

c. 1661+1731

Early Generations of The CATER Family

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* Thomas Cater arrived in South Carolina prior to 23 March 1681 when he received a grant of 100 acres on Ashley River, ⁽¹⁾ lying to the north of this original grant he received an additional ^{grant of} 300 acres on 12 May 1699. ⁽²⁾ He had further grants of 550 acres on the Ashley River 27 July 1711 [500 acres in Colleton Co. 13 Feb. 1716 and 500 acres in Colleton 25 March 1717]. ⁽³⁾ In 1725 he bought 20 acres from Edward Weekley. ⁽⁴⁾ ~~Atso 560A on Combahee Is. 4 Sept. 1707.~~

MS. B. 1. 17. 31 p. 459

Thomas Cater, Berkeley Co., planter, made his will 1 Feb. 1730, proved 26 April 1731, ⁽⁵⁾ naming his son Williams, daughters Susannah Bradwell and Mary Leahly, grandsons William, Benjamin, Ezekiel and Joseph Brandford and Paul Cater, all under 21, and granddaughters Elizabeth Bulline, Ann and Mary Hamblin and Mary Shepherd, making John Bull and Elizabeth Jennys trustees for said grandchildren.

He was an executor in trust for Ann, daughter of George Chrichton, Berkeley Co. planter, in the latter's will of 27 Aug. 1714 ⁽⁶⁾ p. 7 Apr. 1715

- 1. Mary Cater (c. 1682 + c. 1750)
- m. ⁽¹⁾ c. 1702 John Brandford (see below)
- m. ⁽²⁾ c. 1717

One of Appraisers of est. of Benjamin Blanchard 21 May 1702 (Sc. Am 12-152) warrant to appraise his est. given 4 May 1731 Will Br. 1729-1731 Probate Court, Chas. p. 461

^{vid. pat.}
② 2. Thomas Cater (c. 1684 + c. 1725)

③ 3. William Cater, (c. 1688 + 1749)

④ Susannah Cater, to whom her father made a deed of gift of land 12 Apr. 1712; she married Nathaniel Bradwell who died 1752, leaving at least six children:

- a. Nathaniel Bradwell, II, surveyor, of St. George's Parish, who died 1784 leaving a wife, Elizabeth, and many descendants.
- b. Isaac Bradwell of St. James Santee, who died 1754 in Georgia, leaving many descendants.
- c. Elizabeth Bradwell married a Bulline and left issue.
- d. Martha Bradwell married ^{Samuel} a. Boswood and left issue. ^{Eli. 2. sep. 11 July 1736 (13-159)} Susannah bop 28 Sep 1738 (13-217)
- e. Jacob Bradwell married Tabitha Elms and died 1744 leaving issue.
- f. Thomas Bradwell, planter of St. Bartholomew's Parish, died 9 Apr. 1767; his wife, Hannah, emigrated with their children to Liberty Co., Georgia where they became prominent, founding the Bradwell Institute which continues in Hinesville, Georgia.

1. Mary Cater married ⁽¹⁾ John Brandford whose will dated 26 Apr. 1721 was proved 24 May 1722 ⁽²⁾ naming their children: John, William, Joseph, Benjamin, Thomas, Ezekiel, Ann and Mary; Thomas Brandford made his will 10 July 1728, proved 24 June (over) naming his bro. Wm. + Ezekiel

"Writings of the ... 1774 + ... 1775" p. 17 Apr. 1715
 ... of Justice Christie (will 27 Aug. 1714) Berkeley Co. planter
 ... (under 21 - 1714) Berkeley Co. planter, for which Thomas Cater was named
 Executor "in trust for my daughter, Ann."

④ 1. Thomas Cater (moved to Ga. 1759)
 b. c. 1716 d. Sept. 1766 Midway, Ga.
 m. Anne _____
 d. c. 1722 d. 2 Sept. 1768 Midway, Ga.

