TIMMONS CEMETERY, 89-1

Summary Report

The Timmons Cemetery has perhaps the most unique appearance of any in Madison County, but certainly among those on Redstone Arsenal. It reminds the visitor of a New Orleans style cemetery, with above-ground box tombs surrounded by a large brick wall with an entrance gate. In addition to the walled area, there is an outer burial ground to the east of the gate, with at least one marked grave therein. It is possible that the walled spaces were all taken when the last of the Timmons family was to be buried, so the courtyard area was used for J. H. Timmons. [Detail in the reduced size images of this report can be viewed at 200% if using a computer to review the CD-ROM files; otherwise, a good optical magnifying glass is recommended whenever needed.]



Timmons Cemetery, Redstone Arsenal, Madison Co., AL, July, 2002.



Timmons Cemetery, Redstone Arsenal, Madison Co., AL, July, 2002.

(View inside the walled enclosure, looking to the southeast from near the north wall)



Timmons Cemetery, Redstone Arsenal, Madison Co. AL, Dec. 3, 2002

(View from atop the south wall, looking to the northwest)



Timmons Cemetery, Redstone Arsenal, Madison Co., AL, July, 2002. (Grave outside east wall.)



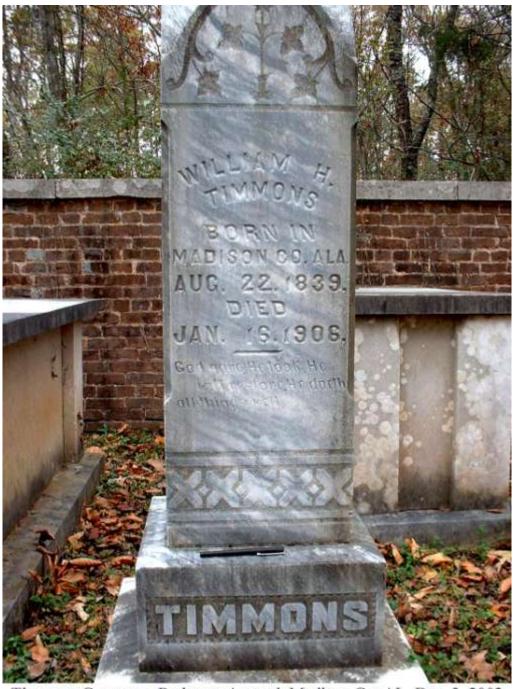
Timmons Cemetery, Redstone Arsenal, Madison Co., AL, July, 2002. (Rene Seigh at gate.)

(Overview of the walled cemetery and its "apron". It is believed that there are probably several unmarked graves within the wire fenced area and further out, to the east, where the photographer was standing for this shot.)



Timmons Cemetery, Redstone Arsenal, Madison Co., AL, July, 2002.

J.H. (John) Timmons (1868-1899) was not the patriarch of the clan in Madison County. He was a son of William H. Timmons (1839-1906), who in turn was a son of John Timmons (1790-1845). It was this early John Timmons who first came to Madison County and purchased the family lands that eventually became part of Redstone Arsenal. The senior John Timmons' grave is in the southwest corner of the walled cemetery area.



Timmons Cemetery, Redstone Arsenal, Madison Co. AL, Dec. 3, 2002



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Since John Timmons died in 1845, he is not listed in the 1850 census, which was the first in the United States to list every member's name in each household and to record the place of birth. In fact, John and his wife, Catherine ("Kittie") Quay Finch Timmons (1808 – 1840) plus 4 of their children had passed on by the time of the 1850 census, leaving their son William H. Timmons as a young orphan. William was "taken in" for a time by the nearby Hardie and Simpson families, but later his maternal "old maid" aunt Margaret L. Finch came to run the Timmons household until he reached adulthood. Even after that, she stayed on as a part of William's family until her death in 1899, as reflected in the 1880 census record below.

(EXCERPTED FAMILIES, 1880 MAD. CO. AL)

[William H. Timmons & Margaret Finch on page

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Census Place: Stevenson, Jackson, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254016 National Archives Film T9-0016 Page 92C

RelationSex Marr Race Age Birthplace

Allie P. JOYNER Self M S W 30 AL

Census Place: Stevenson, Jackson, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254016 National Archives Film T9-0016 Page 92C

RelationSex Marr Race Age Birthplace **Richard JOYNER** Self M S B 28 AL **Emily JOYNER** B 35 Sister F W AL Richard JOYNER Nephew M S ΑL

Census Place: Stevenson, Jackson, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254016 National Archives Film T9-0016 Page 92C

RelationSex Marr Race Age Birthplace Geo. W. RICE Self M W W 72 TN Orpha DUNLOP Dau F W W 38 ΤN Frank DUNLOP GSon M S W 14 AL

Census Place: Township 4, Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 131A

Birthplace RelationSex Marr Race Age Sidny BEASLEY Self M М В 38 ΑL Judy BEASLEY Wife F M В 30 AL Ella BEASLEY Dau F S В 4 ΑL 2 Jane BEASLEY Dau F В ΑL

Census Place: Township 5, Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 132A

RelationSex Marr Race Age Birthplace **Thomas LEWIS** 27 Self M M В ΑL Mahala LEWIS Wife F 26 AL M В Mollie LEWIS Dau F S В 5 ALLaura LEWIS Dau F S В 3 ΑL Frank LEWIS Son M S В 1 ΑL

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 132A

	RelationSex Marr Race		Age	Birthplace	
Frank LIGHTFOOT	Self M	M	В	34	AL
Lucy LIGHTFOOT	Wife F	M	В	24	AL
Claud LIGHTFOOT	Son M	S	В	5	AL
James LIGHTFOOT	Son M	S	В	3	AL
Waddie LIGHTFOOT	Son M	S	В	3M	AL
James LIGHTFOOT	Brother M	S	В	17	AL
Laura LIGHTFOOT	Niece F	S	В	14	AL
Stepney LIGHTFOOT	Nephew M	S	В	8	AL

Census Place: Township 5, Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 132A

Washington MILLER

Adaline MILLER

RelationSex Marr Race Age Birthplace

Self M M B 48 AL

Wife F M B 50 VA

Census Place: Township 5, Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 132A

	RelationSex Marr Race			RelationSex Marr Race Age			Birthplace
Bass LIGHTFOOT	Self M	M	В	48	AL		
Fannie LIGHTFOOT	Wife F	M	В	32	AL		
Tysen LIGHTFOOT	Son M	S	В	15	AL		
Francis LIGHTFOOT	Dau F	S	В	12	AL		
Birdie LIGHTFOOT	Dau F	S	В	3	AL		
Pauline LIGHTFOOT	Dau F	S	В	17	AL		

Census Place: Township 5, Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 132A

	RelationSex	Birthplace			
Jullan VANN	Self M	M	В	27	AL
Icie VANN	Wife F	M	В	23	AL
John VANN	Son M	S	В	4	AL
Ella VANN	Dau F	S	В	2	AL

Census Place: Township 5, Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 132A

Jerry HORTONRelationSex Marr Race
Self MAge
SBirthplace
ALMattie HORTONSister FSB18AL

Census Place: Township 5, Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 132A

RelationSex Marr Race Age Birthplace

I. A. LANIER

Mary LANIER

RelationSex Marr Race Age Birthplace

Self M S W 63 TN

Other F W B 75 TN

Census Place: Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 132A

	RelationSex Marr Race			Age	Birthplace
Ann TONEY	Self F	W	В	48	GA
Percy TONEY	Son M	Μ	В	24	AL
Olie TONEY	Dau F	S	MU	18	AL
Alexander TONEY	Son M	S	MU	11	AL
Charity TONEY	Dau F	S	MU	8	AL
William TONEY	Son M	S	MU	6	AL
Sallie TONEY	DauL F	Μ	MU	18	AL
Late TONEY	Other M	S	В	22	AL
Look HORTON	Other M	S	В	15	AL

Census Place: Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 132A

W. H. LANIER	RelationSex I			Age 60	Birthplace TN
Rena J. LANIER	Wife F	M	W	47	AL
Mollie D. LANIER	Dau F	S	W	22	AL
Rena S. LANIER	Dau F	S	W	19	AL
Lucy LANIER	Dau F	S	W	13	AL
Birdie LANIER	Dau F	S	W	17	AL

Census Place: Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 132B

	RelationSex Marr Race				Birthplace
Milton LANIER	Self M	M	В	36	AL
Rebecca LANIER	Wife F	M	В	32	AL
James LANIER	Son M	S	В	15	AL
Emily LANIER	Dau F	S	В	12	AL
Mary LANIER	Dau F	S	В	8	AL
Mattie LANIER	Dau F	S	В	6	AL
Ida LANIER	Dau F	S	В	1	AL

Census Place: Township 5, Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 132B

Jarret JONES
Self M M B 80 NC
Violette JONES
Wife F M B 69 NC

Census Place: Township 5, Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 132B

	RelationSex I	Age	Birthplace		
Albert LANIER	Self M	M	В	49	AL
Veiny LANIER	Wife F	M	В	40	AL
Jerry LANIER	Son M	S	В	12	AL
Julia LANIER	Dau F	S	В	10	AL
Charity LANIER	Dau F	S	В	8	AL

Ben Anna LANIER	Dau F	S	В	6	AL
James TONEY	SSon M	S	MU	20	AL
Virginia TONEY	SDau F	S	MU	16	AL
Thomas CAVER	Other M	S	В	22	AL
Jerry HORTON	Other M	S	В	19	AL

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 132B

	RelationSex Marr Race				Birthplace
Frank HORTON	Self M	M	В	46	AL
Margaret HORTON	Wife F	M	MU	37	AL
Alice HORTON	Dau F	S	MU	18	AL
Lacy LIGHTFOOT	Other F	S	В	18	AL
Sophiah HORTON	Mother F	W	В	65	AL
John KING	Other M	S	В	15	AL
Claricy ALLEN	Aunt F	W	В	70	AL
Leneya JORDAN	Nephew M	S	В	3	AL

Census Place: Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 132B

	RelationSex I	Marr F	Race	Age	Birthplace	
Robert LOURY	Self M	M	В	38	AL	
Kittie LOURY	Wife F	M	В	30	AL	
Levii LOURY	Son M	S	В	15	AL	
Thomas LOURY	Son M	S	В	12	AL	
Mary LOURY	Dau F	S	В	8	AL	
John LOURY	Son M	S	В	5	AL	

Census Place: Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 132B

	RelationSex Marr Race			Age	Birthplace
Faithy JORDAN	Self F	W	В	60	AL
Mary JORDAN	Dau F	W	В	28	AL
Isham JORDAN	Son M	S	В	27	AL
John JORDAN	Son M	S	В	20	AL
Lucy JORDAN	Niece F	S	В	16	AL
Moses JORDAN	GSon M	S	В	3	AL
Pompir JORDAN	GSon M	S	В	3	AL

Census Place: Township 5, Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 133C

	RelationSex Marr Race				Birthplace
George ADAMS	Self M	M	В	30	MS
Mahala ADAMS	Wife F	M	В	28	AL
Donalson ADAMS	Son M	S	В	7	AL
Jackson ADAMS	Son M	S	В	5	AL
Ada ADAMS	Dau F	S	В	3	AL

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 133C

RelationSex Marr Race Age Birthplace
Samuel GAINS
Self M M B 23 AL
Martha GAINS
Wife F M B 20 AL

Census Place: Township 5, Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 133C

	RelationSex Marr Race			Age	Birthplace
James WILLIS	Self M	M	В	48	AL
Lizzie WILLIS	Wife F	M	В	40	KY
Anna WILLIS	Dau F	S	В	20	AL
Lucinda WILLIS	Dau F	S	В	18	AL
Matilda WILLIS	Dau F	S	В	13	AL
John WILLIS	Son M	S	В	12	AL
Sallie WILLIS	Dau F	S	В	10	AL
Lizzie WILLIS	Dau F	S	В	8	AL
George WILLIS	Son M	S	В	3	AL

Census Place: Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 133C

	RelationSex Marr Race A				Birthplace
Lucy JORDAN	Self F	W	W	54	AL
Walter JORDAN	Son M	S	W	24	AL
Mary JORDAN	Dau F	S	W	22	AL
Lucidlo JORDAN	Son M	S	W	20	AL
Henry JORDAN	Other M	S	В	20	AL
Violet JORDAN	Other F	S	В	26	AL

Census Place: Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 133C

	RelationSex Marr Race			Age	Birthplace
Calvin JORDAN	Self M	M	В	52	AL
Elizabeth JORDAN	Wife F	M	В	40	AL
Joe SWAINIGAN	Other M	S	В	31	AL
Rhubun JESSIE	Other M	W	В	68	AL

Census Place: Township 5, Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 133C

	RelationSex I	Age	ge Birthplace		
Ann JORDAN	Self F	W	В	40	AL
Charlie JORDAN	Son M	S	В	16	AL
Charity JORDAN	Dau F	S	В	14	AL
Jinkens JORDAN	Son M	S	В	10	AL
Lucy JORDAN	Dau F	S	В	8	AL

