel who died intest leaving 8 ch Luloff, Peter, Andrew, Jonas, Mary (m Mrs Dennison), Regina (m Joseph Norton), Magdalene (m Robert Cloud), + Ann, who July 16 1753 convey to Luloff Peterson + baron Midway (595) Commissioners patented this inter alia to Wm Bedford who conveyed to Wm Inadey, Wm Dennison + John Bird father of John above. 19. 3-4. 1/2 of the said Marsh the other belongs to ...

Bird

J. 73 Nov 7. 1758. Agreement between Wm Talley of New Castle Co farmer Abel Whitaker of York Co Pa + Empson Bird of New Castle Co farmer for a common recovery of land to use of Wm Talley.

J. 82. May 6. 1760 John Bird of Rockland Manor by deed of May 7 1760 being sized of 175 acres from London Co. mortgages came to Francis Rawle of Phila. Agent for J. Co. to secure payment of £271. 13

J. 298 May 21. 1761. Israel Robinson of Christiana hundred yeoman to Empson Bird of same place farmer for £22. 10. 10th 3 woods of land formerly of Brewer Buxey

J. 473. Aug 19. 1761. Empson Bird + Jacob being Exors of George being late of Newport, Taylor, to Wm Armstrong Esq. of New Castle Co 9th 3rd 15 per

J 504 May 7. 1760 Wm Rawle Atty for London Co to John Bird of Rockland Manor 175 acres joining on the 600 acre tract.

J. 267. Mar 25. 1728. John Keale Junior + John Bird, to Charles Empson of New Castle Co. £155 331 acres - mortgage on land bought from Empson. apparently not satisfied.

U 71. Feb 7 1762 Wm Armstrong to Empson Bird of Christiana hundred for £50 5 acres of marsh, part of Conrad's Cripple or Newport Marsh

U 367 Aug 18. 1762. Indenture Impartite, Mary Empson late of City of Phila. now of Gold Brange in Brandywine hundred, spinster, Empson Bird of Christiana hundred of 2nd part + John Buckley of Brandywine born of 3d part in order to a common recovery of two tracts on west side of Shellpot creek - one of 516 acres Gold Brange + another of 200 acres - to use of Mary Empson.

U 591 5-2-1763. John Bird of Brandywine hundred yeoman to William Forwood Junr of same, yeoman for £141. 7-6 39 acres part of land purchased from London Co. 1760.

Y. 10. Sept. 10. 1764. Empson Bird & Sarah Munsell of Christians hundred
Exrs of Abraham Swigg, to Andrew Gordon of Newport. 5 acres
in Christiansiana which Swigg purchased from John Baldwin
Feb 18. 1752.

Y. 142. Feb 9. 1767. William Armstrong of Christiansiana to Rev. Thos Duff,
Empson Bird, John Rice, Thomas & James Wm Reynolds Jas Rice
Jnr & Wm Rowe all of New Castle, Gentlemen, a piece of land
at the N. E. end of the town of Newport 78.9 perches for a site of
an Episcopal Church & burying ground.

Y. 294. June 13. 1767. Thomas Cartmell of Brandywine hundred
Ordinamer & wif Mary to John Bird of same, yeoman.
Recites Thomas Cartmell, grandfather, seized of sundry tracts
devised to gr. son Thomas the house & plantation whereon he
lived, Feb 15. 1759, and the gr son for £42.15, 3/4 of an acre 25 per
adjoining John Bird's other land.

Y. 539. June 28. 1768. Empson Bird of Christiansiana, Gent to Capt Donald
Drummond of Staten Island, N.Y. for £230. 100 acres in Christi-
ana & 3 acres of marsh, part of Newport Marsh (Mortgage)

Y. 601. Jan 31. 1767. Thomas Cartmell & wife Mary to John
Bird, banner, for £36. 3 acres, part of land from Thomas
Cartmell, grandfather.

