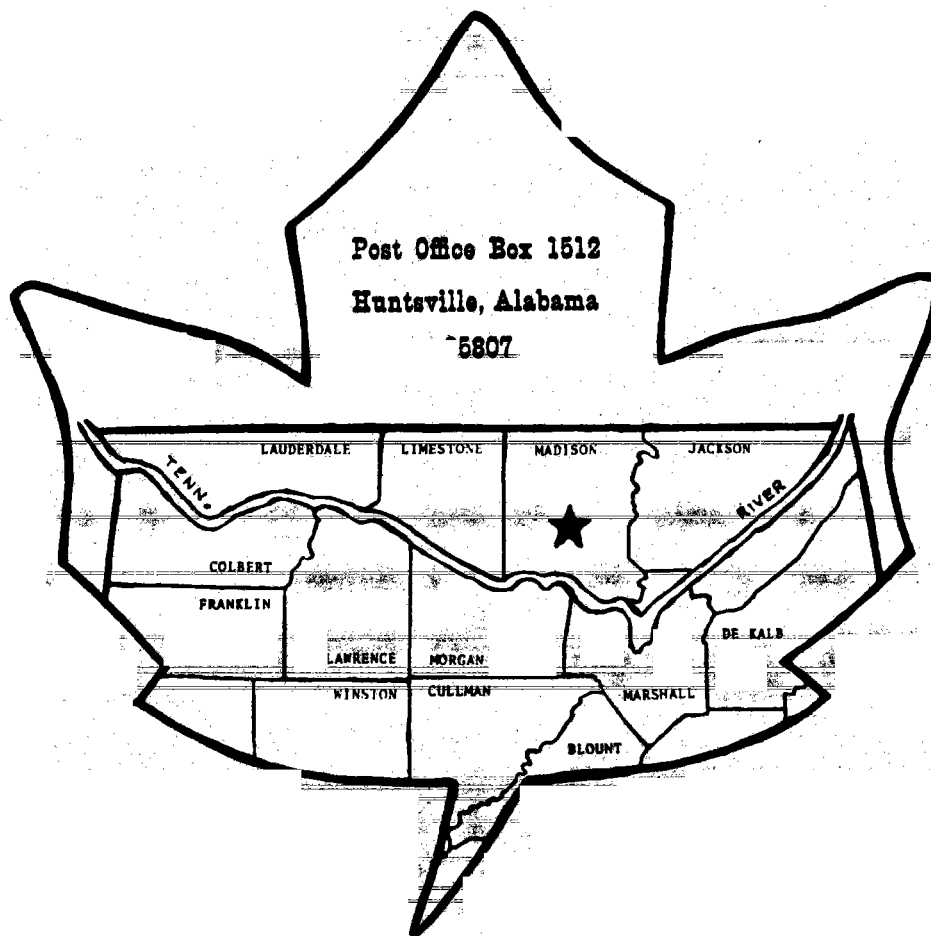


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# President's Page

Dear Member:

Library Director, Elbert Watson, presented a plaque to TVGS at the November meeting in recognition of the continued support by the Society of the Huntsville-Madison County Public Library. I know I speak for all the members when I say that we are happy and honored to have been able to help in the development of one of the best genealogical collections in Alabama. We do appreciate the plaque.

At the November meeting the membership voted to purchase additional books for the Heritage Room of the Huntsville-Madison County Public Library. The book committee, consisting of Mmes. Ann Cochran, Margaret Cowart, and Rané Pruitt, Chairman, recommended a good selection of indexes to the early census records along with several other books for a total of \$1413. The library purchased the remaining available census indexes. With these additional books we will find it easier to locate our family names.

The return of the cards for the Surname Index has been quite good considering how busy everyone was during the Holidays. If you have not already done so please send in your ten 3 x 5 typed or printed cards giving last name first, date and place of birth, date and place of death, date and place of marriage with spouse's name and as many children as you know. Don't forget your name and address on each card. Mail cards to the following:

Mrs. Theodore E. Perkins  
President, TVGS  
2210 Rothmore Drive, SW  
Huntsville, Ala. 35803

The file drawers and cards received to date are in the Heritage Room of the Library and we need your help to make this project a success.

