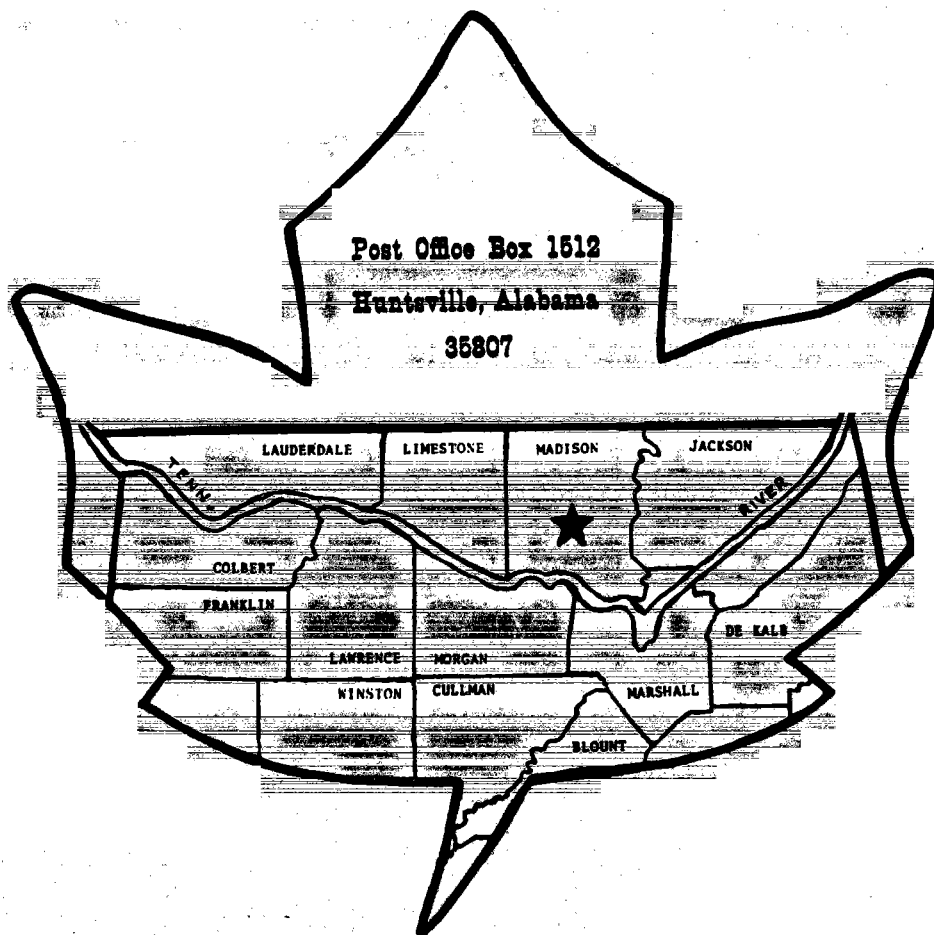


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EDITOR: Dorothy Scott Johnson

# President's Page...

I am especially pleased to be the president of TVGS as we begin our second decade. We have a fine organization that has given each of us many new friends throughout the country. For those of you who do not know me, I believe in working every way possible to encourage interest in genealogy. To do this we need the help of each and every member to spread the "gospel of genealogy."

I am especially happy to announce to the membership that the Board of Directors voted to honor our outgoing president, Ann Esslinger Cochran, by donating books in her name to the Heritage Room of the Madison County-Huntsville Public Library. Ann not only served us well as president but has helped in so many ways that it would be impossible to name them all. She can indeed be called one of our most outstanding members.

The Board of Directors met on July 8, 1976, to begin planning the activities for the coming year. Mrs. Ann Ellis and Mr. John Gunn were elected to fill the places on the Board left vacant by two members who moved to other offices. Ann and John are two excellent additions to the fine group of officers I have to work with for the next two years.

We are fortunate that Mrs. Rene Pruitt has consented to serve as Chairman of the Book Committee. Rene is a relatively new TVGS member but has quickly become a capable, valued worker.

A Beginners' Class in Genealogy will be held in the auditorium of the Madison County-Huntsville Public Library on each of the four Thursday nights in October with Mr. Jerry Webb in charge. Not only do we plan to give the membership first chance to attend the class but we intend to keep the enrollment at a minimum in order that more personal attention may be given individuals. If you are interested in the class be sure to sign up early.

Many of our members are interested in North Carolina records. With that in mind we will hold a Seminar on North Carolina on Saturday, March 26, 1977, at the Huntsville Hilton Hotel. Mr. Frank Gatton, archivist at the North Carolina Department of Archives and History, will be our guest speaker. Mr. Gatton is not only known for his knowledge of North Carolina but for his sense of humor. With Mrs. Margaret Cowart as Seminar Chairman we are assured of an interesting and informative day.

Our new editor of Valley Leaves, Dorothy Scott Johnson (Dot), will need your help as have past editors. The comments we have received on our publication have been excellent but this can only continue if each member does his part in contributing worthwhile material. We are especially in need of people to do research in the counties other than Madison.

Our bi-monthly meetings are extremely important to the growth of TVGS. If the members fail to attend the meetings to express their needs and wants the officers can not function properly. We plan to have some special announcements and activities for those attending the meetings and if you do not attend you may miss something helpful and unusual.

It is my thought, as I begin my term as your president, that TVGS has grown so fast that we have failed to assist the membership as we should. Perhaps, in our attempt to preserve and copy genealogical material we did not properly teach or help others in tracing their family trees. I hope, in some way, to place emphasis on the needs of the full membership. It is my wish that you assist by expressing your wishes and ideas so that we may all benefit.

Sincerely,

*Yvonne S. Perkins*



# Mortality Schedule

Colbert County

Transcribed by Dr. & Mrs. Ezell Terry, Huntsville, Alabama

Copied from microfilm. The original book is in the Alabama Archives, Montgomery, Alabama. Only the white deaths are transcribed. Column 5, pertaining to color, and columns 8 and 9, pertaining to foreign birth of father and mother, are omitted. Foreign birth of a parent is given in parenthesis where applicable.

SCHEDULE 2. Persons who Died during the Year ending 1st June, 1870, in Twp. 3, Range 10 in the County of Colbert, State of Alabama, enumerated by me, G. W. Creamer, Ass't. Marshal

No. of family in schedule	Name of every person who died during the year ending June 1, 1870, whose place of abode at time of death was in this family	Age	Sex	Married or widowed	Place of Birth	Month died	Occupation	Disease or cause of death
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
2	Douglas, Olivia	1/12	F	-	Ala.	Aug.	-	Conges. Brain
27	Alexander, Ann	63	F	W	Tenn.	Aug.	-	Conges. Brain
21	Chandeler, Catharine	33	F	M	Tenn.	May	-	Measles
TOTAL deaths: 17, including 6 black males, 5 black females, 2 mulatto males, 1 mulatto female.								
Township 4, Range 10, Colbert County. G. W. Creamer, Ass't. Marshal								
96	Lecky, Alexander (Father & Mother foreign born).	57	M	W	Irelan	Feb.	Merchant	Consumption
250	Pillow, Granville	24	M	M	Tenn.	Jan.	Farmer	Murdered
250	Pillow, William	21	M	-	Tenn.	Jan.	Farm labor	Murdered
TOTAL deaths: 29, including 11 black males, 10 black females, 2 mulatto males, 3 mulatto females.								
Township 6, Range 10, Colbert County. G. W. Creamer, Ass't. Marshal								
22	Smith, Elizabeth	18	F	M	Tenn.	July	At Home	Pneumonia
42	Wilson, Mary	1	F	-	Ala.	Oct.	-	Bilious Fever
53	Hilton, William	27	M	M	Tenn.	Mar.	Farm labor	Dropsy Chest
55	Allen, Matilda	8/12	F	-	Ala.	Aug.	-	Conges. Brain
61	Jeffris, Thomas	9/12	M	-	Ala.	Aug.	-	Cholera Infantum
65	Childs, Thomas	43	M	M	Va.	June	Farmer	Chronic Dispepsia
72	Yokum, Jessee	19	M	-	Ala.	Oct.	Farm labor	Typhoid Pneumonia
87	Arnold, Mary	77	F	W	N. C.	Dec.	Keep House	Dropsy
99	Hulsey, Martha	25	F	-	Ala.	Feb.	-	Chr. Rheumatism
104	Tharp, Parthenia	64	F	M	Tenn.	July	Keep House	Dropsy Chest
103	Taylor, Elizabeth	37	F	W	Ill.	May	Keep House	Consumption
TOTAL deaths: 12, including 1 black male.								
Township 6, Range 11, Colbert County. G. W. Creamer, Ass't. Marshal.								
22	Huist, John	6/12	M	-	Ala.	Dec.	-	Pneumonia
39	Ramsey, Nancy	36	F	-	Ala.	July	Keep House	Chronic Diarhea
28	Preston, John	23	M	M	Miss.	Nov.	Farmer	Consumption
TOTAL deaths: 4, including 1 mulatto female.								

SCHEDULE 2. Persons who Died during the Year ending 1st June, 1870, in Twp. 3, Range 11 in the County of Colbert, State of Alabama, enumerated by me, G. W. Creamer, Ass't. Marshal

1	2	3	4	6	7	10	11	12
17	Oliver, James	62	M	M	S. C.	Sept.	Farmer	Conges. Stomach
10	Sterling, William	60	M	W	Ala.	Feb.	Farmer	Dropsy of chest
49	Rorex, William	61	M	M	Tenn.	Mar.	Farmer	Conges. of Brain
TOTAL deaths: 8, including 2 black males, 3 black females.								
Township 5, Range 11, Colbert County. G. W. Creamer, Asst. Marshal.								
9	Carmack, Mary	37	F	M	Ala.	Sept.	-	Consumption
TOTAL deaths: 2, including 1 black male.								
Township 4, Range 12, Colbert County. George T. Underwood, Ass't. Marshal.								
20	Wetherby, Joseph	2	M	-	Ala.	Mar.	-	Congestive chill
TOTAL deaths: 5, including 2 black males, 2 black females.								
Township 5, Range 12, Colbert County. George T. Underwood, Ass't. Marshal.								
4	Clonch, David	73	M	M	N. C.	May	Farmer	Poisoned himself
28	Michel, L. D.	42	M	M	Ala.	Sept.	Farmer	Dropsy
32	Goens, Nancy	19	F	M	Ala.	April	Keep House	Consumption
22	Defore, Andrew	85	M	M	S. C.	July	Farmer	Dropsy of Chest
24	Posy[?], Calvarada	14	M	-	Ala.	Dec.	Farm work	Pneumonia
TOTAL deaths: 5								
Township 4, Range 13, Colbert County. George T. Underwood, Ass't. Marshal.								
51	Barton, E. M.	35	F	M	N. C.	Dec.	Keep House	Consumption
69	Harris, George G.	5/12	M	-	Ala.	April	-	Croup
119	Kelly, C. J.	54	M	M	Tenn.	May	Farmer	Consumption
TOTAL deaths: 11, including 2 black males, 6 black females.								
Township 5, Range 13, Colbert County. George T. Underwood, Ass't. Marshal.								
55	Flake, Silas	50	M	M	Ala.	Feb.	Farmer	Consumption
43	Hill, Joseph	1/12	M	-	Ala.	Feb.	-	General Debility
19	Long, Sherman L.	4	M	-	Ala.	Jan.	-	Killed accidentally
36	Smidar[?], Pluelda	1/12	F	-	Ala.	Nov.	-	Croup
7	Mc enally, Lizzie	75	F	W	Tenn.	Jan.	-	Chronic Rheumatism
7	Lee, Thomas	77	M	W	N. C.	Jan.	Farmer	Aff. of Kidney
7	Henson, Isaac	74	M	W	Tenn.	Sept.	Farmer	Cancer
17	Clark, Sarah	12	F	-	Ala.	Jan.	Domestic	Burnt accidentally
TOTAL deaths: 8								
Township 3, Range 14, Colbert County. George T. Underwood, Ass't. Marshal.								
59	Ramsey, Johnson J.	57	M	M	Tenn.	Jan.	Farmer	Murdered by unknown person.
159	TOTAL deaths: 1							

SCHEDULE 2. Persons who Died during the Year ending 1st June, 1870, in Twp. 3, Range 15 in the County of Colbert, State of Alabama, enumerated by me, George T. Underwood, Ass't. Marshal

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	10	11	12
24	Turberville, Elizabet	49	F	M	Tenn.	Apr.	Keep House	Pneumonia	
TOTAL deaths: 4, including 1 black male, 1 black female, 1 mulatto male									
1st Ward, Tuscumbia, Colbert County. G. W. Creamer, Ass't. Marshal									
20	Prout, William	30	M	-	Ala.	Aug.	Physician	Pox	
7	Julian, William	5	M	-	Ala.	Oct.	-	Croup	
31	Gorman, Eliza	24	F	-	Ala.	April	-	Consumption	
35	Lindsey, Willie	10/12	M	-	Ala.	April	-	Dropsy of brain	
35	Lindsey, Bruce	8	M	-	Ala.	May	-	Congestion - Lungs	
33	Dickey, Constance	55[?]	F	-	Va.	April	-	Tyfoïd Fever	
16	Morgan, John S.	62	M	M	Ohio	Dec.	Taylor	Tyfoïd + Pneumonia	
16	Morgan, Samuel	29	M	M	Ala.	Jan.	Carpenter	Pneumonia	
16	Martin, Charles	32	M	-	Ala.	May	Harness Makr	Paralysis	
TOTAL deaths: 10, including 1 black male									
2nd Ward, Tuscumbia, Colbert County. G. W. Creamer, Ass't. Marshal									
20	Honue[?], Marlin	7/12	M	-	N. Y.	June	-	Infl. of Brain	
23	Oliver, Sarah	78	F	W	Va.	Oct.	-	Bronchitis	
TOTAL deaths: 2									
3rd Ward, Tuscumbia, Colbert County. G. W. Creamer, Ass't. Marshal									
31	Green, Elizabeth	41[49?]	F	M	Tenn.	Oct.	Keep House	Cancer of Woom	
TOTAL deaths: 5, including 1 black male, 2 mulatto males, 1 mulatto female									
4th Ward, Tuscumbia, Colbert County. G. W. Creamer, Ass't. Marshal									
3	Pope, Sarah	37	F	M	Tenn.	May	Keep House	Consumption	
19	Links, Marshal	1	M	-	Ill.	Oct.	-	Dropsy	
36	Cooley, Timothy (Father & mother foreign born)	77	M	W	Ireelan	Mar.	-	Infl. Bladder	
TOTAL deaths: 3									

--- END COLBERT COUNTY 1870 MORTALITY SCHEDULE ---



(Colbert-Franklin)  
FRANKLIN COUNTY 1855 STATE CENSUS  
(Submitted by Mrs. Eugene Cowart)

An Enumeration of the Inhabitants of the County of Franklin (Alabama) taken under an Act "to take the census of the State of Alabama for the year 1855." Approved February 17, 1854. N. T. Underwood, Census Taker. The area covered includes what is now Franklin AND Colbert Counties.

Column explanation:

- |                                |                              |  |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------|--|
| 1. White males under 21 yrs.   | 8. Slaves                    | 15. No. of common schools                                |
| 2. White males over 21 yrs.    | 9. Free persons of color     | 16. No. of scholars at colleges                          |
| 3. White females under 21 yrs. | 10. Total No. of Inhabitants | 17. No. of scholars at academies                         |
| 4. White females over 21 yrs.  | 11. No. of idiots            | 18. No. of scholars at common schools.                   |
| 5. Total whites                | 12. No. of epileptics        | 19. No. of white children between age of 8 and 16 years. |
| 6. Insane in county            | 13. No. of colleges          |  |
| 7. Insane sent abroad          | 14. No. to academies         |  |

NOTE: Since entries in Numbers 6, 7, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, and 18 are rare I have chosen to add them in a Remarks column rather than take the space needed to give each a separate column.

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Names of Individuals or Heads of Families	1	2	3	4	5	8	9	10	19	Remarks
Watkins, Richard S.	1	1	4	1	7	14	-	21	1	
Nance, James	-	1	-	1	2	11	-	13	-	
Trimble, Joseph A.	1	1	2	1	5	14	-	19	-	
Trimble, James H.	2	1	2	1	6	9	-	15	2	
Richardson, J. A. T.	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	
Wamack, William H.	2	1	2	1	6	1	-	7	1	Warnoch??
Bullock, William J.	1	1	-	1	3	17	-	20	4	
Bowen, William	6	1	1	-	8	1	-	9	-	
Harrisson, William	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	
Hooper, E. M.	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	
Scotte, B. F.	-	1	-	1	2	-	-	2	-	
Irving, Richard	2	2	2	1	7	-	-	7	-	
Russel, B. H.	2	2	1	2	7	-	-	7	2	
Morris, C. A.	2	1	1	1	5	1	-	6	2	
Edmonds, F. H.	2	1	-	1	4	6	-	10	1	
Crouch, Jefferson	1	1	1	1	4	-	-	4	-	
Hollinsworth, O.	-	1	1	1	3	9	-	12	-	
Hollinsworth, Hardy	-	1	-	1	2	7	-	9	-	
Nance R.	5	2	2	1	10	6	-	16	5	
Hillmon, Joseph	-	2	1	2	5	5	-	10	1	
Harris, E. C.	2	1	1	1	5	-	-	5	1	
Blevins, A. J.	1	1	-	-	2	-	-	2	-	
Thomas, Samuel	-	1	-	1	2	-	-	2	-	
Stevens, W. H.	1	1	2	1	5	1	-	6	1	
Walker, Alfred	2	2	1	1	6	2	-	8	-	
Wamack, A. M.	1	1	-	1	3	2	-	5	-	Warnoch??
Kerk, Jesse	-	1	-	1	2	1	-	2*	-	*Says "2" but should be "3"
Sale, S. A. C.	1	2	-	1	4	-	-	4	-	
Baget, J. H.	1	2	6	1	10	-	-	10	3	
Kilpatric, Porter	1	1	4	1	7	-	-	7	2	
Baget, Mary L. [?]	2	-	1	1	4	-	-	4	-	
Suggs, William Jr.	-	1	1	1	3	7	-	10	-	
Suggs, Elizabeth	-	-	-	1	1	15	-	16	-	
Suggs, Mikel	1	1	3	1	6	3	-	9	1	
Hargett, Henry	-	1	-	1	2	-	-	2	-	
Hargett, John W.	2	1	2	1	6	-	-	6	-	
McGaha, A. H.	2	1	3	1	7	-	-	7	1	
White, F. O. H.	3	1	2	2	8	5	-	13	1	
Farnet, William	1	1	1	1	4	8	-	12	1	
East, Thomas	2	1	3	1	7	33	-	40	3	
Hargett, Larry [Lany?]	2	1	-	1	4	-	-	4	-	
Baget, William	1	1	2	1	5	-	-	5	-	
Fike, J. R.	5	2	1	1	9	-	-	9	3	



## Franklin County 1855 State Census

## Page 1 (-continued-)

Names of Individuals or Heads of Families	male		female		total	slave			total		Remarks
	1	2	3	4		5	8	9	10	19	
Morris, Allen	2	1	3	1	7	-	-	7	3		
Harris, J. W.	1	2	2	2	7	15	-	22	2		1 scholar at academy of 46 students.