Y. 659. June 27. 1768. Donald Drummond of Staten Island, N.Y.
John Drummond, Margaret Drummond, James Wright & Jacobina
his wife of Co of Perth in North Britain - to Empson Bird of
Christiansiana hundred. Recites Duncan Drummond late of New
Castle so seized of land on Mill Creek in Christiansiana, 100 acres,
also 3 acres of marsh - died intestate leaving two brothers
John & Donald & two sisters Margaret & Jacobina, ~~son~~ who
for £220 sell to Empson Bird.

Y. 458. May 1. 1770. Jacob Derickson & John Bird of Brandywine to Wm Tursey. Recites
Wm Derickson father of Jacob, & John Bird father of John, with Wm Tursey each hundred
are undivided 1/2 of piece of marsh from Wm Bedford, called Sand run Marsh 40^a
the parties now make partition.

BIRD OF BIRDSBORO.

rs. Stott.

Lancaster, April 24th 1893.

Dr. Madam

Your letter reached me a week ago, but found me nursing my husband ill with Gripp. He never was ill a week before in the seventy years of his life and you can imagine my task was a severe one and I could not collect my thoughts or recall the little I did know of the Bird family. This will account for my seeming neglect of your request.

My Great Grandfather Wm. Bird (I believe an Irishman by birth) came to Pennsylvania and built an Iron Furnace near Reading, Penna. which he named Birdsboro. There he lived many years and there most of his children were born. His daughter Mary Bird married my Grandfather, (a son of George Ross, a signer of the Declaration) and came to Lancaster to live. Another daughter married James Wilson, a distinguished Lawyer and also a Signer. Another daughter married Dr. Redmond of Phila.

About this time Col. Bird with his son-in-law James Wilson engaged in extensive speculations which ended in obliging him to sell Birdsboro and with the remnant of his fortune and with wife and several children to go South, chiefly I believe to Georgia and North Carolina. Mrs Robert Cunningham was one of the five daughters of Grandma Ross's brother who all married southern men, whose names I have forgotten but Florida will probably remember. I only know that Robert Tombs and the Yanceys of North Carolina were descended from some of that family.

Edgeworth Bird of Baltimore Md. is the only direct descendant of the name now living: he can give you more information than I can as he has old family letters and family records &c. His address is Mt. Vernon Place, Baltimore, Md.

Tomorrow I will go to my house which is shut up for the winter and look through an old Bible in which I noticed a list of births and dates of the Birds. The family of the name in Phila. spell their name Burd and do not belong to the same family.

Birdsboro still retains its name though I think the old mansion has been taken down and is in possession of the Brooke family who purchased it from Col. Bird.

The only thing I find concerning the Birds in the Bible referred to is the date of the Birth with names of his 12 children which I give you.

- 1736 James
- 1738 Margaret
- 1739 Mark
- 1742 William
- 1743 Rabead
- 1746 William
- 1749 Rachel
- 1750 Jonathan
- 1753 Mary
- 1755 John
- 1757 William
- 1759 James

My Grandmother Mary Bird born in 1753 married George Ross in 1773.

With regret that my knowledge is so meag • I am

yours truly
Caroline O. Eshleman.

(Wife of David G.)

WEST CHESTER
AUG 18
1871

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1 PM



Mr Gilbert Cope
West Chester
Pa.

Return to
V. H. Strubbe
Lynch mass. (if not found.)
all

The information I have
+ wish it, you can tell where
to begin your search.

I have almost positively
traced to Thomas ^{as well as of John} Bard &
wife Sarah Empton, (the Thos.
B. who bought property in 1712)
and who died at Empton
Bard's home at Elk Run, 1741
left Elizabeth Bard adm.
of his estate. But I want
to know where he first came
from & where he first settled.
A gentleman ^{Dr. Dow's} in Phila. thinks
he was a son of a dau. of
Sir James Morgan, who had a Port.

