

THE MIGRATION OF THE DESCENDANTS OF WILLIAM FANNING  
OF COUNTY KILKENNY & COUNTY TIPPERARY, IRELAND  
TO COUNTIES MAYO & LEITRIM  
& ON TO NORTH AMERICA

The progenitor of this family of Fannings was William Fannyng (sic), who owned land in the Barony of Kells, [\[1\]](#) County Kilkenny in 1570. He is also recorded in 1570 having extensive land holdings in the Manor of Killenaule, Barony of Slievardagh in County Tipperary. William Fannyng died in 1590. [\[2\]](#)

William Fannyng may have been a kinsman of Oliver Fannyng who was granted lands in County Kilkenny by Henry VIII in 1545 and in 1548 [\[3\]](#). Oliver Fannyng was of Kylry in the County of Kilkenny. [\[4\]](#) He was mentioned as one holding land by knight's service in the Manor of Knocktopher in 1570. [\[5\]](#) [\[6\]](#)

All indications point to Co. Tipperary as the ancestral home of William Fannyng of Kells. His estates were settled prior to his death with all of the Fannyng Trustees being from Co. Tipperary, that is: James, son of Thomas Fannyng of Ballingtaggart, Co. Tipperary; Robert, son of Walter Fannyng of Mohobber, Co. Tipperary & Richard Fannyng of Kappaghintallagarry. [\[7\]](#)

The Fanning family has ancient roots in Co. Kilkenny & Co. Tipperary. [\[8\]](#) John Fanning was the first Fanning recorded in Co. Tipperary on the 20<sup>th</sup> of November, 1285 [\[9\]](#) and again on the 20<sup>th</sup> of October, 1295. [\[10\]](#) Mohober, in the Parish of Lismalin, Barony of Compsey, County Tipperary, was for several centuries principally a Fanning manor. [\[11\]](#) In addition to sons Thomas, Walter & Richard, William Fannyng of Kells had two other known sons, James & William. Son, James Fanning, was born around 1555 and died before his father's death in 1590. Son, William Fanning II, was born in 1565. His date of death is unknown. [\[12\]](#)

William Fanning II had a son named James Ffanning who was born in 1589 in Knocktopher Parish, Co. Kilkenny. [\[13\]](#) James Fanning was one of the Fannings who received a certificate of transplantation after the Cromwellian confiscations of 1652. [\[14\]](#) He received this certificate in 1657 which entitled him to settlement in Co. Leitrim. [\[15\]](#) He settled in the Parish of Fenagh, Co. Leitrim. His estates in Co. Kilkenny were never restored to him. [\[16\]](#)

Thomas Fanning, son of James Ffanning, was born in 1625, in Co. Kilkenny. He married Mary Mcloughlin of Co. Limerick. They both are believed to have died around 1660 in Co. Mayo. Nothing is heard from them after the birth of their youngest son. [\[17\]](#) Thomas & Mary Mcloughlin Fanning had two sons that are known. Their oldest son being James who was born abt. 1647 in Co. Kilkenny. [\[18\]](#) This James Fanning was the grandfather of James Fanning who married Elizabeth and emigrated to America. They settled in South Carolina around 1750. [\[19\]](#) They had a son, James, born November 28, 1739 who married Elizabeth Saffold on October 13, 1776. He died on November 4, 1803. [\[20\]](#) They have a great number of descendants in the southern United States. Col. James Walker Fanning of Goliad, Texas fame was a member of this family. However, the legitimacy of his birth is questioned.

The youngest son of Thomas & Mary Fanning was Loughlin Fanning was born in Co. Mayo after the transplantation, in 1658. He married Ann O'Brien, daughter of John [\[21\]](#) [\[22\]](#) & Ann Elizabeth (O'Reilly) O'Brien of Co. Leitrim, Oughterragh Parish. [\[23\]](#) Ann Elizabeth O'Reilly was the daughter of John & Margaret (O'Reilly) O'Reilly of Ballymacadd, Co. Meath. John O'Reilly died Feb., 1716. [\[24\]](#)

This family of O'Briens were of Ballynalacken, Co. Clare and descend from Donal, a younger son of Turlough Donn O'Brien who died in 1528. He was of the O'Briens, Kings of Thomond pedigree. [25]