## Page 2

Burgess, Thomas	-	1	-	-	1	4	-	5	-		
Cook, Samuel [Lemuel?]	3	1	4	1	9	5	-	14	3		
Allen, Lindsay	4	2	1	1	8	22	-	30	3		
Orman, James T.	-	2	-	2	4	4	-	8	-		
James, Mahaly	3	-	4	1	8	-	-	8	7		
Sargen[Largen?], Oren	4	1	4	1	10	30	-	40	3		
Bowsen [?], W. C.	3	1	1	1	6	-	-	6	4		
Clouch [Clanch?], W. E.	1	1	1	1	4	-	-	4	2		
Lee, Alexander	3	1	3	1	8	-	-	8	5		
Keler [Kelen?], John	3	2	3	2	10	17	-	27	2		
Copeland, A. G.	-	1	-	1	2	-	-	2	-		
Dwiney [?], Alfred	4	1	1	1	7	-	-	7	-		Dominey??
Hollings, Henry	3	1	3	1	8	5	-	13	1		
Boittina[?], James	2	1	-	1	4	-	-	4	-		
Jones, H. C.	3	1	2	1	7	7	-	14	1		
McAllick[?], Elijah	4	1	1	1	7	36	-	43	2		
Hutson, J. D.	3	1	-	1	5	-	-	5	1		
Suggs, Thomas	2	1	4	1	8	15	-	23	2		
Drake, John B.	3	1	2	1	7	1	-	8	1		
Drake, William	-	2	-	2	4	21	-	25	-		
Atwood, James	1	1	-	1	3	1	-	4	2		
Suggs, W. C. Senr.	3	1	1	1	6	6	-	12	2		
Clay, T. W.	2	1	2	1	6	2	-	8	2		
Walker, Howard	1	1	2	1	5	1	-	6	1		
Hargett, Henry Jr.	1	1	1	1	4	-	-	4	-		
Long, William	4	1	2	1	8	-	-	8	3		
Kimbr, Colemon	2	1	2	2	7	-	-	7	2		Kimbro??
Kimbr, John	3	1	1	1	6	-	-	6	-		Kimbro??
Kimbr, Orman	1	1	-	1	3	-	-	3	-		Kimbro??
Boyles, James A.	3	1	-	1	5	4	-	9	2		
Jones, W. L[?], Senr.	1	1	1	1	4	59	-	63	1		
Kerk, James M.	-	2	1	1	4	30	-	34	1[?]		
Thompson, G[?] L[S?]	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-		
Anderson, F. H.	5	2	3	4	14	18	-	32	3		
Carmel, F. D.	1	1	-	1	3	3	-	6	-		Connel??
Shirrel, William	2	1	-	-	3	-	-	3	-		
Hancock, James H.	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-		
Willson, Brice	6	1	3	1	11	31	-	42	4		
Edwards, H.	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	-		
Noland, S. G[?]	1	1	2	1	5	-	-	5	1		
Ray, Andrew B.	4	3	1	2	10	3	-	13	1		
Goleson[?], Susan	-	-	-	1	1	17	-	18	-		
Arnold, D. C.	2	1	-	1	4	3	-	7	-		
Arnold, Mary	-	-	-	1	1	2	-	3	-		

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Griffon, Mary	-	1	3	1	5	3	-	8	4		
Greenberry(no other name)	2	1	1	1	5	-	-	5	-		
Macnat, William	-	1	4	1	6	-	-	6	1		
Hill, K. E.	3	1	2	1	7	7	-	14	4		
Packard [Rackard?], John	2	1	3	1	7	-	-	7	3		
Packard [Rackard?], Mary	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	3	-		

## Franklin County 1855 State Census

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Names of Individuals or Heads of Families	male		female		total	slave			total		Remarks
	1	2	3	4		5	8	9	10	19	
Taylor, Howel	2	1	-	-	3	-	-	3	2		
Hubbord, M.	2	-	-	2	4	-	-	4	1		
Barnet, A. C.	1	1	4	1	7	-	-	7	2		
Hughes, R.	3	1	3	2	9	-	-	9	3		
Little, E.	3	1	3	1	8	30	-	38	3		
Macnat, C. M.	1	1	4	1	7	-	-	7	1		
Hamilton, Reece	2	2	-	2	6	2	-	8	2		
Richardson, Turner	1	1	3	1	6	2	-	8	1		
Ladd, N. R.	-	1	3	2	6	11	-	17	1		
Grigsey[Grigery?], R. J.	-	1	1	1	3	-	-	3	-		
Plaxco, E. H.	2	1	1	1	5	-	-	5	-		
Medders, G. D.	4	1	1	1	7	-	-	7	2		
Hill, S[?] O.	3	1	2	1	7	5	-	12	2		
Sanders[Landers?], Franklin	1	1	2	2	6	-	-	6	2		
Tomas, Nancy	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	-		
Henry, Mary	1	-	1	1	3	-	-	3	1		
Ward, Isaac	3	2	5	2	12	-	-	12	4		
Hamilton, Jane	3	-	1	1	5	2	-	7	2		
Isbel, Elis [Eliz?]	4	2	2	1	9	30	-	39	2		
James, J. D.	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-		
Quinn, J. L.	2	1	3	1	7	-	-	7	1		
Sibley, T. T.	4	1	3	1	9	1	-	10	2		
Jones, Fedric	4	1	4	1	10	-	-	10	3		
Brandon, R. M.	2	1	-	1	4	-	-	4	-		
East, R.	-	1	1	1	3	3	-	6	1		
Bean, Armsted	2	1	1	2	6	7	-	13	2		
Logan, James W.	-	2	-	1	3	13	-	16	-		
Lucan[?], W. W.	-	1	2	1	4	34	-	38	1	Lewcas??	
Gorman, Thomas	-	1	2	-	3	14	-	17	-		
Hargett, G. W.	1	1	2	1	5	4	-	9	-		
Booker, W. D. A.	1	2	1	-	4	6	-	10	-		
Thorp, Iserkiah	5	1	1	1	8	-	-	8	-		
Thorp, Robert	1	1	-	1	3	-	-	3	3		
Tease, Joseph	-	1	1	1	3	-	-	3	-		
Whitlock, John	2	1	-	1	4	-	-	4	-		
Clark, Thomas	1	1	2	1	5	-	-	5	-		
Butler, C. W.	3	2	3	3	11	1	-	12	3		
Woodruff, Isaac	3	1	5	1	10	-	-	10	4		

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Moor, Sarah H.	3	-	-	1	4	-	-	4	1	
Clanch, Leftrich	3	1	1	1	6	-	-	6	1	
Moor, Elizabeth	3	-	3	1	7	-	-	7	4	
Vandiver, Miss Jane	4	-	2	1	7	-	-	7	2	
Mackenally, M. L.	2	1	-	1	4	-	-	4	-	
Logan, R. W.	-	1	-	1	2	10	-	12	-	
Burns, Henry	2	1	3	-	6	7	-	13	2	
Mc leymore, Alexander	2	2	3	1	8	-	-	8	3	
Clark, Thomas	-	1	-	1	2	-	-	2	-	
Johnson, W. N.	2	1	3	2	8	-	-	8	1	
Dally, Jeremiah	7	1	1	1	10	1	-	11	4	
Logan, A. J.	-	1	2	1	4	-	-	4	-	
Logan, William Jr.	-	1	1	2	4	-	-	4	-	
Logan, William Senr.	2	1	4	1	8	-	-	8	3	
Steel, A. K.	4	1	2	1	8	3	-	11	3	
Steel, James B.	1	1	-	1	3	-	-	3	-	
Steel, James	3	1	4	1	9	-	-	9	4	
Chambers, Hardy	1	2	2	1	6	-	-	6	1	

## Franklin County 1855 State Census

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Names of Individuals or Heads of Families	male		female		total	slave		total		Remarks
	1	2	3	4		5	8	9	10	
Gooher[?], James	2	2	4	1	9	-	-	9	3	
Whealock, C. M.	1	1	-	1	3	-	-	3	-	
Patterson, G. R.	1	1	2	1	5	-	-	5	-	
Patterson, C[?] R.	1	1	1	1	4	-	-	4	-	
Patterson, W. F. Senr.	2	1	-	-	3	3	-	6	-	
Patterson, W. C.	4	1	2	1	8	-	-	8	3	
Goss, James	1	1	3	1	6	-	-	6	1	
Jones, Thomas	1	4	8	1	14	-	-	14	4	
Cock[Cork?], John	3	1	-	-	4	-	-	4	-	
Box, Goodwin	2	1	1	1	5	4	-	9	2	
Dotson, W. C.	3	1	-	-	4	-	-	4	1	
Bobby[Bobbo?], Jane	1	-	-	2	3	4	-	7	-	
Williams, Samuel	-	2	-	2	4	-	-	4	-	
Pierce, Ambros[Ambers?]	3	1	2	1	7	-	-	7	1	
Williams, Pace	2	1	-	1	4	-	-	4	1	
Quillen, James M.	3	1	1	1	6	-	-	6	-	
Quillen, J. C.	2	1	1	1	5	-	-	5	3	
Quillen, W. A.	3	1	1	1	6	-	-	6	-	
Morris, D. B.	3	1	3	1	8	-	-	8	3	
Hooker, J. R.	6	1	1	1	9	-	-	9	4	
Allen, J. W.	4	1	3	1	9	-	-	9	3	
Skinner, William	-	1	-	-	1	1	-	2	-	
Long, Zetie	3	2	5	2	12	-	-	12	4	
Tanget, O. P.	1	1	3	1	6	-	-	6	-	
Tanget, Needom	4	2	2	1	9	-	-	9	4	
Williamson, Henry	1	1	1	1	4	-	-	4	-	
Jones[Jiner?], David	2	1	4	1	8	-	-	8	2	Page 5 begins here.
Michel, Cion	3	1	4	1	9	4	-	13	4	
Smith, William M.	1	1	-	1	3	8	-	11	1	
Wilson, F. G.	2	2	2	1	7	-	-	7	2	
Martin, B. F.	-	1	5	1	7	-	-	7	1	
Butler, James E.	6	1	1	1	9	-	-	9	3	
Yocum, Joshua	1	1	2	1	5	-	-	5	-	
Mac lenon, D. H.	2	1	2	1	6	-	-	6	-	
Williams, E. S.	1	1	-	1	3	-	-	3	-	
Williams, Jacop[Jacob?]	4	1	3	1	9	1	-	10	3	
Herin, William	2	2	3	1	8	-	-	8	2	
White, John W.	2	2	1	1	6	2	-	8	-	
Parker, John	1	2	2	1	6	-	-	6	-	
Mac lenon, J. W.	2	1	1	1	5	-	-	5	1	
Mullins, J. N.	3	1	2	1	7	7	-	14	3	
Mac lenon, Samuel	-	1	1	1	3	-	-	3	1	
Vinson, Sarah	1	-	1	1	3	-	-	3	1	
Yocom, James	1	2	1	1	5	1	-	6	-	
Horton, R. H.	2	1	3	2	8	-	-	8	1	
Horton, John	3	1	5	1	10	-	-	10	2	
Horton, A. B.	8	1	1	2	12	-	-	12	4	
Auton, John	3	2	1	2	8	-	-	8	4	
Burntsides, John	1	-	1	-	2	-	-	2	-	
Maclung, John	4	1	3	1	9	1	-	10	2	McClung??
Henley, Thomas E.	1	1	1	1	4	-	-	4	-	
Henley, H. A.	2	1	-	1	4	1	-	5	-	
Henley, William	-	1	-	-	1	1	-	2	-	
Henley, Jesse	7	1	2	2	12	11	-	23	2	
Michel, R. A.	2	1	4	1	8	5	-	13	4	
Moor, J. E.	2	1	2	1	6	1	-	7	1	
Reynolds, J. T.	-	1	2	2	5	6	-	11	-	



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## MARRIAGE RECORD NO. 1 (1890-1897)

Part Four of a multiple part series. These marriage records were copied under a Summer Youth Program in Franklin County. This county has had two totally destructive fires, the last occurring in 1956, and as a result only one land-tract book was saved. For this reason, Franklin County records are scarce and TVGS is indebted to Mrs. R. L. (Evelyn B.) Evans and the Franklin County Commission for making the marriage records available to us.

<u>Page</u>	<u>Groom</u>	<u>Bride</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>By Whom</u>
155	Isbell, A. C.	Sibley, Sarah F.	Dec. 22, 1892	F. M. Jackson, MG
263	Ingram, J. M.	Baker, Cassie	Dec. 25, 1894	Porter Duboise
3	James, W. C.	Hendrix, Bula	Dec. 18, 1890	J. O. A. Pace
8	James, Arron	Hillsman, Maggie	Dec. 23, 1890	E. M. Jones
20	James, C. H.	Bendall, Sarah J.	Feb. 11, 1891	J. O. A. Pace, MG
48	Jones, James M.	Stewart, Eliza L.	not given	not given
70	Johnson, James	Sugg, Malinda	Nov. 4, 1891	H. T. Crenshaw
68	Jarnagin, C. S.	Quinn, Josie	Oct. 14, 1891	J. T. Whitehurst, MG
89	Jones, Fores L.	Johnson, Mollie	not given	not given
92	Jones, Robert E. L.	Dempsey, Emma L.	Jan. 7, 1892	Charles F. Foot, JP
99	Jones, Jas. S.	Wamble, Lizzie	Jan. 14, 1892	William Reed, JP
109	Jackson, J. E.	Hutcheson, Sarah S.	Feb. 18, 1892	J. Garrett
110	Jackson, Alan	Garrison, Endora F.	March 3, 1892	T. C. Spraggins, JP
113	James, F. M.	Brown, Eva	March 23, 1892	J. O. A. Pace, MG
114	Jones, J. H.	Brewer, Sallie	March 30, 1892	T. E. McCulloch, JP
156	Jones, R. C.	Hester, Martha	Dec. 22, 1892	A. J. Leatherwood
192	Jackson, Andrew J.	Holland, Ellen	Aug. 31, 1892	Thomas Sullengen, JP
213	Johnston, Sidney R.	Townsend, Ellen	Aug. 31, 1893	Thomas Sullengen, JP
231	Jarnagin, Charley	Bolton, C. B.	May 30, 1894	T. B. Strickland, MG
232	Jones, Guston (Col.)	McCollum, Annie (Col.)	May 30, 1894	W. M. Waltrip, Judge of Probate
334	Johnson, John H.	Hyde, Emmer J.	Jan. 2, 1896	Porter Duboise, MG
389	Jackson, John T.	Agee, Alice	Nov. 24, 1896	M. J. Pace, MG
418	Jordan, William (Col.)	Sugg, Betsy (Col.)	Feb. 25, 1897	Monroe Jones

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<u>Page</u>	<u>Groom</u>	<u>Bride</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>By Whom</u>
15	King, Joseph E.	Massey, Laura Bertha	Jan. 16, 1891	Josiah J. Jones, MG
16	Key, John	Ezzell, Mary	Dec. 27, 1890	Monroe Jones, MG
30	Kemp, C. A.	Thompson, Aria	April 12, 1891	E. C. White
32	Key, William H.	Wilson, Josie	April 28, 1891	M. N. Morris
59	King, William R.	Hester, Mollie Joe	August 18, 1891	Josiah J. Jones, MG
75	King, J. A.	Linville, Mary	Nov. 24, 1891	G. W. Hurley NP ex-of. JP
24	Key, P. L.	Jones, Willie A.	Feb. 22, 1891	Manley E. Weaver, MG
90	Keelon, Sid J. (col.)	Liles, Sallie (col.)	Dec. 23, 1891	Monroe Jones, MG
92	Kirkland, S. J.	Bendall, Cornelia J.	Jan. 6, 1892	J. O. A. Pace, MG
112	Keelen, Chandris E.	Walker, Maggie C.	March 16, 1892	John W. White, MG
123	Kimball, Henry (col.)	Henry, Ella (col.)	July 7, 1892	A. M. Warnock, JP
139	Kirby, Dentis (col.)	Fields, Mollie (col.)	Sept. 18, 1892	J. C. Coleman, P.A.
200	Kimbrough, Robert L.	Fuller, Anna	Nov. 15, 1893	Elder T. M. Johnson
226	King, J. W.	Thompson, Greely	March 11, 1894	J. T. Whitehurst, M.G.
249	Kennedy, A. M.	Porter, Eliza L.	Nov. 4, 1894	M. J. Pace, MG
362	Killpatrick, John O.	Mitchell, Mary Hattie	July 5, 1896	J. W. White, MG
381	Killpatrick, C. P.	Fretwell, Lelar R.	Oct. 25, 1896	J. L. Brittain, MG
419	Keut, Earnest	Wimberly, Cora	March 4, 1897	Isaac Bradford, MG
24	Lauderdale, Alexander	Reed, Florence	Feb. 22, 1891	Elder A. J. Sherrill
23	Little, S. J.	Richardson, Bertie	Feb. 25, 1891	G. W. Hurley, NP, ex-officio JP
27	Lyons, John H.	Sibley, Annie	March 4, 1891	T. C. Spraggins, JP
31	Luna, J. K.	Walker, Hattie	April 30, 1891	Manley E. Weaver
55	Lee, L. W.	Massey, Frank	Aug. 5, 1891	M. L. Jones
60	Lee, Robert N.	Blare, G. C.	Aug. 19, 1891	Manly E. Weaver, MG
69	Lucas, William (col.)	Hamilton, Essie (col.)	Oct. 29, 1891	M. Jones, MG
72	Lindley, J. W.	Elroy, Fannie	Nov. 15, 1891	Wm. G. Stanphill, NP, ex-officio JP
84	Leatherwood, James L.	Grisham, Katie C.	Dec. 24, 1891	J. W. White, MG
116	Ligon, Jesse (col.)	Hurst, Cora (col.)	April 13, 1892	M. Jones
128	Lanier, Frank	McCulloch, Callie	Aug. 10, 1892	E. Haynes, MG

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<u>Page</u>	<u>Groom</u>	<u>Bride</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>By Whom</u>
139	Ledbetter, Brice	Finch, Viola R.	Sept. 26, 1892	J. S. Stockton, MG
159	Ligon, Adolphus	King, Hattie I.	Dec. 27, 1892	A. J. Weatherwood, JP
170	Logan, B. W.	Reed, Hattie	Feb. 5, 1893	A. M. Malone, JP
172	Lowery, C. M.	Dedmon, Ida T.	March 2, 1893	M. L. White, MG
194	Lee, S. W.	McMurray, Addie Bell	Sept. 6, 1893	William Mays
197	Long, H. C.	Pace, Hattie	Oct. 5, 1893	William A. Agee
213	Ligon, John W.	Moore, Mattie A.	Dec. 31, 1893	W. M. Waltrip, Judge of Probate
222	Lowe, W. H.	Foster, Clara E.	Feb. 11, 1894	Andrew J. Flippo, JP
241	Lenord, John	Franks, Lizzie	Sept. 5, 1894	A. J. Barrett, NP, ex-officio JP
246	Lawler, Phil H.	Fliming, Fannie E.	Sept. 30, 1894	J. T. Harris, MTG
270	Long, W. H.	Ingram, Retter	Jan. 13, 1895	G. B. Haney
270	Lawler, Killis R.	Nix, Jennie B.	Jan. 13, 1895	William Mays
293	Lindsey, Thomas A.	Taylor, Dellar L.	May 16, 1895	Brice Ledbetter, MG
294	Logan, B. W.	Pounders, Lula J.	June 16, 1895	Josiah J. Jones, MG
295	Lovett, Francis A.	Lambert, Martha A.	June 16, 1895	J. W. O'Kelley, MG
298	Lansford, H. L.	South, Mary E.	July 24, 1895	John Branum, MG
299	Lauderdale, J. F.	Watson, Leather A.	Aug. 4, 1895	G. B. Haney, MG
313	Lindley, J. V.	Deadman, Lewler	Nov. 3, 1895	Benjamin S. Raymon
315	Landers, William	Burton, Minnie	Nov. 13, 1895	E. R. Little, MG
331	Lindsey, James H.	Sledge, Josie	Dec. 31, 1895	T. M. Johnson, MG
334	Lindsey, James L.	McKinney, Martha A.	Jan. 10, 1896	James M. Thorn, JP
384	Lindley, W. J.	Self, Ursley M.	Oct. 29, 1896	J. O. W. Page, JP
11	Malone, W. C.	Hester, Nancy	Jan. 8, 1891	Josiah J. Jones, MG
15	Maloy, D. E.	Dobbs, Artamitia	Jan. 22, 1891	A. R. Smith, JP
25	Morgan, Peter S.	Clay, Sallie W.	Feb. 24, 1891	T. E. McCulloch, JP
54	Manley, William S.	Vandiver, Lizzie H.	July 31, 1891	T. C. Spraggins, JP
71	Moore, J. M.	Smith, Connie	Nov. 5, 1891	Elder J. W. Jones
95	Macbee, M. L.	Corrins, Macie N.	Jan. 10, 1892	J. W. O'Kelley

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# Jackson



## MUSTER ROLL

Muster Roll of Captain Richard W. Jones' Company of the 1st Regiment, Brigade of Alabama Volunteers Militia, commanded by Brig. Gen. Walter Smith, ordered into service of the United States by Gov. Joshua L. Martin on request of War Dept. from the 16th day of June, 1846 to the 16th day of June, 1847.