* Come to this country. If this could be
proved, I have a friend in Pa. who will
take up the thread on that side &
continue the story for me, but I must
get the party of who he was before I
believe anything. There is a ^{Barnett}
in Pa. who is said to have the Empton
line. Family Bible, & I will write them
for what they know if I can get their
address. Have newspapers re written

Conrad p 453

In May 1760 Samuel McIntock, Samuel Stewart, William
Mation, John Bird, William, Samuel and David
Talley and some fourteen others purchased two
thousand six hundred and ninety-two
acres chiefly in small tracts, and many of their
descendants are now living on the land
thus acquired by their ancestors nearly a cen-
tury and a half.

Dr Robert M. Bird, born in Newcastle in 1805, was an
editor and publisher of the North American and
United States Gazette of Philadelphia, Proprietor of
Medical News in the Pennsylvania Medical Journal
from 1841 to 1843, and the author of a number of
literary works widely known, e.g. the dramas "Hercules"
and "Gladstone" in whose leading roles Edwin Booth
won great distinction. In recognition of his labors
Dr Bird was elected in 1886 president of the
American Academy of Medicine. (p 1071.)

Relics remaining. There is a family
in South who is said to have the
this family said, and will write them
for what they know of the
details. Have newspapers on which



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wife Sarah Simpson, the first
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and who died at Simpson
Bard's home at Elk River
left Elizabeth Bard adm¹⁷⁴¹
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to know where he first came
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A gentleman^{Dr. J. W. G.} in Phila. thinks
it is a son of a dau. of
James Morgan, who had a son

Bird 434 242

~~John 264 272 273 452 512~~

John A 298. Register of Court of the County and Clerk of Orphans Court
Lancaster Pa 1856-61

Roll Montgomery 1071

Thomas 274 275 assembly 1874, 1876

John Bird State Senator 1852
No R 1804, 5, 7, 8, 9

An act of June 3, 1797 established the precise
boundaries of New Berlin and gave as
members, Dr. Volubald Alexander, John C. ...
Bird, Nicholas Van Dyke and George ...
named to carry the act into effect, holding their
first meeting July 14, 1799. A map by the
town was made and filed in the ...
office there."

Linn
Mass.
Sept. 17th 1894

My dear Mr Cope,

Please once
more assist me. You
found Thomas Bird
who bought land in
1712, & no one seems
to be able to find his
parents. I cannot rest
without further information.
I saw a notice today
of the Chester Geneal. Soc.

In memory of
John Bird Jr
who departed this life
on the 10th of Dec. 1776
aged 39 years

taken from tombstones in old Swedes ch. yard by W. M. Struthers

In memory of
John Bird Esq
who departed this life
April 17th 1810
aged 41 years

Immanuel ch. yard, New Castle

In memory of
Sarah Bird
wife of John Bird Jr
who departed this life
November 18th 1772

in the 38th year of her age

(Mrs W. M. Struthers has had cut
on the same stone)

Elizabeth Van Leuvenigh
wife of John Bird
died Feb. 1848 aged 73 years

(afterward wife of Rev Samuel Barr)

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afterwards wife of Peter Bernard Barr

Bird

4-23-1891

Thomas Bird 100 acres on Red Clay Creek, bought of
Jonas Staloch purchased 29th of October 1713, by J. Pierson
In a list of grants written by Jacob Taylor in Thomas Bird,
400. The order of survey dated 11-26-1719-20 - where
the two stars intend to settle.