3. Paul Cater (c. 1720 + c. 1732) dis. p.

⑤ 2. Stephen Cater
 b. c. 1718 + Dorchester, S.C. 30 Oct. 1784
 c. 1746 m. Anne Broad, wife of Wm Baker + 1745

note - Anne was NOT a Cater except as wife of Stephen Cater

* Ann (Broad) m(2) (c. 1705) 3ch. { Col. John
 m c. 1721 { Maj. William
 Wm Baker { Sarah m. ① William Fuller IV
 + 1745 { ② Rich. Howley, Gov. of Ga.

* William Carter (Thomas'), Berkeley Co., planter, received grants of 500 acres on b.c. 1688 + 1749 South Edisto River, Berkeley Co. 28 June 1711 and 500 acres on the Combahee 4 Sept. 1707. He witnessed the 26 Apr. 1721 will of his brother-in-law, John Bradford. His will of 20 Oct. 1744, proved 29 Sept. 1749 names dau. Eliz. Marion, Mary Baker, Ann Child, wife Mary, Sons: Thos., Wm., Benj. & Joseph. Wife to have use of plantation & dwelling during widowhood only; Thos. to have home & plantation "where I live", Cypress plant. to Wm. & Benj. Joseph "my family warrant with all the lands that I am entitled unto by virtue of the said warrant". Ex. sons Thos. & Wm.; wit.: Nathan & Bradwell & Thos. Bradwell.

Will BRK (1747-52) ^{cpc} p. 167 Wm. Carter was Trustee for Antipede Baptist congregation 22 Nov. 1725 when BA was given by Richard (and wife Sarah) Butler. (S. Ct. M. 20 p. 21) (Chas. Inventories 1748-51 p. 20 v) Inv. of Estate 8 Dec. 1749 [Bk 77-A p. 336] 19 m. 9 female slaves (by Nath. Bradwell, J., James Baker & Rich. Bedon) Sold 500A at Beech Hill to Paul, J. enj. mentioned in Paul's will 7 July 1737 (Prob. Court Bk 1736-40 p. 358) Issue - found in grandfathers 1 Feb. 1730 will.

7. Paul Carter died before 20 Oct. 1744 will - uncle of Brig. Gen. Francis Marion and 1. Elizabeth Carter married Benjamin Marion, born c. 1695, son of the immigrant Benjamin Marion and Judith Balust of St. James' Goose Creek Parish; she received 105 acres, 3 negroes, sundry cattle, sheep, horses, etc. under her father's will of 20 Oct. 1744. Benjamin Marion's will of 4 Aug. 1773 names their nine children: Benjamin, Charles, Paul, Thomas, James, Joseph, Elizabeth (married Joseph Greenland), Ann and Mary. ^{Paul's plantation where I now live}

2. Mary Carter married 1. Thomas Quarterman, "house carpenter", whose will of 21 Feb. 1736, names their minor son, William, his father-in-law, William Carter and brother-in-law, Joseph Child. She married 2. 25 July 1738 as his second wife, Richard Baker, Esq. (c. 1703-52) of Archdale Hall; 3. their three children were: Anne, born 1739, married John Bullin; 5. ch. (sons: John & Wm. Bullin, 3 daus. Susannah (Ballentine) Ann & Elizabeth (Prob. Court Bk chas. 1760-1767 p. 156) Rebecca, born 1741, died Jan. 1772, married James Brisbane; and Hester, born 1747, married 1. 1766 Thomas Baker and 2. 8 Aug. 1776 William Bellamy.

3. Ann Carter married Joseph Child, who was named in 12 May 1715 will of his father, Joseph Child, Berkeley Co. planter. 14; she survived her husband making her will as of St. Geo. Par. leaving no children. 15 Aug. 1764, P. 11 Nov. 1768 naming her niece "Miss Elizabeth Marion"; nephew Joseph Greenland, Ex. [WBK 1767-71 p. 266]

4. Thomas Carter born 1731 b.c. 1723 nephew of Joseph Greenland, Ex. [WBK 1767-71 p. 266]

5. Benjamin, mar. 11 June 1750 Mary Bedon; his estate appraised 20 May 1751: 6 slaves total \$1729-15 [Inv. Bk 77-B p. 729] slaves all listed in inventory of his father's will