Editor's Note: See Valley Leaves, Volume 9, No. 1, Page 19, for another Muster Roll of this Company. Please note differences in spelling and names on the two lists. Since John B. Hogens' name does not appear on this list perhaps the "16 March 48 E" appearing opposite A. J. Huggins' name on the first list actually belongs to John B. Hogens whose name appears directly above Huggins. Hogens and John McVay are the only two names not appearing on this list in some variation of spelling.

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The columns are headed: (1) No., (2) Names - Present and absent (Privates in alphabetical order), (3) Rank.

Note: The following applies to all entries:

- (4) Enrolment - When: June 16, 1846; Where: Mobile, Alabama; By whom: Gen. W. Smith
- (5) Last Paid - Period: 12 months; By Paymaster: (blank); To What Time: (blank)
- (6) Travelling - To place of Rendezvous, No. of miles: (blank); From place of discharge home, No. of miles: 460

All other columns blank except a column headed "Names of Commissioned, Non-commissioned officers, Musicians, Artificers, and Privates, Present." All signatures by same person.

No.	Name	No.	Name
1.	Richard W. Jones, Capt.	17.	Cavan, Joseph, Private
1.	Wm. L. Hancock, 1st. Lieut.	18.	Dickerson, John "
2.	John M. McDuff, 2nd Lieut.	19.	Dozier, Hardiman "
1.	Wash C. Wilson, 1st sergt.	20.	Ford, T. A. "
2.	Wm. Higgins, 2nd sergt.	21.	Flipper, H. S. "
3.	R. M. Webster, 3rd sergt.	22.	George, Sialas[?] "
4.	Isaac A. Eustace, 4th sergt.	23.	Huggins, A. J. "
1.	Mathew L. McDuff, 1st corp. (P. R., Dec 3/81 F Dec 6/81)	24.	Hulsey, Jennings "
2.	John B. Hancock, 2nd corp.	25.	Horton, Calaway "
1.	Joseph Thibound, Musician	26.	Hancock, Lewis S. "
2.	Wm. Vaughn, Musician	27.	Henderson, John W. "
1.	Alexander, Wm., Private	28.	Horn, Thomas "
2.	Arnold, Joel "	29.	Harris, Henry "
3.	Austill, John "	30.	Hutchinson, John "
4.	Burgess, Wm. "	31.	Higgins, W. N. "
5.	Blancett, Robert "	32.	Hammons, Henderson "
6.	Berry, John W. "	33.	Hulsey, Henry "
7.	Braden, James "	34.	Higgins, Henry 2nd Corpl[?]
8.	Calaway, Richard "	35.	Jones, Silas Private
9.	Cloud, James "	36.	Johnson, Thomas J. "
10.	Coffey, John R. "	37.	Inglis, J. R. "
11.	Coffey, James R. "	38.	Jett, Joseph "
12.	Coffey, Wm. "	39.	Lowe, Samuel L. "
13.	Coffey, James A. "	40.	Liscome, A. J. "
14.	Campbell, Joseph "	41.	More, W. H. L. "
15.	Carr, Wm. "	42.	Morton, J. G. "
16.	Childers, Jefferson "	43.	Mason, Joseph C. "
		44.	M. M. McCutchen "

No.	Name	No.	Name
45.	Matthews, James, Private	64.	Simpson, Wm., Private
46.	McCamy, Wm. "	65.	Simpson, A. N. "
47.	Mundy, W. F. "	66.	Sartin, George "
48.	Neville, G. W. "	67.	Snodgrass, Benjamin "
49.	J. N. Norwood "	68.	Thomas, Wm. "
50.	North, Robertson "	69.	Turley, Wm. Corpl.
51.	Osbrooks, Wm. "	70.	Tharp, David Private
52.	Osburn, John L. "	71.	Toon, R. L. "
53.	Patton, F. M. "	72.	Vaughn, Samuel "
54.	Pool, Walter "	73.	Webb, Ellis W. "
55.	Patterson, Wm. "	74.	Weaver, S. H. "
56.	Rowan, Samuel "	75.	Webb, Josiah "
57.	Russell, S. C. "	76.	Weaver, Calvin B. "
58.	Rosson, James "	77.	Winn, Harrison "
59.	Reynolds, Robert "	78.	Webb, Alex N. "
60.	Saxton, A. M. "	79.	Wann, Landon A. "
61.	Smith, B. B. "	80.	Wann, Wm. "
62.	Short, William "	81.	Hankins, Thomas "
63.	Sietsler, John "	82.	Thompson, Robt. "

Mobile, June 17, 1846

I certify that the Non Commissioned Officers, Musicians and privates of this company have been paid by me for one years allowance of clothing from the 16th June 1846 to the 16th June 1847 as follows, viz:

To each Sergeant - Thirty Dollars and Ten cents

To each Corporal and Private - Thirty six and forty three cents

To each Musician - Thirty eight Dollars and twenty eight cents

Remainder - Claims exist against the company for transportation to Mobile, for which certificates have been given, evidence of which will be transmitted to Washington, to be noted in future pay rolls.

/s/ Walt[er] Smith

Record of Events which may be Useful for Future Reference at the War Department, or for Present Information:

"This company left Bellefonte, Jackson County, Alabama on the 5th of June, 1846 arrived in Mobile, Ala. and were mustered into service there on the 16th June 1846 by order of the Governor of the State of Alabama, Joshua L. Martin." [Ed: Joshua L. Martin was Democrat Governor of Alabama 1845-1847, from Limestone County, but born in Tennessee. He was the last governor to hold office when the capital was in Tuscaloosa before its removal to the present Montgomery.]

#### HEADQUARTERS

Brig. Gen. Walter Smith

Alabama, June 6th 1846

Sir: Finding no officer of the U. S. Army present under the contingency provided for by the Hon. Secty. of War you are hereby appointed to muster into the service of the U. S. companies that offer under the requisition of the War Dept. and duly organize them into a Regiment.

A True Copy,  
Walter Smith  
Brig. Gen.

Respectfully,  
Your obt. sevt.  
Joshua L. Martin

I CERTIFY, on Honor, that this Roll exhibits the true state of Captain R. W. Jones' company of Jackson Hornets for the period therein mentioned; that the remarks set opposite the name of each officer and soldier, are accurate and just, and that the recapitulation exhibits, in every particular, the true state of the company.

R. W. Jones,  
Commanding the Company



Date: June 16, 1846  
Station: Mobile

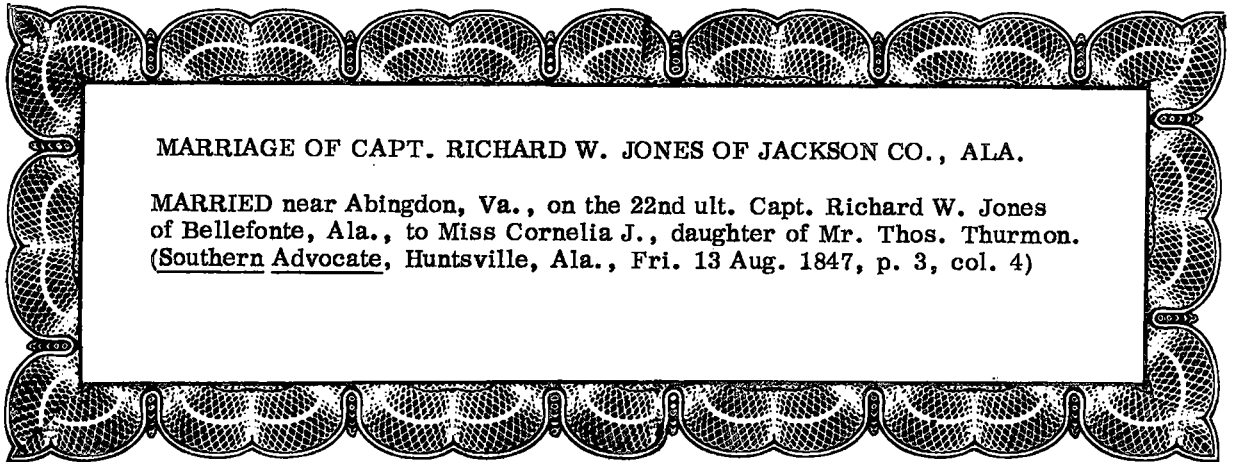
I certify, on Honor, that I have carefully examined this Muster Roll, and that I have this 16th day of June, 1846, mustered and minutely inspected the above named company of Captain Jones.

Walter Smith, Brig. Gen.  
Inspector & Mustering Officer

Muster Roll of F. Captain R. W. Jones' Company, 1st Regiment of Alabama Volunteers mustered into service for 12 months.

Commissioned officers .....	3
Non-commissioned Officers .....	6
Musicians .....	2
Privates .....	82

Rec'd. July 9, 1846  
Muster Roll of Capt. R. W. Jones Company, Ala.,  
for 12 months from 16th June 1846.  
For the Captain & to be left with the company.



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"I have ever had a pleasure in obtaining any little anecdotes of my ancestors," writes Benjamin Franklin in his Autobiography. "You may remember the inquiries I made among the remains of my relations when you were with me in England, and the journey I undertook for that purpose."

-Spark's LIFE OF FRANKLIN

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# Keel Family



## THE KEEL FAMILY

Submitted by P. B. Keel of Madison, Alabama

The following letter was found in an old house that was torn down in Honey Grove, Texas, and is believed to have been sent to Arkansas originally. Dan Hembree sent the ancient letter to Ola A. Johnson of Decatur, Ala., a Keel descendant. The letter was written by James Patrick Keel. (James Patrick Keel married Malinda Jones, both born in North Carolina, he c. 1807, and she c. 1813. He was the son of Jesse Keel and Priscilla Whitaker; her parents unknown). In his cover letter Mr. Hembree states: "If the above named Solomon Jones is or was the Solomon Jones I think it has reference to, then his wife was Mollie (Canson) Jones. I think this letter may have been sent to Arkansas and later brought to Texas. Solomon Jones served in the Confederate Army and signed his amnesty papers in Scott Co. Ark. He had a daughter Emma Jane Jones born in Scott Co. Ark."

The State of Ala. Jackson county  
I received your letter in Aprel the 8th  
I was glad to finde you all well  
I am living on clear creek a bout  
ten miles from camden a bout 18 miles  
East of from huntsville I hope these few lines  
m[ay] find you in good helth I say to you that  
corne is one dollars per Bushel porke was  
from 5 to 6-1/2 dollars per hundred and times  
is harde here Know mee and W. W. Keel  
has Bote one hundre an twenty acres of land  
Irney Moss is living here nancy an is here  
there are both mared Rody lizebth is  
to John Lee an george Lee W. W. Keel  
with mitty Jane moore thay ar all here  
miley A. Keel Sarah P[?] Keel Haret alvey tine Keel  
is my Baby I wanted you to sende mee a letter  
as you can direct your letter to redman  
posoffice Jackson County Ala R. P. Hinley  
is living ner cobbs milles on paintrock  
nancy an lee has a dater her name is  
Harit malinday lee Rody Elesibeth lee  
I wante you to rite letter yours so I can reed  
them you rite them bad so I Shant say no more  
I have Sente 4 letters I have got one  
I hante herde from you in a longetime  
dear mother sisters an brthers I wante to  
See you bad

James Keel and Malindy Keel  
Aprel the 15 1860

This is another page in the same handwriting.  
It is dated May 5, 1860 whereas the one on the  
left is dated April 15, 1860.

I know [now] rite to you that we are all well  
again we are all well I hope to finde  
you all well I come to see you mity well  
I have nothing to rite now but remaine  
Your frende untel death may the 5th 1860  
Sende your letter to redman postoffice painte  
rock Come an See us if you can come  
Jackson county Ala Solomon Jones Charles Jones  
Mary Jones 1860 Thomas Jones Jesse Jones  
James Keel and Malinday Keel  
Sende mee worde what sorte of land  
you have thare and come to see us  
this fall an if you can and tell mee  
you Self

James Keel 1860  
This is Buley done  
I wante to come thare

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According to James Keel's great-grandaughter, Nancy  
Irene (Moss) Durham, he died about 1899, Malinda  
dying several years before. Both are buried in Keel  
Sinks above Garth, Jackson Co., Ala. Nancy stated  
that James carved a shelter out of cedar to put over  
Malinda's grave; she remembered it because it was so  
pretty.

## Some Keel Family Jackson County Marriages

Nancy A. Keel -M- John Lee January 30, 1855  
Rhoda E. Keel -M- George Lee January 15, 1860  
Sarah Keel -M- Charles W. Walker July 16, 1868  
Milla A. Keel -M- Silas Ellis January 22, 1872  
Irene [or Irena] Keel -M- (1st) a Moss and  
(2nd) Elbert A. Smith  
William Warren Keel -M- Middia Jane Moore January 15, 1860.

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The following are copies of records that were kept by James Thomas Keel, son of William Warren "Red" Keel and Middia Jane Moore, and grandson of Jesse and Priscilla (Whitaker) Keel. Jesse and Priscilla settled near Paint Rock, Alabama then later moved to Keel's Mountain near Gurley, Alabama. These records were given to P. B. Keel by William Bryan Keel of Gilmer, Texas, son of James Thomas and Lucinda "Johnnie" Atchley Keel.

Lucindia Atchley\* was Bornd  
sept. 7. 1873  
James Thomas Keel and  
Lucindia Atchley  
was married Dec. 23, 1887  
Lucindia (Johnnie) Keel  
Departed Feb. 18. 1901

\*This name is Atchley  
even though it is written  
Atchey [Ed.]

The following record was written on two sheets of lined paper. The writer is unknown. The record was found among personal effects of James Thomas Keel after his death.

Pittsburg, Texas 8-4-28  
R #7, Box 104

James Thomas Keel was Born 7 miles north of Paint Rock, Alabama, May the 22d 1861 without much chance for an Education. He Grewed ut to man Hood an at the Age of 23 years married Mariah Wade Kirkpatrick to this union 2 children was Born (Boath of which Died in infancy) - an on 6th Day of Jan. 1887 Mariah Wade Died An on the 23d of Dec 1887 He again married Lucinda Atchley (Flanagan) an to this union was Born 5 children of which 3 are now Living an on Feb 18, 1901 Lucinda Died an on January the 8, 1902 He started to Texas, Landing in Pittsburg Jan 9th an on Oct 19, 1905 He married Ada Crabb to this union one child was Born - He Joined the misionary Baptist church the 3d Saturday in September 1882 was Baptised By the Rev. H. H. Horton Pastor of Trenton church an was ordained A Deacon of Said church in April 1887 an the Said J. T. Keel is Still Living at the age of 67 years an 2 months 18 Days.

The following records should be considered the same as Bible records even though they were kept in a ledger book [Ed.]:

BIRTHS

James Thomas Keel was Bornd May 22<sup>d</sup> 1861  
Mariah Waid Kirkpatrick Was Bornd July 5th 1858  
Lucindia Atchley was Bornd Sept 7th 1873  
Ada Crabb was Bornd Jan 7th 1878

Viola Keel was Born to J. T. & M. W. Keel 7/15/1885  
child not named born to " " " Died Same Day /6/1887

Nora Angeline Keel was Born to J. T. & Lucinda Keel March 27, 1889  
Oklahoma Keel was Born to " " Feb. 15, 1892  
James McKinley Keel was Born to " " Feb. 7, 1895  
William Bryan Keel was Born to " " Sept. 20, 1897  
Nancy Edmonia Keel was Born to " " Sept. 29, 1899

Jessie Lee Keel was Born to J. T. Keel and Ada Keel March 2, 1906

X Gladys Odessa was Born to J. T. Keel & Ada Sept. 3, 1916  
X Linard Rovelt [Roosevelt?] Green May 2, 1902  
Della Lee Green was born to L. R. and Geo. Green Dec. 10, 1920  
Marlin D. Bradley was born Dec. 9, 1919  
Willie Mae Bradley Was Born to W. L. & Nancy Bradley Jan. 13, 1923  
L. D. Green Borne Aug. 22, 1924



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Births (-continued-)

Marlin Dee bradley was borned to nancie and w l bradley dec 9, 1919[?]  
 Della Lee Green was Borned to Lenard and Georgie Green Dec. 10, 1920  
 L. D. Green Was Borned to Lenard an Georgie Green. Aug 22. 1924  
 Hilton Green was Born March 10th 1927

MARRIAGES

James Thomas Keel and Mariah Waid Kirkpatrick was Married Sept. 25th 1884  
 James Thomas Keel and Liucindia Atchley was Married Dec. 23d 1887  
 James Thomas Keel and Ada Green. VS. Crabb was Married Oct. 19th 1905

Nora A. Keel an Jackson McCurry was Married April 23 1908  
 Okley Keel an sallie Thompson was Married March 11 1913

- X J. L. Keel J R [Jr.] was Born 11 Feb 1914
- X Lucy Elizabeth Keel was Born 16 Feb 1916

Nancy Keel an W. L. Bradley was Married Febuary 16, 1919  
 Leonard Green an Georgie Bradley Was Married Aug. 25. 1918  
 W. B. Keel an Annie P. Massoletti was Married Sept 20 1922  
 J. L. Keel an Lillie May O Daniel was Married Sept. 29 1925

Nancie Edmonia Keel daughter of J. T. Keel married to W. L. bradley feb. 16 1919  
 Lenard Green was married to georgie bradley aug. 25 1918  
 Jesse L. Keel an Era culbreth was married Nov 22 1927

DEATHS

Viola Keel Departed this Life ~~Sept~~ Nov 25, 1885  
 Mariah W. Keel Departed this life Jan. 6th, 1887  
 Lucinda (Johnie) Keel Departed [this life] Feb. 18, 1901  
 Nora McCurry (Keel) Departed [this life] June 26, 1924  
 Mack Keel Departed this life Dec. 24, 1925  
 J. T. Keel Departed this life Nov. 8, 1935

W. W. Keel Departed this Life Dec. 9, 1922, age at Death 84 year 9 months 1 Day  
 Mrs. Nora McCurry Departed this life June 26, 1924, age at Death 35 year,  
 3 months, likeing one day

Sallie Keel Died 12-27-1922 age at Death 25 years, 10 months, 11 days

Ada Keel Jr. Died 2-2-1925

Jessie L. Keel and Lillie Mae ODaniel was Married Sept. 29, 1925

Viola Keel, Daughter of J. T. and ~~Lucinda~~ M. W. Keel Died Nov. 25th 1885

Ed: The above entries were obviously made at or near the time of each event. There were many various handwritings throughout the record. This record was taken from a Xerox copy and parts of it were faded and difficult to read. Where there was any doubt as to interpretation your editor has put a [?].