The lineage comes down to 1. Donal O'Brien, who was known as Donal Bacach ("bacach:" Irish, *lame*): second son of Teige-an-Chomhaid: m. Saibh, dau. of O'Loughlin, Prince of Burren then to 2. Connor O'Brien, of Carruduff: third son of Donal Bacach O'Brien; m. Celia, dau. of O'Dea, Prince of Ive-Fermaic. The lineage continues with 3. Donogh O'Brien, of Carruduff, who married Honora, dau. of O'Hehir, lord of Ive-Cormaic. It continues on with 4. Dermod O'Brien, of Carruduff: son of Donogh O'Brien, m. Eleanor, dau. of Teige MacMahon, of Dangan-an-Elly, in the barony of Moyarta, Co. Clare. On to 5. Donal O'Brien, of Carruduff: son of Dermod O'Brien. In 1652, (see the "Books of Survey and Distribution") this Donal O'Brien lost his estate by the Cromwellian Settlement of Ireland; he m. Honora, dau. of O'Connor of Corcomroe.

Donal & Honora O'Brien had a son, 6a. Brian, of Leitrim, [26] who, under the Act of Repeal passed by King James II. in the Parliament held in Dublin, A.D. 1689, possessed himself of the Estate of Carruduff, aforesaid. This Brian O'Brien m. Mary[27], dau. of Lochlin MacConsidine of Lac, in the Co. Clare, Chief of his name. Torlogh O'Brien, of Leitrim: second son of Brian of Beatath-Corcick, Esq. [28] (by Catherine, dau. of Jeoffry O'Connell, of Breantry, Esq., and sister of Colonel Maurice O'Connell, who d.s.p.). Donal & Honora O'Brien's second son was 6b. John O'Brien who married Ann Elizabeth O'Reilly, dau. of John O'Reilly. [29]

Loughlin & Ann (O'Brien) Fanning relocated from Co. Mayo to Co. Leitrim, where his grandfather James Ffanning had settled and where the O'Briens had settled after the Cromwellian Confiscations. Loughlin Fanning's principal livelihood was farming. [30]

Loughlin and Ann (O'Brien) Fanning had the following known issue:

1. James Fanning born abt. 1683 in Connacht, Co. Mayo
2. Thomas Fanning born abt. 1687 in Connacht, Co. Mayo
3. **Loughlin Fanning ( Jr.) b. abt. 1690 in Connacht, Co. Mayo [31]**
4. **Bryan Fanning b. abt. 1693 in Connacht, Greagh Townland, Fenagh Parish, Co. [32], [33]Leitrim. He emigrated to America settling in Virginia. [34]**
5. Elizabeth Ann Fanning b. 1698 in Connacht, Greagh Townland, Fenagh Parish, Co. Leitrim. Died 1714. [35] [36]

**Loughlin Fanning, (Jr.), # 3 above**, was a farmer and the tutor of the notable blind Irish Harpist Denis Hempson. [\[37\]](#)

Denis Hempson (O'Hempsey) was born in 1695 some four miles west of Garvagh in the townland of Craigmore. At the age of three he lost his sight as a result of smallpox; when he was twelve, he began to learn to play the harp, which was not unusual for a blind person at that time.

His training continued over a period of years under various tutors, all of the old school. These included **Loughlin Fanning from Connacht**, an area famous at the time for the quality of its harp music. In 1713 two residents of Garvagh, Doctor Bacon and Mr Gage, purchased a harp from Cormick O'Kelly of Draperstown and presented it to Hempson. This he treasured for the rest of his life. Hempson's harp is now known as the Downhill harp and is in the Guinness museum in Dublin. In 1745 Denis Hempson played before Bonny Prince Charlie in Scotland. He attended a great harp meeting in Belfast in 1792 at the age of 97 and told someone afterwards, that when he had played his piece the others harpers refused to play as a mark of respect. It was said that he was the only harper there who had the traditional long finger nails, associated with this profession.

Denis Hempson died at Magilligan on the 5<sup>th</sup> November 1807 aged 112. He had lived in three centuries and was one of the last great Irish Harpers who played in the traditional way. Just beside the museum, visitors can see the memorial stone, erected in 1992, in what was the garden of Lord Garvagh where Hempson began his musical career.

R.W.Patterson, in his "Garvagh's Hidden Treasures and Secret Places" cites 1706 as the year Hempson started playing the harp and 1713 as the year he began making a living playing the harp. He further cites one of Hempson's principal tutors as C. Carragher. His tutors in succession were Bridget O'Cahan, C. Carragher (John C. Garragher) from Buncrana, **Loughlin Fanning** and Patrick Conner.