Don't forget the Seminar on North Carolina, Saturday, March 26th at the Hilton Inn Motel. The time is 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and the cost is \$10. per person which includes the lunch and the seminar. Several people who have heard our guest speaker, Mr. Frank Gatton, say he is a very interesting and enthusiastic speaker. Registration fee must be received by March 19th. We plan to give each person attending a packet of genealogical information as well as having books and materials available for sale. Our seminar chairman, Margaret Cowart, is working hard to insure you have a good and informative seminar.

I really think our editor, Dorothy Scott (Dot) Johnson, deserves a large pat on the back for the excellent and attractive issues of Valley Leaves. Not only has she spent long hours putting together each issue but she has reorganized the back-log of data into file cabinets under counties, then under marriages, wills, cemeteries, etc. This has long been needed and will be a big help to future editors. We should all do our part by collecting material for publication.

It is with sadness that I announce the deaths of three TVGS members: Mrs. Luke Matthes, Jr., Mr. A. A. Touchstone of Huntsville, and Mr. J. D. Halbrooks of Sterling, Conn.

I have enjoyed the comments you sent with your surname cards. If you have ideas or just have something to say please feel free to do so.

Sincerely,

*Yvonne Spence Perkins*  
President

# Colbert

1833 MARRIAGES AND DEATHS

from

The North Alabamian

Some issues of this Franklin (now Colbert) County, Alabama newspaper are available on microfilm at the University of Alabama library in Tuscaloosa. The film is labeled "Tuscumbia Times, 1833-1882." Only the 1833 issues were abstracted. Abstracted and contributed by Helen Bowling McKnight.

Saturday, 11 May 1833, Vol. 1, No. 42, Page 3, Col. 4

Died of scarlet fever, on 9th inst., Miss Ellen Green, eldest daughter of the late William Green of this place.

Died on the 10th, Virginia, daughter of Isaiah Thatcher, aged about 6 years.

Died on the 4th inst., Mr. Joseph Saunders of Town Creek, aged 80 or 90 years, riding in a gig near LaGrange in this county on way to visit friends at Tuscaloosa ... horse became frightened and upset the vehicle ... Mr. Saunders instantly killed ... was early settler in Lawrence County [Ala.], a zealous Christian.

Saturday, 1 June 1833, Vol. 1, No. 45, Page 3, Col. 2

Married on the 30th ult., by the Rev. D. P. Bestor, Dr. P. B. Whiting to Miss Elizabeth E., daughter of Col. John J. Winston of this vicinity.

Page 3, Col. 3

Died on the 29th ult. of scarlet fever, Samuel, son of Mr. B. Merrill, aged about 4 years.

Saturday, 12 October 1833, Vol. 2, No. 12, Whole No. 64, Page 2, Col. 6

Married on the 8th inst. Mr. Thomas Aldridge to Miss Amanda Jones, daughter of Major Samuel Jones, all of this place.

Page 5, Col. 5

Married at residence of John Bellamy, Esq. in Leon Co., Fla., on the 9th of May, Capt. Daniel E. Burch, of U. S. Army, to Miss Sarah Bellamy.

Died at her late residence, near Haddonfield, N. J., on the 20th inst., Mrs. Elizabeth Moe, consort of Chessman Moe, late of Island of Barbadoes, and daughter of Hon. Miles Braithwaite of that island.

Died at Augusta, Ga., on 12th inst., in 35th year of age, Mrs. Lucy Livingston M'Bryde, wife of John M'Bryde, formerly of Cambridge, S. C.

Died at his late residence in Newark, N. J., on Monday last, Caleb S. Riggs, Esq., in 64th year of age. Native of that County ... for many years eminent councillor at law in city of New York.

Died at Cantonment Clinch, near Pensacola [Fla.], Dr. James J. Cosby, late of La.

The North Alabamian  
(-continued-)

Saturday, 12 October 1833, Vol. 2, No. 12, Whole No. 64, Page 7, Col. 4

Married in Georgetown [Va?] by the Rev. Mr. Keith, on Thurs. evening the 22nd inst., the Rev. Wm. Louis Marshall, of Fauquier Co., Va., to Ann Kinloch Lee, daughter of the late Gen. Henry Lee.