# Lauderdale



## FLORENCE GUARDS

[Incorporated into the Seventh Alabama Regiment]

The first company of soldiers to leave Florence for service in the Confederate Army was the "Florence Guards." Their departure took place on Monday, April 1, 1861.

### OFFICERS:

Sterling A. M. Wood, Captain  
Wm. H. Price, 1st Lieutenant  
J. B. Weakley, 2nd Lt.  
\*J. G. W. Leftwich, 3rd Lt.  
H. C. Wood, Orderly Sergeant  
Joseph Heslop, 2nd Sgt.  
J. Hunt Kirkman, 3rd Sgt.

John S. Karsner, 4th Sgt.  
Wm. D. Crow, 1st Corporal  
Wm. H. Portlock, 2nd Cpl.  
P. Bell Andrews, 3rd Cpl.  
Thad Campbell, 4th Cpl.  
T. Allen Jones, Ensign

### PRIVATES:

S. W. Alexander  
Thos. J. Alexander  
M. W. Askew  
Thos. E. Barner  
John R. Barry  
L. C. Bivins  
Andrew Brown  
E. T. Brown  
Samuel H. Brown (of Lawrence Co.)  
W. R. Chisholm  
Jno. C. Chitwood (of Lawrence Co.)  
W. H. Claibourn  
J. D. Coffee  
J. S. Collier  
John Collier (of Morgan Co.)  
D. H. Cook  
Jno. A. Crittenden  
Thos. A. Daugherty (of Lawrence Co.)  
W. H. Daugherty  
T. G. Davidson  
James Dean  
T. A. Eggleston  
Robert Ellis  
William Ellis  
B. Frank Foster, Jr.  
T. H. Gammon  
John Glenn  
Walter Glenn  
H. C. Harman

S. D. Harman  
..... Haraway  
James Harris  
H. L. Hawkins  
W. S. P. Hicks  
Lucius Hogan  
John R. Hoge  
Robert M. Hood  
W. S. Hussey  
John Jamison  
Wm. H. Jenkins  
E. T. Johnson (of Morgan Co.)  
Elias W. Kennedy  
John S. Kennedy  
John H. Lester  
M. Malone, Jr.  
William Mars  
R. S. Milwee (of Franklin/Lawrence Cos.)  
W. F. Mitchell  
John M. Moore  
W. H. Morgan  
A. C. Murdoch  
J. F. McCarley  
L. A. McClung  
Jas. M. McDaniel (of Lawrence Co.)  
R. W. McKelvey  
M. F. McKiernan  
James Nance  
W. A. Nichols

FLORENCE GUARDS - cont'd

PRIVATES:

J. C. Nipper (of Lauderdale/ Lawrence Cos.)	Wm. H. Smith
T. O'Brian	Jas. S. Southerland
Wm. H. Old	Alexander Stewart
*J. Brahan Patton	Elijah B. Stowe (joined from Lawrence; resident of Putnam Co., Ga.)
John W. Powers	H. Summerhill, Jr.
Joseph Powers	W. S. Terry
Asher Ragland	H. M. Watson
John Ragsdale	Peter White (of Lawrence Co.)
M. L. Richardson	Samuel Williams
Austin Riley	Thomas Williams
E. B. Scruggs	T. L. Wright
E. H. Skipworth	Wesley Wright
James M. Sloss	Sam C. Young
H. D. Smith, Jr.	William Young

\*Pvt. J. B. Patton replaced J. G. W. Leftwich as 3rd Lt. before the company departed.

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The above Florence Guards was contributed by Katie Hamner. Mrs. Hamner's cover letter was most interesting and because I feel it will clarify a number of points for our readers I am copying it here[Ed.]

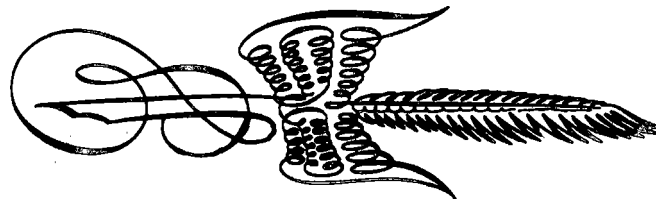
"I had this typed last week but did it over because I was dissatisfied with just a list of names when I had knowledge and/or references which would add information to the list.

"If our readers looked for R. S. Milwee in Lauderdale Co., they would not find him because he was born in Franklin Co., and his father moved to Lawrence Co. (Milwee, by the way, was listed as "Milner.")

"Elijah B. Stowe was listed as "E. B. Stone." The only reason I know about him is that he was living with Josephus Shackelford (Bap. minister, Lawrence Co., then), who was married to Cornelia Stowe. Elijah Stowe was Cornelia (Stowe) Shackelford's nephew. Elijah's parents lived in Eatonton, Georgia.

"If we give only the list of names, it can all go on one page ... but folks are not going to find at least ten of these men in Lauderdale County.

"I listed J. C. Nipper as both Lauderdale and Lawrence because he came to Lawrence just before joining the Florence Guards but his father is in the Lauderdale Co. censuses of 1850 and 1860. I have added first names wherever I knew them or could find them without looking up each one in the Confederate Index."





# Lawrence



ORIGINAL ESTATE PAPERS  
(Found and Xeroxed by Mrs. Roy J. Cochran,  
and transcribed by Ann Jenkins.)

This is the fourth in a series of five groups of estate papers found among loose original papers in the Lawrence County Courthouse (in a dark, dank closet). The first in the series was carried in Valley Leaves in Vol. 10, No. 1, September, 1975 and will be completed in the next issue. Reference to these estate papers may be found in Orphans'/Probate Court minutes when the book still exists. The entry would indicate the item was recorded on a specific date. The actual recording would be done in the will and inventory book for that date but many of these early books are missing. There may have been separate Will books though none are in Lawrence County at the present time.

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### MARGARET CRAYTON ESTATE

.....[first line missing]... order of the Orphans Court of Lawrence County, have viewed the estate of Margaret Crayton Dec<sup>d</sup>, and we value and appraise the same as follows

1 Cow & yearling	\$11.00
1 Cow & yearling	12.00
1 Stear and Heifer	11.00
1 Red Heifer	10.00
1 Iron Gray horse	55.00
1 Roan Horse	30.00
1 Ten Gallon Pot	2.50
1 oven	1.00
1 Spider	.25
1 large oven	1.00
1 Table	1.50
1 Bed & furniture	18.00
1 Parcel Ware	1.00
1 Box & 1 Glass	2.00

[dated] this 29th Decem<sup>r</sup> 1838

Sworn to and subscribed  
before me this 29th Dec<sup>r</sup> 1838

/S/ Hiram McDaniel, JP

/S/ James M. Abbott

/S/ John Keys

/S/ David Terry

/S/ Johnston Milligan

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The State of Alabama )

Lawrence County SS ) Personally before me Wiley Gallaway Clerk of the County Court of said County came Robert Crayton executor of the last Will and Testament of Margaret Crayton deceased and made Oath in due form of law that the within exhibit contains a true return of all the property belonging to the estate of said decedent not otherwise disposed of by said Will which has come to his hands as executor.

Sworn to & Subscribed before me the 17th  
day of January 1839. /S/ Wiley Gallaway, Clerk

his  
Robert X Crayton  
mark

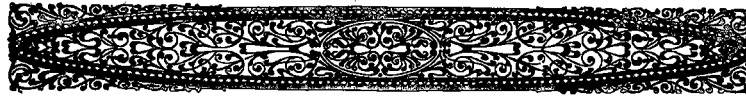
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On the application of Robert Crayton executor of the estate of Margaret Crayton deceased; It is ordered by the Court that the report of the Commissioners appointed to appraise the personal estate of said decedent as returned and sworn to by said executor be received & admitted to record.

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On the outside:

454 & 455 Inventory & appraisement of the estate of Margaret Crayton. Ordered to record at Jan Term 1839 Vol F p. 48. Recorded in Inv Wills & c Vol D pages 454 & 455. Wiley Gallaway Clerk



JUDITH JONES ESTATE

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Account of sale of the personal property of the estate of Judith Jones Deceased 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan'y 1844  
 [Note: The lack of punctuation makes it difficult to determine if Judith Jones died on January 3, 1844 or if the following instrument is dated that date. The buyers and their purchases have been put in alphabetical order for the reader's convenience. Ed.]

Doty, W. E.	2 boys Jack & Owen (slaves)	\$435.00
"	49 yds bagging	8.45
"	100 <del>lb</del> [marked through] rope	6.00
"	2-1/2 <del>lb</del> twine	.93-3/4
"	5630 <del>lb</del> picked cotton \$7.37-1/2 for	415.00
"	1 lot of books	1.00
"	Brass Kettle	1.25
"	salt and barrels	1.05
"	2 lots bed clothing	10.50
"	Bed & furniture	6.00
"	1 lot table ware	7.00
Felton, T.	2336 <del>lb</del> baled cotton \$6.37-1/2	148.92
Fenner, Robert	1 reel & 2 tubs	3.00
Foster, T. J.	lot coopers ware	1.62-1/2
"	1 candlestand	.62-1/2
"	Gear & c	6.12-1/2
"	3 stacks & a piece	6.00
"	Weedin & Grubing hoes	.87-1/2
"	5 axes	2.00
Gartrel, James	1 hed & c	7.75
Gibson, Ivy	2 cultivators	1.75
"	2 Cary ploughs	2.00
Goode, Freeman	1 lot farming tools	1.75
Jones, F. H.	1 centre table	2.00
Jones, James C.	5 Jars	2.00
Jones, T. Booth	Coffee boiler & pot	1.12-1/2
"	2 Grubing hoes	.06-1/4
"	1 small looking glass	1.00
"	1 Metal Clock	20.00
"	1 Waggon	70.00
Jones, V. H.	5623 <del>lb</del> baled cotton [@\$7.52 <sup>cts</sup>	422.84-90/100
"	Boy Bill [slave]	750.00
"	Cynthia & child [slaves]	575.00
"	Gabriel [slave]	460.00
"	Jim [slave]	400.00
Jones, W. E.	Bedstead demijon & c	2.00
"	15 geese	4.12
"	10 bee gums	10.00
"	Bed & furniture	18.50
"	1 lot single & double trees	1.62
"	Cotton seed	26.50

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Judith Jones Estate (-continued-)

King, John	Bed furniture & bed stead	\$ 16.50
Lightfoot, John F.	1 Side Board	22.50
Ligon, David G.	Carriage & harness	70.00
Manning, William	Carpets & foot mat	6.00
"	2 spinning wheels	1.00
"	log chain	2.75
Mays, D.	3 brier hooks	1.50
Mcgregor, William	1 pair andirons	1.00
"	1 pair of andirons	1.00
Mc peters, Robert	Tar	.50
"	Ducks, chickens &c	.87-1/2
"	274 <del>lb</del> picked cotton	17.12-1/2
"	fat stand & tallow	.50
"	bal corn 16 barrels \$1.12-1/2 a barrel	18.00
"	1 coffee mill	.25
"	foot mat	.56
Nes smith, W. A.	1 lot kitchen furniture	1.25
Reed, Carson	Bed & bolster	9.00
Reed, Robert C.	1 bed stead	3.00
Sale, John B.	2 looking glasses	20.00
"	1 set of china	17.00
"	2 arm chairs & 12 single	4.00
"	Bowl & pitcher	1.00
Shaw, B.	2 cultivators	1.75
Stanly, Joseph	small table glass & brush	2.50
Warren, William	1 Table	6.25
Watkins, James C.	13 china plates	1.62
Wilson, David	2 Eagle ploughs	1.31
Wright, Archibald	2 ovens & pot stand	2.00
"	1 lot coopers ware & Iron	.50
"	1 lot table ware	1.50
"	Clock candlesticks & snuffers	1.50
"	1 lot bottles &c	1.25

The credit of the above sale was 12 months with the exception of 2336 ~~lb~~ [marked out] of cotton which sold for \$148.92 cash. Also 274 ~~lb~~ of cotton for \$17.12-1/2 due 1st June 1844. Four dollars sixty and a half [torn] ... sundries cash.

A list of notes and accounts belonging to the estate of Judith Jones:

One note on Ruben Booth dated 8th Dec 1826 for \$20.00 payable on demand  
 Account on W. E. Jones \$1.50 due 1st Jany 1844  
 Account on Robert Lightfoot \$2.00 due 1st Jany 1844  
 Account on W. E. Doty for \$40.00 due 3rd Jany 1845  
 1 Bee gum Account on John King for \$1.00 due 1st Jany 1844

Doty, W. E.	10 Pork Hogs	\$ 20.00
"	Jim Crow	21.00
Faircloth[?], H.	Sylla[?]	1.00
Foster, T. J.	3 stacks fodder	6.00
Fowler, Daniel	1 pair of balances	4.12-1/2
Johnson, John T.	1 yoke oxen	35.00
Jones, W. E.	10 Pork hogs	30.00
"	24 acres of corn	45.00
Lightfoot, John	75 barrels of corn \$1.06-1/4 pr. barrel	79.75
"	1 grindstone	.25
Matthews, William	8 acres of corn	16.50
Mc peters, Robert	10 Pork hogs	10.00
"	10 Pork hogs	58.00
"	14 hogs & 25 pigs	10.00

Judith Jones Estate (-continued-)

Mc peters, Robert	Black Mule	\$ 13.00
"	11 acres of corn	23.37-1/2
"	Cotton in field	15.20
"	3 Stacks fodder	9.37-1/2
"	horse steamboat	31.00
"	Diamond	15.00
Norvel, James	3 stacks fodder	9.00
Shaw, E.	plough & gear	10.37-1/2
"	1 Kettle	2.18-3/4
Shaw, A. T.	Cow & calf	6.50
Towns, John L.	23 sheep	23.00
Wilson, David	Rosetta [slave]	16.00
Wright, Archibald	16 head of cattle	32.00

The State of Alabama ) Personally appeared before me Barnabas W. Isbell,  
 ) Clerk of the County Court of said county, Francis H.  
 Lawrence County ss: ) Jones administrator of the estate of Judith Jones,  
 deceased who swears (torn)...of law that the within  
 account of sales & inventory (torn)...is a true inventory of all the personal  
 estate of said decedent that has come to his hands as such administrator and  
 that he adopts as his Inventory and that the above is a true account of the sale  
 of the same.

/S/ F. H. Jones

Sworn to and subscribed before  
 me September 16th 1844. /S/ B. W. Isbell, Clerk

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(on outside:) F. H. Jones, Acct. Sale, Judith Jones, decd.  
 Recorded in Invt. book E, pages 475 476 477 478

/S/ B. W. Isbell, Clk.



MR. NAN CLEAVE DIES

Courtland, Ala., March 16, 1886. Mr. Nan Cleave, an aged citizen, formerly  
 of Connersville, Tenn., died at the residence of his son-in-law, Mr. J. J.  
 Pepper, in this town, about 10 p.m. March 16, 1886. Deceased was a pious  
 member of the C. P. Church. His remains will be carried to Tennessee for  
 interment. [Huntsville Weekly Mercury, March 24, 1885, P. 5, Col. 5.]

INTERESTING NOTES FROM MOULTON

Jan. 25, 1886. ...Pit Collins was killed near Wolf Springs in Lawrence County,  
 on 21st inst. Meredith Gargas jailed as suspect in the killing was captured at  
 Collins' brother's house next morning. A few weeks ago Pit Collins was shot and  
 slightly wounded by a Mr. Looney, near Leighton in Colbert County.

Mr. J. L. Stevens, a quiet and useful citizen, died on his farm near this place,  
 on Friday last.

Miss Ava Reerson, an accomplished young lady of Limestone county, is teaching  
 a flourishing female school in this place[Moulton].

(The Huntsville Weekly Mercury, Jan. 27, 1886, p. 2, col. 3-4)



# Bible Record

## MATTHEW ROBERTS FAMILY BIBLE

[This Bible is in the possession of Mrs. W. R. (Iriedell) Johnson of Moulton, Alabama. It is published through the efforts and courtesy of Mrs. Robert L. Almon, Moulton, Alabama. Ed.]

New Illustrated/Devotional and Practical Polyglot/FAMILY BIBLE/Containing the/Old and New Testaments,/together with the/Apocrypha, Concordance, and Psalms in Metre/... Published by/The National Publishing Company/New-World Publishing Company,/Jones Brothers & Co. [Date cut off Xerox copy].

### FAMILY RECORD

#### MARRIAGES

(Page 1)

Matthew Roberts and Susan Roberts Married the 14th day of April 1819

#### BIRTHS

(Page 2)

Matthew Roberts was born August the 20th 1797  
Susan Roberts wife of Matthew Roberts born September 10th 1802  
Nancy Roberts born and Deceased this life January 4th 1820  
John Chapman Roberts born February 14th 1821  
Hiram Mitchel Roberts born December 11th 1822  
Matilda Clementine Roberts born February 15th 1825  
Permelia Adaline Roberts born April the 12th 1827  
Matthew Howard Roberts born November the 19th 1828  
Thomas Jefferson Roberts born the 5th March 1831  
William Washington Roberts born January 19th 1833  
James Marion Roberts born October the 23rd 1834  
Franklin Alexander Roberts born February the 4th 1836

#### BIRTHS

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Martha Susan Roberts born October the 8th 1837  
Houston Warren Roberts born November 2, 1839  
Mary Catherine Roberts born March the 24th 1842  
Absolom Henry Roberts born February 11th 1844  
birth and death of Infant Son the 11th January 1846  
Birth and death of Infant Daughter December 11th 1849

My Father's Family [Note: The handwriting on Page 1 through 4 is the same.]

John Roberts born December 28th 1779  
Sarah Roberts wife of John Roberts born June 16th 1776  
Jessee B. Roberts born May 12, 1796  
Matthew Roberts born August 20th 1797  
John Roberts born April the 12th 1799  
Mary Roberts born February the 19th 1801

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Matthew Roberts Family Bible (-continued-)

Births. Page 3.

John W. Roberts born June the 21st 1804  
Catherine Roberts born December 17th 1805  
Hiram Roberts born March 13th 1808  
Howard Roberts born September 1st 1810  
William C. Roberts born April 20th 1816

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[On left hand side of the page in very faded handwriting:]  
James W. Sandlin born July 30th 1865  
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DEATHS

(Page 4)

M. [My?] Roberts Family

William W. Roberts Departed this life the 5th July 1852  
Permelia A. Montgomery Departed this life September 27th[?] 1852  
Matthew H. Roberts Departed this life July 18th 1859  
Absolom Henry Roberts departed this life January 6th In year of our Lord 1863  
Thomas J. Roberts Departed this life May 4th 1863

My Fathers Family

Sarah Roberts wife of John Roberts Departed this life the 11th of November 1838  
John Roberts Senior Departed this life the 23d of June 1852  
John W. Roberts Deceased this life the 11th September 1842

Note: The next four pages appear to be from a different Bible as the ornate border differs from the above four pages. The handwriting is also different [Ed.]