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	RelationSex I	Marr F	Race	Age	Birthplace
Joseph JORDAN	Self M	M	В	42	AL
Louisa JORDAN	Wife F	M	В	40	AL
Donalson JORDAN	Son M	S	В	16	AL
Moses JORDAN	Son M	S	В	14	AL
Sherman JORDAN	Son M	S	В	12	AL
Jerry MCDONALD	SonL M	M	В	28	AL
Adaline MCDONALD	Dau F	M	В	26	AL
Willie MCDONALD	GSon M	S	В	1	AL
Mingo LANIER	Other M	S	В	50	AL

Census Place: Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 133D

RelationSex Marr Race Age **Birthplace Robert SIMPSON** Self M M В 45 ΑL Sarah SIMPSON Wife F 28 ΑL Μ В Robert SIMPSON S В 8 ΑL Son M

Census Place: Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 134A

RelationSex Marr Race Age Birthplace **Barret JACOBS** Self M M MU 28 ΑL Kittie JACOBS Wife F 20 ΑL M MU Kittie JACOBS Dau F 5M AL S MU

Census Place: Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 134A

	RelationSex Marr Race			Age	Birthplace
William SIMPSON	Self M	M	В	45	AL
Caroline SIMPSON	Wife F	M	В	45	AL
Ada SIMPSON	Dau F	S	В	8	AL
Nancy SIMPSON	Dau F	S	В	5	AL
Margarett SIMPSON	Dau F	S	В	3	AL
Cora SIMPSON	Dau F	S	В	1	AL
Sallie MURPHEY	Niece F	W	В	19	AL

Census Place: Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 134A

RelationSex Marr Race Age Birthplace Isaac RIGHT 32 Self M M В ΑL Louisa RIGHT Wife F Μ В 45 ΑL John RIGHT SSon M S В 16 AL Mary RIGHT Dau F S В 9 ΑL

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 134A

RelationSex Marr Race Age Birthplace

Ephram LYNCH
Self M M B 26 AL

Caroline LYNCH
Wife F M B 18 AL

Census Place: Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 134A

RelationSex Marr Race Age Birthplace Prince FENNEL Self M М В 28 AL Emma FENNEL Wife F M В 28 ΑL Susan FENNEL Dau F S В 4 AL Leila FENNEL Dau F S В 1 AL

Census Place: Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 134B

RelationSex Marr Race Age Birthplace Adlof SIMPSON Self M M W 24 AL Wife F W Lura Lee SIMPSON M 19 ΑL Walton SCOTT Cousin M S W 14 AL Other F Callie JORDAN W MU 23 AL Ida JORDAN Other F 2 S MU ΑL

Census Place: Township 5, Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 134B

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	RelationSex Marr Race			Age	Birthplace
Claricy HORTON	Self F	W	В	40	AL
Malinda HORTON	Mother F	W	В	63	AL
Henry HORTON	Son M	S	В	20	AL
Percy HORTON	Son M	S	В	13	AL
Walter HORTON	Son M	S	В	5	AL
George HORTON	Son M	S	В	3	AL
John HORTON	Son M	S	В	1M	AL

Census Place: Township 5, Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 134B

Birthplace RelationSex Marr Race Age Stepney LIGHTFOOT 22 Self M M В ALMattie LIGHTFOOT Wife F M В 23 ALWillie LIGHTFOOT Son M S В 2 ΑL Oclana LIGHTFOOT Niece F S В 9 ΑL Liza SRRAGGINS Other F S B 45 AL

Census Place: Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 134B

Birthplace RelationSex Marr Race Age **Emphay TIMMSON** Self M M В 25 ΑL Anna TIMMSON Wife F Μ В 35 AL Charles TIMMSON Son M S В 15 ΑL Bettie TIMMSON Dau F S В 10 ΑL

Census Place: Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 134B

Willie LYNCH
RelationSex Marr Race Age Birthplace
Self M M B 45 AL
Francis LYNCH
Wife F M B 30 AL

Census Place: Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 135C

RelationSex Marr Race Age Birthplace John JACOBS Self M M MU 40 AL Wife F Vicy JACOBS 33 M MU ΑL Jake JACOBS Son M S MU 15 AL Lizzie JACOBS Dau F S MU 11 AL Son M 9 Wesley JACOBS S MU ΑL S MU Horris JACOBS Son M 5 AL Fullen JACOBS Son M S MU 3 AL Dau F Leila JACOBS ΑL S MU 1

Census Place: Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 135C

RelationSex Marr Race Age Birthplace

David JACOBS Self M M MU 40 AL
Roberta JACOBS Wife

Roberta JACOBS Wife F M MU 29 AL
Ruthie JACOBSDau F S MU 10 AL
Walter JACOBSSon M S MU 6 AL

Census Place: Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 135C

RelationSex Marr Race Age Birthplace

Booker JACOBS Self M W MU 58 SC

George JACOBS Son M S MU 29 AL William JACOBS Son M S MU 22 AL F Lizer JACOBS Dau S MU 19 AL Prudence JACOBS Dau F S MU 16 AL

Census Place: Township 5, Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 135D

RelationSex Marr Race Age Birthplace

George TIMMINS Self M M B 25 AL Fannie TIMMINS Wife F M MU 21 AL

Census Place: Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 135D

	RelationSex Marr Race			Age	Birthplace
John SHEFFIELD	Self M	M	MU	27	AL
Amanda SHEFFIELD	Wife F	M	MU	39	AL
Yancy HORTON	SSon M	S	MU	19	AL
Virginia HORTON	SDau F	S	MU	15	AL
Celia HORTON	SDau F	S	MU	13	AL
Everett HORTON	SSon M	S	MU	12	AL
Paris HORTON	Son M	S	MU	4	AL
Ida SHEFFIELD	Dau F	S	MU	9M	AL
James GILBRETH	Nephew M	S	MU	15	AL
King GOODLOE	Other M	M	В	55	AL

Census Place: Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 136A

	RelationSex	Marr R	lace	Age	Birthplace
Thomas ROOKS	Self M	M	В	25	AL
Fronia ROOKS	Wife F	M	В	23	AL
Sipio ROOKS	Son M	S	В	4	AL
Hayes ROOKS	Son M	S	В	2	AL
Jerry ROOKS	Brother M	S	В	11	AL
Pollie ROOKS	Mother F	W	В	50	AL
Willie TIMMONS	Other M	S	В	19	AL

Census Place: Township 5, Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 136B

	RelationSex I	Marr F	Race	Age	Birthplace	3
Chock TIMMONS	Self M	M	В	28	AL	
Rose TIMMONS	Wife F	M	В	25	AL	
Ada TIMMONS	Dau F	S	В	4	AL	
Eugene TIMMONS	Son M	S	В	2	AL	

Census Place: Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 136B

	RelationSex	Age	Birthplace		
Sylus LYNCH	Self M	M	В	26	AL
Mollie LYNCH	Wife F	M	В	20	AL
Elliott LYNCH	Son M	S	В	4	AL

Census Place: Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 136B

	RelationSex I	Marr F	Race	Age	Birthplace
Wesley J. LANDMAN	Self M	M	W	43	AL
Marian LANDMAN	Wife F	M	W	31	AL
Mattie LANDMAN	Dau F	S	W	8	AL
Virginia LANDMAN	Dau F	S	W	6	AL

Nancy LANDMAN	Dau F	S	W	4	AL
Refave LANDMAN	Son M	S	W	2	AL
Lucinda TIMMONS	Other F	M	B	45	AL
Frank TIMMONS	Other M	M	В	61	AL
Marian TIMMONS	Other F	S	В	9	AL
Joseph TIMMONS	Other M	S	В	8	AL
Mark GUNNAL	Other M	S	В	25	AL

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 136B

	RelationSex N	RelationSex Marr Race			
Frank JACOBS	Self M	M	MU	25	AL
Liza JACOBS	Wife F	Μ	В	25	TN
Madora JACOBS	Dau F	S	В	8	AL
Francis JACOBS	Dau F	S	В	1	AL

Census Place: Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 137C

 Zeb. JOINER
 Self M
 M MU
 23
 AL

 Lizzie JOINER
 Wife F
 M MU
 22
 AL

 Arthor JOINER
 Son M
 S MU
 7M
 AL

Census Place: Township 5, Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 137C

	RelationSex Marr Race		Age	Birthplace	
James LACY	Self M	M	MU	40	AL
Prissilla LACY	Wife F	M	MU	39	AL
Nellie LACY	Dau F	S	MU	18	AL
Wyatt LACY	Son M	S	MU	14	AL
Amanda LACY	Dau F	S	MU	12	AL
Margaret LACY	Dau F	S	MU	10	AL
Francis LACY	Dau F	S	MU	8	AL
Thomas LACY	Son M	S	MU	6	AL
Edith LACY	Dau F	S	MU	4	AL
Russel LOWE	Other M	Μ	В	41	AL
Flora LOWE	Other F	Μ	В	29	AL
Anna LOWE	Other F	S	В	8	AL
Sophia LOWE	Other F	S	В	6	AL
Matilda LACY	Mother F	W	MU	60	AL

Census Place: Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 138A

	RelationSex Marr Race				Birthplace	
Munroe TIMMONS	Self M	M	В	36	AL	
Harriet TIMMONS	Wife F	M	В	23	AL	
Gracie TIMMONS	Dau F	S	В	2	AL	
Charles HOGAN	Other M	S	В	22	AL	

Census Place: Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 139C

RelationSex Marr Race Age Birthplace Elisia JOINER Self M M MU 58 ΑL Silvia JOINER Wife F 53 ΑL Μ В Julie TIMMONS Aunt F W В 88 ΑL

Census Place: Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 139C

	RelationSex I	Marr R	lace	Age	Birthplace
Tusese SHEREDAN	Self M	M	В	28	AL
Lucy SHEREDAN	Wife F	M	В	30	AL
John SHEREDAN	Son M	S	В	8	AL
Wiley SHEREDAN	Son M	S	В	7	AL
Lizzie SHEREDAN	Dau F	S	В	5	AL
Thomas SHEREDAN	Son M	S	В	4	AL
George SHEREDAN	Son M	S	В	2	AL
Turner SHEREDAN	Son M	S	В	2M	AL
Joseph SHEREDAN	Brother M	S	В	23	AL

Census Place: Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 139C

RelationSex Marr Race Age Birthplace Felix JOINER Self M M В 24 ALMillie JOINER Wife F M MU 23 AL Richard JOINER Son M S MU AL 4 Parthanna JOINER Dau F S MU 1 AL

Census Place: Township 5, Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 139C

RelationSex Marr Race Age Birthplace Wesley GRAHAM 35 Self M М В AL Levii GRAHAM Father M 60 M В ΑL Mother F В 60 ΑL Rilla GRAHAM M Benie GRAHAM Son M S В ΑL 6

Census Place: Township 5, Madison, Alabama

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RelationSex Marr Race Age Birthplace **Elisia TIMMONS** Self M М В 28 AL 25 Liza TIMMONS Wife F M В ΑL Henry TIMMONS Son M S В 7 ΑL Martha TIMMONS Dau F S В AL 1

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 139D

	RelationSex I	Birthplace			
Andrew TIMMONS	Self M	M	В	72	SC
Gracy TIMMONS	Wife F	M	В	60	AL
Ellen TIMMONS	Dau F	S	В	28	AL
Amanda TIMMONS	Dau F	S	В	24	AL
Jackson TIMMONS	Son M	S	В	22	AL
Henry TIMMONS	Son M	S	В	18	AL

Census Place:Township 5, Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 139D

	RelationSex	Marr	Race	Age	Birthplace
William H. TIMMONS	Self M	M	W	41	AL
Annie TIMMONS	Wife F	M	W	43	AL
John TIMMONS	Son M	S	W	12	AL
Sophie TIMMONS	Dau F	S	W	9	AL
Margaret FINCH	Aunt F	W	W	85	SC
Edwin FINCH	Nephew M	S	W	17	AL
Elvira LYNCH	Other F	W	B	30	AL
George LYNCH	Other M	S	B	11	AL
Lucy LYNCH	Other F	S	B	5M	AL
Lella LYNCH	Other F	S	B	13	AL

Census Place: Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 139D

	RelationSex Marr Race			Age	Birthplace
George TIMMONS	Self M	M	В	75	AL
Martha TIMMONS	Wife F	M	В	55	VA
Benjamin TIMMONS	Son M	S	В	22	AL
Mary TIMMONS	Dau F	S	В	19	AL
Caleb TIMMONS	Son M	S	В	10	AL

Census Place: Township 5, Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 139D

	RelationSex I	RelationSex Marr Race Age				е
James TIMMONS	Self M	M	В	26	AL	
Lillas TIMMONS	Wife F	M	В	22	AL	
Anna TIMMONS	Dau F	S	В	4	AL	
Berta TIMMONS	Dau F	S	В	2	AL	

Census Place: Township 5, Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 139D

	RelationSex I	RelationSex Marr Race Age				
Ephram TIMMONS	Self M	M	В	42	AL	
Ellen TIMMONS	Wife F	M	В	37	AL	
Carrie TIMMONS	Dau F	S	В	16	AL	
William BURTON	Other M	S	В	30	AL	