Married in Manheim on 8th inst. by the Rev. I. S. Ketcham, Mr. Edward M. Griffing, editor of "People's Friend" of Little-Falls, Herkimer Co., N. Y., to Miss Margaret, daughter of Mr. James Van Valkenburg, of the former place.

Page 2, Col. 6

Died "this morning" Mrs. Sarah Wheaton, consort of Maj. Joseph Wheaton ... friends of family, members of Dr. Laurie's church, and manager of Female Orphans Asylum, and Female Bible Society of District of Columbia are invited to attend the funeral at 9 o'clock Saturday morning from her late dwelling on F Street.

16 November 1833, Page 3, Col. 3

Married on 12th inst. by the Rev. D. P. Bester, Mr. John Hogun to Mrs. Thermuthus Gist.

Married on 13th Col. Samuel Merideth to Miss Louisa B. Hogun, all of this vicinity.

Died on 10th inst. of pulmonary consumption, Mrs. Elizabeth Cobb, consort of Mr. William Cobb, of this place.

-End 1833 Marriages and Deaths-

DEATH OF DR. SAMUEL BENNET

From The Democrat, Huntsville, Ala., 3 Nov. 1853, Col. 6, bottom of Page 5.

The subjoined paragraph from the Shreveport (La.) Democrat, of the 29th September, chronicles the death of one of the earliest residents of Tuscombina, and a character somewhat celebrated in his way. The Doctor left here some twenty years since, but has continued to hold property in town, and has a number of relatives here and in the county: "...well known in almost every part of the U. S. for some peculiar traits ... about 71 years of age ... the most successful thimble player in the U. S. ... etc ... DEATH OF DR. SAMUEL BENNET.

A RIDDLE, A RIDDLE

Why are genealogists like umbrellas?

ANSWER: They both have their ups and downs.

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

(-continued from December, 1976 issue-)

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 by 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. Ed.

Names of Individuals  
or Heads of Families

	1	2	3	4	5	8	9	10	19	Remarks
<u>Page 10 (-continued-)</u>										
Mcright, Nancy	-	-	1	1	2	-	-	2	-	McRight or McWright??
Murphy, Thomas	4	1	1	1	7	-	-	7	2	
Burrow, Jasper	3	1	4	1	9	-	-	9	4	
Oliver, James F.	1	1	3	1	6	-	-	6	-	
Oliver, Henry	4	1	3	1	9	-	-	9	2	
Burrow, A. M.	-	1	1	1	3	-	-	3	-	
Cambers, W. C.	5	1	3	1	10	-	-	10	4	Chambers?? Camper??
Tindle, Larkin	-	2	3	1	6	-	-	6	1	
Smith, J. E.	-	1	2	1	4	10	-	14	-	
Teril, J. P.	-	1	-	1	2	4	-	6	-	
Byres, D. D.	1	1	-	1	3	-	-	3	-	
Sparks, Enoch	-	1	1	2	4	-	-	4	-	
Daniel, Robert Senr.	4	1	1	1	7	-	-	7	2	
Rollins, Mary	3	-	1	2	6	-	-	6	2	
Butler, Thomas	1	1	-	1	3	-	-	3	-	
Cole, Harben	1	3	4	1	9	-	-	9	4	
Baget, A. J.	4	1	2	1	8	-	-	8	3	
Yearks, Johnson	3	1	1	1	6	-	-	6	1	
Gates, Lucinda	4	-	1	1	6	6	-	12	4	
Gates, Charles W.	-	1	1	-	2	-	-	2	-	
Haithcock, Epraim	3	1	-	1	5	-	-	5	1	
Flanagan, R. F.	1	1	1	-	3	-	-	3	-	
Flanagan, Ruben	2	1	5	2	10	-	-	10	3	
Criss, Umphrey*	4	1	1	2	8	-	-	8	1	*The Southern pronounci- ation of Humphrey.
Rice, W. B.	1	1	2	1	5	-	-	5	1	
Rayborn, H. J.	4	1	4	1	10	-	-	10	4	
Haithcock, Thomas	2	1	4	2	9	-	-	9	4	
Overton, Anner	-	2	3	2	7	-	-	7	-	
Kukyndall, Jacom	3	1	4	1	9	-	-	9	3	
Randolph, George	1	1	4	3	9	-	-	9	3	
Fuller, James	1	1	1	1	4	-	-	4	-	
Strong, W. M.	2	2	3	1	8	1	-	9	3	
Thorne, William	1	1	-	2	4	-	-	4	-	
Williams, Green	3	1	4	1	9	0	0	9	4	