MARRIAGES

(Page 5)

[Mat]hew Roberts & Susan Roberts was married April 14th in the year of our L 1819  
John C. Roberts and Emmeline Roberts was married Oct 31st in the year of our Lord 1841

DEATHS

(Page 6)

Matthew Roberts Deceased July 8, 1882  
Susan Roberts his wife deceased Jan. 1st 1888  
(blank) Deceased Jan. 4th 1820 ) Note: These dates, minus the names,  
(blank) Departed this life Sept. 27th 1852 ) were transferred from pages 1 and 4 to  
(blank) Departed this life July 18th 1859 ) this sheet so this is actually a duplicate.  
(blank) Departed this life May 4th 1863 ) This was a different handwriting from  
(blank) Departed this life July 5th 1892 ) Pages 1 through 4, 9 and 10.  
James M. Roberts departed Nov 9 1882

BIRTHS

(Page 7)

[Same as Page 2 but different handwriting.]

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Matthew Roberts Family Bible (-continued-)

MARRIAGES

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[More births the same as Pages 3 and 4 with the exception of the following entries:]

Absolom Henry Roberts was born in the year of our Lord Feb 11 1844 - Died  
Jan 6 1863

John Roberts Father of Matthew Roberts was born Decr 28th in the year of our  
Lord 1779. Died June 23, 1852

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[The following two pages were loose sheets of paper found in the Matthew Roberts  
Bible. The handwriting is similar, if not the same, as on Pages 1 through 4.]

(Page 9)

James M. Armor born September 1[edge of sheet torn away and day illegible] in  
the year of our Lord 1829

Martha Susan Armor wife of James M. Armor born October 8th in the year of our  
Lord 1837

Mary Ana Armor born October 31st in the year of our Lord 1855

John M. Armor born September 30th in the year of our Lord 1857

Isanora Armor born April 17th in the year of our Lord 1859

Savanah Jane Armor born March 1st in the year of our Lord 1861

James R. Armor born November 17th in the year of our Lord 1863

Deaths of family

Mary ann Armor departed this life 20th day of August in the year 1856

James M. Armor departed this life 17th day of April in the year 1863

James M. Armor and Martha Susan Roberts his wife married July 31st in the  
year of our lord 1851[See below for a different date which was underlined]

(Page 10)

Mary Ann Armor was born October the 31st in the year of our Lord 1855

Mary Ann Armor Departed this Life the 20th day of August in the year of our Lord  
1856

(different handwriting)

John M. Armor was borne September the 30th in the year of our Lord 1857

Isadora Armor was borne Aprile the 17th in the year of our Lord 1859

(different handwriting)

Savanah Jane Armor was borne March the 1st 1861

James M. Armor was Born September 7th in the year of our Lord 1829

James M. Armor departed this life the 17th of April 1863

(different handwriting)

James R. Armor was born November the 17th 1863

James M. Armor and Martha S. Roberts was Married July the 31st 1854

-End Matthew Roberts Bible Record-

HOW TO ORDER THE 1900 CENSUS BY MAIL

By  
Yvonne Perkins (Mrs. Theodore E.), Huntsville, Ala.

Due to rule changes at the National Archives in Washington, D. C., the 1900 Federal Census may now be obtained by mail. Two forms are necessary in order to receive this valuable information:

- (1) GSA 7163
- (2) GSA 7029

Form GSA 7163 is the "1900 Census Research Application" and is used to establish your relationship to the families you plan to research. Form GSA 7029 must be filled out for every family on which information is needed. These blank forms may be obtained from the National Archives. Requests for blank forms and the 1900 Census should be sent to:

Census Records (NNCC)  
National Archives (GSA)  
Washington, D. C. 20408

To insure that your request is answered please include a pedigree chart showing your relationship to the lines for which information is requested and a letter stating: "This is requested under the Freedom of Information Act." This Act makes it mandatory for the request to be filled within ten working days after receipt.

If for some reason your request is returned unfilled, as one of mine was, do not give up. Gather all the forms and the letter returned to you and send them to your nearest Federal Records Center. For the area including the Tennessee River counties in Alabama the address is:

Federal Records Center  
1557 St. Joseph's Avenue  
East Point, Georgia 30344

If you live in other areas ask your local library for the address nearest you. I requested information on how to gain the 1900 Census through the Soundex method and got the information I needed.

Do not send money with the first request as a bill will be included with the census copy.

It is with gratitude to Mary Warren and her fine publication, Family Puzzlers, that I pass along this information to our readers. I hope it will help you as it has helped me.

Yvonne Perkins

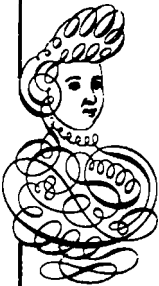


Men Who Engaged in Business From the Beginning of the Town of Leighton  
[Circa 1821] to 1873

William Leigh; W. W. McGregor; Rand and King; Rosenthal Brothers; J. C. and J. W. Rand; Adolphus Grubbs; Philemon and Robert King; Deloney and Latham; A. and H. C. Leckey; Z. T. Hogdon; W. W. Downes; H. R. King; J. A. and J. C. Maddings.

-The Leighton News, February 16, 1894

Contributed by Mrs. V. W. Hamner, Jr., Huntsville, Alabama.





# Limestone



## 1845 Marriages

Contributed by Mrs. Eulalia Wellden, Box 781, Athens, Alabama 35611. This is the thirteenth in a series taken from Limestone County, Alabama, Marriage Records 1832-1862.

- Page 466  
2030      Jesse M. Egger to Elizabeth R. Hodges  
4 Jan. 1845, sol. 5 Jan. 1845 by James C. Elliott, M. G.
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2031      James Terry to Lucinda Weatherford  
6 Jan. 1845, sol. 8 Jan. 1845 by Jas. K. Collinworth, C. P.
- Page 467  
2032      Uriah S. Davidson to Elizabeth A. Daniel  
6 Jan. 1845, sol. 7 Jan. 1845 by A. K. Crawford, J. P.
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2033      James A. Montgomery to Louisa V. Holeman  
7 Jan. 1845, sol. 7 Jan. 1845 by James C. Elliott
- Page 469  
2034      Charles W. Burruss to Mary Saffrony Harrison  
16 Jan. 1845, sol. 16 Jan. 1845 by John S. Simpson, J. P.
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2035      Josiah C. Isaacs to (Per ?tte) Scaggs  
18 Jan. 1845, 21 Jan. 1845 by James Simpson, J. P.
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2036      John W. Christopher to Louisa E. Harvey  
30 Jan. 1845, sol. 30 Jan. 1845 by John Shelton, M. G.
- Page 469  
2037      Robert J. Rochell to Agness Robbins  
5 February 1845, sol. 6 Feb. 1845 by William M. Redus, J. P.
- Page 470  
2038      Edward Harris Hanks to Malinda Roach  
5 Feb. 1845, sol. 6 Feb. 1845 by James Harrison, J. P.
- Page 470  
2039      Luke G. Bullington to Lucy Hany  
11 Feb. 1845, sol. 20 Feb. 1845 by James Shelton, M. G.
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2040      Liberty J. Nixon to Margaret C. Beckam  
17 Feb. 1845, sol. 20 Feb. 1845 by J. Seales
- Page 471  
2041      John Moody to Ann Guthris  
24 Feb. 1845, sol. 4 March 1845 by Samuel F. Mitchell, J. P.
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2042      R. Livingston Irvin to Catharine E. Scott  
26 Feb. 1845, sol. 26 Feb. 1845 by James C. Elliott, M. G.
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2043      James D. Carpenter to Ann E. Smith  
27 Feb. 1845, sol. 27 Feb. 1845 by James C. Elliott, M. G.
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2044      Spotswood McGregor to Sarah Miller  
28 Feb. 1845, sol. 2 March 1845 by M. F. Moses, M. G.
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2045      James M. Cook to Rebecca Fields  
1 March 1845, sol. 2 March 1845 by M. F. Moses, M. G.
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2046      David A. Cowan to Mary M. Wright  
3 March 1845, sol. 4 March 1845 by J. Boucher

- Page 474      Anderson C. Hughes to Saphrona Bates  
2047            5 March 1845, sol. 5 March 1845 by Wm. M. Redus, J. P.
- Page 475      Robert T. Speer to Emily H. Meacham  
2048            8 March 1845, sol. 11 March 1845 by J. Seale
- Page 475      James M. Hafley to Martha Ann Atkinson  
2049            10 March 1845, sol. 11 March 1845 by James C. Elliott, M. G.
- Page 476      James Partin to Lydia Myse  
2050            24 March 1845, sol. 24 March 1845 by Samuel Edmondson, M. G.
- Page 476      John R. Mason to Glowinia Beaty  
2051            27 March 1845, sol. 28 March 1845 by J. Boucher
- Page 477      Richard Smith to Rebecca Chandler  
2052            1 April 1845, sol. 2 April 1845 by M. F. Moses, M. G.
- Page 477      Charles Smith to Margaret Lock  
2053            12 April 1845, sol. 13 April 1845 by Wm. M. Redus, J. P.
- Page 478      John Hollinsworth to Mary Wornum  
2054            15 April 1845, sol. 17 April 1845 by Monroe F. Moses, M. G.
- Page 478      Wilson Fain to Eliza J. Moses  
2055            16 April 1845, sol. 16 April 1845 by James C. Elliott, M. G.
- Page 479      Joseph Berry to Nancy Latham  
2056            30 April 1845, sol. 4 May 1845 by Robert Tindall J. P.
- Page 479      Edward W. Dandridge to Susan Watson  
2057            1 May 1845, sol. 1 May 1845 by Allison C. Cain, J. P.
- Page 480      Washington Peebles to Rebecca O. Brown  
2058            5 May 1845, sol. 7 May 1845 by Finch P. Scruggs, M. G.
- Page 480      Lewis L. W. Letliff to Caroline Fisher  
2059            12 May 1845, sol. 15 May 1845 by James Simpson, J. P.
- Page 481      Daniel H. Hamblin to Martha P. Smith  
2060            9 June 1845, sol. 11 June 1845 by Wm. C. Dawson, J. P.
- Page 482      Schuyler Harris to Ann Dewoody  
2061            18 June 1845, by Robert Austin, Jr., Clerk C. C.
- Page 482      Andrew J. McWilliams to Emily Pryor  
2062            24 June 1845, sol. 25 June 1845 by James C. Elliott, M. G.
- Page 482      William Stephenson to Minerva Jane Beard  
2063            30 June 1845, sol. 3 July 1845 by Jas. R. Collinsworth, C. P.

End 1845 Marriages

HON. THOMAS J. McCLELLAN DIES

THE HUNTSVILLE WEEKLY MERCURY, Oct. 19, 1887, p. 8, col. 3.

Hon. Thos. J. McClellan died in Athens last Friday at the advanced age of 75. Mr. McClellan was a native Tennessean... Before the War he was an earnest Whig. He was two or three times elected to the Alabama Legislature. He was a member of the Alabama Convention of 1861, with Hon. Joshua P. Coman when the ordinance of succession was passed.... He died beloved and full of honors.



# Commissioners' Court Book

## 1841-1858

The 1860 Limestone County census is all but impossible to read in places and because of this the following list of persons who moved from that county without paying tax is quite valuable. In many cases these records show where the person moved to which is invaluable to a researcher. Where no new residence is given his new residence was unknown or he was dead. The original Commissioners' Court Book, 1841 - 1858 is in the Limestone County Courthouse. Seldom did the tax owed amount to over 50¢. (Submitted by Mrs. Marjorie Shelton Kent, 604 1st St., Athens, Ala., 35611.)

1853		1854 (-continued-)	
NAME	NEW RESIDENCE		
Beckham, Wm. M.	Tenn.	Fast, John B.	-
Binard, Jno.	Tenn.	Green, J. M.	Madison Co., Ala.
Boyes[Bayes?], John	-	Hardy, John	-
Brown, Allen	-	Hargrove, James A.	-
Collier, H. M.	Texas	Holland, L. W.	Tenn.
Collins, Jno.	-	Johnson, Reuben	Arkansas
Connelly, John B.	-	Landtropp, W.	-
Crane, Wm.	-	Lenesque, John	Tenn.
Dungee[?], Jno.	-	Lewis, R. W.	-
Faels, J. J.	Georgia	McDonald, James M.	-
Greenhaw, Jonathon	-	Moats, J. W.	-
Griffith, Jas. A.	Coosa Co., Ala.	Morris, Covington	Morgan Co., Ala.
Grisham, M. C.	Tenn.	Myers, David	-
Haney, Wm. C.	Tenn.	Owens, Thomas J.	Miss.
Ledbetter, Richard	-	Ramsey, J. T[L?]	-
McElyee, Henry	Jackson Co., Ala.	Reams, John	-
McNally, Robt.	Mad. Co., Ala.	Ridgeway, Joel	-
Nash, A. G. [?]	Tenn.	Robinson, Samuel	-
Oglesby, Jas. A.	-	Stinnett, Andrew	-
Pamphlin[?], James	Tenn.	Stinnett, Thomas B.	-
Robinson, H. C.	-	Strange, Joseph	-
Russell, Jas. H.	-	Sweaney, Coleman	Tenn.
Stanton, Henry	Tenn.	Terry, Nathaniel	Texas
Stinnett, John W.	-	Terry, Nick	-
Tribble, Reuble[Rueble?]	-	Walker, David	-
Tucker, A. J.	Tenn.	Walker, H.	-
Vick, Jas. L.	Tenn.	Weatherford, Chas. W.	-
Williams, E. B.	Lauderdale Co., Ala.	Wheeler, W. B.	-
Yarbrough, John	-		
		1856	
		Abbott, Royal	-
		Adams, John	-
		Barnes, James B.	-
		Beel, David	Miss.
		Bell, J. S.	Miss.
		Booth, Charles	(dead)
		Bradley, Joseph	(dead)
		Brandon, R. P.	Madison Co., Ala.
		Bullington, N. G.	(dead)
		Castleberry, William	-
		Cobb, C. C.	Madison Co., Ala.
		Cockran, James G.	-
		Cole, Abram	-
		Collier, James W.	-
		Couch, William T.	-
1854			
Adkinson, John G.	-		
Barksdale, Wm. G.	Miss.		
Bradley, John	-		
Brandon, Benj.	Miss.		
Brandon, J. H.	-		
Canterberry, D. G.	-		
Coffman, R. J.	Tenn.		
Crut[c]her, A. B.	Miss.		
Crut[c]her, W. R.	Miss.		
Cuming, James F.	-		
Donaldson, Geo. W.	-		
Dupree, T. H.	-		
Dupree, W. H.	-		

1856 (-continued-)

1857 (-continued-)

Name	New Residence
Curry, J. G.	Marshall Co., Ala.
Darwell, James E.	-
Davidson, J. B.	-
Finley, Ishom R.	Virginia
Fleming, James	(dead)
Griffen, S. B.	-
Hathcock, A. C.	-
Hess, Wm.	Ark.
Jackson, Newton	(dead)
Johnson, Ebenezer	Lawrence Co., Ala.
Jones, Thomas N.	-
Justice, George	-
Kirkland, James	-
Lambert, Thomas	-
Maherg, Benj.	Madison Co., Ala.
McCray, N. H.	-
McCurry, Willis	-
Metlock, Jackson	-
Minor, Daniel	Madison Co., Ala.
Myer, F. C.	Tenn.
Norman, A. G.	-
Ormond, James M.	-
Owen, Sylvester	-
Powers, D. S.	Lauderdale Co., Ala.
Putman, James C.	-
Robinson, Samuel	-
Scott, James W.	Tenn.
Stanford, A. T.	(dead)
Strange, Joseph	Tenn.
Terry, N. M.	-
Thomas, George W.	-
Toone, William D.	Madison Co., Ala.
Toone, Wm. S.	-
Wilkes, W. C.	-
Woolbanks, Reuben	-

1857

Blackwell, A. J.	-
Davis, Frederick	-
Davis, Thomas P.	-
Dobbins, Jasper N.	(dead)
Gaither, Peter	-
Gregory, Alfred M.	-
Hamlet, Joseph	-
Higden, Charles	-
Hill, John M.	-
Hopwood, Willis M.	-
Hook, R. N. M.	-
Hunt, Gosham	-
Jackson, William	-
Johnson, Luther	-
Linder, A. T.	-
Marshall, J. W.	-
Martin, Joseph	Arkansas
McLemore, L. M. D.	-
Moon, James	-
Moore, Thomas	-
Nelson, Robert	-
Pickett, John A.	-
Posey, Emory	(dead)
Ragle, W. H.	-
Raney, Robert W.	-
Ray, Wesley	-
Roust, Wm.	(dead)
Rush, Jesse	Tenn. Island[?]
Russell, Irvin	-
Seabrooks, B. W.	-
Smith, John E.	-
Smith, Wiley H.	-
Stout, Jeremiah	-
Talley, Isham	-
Toone, John W.	-
Vincint, David	-
Walker, Martin	-
White, Stephen	(dead)

Anderson, A. A.	-
Anderson, Alexander	-
Anderson, Jesse B.	-

End of Tax Delinquencies 1841-1858

ALEX McKINNEY DIES

Died in Texarkana, Ark., on the 13th inst., Alex McKinney, 72 years of age. He was well known here, and for many years was in public life in Limestone County, where he spent most of his life. He died at the home of his son, Geo. W. McKinney.  
 (The Huntsville Daily Mercury, Feb. 17, 1886.)



## ROUND ISLAND BAPTIST CHURCH - 155 YEARS

Limestone County, Alabama

[From The Athens News Courier and The Limestone Reporter of June 21, 1972.]

Established in 1817, Round Island Baptist Church is believed to be the oldest organized church in Limestone County. On June 25, 1972, its members celebrated its 155th anniversary. Round Island is located five miles south of Athens on Brown's Ferry Road. It takes its name from a creek which flows along the southern border of the church grounds.

Surnames still familiar to Limestone County were among the twelve charter members: Jeremiah Tucker, Sidney Tucker, Joel Lambert, Asa Morgan, Agnes Morgan, George Ables, Anna Ables, Peggy McWilliams, Elizabeth Stamps, Lucinda Jones, Walter Barclay, and Elizabeth Barclay. Jeremiah Tucker was elected the first pastor.

In addition to Tucker, some of Round Island's earliest preachers were Jesse Seal, a Bro. Lucas, D. B. Hale, George W. Pucket, Eugene C. Gordon, and J. I. Stockton. Seal served three times, while Tucker was called twice.

The carefully kept minutes contain numerous memorials to deceased members of the church. The original copy is in the library at Samford University in Birmingham. According to these records, Round Island Baptist Church was constituted June 17, 1817, two years before Alabama became a state. In July, John Favor (Revolutionary War soldier) agreed to donate a plot of land for the church and cemetery, "where Athens and Brown's Ferry Road cross Broyles Creek," and where the church has been ever since.

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Abstracted and contributed by Mrs. V. W. Hamner, Jr., Huntsville, Alabama.

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# Land for Sale.

By virtue of an order from the County Court of Madison County, the undersigned will expose to sale at public auction at the town of Athens, on the 6th day of September next, (being the day of the commencement of the Circuit Court of Limestone) on a credit until the first day of January, 1825, the certificate of the Register of the Land Office at Huntsville, for the north west quarter of Section No. 5, in township No. 3, range 4, west, on which one-fourth part has been paid: the said land lies adjacent to the town of Athens, and is said to be valuable.

Adm'r of the estate of Samuel Noble, dec'd.  
June 23, 1824

(The Alabamian, Huntsville, (Ala.) Thursday July 15, 1824)

Ezekiel Moore  
Henry King

McKINNEY - DAVID CEMETERY

(Copied by Mabry and Dorene Elders, Sept., 1970)

LOCATION: Limestone County, Alabama. In the SE/4 of Section 11, Twp. 3 South, Range 5 West.