Census Place: Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 139D

	RelationSex Marr Race			Age	Birthplace
Rollie TIMMONS	Self M	M	В	40	AL
Victoria TIMMONS	Wife F	M	В	25	AL
Luke TIMMONS	Son M	S	В	6	AL
Annanias TIMMONS	Son M	S	В	2	AL
Mary B. TIMMONS	Dau F	S	В	1	AL
Aggie TIMMONS	Mother F	W	В	70	AL

Census Place: Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 140A

	RelationSex I	Marr R	lace	Age	Birthplace
Jacob TIMMONS	Self M	M	В	50	AL
Emmerline TIMMONS	Wife F	M	В	40	AL
Moses TIMMONS	Son M	S	В	20	AL
Louisa TIMMONS	Dau F	S	В	15	AL
Jammes TIMMONS	Son M	S	В	12	AL
Sarah TIMMONS	Dau F	S	В	10	AL
Jackson TIMMONS	Son M	S	В	7	AL
Prissilla TIMMONS	Dau F	S	В	5	AL
Emmerline TIMMONS	Dau F	S	В	2	AL

Census Place:Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 140A

	RelationSex	Race	Age	Birthplace	
Isaac LIPSCOMB	Self M	M	В	27	AL
Adaline LIPSCOMB	Wife F	M	В	23	TN
Walker LIPSCOMB	Son M	S	В	6	AL
Virginia LIPSCOMB	Dau F	S	В	2	AL
May LIPSCOMB	Dau F	S	В	1M	AL
Catherin LIPSCOMB	Mother F	W	В	70	TN

Census Place: Township 5, Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 140B

	RelationSex I	Marr F	Race	Age	Birthplace
Jacob HORTON	Self M	M	В	51	AL
Liza HORTON	Wife F	M	В	36	AL
Robert HORTON	Son M	S	В	14	AL
Sachacy HORTON	Son M	S	В	9	AL
Lillie HORTON	Dau F	S	В	8	AL
Fannie HORTON	Dau F	S	В	6	AL
Isaac HORTON	Son M	S	В	4	AL
Jacob HORTON	Son M	S	В	4	AL
Will HORTON	Son M	S	В	7M	AL

Census Place: Township 5, Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 140B

	RelationSex	Age	Birthplace		
Kinch JORDAN	Self M	M	В	35	AL
Malinda JORDAN	Wife F	M	В	35	AL
Copelan JORDAN	Son M	S	В	13	AL

Susan JORDAN	Dau F	S	В	7	AL
Mike JORDAN	Son M	S	В	1	AL

Source: FHL Film 1254021 National Archives Film T9-0021 Page 140B

RelationSex N	/larr Race	Age	Birthplace
Self M	M MU	63	AL
Wife F	M MU	35	AL
Son M	S MU	22	AL
Dau F	S MU	20	AL
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Census Place: Township 5, Madison, Alabama

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Lewis MOORE	Self M	M	В	60	KY
Minerva MOORE	Wife F	M	В	45	AL
Martha MOORE	Dau F	S	В	20	AL
Francis MOORE	Dau F	S	В	10	AL
James MOORE	Son M	S	В	4	AL
Genius MOORE	Son M	S	В	1	AL

Census Place: Township 5, Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254022 National Archives Film T9-0022 Page 141D

	RelationSex I	Race	Age	Birthplace	
Joseph LYNCH	Self M	M	В	42	AL
Jane LYNCH	Wife F	M	В	28	AL
William LYNCH	Son M	S	В	11	AL
Joseph LYNCH	Son M	S	В	8	AL
Liza LYNCH	Dau F	S	В	1M	AL

Census Place: Township 5, Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254022 National Archives Film T9-0022 Page 141D

 William R. LYNCH
 Self M
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 Pollie LYNCH
 Wife F
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Census Place: Township 5, Madison, Alabama

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	RelationSex I	₹ace	Age	Birthplace		
Alex TIMMONS	Self M	M	В	40	AL	
Prudie TIMMONS	Wife F	M	В	41	AL	
Bettie TIMMONS	Dau F	S	В	9	AL	
Mary TIMMONS	Dau F	S	В	9	AL	
Elen TIMMONS	Dau F	S	В	6	AL	

Census Place: Township 5, Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254022 National Archives Film T9-0022 Page 142A

 Alex TIMMONS
 RelationSex Marr Race
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 Birthplace

 Trudie TIMMONS
 Self M
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 Wife F
 M
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 AL

Census Place: Township 5, Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254022 National Archives Film T9-0022 Page 142B

 Nicholas MOORE
 Self M
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 Sallie MOORE
 Wife F
 M
 B
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 VA

Census Place: Township 5, Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254022 National Archives Film T9-0022 Page 142B

RelationSex Marr Race Age Birthplace **Davis MOORE** Self M М B 23 ΑL Ella MOORE Wife F B 21 ΑL M Coleman MATHEWS Other M S B 28 ΑL

Census Place: Township 5, Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254022 National Archives Film T9-0022 Page 143C

RelationSex Marr Race Age Birthplace Peter LYNCH Self M M В 29 AL Anna LYNCH Wife F Μ В 24 AL S В Susie LYNCH Dau F 6 AL Bamma MOORE Other F В 20 ΑL W Sallie MOORE Other F S В 2 AL Wickliff MOORE Son M S В 2M ΑL

Census Place: Township 5, Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254022 National Archives Film T9-0022 Page 143D

RelationSex Marr Race Age **Birthplace** Isham HORTON Self M М В 56 ΑL Wife F Matilda HORTON M В 48 ΑL John HORTON Son M S В 16 ΑL S Frank HORTON Son M В 10 ΑL S William HORTON Son M В 8 AL

Census Place: Township 5, Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254022 National Archives Film T9-0022 Page 143D

RelationSex Marr Race Age **Birthplace Elsie TIMMONS** Self F W В 48 AL Cassie TIMMONS Dau F S В 19 AL Rollie TIMMONS S В Son M 16 AL

Census Place: Township 5, Madison, Alabama

Source: FHL Film 1254022 National Archives Film T9-0022 Page 143D

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William H. Timmons was not found in any household in the 1850 census of Alabama. However, by 1860 he was shown in a household of Madison County with his aunt Margaret listed as head of the household. The ages shown in 1880 and 1860 for Margaret are discrepant, which is not at all unusual in census records. The 1860 record indicates that she was born in South Carolina in 1815 or 1811, depending upon the interpretation of the age shown as either 45 or 48. The 1880 census shows that she was born in South Carolina in 1795. She was not found at all in the 1870 census.

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1860 Madison County, Alabama, census page 076: Nancy T. Graham, Margaret L. Fynch/Finch, Wm. H. Timmons (Madison Station P.O.)

The 1870 census shows William with his son John and wife Annie. No marriage record for William and Annie Eliza Timmons was found in the Madison County archives. However, family tradition states that Annie was born in Limestone County, so there could be a marriage record for them there, but it was not found in the state-wide listings or early newspaper notices. Without a marriage record, Annie's maiden surname cannot be ascertained from records acquired to date. This is one of the difficulties of genealogical research, just as mentioned before, when it was not found where Margaret Finch was enumerated (if indeed she was) in the 1870 census records.

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The marriage records of Madison County show the license for John Timmons to Catherine Quay Finch, but the "T" had been interpreted as an "S", so it was indexed under "Simmons", as are several other Timmons records, just as Finch and Lynch were apparently often confused phonetically. This particular error was pointed out to the officials at the courthouse archives, and the correction has now been annotated.

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Notes made of the Madison County marriage records for the Finch family show several early nuptials in the area with pre-arsenal pioneers:

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	John	Sarah Clemente	12-23- 1817	1-376
		Bolly Mc Johney	1-30-1822	3-149
	Henry	Sophia B. Moora	12-25-1828	3-587
~	John G.	Martha W. Herbert	11-7 - 1831	4-2
	Ernest	Mary Louise Burton	2-5-1901	26-382
**	Nancy	Wm Danfuth	7-21-1822	3-180
٠.	Catherine &	2. John Simmons	12-24-1830	3-707
ix.	Mary	Moses W. Dollar	1-12- (846	A4-104
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1810 York Co. SC page 267: Hugh Finch

It is known from later census records that Margaret L. Finch, the aunt of William H. Timmons, was born in South Carolina. The Hugh Finch shown above in South Carolina in 1810 had children of the age brackets and quantities to indicate that he may well be the progenitor of the Madison County Finch clan. Other Madison County pioneer surnames are also on the 1810 SC census page, so there may have been a large wagon train from that area to Madison County at some time in the early 1800s.

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This 1860 probate court record index seems to show Margaret Finch as an "infant heir" of Hugh Finch, but the Margaret L. Finch who was aunt to William H. Timmons was born in the 1795-1815 period, so she herself was definitely not an "infant" under 21 in 1860. Likewise, the others named in the index record were certainly over the age of 21 (not "infants", legally), so whoever made the notation on the index record should have written "heirs", rather than "infants". Careful examination of the index shows that the probate court case was actually dealing with a lawsuit between Margaret L. Finch and others versus James Finch and others. Subsequent scrutiny of the actual papers used in the probate court proceedings provided the details of the lawsuit, involving a dispute over the ownership and sale of "a Negro woman slave known as Silva" and her children. The information in the papers supports the conclusion that Margaret and James (and others named in the papers) were in fact all direct descendants and heirs of an older (deceased) Finch – most likely Hugh. Information contained in Probate Minute Book 3 per the index reference shows that Hugh Finch resided in

Madison County, but he never appeared in any census or property records of the courts. However, he was included in the list of debtors or creditors to the estate of John Finch in the 1840s.

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Madison County AL Probate Minute Book 3, page 52: FINCH

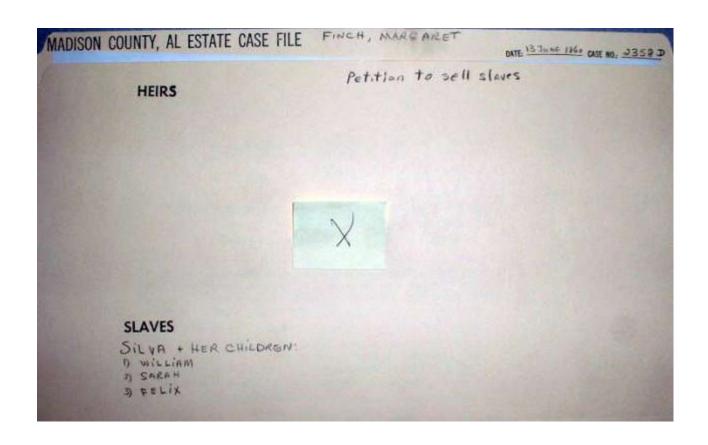
The Finch marriage records of Madison County (as shown earlier) clearly parallel the probate court case names, to indicate the names of the children of Hugh Finch who moved to Madison County in the early 1800s.

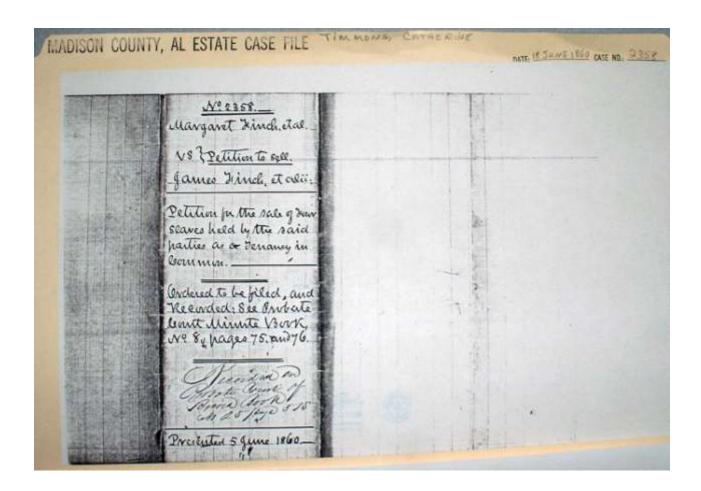
Margaret Finch's probate case file folder of June 1860 (shown below) includes the names of the slaves that she and her sister Nancy (through her husband William Danforth) petitioned the court to order to be sold so that their value could be equitably divided among the several heirs of Hugh Finch (known to be her siblings or their descendants). These heirs included Margaret's nephew William H. Timmons as one of the defendants against the petition. (Apparently, William and the others did not want to sell the slaves in question, possibly out of regard for their faithful service or from fears of seeing them purchased by less caring owners. Still, one wonders why none of the "defendants" against Margaret's petition offered to buy the slaves outright, paying the balance of their value to the other co-owners.)

Notwithstanding the disagreement over the slave question, Margaret lived in William's household in 1860 and would continue to live there until her death in 1899. Even so, she still had William summoned by the sheriff to testify in court regarding her petition to sell the slave Silva and Silva's children in order that their value could be equitably distributed among the owners in common and their descendants. The court ruled in Margaret's favor, so the slaves were sold, but the records of that sale have not yet been separated from within the very large pile of papers in the estate's probate files.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA.

