

Historic Name – Quantico Church

Date or Period – Mid 18th Century

Original Use – Church

Vicinity - Dumfries

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QUANTICO CHURCH possibly not the early eighteenth-century building, but a frame building built on the same site during the Civil War, measured thirty-six feet by forty-eight feet and had an eight-foot porch on the front. According to some sources, the original structure, the Chapel of Ease of Overwharton Parish, was the Church of England's first church in the Northern Virginia. The Reverend Alexander Scott, who owned DIPPLE PLANTATION, served as rector from 1701 to 1738. Quantico Church became a chapel of Hamilton Parish in 1731 when a new parish was created from Overwharton Parish. The church may have been destroyed during the Civil War, possibly having been unused for many years before the war. A frame church was built in 1880. It is interesting to note that the interior of this church was paneled with boards twelve to fourteen inches wide, all of different timbers native to the region. This last church burned down in 1924.