6. Joseph b.c. 1728 19 Mar. 1783 - 900 @ Newport, GA sent from James Street

7. Stephen, b.c. 1725, will P. 9 Nov. 1784 names nephew Thomas Carter - d. 30 Oct. 1784 Dred. (19-10) pt. of Dorchester, St. Geo's Par.; his 7500 lbs (comprising "Chatsworth" plantation) in Dorchester to be sold. Neigh Samuel Backler of Witzerfield, Suffolk, Eng. 1700 @ in Greenville Co. and 1000 £, niece Rebecca Holder of ga. 500 £; residue 7/3 Thos. Carter

8. Sam. Backler 1/3 Sam. Backler [Bk A-1783-86 p. 429] m. Ann 1/3 Sam. Backler (29-324) June 1748 + 30 Mar. 1749 bur. Circular Church.

Thomas Cater (Thomas², Thomas¹) b. c. 1716 d. Sept. 1766 at

Midway, Ga.

m. Anne _____, d. Midway, Ga. 2 Sept. 1769

Issue:

1. Thomas Cater of Glynn Co., born c. 1745, d. c. 1804
m. Elizabeth

Son Stephen Cater, born Oct. 1794, d. y.

Issue: Son: Thomas Cater of Ketyne Grove Plantation, St. Simons Is.
b. c. 1794
Ga., married _____; murdered by his overseer c. 1842

Issue: 1 son: Benjamin Cater of Ketyne Grove
m. _____

Issue: 1 daughter, disp.

Thomas Cater was heir of his uncle Stephen Cater's will of 19 March 1793, p. 9 Nov. 1784 of 700A on Newport, Ga. bought from James Stuart.

20 May 1794 in Liberty Co., Ga. Thomas sold 8 slaves to William Jones Baker and Dr. Adam Alexander as Trustees for Mrs. Martha Baker and her heirs.

Jan. 1804 Samuel Wright and Joseph Clark were Executors of will of Thomas Cater of Glynn Co.

Stephen Cater ('Thomas', Thomas) planter of Dorchester, St. Geo. parish born c. 1725, will 19 Mar. 1783 P. 9 Nov. 1784 leaves nephew Thomas Cater his 900 A. on Newport, Ga. bought from James Stuart; his seven 50A lots comprising "Chatsworth" plantation (and most of Dorchester) to be sold. Will Bk. A 1783-1786 C.P.C. p. 429; nephew Samuel Backler of Witzgerfield, Suffolk, Eng. 1700 A. in Granville Co. and £1000; niece Rebecca Hobbs of Ga. £500; residue $\frac{2}{3}$ to nephew Thomas Cater, $\frac{1}{3}$ to nephew Samuel Backler.

M. Anne Beard ^{widow of Wm. Baker} ^{Stephen, Jr.} born 22 Nov. 1747 (Reg. of St. Philips Parish, ed. AS Sully, p. 95)

Issue: 1. Stephen Cater b. June 1748 + 30 March 1749 buried Circular Church. Sc Hm 29 p. 324

+ Jan. 1785 Exr. of Stephen's estate conveyed 350 A Oak Grove plantation (Dorchester subdivisions 18-24 fronting Ashley River) to Peter Hurlbeck. (Sc Hm 20-156)

Stephen Cater, Esq. + Dorchester 30 Oct. 1784 (19-110)

(43-120) Stephen Cater on 29 May 1770 had George Smith, merchant, enter a caveat on behalf of George Beard against any will of Margaret Beard being proved 'til he be heard.

(44-43) Stephen Cater of St. George's per. caveat (above) dismissed 18 Sep. 1770.