TO ANY SHERIFF OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA-GREETING:
Use are hereby commanded to summon David b. Humphreys, admir de bris
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to be and appear before the Fudge of the Court of Probate of Mudison County, at
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WITNESS, JAMES H. SCRUGGS, Judge of Probate of Madison County, at Office,
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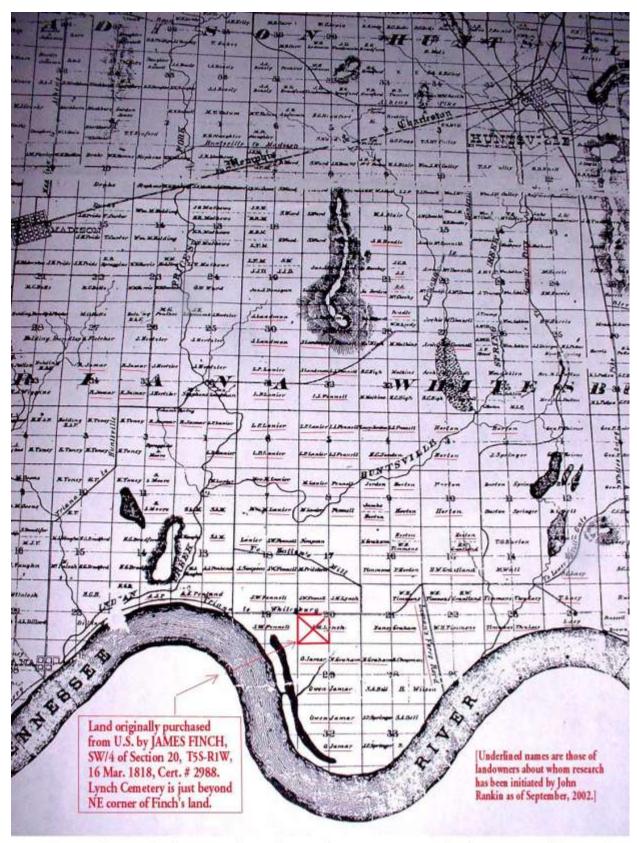
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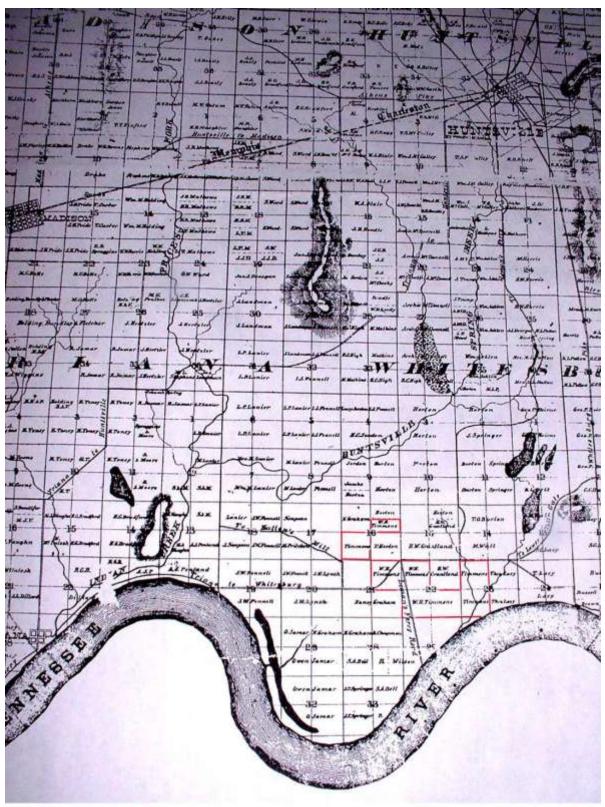
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The data included above shows that the children of Hugh Finch that held "property" (slaves) in common ("joint tenancy") included Margaret Finch, Nancy Finch (wife of William Danforth), Henry Finch, John G. Finch, and William H. Timmons as the only living descendant of Margaret's sister Catharine Q. Finch Timmons. The notes made of the Finch marriages in early Madison County further show that there was a William Finch who got married here in 1813. That indicates that he was at least a young adult, if not older. As such, he could have been another sibling of Margaret and Catherine Finch. Since William Finch was not found in further records in the county, he may have died or moved away after disposing of his share of the common "property" – or the property in question (slaves) may have been acquired by the other siblings after William departed. It was noticed in Margaret's petition to sell the slaves held in common that several members of the Finch family who got married in Madison County were living in Tennessee or in Kentucky when the petition was entered into court. Apparently, all of the Finch family lived in Madison County initially (when they got married here), and then some of them moved away.

The 1875 map inserted below shows the land that was owned for a time by various members of the Finch family, perhaps in common. The ownership began with **James**, brother of Margaret and Catherine, when he patented the parcel in 1818 from the U.S. Government. The land is legally described as the Southwest Quarter of Section 20, Township 5, Range 1 West. That parcel of land was owned by John M. Lynch in 1875, or whenever the map was prepared. Records show that John Lynch obtained the parcel of land from Hughy Smith in 1847, per Madison County Deed Book W, page 484. Hughy Smith bought the land from **Henry** Finch and his wife Sophia in 1835, per Deed Book W, page 467. This Finch land was separated from some parcels shown as owned by the Timmons family by about one mile.



1875 Map showing landowners of record in Madison County, AL (Redstone Arsenal Portion)



1875 Map showing landowners of record in Madison County, AL (Redstone Arsenal Portion)
(William H. Timmons land enclosed within red lines above.)

The original ownership of the Southwest Quarter of Section 20 in T5-R1W is shown on the Government Tract Book page inserted below. It reveals that James Finch, as an "assignee" of someone else, purchased the parcel of land on March 16, 1818, under Certificate Number 2988. It is not clear how Henry Finch came to possess the right to sell it to Hughy Smith in 1835.

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The deed executed in 1835 between Henry Finch (brother of James) and Hughy Smith of pre-arsenal lands (See Smith Cemetery, 72-2, Summary Report) was registered in 1847. It transferred the ownership of the SW/4 of S20-T5-R1W away from the Finch family:

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figned, sealed and deliver ed.
                                                 Sophis P. Finch.
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in the presence of,
MATE OF ALABARA, O THIS DAY personally appeared before me, F. B. Melson and Thomas
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Mid delivered, the within deed on the day and year therein mentioned, to the said Mug-
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                                              Monroe F. Mones. J. F.
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tace, in and for said county, and that full faith and credit are due to all their off
atel sets and deeds as such. IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my name and
iffixed the seal of said court, this 30th. day of November, 1888, and sixtleth year of
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Madison Co. AL Deed Bk W, pg 467: Hughy Smith + John & Cynthia Otey from Henry Finch

The G.W. Jones index of Madison County land transactions for Section 20 inserted below shows the subsequent transfer of the same parcel in the Southwest quarter from Hughy Smith to John M. Lynch in 1847. Until that sale was made, apparently the Finch and Smith parties had seen no need to register the 1835 deed.

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Similarly, the early Madison County land transactions by the Timmons family are consolidated in the index below:

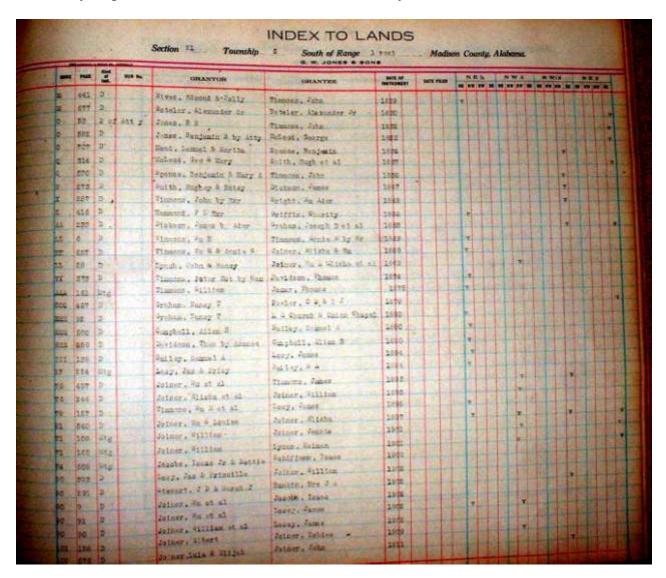
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Madison County, Alabama, Private Land Sales by TIMMONS.

The history of the land transactions in the specific area of the Timmons Cemetery is given in the G.W. Jones Section history indexes below:



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The previous insert from the Government Tract Book for Sections 19, 20, and 21 showed that John Timmons was the original owner of the West Half of the Northeast Quarter of Section 21, Township 5, Range 1 West. He purchased that parcel on September 28, 1821. This land was within a half mile of that owned by James Finch. The insert below shows other government land purchases made by John Timmons as the original owner after the United States began on February 2 of 1818 to sell what had previously been reserved to the Chickasaw, Cherokee, and Creek Indians.

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Government Tract Book, recording original land purchasers in Madison Co. AL

John Timmons also patented 1.52 acres, the entire fractional portion north of the Tennessee River, of Section 34, T5-R1W, on February 2, 1818. The details of the 1829 purchase of 80 acres of land in the East/2 of the Northeast/4 of Section 21 of Township 5, Range 1W by John Timmons are shown below. This parcel of land was initially purchased in 1818 from the U. S. Government by Edmund Rives under Certificate or Warrant 863.

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Madison County Deed Book Q, page 530, as shown below provides the details of John Timmons' 1838 purchase of 5 parcels of land, all in Township 5, Range 1W. These 5 parcels were 160 acres of the SW/4 of S21, 160 acres of the NW/4 of S28, 160 acres of the SE/4 of S20, 39 acres of the SW/4 of the NE/4 of S20, and 80 acres of the W/2 of the NE/4 of S29. The first 3 of the listed parcels were initially owned by Lemuel Mead, who purchased ("patented") the land from the U. S. Government in 1824.

Benjamin Spence & wife

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This Indenture, made this 12th of Feby in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight, between Benjamin Spence & Mary Ann his wife of the one part, & John Timmons of the other part (all of Madison County in the State of Alabama) witnesseth, that the said penjamin Spence & wife for and in consideration of the sum of three thousand dollars, to them in ham paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have this day bargained sold, aliened, enfeoffed, & conveyed & by these presents do bargain, sell alien, enfeoff, & convey unto the said John Timmons three certain tracts, parcels or quarter sections of land, situate lying & being in said County of Madison & State of

Alabama known discribed as the South West quarter of section twenty one & north West quarter of Section twe_ eight, & the South Bast quarter of Section twenty all three said quarter sections being in lownship five, Mange one West, of the Basis Meridian of said County of Madison, being the said quarter sections patented to Lemuel Mead on the first day of May one thousand eight hundred a twenty four Also, the south west quarter of North East quarter of section twenty, Town-

ship five of Mange one West, containing thirty eight acres & 79/100 & the West half of North East quarter of section twenty nine, Township five, Range one West, containing the same lying heing & situate in the county of Madison & State of Alabama. To have and to hold the above described land with the tenements & appurtenances thereto belonging or any wise appertaining unto the said John Timmons his heirs & assigns forever, and the said Benjamin Spence & Mary Ann his wife for themselves, their Executors & administrators do warrant & will forever defend the title to the above described & hereby granted premises unto the said John Timmons his heirs & assigns from & against the said Benjamin Spence & wife & all & every person or persons claiming or holding under them the said Benjamin Spence & wife, & all & every person or persons claiming or holding by from or under the Government of the United States. In Testimony where of the said Benjamin Spence & Mary Ann his wife, have hereunto set their hands & affixed their seals this the day & year above written.

Benjamin Spence (seal)

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Personally appreared before me an acting Justice of the peace, in a for the County of Madison a State of Alabama Benjamin Spence a his wife Mary Ann Spence, a acknowledged that they had signed sealed a delivered the foregoing Deed on the day of its date to the aforesaid John Timmons, and the said Mary Ann Spence, being by me examined separate a apart from her said husband, acknowledged that she had signed, sealed, a delivered the foregoing deed to the aforesaid John Timmonsson the day of its date, freely a Voluntarily, without any fear threat or compulsion of her said husband. Given under my hand a scal this 12th day of rebruary, eighteen hundred and thirty eight.

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The foregoing Deed was delived into the office of the Clerk of the County Court of Madison County in the State of Alabama for registration on the twelfth day of March eighteen hundred and thirty eight and was duly registered on the thirteenth day of March eighteen hundred and thirty eight.