This cemetery is in a pasture and open to the cattle. Some of the stones are beautiful marble. All except three stones are broken and very little information remains.

The first two stones are for the same grave; one is granite and the other is marble.



Louticia S. David  
December 25, 1814  
September 5, 1854

Foot  
C. B. & \_\_\_\_\_ ey  
(stone broken)

Loutitia  
wife of John H. David  
December 25, 1814  
September 5, 1854

Marhee  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Died Sept. 11, 1859  
(Stone broken)



In memory of  
Eleanor  
wife of John McKinney  
September 30, 1799  
September 26, 1856  
Age 59 yrs., 11 mo., 26 days

Da  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Died August 22, 1858  
Aged 16 yrs., 22 days  
(Stone broken)

Eleanor M. J.  
Daughter of  
J. H. & L. S. David  
(broken stone)

Sam \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Stone broken)

[John McKinney]  
\_\_\_\_\_ 18, 1779  
\_\_\_\_\_ 26, 1865  
\_\_\_\_\_ yrs, 8 days  
(Stone broken)

Attie \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Stone broken)

E. M. J.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Stone broken)

\_\_\_\_\_ 12, 1 \_\_\_\_\_  
April 6, 18 \_\_\_\_\_  
(Stone broken)

FROM THE 1850 CENSUS  
(Limestone County)

Note: In order to help the reader reconstruct some of these stones we are including here some entries from the 1850 Limestone County census:

509. David, John H.	45	N. C., farmer, \$300.
Lutitia S.	36	Ala.
Henry A.	12	Ala.
Elenor M. J.	9	Ala.
Andrew J.	7	Ala.

Note: John H. David married Lutitia McKinney, daughter of John McKinney, on December 12, 1837 by James Simpson, J.P.

513. McKinney, John	70	Va., farmer, \$1000
Elender	55	N. C.
America C.	20	Ala.
Columbus B.	24	Ala.





# Madison



The following articles were taken from The Daily Mercury, a Huntsville, Alabama, publication. Each article is dated.

- Fri., July 11, 1890. We regret to announce the serious illness of Mr. Robert J. Slone at his residence on Madison street. There was only slight hope for his recovery late last evening. Mr. Slone has been ill only a few days, but his indisposition has rapidly grown to an alarming state.
- Sat., July 12, 1890. Robert J. Sloan died yesterday afternoon at the residence of his mother, 421 Madison St., aged 26 years, after an illness of brain fever since Sunday last. Mr. Sloan has been a resident of this city and in the employ of his uncle, Mr. James Wells, for several years, and by his quiet demeanor and gentlemanly conduct won and possessed many friends who deeply regret the death of their young friend. He leaves a mother and three sisters to mourn the loss of their departed loved one. Mr. Sloan was a member of the Cumberland Lodge No. 49, I.O.O.F., of New Market, and his remains will be conducted to the cemetery by Madison Lodge No. 25 of this city, where he will be interred with the ceremonies and rites of this benevolent and fraternal order. The funeral service will take place this afternoon at 5 o'clock, Rev. Dr. L. D. Bass of the Baptist Church, officiating.
- Sat., July 12, 1890. Mrs. Thomas H. Benners (nee Miss Rosa Tardy) died suddenly in Birmingham yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Her remains will reach this city at 10:30 o'clock today and will be buried from the Presbyterian Church this afternoon at 5:30 o'clock. Services by Rev. Dr. J. H. Bryson.
- Sun., July 13, 1890. Members of Committees for Confederate Reunion on 29th of this month:  
Correspondence: H. C. Speake, Henry B. Roper, W. N. Robertson, Geo. M. Neely, R. H. Medlin, J. L. Walker, William M. Erskine, P. B. Fletcher, and D. A. Timberlake.  
Location and Arrangements: L. W. McCravy, H. P. Turner, W. D. Bassett, W. F. Baldrige, W. P. Newman, John D. Brandon and Dr. A. B. Shelby.  
Contributions: Frank B. Gurley, James M. Hutchens, Jere Murphy, J. Q. Dillard, J. O. Kelly, W. W. Drake, W. R. Rison, J. H. Byrne, Dan Renfro, Chas. J. Mastin, D. H. Turner, S. H. Moore, W. T. Hamer, A. S. Fletcher, J. J. Ford, Dr. C. A. Robinson, A. C. Johnson, and J. H. Burrow.  
Chairman is Capt. Frank B. Gurley.
- Sun., July 13, 1890. We regretted to learn yesterday of the death several days ago of Dr. T. C. Pettus who has been a resident of Limestone county a number of years, but formerly lived in this [Madison] county. Dr. Pettus died at a ripe old age, having been a successful practitioner for a number of years, and was one of the most highly respected citizens of Limestone and Madison counties. His death occurred at his home in Pettusville, a small village in Limestone [County], named in honor of the deceased.
- Sun., July 13, 1890. It is conceded that the census of Huntsville will show a population of something over 6,500 souls within the corporate limits and a little less than 10,000 in the city and suburbs. This is an increase in the corporate limits, which are restricted to half a mile each way from the public square, of 1,500 over the census of 1880. A good showing for a city that does as little "blowing" as Huntsville.
- Tues., July 15, 1890. INFORMATION WANTED. OF HEIRS OF JOHN D. TRAVIS. Any descendent of John D. Travis, who removed with a wife and child (a son) from Williamsburg, Va., to Alabama, between 1836 and 1848, will hear of something to his advantage by addressing: Henry C. Semple, Montgomery, Ala. (dlt wlt)



## ALABAMA/NORTH ALABAMA METHODIST CONFERENCE

### A CLARIFICATION OF FACTS (Contributed by Mrs. Helen B. McKnight)

Occasionally material is submitted to Valley Leaves that contains an error or oversight and is in need of clarification. Mrs. McKnight has called to our attention the need for clarification and correction of an error in Volume 10, No. 4, Page 184. Line No. 25 states: "In 1832 the North Alabama Conference was established." This is in error and the sentence should read: "In 1832 the Alabama Conference was established (at Tuscaloosa) and in 1870 the North Alabama Conference was established (at Gadsden.)"

As it now stands many researchers will be confused. When the ALABAMA CONFERENCE was established in 1832 it covered "all of Alabama NOT included in the TENNESSEE CONFERENCE." That part of Alabama "watered by streams flowing into the Tennessee River" was to remain in the Tennessee Conference. That meant that all of Alabama NORTH of the Tennessee River plus Franklin (now Colbert and Franklin), Lawrence, Morgan, and part of what is now Marshall, and the part that was then still part of the Cherokee Mission, remained in the Tennessee Conference. (See Valley Leaves Vol. 8, p. 62. Also see Marion Elias Lazenby's "History of Methodism in Alabama and West Florida" (published 1960, copy in Heritage Room of Huntsville Public Library,) page 183 for above quotations. Also see Anson West's A History of Methodism in Alabama (published 1893) page 446 (also in Heritage Room.) Researchers looking for data on Methodism in our Valley area before 1870 need to search records of the Tennessee Conference of the Methodist Church.

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### HODGES FAMILY REUNION IN 1895

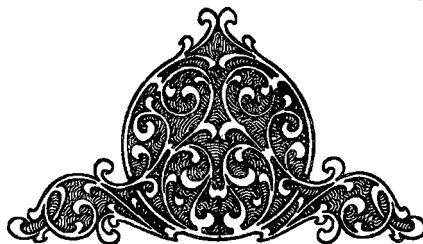
(Contributed by Mrs. Richard H. Gilliam, Jr., Huntsville, Alabama)

From the Huntsville, Alabama, Weekly Mercury, October 23, 1895, Page 10, Column 5. Haden is a community in the southeast section of Madison County, Alabama.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Moore, in Big Cove, near Haden, on Friday, Oct. 18th, the remnant of the Hodges family celebrated a happy reunion. Many of the readers of The Mercury will remember old Mr. Thomas Hodges, a good, honest and very respectful gentleman; member of the Cumberland Church at Mt. Pleasant. He has raised a nice family of children. He and his dear wife and several children have long ago crossed the river of death. Only five are now living, four sisters and one brother. These five with some of their children and grand children celebrated the reunion. Some of them have not seen each other's faces in 15 years. Happy meetings indeed. For the pleasure of distant relatives and friends, the names which they now bear; also their age and address are given: Mrs. M. C. Moore, Haden, Ala., age 71; Mrs. Sarah C. Stowder, Blue Ash, Ohio, age 55; Mrs. Ellen Wicker, Gurley, Ala., age 53; Mrs. Lou Petty, New Market, Ala., age 50; Mr. Robert Hodges, Marcus, Dekalb county, Ala., age 57.

These are the Hodges children, all are Christians, all enjoying good health. They have not yet parted and we know they dread the parting, for they will probably never meet again in this world but we trust they will be reunited around the throne of God in Heaven, where there is no more parting and all tears wiped away.

Very truly, Hyacinth



MADISON COUNTY WILLS

Beginning with Volume 4, No. 3 (March, 1970) Valley Leaves has carried the wills of Madison County, Alabama, beginning with the first will ever recorded in this county in 1810. These wills have been published in consecutive order so that eventually every will recorded here will have been published. Those responsible for this superb contribution are Dr. and Mrs. Ezell Terry. This editor wishes to extend special thanks and recognition to the Terrys for their faithful and conscientious research and contributions to Valley Leaves.

PR 9, p. 244

WILL OF JOHN DINES

Dated 15 Apr 1840  
Probated 21 Apr 1840

"...being in a low state of health..." ...Unto Ann Terrel & Richard her son all my estate, real & personal in town of Huntsville ... the sd Ann Terrel to have the use of sd property in raising the three children that she has by me. After the raising of the ch, her son Richard may, if he think proper, take 1/2 of the lot & at death of Ann, he shall have the other half.

I give to my 2 daus Sophrony Dines & Caladony Dines my two lots in Middle town in the State of Ohio.

Execs: Robert Edwards, Irvin Windham.

Wits: Jas. A. Hood, N[icholas] C. Bishop, Thos. H. Eans, James Oneal.

PR 9, p. 261

WILL OF GEORGE I. WEAVER

Dated 23 Mar 1840  
Probated 14 May 1840

To my bro. John C. Weaver my gray horse, Saddle & Bridle, a colt and my Gold Patent Lever Watch. To George I. Weaver Carrington, son of Nelson Carrington of State of Conn., [money] to be put at interest by the father until the son is 21. To Miss Everline Beal - a saddle horse to be valued at \$25, a saddle at \$18 & bridle at \$2. Also one pair of Martingales to cost \$1.50. The personal property (slaves) I had when I married & a few others I bought out of my Father's Family, I give to my dear & beloved wife Martha H. Weaver & at her death to be divided between Sister Eliza Steele, Sister Judith Harris, Sister Lucinda I. Weaver & Bro. Jno C. Weaver. All other estate to wife Martha, inc. moneys, notes & bonds, and my interest in the Firm of Lowe & Weaver & my interest in Estate of James McCartney.

Execs: Wife Martha H. Weaver, Fleming Jordan.

Wit: Newton Ford, Thos. V. Province, Wm L. Veazey

PR 9, p. 262

WILL OF WILLIAM LILLEY

Dated 4 Mar 1840  
Probated 20 May 1840

"...being sick..." To my loveing wife Elizabeth Lilley the tract of land whereon I now live during her life. At her death to be sold & the money divided among my 3 surviving children (not named). To wife all personal property & furniture.

Exec: Wife Elizabeth Lilley

Wit: M. Dugless, David Goodner, Abraham Loving, Gross Scruggs, & Jesse Lilley.

Proved by Murphy Douglass & Gross Scruggs.

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PR 9, p. 268

WILL OF WILLIAM SMITH

Dated 29 Nov 1839  
Probated 7 July 1840

"...when my body is in perfect health..."

My wife Mrs. Margaret Smith & my gr-dau Mary Smith Calhoun & her two infant children, William Smith Calhoun & John Taylor Calhoun, are the great objects of my affection & bounty & they, and they alone, are to have every part of my estate.

I give to my gr-dau \$100,000 to be raised from the annual proceeds of my cotton crops in La. & to each of her two infant ch. \$50,000 to be paid to them at 21 yrs of age.

To my wife the whole of my estate, after the above legacies are paid, inc. all my lands in Ala. & La.

Exec: Wife Mrs. Margaret Smith

Wit: Thos. Brandon, Wm Brandon, D. M. Bradford

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PR 9, p. 270

WILL OF THOMAS VANN, SENR.

Dated 30 Aug 1834  
Probated 13 July 1840

To my dau Mary my whole estate during her life with the exception of 1 dollar each I give to my other legatees: son Bryan Vann, dau Sarah Green, son Thomas Vann, son Dempsey, son Lazarus, son Edward H. My dau Mary to be left in care of my son Edward H. & he to have the estate in his hands, the negroes to remain there & work for the support of Mary. My dau Sarah Green to remain with Edward for purpose of attending on Mary, and to be supported out of estate.

The two negroes Moses & Rachel, after the death of Mary, shall choose which of my ch they want to live with & work for their own support. Harmon & Jim to be hired out & the money



divided among my gr-ch.

Execs: My 2 sons Edward H. Vann & Lazarus Vann

Wit: Thomas McGrady, Francis Worley, Ebenezer Wilcox.

PR 9, p. 277

WILL OF MARGARET HALL

Dated 28 Jan 1840  
Probated 12 Oct 1840

To son John P. Hall & dau Jane Hall the proceeds of the lot sold to George Cox, it being a half-acre of the lot on which I reside, lying in town of Huntsville fronting on Jefferson St. & lying afront Dr. Alexander Erskine's lot.

To dau Jane Hall the house & lot on which I live, also 20 A adj. the lands of Adam Hall, it being part of W/2 of S/4 of Sec. 5, T 4, R 1 E. At her death to my son John P. Hall for 4 yrs. & at end of that time to be sold & the money divided between my 8 gr-ch, to wit: James H. Moore & Iby Moore, ch of Mary Moore; Margaret, Jane & Patterson, ch of my son James Hall; Archey, son of John P. Hall; Archey, son of Adam Harris; & Margaret Moore, dau of Elizabeth Jones, formerly Elizabeth Compton.

To dau Jane Hall all household & kitchen furniture & at her death to be sold & divided bet. my 8 gr-ch.

To sons Adam Hall & James Hall, \$1.00 each, they having already received all that was due them heretofore.

To dau Isabel Harris, \$100 - to be pd not over \$30 a yr.

To dau Elizabeth Jones, \$150.

If James H. Moore does not return to Huntsville in 5 yrs after my death, his portion to be pd his sister Margaret Jones.

Execs: John P. Hall, Richard B. Purdom

Wit: B. Jolley, C. D. Kavanaugh, John B. Eldridge

(Proved by Cortez D. Kavanaugh & John B. Eldridge).

PR 9, p. 291

WILL OF JORDAN LACY

Dated 17 Nov 1839  
Probated 13 Nov 1840

I give & bequeath all my tract of Land cont. 40 acres to my younges\_ son Andrew B. Lacy, he taken\_ care of my beloved wife Sally Lacy during her natural life.

Personal property to be sold & proceeds divided among all my legal heirs (not named).

Exec: Beloved son Andrew B. Lacy

Wit: Richard Middelton, R. D. Middleton, Benjamin (X) Huggins.

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PR 9, p. 294

WILL OF ISAAC INMAN

Dated 20 Mar 1840  
Probated 1 Dec 1840

Planter of Madison Co., Ala being weak in body... To my well-beloved dau Lucinda Inman - a slave. To my well-beloved wife Martha Inman - all the rest of my property, consisting of land, stock, negro, & furniture, during her life & at her death to be divided among all my ch: Sarah Mitchell, Green L. Inman, James H. Inman & Lucinda Inman.

Exec: Wife Martha Inman

Wit: James Irvin, O. A. Van Hook

(Proved by James Irvin & Octavius Van Hook)

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PR 9, p. 303

WILL OF LAETITIA REARDEN

Dated 1 June 1840  
Probated 14 Dec 1840

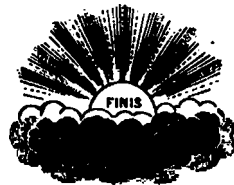
... of the Town of Huntsville ... in bad health ...

To my gr-dau Susan Harrington - the house & lot in Huntsville during her life & at her death to be sold & the proceeds divided among my 3 great-gr-ch Asa Harrington, Jane Curtis, wife of James M. Curtis, & Melvin Minor.

My negro boy to be sold to a person the boy may wish to purchase him & the money given to my dau Susan & my gr-son Melvin Minor.

Exec: Irvin Windham of Town of Huntsville

Wit: Jane L. Spence, James Gaston, B. T. Moore, Wm H. Spence





# Morgan



## MISCELLANEOUS COURT RECORDS

(Contributed by Mrs. H. K. Renfrow, Beaumont, Texas)

### FREDERICK SYBERT ESTATE

Land location: Section 36, Twp. 6, Rng. 5W, Morgan Co., Ala.

Will dated: 1837

F. Sybert died: October 2, 1849

Final Settlement: Dec., 1868

Adm: A. C. Thompson

Heirs: Children:	John Sybert	Robert Sybert
	Henry Sybert	Margaret Sybert
	Solomon Sybert	Sarah Sybert
	Julia Sybert	Rebecca Sybert
	Camilla Sybert	

Widow: Rebecca Sybert

Gr-ch:	James, son of Henry Sybert
	Mary E. Matkins )
	Susan Matkins ) Daughters of Rebecca
	Mary F. Sybert ) S. Matkins
	Martha Sybert )
	Charles R. Sybert ) Children of Robert Sybert
	Sarah C. Sybert )
	Arphelia Sybert - daughter of John W. Sybert

Between 1849-1849 the following children of F. Sybert died:

Rebecca S. Matkins  
 Camilla Sybert  
 Robert J. Sybert  
 John W. Sybert  
 Henry R. Sybert  
 Sarah B. Sybert

The Decatur Daily of August 8, 1870 carried the Note of Final Estate Sale of F. Sybert, deceased. Estate assessed by: James Crow Thompson, William Vest, and Lewis Sparkman. Signed by Ben Sandlin, J. P., Morgan Co., Ala.

### JAMES THOMPSON ESTATE

From Morgan County Court Records, Book 1, page 112, and Book 4, page 220, 230, and 272.

James Thompson died October, 1818

Land location: NE/4 of Sec. 19-5-7W (just north of the Neel Community)

Adm. of Est: Violet Thompson, widow  
Abraham Skidmore, son-in-law

Heirs:	Celia T. Skidmore	Edward Thompson
	Alice T. Evans	Elizabeth Thompson
	Thomas Thompson	Emily Thompson
	John Thompson	James C. Thompson

THOMPSON FAMILY BIBLE

The Family of James Crow Thompson of Morgan Co., Ala.

James Crow Thompson, born 19 May 1811 in Tennessee, died 7 March 1880, Morgan Co., Ala.  
Married January 1, 1843  
Sarah Crow, born 14 Sept. 1820 in Tennessee, died 11 Aug. 1872 Morgan Co., Ala.

Children of James Crow Thompson:

Thomas J. Thompson - Born 28 Oct 1839 - Died 17 Dec. 1881 )  
John E. Thompson - Born 14 Oct 1842 - Died 15 Feb. 1878 ) by a previous marriage  
Robert Johnson Thompson - Born 26 Sept 1844 - Died 3 Feb. 1925 in Texas  
William H. A. Thompson - Born 14 March 1849 - Died ??  
Michael B. Thompson - Born 11 Sept. 1851 - Died ? )  
Sarah M. J. Thompson - Born 11 Sept. 1851 - Died ? ) Twins  
Mary C. Thompson - Born 26 Sept. 1854 - Died ?  
Callie Evelyn Thompson - Born 28 April 1857 - Died ?