**Loughlin Fanning, ( Jr.), # 3 above** married Unknown and had the following issue:[\[38\]](#) [\[39\]](#)

1. Charles Fanning b. 1736 Foxfield, Co. Leitrim, Connacht Province, Ireland who married a kitchen maid of one of his patrons Mrs. Baillie. [\[40\]](#) [\[41\]](#) Charles was a noted harpist and won first place three years running at the Granard Co. Longford Grand Balls held in 1781, 1782 & 1783.[\[42\]](#) He, also, won first premium of ten guineas at the Belfast Harp Festival held in 1791. [\[43\]](#) [\[44\]](#) [\[45\]](#) Charles Fanning died around 1809. [\[46\]](#)

Charles had one or two children. [\[47\]](#)

2. Bryan Fanning b. abt. 1738 Foxfield, Co. Leitrim, Connacht Province d. abt. 1749 of Typhoid Fever.

3. Francis Fanning b. abt. 1740 Foxfield, Co. Leitrim, Connacht Province. Issue:

A. John Fanning, b. abt. 1775. Issue:

i. Agnes Fanning b. abt. 1807 of Greagh Townland, in the Parish of Killarga, Co. Leitrim. She married Thomas Conboy of Fenagh, Co. Leitrim abt. 1824 [\[48\]](#)

ii. John Fanning b. abt 1802 of Greagh Townland: Issue:

- John Fanning, III[49] married Mary Unknown at Sruhaun Townland, Fenagh, had two children:

- \* Daughter Mary Ann Fanning born in Sruhaun in 1862.

This Mary Ann Fanning went on to marry Michael Stratton at Drumbibe, Fenagh in 1890.[50]

- \* Son, Francis Fanning [51]

4. William Fanning b. 1744 Fenagh, Co. Leitrim, Connacht Province

5. Thomas Fanning b. 1746 Fenagh, Co. Leitrim, Connacht Province

married in 1780 to Mary Bohann from Cloone, Co. Leitrim, Connacht Province.

Issue:

A. John Fanning born 1790 in Fenagh, Co. Leitrim m. in 1810 to Mary Dobson.

Issue:

- Thomas Fanning b. 21 December, 1812 in Fenagh Parish, Co. Leitrim. He married Bridget Reilly, born 1 February, 1810 in Ballinamore Parish, Co. Leitrim. They emigrated to America around 1838 and first settled in Cincinnati, Ohio. They later moved to Corning, Reeve Township, Daviess County, Indiana. [52] [53] Thomas & Bridget Fanning are buried in St. Patrick Cemetery, Daviess Co, Indiana. Thomas died April 16, 1871(2)[54] & Bridget died Nov.18, 1893. [55]

Tom & Bridget Reilly Fanning had the following children: [56]

- Mary Fanning born abt 1842 in Ohio
- John Fanning September 8, 1843 in Cincinnati, Ohio
- Ellen Fanning born abt 1842 in Ohio
- Francis Fanning born abt 1849 in Ohio (male)\* See note below
- James H. Fanning born abt 1851 in Cincinnati, Ohio\*\*See note below
- Catharan Fanning born abt 1853 in Ohio

\* d Francis Fanning (1846 – 1893) married Margaret Ann Flanagan (June 6, 1852 – Mar. 22, 1931). [57]

\*\*e James H. Fanning (b. 1853 – d. 1877) married Margaret Farrel ( Sept. 22, 1854 – Oct. 9, 1878) in 1876 in Indiana. They had one child, John J. Fanning.[58]

ii. Henry Fanning born 1814 in Sruhaun, Co. Leitrim. He married in 1850 to Catherine O'Neill of Cullagh in the Parish of Fenagh - born 1830. Henry died in 1886 and Catherine died in 1889.

Henry & Catherine had the following issue:

a. James Fanning b in 1850's and died in the 1930's. He married Bridget Geehemn. She died in 1952.