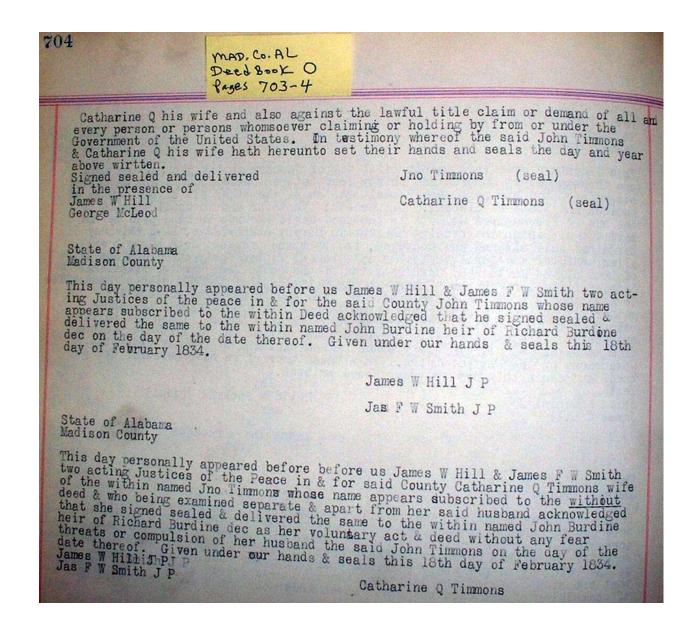
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Conversely, the 1834 sale of land by John Timmons and his wife Catharine Quay (Finch) Timmons to John Burdine (son of Richard Burdine, deceased, who was an original owner of government land in the southeastern portion of today's arsenal) is recorded in Deed Book O on pages 703 and 704. This land was bounded in part by the Tennessee River, being a fractional portion of Section 23 in Township 5, Range 1W. The nearby U.S. Highway 231 bridge is built over the Tennessee River at a place known in the 1800s as "Burdine Shoals, which was just upstream from Leeman's Ferry. Leeman's Ferry was located in fractional Section 27, near the location of "Leeman's Bluff.

John Timmons & wife

John G J Burdine

Ris Indenture made this 18th day of February one thousand eight hundred and thirty 4 between John Timmons & Catharine Q Timmons his wife of the County of Madison in the State of Alabama of the one part and John burdine heir of Richard Burdine deceased of the other part. Witnesseth: That the said John Timmons & Catharine Q his wife for and in consideration of the sum of Six hundred dollars to them in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hath this day barained, sold, aliened, enfeoffed and conveyed and by these presents doth bargain sell, alien, enfeoff and convey to the said John Burdine heir &c all that certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in the County of Madison and State of Alabama at being a part of fractional Section number twenty three in Township number five of Range number one west bounded as follows, to wit, beginning at the South East corner of said Fractional Section, thence running North North along its Eastern boundary line fifty seven chains to the Northeast corner thereof thence west along its Northern boundary sixteen chains ninety five links to a Stake, thence South sixty one chains to a corner Stake on the Margin of Tennessee river thence up the same as it meanders to the beginning and containing one hundred acres. To have and to hold the above described Tract or parcels of land with the tenements and a purtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining unto the said John Burdine heirs &c heirs and assigns forever, and the said John Timmons & Catharine Q his wife for themselves their heirs executors and administrators doth warrant and will forever defend the title to the above described and hereby granted premises unto the said John Burdine heirs &c heirs and assigns from and against the Claim of themselves and all and every person a persons claiming or holding under them the said John Timmons &

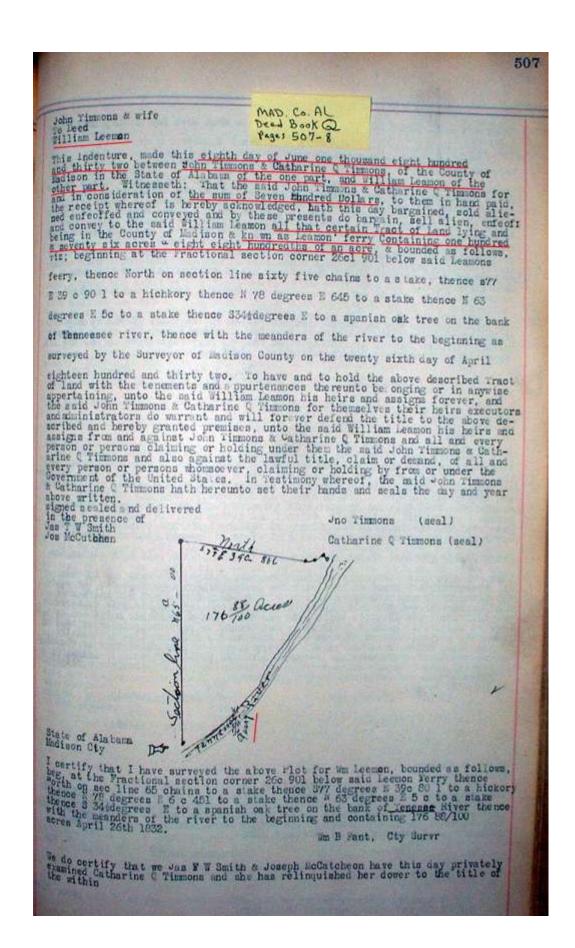


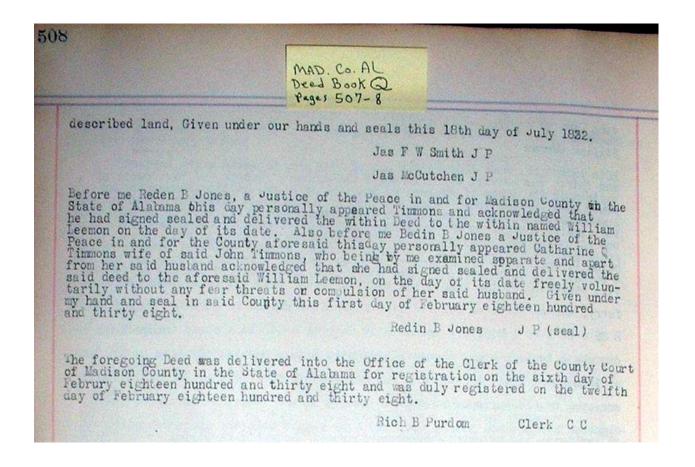
Another example, showing the sale of land by John Timmons in 1842 to Preston Capshaw, is provided below. This 304 acre parcel was in the south part of Section 14, T5-R1W, and an adjoining 22 acre tract previously sold to Alfred Howell within Section 14 was excluded by the detailed description of the bounds.

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heirs & apigns foreser and the od Solm Simmons his heirs Encenter, & ado rant & foreser will defend The little To the above dose nted premises unto the so Broton Eapshaw his heart against himself gall and every person or pe holding under The of John Timmons and also agains Lawful little Claim or demand of all and long person or The united states In Sestimeny whereof the of John Simmons sents out his hander seal the day & year abor Mahana Dersonally appeared before me Same It Hell an action Busher of the peace in and for it bounty and state John Timmons and acknowledged that he segmed sealed and de foregoing deed on the day of its date to the aforesied Reston les my hand and seal this Delay of Burch Engl The foregoing and was delivered into the office of the clim of the county of Madison County in The State of allatuma for registration day of Alexanter 1842 and was duly registered on the 218th day of December 1942 Rich 013 Portom Mee

The next deed shown below reveals the sale of land to William Leeman by John Timmons in 1832. The wording indicates that the 177 acre tract was already known by the name of "Leeman's Ferry" before the sale. The sketch in the deed even shows the ferry crossing at the river. A Joseph Leeman patented about 240 acres of land in S28-T5-R1W in the 1830s, and in 1837 he patented another 35 acres that lay within Section 33. This latter section is bounded by the river, whereas Section 28 does not include riverfronts. William Leeman was reported to have already been operating his ferry on the Tennessee River "3 or 4 miles below Ditto's Landing" in 1819. That would place the ferry most likely in Section 27. The wording of the deed shown below is somewhat indefinite about the section number, but Section 27, T5-R1W, certainly fits the criteria. In particular, subsequent maps through time have shown the location of "Leeman's Bluff" on the river in Section 27.





It is interesting that execution of the above deed (and others) was officiated by James F. W. Smith, an acting Justice of the Peace. James F. W. Smith was a son of Hughy Smith, a landowner who lived adjacent to John Timmons. Both the Smith and the Finch families, and probably the Timmons family as well, had roots in York County of South Carolina. (See the Smith Cemetery, 72-2, Summary Report.)

The inserts below show pages from Margaret Matthews Cowart's book, **OLD LAND RECORDS OF MADISON COUNTY, ALABAMA**. Mrs. Cowart produced this very authoritative and comprehensive book by using the old Government Tract Book and augmenting entries with records from the office of the Alabama Secretary of State and other sources. It shows that John Timmons was the original owner (he "patented" government land) of tracts in T5-R1W involving Sections 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, and 34. Altogether, the land that John Timmons purchased from the government in T5-R1W included about 1450 acres of what is now the southern part of the arsenal.

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In addition to managing his extensive land holdings, John Timmons served in various public capacities. The page image below from Pauline Jones Gandrud's **ALABAMA RECORDS** extract of the Madison County Chancery Court files shows that John Timmons and his neighbor Hughey Smith were appointed as Election Supervisors for the Ditto's Landing precinct in 1823. That same page shows a Robert Finch / Fench as being licensed to sell "spirituous liquor" in July of 1823. It is not known whether this Robert Finch was related to John Timmons' wife, Catharine Quay Finch.

(Min. 1823)

- Page 91 July 29, 1823. FENDALL CRUMP vs. WILLIAM PATTON as admr. of
 LITTLEBERRY ROBINSON who, in his lifetime bound himself to sell
 and convey the quarter section of land bounded east by MRS.
 BATES south by GEORGE MOSELEY and west by JOHN P. POWELL, on
 which DANIEL LONG then lived.
- Page 103 July 28, 1823. Licensed to retail spiritous liquor: THOMAS M. EDDINGTON, KINCHEN MASSENGALE, THOMAS JOHNSON, ROBERT FENCH (FRENCH or FINCK?)
- Page 104 WILLIAM B. MCCLENDON, GEORGE KELLY.
- Page 106 July 28, 1823. Petition filed by ARCHIBALD FLOURNOY, HANNAH

 SHAW, JOHN B. ROGERS as admr. of JOHN FLOURNOY dec'd. and JACOB

 K. SCOTT, legatees under the will of JAMES FLOURNOY dec'd. for division to be made by JOHN VINING, admr.
- Page 110 Ordered that the following persons supervise elections at the different precincts in Madison Co. on the first Monday in August next.

CHANCERY COURT
RECORDS, NOTATIONS
SECONDS, NOTATIONS

At Huntsville: RUFUS C. RATHBONE, SAMUEL MITCHELL, WILLIAM W. HARRIS.

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Meridianville: JOSEPH STEELE, CAPT. WILLIAM HARRIS, ROBERT
CLARK.

Leonard's: WILLIAM EDDINS, GRAVES BOULDIN, STEPHEN BILES.

Farleys: SUGARS TURNER, THOMAS BASS, THOMAS TURNER.

Trianna: WILLIAM A. SLAUGHTER, THOMAS LOVE, THOMAS ARNETT.

Ditto's Landing: SAMUEL LESLEY, HUGHEY SMITH, JOHN TIMMONS.

Brazeltown: JOEL RICE, JR., JAMES EDGE, STEPHEN DEBOW.

Griffins: ROBERT STEWART, STEPHEN MCBROOM, GRANT TAYLOR

Hillsborough: ARMISTEAD JONES, WILLIAM GRIFFIN, ROBERT WALTON.

Another example of the prominence of John Timmons in the community was his appointment in April of 1839, along with Hugh Smith, to be an "Overseer of the Poor in the muster beat commanded by Captain Ballinger". These appointments were made by the "County Commissioners of Roads and Revenue" to men chosen to provide for widows, orphans, and otherwise indigent persons in their areas of responsibility.

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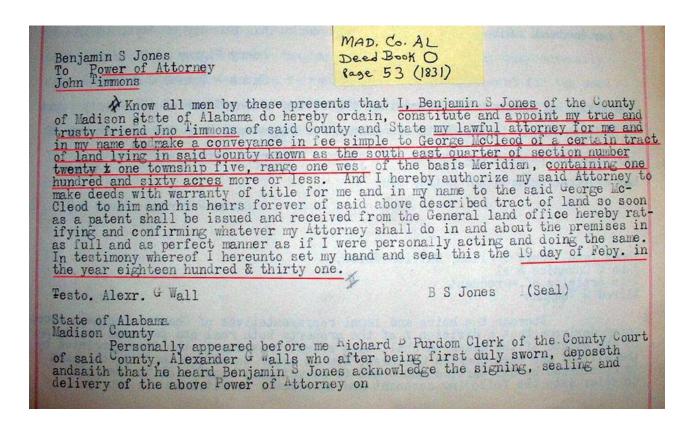
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County Commissioners!

The page image below shows where the Commissioners Court of Roads and Revenue reimbursed \$10 to John Timmons and Hughy Smith for 6 months of care to the 13-year-old "deaf and dumb" boy of Nancy Walker.