WILL OF THOMAS CROW, SR.

Morgan County, Alabama, January 25, 1826. To James Madkins and Ezekiel Madkins 25¢ each; to Francis Crow 25¢; to Violet C. Thompson \$50; to Jonathan Crow \$50; to Thomas Crow 1/4 of proceeds from sale of property; to infant heirs of David Crow, deceased, \$50; to James Crow 1/4 of proceeds from sale of property; to Elizabeth Crow, one mare, bridle and saddle, 2 cows & calves, furniture and 1/2 of proceeds from sale of property. Executors: two sons Jonathan Crow and Thomas Crow. Witnesses: James L. Smith, Mary Matthews and Eastes Cullin. Recorded November 5, 1827.

DAVID CROW ESTATE SETTLEMENT

From Morgan County Court Records, Book 1:

Widow: Elizabeth Crow  
Adm: Thomas Crow, Jr.

Children: Elijah Crow  
Jonathan Crow  
James Crow  
Ann Crow  
Brusilla Crow, Guardian:  
Thos. Crow Jr.

Orphans Court Book 3, page 259 (April 16, 1830):  
John Breedlove adopts children of David Crow, deceased

Marriage Book A, page 125:  
John Breedlove -M- Elizabeth Crow November 3, 1827

BEN SANDLIN ESTATE SETTLEMENT

From Morgan County Court Records, Books 19, 20, 25, and 26, and final settlement from Book 42, p. 480.

Administrator: John A. Moore

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Ben Sandlin Estate Settlement (-continued from last page-)

Land Locations: Section 5, Twp. 7, Range 4 West  
Section 31, Twp. 6, Range 4 West  
Section 32, Twp. 6, Range 4 West

Widow: Nancy C. Sandlin (second wife)

Children: Joel W. Sandlin  
Eliza S. Sybert, wife of Solomon Sybert  
Mary S. Breedlove (grand-daughter), wife of Zephaniah Breedlove (dau. of Joseph  
Thomas Price Sandlin Matthew Sandlin, decd.)  
Mary E. S. Durfey - wife of Henry Durfey of Miss.  
Martha J. S. Leamarsh of Miss.

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HIRAM POTEET ESTATE

Settlement in Morgan County, Alabama.

Land Location: Section 1, Twp. 7, Range 5 West (north of Danville, Ala.)

Sale of Land in 1881

Nov., 1878: Heirs of Hiram Poteet: Theophilus Poteet  
E. D. Poteet  
Mary Jane Poteet (Sandlin Thompson)  
Brittan Poteet  
William J. Poteet  
Hiram L. Poteet

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SAMUEL GEORGE ESTATE

From "Old Court Book "G" - p. 192" - May, 1842

Adm. of estate: Mary Adeline George, widow  
Bondsmen: Bartley Cox and Jesse Montgomery  
Appraisers: Albert Ellis, John Turrentine, Wiley Chargal, Paul J.  
Watkins and Thomas Flowers.

From "Old Court Book "G" - p. 332" - Court session Aug., 1842 - Jan., 1843

Mary Adeline George, deceased, widow of Samuel George.  
Henry Fennell appointed administrator of estate.

From "Old Court Book "H" - p. 26" - Sept. 1850

James A. Montgomery appointed guardian of Wm. H. George

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MEREDITH COUCH ESTATE

From Orphans Court Book "F" - p. 64 - 1837.

Meredith Couch, deceased, owned mill at Oakville with brother, Thomas Couch.  
Mentioned in estate settlement:

John Beatty	Mr. Puckett	) Administrators:
Jeremiah Couch	Thomas Couch	) William L. Couch
Malachi Couch	William L. Couch	) Alexander D. Neill
John Couch		)

MORGAN COUNTY CEMETERIES

(Copied and contributed by Mr. John E. Gunn, Jr., Huntsville, Ala.)

HARMONY PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH CEMETERY  
(Founded May 12, 1843)

LOCATION: A very small cemetery located approximately in the center of the W/2 NW/4 of Section 11, T8, R2W, on the property of Mr. Gilbert Kinney across the road from the church. There are only four graves with headstones, the balance of about 12 graves being marked with fieldstones.

18 July 1855  
Reuben \_rost  
[Mr. Kinney says this is  
Reuben FROST].

L R son of  
A C & L H Williams  
Born Jan 9 1863  
died Jan 18 1863

S W dau of  
John Y & L H Derick  
born April 1861  
died Jan 1862

Double stone

Lewis Johnson died Oct'r 5 1855 aged 49 years Lies 30 miles East of this spot	Sarah W. Johnson died Sept 19 1887 83 Years A sinner Saved by Grace
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MORROW CEMETERY

A small cemetery located on top of Morrow Mountain in the NW corner of the NE/4 NW/4 of Section 22, T7, R1W. It is a well-kept cemetery, the grass being neatly trimmed and several of the headstones are whitewashed, even those marked with fieldstones.

Mary Emily Watson  
Sept 22, 1841  
Apr 3, 1922

Lori Dee Barker  
Sept 7 1963  
Sept 9 1963

Virginia Goodson  
Mar 16 1916  
Mar 18 1916

James W. Watson  
Nov 8 1851  
Jan 6 1899

Fred E. Schulte  
Mar 26 1893  
Nov 3 1969

James M. Morrow Jr.  
b Oct 6 1916  
d Oct - 1916  
Son of M R & Mrs.  
J. M. Morrow

Mary A Watson  
Feb 16 1825  
Sept 19 1903

Verbon Ray Watson  
died June 7 1938  
aged 2 y 1 m 2 d  
(metal funeral marker)

James M. Morrow )  
Oct 6 1870 (birth )  
--blank-- )  
 ) Dbl.

Moses C Watson  
Oct 13 1821  
Aug 20 1904

Mack Watson  
1911 - 1939

Cordie D. Morrow )  
Nov 28 1879 )  
July 8 1952 )

T. C. wife of  
Dr. J. H. Maples  
May 5 1852  
July 22 1892

Homer Watson  
1905 - 1930

Rufus Jack Hunter  
died Oct 21 1969  
(metal funeral marker)

Dr. J. H. Maples  
Feb 18 1848  
June 1 1925

Birdie Mae Watson )  
1884 - 1955 )  
 ) Dbl. stone  
Will Watson )  
1871 - 1930 )

Rufus B. Stallings  
Ala. Cpl 1035 Air Mat Sq.  
A A F World War 2  
Feb 9 1923 - Oct 13 1950

Charles L. Barker, Jr.  
July 1 1918  
Aug 29 1970

Homer Odas Morrow  
July 18 1902  
July 21 1927

William Oscar Morrow  
Jan 4 1905  
Nov 18 1970

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# Marshall



## WALKER CEMETERY

LOCATION: Two miles northwest of Claysville in Marshall County on Baker Chapel & Lewis Mountain Road at foot of Lewis Mountain. Section 22-7-3E.

JIMERSON - Walter - 1878 - 1955 )  
 ) DbI.  
JIMERSON - Mary - 1888 - 1959 )

Note: In the next two rows there were nine unlettered fieldstones marking graves in each row.

ROLLINGS - Tish Colston Rollings - 1894 - 1910

ROLLINGS - Howard, son of Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Rollings. Mar. 5, 1918 - Mar. 25, 1918

ROLLINGS - Luther, son of Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Rollings. Born and Died April 1, 1919.

ROLLINGS - Robert (Bob) - Oct. 11, 1886 - July 9, 1971 )  
 ) DbI.

ROLLINGS - Carrie B. - Dec. 28, 1885 - May 5, 1960 )

ROLLINGS - Ernest - Jan. 3, 1888 - Mar. 21, 1974 )  
 ) DbI.

ROLLINGS - Lular - June 28, 1897 - Aug. 18, 1970 )

ROLLINGS - Lou, wife of W. H. Rollings, Born 1867, Died Nov. 2, 1928

ROLLINGS - W. H. Rollings - Died Jan. 4, 1913 aged 69 Yrs.

ROLLINGS - Mrs. Lula Rollings - 1898 - 1970 (Funeral marker).

ROLLINGS - Rollie Rollings, March 28, 1926 - July 6, 1966. We miss our darling son.

ROLLINGS - Luther, Son of Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Rollings. Born & Died April 1, 1919.

ROLLINGS - Howard, Son of Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Rollings. March 5, 1918 - March 25, 1918.

BROWN - A. G., Son of Mr. & Mrs. Athens Brown. May 27, 1927 - July 28, 1927

MAYHALL - J. W. Mayhall, Born Oct. 10, 1845 - Died June 15, 1911. Co. H., 12, Ala. Vol. Inf.  
Erected by Louada (Lou Ada?) Mayhall.

GILLILAND - Margirean, Dau. of J. H. & Flossie Gilliland. July 3, 1928 - Dec. 9, 1935

GILLILAND - Kenneth, son of J. H. & Flossie Gilliland. June 25, 1930 - Oct. 2, 1936

TOWNSON - Clara O., Dau. of T. T. & M. F. Townson. Born Mar. 25, 1889 - Died Jan. \_\_\_\_, 1896.

BEVEL - Albert Oneal Bevel, Ala., TEC 5, 48 Inf. Scout Dog Plat, World War II, Sept. 13, 1926 -  
July 11, 1959

RAFT[?] - David Wayne Raft[?] Died Jan. 4, 1959 Aged 2 Yrs., 29 Ds. (funeral marker.)

DAILEY - Mother. Pauline B. Dailey. Dec. 17, 1929 - July 18, 1972.

WHITTENBURG - Frankie Whittenburg - 1906 - 1973 (funeral marker)

Walker Cemetery (-continued-)

WHITTENBURG - Infant Buddy Whittenburg. 1967. (funeral marker)

SAINT - Miss Linda Saint - 1940 - 1972 (funeral marker)

KING - Lillian L. July 2, 1916 - Oct. 28, 1969 )  
KING - James N. - Aug. 18, 1909 - (blank) ) Dbl.

JONES - Mildred Virginia Jones - April 19, 1922 - Dec. 19, 1922

MARTIN - Father. Charlie - 1865 - 1937 )  
MARTIN - Son. Barbara - 1920 - 1940 ) Dbl.

HART - Zellar Hart, Born Ju. 30, 19---(left off stone) - Died Oct. 16, 1934. (hand lettered on cement.)

HART - Josie Hart, Born Oct. 17, 1925, Died May 24, 1927. (Hand lettered on cement)

MARTIN - Kate Martin, Born Apr. 10, 1910 - Died Mar. 27, 1911 (Hand lettered on cement)

MARTIN - J K E Martin, Born July 16, 1912 - Died June 21, 1913 (Hand lettered on cement)

MARTIN - Robbie Dean Martin. (No other info. Funeral marker)

MARTIN - Eugene Martin (No other info. Funeral marker)

MARTIN - Geneva Martin (No other info. Funeral marker)

MARTIN - Donald Leon Martin, Son of Mr. & Mrs. James B. Martin. Born Oct. 25, 1947, Died Dec. 28, 1947 (Funeral marker)

MARTIN - Glori Dean Martin. (No other info. Funeral marker)

MARTIN - Mr. Lonnie Lee Martin. March 8, 1895 - April 24, 1969

MARTIN - Tishie Martin. May 16, 1898 - May 21, 1962

MARTIN - Walter (Sonny) Martin - 1936 - 1953

MARTIN - Robert Lee Martin Jr. - Apr. 22, 1954 - Apr. 23, 1954

MARTIN - Lee C. son of Wince & Sallie Martin. Born Jan. 12, 1901 - Died July 24, 1919

MARTIN - Mother. Sallie O. - 1872 - 19.. (Note: Funeral marker )  
at her grave said she died May 11, 1947 Aged 75 yrs.) ) Dbl.  
MARTIN - Father. Leonard W. - 1868 - 1942 )

MOORE - Sherly Ann Moore - Died Oct. 23, 1942 -- 554 Born in March. (Note: This was a cement, hand lettered stone with lettering copied verbatim.)

SMITH - Edward. Uncle Ed Smith. (No other information. Cement stone)

BALDWIN - Son of M. C. and Mandy[?] Carl. E Baldwin. (Copied exact. Cement, hand lettered stone)

MOORE - John V. Moore - 1895 - 1970 (Funeral marker)

MARTIN - Bill Martin - May 28, 1898 - May 27, 1971 )  
MARTIN - Maude Martin - Sept. 6, 1906 - (blank) ) Dbl.

MARTIN - Flora Agnes Martin - April 28, 1929 - July 21, 1930



Walker Cemetery (-continued-)

- BRADFORD - Emmett G. - Dec. 23, 1890 - May 20, 1959 )  
BRADFORD - Addie K. - June 14, 1889 - Feb. 18, 1962 ) Dbl.
- WALKER - James W. - 1862 - 1935 )  
WALKER - Sally - 1865 - 1954 ) Dbl.
- WALKER - Teanor Walker - Feb. 22, 1857 - May 31, 1945
- WHITE - Lula W. - 1891 - 19--(blank) )  
WHITE - Tom W. - 1873 - 1944 ) Dbl.
- VINCENT - James Ray Vincent - Nov. 7, 1939 - June 1, 1951. At Rest. Our Son.
- VINCENT - William F. Vincent - 1878 - 1957 )  
VINCENT - Carrie B. Vincent - 1883 - 1970 ) Dbl.
- WALKER - Eva Rollings - Aug. 10, 1910 - Apr. 15, 1967 )  
WALKER - Sam A. - July 9, 1903 - Sept. 5, 1973 ) Dbl.
- WALKER - Lou Walker - Mar. 11, 1904 - Oct. 13, 1942
- SAMPSON - Rhoda Martin Sampson - Mar. 25, 1885 - Apr. 28, 1975
- WALKER - Will A. - 1898 - 1956
- WALKER - Rubye S. Walker - 1911 - 1944
- STEWART - Seab Stewart - May 8, 1870 - Mar. 4, 1943
- WALKER - Cecil Ann Stewart - Dec. 23, 1903 - Apr. 17, 1968 )  
WALKER - Henry F. - Nov. 25, 1898 - (blank) ) Dbl.
- BYRAMS - Our Darling Dau. Imogene Byrams. Dec. 4, 1934 - Apr. 6, 1968.  
[Note: A funeral marker by this grave said: "Mrs. Imogene Byrams. 1934 - 1968"]
- GRAYSON - Pairalee T. - May 10, 1910 - Jan. 13, 1973 )  
GRAYSON - Connie L. - Sept. 11, 1904 - (blank) ) Dbl.
- Note: There were two fairly recent graves here; one had "Mother" on a floral offering and the other had "Father" on a floral offering. No funeral markers. No stone. No information.
- PARKER - Infant Boy: Davey DeWayne Parker, Born & Died Aug. 4, 1971. (funeral marker)
- BYRAMS - Arthur M. Byrams - 1901 - 1971 (funeral marker)

NOTE: There were many, many graves in this cemetery marked only with unlettered fieldstones.

NOTE: This cemetery was copied on May 22, 1972 by Mr. Hal Word of Scottsboro, Alabama, and checked on July 18, 1976 by Walter and Dorothy Johnson of Huntsville, Alabama.



# Book Reviews



EARLY HISTORY OF COVINGTON COUNTY, ALABAMA - 1821 - 1871, by Wyley D. Ward. Published by author, 3428 Darlene Circle, Huntsville, Alabama 35810. Hard cover, offset, 382 pages, fully indexed. \$15. plus \$1. postage and handling, totaling \$16.

Mr. Ward calls his book a "history" but it is also a veritable goldmine for genealogists. If you are searching for ancestors in Covington and surrounding counties this book is a MUST. If your ancestor was supposedly born in Covington County but you can't find him in the census chances are he lived in that part of the county that later became either Dale, Coffee, Butler, Geneva, Conecuh, Crenshaw, or Pike County. Or perhaps you believe your ancestor lived in Butler County but can't find him there; he may have lived in that part of Butler that was given to Covington in 1829. The author details the many county line changes and gives the dates and circumstances of each change.

Also invaluable to the genealogical researcher are the 90 pages of Appendices which include lists of county officials; the name, land location, and residence of all persons buying land from the government; the names of slave owners in 1830, 1840, 1850, and 1860; lists of all military personnel through the Civil War giving name, age, rank, remarks, and in some cases the soldier's physical description (blue eyes, etc.); and a list of all registered voters in 1867-68 and the beats in which they voted along with maps of those beats.

Some of the most unique and informative features of this history are the 19 original maps the author drew from survey notes in the Alabama Archives. Most historians shy away from land surveys and descriptions as their educational background precludes this type of research. Mr. Ward, however, is an engineer by profession and his educational background was put to good use in this book. His maps include county boundary changes, location of early settlements, the original layout of the towns of Montezuma (heretofore lost!) and Andalusia (showing surrounding land owners) and voting beats within the county.

This author has no axe to grind and does not eulogize his own ancestors. He inserts no personal opinions but merely states facts backed up by five years of work which includes some 5000 hours of research in hundreds of reams of documents in local, state, and national archives.

Mr. Ward's motivation for authoring this extensive piece of research was finding that legends had become accepted as fact. For instance, Covington Countians have been led to believe that both De Soto and Andrew Jackson were in their county but Mr. Ward has proven conclusively to the contrary. His extensive research of the churches in that county will probably throw church memberships in a quandry as Mr. Ward discovered that many are not as old as their hierarchy believes. This is a book of facts, not myths.

South Alabamians are in an enviable position to have such a thoroughly, logically, and professionally researched work at their fingertips. The scope of interest in this book covers the entire state of Alabama, however, because of the many early Alabama statutes Mr. Ward presents. The author also makes comparisons between Covington and other counties, particularly Madison County, at various points.

The chapter on the Civil War is especially interesting. Readers may be surprised to find they have been under some misconceptions about this period of our history. Another exceptionally interesting chapter is on outstanding men who helped shape the future of Covington County.

In summary, this work is an answer to a historical or genealogical researcher's prayers covering Covington and surrounding counties. We hope the author is in error when, in his Preface, he states this book will have limited circulation. Colleges and universities would do well to add work of this quality to their curriculum.

(Reviewed by Dot Johnson)

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Madison County, Alabama, Deed Books A, B, C, D, E - 1810 - 1819 (Territorial), by Dorothy Scott Johnson. (1976), soft cover, offset printing, 109 pages including 17 page index, 8-1/2 x 11 (\$10.00). Available from Johnson Historical Publications, 2409 Gaboury Lane, Huntsville, Alabama 35811

Researchers will be delighted to learn that Dorothy Scott Johnson has completed abstracting all of the 766 instruments (1350 pages) in the five earliest deed books of Madison County. These deed books cover the period when Madison County was part of the Mississippi and Alabama Territories. A full name and place

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index is included as well as a separate index to the 62 wills and estate settlements recorded in the five deed books. Names, relationships, and places given in each instrument have been included as well as land descriptions given in sections, townships, and ranges.

Mrs. Johnson has done an excellent job of deciphering the manuscript records and of organizing the material for the reader's convenience. The book is easy to read, handle, and understand due to professional typing and excellent printing, concise abstracting and careful organization, and an excellent introduction. This book is the solution to the problems encountered by many of us whose ancestors' deeds have been "lost" through incorrect and/or incomplete indexing at the Courthouse of grantor/grantee names. Now researchers looking for people and places that previously could be found only by reading each deed word by word can readily locate them through the index and abstracts in this book.

If you are interested in the early settlers of the Tennessee Valley area of Alabama (Madison was the ONLY county in the area until 1818) you will be as excited as I that this excellent book is now available.

