

bar after the chief Justice and the Master of the Rolls and Judges Wilkins and Wiswall". Judge Thomas Ritchie died in 1852 being then in his 76 year.

John W. Ritchie's mother was Elizabeth Wildman, fifth child and second daughter of Doctor William Martin Johnston and Elizabeth Lichenstein Johnston, both of Georgia. Doctor Johnston was a son of Doctor Lewis Johnston a native of Scotland and at one time a surgeon in the Royal Navy, who was a considerable land owner in Georgia, and Laleah Peyton of Saint Kitts. William Martin Johnston was a student of medicine in Philadelphia when the revolutionary war broke out. He became a captain in the New York Volunteers, afterwards the Third American Regiment, a loyalist corps which saw much service during various campaigns. William Martin Johnston made a distinguished record in the course of the war, showing a courage and resourcefulness not exceeded by his border ancestors in Annandale. After the close of hostilities, he went to Edinburgh, where in 1784-5 he continued his medical studies. He afterwards went to Jamaica and practised his profession there up to his death in December, 1807. His wife, the author of the *Recollections of a Georgia Loyalist* was the only child of John Lichtenstein (anglicized Lighenstone) a native of Cronstadt and said to be of Austrian descent. He died in Annapolis in 1813, at a ripe old age. Mrs. Lichtenstein Johnston was a woman of great energy and ability, devoted to her family and exceedingly religious. She died at Halifax, 24th September, 1848. It will have been noticed that both of John W. Ritchie's grand-fathers were Scottish or of Scottish extraction. Speaking of his mother, Mrs. William Martin Johnston says, at page 132 of the *Recollections*, "If I were called upon to bear testimony whose individual character I had ever known most free from selfishness, I could with truth and boldness say it was my beloved Eliza's. In early childhood she evinced the disposition to impart to others whatever she had, and the disposition grew with her growth." She died 19th June, 1819. If I seem to have dealt at undue length with the histories of Judge Ritchie's ancestors, it is