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HISTORY OF LINCOLN COUNTY

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BY A. NIXON, SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

By charter bearing date March 24th, 1663, and enlarged in 1665, King Charles II. granted to eight Lords the princely territory extending from Virginia to Florida and from the Atlantic to the Pacific. They named their country Carolina, in compliment to their king, from the Latin word *Carolus* for Charles. The names of these lords were Albemarle, Ashley, John Berkeley, William Berkeley, Carteret, Clarendon, Colleton and Craven. Except Sir William Berkeley, who was Governor of Virginia, none of these ever visited their immense grant. Their possessions did not yield them much advantage, and on the 25th of July, 1729, the representatives of seven of the Lords conveyed their interest in this territory to the Crown, receiving each thereof the sum of two thousand five hundred pounds sterling. John, Lord Carteret afterwards, Earl of Granville, as the heir of his father, Sir George Carteret, (who died in 1696) refused to sell his one-eighth interest in the soil, although he ceded the right of government. In 1744 he signed a quit claim for seven-eighths of the territory on condition that the Crown set off to him his one-eighth interest. This was done and the territory lying between the parallels of 36° 30' (the Virginia line) and 35° 34' North latitude, and from the Atlantic to the Mississippi river was allotted to him in severalty. The southern boundary line of his portion ran near the old town of Bath, and through the present towns of Snow Hill and Princeton; it formed the southern boundary of the counties of Chatham, Randolph, Davidson, Rowan and Iredell, and the northern boundary of Moore, Montgomery, Stanley, Cabarrus and Mecklenburg. It was also once the line between Tryon and Rowan and afterward between Lincoln and Mecklenburg. It will be demonstrated later: This line crossed the Catawba river at the Mecklenburg and Iredell corner about one mile above Beattie's Ford. One of the large poplars that stands near Sydney J. Forney's shops about one mile from Denver is a marked tree on this line. It passes between three and a half and four miles north of Lincoln, and out of the county at the "3 county corner," the corner of Lincoln, Burke and Cleveland. The rectangular shape of Randolph and other counties within the limits of his domain is caused by their boundaries coinciding with or being parallel or perpendicular to his northern or Southern lines.

Attention is directed to the fact that in the formation of new counties the line only cutting off is given, the western terminus seeming to be the indefinite one just cited, "the bounds of the government."

On the 15th of February, 1751, Gov. Johnston wrote to the Board of Trade that inhabitants flocked in daily, mostly from Pennsylvania and other parts of America already overstocked with people, and some directly from Europe. Many thousand people, he said, had come in, settling mainly in the west so that they had nearly reached the mountains.

On the 11th December, 1762, it was enacted that the county of Anson should be divided into two counties by a line beginning at Lord Carteret's line six miles northeast from Captain Charles Hart's plantation on Buffalo Creek, and to run from thence to the mouth of Clear Creek which empties itself into Rocky River and from thence due south to the bounds of the province of South Carolina, and that all that part of the said county lying to the westward of said dividing line should thenceforth be one other distinct county and parish, and called by the name of Mecklenburg county and Saint Martin's parish. When said off this new county comprised all the territory between the Granville line and the South Carolina line from Anson county westward. The first deeds registered in Book No. 7 in the Register of Deeds office were made when the present territory of Lincoln was in Mecklenburg county.

Anson derived its name from George, Lord Anson, who in early life settled on the Pedee in South Carolina. On the breaking out of the Spanish war he re-entered the navy and was raised to the peerage for many brilliant services including the circumnavigation of the globe in search of hostile Spaniards. In 1761 he was charged with the duty of bringing to her marriage with George III., Charlotte of Mecklenburg, and hence carved out of Anson is the county of Mecklenburg with the county seat at Charlotte.

In 1764 there came over from England a handsome, polished and general officer who wore the uniform of the Queen's Guards. He succeeded Miss Esther Wake, whose family name is still preserved in our midst as the name of our metropolitan county. His administration lasted from the death of Gov. Dobbs on the 28th day of March, 1765, to the 30th of June, 1771.

In 1768 Mecklenburg county was divided and the western portion called Tryon in compliment to the Royal Governor. It was divided "by a line beginning at Earl Granville's line where it crosses the Catawba river, and the said river to be the line to the South Carolina line, * * and that all that part of the county lying to the westward of the said dividing line shall be one other distinct county and parish and remain by the name of Tryon county and Saint Thomas Parish." The Catawba river is the present eastward end and the oldest boundary line of the present county of Lincoln. In 1776 the settlements had extended beyond the present limits of the State and the colonists were fighting for Independence.

The name of the royal governor having become odious, in 1779 it was blotted from the county of Tryon and its territory divided into two counties "by a line beginning at the south line near Broad River on the dividing ridge between Buffalo Creek and Little Broad river, thence along said ridge to the line of Burke county * * and all that part of the said county which lies on the east of said line shall be called and known by the name of Lincoln county and all that part of the county which lies on the other side thereof shall be called by the name of Rutherford county." Lincoln took its name from Maj. Gen. Benj. Lincoln, who was at that time fighting the battles of his country against the British at Charles-

ton, and afterwards, on account of his great services, was appointed to receive the sword of Cornwallis at Yorktown. Rutherford was so called in honor of Griffith Rutherford a Brigadier-general in the Revolutionary war. Thus, as might have been expected, it is seen that our forefathers early showed their appreciation of those who helped to gain our Independence.

The predecessor of Tryon, Arthur Dobbs, was appointed Royal Governor in 1754; a county named after him was, in 1791, divided into the counties of Glasgow and Lenoir. Thus another name offensive to our association with oppression was quietly shelved. Glasgow county was named for James Glasgow, elected Secretary of State for North Carolina in 1776. Having been tried and found guilty of issuing fraudulent patents to the Continental soldiers, his dishonored name was expunged and Glasgow county was forgotten in the substitution of that of Greene, a memorial of the great and untarnished man and soldier of the Revolutionary War, General Nathaniel Greene.