James & Bridget had a son named James Fanning who married Mary McHugh. James & Mary had three sons: 1<sup>st</sup> James Patrick (J P) Fanning who married Greta Beirne in 1970. They live in Foxfield, Co. Leitrim. [\[59\]](#)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Leo Fanning of Drumigna, Co. Leitrim, who is unmarried & 3<sup>rd</sup> Frank Fanning of Mohill, Co. Leitrim, who is married with no children.

b. Patrick b. 1850 married Mary E. Bierne. They had a son, James Fanning b. 1893 and married Mary Ann Curran. James died ca. 1963. James & Mary Fanning had a son, Patrick "Paddy" Fanning born 1931 and married Chrissie Foley. They had a son named Patrick Colm Fanning.

iii. Margaret, daughter of John & Mary Dobson Fanning was born 1826.

iv. Patrick Fanning married Bridget Gannon. He died in 1855. They had a son, Michael fanning b. 1852. Michael had a son, Charles Leroy Fanning who was born in 1902 in Rhode Island.

v. John Fanning b. ca. 1830 married Mary Canning. He died in 1916. They had a son, John Fanning b. 1870 who married Rose McCabe. He died in 1916.

vi. Francis Fanning of Glasdrumman. Fenagh, Co. Leitrim.

Thomas & Mary Bohann Fanning had another son:

B. Michael Fanning born in 1794, Co. Leitrim, Ireland . He died in Osgoode Township, Ontario, Canada on May 8, 1868. He left his native land on 05 May, 1818 with his wife , Sarah Jane O'Brien, & their 7-week old son, Patrick & settled first in Macisque Co., St. Armond , Quebec. Sarah was born in 1794 and died May 17, 1868. In 1833 they moved to Bytown, & in 1838 to Osgoode, Ontario, Canada, settling on lot 12 con. 6. For many years. Michael Fanning (Fenning) operated a blacksmith shop. His account books date from 1838 to 1862. Michael and Sarah Jane had 5 children: Patrick, Elizabeth, Alexander, Margaret, Mary Jane. [\[60\]](#)

i. Patrick Fenning born March 17, 1818, Co. Leitrim, married April 24 1834 to Ann Guilfoyle, born April 2 1823, Co. Limerick Ireland., settled on the west half of lot ,14 .con .7 where they raised 9 girls and 4 boys. [\[61\]](#)

ii. Elizabeth Fenning, born Lower Canada ,1825, died 1911, married John Keany, farmed Lot 11, con. 5. 4 children.

iii. Alexander Fenning, born 1827 Lower Canada, married Feb.18,1878 Mary Malone, daughter of John Malone & Ellen Meagher and farmed on the homestead – lot 12. con .6. Alexander died 1898. His wife, Mary, was born 1837 died 1929. They had two sons, Michael John, born July 27 ,1880 died Dec. 7 1961, [ single] John Alexander, born May 24 1884, died 1972, married Nov.24, 1925 to Anne Kehoe , daughter of Patrick Kehoe & Johanna Fenning.

iv. Margaret Fenning , born 1836 in Bytown married John Moran.

v. Mary Jane Fenning. [\[62\]](#) [\[63\]](#)

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**# 4 Bryan Fanning, son of Laughlin Fanning, Sr. and Ann O'Brien** was born about 1693 in Greagh Townland, Fenagh Parish, Co. Leitrim, Ireland. He emigrated to America and settled in Prince George County of the Colony of Virginia probably around 1720 to 1725. He married Elizabeth Unknown. [\[64\]](#) It is not sure whether he married in Ireland or Virginia.

Around 1734/1735, Amelia County was formed from Brunswick County which itself had been formed earlier in 1732 from Prince George County. At this time Bryan Fanning is found with his young family in what was later known by 1752 as Nottoway Parish, but was initially called Raleigh Parish in 1735.[\[65\]](#) He was commissioned to survey for a road to the fork of the Little Nottoway River in the spring of 1735.[\[66\]](#) Brian Fannon was named in "A List of all the Titheables below Deep Creek in 1736". [\[67\]](#) On January 2, 1737, he received 294 acres of land by patent from King George II [\[68\]](#) and by the summer of that year he was involved in the clearing of a new road from the county line between

the Tomahitton Creek and the Birchen Swamp. [69] Here he would clear a plantation site and raise his family. The location is now occupied by Fort Pickett, Blackstone, Nottoway County, Va. (first known as Camp Pickett). Bryan would later receive another patent for an additional 280 acres on July 20, 1748 in the same area. [70]