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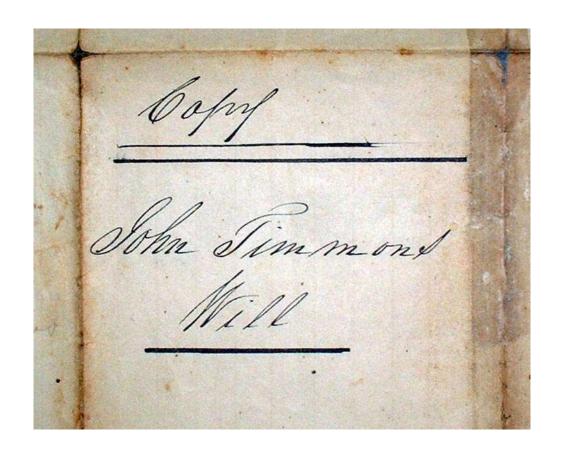
Another measure of the trust and esteem held by John Timmons in the community was record below, where he was granted Power of Attorney by Benjamin Jones in 1831 to sell a quarter section of land to George McLeod, another pre-arsenal pioneer.



The careful consideration for the provision of others by John Timmons is shown in the detail of his Last Will & Testament, as given in the inserts below. The first-inserted version of his will is in John Timmons' own handwriting. However, it was difficult to read (faded and on thin paper that bled through the image of the writing on the opposite side of each sheet), so the version transcribed into the Probate Court record book is also shown immediately afterward. It is somewhat easier to read.

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While John Timmons provided well for his family, relatives, and community within the culture of his times, he was in fact a slave owner of the Old South. The slave count on the Timmons plantation was shown in the 1840 census (on the right hand page extension), inserted below. The page is marked with red lines to show the slaves of both Hughy Smith and John Timmons. Both men were among those with the larger plantations and slave counts in the county.

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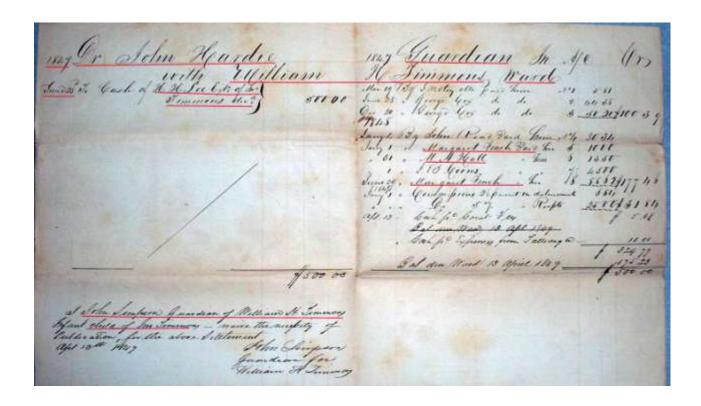
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While Houston H. Lea was in 1848 the Administrator of the estate of John Timmons, as shown by the document below, Dr. John Hardie was the initial legal guardian of John Timmons' orphaned son, William.

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William was born August 22, 1839, whereas his father John Timmons died on November 1, 1845, when William was only age 6. The document below shows that Dr. John **Hardie** was guardian of William **H**. Timmons (the "**H**" is for "**Hardie**") in 1847, but the following document shows that guardianship transitioned in 1848 to John Simpson. Oddly enough, that document also shows that John Hardie had been executor of the will of John Timmons, whereas the document immediately below shows that H. H. Lee (Lea) was executor of the will in 1847, as it accounts to H. H. Lee for the expenditures of the estate on William H. Timmon's behalf by Dr. John Hardie. Note that some of the funds were paid to Margaret Finch, who lived with William (she was his maternal aunt) and managed his household.



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John Simpson was appointed guardian of William "Hardy" (Hardie) Timmons on November of 1848, per the document immediately below. The document that follows it shows that John Simpson's guardianship continued through 1860, when William Hardie Timmons reached legal adulthood.

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The estate of John Timmons, father of William Hardie Timmons, was owed debts from many of the prominent citizens of the area, as well as by others who were not so well known. The outstanding debts are shown in the pages which follow. Note that both John Hardie and John Simpson were among those who owed debts to John Timmons. His neighbors James Dickson, Hughy Smith, and Pleasant S. Austin (a son-in-law of Hughy Smith) also owed debts to the Timmons estate, as did John's in-laws, Mr. & Mrs. Hugh Finch. Samuel C. Grubb was a debtor to the estate, but later records will show that John Timmons likewise owed an outstanding debt to Samuel C. Grubb.

It was also noted that James Cartwright owed a debt to the estate, and this man was another pioneer of the pre-arsenal lands, according to early land records. James Cartwright was believed by some to have been the first

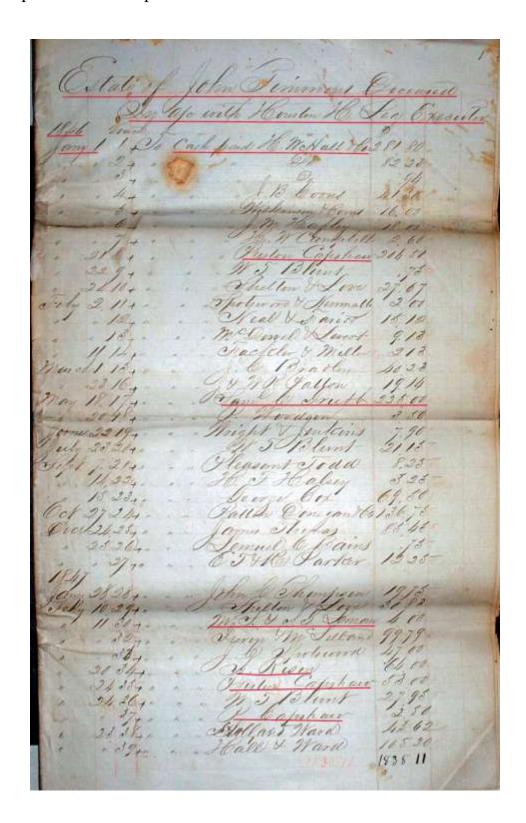
settler of the town of Madison, but that is actually not the case – in that he was neither "first", nor did he live in the town, but only near it, within a couple of miles. He apparently moved to the extreme western edge of Madison County in his later years, living on land that was bounded on the west by the county line, near where Madison was founded in 1856.

The debt of Henry W. Hall to the estate is interesting, because John Timmons' friend and the first guardian of his son (William), Dr. John Hardie, had married Mary Hall in 1828, per Madison County Marriage Book 3, page 582. Of course, Dr. Hardie also married Harriet M. Saxon per MB 4A, page 29, in 1844, and it is not known what happened to Mary Hall Hardie.

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The bill owed to Samuel Grubb by the John Timmons estate would have been appropriate to cover extensive carpentry work, such as for building a large barn or a house or something of that order. Unfortunately, the estate records do not show the reason for the debt. Still, it is interesting to speculate about the possible interrelationships between the early residents of the arsenal areas and those pioneers who settled in the nearby area that became the town of Madison.

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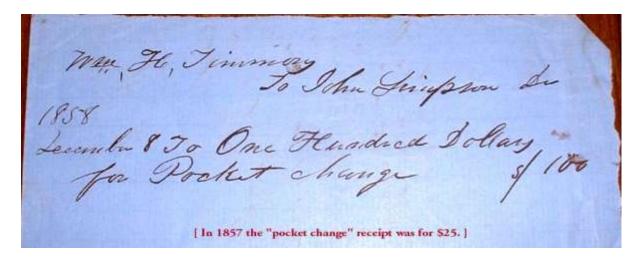
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As William Hardie Timmons grew, he obviously required some cash in hand to enjoy life. Below is one of the many receipts made to the estate administrators to account for William's "pocket change". As one can see, William was well covered with such funds, considering the value of money at the time.





The legal requirements for guardianship over William Hardie Timmons ended when he reached the age of 21, in 1860. The item below (which was previously shown) provides the receipt for posting legal notice in the August 29 issue of the local newspaper (The Huntsville Democrat) that the guardianship was going into a "final settlement".

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By the time of the 1870 census in Madison County, William Timmons was heading his own household. He was listed in the "Green Grove Post Office" area with his wife "Anne" and son John, who was given as age 2. Their household was surrounded by those of former slaves who had taken the surnames of Timmons, Lynch, and Joiner. Note that Margaret L. Finch is not included in the household in 1870. However, she is listed in William's household in 1880, and she died in 1899, before the 1900 census was taken. It is not known where Margaret was living during the time of the 1870 census, but she may well have been visiting with her siblings who lived in Tennessee or Kentucky at that time.

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The 1900 census showed that William's household no longer included his aunt, Margaret L. Finch (who had recently died), nor his nephew Edwin, who appeared with them in the 1880 census. Likewise, none of the children of William and Annie were listed in the household. The census shows that Annie had given birth to 6 children, of whom only 1 was still living at the time of the census. (That one was Sophie / Sophia, who had married David C. Jordan in 1896. She was born in 1871 and still living in Guntersville in 1951, when she wrote letters to arsenal officials to demand maintenance of the family cemetery.) Son John H. Timmons had died in April of 1899, per his tombstone. (Information provided by descendants indicated that the family had problems with tuberculosis.) The William Timmons household in 1900 included John's widow, Elizabeth, listed as the daughter-in-law of William. Also listed were Elizabeth's children, properly shown as grandchildren of William.

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While William Timmons served in the Confederate Army as a Corporal of Company H of the 9th Tennessee Cavalry during the Civil War (see page excerpted from C. R. Wells' book, THE VALIANT SURVIVORS, as inserted below), he never received the intended Confederate Iron Cross on his grave. That can be deduced from the fact that no number was ever assigned for his cross, so it was never ordered and emplaced at his grave. However, the war years and the records that followed give some insight into William's character. Soon after the end of the war, William Timmons sold land to several former slaves. There is ample proof that some freed slaves eventually were able to purchase their own land from other landowners, but often the land was priced at a premium when sold to the black race, as opposed to sales to members of the white race. However, William sold land at market value to his black neighbors, negotiating the price per acre at basically the same as when he sold land to white purchasers.

THE VALIANT SURVIVORS -- The United Confederate Veterans of Madison County, by C. R. Wells (1998)

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Sgt Andrew J. TIPTON Co "C" 50th AL Inf. Gurley City Cemetery Marker # 357 1833=1907,

Capt. Hugh L. TONEY Co "D" 36th VA Inf. Madison Cross Roads Cem. Marker # 15Sep1837=9Jan1908,

Pvt. E. J. TRAVIS Co "G" 2nd TN Cav. Ready Family Cemetery Marker # 1850=1940,

2nd. Lt. Yancy P. TROTMAN Co "E" 35th AL Inf. Farley-Crutcher Cemetery. Marker # 1821=1891, Madison County Deed Book KK, pages 627 - 628, records the sale in 1869 by William Timmons of land to William Joiner, Elisha Joiner, and James Timmons -- all of whom were former slaves who had probably worked the same 55 acres that he sold to them for \$637.98 (\$11.60 per acre).

MAD. Co. AL Deed Book KK Pages 627-8 Miam Ho Timmions, and Annasimmons The County of madison and State of Alabama, and William Jainer, Elisha itnesseth, That whereas the parties of the for and in consideration of the sum of six hundrid & thirty Seven 98/100 Dollars to Their in hand paid, The which is hereby acknowledged, have this day bargained and Sold, and by Thise presents, dath, bargain, Sell, enfeoff and Convey unto the aforesaid William Joiner isha fainer and fames simmons, their heirs and assegns and designated as follows; The fractional part of the North The North west Quarter of Section No 22, in Foundhip Mo. 5. of Range No, 1. west of The Basis Meredian, and, described as follows (Niz) Beginning at a Stake Sixteen (16) chairs

628 west from the north bast corner of the South & ast Quarter of Section no. 21, Iwenty one, East of and near a Fast our Tree, runing thence Fast along the Quarter section line Jun(10) Chains to a Stake, Thence North bight (8) chains to a Stake There North 39 50 wet Three 4 50 (345 chains to a Stake in The Friana & Whitesburg to ad, Shine North thirty Eight & 9/1 + 38 9/4 + East Thirty dix & 19/10 (36 1/100) Chains along the Center of Said Friana & Whitesburg Road, Thence west with Section line, Iwenty dix (26) Chains to a Stake, Thenew South Twenty Three (23D) west, Nine Chains (9), Thence South Four tune (He) & ast, &ight , 50/100 (8 - To) Chains to a Stake nears North of a pond, Thence south Junty dix 4 /4 (26 /4) East four + 50/100 (450/00) Chains to a Stake in The Friance & Whiteburghous Thence South Swenty Nine + for (29/11) west, Nine + 17 Chains to the place of beginning, and containing in all stifty five 84/00 (50% weres more or kip, and deterated in Vowership & Garge aforedaid, of The country of madison in the elale afore said, To have mathe to the Said William toiner, blisha toiner and James binnen ₹X∞ 7X all (coloured) Their heirs and assigns forever, together with a The rights, privileges appartenances thereinto belonging orin Book 627 any wise apportaining, and the exist first parties forthingers Their heirs executors, administrators and assigns, do humb and by these presents, will lorson sorrant and define the daid tille from Themselves Their hoirs, and from all and ion person or persons whotsoever; In the limony whereof the land first parties have heremortedet their hands, and affixed Their Seals, The Seals being der des. The day day and year above written. 1. 76, Jimmon Gus Signed Lealed and delivered Annie & Timmon for in the presence of an seling of The Perce in and for madwin County, ala, Lest, R. D. Wilson, J. O. - (Stamped 19)-Made of Alabama, & Robert D Wilson, a Justice of the Madison County 3, Deace for Said County, do hereby con fy, that William Ho Vinnonous and his wife Annie & Vin mons, whose name are digned to the foregoing county and who are known to me, acknowledged before myon day that being informed of the contents of the conougand They executed the Same Soluntarily on the day the Same bears date, liven under my hand the ste 6th day of for Co.D. Milson, J.B.

