

Richard Cannon in Censuses (Probable Son of Simcock Cannon)<sup>1</sup>

- c1755/60 Richard Cannon was born perhaps in Prince Edward Co., VA. Simcock Cannon, believed to have been his father, was in this area at this time.
- 24 Oct 1768 Simcock Cannon, likely father of Richard, was apparently living on or near the Broad River in what became Union Co., SC.
- c1782/83 Richard Cannon married Elizabeth Cole about this time.
- 1790 **Union Co., SC, Ninety Six District**, Census, p. 48: **Rchd Cannon**, 2 males b bef 1774, 1 male b 1775/1790, 4 females. (His father-in-law, John Cole, was on page 44.)
- 30 Oct 1793 **Union Co., SC**. Deed Book D, pp. 33-34. **Leonard Adcock** of Spartanburg Co. & **Jane** his wife to **John Bailey** of Union Co. for £65 sterling, tract on south side Pacolet River in Union County, 100 acres adj. lands of **John Whitman, William Spears**, by plat dated 8 Feb 1773. Leonard Adcock (Seal), Jean Adcock (X) (Seal), Wit: **Rich'd Canton** [sic], **John Murrey, Henry Bailey**. Proved in Union Co. by the oath of Henry Bailey 10 Mar 1795 before **Christ'r Johnson, J.P.** Recorded 10 Mar 1795.<sup>2</sup>
- 12 Aug 1795 Date of survey: **State Grants**, Vol. 40, p. 336.<sup>3</sup> South Carolina to **Richard Cannon**, **112 acres**, surveyed for him in Pinckney District on the waters of Pacolet River in Union Co.
- 26 Oct 1795 **Union Co., SC**, Deed Book E, pp. 160-161. **Richard Wood** of Union Co. to **Richard Cannon**, for £30 sterling, part of tract of land formerly laid out for Richard Wood, granted to him 1 May 1786, plat certified 16 Oct 1784, **130 acres** in Union Co. on Fannings Creek on the waters of Broad River, including said Richard Cannon's improvement<sup>4</sup>. Wit: **Robt Chapman, Alex Kindrick, Timothy Haney**. Proved in Union Co. by the oath of Alex'r Kindrick 12 Dec 1795 before **J. A. Whyte, J.P.** Recorded 13 Feb 1798.
- 28 Dec 1795 **Union Co., SC**, Deed Book F, pp. 174-176. **Richard Cannon** of Union Co. to **Isaac Hainey** of same, for £30 sterling, tract being part of tract of land formerly laid out for **Richard Wood**, plat certified 16 Oct 1785 on Fannens Creek, waters of Broad River, whereon Isaac Hainey now lives. Richard Cannon (X) (LS), Wit: **Timothy Hainey, Daniel McKissick**. Proved in Union Co. by the oath of Timothy Hainey 4 Jun 1799 before **Thos Blasingtame, J.P.** Rec. 4 Jun 1799.
- 07 Mar 1796 **State Grants**, Vol. 40, p. 336, South Carolina to **Richard Cannon**, **112 acres**, surveyed for him in Pinckney District on the waters of Pacolet River in Union Co. adj. **Mary McGuyers, Philpucks, Crittenden, Turner Kendrick**.<sup>5</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Land transactions are shaded in light green.

<sup>2</sup> SC Archives microfilm C2205.

<sup>3</sup> SC Archives microfilm ST 634.

<sup>4</sup> This indicates that Richard Cannon was already living on this land.

<sup>5</sup> SC Archives microfilm ST 634.

24 Feb 1796 **State Plats**, Vol. 32, p. 584. I hereby certify for **Richard Cannon**, **112 acres**, surveyed for him in Pinckney District on the waters of Pacolet River in Union Co. [Also see: **Union Co., SC**, Deed Book O, No. 5, p. 336.

13 Sep 1797 **Union Co., SC**, Deed Book E, pp. 162-163: **Richard Cannon** sold to **Elijah Turner**, both of Union Co., farmers, **112 acres** for \$100, tract on a prong of the Ready branch, a branch of Pacolate River. Richard Cannon (+) (Seal), Wit: **Timothy Haney, Sarah Haney, Sarah Hainey**. Proved in Union Co. by the oath of Timothy Haney 2 Dec 1797 before **Thos Vance**, J.P. Recorded 13 Feb 1798.<sup>6,7</sup>

1800 **Greenville District, SC**, Census, p. 250, household 275: **Richard Cannon** household of 9 persons plus 3 slaves.

