



History of King's County

In his "History of King's County", Dr. A. W. H. Eaton has quoted verbatim the text of the first grant of Cornwallis and has listed the names of those who received subsequent grants in Horton and Cornwallis. Perhaps because a score or more of the original grantees left Horton before the first township census it has been assumed that many of them never came to Nova Scotia.

From a search of the King's County deeds and the records at the Provincial Department of Lands and Forests, Halifax, it appears that they were in Horton at some time, if only for a short period, and many were large land owners. Several had died between the time of the granting of the lots and the settlement of the community. One of these was Micajah Pride, the son of Capt. William Pride of Norwich, Conn., and the brother of William Pride, also a grantee who brought with him to Horton Micajah's son Joseph, possibly with the intent of protecting the child's rights in his father's property.