Deed Book TT, pages 19 - 20, shows the sale of land by William Timmons to Peter Timmons, another former slave of the family. This sale likewise occurred in 1869, with the land priced at \$900 for 100 acres (\$9 per acre).

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William Timmons also set up a "land trust" for his wife in 1869, as a protected repayment for \$3000 that he had taken from her in 1861, when the Civil War began. That money was probably used to help finance his part in the war, and possibly to provide finances to the overall Confederate cause.

Court of Austism County alabama, for Registration on the July 1sty. Judge of Produte 3 My State of Alabana madison County William H Symmous Thereas The undersigned will To Deed of Frust William Weeden, South 3 am 16 Vinnous, Received the 3 dune of Three Thousand Dollar in 1861, the Separate Estate of his wife Anna &, and appropriated, and used the dame in his own behalf And whereas The Said William Ho Simmons is Anxions and desirous to indemnify his Said wife for this on propriation of Said Arrie Spousand Dollars, And whereas, The Said William to Firemon, it further and - cous to make duitable and reasonable provision for his Said Wite and hamily against the accidents and the cusiledes of lite, And whereas The aid From ben dont to accept, This Conveyance, in full Satisfaction and discharge of the aforedaix Three Thousand Dollars Now Musefore in Consideration of The premises, this Industries made and entered into this 5" day of fune 1867, by and between the Said William If Vinemon of the first part, and William Weeder, as brushe daid Anna & Vinemans, of the Second part, all of sail County and Mate, Mullith, That the daid party of the first part, dothe hereby grant bergain and bell alia enfest and Convey unto the Said party of the Second put dis drustee as aforesaid, the sollowing Leveribed real fitate "a Section 16, all at N.E. "4 of Section 21, except the Genal part of Said Quarter, Sold by Said Finewent to I Joiner thicka Joiner and James Timmons ducite by mele and bounds, as follows, beginning at a State disteen Chains weet, from the north fast Corner of the South bast Quarter of Sec, twenty one, on the Quarter Section line, Running Theree worth twenty mices and a quarter degrees fact, mine Chains, and town of a Chain to a Stake, Thence north twenty dia & a digra West, fourth Chains, There north fourteen degree West, nine Chains, Thence north twenty shree degrees Come Where Chains, Thence back, to the South but Corner & dee, twenty one, Thence douth along Section line to the Whiteburg & Friana Road, Thene Southers west, along treams and Whiteburg Road 18 7 chairs, Thean

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It is noteworthy that William Timmons "made right" his debt owed to his wife for the war as soon after its end as he was able. When he set up this arrangement with William Weeden as Trustee, William Timmons was still young, being only 30 years old. He actually lived until 1906, so this action was not taken in anticipation of an impending demise. It apparently was simply what it purported to be — a way for William to assure that his wife and children were covered adequately for future needs, no matter what happened to him. William Hardie Timmons made no last will and testament before he died, per the record filed below with the Madison County Probate Court.

TO THE HONORABLE W. T: Lawler.

JUDGE OF PROBATE FOR MADISON COUNTY, ALABAMA: Your petitioner, David C. Jordan, an inhabitant of this State, over twenty-one years of age, respectfully represents that William H. Timmons departed this life intestate, on or about the 16th, day of January 1906, leaving property in this State, to the best of petitioners knowledge, information and belief, of about the value of Twinty fine franklishing dollars, and not probably more; that said William H. Timmons was an inhabitant of this County at the time of his death. That your petitioner is the son-in-law of deceased; that the heirs and distributees of the estate of said decedent, as your petitioner is advised and believes, are as follows; Sofie Jordan, a daughter of deceased, 33 years of age and residing with her husband Dr. D. C. Jordan, in Guntersville, Ala. Lizzie Timmons, a daughter-in-law of deceased, 35 years of age, wife of John Timmons, now deceased, rediding at Farly Cla Eugene Timmons, a grand-son of deceased, 12 years of age, now residing with his mother Lizzie Timmons at Farly, Cla, Hardie Timmons, a grand-son of deceased, 10 years of age, now residing with his mother Lizzie Timmons at Farly Ula, Irma Timmons, a grand-laughter of deceased, 8 years of age, now residing with her mother Lizzie Timmons at Farly, Cla, WHEREFORE, your petitioner prays that letters of administration upon the estate be granted him according to law, upon his giving the requisite bond and security.

D.G. Jordan.
Petitioner.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 28 day of March 1906.

Wy Lawler

Judge of Probate

The Farley community, where the widow of John H. Timmons (Lizzie) lived with her children, was located on Green Cove Road, on the east side of Highway 231 just north of Ditto Landing and Hobbs Island. The community took its name from Dr. John Benton Farley, who was from the town of Madison before he opened his medical practice in his house near the banks of Aldrich Creek in the community that became Farley. Dr. Farley was murdered there, according to newspaper accounts, and he is buried in the Farley – Crutcher family cemetery in the town of Madison.

At the time of the petition to the probate court regarding the death of William Hardie Timmons, Sophie Timmons Jordan was the only surviving child of William and Annie Timmons. She lived with her husband Dr. David C. Jordan in nearby Guntersville, in Marshall County. In fact, Sophie continued to visit the Timmons family cemetery and assure that the Army offices managed the grounds properly until at least 1953 or 1954. In one letter, she stated that she visited the cemetery every 6 months. On several occasions she wrote letters requesting that trees be cut from the cemetery or that access steps be prepared or the walls rebuilt. The 1951 letter shown below includes a request for help with emplacement of a concrete slab over the grave of her brother, John H. Timmons, who was the husband of Lizzie and father of the children named above as living in Farley, Alabama.

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mis. Sophie Timmons Jordan or address-Mrs. D. Sordan 198 Hill 57. Guntersville - ala The family group sheets below, filed with the Huntsville – Madison County Public Library's Heritage Room by Margaret Lowe of Florence AL in 1983, show that Lizzie **Latham** Timmons remarried to William Robertson Beadle in 1910. William R. Beadle is given as the 4th child of Thomas Beadle and Annie Eliza Brewer.

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The 1930 Madison County census shown below has Elizabeth Beadle living as a widow in the Huntsville household of her son-in-law, Hamer W. Hodges and his wife Irma T(immons) Hodges.

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TO

H. HOLMES CREBS

This Indenture made and entered into, the sirst day of February 1913 by and between Samuel A. Latham as Commissioner of the one part, and H. Holmes Crebs of the other part.

WITNESSETH:
That, whereas, heretofore on the first day of October 1912 Lizzie T. Beadle, as Guardian of William Hardy Timmons and Irma Rebecca Timmons filed her certain petition in the Court of Probate of the County of Madison, State of Alabama, averring therein that the William Hardy Timmons, Irma Rebecca Timmons, Eugene Rison Timmons and Sophie T. Jordan were joint owners of the tracts of land hereinafter particularly described, and praying for the sale thereof, for partition and division amongst said joint owners as by Statute

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And whereas, on the fifth day of November, 1912 the day fixed for the hearing of said pattrion, a degree was rendered therein whereby it was crudered adjudged and degreed that the said lands be sold for division and partition amongst said joint owners and said farmel A. Lathan was duly appointed as Commissioner, as by statute provided, to make sale of said lands. And whereas, the said farmel A. Lathan as particularly shown by his said Seport, filed in said Court of Probate on the sixteenth day of January 1915, made sale of said lands at public outery for each on Thursday, the said sixteenth day of January 1915 in front of the Court Nourse Dear in the City of Numberville in said County and at the and at said sale H. Holbes Crebbs became the purchaser thereof at and for the sum of Fourteen Thousand three Landred and firty Dollars (\$14,350.00) that being the last highest and best bid therefor.

And whereas The said Namuel A. LaTham as such Commisseioner duly reported said sale to the said Court or Probate on the said sixteenth day of Jamary, 1915 resiting therein his astion

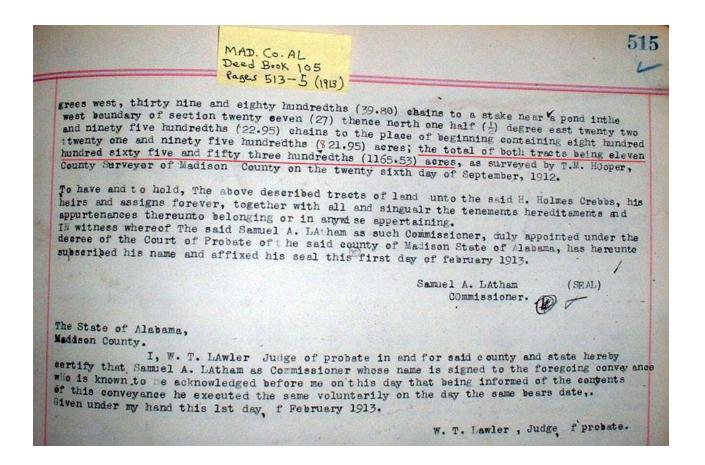
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Now therefore The said Samuel A. Lathes as such Com-missioner heretofore appointed under a decree of the said court of Probate for and con-sideration of the said sum of POURINER THOUSAND THESE HUNDRED AND PIPTY DOLLars (\$14,350. 00) in hand paid The receipt whereof is hereby acknowled od and as by the decree of asid Court of Probate required and directed has this da given granted sold and conveyed and by these presents does give grant bargain sell and convey unt, the N. Holmes Crebbs, all the right title interest and estate of the said William Mardy Timmons I'ma Rebecom Timmons Sugers Hear Timmons, and Sophie T. Jordan, In and t the lands so deserbed in said petition and in said degree and report of sake, situated in the county of Madison State of Alabams, and particularly described as follows:

All of the lands known as the Timmons Place with the exception of one quarter of an acre included in and contiguous to the family cemetery with a right of way therete and more particularly described as follows:

west quarter and south west part of the south east qur ter section sixteen (15) twonship five (5) range one (1) west and the west part of the north east digreter section twenty one (21) temmship five (50 range one (1) west and the north west quarter and south west quar-(21) township five (50 range one (1) west and the north west quarter and south west quarter section twenty two, (22) township five (5) range one (1) west and the west part of the south west quarter section twenty three (25) township five (5) range one (1) west lying north of the Tennessee River; and the North part of section twenty saven (27) township five (5) range one (1) west and sore fully described as follows; Beginning in the south west sormer of section sixteen (15) thence went one half (5) degree west, forty and fifty hundredths (40.50) chains to the center of the west bounds ry of said section; thence south eighty nine and one half (50) Degrees east forty and fifty hundredths (40.50) chains to the center of said section; thence south one half (6) the content of the counter resident librate as (4) Degree west, fifteen (15.00) chains along the quarter section line, to a one RMF (*) Degree wort, fifteen (15.00) chains along the quarter section line, to a stake, thence south eighty nine and one half (80) degrees east, tenty five (25.00) chains to a stake near Rock Pond; thence south one half (*) degree west, twenty five (25.00) draine to a stake on the south bournary of the eaction; thence southeighty nine and one half (*0½) degrees east, four and twenty hundredths (4.20) chains along the section line to a stake in "Hilliam Joiner's sorner; thence south twenty three (21) degrees west, nine (9.00) chains to a stake; thence south fourteen (14) degrees east eighty and fifty hundredths (8.50) chains to a stake in the center of the old reads; thence south twenty nine and one fourth (201)degree west nine and sixty seven hundredths (8.50) chains to a stake in the center of the old reads; thence south twenty nine and one fourth (201)degree west nine and sixty seven hundredths (8.57) chains along said bread to a stake in the cent and west duarter section reach, theres south twenty nine and one fourth (29%) degree went nine and sixty seven harderetthe (9.57) chains along said read to a stake in the cast and west quarter section line; there enoth eighty nine and one half (90%) degrees went twenty futer and fifty hundred the (24.50) shains along the quarter section line and the center of the public root to the center o section tensity one (21) thence north or a half (b) degree east, thirty nine and fifty one hundred the (39.50) chains to the center of the north boundary line; thence north eighty nine and one half degrees (89.) west forty and fifty hundred the (40.50) chains to the place of beginning containing three hundred thirty four and rifty seven hundred the (534.57) agree.