21 Sep 1801 **Greenville Co., SC**, Deed Book F, pp. 452-453. **John Holder** and **Agnes Holder** of Greenville to **Richard Cannon** of same, for \$300, 106 acres to a plat and grant to John Holder 4 June 1798 both sides of a small branch on the middle fork of Saluda river adj. **Duncan Keith**; part of a tract granted to **William Flippo**, 50 acres; and part of a tract granted to **Russell Cannon**<sup>8</sup> 23 acres, 3 tracts of land, a total of **126 acres (176?)**. John Holder (LS), Agness Holder (LS), Wit: **Thomas Holder, Duncan Keith**. Proved by the oath of Duncan Keith 5 Dec 1801 before **George Salmon, J.A.** Rec. 29 May 1802. [Note: in 1786 **Simcock Cannon** had land adjoining **William Flippo, Dennis Duff, and Samuel Brummit**.]

When was this land sold? **Greenville District, SC -- 126 acres** NOTE: Researcher Brent H. Holcomb was not able to locate any information about the disposition of this land. He reported: "...the deed might not have been recorded, OR, it might have been sold by the sheriff for debt. If so, in Greenville County, it would not be indexed under the name of Richard Cannon."

03 Aug 1803 **Anderson Co., SC**, Deed Book I, p. 70. **Pendleton District**. **William Whitmire** of district aforesaid for \$\_\_\_ to **Ric'd Cannon** of same, part of a tract of 422 acres granted to **Daniel Kelly** 06 Apr 1789 on branches of Twelve mile River & Oolenoe Creek adj **Christopher & Henry Whitmire** to the Waggon Road **275 acres**. Wit: **Thomas Hood, Michael Whitmire**. Proved by the oath of Thomas Hood 16 Sep 1803 before **Colin Campbell, J.P.** Rec. 08 Oct 1807.

16 Nov 1807 **Anderson Co., SC**, Deed Book M, pp. 587-588. **Pendleton District**. **John Adams** and **Rebeckah Adams**, his wife, & sold to **Richard Kannon**, for \$700 a tract of land on the Horse[?]

<sup>6</sup> SC Archives microfilm C2205.

<sup>7</sup> 27 Nov 1801 **Union Co., SC**. Deed Book I, p. 183. **Richard Cole** to **Elijah Turner** of Union Co. for \$500 bounded on the south by **Peter Philpeck** of **McGines** line thus by Richard Cole's line thence by **John Sturgis** line thence by **John Crittenden** line to the said Philpeck's line. Wit: John Crittenden, **Wm Smith, Geo Hicks**. Proved by oath of Geo. Hicks before **John F. Hendly, J.P.** Rec. 06 Apr 1807.

<sup>8</sup> 26 Feb 1807 **Union Co., SC**. Deed Book I, p. 182. **Richard Cole** of Union District for \$300 to **James Foster** of same, part of tract obtained by **Turner Kendrick** in 1785 according to a plat and patent, 100 acres, likewise part of tract laid out for **Richard Cannon**<sup>7</sup> in 1796 **112 acres**, in a deed as the said Richard Cole bought of **Elizabeth Turner**, in all 135 acres, adj. **Peter Philpeck, McGuire**, said Cole, **John Sturges, F. F. Foster**. Richard Cole (Seal), Wit: **Z. Reid, Wm. Palmer, Edw'd Tilman. Hannah Cole** (X), wife of Richard Cole, relinquished dower, before **Joseph Gist, J.P.** Proved in Union district by the oath of **Zach'y Reid** 26 Feb 1807 before Joseph Gist, J.P. Recorded 6 Apr 1807.

<sup>8</sup> Russell Cannon was a likely brother of Richard Cannon. Richard had a son named Russell E. Cannon, likely named for his brother. Three descendants of Russell E. match closely with two descendants of Simcock's Russell in the Cannon Y-DNA project.

Branch, Wolf Creek including the swamp to **Bruce's** line. Wit: **Samuel Ward, William Farris**. Rebecca Adams relinquished dower 18 Nov 1807 before **John McClure, J.Q.** Proved by oath of William Farris 16 Nov 1807 before John McClure, J. Q.