William Cater (William³, Thomas) m.

born c. 1723 + c. 1775

29 Oct. 1769 grant 500 A Combee Is., Granville

Executor of his father's will of 20 Oct. 1744

Issues:

1. Mary Cater (1 June 1749 - 16 July 1770) m. 16 Mar. 1769 Charles DuPont
(c. 1735 - 27 Sep. 1793) m. ② 10 July 1777 Sarah Coakman
d. 7 Dec. 1793

② William Cater
born c. 1751 + c. 1829

1. child

Mary Jane DuPont born 1770

Thomas of Peloponnesus
murdered c. 1842

Ben

Thomas Cates (William³ Thomas), plantation of St. George's Parish, Berkeley Co.,
 b. 1731, d. Sept. 1753 m. Susannah Baker, dau. of Richard Baker, Esq. (c. 1703-52)
 of Archdale Hall and his first wife, Mary Bohun, dau. of Nicholas Bohun and
 Margaret Bellinger. ⁽¹²⁾ His will of 4 May 1752, proved 17 Sept. 1753 leaves plantation
 whereon "I have lived since my father's death" viz. Ashley River in St. George's Parish
 "to my beloved son Thomas Cates" if to go "to my daughter Mary Cates" if Thomas should
 die before 21 or without lawful issue. If she dies without lawful issue, then "to my
 nephew William Cates" then if he dies without issue, to be sold and proceeds
 divided "among the children of my sister (Elizabeth) Mason". After bequest the
 plantations at Butler and Cypress Swamp in St. George's Parish to be sold. Slaves to be
 employed on rice lands. Children to be "brought up and educated in good schools
 and Christian manners". Silver watch to John Cates, a seaman, clothing to sister
 Marion's sons. Ex. friends Col. Walter Izard & Wm. Mayne & beloved kinsman
 Nathaniel Bradwell. ^{WBR} (1752-56) p. 100 Wit. Robert Hancock, Hugh ^{Mason} Mason, Ann
^{Mason} Mason (?) Estate appraised 5 Oct. 1753 [Inventory Bk 82 p. 126 Chas. Co. Library]
 by Stephen Cates, Maurice Harvey and Thos. Bulline, showing 13 male 8 female
 7 boys 1 girl slaves valued £ 5354; est total (except real estate) £ 6383-12-6

1. Mary Cates, born 1750, died young; after 4 May 1752 will of her father.
- ⑨ 2. Thomas Cates, born 17 Dec. 1751, died 30 April 1803.

fixed very near where Lower Three Runs Creek empties into Savannah River; a short distance away from Thomas miles Cater (after 1810)

William Cater (Wm. Wm³ Thos.)

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born c. 1751; + Barnwell Co. Cater Hall Place c. 1829 of burns and old age. 290 days

S.C. Militia Revolutionary service 12 May 1781-25 Feb. 1782 (S.C. Stub entries Vol. R-T

Granted 80A ^{west side} Lower Three Runs, Orangeburg (Barnwell) Dist. 28 Feb. 1785 (later Allendale Co.)

Also 100 A Tilly's Branch, Lower Three Runs 1 Sept. 1784.

Bought 100A adjoining (north) from Lewis Johnston 3 Aug. 1786, 50A more 20 Jan. 1805.

On Winton Co. list of taxable persons 1788; 1790 census (no slaves) south part Orangeburg Dist.; 1800 census 2645 (6 slaves); 1810 and 1820 Barnwell censuses; (12 slaves) (17 slaves)

17 May 1810 had grant 1000 A on Boggy Gully, So. Edisto River.

Wife's name not known, living 1820.

Issue: (16 in 1790 census)

1. James Cater, b.c. 1774 + 1807 m. Anne; his father and widow appointed adm. Nov. 1807; by 1 Dec. 1809 Anne had married John Clary and before 1825 moved to Savannah. No issue, his brother Edward being his heir of \$1416 estate which includes land and several slaves.

3. Elizabeth, b. c. 1780 m. Benjamin Cater who will was proved 29 Sept. 1818 naming children James, Mary, Lucy, Julia and Daniel B. (who was born 1808 m. Mary and left sons: Joseph B., John B. and William P.) Elizabeth Cater Cater's will was executed in Barnwell 11 Sept. 1849

4. Edward Cater, b. c. 1784 (26 up in 1810 census with wife and 3 young daughters)

2. Benjamin, b. c. 1777 had 340 A grant on McTeer's Creek, waters of So. Edisto, Orangeburg Dist. 17 May 1810, same day his father received 1000 A. in the same neighborhood. His name does not appear in Barnwell records or censuses.