The county of Wake came near sharing the same fate as the others, but when the proposition was made in the Legislature to change its name, it was replied that the county was named after a woman who was a charming in manner as lovely in prison, and with one consent our gallant ancestors declared that the name should remain as a memorial, not only of the beauty and attractions of Esther Wake, but of the gallantry of our forefathers.

While it would be interesting to follow the tide of emigration as it spread westward and note the consequent formation of new counties, the remainder of our time will be devoted to the discussion of Lincoln county. First, however, as a portion even of the Lincoln of to-day, lies in the former possessions of Lord Granville, we will briefly notice the establishment of some of the counties above his line. In 1753 Anson county was divided by a line to begin where the Anson line was to cross Earl Granville's line, and from thence in a direct line North to the Virginia line, thence with the Virginia line westward and to the southernmost line of Earl Granville's land and erected into a county and parish by the name of Rowan county and Saint Luke's Parish. As established it comprised most of the western part of North Carolina and most of Tennessee. This was called for Matthew Rowan, at that time President of the Senate, and who, for a short time after the death of Johnston, was in place of the Governor. At April sessions, 1775, of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, Tryon county, this entry is made, "Ordered by the court that Jacob Ramsaur be appointed overseer of the road leading from Indian Creek by Ramsaur's Mill to Rowan county line."

In 1777 Rowan county was "divided by a line, beginning at the Catawba river as the line between Rowan and Tryon counties thence up the meadow of said river to the North end of an Island known as the Three Cornered Island thence North &c." and all the territory west and south of the said line was erected into a new and distinct county by the name of Burke, in honor of Thomas Burke, afterwards Governor of the State. The road orders after this date refer to the road from Ramsaur's Mill to the Burke county line.

At Hillsboro in 1782 it was enacted "That a line be run as follows, viz.: Beginning at the Sheriff's Ford, leading toward Henry Whitners as far as Mathew Wilson's, thence a direct course to Simon Hues on the waters of Clark's Creek, thence a direct course to the Fish Dam Ford of the South Fork of the Catawba river between James Wilson and David Robinson, and from thence a south west course to Earl Granville's old line." The portion of Burke south east of said line was added to Lincoln county.

In 1784 it was enacted "That the boundary line between the counties of Burke and Lincoln shall hereafter be as follows, to wit: Beginning at the Horse-ford on the

Catawba river, running thence to John Hawson's Hendry river, thence to William Orrison's, Jacob river, and thence to the intersection of the counties of Burke, Lincoln and Rutherford as they now stand "The boundary of Lincoln stood thus until 1841, a period of fifty seven years and I am able to exhibit to you a good map of the old county found among the records in the clerk's office.

Now to summarize you will observe that Lincoln county was formed 1779 from Tryon which in that year was divided into Lincoln and Rutherford; Tryon erected in 1768 from Mecklenburg; Mecklenburg in 1762 from Anson; Anson in 1749 from Bladen; Bladen in 1734 from New Hanover; and New Hanover formed in 1728 was a precinct of Bath county.

As those old counties became popular they were subdivided until to-day they cover a small space on the map of North Carolina.

It may be of interest to observe that the counties formed from the time Granville's line was run until the Revolution observed his line. During this time Granville had his land offices in operation. But the war of the Revolution put an end to his possessions. Not satisfied with the arbitrament of arms he instituted suit in the circuit court of the United States at Raleigh. It went by appeal to the Supreme Court at Washington, and during the present century was dismissed for want of an appeal bond.

It is further interesting to note in connection with the Proprietary Government the origin of "North Carolina". The charter of 1663 granted to the Lords Proprietors the land from the Spanish possession of Florida to the "North end of an island which lyeth in the Southern Virginia Seas and within six and thirty six degrees Northern latitude," and from these points "West in a direct line to the South Seas," the Pacific Ocean. This line of thirty-six degrees run South of Edenton, Hillsboro and Greensboro. By the second charter in 1665 their boundary was extended northward to thirty-six degrees thirty minutes the Virginia line. For a number of years when "North Carolina" was spoken of only the additional territory covered by the recent charter was referred to that covered by the first being called "Carolina." In the course of time "North Carolina" came to embrace all the territory north and east of the Cape Fear, the other portion being called simply "Carolina." Finally Carolina was divided into the provinces by legal enactment by a line beginning yet farther to the south, the contentions between North Carolina and South Carolina over its exact location extending even down to the present.

The first slice taken from Lincoln was in 1841 to form with a slice from Rutherford the county of Cleveland. This divided Lincoln by a line from the corner of Burke county "to the thirteen milepost on the Lucas Ford Road, thence to the twelve milepost on the New Post-Road leading from Rutherford to Lincoln, thence to the twelve milepost leading from Lincoln to Quinn's Ferry &c. This line as recently run in the opposite direction from the charter, begins at the Gaston corner and runs North thirty seven degrees west one hundred and twenty-eight poles to the twelve milepost on the New Posts Road; thence north twenty degrees west eight hundred and fifty two poles to the thirteen milepost on the Lucas Ford Road; thence north twenty-seven degrees and thirty-seven minutes west one thousand five hundred and fifty poles to stone in the south side of old County-line road; this line continued to the Burke corner cut off and left between Lincoln and Cleveland a portion of Rutherford county.

In 1842 it was enacted "That all that portion of Rutherford county lying between the counties of Lincoln and Cleveland be ceded to and made a part of the county of Cleveland." This territory as recently located runs from the stone on south side of old county line road along ridge road north nine degrees and thirty minutes east five hundred

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