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## INVENTORY OF COL. BRIDGER'S ESTATE\*

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In the Upper Chamber of the ould Brick house.

1 feather bed & boulster & motley rug & a pr of coarse sheets & blankets, 1 small table, 1 ould chest, 1 small ould pair of andirons.

In the next Chamber.

1 feather bed & boulster & pillows, 1 chest.

In the first Chamber of the first story.

1 feather bed & boulster & 2 pillows, 1 blankett & rugge, 1 pr sheets curtains vallence & bedstead, 1 ould woole bed & 2 pillow cases, 3 ould turkey work Chayres & mat.

In the next Chamber.

1 feather bed & boulster & 2 pillows & cases, 1 ould red rugge, 1 blankett, 1 pr sheets; curtains vallence and bedstead, 1 small table & carpett and 3 ould turkey work Chayres, 1 Chest of drawers, 2 closetools, 1 looking glass, 1 ould picture, 1 white cupboard cloth, 2 payre of brass andirons.

In the dining roome.

9 small tables, 2 canecoutch, 12 canechayres & small dogs, brass fier sheild & tongues.

In the Children's Chamber.

2 small feather beds, one coarse flocke bed, 2 boulsters, 2 pillows & cases, 2 prs of blanketts, 1 rugge, 2 white counterpaines, white curtains, vallences & bedsteads.

In the uppermost chamber of the new house.

2 small tables, 2 pewter chamber pots, 2 pr brass andirons, 2 pr small tongs and fire sheiell, and a pot of wooleng yarns and a parcell of linen yarns.

In the middle uppermost chamber.

2 flocke beds & boulster, 2 pr blanketts & one sett rugge, 1 feather bed, boulster, one pillow & a sett rugge.

In the 3rd Chamber over the dineinge room.

1 feather bed & boulster & 2 pillows & cases, 2 rugges, one counterpaine, 2 blanketts, 2 pr sheets, 2 flocke beds, curtains & vallence, 2 pr andirons, 2 small tables & quilt.

In the Gallery.

1 pr Iron andirons, 1 parcel Virginia made cloth of ——[?] 14 pr. Virginia ——[?] 1 screwd bedstead, and ould ——[?]

In the parlor.

1 chest of drawers and cloth, 2 square tables and cloth, small table & cloth, 1 round table, 1 leather couch and leather chayrds [chairs], and three cane chayres, 1 great looking glass, 9 ould pictures, 2 payers of Iron andirons, 1 ould chest, 2 pr ould red curtains and vallence. 12 pr coarse holland sheets, 4 pr coarse sheets, 2 pr of course sheets, 3 dozen ould draper [diaper] napkins and 3 tablecloths of the same, 3 doz of ozen [osnaburg] napkins all new, 2 doz course napkins, 9 towels & 4 pillow beards, 8 ould coarse tablecloths, 30 napkins and tablecloths all ould, 8 ells of ozenbright [osnaburg], 8 ells of sheeting holland, 7 fage end of linen, 1 ould boulster & rugge, and a parcel of ould books.

In the Hall.

2 chest of drawers, 1 small table & carpett & 1 chest, 12 leather chayres, 9 ould guns, 1 leading staff, 2 ould Rapiers, 1 ould clocke, 3 pr stelliarde, 2 payre of Iron andirons, 1 pr tongues & 5 shovells, 1 sadle & bridle and furniture to it.

\*This inventory of Col. Joseph Bridger's estate is in Isle of Wight County records, volume 2, 1669-1719, page 255, June 28, 1686.

In the lower chamber.

2 feather beds & quilts & boulders & pillows & cases & counterpaines, 1 payre blankets, 2 pr sheets, curtains vallenge & bedstead, 6 large chayres, 2 small tables & carpett, one looking glasse, 2 payre andirons, tongues & fier sheiell & ould steel. 4 cases of pistolls and houlsters and one payre pockett pistolls, 1 hand gun, shott bags and Cartuse Box, 1 rapier with a silver hilt, and 1 hanger, 2 books 1 of displaying witchcraft, the other a part of Astria.

In the kitchen Chamber.

1 slattebed and boulders, rugge and pr canvas sheets & bedstead, 1 ould small table and chest.

In the other Chamber.

2 small feather beds and ould rugge, 2 pr very ould sheets, ould bedstead and one ould thinne slatte bed.

In the outer store 4 chests in the bricke stoore 3 chests and one trunk in the brick stoore chamber & chests.

At the landing.

about 800 paveinge tyle [paving tiles].

In the Kitchen.

2 great copper kettles, 1 small copper kete, 1 brass kete, 2 great andirons, 2 pottracks, 2 Iron potts, 1 pott, 4 pott hooks, 2 ould drying pans, 3 spitts, 2 bell metal skillets. Pewter—13 platters, 16 platters, 20 platters & 3 plates, porringers. Other pewter—2 large candle sticks, 2 chaffin dishes, 2 brass ladles, 1 skillet, 2 fish plates, 2 aple [ample] roasting potts & brass skimmer. 1 flesh fork, 10 milk pans, 3 earthen butter potts, 1 earthen pan, 1 small pott, 2 small brass mortars & Iron pestles, 2 ould tubs & one meale tray, 1 brass candlestick, 2 ould books.

In the Cellar.

12 ould casks 2 with remnants of cyder in them, one with vinegar, 2 with beare for the use of the family, the rest empty. 4 dozen rounds of glass bottles & 2 chests, a parcell of ould Iron, 3 skillets frames one being broken, 1 cask of brandy containing about 25 gals. thereabout, 1 cask ould whiskey, 2 yokes & chain, one old worn out malt mill, 1 pr ould handscrews.

Negroes.

Otta, an ould negre man; Isee, an ould negro woman; Will, a negro, Phillis, a negro, Mingo, a negro, Monsieur, a negro; Joane, a negro; Judith, a negro; Booma, a negro boy; Dick, a negro boy; Jacke, a negro boy, Sam, a negro child 2 yrs ould, Peter, a negro child 2 yeares ould

John Simonds to serve 3 yeares, Samuel Canady free at December, Daniel Gordon to serve 16 months; Margaret Kirnan free the 1st of Jan. [these last evidently white indentured servants.]

To one sloop that will carry about 28 hds with all her furniture, sayles, riggin, and ground tackle which was not apprayed before with the goodes formerly apprayed.

Sworn the 28th of June by Thos. Pitt, Jam. Powell, Arth. Smith, Hen. Applewhaite, Hen. Baker.

In money 60 £ in Spanish money

40 £ 10 in English money

In plate 2 silver candlesticks  
& the cover of a tobacco box.

Divided by John Pitt  
& Tho. Pitt