Bryan & Elizabeth Fanning, sometimes spelled Fannen, Fannon or Fannin, raised their family in Nottoway Parish. Their plantation was located at the present site of Fort Pickett, Blackstone, Virginia. The old Camp maps show the Tomahitton Creek beginning at the site of the Camp airfield. This is the location mentioned in the patents & deeds for Bryan Fannin, Sr.'s lands. Bryan died there in 1765. It is presumed that he is buried there. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers removed any known graves as they built Camp Pickett. [71] Bryan & Elizabeth's graves were not found. [72]

Bryan died between January 3rd & February 17<sup>th</sup> of 1765. [73] Elizabeth Fanin had sold her 92 acre share of the plantation on September 25<sup>th</sup>, 1765 to Nathaniel Hobbs [74] and most likely went to live with one of her children. Achals, Briant, Jehu & Laughlin Fannin were all listed along with Elizabeth Fannin in the 1765 Amelia Co., Va. Personal Property Tax List. [75] Laughling Fannen, Achales Fennen (with other free male William Fennen on 140 acres) & William Fennen were all listed in the 1766 Personal Property Tax List for lower Nottoway Parish of Amelia Co. [76] It appears sons Jehu & Briant had moved on by 1766 and Elizabeth may have died or moved with one of her children. Jehu died in 1770 in Halifax County, Virginia. His wife was Anne Unknown. & Bryan, Jr. died in Sussex County, Virginia in 1767. His wife was Rachel Rottenberry. Laughlin moved to Mecklenburg County, Virginia, where he served in the militia during the American Revolution. His wife was named Winnefred Unknown. After the war he moved to Elbert County, Georgia, where he died around 1806-1808.

Bryan & Elizabeth Fannin, Sr.' son David drowned in Deep River, Orange County, North Carolina around 1755, shortly before the birth of his son, David Fanning, later a Loyalist Colonel of South Carolina, who died in 1825 in Digby, Nova Scotia, Canada.

Achilles Fannin, Sr., son of Bryan & Elizabeth, married Rose Unknown and moved to Halifax Co., Va., Fincastle Co., Va., Montgomery Co., Va. and died in Wythe Co., Va in 1812 (now Bland Co., Va.). He had five children: Akerless Fannon, Jr., Bryant Fannon, William Fannon, David Fannon (Fannin, Fanning) & Sarah Straightley.

### **Records of Amelia County, Virginia**

**First Court for Amelia County, Va. was held May 9, 1735 -- Page 1 of Original Order Book 1**

13 February 1735 (Old calendar 1734) Amelia Co., Va. Order Book 1 Page 6

**Bryan Fenell** Appointed Surveyor of a Road to be cleared a little below John Jacksons to the fork of Little Nottoway.

1736 "A List of all the Titheables below Deep Creek in 1736".

The list was taken by Abraham Green. Amelia microfilm reel #55, Library of Virginia, 1736-1771. This is roughly the southern 2/3 of Amelia County. Prior to about 1735, this area was part of Prince George County. In other words, these individuals were residents of Prince George County the year before Amelia was carved out of Prince George.

Included in the list of names was: **Fannon, Brian**

10 December, 1736 Order Book 1, Page 18

Court held To Lay the County Levey

**Bryan Fanney** 1 old wolf's head 140

10 June 1737 Amelia Co., Va. Order Book 1 Page 28

Upon the petition of John Jackson, Thomas Jackson, Solomon Harper, **Bryan ffenney**, William Green, William Keatly, William Pool, and William Parush, Leave is given them to clear a road from the county line between Tomahitton and the Birchen Swamps to the Chappel on Nottoway the most convenient way & they are accordingly ordered to clear the same.

10 December, 1737 Amelia Co., Va. Order Book 1, Page 41

Court held on Laying the County Levy

To **Bryan Fanin**, 7 young, 1 old ditto 630

20 April 1739 Amelia Co., Va. Order Book 1 Page 65

John Leverett appointed Surveyor of the Road from Letbetters low grounds on Nottoway River the nearest way to Butterwood road. **Bryan Fenning** W.m Jackson Thomas Jackson Hez. Powell John Jackson and all other persons convenient and not employed on other roads to assist in doing the Same.