Thomas Bird's servant Julian Truscott sentenced to serve
a term for bearing a bastard child, and the
Bill of 1708-9 Feb 22

- Orange permanent U Providence 1720
- " " " " Darby 1721
- " " " " Springfield 1722
- " " " " Kennet 1732

land of Brandywine hundred, in will Mar 19 1743-4
Susanna Bird (5 shillings)

John Neal of Brandywine hundred woman & Margery
John David of same place, woman. Decile Edwards Simpson
his husband & Mary his wife Feb 12, 1727 to John Neal &
two tracts in New Castle Co - one of 165 acres on del river
of Jacob Clementson & Hans Peterson; - the other formerly of
Nelson bounded by river, lands of John Nelson & Annake
3/8 of 827 1/2 acres commonly called Verttridge Hook
John Bird having made a new division of the land
releases to the latter 3 parcels of land, part of the 2 tracts
60^a 60^p 9^a 96^p

Donne date John Bird wife Margaret, confirms to John Neal 170^a 60^p
The remainder Margaret made her mark

Nov 20 1749 John Bird of Brandywine hundred & Margaret to William
Incey of same for £7, two pieces of upland 36 per + 86 1/2 per, part of
land from Charles Simpson with Julia Taylor & Ann Biddle
Margaret Bird dau of Charles Steelman. See Penna Mag. 36 p 464

8-12-1892
I saw Morgan and one a Bird
one a Bazely or Bozely or Beazely.
And while I was abroad I found that
his wife was to be found of either
his wife (who was a Protestant &
a Catholic) & Sir J. is supposed to have
had issue. I have a copy of Sir Edward's
will, who Dr. L. says was the father of
Sir James, & Sir Edw. died childless, so
I presume Sir J. was his brother. A Matt.
Byrd witnessed Sir Edward's will,
in 1682. He died in Monmouthshire.
If you can find any Bird & Morgan
marriage or the names connected in
any way, make special note of it, please
& get all information possible to see if this
can be true. Dr. Long said these Morgan
daws. were disowned because of religious
difficulties - marrying Protestants. Bird's
his wife is descended from Thomas Bird
brother of John 1st my gr. grandfather,
he is interested, and again there is a
connection with the Beazely family too.
You will please, if you undertake this,
consider you are doing it for me, and

say nothing to him or anyone
about it. I am willing to pay for
my information for myself, but
not for others, who are quite able
to do the same thing. Mr Thompson
has taught me a lesson in generosity.
He still has the secret of the Butternut
anciently locked up from the outside
world, and apparently finds it too
valuable to even part with for love or money.
Your chart ^{of my family} went over to England for
a gentleman to see, while I was in
Germany. The vanderwijck history I got
while abroad, backs to 1200, but all is chaos
around Kenedrick in this country, the 1st
of the name in Dela. I imagine sometimes,
that they settled first in New Jersey or
New York. They were originally from the Rhine
and one member went to Holland, Amsterdam
in 1650. I believe our family
came from him, most positively. His name
was Solomon Abraham von Loewenich. A son
probably emigrated to this country. The
emigrants I have found out were nonconformists
& some were imprisoned on that account.
So I guess that drove them to emigrate. Now for
the Birds. They must be related to

Bird

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6267. K 357 2.417 5199. 87.133. 425. 412. 2. 142. 224. 111. 499. 42. 40. 73. 208. 504. 2. 10. 3. 553. 3. 4. 1. 82. 352. 6. 115. D 2 40

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At Mary Ann Parish, Cecil County:

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Mrs. Stott,
Dr. Madam
Your letter

me nursing my husband ill with G
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little I did know of the Bird fam
seeming neglect of your request.

My Great Grandfather Wm. Bird
came to Pennsylvania and built ar
which he named Birdsboro. There
of his children were born. His
Grandfather, (a son of George Ross
came to Lancaster to live. Anot
a distinguished Lawyer and also a
ried Dr. Redmond of Phila.

About this time Col. Bird wit
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North Carolina. Mrs. Robert Cunn
ters of Grandma Ross's brother wh
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cended from some of that family.

is the only direct descendant of
you more information than I can at
family records &c. His address is

Tomorrow I will go to my hous
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- 1749 Rache
- 1750 Jona
- 1753 Mary
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- 1757 Willi
- 1759 James

My Grandmother Mary Bird born
1773.

With regret that my knowledge