Also another tract beginning in the south west corner of section twenty two (22) ; themse morth one half (2) degrees east, sixty one on fifty two hundredths (61.52) chains, to a stake in the center of the old road; themse north thirty sixt and three fourths (36.5/4) degrees east twenty two an eighty hundredths (22.30) chains, along the road to a stake in the north boundary of section twenty two (220 themse south eighty nine and one half (20) degrees east, forty six and forty seven hundredths (46.47) chains to a stake in the center of the morth boundary of he north east quarter; themse south one half (4) degrees east boundary of the north east quarter; thense south eighty nine and one half (20) degrees east foury eight and fifteen hundredths (40.15) chains to a stake in the quarter section line forty eight and fifteen hundredths (40.15) chains to a stake in the quarter section line forty eight and fifteen hundredths (40.15) chains to a stake in the quarter section line forty eight and fifteen hundredths (40.16) chains to a stake in the quarter section line forty action thereof the east describe the fifty of the first of the content of the first of the first of the content of the first of the first of the content of



The deed above records the disposition of the old Timmons Place to H. Holmes Crebbs, passing the lands out of the Timmons family forever. Samuel A. Latham was acting as the Commissioner of the Probate Court for the transaction. At the time of the sale in 1913, the property consisted of 1165.53 acres, excluding the family cemetery and a reserved right of way for access to the cemetery. The Crebbs family mortgaged the property to the W. R. **Rison** Banking Company in 1916, but the mortgage was fully paid in 1918 by H. Holmes Crebb. One can only speculate about the recurrence of the names **Rison** (banking company and Eugene **Rison** Timmons) and **Latham** (Probate Court Commissioner and Lizzie's maiden name). One thing is certain, however. The family retained the rights to the family cemetery -- and at least Sophie Timmons Jordan continued to visit the old cemetery regularly for many years.

H H LMES C EBS & WIFE MORTGAGE OLLIE H CREBS 14 March 1916 14 March 1916 Mattie Lee Gilliam NP W R RISON BANKING COMPANY 15 Mgrch 1916 MTG 138 548 12000 Nov 1 1916 ... do grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the sad W R Rison Banking Company the following described real estate situated in Madison County to wit;
All of the land known as the Timmons place with the exception of one fourth of an acre consisting of the Family grave yard, cemetery or burying ground and the right of way thereto.... and the northwest quarter and the southwest quarter and the southwest quarter and the south east quarter and the west half of the northeast quarter of section 22, township 5 Range 1 West (and other lands)

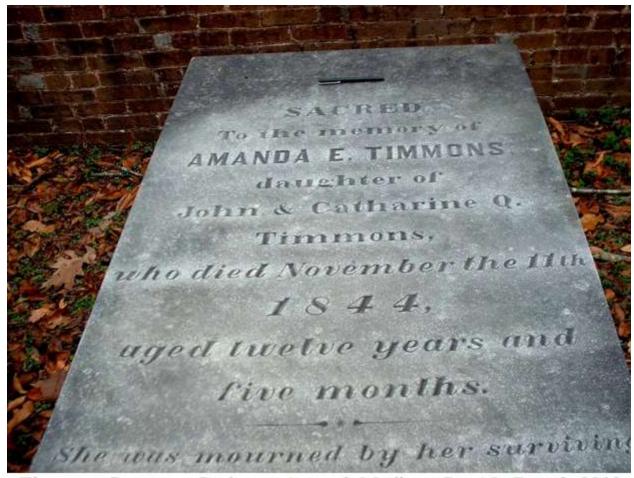
To have and to hold unto the said W R Rison Banking Company its successors, representatives and assigns, in fee simple forever...

full this the 20th day of Mch 1918 W R Rison Banking Co
By R H Canterberry Asst Cash."

The photos inserted below show the detail of the markers and tombs for each of the family members not already depicted in this report.



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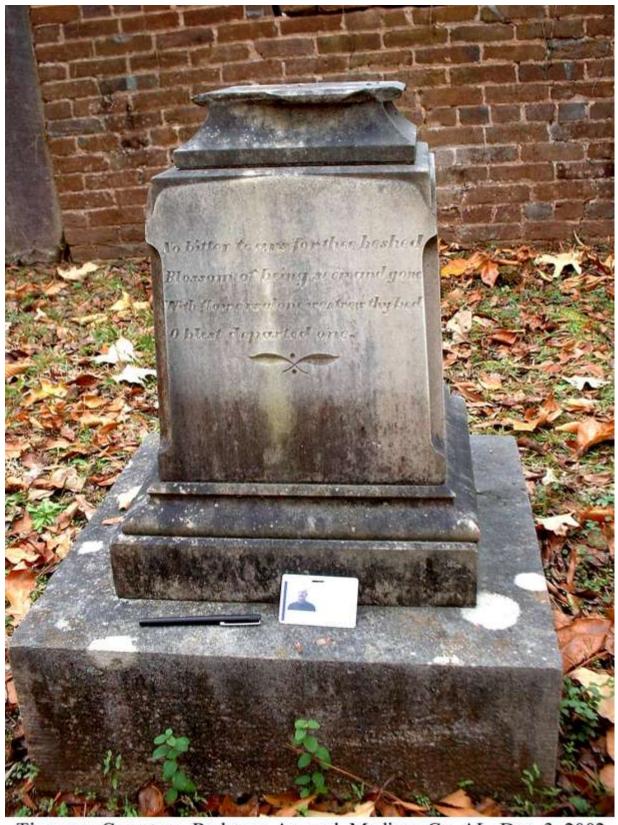
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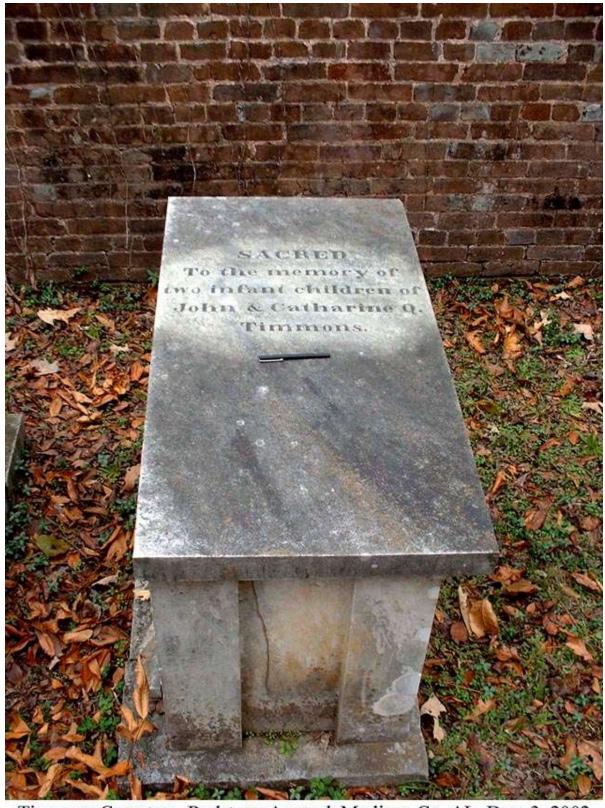
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Timmons Cemetery, Redstone Arsenal, Madison Co., AL, July, 2002. (Rene Seigh in possible grave depression outside west wall.)

As a final item, it is interesting to note that a Finch descendant reported that oral tradition has held that the Timmons family "had a lot of trouble with tuberculosis". That could easily explain why so many of the children of John Timmons and Catharine Quay Finch died young, before modern medicines could have saved their lives from the disease. The story as communicated indicates that the walled cemetery was perhaps used for a time in the 1960s or 1970s for occult activities, as it was hidden in a wooded area, as well as walled to prevent unwanted observations from outside.

E-MAIL FROM WANDA YELVERTON OF TAYLOR LAKE VILLAGE, TEXAS (September 13, 2002)

Dear John,

Ned showed me the e-mail from you and I was tickled to learn that you were doing the cemeteries on the Arsenal. I have a connection there. In 1970, when we lived in Huntsville, Mother learned that a relative was buried in the Timmons cemetery and she, Melody and I set out to find her grave. We stopped at the Guard Shack and asked the guard if he knew where the Timmons Cemetery was. He said, "Oh, yes, we have seances there."

Needless to say, Mother and I were not too impressed, but we did want to find the cemetery, so I asked if he could give me directions to get there. About that time another guard came up so the first told me that he was finished for the day and would be glad to let us follow him to the location.

When we got there, he asked if anyone in the cemetery was a blood relative, and I told him "Yes, Margaret L.Finch was her name". He then told me if I would give him anything that belonged to me, he could get her to "come out" faster! At that, I explained that I did not have anything to do with the occult, and I would not help him to be. He left very disappointed. We went up, and I took pictures of the brick enclosure, but my Margaret Finch did not have a marker. Several months passed, and I was at a dry cleaners at the corner of Drake and the Parkway, and would you believe, I met him inside. He recognized me and began to ask for even a Kleenex to use at the seances. I again told him no, and he left.

Here is what I have on the Timmons:

Hugh Finch, my gggg uncle, Margaret's father, and Elizabeth Quay his wife moved to Limestone or Madison Co. AL about 1815. They had a daughter Catharine Quay (born 1800 in SC) who married John Timmons, who was born in 1790. Hugh Finch died 13 Oct 1842, and his wife died after 1850. John Timmons died Nov 1, 1845. Catharine died Aug 12, 1840.

John Timmons and Catharine had William Hardie, b. Aug 22, 1838, died Jan. 16, 1906. He married Annie Eliza, b. July 6, 1835, died June 7, 1905. William Hardie was raised by his Aunt Margaret Finch, and she died in his home Aug. 3, 1899. (So says the obituary.) William Hardie and Annie Eliza had Kitty Quay, b. Nov 11, 1861, died June 18, 1862. Then Eugene, b. Dec. 22, 1865, died Feb. 21, 1870. Next, J.H., b. Feb. 6, 1868, died Apr. 11, 1899. Wm. Hardie and Eliza named a daughter Margaret Ann, b. Oct 1833, died Aug 6, 1836. The last daughter, Amanda E., died Nov. 11, 1844.

All this information is from Ruby Finch Thompson, who wrote **FINCH FAMILIES OF DIXIE**. I am copying from the letter to Mother. In another letter she thanks Mother for the drawing of the cemetery. I do not know if Mother sent the only drawing she had, but it is not in her papers. I know that we took pictures, but they may be in our slides, and I will have to look them up. Mother may have sent them to someone.

One page 247 in her book, **FINCH FAMILIES OF DIXIE**, Ruby wrote that Mother met an old man who said he was a descendant of a Timmons slave and that they held seances at the cemetery. This was made up, because it happened as I stated above. I am sending all this so that maybe it will help you with one cemetery.

Ned went with us later, and we walked around the homeplace, and only a chimney remained. If you have more data, or if Ruby's is wrong, just chunk it. If you have more information and pictures, I would love to see them.

E-MAIL FROM WANDA YELVERTON OF TAYLOR LAKE VILLAGE, TEXAS

(September 14, 2002)

I went back to double check my data and found I made a mistake on the date of Catharine Q.'s birthdate. It should have been 1808 instead of 1800. That is in keeping with the fact that she was 32 years old. She and John Timmons were married Dec. 25, 1830 - - probably in Madison Co., but Mrs. Thompson did not list where. Yes, J.H. who is buried outside is the son of Wm.Hardie. I do not know if Margaret was living with her sister, Catharine Q. and John before they died or not. Notice that Wm.Hardie was two when his mother died and five when his father died. Margaret was said to have raised him. As to the obit of Margaret, I do not know where Mrs. Thompson found it, but she mentioned it. Billie, my brother in Muscle Shoals, worked with her son {Mrs. Thompson's son}, and Billie told me some months ago that she had died.

Hugh Finch, father of Catharine and Margaret was the brother of William (Billy) Finch, my ggggrandfather. Margaret was born 1800 in SC and died August 3, 1899. **Mrs. Thompson said that the family was plagued with TB and she felt that the deaths of the Timmons were probably due to the same.** She was not sure. I do not take too much of what she said as fact, after what she wrote about Mother and the decendant of the black slave!

Have you come across Hugh Finch and Elizabeth? I do not know where they are buried. They must have lived somewhere close to Timmons for John to have met Catharine. Mrs. Thompson said in her book that Hugh was in needy circumstances in his old age. He was a Justice of the Peace at an earlier time.

Ned and I have tried to piece together where the homeplace was. Ned does not remember at all, except we got a brick. I seem to remember we went past the cemetery just a short way because we saw the chimney bricks. We did not go exploring. It was in plain view. The chain link fence was built after 1970, because it was not there when we visited the cemetery. We just walked up to the wall.

In view of the above, it would seem that the Timmons family in Madison County perhaps represents the epitome of the tragic outcomes of the Old South's way of life. John Timmons amassed an enormous fortune, with associated power and prestige for the time, entering into "high finances" of transactions with numerous other plantation owners. He married well and started a large family, but few lived to maturity. Even before the ravages of the Civil War, his family was in demise with respect to their health. Only one son, William Hardie Timmons, survived into and through the Reconstruction period after the war. William in turn was survived by only one adult daughter and a few grandchildren from his son John H. Timmons. Eventually, the grandchildren of William (and his sole remaining child, daughter Sophie Timmons Jordan) sold the old plantation out of the family. Now only the cemetery itself, hidden in deep woods, remains as witness to the grandeur of the early Timmons plantation life – truly a grandeur "gone with the wind".

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