5. Mary (1786 + 16 July 1855) m. 10 June 1806 James Furze (b. Bristol, Eng. 1774, + Barnwell Dist. 11 May 1850, son of James Furze who m. in Christ Ch., Savannah 24 May 1766 Herodias Redding. Their 11 children were:

1. James Furze, Jr. b. 16 Oct. 1809 m. 5 Dec. 1839 Julia Arabella Smith, b. Edgefield Dist. 1 Sept. 1821 + 17 May. 1893, dau. of Stephen and Judith Smith. Issue.

2. Mary Elizabeth Furze, b. 16 Oct. 1809, twin to James, Jr., + 26 Aug. 1864 m. 23 Jan. 1828 Edward W. Peyton, Esa. Issue.

3. Wm. Furze b. 15 Sep. 1811 d. y.

4. Edward b. 26 Sept. 1813 m. Louisa R. who + 29 Feb. 1848. Issue.

5. Jackson b. 26 Sept. 1815

6. George Cuthbert Furze b. 2 Feb. 1819 + 10 Oct. 1864.

7. Wm., b. 29 May 1821 + 20 Apr. 1859

8. Rev. Joseph Jackson Furze b. 28 Mar. 1823 + 10 Jan. 1862 m. 22 Jan.

1846 Elizabeth R. Williams.

1751-1803

Thomas Cater (Thomas², William³, Thomas⁴), planter, Cater Hall plantation, St. Peter's Parish, member of the S.C. House of Representatives 1786 from Lincoln Co.; born 17 Dec. 1751, died 30 April 1803, married 18 Feb. 1773

Rachel Miles, born 22 Dec. 1755, died 30 Jan. 1802, daughter of Capt. Silas Miles, St. Paul's Parish planter, and his wife, Elizabeth McPherson, daughter of Capt. James McPherson, "the Indian Fighter" and his wife, Rachel Miles.

In 1759 Thomas Cater as son of Susannah Baker Cater received 44 A. (1/10th of 443 A. Chatsworth plantation laid out 31 Jan. 1701 to Wm Rowsham whose dau. Susannah m. Wm Baker; Wm Rowsham's 28 Jan. 1715 will left this 400 A to grandson Josiah Baker whose will left same to the heirs of his brothers Richard (8 children) and Elithu (2 ch., both dying as infants, their shares going to 1st cousin Richard Bohun Baker who also got the share of his elder brother, Wm Baker who died young) ← ScM 20-32 Thomas sold his 44 A. to Wm Logan who sold it 7 Sept. 1774 to Benj. Waring, [MCO BK B#5 pp.463-466 and ScM 20-35]

Lt., Volunteer Company of Beaufort (Journal, Council of Safety 26 Feb. 1776; "South Carolinians in the Revolution" by Sara Sullivan Erwin, p. 68)

Captain ("Ancestral Roll of S.C. D. A. R.", compiled 1938 by Mrs. E. T. Crawford, State Registrar) Commanding officer of the Beaufort Volunteer Artillery.

1790 Census, p. 11: 2 m 16/4p, 2 m w/16, 6 f, 50 slaves

son. Wm Waring Farr b. 1798

1790 Census

1. Rachel Miles Cater, b. 4 Aug. 1774, d. 4 Jan. 1813, m. 4 June 1795 Thomas John Smith Farr.
2. Mary Elizabeth, b. 25 June 1776, d. 25 Feb. 1823, m. ① Thomas Rhodes (22 Apr. 1775 + 25 Apr. 1809) issue.
3. Elizabeth Cater, b. 2 Mar. 1778, d. unmarried 5 June 1803 ② Rev. Winborn Asa Lawton (23 June 1793 + 23 Feb. 1878) issue.
4. Susannah Baker Cater, b. 3 Aug. 1780, 23 Nov. 1827, m. Charles Du Pont of Grahamville (C.S.C.) 17 Apr. 1804 8 Apr. 1781 - 12 Jan. 1814
5. Caroline Cater, b. 14 Oct. 1782, d. unmarried 23 Mar. 1809
6. Ann Miles Cater, b. 3 Apr. 1784, d. 25 Oct. 1789