19 August 1748 O. S., Page 105

Ordered that William Jackson be Appointed Surveyor of a Road from Battes Path to the County Line and that William Cryer Charles Jackson **Bryant Fannell** Capt Haynes and their Male Labouring Tithables Assist him in doing the Same ---

A list of all ----Surveys made in the County of Amelia from 1<sup>st</sup> day of September 1746 to the 15<sup>th</sup> day of May 1751 by William Watson, surveyor includes the following entry:

28 March 1751 David Fannin a Survey on the South Side of the Burchan Swamp joining Bagsdales Jackson and John Hugh's lines 125 Acres

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**Amelia Co., Va. Will Book 2X pg. 89 Written: 3 January, 1765 Proven: 18 Feb., 1765**

**WILL OF BRYAN FANNIN AMELIA COUNTY, VA.**

In the name of God, Amen, I **Bryan Fannen** of Amelia County, being weak in body yet in proper sence, considering that certainty of death, I recommend my Soul to God's mercy and my Estate as followeth Item: I lend to my dearly beloved Wife, **Elizabeth Fannan** the plantation where I now live & all my hogs & Cattle & Household furniture during her widowhood or Life & I give her my Horse



Saddle & Bridle; and the Land I have lent to my Wife, after her time to be Equally divided between my Son **Laughlin** and my Son **Phillip**; Beginning to divide at the burchin where my line and magoons (?) crosses & if either of them dies without heir, the other is to possess the whole & if both dies without Heir, to my Son **Achilles Fannan**, Laughlans part to be joining the Burchin & spring branch in the fork. Item I give to my son **Jehu Fannan** all the land that lyes on the East side of my spring branch only about half an acre joining the spring, to keep it good not to sell till his Mother's death nor swap. Item I leave all my land that lyes on the south side of the burchen to be sold by Executors to discharge my Debts & if any Left of the money the said land sells for, besides paying my Debts, to be equally divided between my Son Laughlin & my Son Phillip and my daughter **Judith**; also after my Wifes time, the Hogs & Cattle & Household furniture to be equally divided amongst the same three children, Laughlin, Phillip & Judith. Item I leave to my Children **David, Mary, Bryan, Anny, Bety, Peggy** and **Frankey** one shilling apiece. Item I do hereby make constitute & appoint my beloved wife Elizabeth Fannan & my son Achillis Fannan Executors of my last Will & Testament intesta of all I have hereunto set Hand seal This 3 day of January, 1765.

Signed Sealed in the presence of us :

Bryan B F Fannan (his mark)

Joshua Hightower

John Kirkland (his mark)

Thomas Hightower

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At the court held for Amelia County this 18th day of Feby 1765 this will was proved by the oaths of Joshua Hightower Jr. and John Kirkland two of the witnesses thereto sworn to by Elizabeth Fannon the Executrix therein named and entered to be Recorded and on the motion of the said Executrix who entered into and acknowledged Bond with Joshua Hightower her Security as the law directs Certificate was granted her for obtaining a probate in due form.

Testa P. G. Peachy

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**Amelia Co., Va. Will Book 2X pg. 130**

October 6, 1765 Court: Inventory & Appraisement recorded for Estate of **Bryan Fannan**. No value total given. Appraisers: Joshua Hightower, Charles Williams & George Hightower.

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The following two entries have been purported by some to be Personal Property Tax Lists, but were actually from the "List of Titheables for Amelia County". Amelia County didn't have Personal Property Taxes until after the Revolutionary War.

1765 Amelia County, Va. List of Titheables: **Achals, Briant, Elizabeth, Jehu & Laughlin Fannin**, all in Nottoway Parish.

1766 Amelia County, Va. List of Titheables: **Laughling Fannen, Achales Fennen** ( with other free male **William Fennen**), all in Nottoway Parish.

Of the twelve children of Bryan & Elizabeth Fanning (Fannen), nothing is known of six of them; that is: Phillip, Judith, Anny, Bety, Peggy or Frankey. Some say that Mary Fannin married Burwell Burchett, but evidence seems to suggest that Mary Burchett was the daughter of Achilles Fanning, Sr. There is also an obscure reference to Elisabeth Fannen of Nottoway Parish (Amelia Co., Va), daughter of Betty Fannen, found in "Miscellaneous records Amelia County , VA 1735-1865", regarding an entry in Order Book 6. The entry is as follows:

"Jan 22, 1761 Elisabeth Fannen of Nottoway Parish, daughter of Betty Fannen page 85".

The order books deal with children who were bound out from 1735 - 1782.

It states: "Not all children who were bound out were paupers. However, by law, each Parish was required to support its own paupers. The church wardens were ordered by the court to bind out, to the age of maturity, the children of such persons as were deemed incapable of supporting them or bringing them up in "honest courses"."

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