08 Feb 1812 **Anderson Co., SC**, Deed Book M, pp. 588-589. **Pendleton District**. **William Farris** of district aforesaid for \$150 to **Richard Cannon** of same, tract on branches of Wolf Creek to a line on **John Adams'** line, adj. **Samuel Duff, John Gillespie, James Gillespie**. Proved by the oath of **Robt Boyd, Howel Miller** 08 Feb 1812 before **Nathl Davis, J.P.** Rec. 27 Aug 1816.

1810 **Pendleton District, SC**, Census, 146A: **Rich. Cannon**, household of 12, & 1 slave.

1820 **Pendleton District, SC**, Census, 169: **Richard Cannon**, household of 12, & 1 slave.

08 Jan 1824 **Anderson Co., SC**, Deed Book S, pp. 86. **Pendleton District**. **Richard Cannon** of said district for \$100 to **Elijah Cannon**<sup>9</sup>, **170 acres** on head branches of Wolf Creek, corner of **Barney Freeman's** field, adj. **John Langley, John Gillaspie, Solomon Bankses'** house, **Earle Sr.'s** line. Wit: **C. Cannon, Ransom Cannon**. Proved by oath of **Carter Cannon** 10 Dec 1825 before **Edward Norton, J.P.** Rec. 30 Mar 1827.

10 Feb 1823 **Anderson Co., SC**, Deed Book S, p. 87-88. **Pendleton District**. **Richard Cannon** of said district for \$150 to **Elijah Cannon**, tract on head branches of Wolf Creek, on **John Adams'** line between **Samuel Duff** and **John Gillaspie, James Gillaspie**. Wit: **George Bruce, Thos Brown**. Proved by oath of Thomas Brown 10 Dec 1825 before **Edward Norton, J.P.** Rec. 30 Mar 1827.

10 Feb 1823 **Anderson Co., SC**, Deed Book S, p. 88. **Pendleton District**. **Richard Cannon** of said district for \$550 to **Elijah Cannon**, **200 acres** on branches of Wolf Creek, to Bruce's line, including swamp. Wit: **George Bruce, Thos Brown (X)**. Proved by the oath of Thomas Brown 10 Dec 1825 before **Edward Norton, J.P.** Rec. 30 Mar 1827.

09 Dec 1826 **Habersham Co., GA**. Deed Book G, p. 151 (150B). **Wiley Freeman** to **Richard Cannon**, both of Habersham Co., GA, for \$250.00 250 acres in Lot 60 in the 2<sup>nd</sup> District, originally granted to **William Hewitt** 29 Aug 1825. Wit: **Albert Vickery, J.P., M. D. Vickery**. Recorded 05 Jun 1829 **Jno T. Carter, C.S.C.**

1830 **Habersham Co., GA**: Census, p. 53: **Richard Canon**, household of 4.

10 Mar 1828 **Habersham Co., GA**. Deed Book M, p. 461. **Richard Cannon** to **Elisha Cannon**<sup>10</sup>, both of Habersham Co., 62 ½ acres, 1/4<sup>th</sup> part of Lot 60, 2<sup>nd</sup> District, for \$100.00, NE corner, originally granted to **William Howell** [the name looks like Hewitt in the 1826 deed] the 29<sup>th</sup> Aug 1825. Wit: **Albert Vickery, J.P., O. Hooper**. Recorded 21<sup>st</sup> Nov 1833, **J. T. Carter, C.S.C.**

<sup>9</sup> Elijah Cannon, C. or Carter Cannon, and Ransom Cannon were sons of Russell Cannon (who was a son of Simcock Cannon). Richard Cannon is believed to have been Russell's brother.

<sup>10</sup> A son of Richard Cannon.