(Reviewed by Mrs. Helen Bowling McKnight)

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VALLEY SPRINGS, the Story of Iuka, by Dr. William L. Coker; 1968, reprinted 1975. This well written history of Iuka, Miss., is chronologically presented. The narrative is easy reading with mention of churches, businesses, civic groups and many residents of Iuka, the county seat of Tishomingo County, one of three counties formed from old Tishomingo County. One chapter is devoted to John M. Stone, a prominent citizen and state political figure. The appendix lists sheriffs, mayors, postmasters, and enlisted men of the CSA Iuka Rifles. The book is cleverly illustrated and many pictures are provided. This 83 page book includes an index and should be of special delight to anyone with ancestors in this Northeast Mississippi area. Order from J. A. Coker, Rt. 2, Iuka, Miss. 38852; hard cover \$6.25, soft cover \$4.25.  
(Reviewed by Ann Cochran)

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FURNACE HILL DEDICATION PROGRAM from the recognition service held 4 April 1976 as a part of the Centennial of the American Chemical Society and the Bicentennial of the U. S. recognizing Furnace Hill and chemists at the iron furnaces in Sheffield, Alabama. This is a 12 page program giving the history of the early (1886-1895) iron ore blast furnaces of Sheffield and the industrial chemists who were employed in them. It is highlighted by photographs, past and present, and a map of the Furnace Hill area. Sheffield was organized for the express purpose of exploiting the iron and coal in the area and using the Tennessee River for shipping out iron products, hence the value of this well-organized pamphlet which is available from Richard C. Sheridan, Centennial Committee, 105 Terrace St., Sheffield, Ala. 35660; \$1.00 postpaid.  
(Reviewed by Ann Cochran)

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HOUGH AND HUFF FAMILIES OF THE U. S: 1790-1850. The Southern Expansion, Volume IV by Dr. Granville W. Hough, 1975. This 16 page (numbered somehow to fit with previous publications?) booklet is reproduced, sometimes unsatisfactorily, on a spirit duplicator. The publication is an exploration of Hough/Huff families in Alabama, county by county, prefaced by information on the state and brief statements about each county, the date of its formation, etc. A general list of references is presented and many individual items are referenced although the source of some information is not clear. Certainly welcomed by researchers seeking information on these families in Alabama, the complete scope of information presented was not clear. No price was quoted on the pamphlet, available from the author, 3438-B Bahia Blanca West, Laguna Hills, Cal. 92653.  
(Reviewed by Ann Cochran)

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THE RIDGE RUNNERS, a quarterly edited and published by William A. Yates, P.O. Box 1687, Rifle, Colo., 81650. Covers Va., N. C., Ky., Tenn., Ind., Ill., Mo., and Ark. 120 8-1/2 x 11 pages per quarterly, single space typing, indexed (last name only) at end of year (May). \$12.00 yearly.

Mr. Yates publishes a good genealogical quarterly against some big odds. When a quarterly attempts to cover eight states the material must be spread too thin and a subscriber could go years without finding his ancestors mentioned. The minuses, however, are outnumbered by pluses. The material is of good quality, well presented, and the editorial comments are excellent. Among the contents are 14-1/2 pages listing the manuscripts and published Kentucky records (a monumental compiling task but ever so helpful to a researcher), 32 pages of queries, Jefferson County, Tenn. abstracts (bare bone) from Will Book I, 1792-1810, Bascombe County, N. C. 1792 court records, and other interesting material including some Bible records.

(Reviewed by Dot Johnson)

# Queries

#351. JEFFREYS, COLE, CONNER: Searching for desc of William Jeffreys m. ca 1846/7 (believe Lawrence Co., Ala.) to Jane Cole; moved to Town Creek, Ala. to Iola, Ill. ca 1862/63. Who were Jane's parents? William's bro Soloman Jeffreys m. Eliza Ann Conner b. ca 1857 dau of Coleman Conner b. ca. 1825 N.C. wf Eliza J. ? b. ca. 1830. Who were their parents? Was ? Conner found in 1860 Franklin Co., Ala. census Coleman's father? All letters ans. & will exch. info. Berdie S. Fox, 218 Ramsey St., Dawson Springs, Ky. 42408

#352. GEORGE: Need help locating parents & other data on James C. George b. 1826 Ala. m. Lucinda ? b. 1828 Ala. Where did they both die? They were listed in 1850 Franklin Co., Ala. census. Unable to locate in 1860. In 1870 Franklin Co. Ala. census again. In 1880 Hill Co. Texas census at which time his parents were shown, fa. b. Ky. & mo. in N.C. Lucinda's fa & mo both b. Tenn. Joyce B. Barron McMurray, Box 517, Crane, Texas 79731

#358. HEFFINGTON, DAVIDSON, YOCUM, CARTER: Archibald Heffington b. ca 1754, d. 1837, m. 1823 Lauderdale Co., Ala. to Elizabeth Yocum. Known issue: Matilda m. Wm. R. Davidson; A. Mariah m. O.D. T. Carter. Seeking number of marriages & ch. of each for Archibald. William Alexander Heffington b. 1824 (prob. Lauderdale Co) m. 1845 & d. 1882 in Tishomingo Co., Miss. Seek his parentage & bros &/or sisters.

HARVEY: Bennett Harvey (1790-187 ) wf Benter ? (1793-185 ) frm. Smith Co. Tenn. to Lauderdale Co., Ala. early 1820's; to Tishomingo Co. Miss by 1839. Need dates, places, parentage, etc. of this couple.

HOLLAND, McCRARY: Greenberry Holland b. ca 1810 m. 1835 Lawrence Co., Ala. Permelia Holland dau. of Thomas & Charity (McCrary) Holland; knon issue by 1850: Charity, Richard, Sarah T., Sophia, & Eunice. Seek his mother's maiden name & their places of residence after Lawrence Co. Roy E. Gibson, 4517 Coffee Road, Ft. Worth, Texas 76117

#359. HARTGROVE: My g-g-gr-father, James Hartgrove, b. in S.C. ca 1820; is shown with wf. Eliza on 1860 & 70 Limestone Co., Ala. census. Need parentage, bros/sisters. Will exchange Hartgrove info. Mrs. Jerry Gilbert, 4904 N.W. 17th., Oklahoma City, Okla. 73127

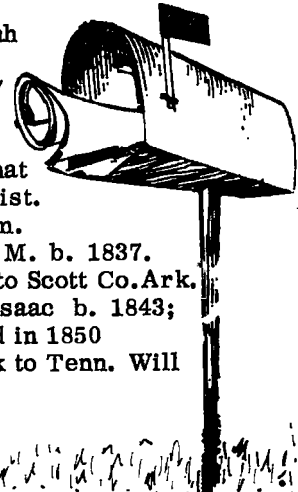
#355: McCARTNEY, HOLLOWAY: Need parents of Susan McCartney b. 1807 Ga. m. John H. Holloway 12-22-1824 Madison Co., Ala. Moved to Ark. ca. 1854. Where? Their son Charles W. m. his 1st cousin Sarah J. Holloway Feb. 1860 in Madison Co., Ala. Need to prove that Joseph William Holloway b. 1862 was son of Charles & Sarah Holloway. Mrs. Charles W. Holloway, 11416 Mollyknoll, Whittier, California 90604

#356: TERRY: Need husb., ch, birth & death places for Sarah Terry of Franklin Co., Ala. 1830 census gave age as 100 yrs. plus.

BRADLEY, POUNDS, WEST, REEVES: Where in Ala. did Seymour/Seamore Bradley live? He was b. in Conn. m. ? ? b. in Ala. wf. may have d. in Ala. Their Ch: Thomas N. b. 1824 Ala. m. Margaret Pounds; Joseph W. b. 1828 Tenn; Harriett A. b. 1828 Ala. m. Joshua West; Wesley W. b. 1830/32 Ala. m. Nancy Reeves; Sarah E. b. 1832 Ala.

WILSON: Need parents of James W. Wilson Sr. b. 1788/90 S.C. m. Delilah ? b. 1800 Tenn. Lived 1820 (or bef.) until 1850's in Jackson Co. Ala. Mrs. Allie Wilson Oldham, Star Rt. #3, Box 58-A-5 Pagosa Springs, Colo. 81147

#357: BARNARD: In early census records my g-gr-fa. gave Ala. as his birth place on 9-5-1818. In 1850 census stated his parents b. Tenn. Family legend is that Geo. W. was b. as his family moved west, prob. along Tenn. River to Western Dist. of Tenn. They were located in 1830 census of Henry & Weakley Co's where Geo. m. 1834. Three sons b. Henry Co., Tenn: Zedic b. 1835; Jackson L. b. 1836; Marcus M. b. 1837. Were in Carroll Co. Tenn. in 1840 census remaining there thru 1846 then moved to Scott Co. Ark. ca. 1847 with 6 more ch: Ruhamy Artimacia b. 1839; Benjamin Franklin b. 1841; Isaac b. 1843; George Taylor b. 1844; Anna Pernicia b. 1845; & Lydia Ann b. 1846, all appeared in 1850 Chimsville, Scott Co., Ark. census. Want to trace this fam. while in Ala. & back to Tenn. Will exchange data. Clyde O. Barnard, 2129 Sharon Dr., Garland, Texas 75041



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#358. WESTMORELAND, HARRIS, WALKER, GALLION, LENOIR, CANTRELL, THORNTON: Katherine Westmoreland b. S.C. 1804 m. 1st Elias Harris, Lauderdale Co., Ala. 12-28-1822. m. 2nd Gillum Walker in Lauderdale Co., Ala., 11-14-1831. m. 3rd Abner Gillion, Lauderdale Co., Ala. 10-23-1835. Issue of 3rd m: Dicemous Green Gallion (my g-g-gr-father) b. 10-9-1842 Lauderdale Co. I believe her fa. was William Westmoreland son of Ann (Lenoir) Westmoreland of Spartenburg Co. S.C. Does anyone living in the Valley area have info. on this family? Possibly related to the Cantrell & Thornton families. Will correspond & exch. data.

2nd Lt. Edgar D. Byler, III, Lunenburg Hall, Rt. #2, Box 291, Collinwood, Tenn. 38450

#359. ISELL, BIRDWELL, WILLIS, GILBREATH: My g-gr-father, John S. Isbell, b. 12-23-1848 in Jackson Co., Ala. m. Mary Gilbreath, b. Jackson Co., Ala. 1852. Who were her parents? John S. was son of James Richardson Isbell b. 7-19-1824 Jackson Co. & Nicey Jane Willis b. Tenn (prob. Sullivan or Lincoln Co.). Need info on her. James R. was son of Levi & Sarah ? Isbell. Zachariah, Levi, James R. & John S. were all ordained ministers. Levi also a physican & practiced around Jackson & DeKalb Cos. William, Zachary's father, Zach. Jr. b. 1739 & gr-father Zach. Sr. b. 1720/30 were in Rev. War "Battle of Kings Mtn" - Zach. Sr. 1st Commissioner of Redford Co. Va. & Magistrate of New Bern, Craven Dist. N. C. He was one of the "Immortal Thirteen" Elizabethton, Tenn. Will welcome & exch info on any of above, especially wives & children.

McGREW, CROUCH: My g-g-gr-mother Mary (Polly) Crouch b. Ala (as were her parents) 1817. Where in Ala? Who were her parents? She m. 1838/39 John (Jack) McGrew b. S.C. 1816. Their 1st ch. Harvy b. 1840 Tenn. They moved to Phillips Co. Ark. by 1850 where they remained. Need info. on Polly & her parents, bros. & sisters if any; will exch. info.

Mrs. Jesse D. McKinney, P. O. Box 145, San Pedro, Calif. 90733.

#360: WILLOUGHBY, BARRETT: James Willoughby b. ca 1814 Md. m Nicey Barrett b. ca 1822 Ga. (parents b. N.C.) Were in 1860 Randolph Co. Ala. census with ch. ages 2 yrs. thru 17, b. Ala; Elizabeth, Michael, Robert, James, Paralee, Alfred, Nancy & John. Unable to locate in 1870; by 1880 Nicey & 2 youngest ch. John & Jesse in Bedford Co. Tenn., James & older ch. in Texas. Need any info on either of families.

BREWER, CHURCHWELL, HICKMAN, TARPLEY: William Brewer b. 1780 N.C. m. Dorcas Tabitha Churchwell b. ca. 1778 N.C., son Thomas Brewer b. 7 Apr 1801. By 1820 they were in Christian Co., Hopkinsville, Ky. To Fayette Co., Ala. by 1830 where they lived & died. Thomas m. Sarah Hickman b. 14 Jan 1803, Tenn. & had son Peyton G. b. 23 Feb 1831 m. Kizziah A. Tapley (Tarpley) in Ala; moved to Texas 1870's. Need any info.

TARPLEY/TAPLEY: James Tapley b. ca 1793 Ga. m. ca 1827 Nancy ? b. ca 1800 Tenn. In 1840 Lowndes Co., Miss. census & 1850 Fayette Co. Ala. census with ch. ages 5 to 22 yrs: Elizabeth, Kessiah, Nancy, Ely, Thomas, and Caroline. Need any info. this line.

McALESTER, ALEXANDER: Alexander McAlester m. 5-25-1818 Lawrence Co., Ala. to Martha Alexander; son John W. b. ca. 1825 & Mary J. (Molly) b. 9-19-1828 in Jasper Co., Ga. (from 1830 Census) On 10-12-1848 Mary J. (Molly) McAlester m. a neighbor, Ferdinand Seekamp Charles Sommerkamp in Barbour Co., Ala. (He shown in 1840 Barbour Co., Ala. census). 1850 Barbour Co., Ala. census shows Martha living with son, John W., near the Sommerkamps. 1860 Talapoosa Co., Ala. census shows Martha living with dau. Mary J. Sommerkamp where Martha d. 7-26-1864. Mary J. d. 6-24-1869 & where F.S.C. Sommerkamp d. 8-11-1872. The McAllisters & Sommerkamps were carriage makers. Any info. apprec. Mrs. K. Lynn Seewald, Rt #1, Box 376, Amarillo, Texas. 79106

#361. YORK, MANN, OWEN, NELSON: Need info on parents & siblings of g-g-gr-father William Alfred York b. ca 1819 Limestone Co., Ala. m. 1st ca. 1847 Haywood Co. Tenn? to Virginia Mann b. 1830 Amelia Co., Va., dau of William A. Wilson Mann b. ca 1796 Amelia Co., Va., 1840/50 in Haywood Co., Tenn., 1860 in Shelby Co., Tenn. d. when & where? m. Eliza Ann Owen b. ca 1804 Va. (need data) dau. of Baptist minister Thomas Owen b. 1792 Va., d. 1877 Va. & his 1st wife, Mildred A. Nelson. Need all data. Mrs. Marion Scruggs Douthitt, 321 So. Watkins St., Memphis, Tenn. 38104

#362 WYATT, OATS: Need info. on John Wyatt & Rachel Callaway of Perquimons Co., N.C. ca 1717-1735. Dau. Elizabeth m. a Mr. Oats. Mrs. T. W. Moore, 1204 No. Pennsylvania, Roswell, N. M. 88201

#363 RAINES, HUGHES, GAVIN: Need info on James Raines b. Randolph Co., N.C. ca 1803 m. 1st Elizabeth Hughes, need her b-date & place; m. 2nd Catherine ? . His parents were John Raines & Ann Gavin, lived McNairy Co., Tenn 1850. Perhaps in Ala. ca 1823? Eloise Talley, 1212 3rd Ave., Safford, Ariz. 85546

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#364. McCain, Williams: Searching for info. on William McCain m. 1-9-1827 in Lawrence Co., Ala. to Susanna D. Williams, dau. Moses C. Williams. Need his parents, bro/sisters. Mrs. Hazel E. Michler, 631 N. E. 39th Terrace, Kansas City, Mo. 64116

#365. Wales, Tatum: Searching for desc. of Wales fam. who were in Limestone Co., Ala. census 1850-60-70-80. John Wales b. 1811 Ind. m. Elizabeth Tatum (b. 1815 Va) in Limestone Co., Ala. 19 Feb 1835. He was apptd. guardian of John W, Laura A. E., James A., & Thomas E. Tatum, infant ch. of Cynthia Tatum, dec'd 18 June 1855. Elizabeth's parents Abner & Catharine Tatum were living with them on 1860 census. Any info on either family appreciated.

Hargrove, Smith, Hasten(Hastings), Currin, Martin, Tatum: Wish to contact desc. & exch. info on Charles S. Hargrove b. 1814 Va. & Caroline Smith b. 1812 Ga. m. 18 Jan 1834 Limestone Co., Ala. Ch: Anna Eliza 1835 m. Zachariah Hesten (Hastings); Jesse 1836 m. Lizzy Saphronia; Wesley 1838 m. Mary E. Currin; Susan Emma 1839 m. James Jeff David Martin; Jeston 1842 m. John W. Tatum; Mary Permelia 1844 m. Steven Beasley Currin & David 1847 m. Jane ? . Families lived in Giles Co., Tenn., Limestone Co., Ala. & some came to Texas.

McKinney (McKinney), Watson: Need info. on James H. McKinney b. 1815 Tenn, Ky, or S.C. & Lydia Ann Watson b. 1820 Tenn. m. in Lincoln Co., Tenn. 14 June 1841. Ch: Josephine b. 1842; David b. 1845; William b. 1847; Lucinda b. 1848; OWH b. 1849; James D. b. 1850; John 1852; Mary E. b. 1856; Lafayette Washington b. 1859. Lydia's father David Watson b. 1785 S.C. This fam. was in Lincoln Co., Tenn. 1850 & 1860 census & in Limestone Co., Ala. 1870 census.

Mink, Nettles, Cost, Galloway, Murray: Need info on Jacob & Martha Mink of Shelby Co., Ala. on 1820/40 census. Ch: Jacob b. 1793 m. Patty Nettles in 1841; John b. 1800 m. Sally ? ; Alexander b. 1810 m. Caroline Cost in 1867; James b. 1811 m. Avaline Galloway in 1840; Ellen b. 1814 m. 1st Miles Galloway & 2nd James M. Murray; Elias b. 1829; Joseph & Mary. Census shows Jacob Mink b. ca. 1774 in Va. & Martha ? b. ca 1774 in S.C. Any help appreciated. Mrs. Archie Story, 2401 Bourland St., Greenville, Texas 75401

September, 1976

Dear Member:

Something new is being added to Valley Leaves to aid you in your genealogical researching. We are compiling a list of all published reference material on each of the nine counties covered by TVGS. This is a list of SOURCE books such as cemetery books, county histories, marriage records, etc. This list will not include family histories. The information given will include the book title, author, number of pages, cost, publisher, where it can be ordered, and a very, very brief description of the book. Plans are to publish an updated list yearly. If you know of a book of the type described please notify this editor. Your help in this endeavor will be appreciated.

HELP! Is there now a Xerox machine in the Lauderdale County Courthouse? We are in need of material from Lauderdale County to publish in Valley Leaves. The editor's job is a BIG one and it is impossible for her to also do the research to continue publishing this quarterly. Since Lauderdale County is so far from Huntsville it poses a particular problem. We need someone to copy cemetery records (very carefully, please), marriage records (after Part I, Vol. A) and other court records.

For those of you who are so faithful to contribute material let me say you deserve a great big star in your crown. We couldn't continue without you. Following in the footsteps of such fine editors as Margaret Cowart, Helen McKnight, Ann Cochran, Catherine Gilliam, and Jerry Webb is a challenge. With your continued help I can meet the challenge. I've enjoyed putting this issue together and look forward to serving you in the months to come.

Sincerely,

*Dot Johnson*  
Editor



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