- ⑩ 7. Thomas Miles Cater, b. 24 Apr. 1786, d. 30 Jan. 1819 } 1790 Census
- ⑪ 8. Silas McPherson Cater, b. 2 Apr. 1789
- ⑫ 9. Richard Bohun Cater, b. 14 Dec. 1791 d. 24 Nov. 1850
10. William Maine Cater, b. 19 Mar. 1795, d. 4 Sept. 1796
11. McPherson Cater, b. 6 Dec. 1796, d. 18 Oct. 1798

Thomas Miles Cater (Thomas¹, Thomas², William², Thomas¹), planter, ^{until 1810} Cater Hall (10)
plantation, St. Peter's Parish; under court order in 1810

James McPherson, trustee for Sarah McPherson Postell Cater sold Cater Hall and
reinvested the funds in lands in Barnwell Co. which came to be known as
Cater Hall Place. Cater Hall plantation was bought by a Postick and its
name changed to Cherry Blossom^(?) farm. He was b. 24 Apr. 1786, d. 30 Jan.
1819; he married ① 21 Jan. 1805 Sarah McPherson Postell, b. 23 Mar. 1786, d.
8 Feb. 1815, dau. of Andrew Postell and his second wife, Sarah Laird, widow of
Capt. Ulysses McPherson, only child of John and Sarah Laird; born 29 Oct. 1751
She m. Andrew Postell on 18 June 1785. Their 8 ch.:

1. James McPherson Cater (3 Nov. 1805 - 24 July 1806)

2. Thomas Cater (24 Oct. 1806 - died in fall from a horse 3 Nov. 1815.)

3. Eliza Cater (7 Mar. 1808 - 12 Jan. 1809)

⑬ 4. John James Cater, b. 29 May 1809, m. ^{Ann} Admiedia Peyton. Issue.

5. Richard Bohun Cater, b. 5 Jan. 1811

6. Andrew Postell Cater, M.D., b. 8 Jan. 1812, d. 6 Mar. 1875, m. 11 Aug. 1836

* 7. Edwin Cater, b. 1 Nov. 1813 m. Sarah Margaret Leland { ^{Rev.} pastor 1853-60 Congregational
Martha Caroline Benson. Ch., Wappetaw. [25-138]

8. Sarah Postell Cater, b. 8 Feb. 1815, m. 14 Dec. 1854 Dr. Nathaniel Harris.

Thomas Miles Cater married ② 14 Sept. 1815 Catherine Johnson, born
23 Sept. 1794, died 5 Oct. 1836, daughter of Richard and Sarah Johnson.
Their 3 children: (1820 census Catherine in Barnwell Co. 44 slaves.)

1. Thomas Johnson Cater, b. 26 Oct. 1816 at Cater Hall Place, d. 15 March
1888 at Perry, Ga., m. 22 Dec. 1842 Amelia Elizabeth Wimberly, Issue.

2. James McPherson Cater, b. 6 Apr. 1818

3. Thomas Miles Cater, b. 12 Apr. 1819, d. unmarried 6 Oct. 1836 in Georgia.

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* Sarah Margaret Leland b. 8 June 1811 + 8 Oct. 1857 dau. of Rev. Dr. A.W. and Mrs. Eliza
Leland of Columbia, m. Rev. Edwin Cater. ^{Mt. Pleasant Mt. Pleasant}

Silas McPherson Cater (Thomas², Thomas³, William², Thomas¹) b. 2 Apr. 1789

married Eliza Marion Porcher, dau. of Peter^{m. 1786} and Eliza (Young)⁽¹⁷⁵³⁻¹⁸⁰⁷⁾

Porcher; issue settled in Charlotte and Montgomery, Ala.

Issue:

- 1. Silas
- 2. Marion
- 3. Selma

Richard Bohun Cater (Thomas¹, Thomas³, William², Thomas¹) born Cater Hall (12)
plantation 14 Dec. 1791, died 24 Nov. 1850 in Selma, Ala.,
buried in Valley Creek Cemetery; a Presbyterian minister.

See: Thomas M. Owens "History of Alabama and Dictionary of Alabama
Biography, Vol. III, p. 307, pub. S. J. Clarke Pub. Co., Chicago, 1921.