- Mar 1828 **Habersham Co., GA.** Deed Book O, p. 550. **Richard Cannon** to **Bird Cannon**<sup>11</sup>, both of Habersham Co., 62 ½ acres, 1/4<sup>th</sup> part of Lot 60, 2<sup>nd</sup> District, for \$100.00, SE corner, originally granted to **William Howell [Hewitt?]** the 29<sup>th</sup> Aug 1825. Wit: **Albert Vickery, J.P., O. Hooper.** Recorded 30<sup>th</sup> Jan 1839, **J. T. Carter, C.S.C.**
- 08 Feb 1831 **Habersham Co., GA.** Deed Book L, p. 162. **Richard Cannon** to **Abraham Tate**<sup>12</sup>, both of Habersham Co., 60 ½ acres<sup>13</sup>, 1/4<sup>th</sup> part of Lot 60, 2<sup>nd</sup> District, for \$250.00, SW corner. Wit: **Ezekiel McCravy, John Stephens.** [Recorded 21<sup>st</sup> Sep 1831?, **J. T. Carter, C.S.C.**]<sup>14</sup>
- 12 Jul 1831 **Habersham Co., GA.**<sup>15</sup> **Richard Canon** died.
- 04 Oct 1831 **Habersham Co., GA:** Georgia Intestate Records, **Cannon, Richard**, decd, **James Adams** [who married his daughter **Malinda**]. Letters of Administration W/LWT annexed 9/1831; **Kinchen Carr, James Adams, Wadsworth Clady** were present when he died on 7/12/1831 and said he left all his real estate to wife, **Elizabeth**.
- 18 Jun 1832 **Union Co., SC:** Deed Book V, pp. 439-440. **Elisabeth Cole** now **Elisabeth Cannon** [widow of Richard] of Habersham County, Georgia, for \$20 to **John Bailey** of Franklin County, Georgia, all my part which is one seventh part in a tract of land which was willed to me by my father **John Cole** of Union District, with the rest of my brothers and sisters after the death of our mother which are the names as follows **Richard Cole, John Cole, Nancy Cole** now **Nancy Bailey, Rody Cole** now **Rody Yearby, Lucy Cole** now **Lucy Bailey, Mary Cole** now **Mary Kindrick** and now myself, **Elizabeth Cole** now **Elisabeth Cannon**, tract of 475 acres in possession of **William Cole** adj. **J. J. Foster, Robert Foster, Geo Garner & others.** Elizabeth Cannon (X) (LS), Wit: **Hiram Potts (X), James Bryan J. P. Andrew M. Norris**, clerk of the court of Habersham County, Georgia, certifies that James Bryan was a justice of the peace. **John Starritt**, one of the justices of the inferior court certified that Andrew M. Norris was clerk, 23 Oct 1832. Recorded 3 Nov 1832.
- 4Other Deeds for this family:
- 02 Nov 1833 **Habersham Co., GA,** Deed Book M, p. 462. **Elisha Cannon** to **Ezekiel McCravy** 62 ½ acres in Lot 60 in the 2<sup>nd</sup> District for \$42 granted to **William Howell** the 29<sup>th</sup> Aug 1826. This is a 12-month note, meaning that if **Elisha Cannon** did not repay Mr. McCravy, he would lose his land. Wit: **James Brown, John Morgan, J.P.** Rec. 21<sup>st</sup> Nov 1833 **J. T. Carter, C.S.C.**
- 07 Jan 1839 **Habersham Co., GA,** Deed Book O, p. 551. **Bird Cannon** to **William Jackson** and **Evan(?) Galloway Jackson**, all of Habersham Co. for \$150, one-fourth part of Lot 60 in the 2<sup>nd</sup> District, SE corner. Wit: **Joel Dickinson** and **Ezekiel McCravy, J.P.** Rec. 30<sup>th</sup> Jan 1839 **J. T. Carter, C.S.C.**

<sup>11</sup> A son of Richard Cannon.

<sup>12</sup> Abraham Tate is believed to have married Eleanor Caroline Cannon, a likely daughter of Richard Cannon.

<sup>13</sup> I think this must be 62 ½ acres, not 60 ½, because the deed also refers to the tract as being one-fourth of the lot.

<sup>14</sup> This part of deed does not show on my copy of it. -C.G.

<sup>15</sup> Habersham Co. was created from Franklin Co. in 1818. Simcock Cannon & Russell Cannon were found in Franklin Co. earlier.

01 Sep 1840 **Habersham Co., GA**, Deed Book P, p. 217. Sheriff seized land from **Elisha Cannon** in Lot 60 of the 2<sup>nd</sup> District. This document was damaged by water and is very hard to read.

Elizabeth Cole Cannon's father's will:

02 Sep 1799 **Recorded in Union Co., SC.** John Cole bequeathed:

Son, Richard Cole, 150 acres bought from John Weinman on the Reedy branch  
Dau, Lucy Baley, 50 acres of the same tract  
Wife Mary, his "lands, 2 negroes, David and Judith, livestock, tools, furniture,  
the rest divided among

Richard,

John,

Elizabeth Cannon

Mary Hendric [Note: this is Kindrick in Elizabeth's 1832 deed, above]

Nancey Baley

Lucey Baley

Rhoda Yerbey.

Executrix, Wife Mary

Executor, Son Richard.

Wit: **James Fowler, Joseph Walker, Sarah Baley**