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Names of Individuals or Heads of Families	1	2	3	4	5	8	9	10	19	Remarks
(-continued from last page-)										
<u>Page 11</u>										
Thorn, William C. [O ?]	1	1	4	1	7	-	-	7	2	
Thorn, J. H.	-	1	-	1	2	-	-	2	-	
Jones, Joseph	-	1	1	2	4	-	-	4	1	
Brazle, N. M.	-	1	2	-	3	-	-	3	-	
Brazel, Benjamin	-	1	-	4	5	-	-	5	-	
Johnson, H. P.	1	1	5	1	8	-	-	8	4	
Gilbert, David	2	1	1	1	5	-	-	5	-	
Johnson, R. R.	2	1	-	1	4	-	-	4	1	
Warren, William	1	4	-	1	6	3	-	9	-	
Bullin, Thomas	4	1	2	1	8	-	-	8	3	
Cleveland, T. A.	2	1	3	1	7	-	-	7	3	
Parker, Andrew	3	1	1	2	7	-	-	7	3	
Thorn, C. H.	-	1	-	1	2	-	-	2	-	
Holland, John	2	3	-	2	7	-	-	7	1	
Sulinger, James	3	1	2	1	7	-	-	7	2	
Moor, James	-	1	-	1	2	-	-	2	-	
Eskew, Thomas	4	1	2	1	8	-	-	8	3	
Stanfield, Vinson	-	1	-	1	2	2	-	4	-	
Hopkins, W. A.	-	1	-	1	2	-	-	2	-	
Chesteen, Thomas	4	2	3	1	10	-	-	10	-	
Jones, Joshua	-	1	-	2	3	-	-	3	-	
Lewis, J. W.	1	1	1	-	3	-	-	3	-	
Thorn, Thomas	5	1	2	1	9	10	-	19	4	
Hughes, Robert	2	1	4	1	8	1	-	9	5	
Webster, J. B.	1	2	1	-	4	-	-	4	-	
Jones, Marlin	-	1	1	-	2	-	-	2	-	
Downs, J. M.	2	1	5	1	9	-	-	9	4	
Tefin, Edward	3	2	6	1	12	-	-	12	3	
Murphy, M. P.	2	1	2	1	6	2	-	8	-	
McLemore, William	1	4	-	1	6	-	-	6	-	McLemore??
Grissom, J. F.	2	1	2	1	6	-	-	6	-	
Fretwell, W. W.	2	1	3	1	7	-	-	7	1	
Fretwell, A. J.	2	1	1	1	5	-	-	5	-	
Fretwell, Erby	1	1	1	1	4	-	-	4	-	
Fretwell, Irvin	1	1	2	1	5	-	-	5	-	
Wire[Wise?], Madis	2	1	1	1	5	-	-	5	-	
Lockingbill, N.	2	1	2	1	6	-	-	6	2	
Duncan, Elizabeth	3	-	-	1	4	3	-	7	1	
Clark, Elizabeth	1	-	1	2	4	-	-	4	-	
Cox, H. A.	3	-	3	1	7	-	-	7	5	
Thorn, W. H.	3	1	-	1	5	-	-	5	1	
Danfield, Pumpford	3	1	1	1	6	2	-	8	-	
Barnet, James	4	2	2	1	9	-	-	9	3	
Barnet, Isaac	1	1	-	1	3	-	-	3	-	
<u>Page 12</u>										
[H]umprey, G. W.	4	1	2	1	8	-	-	8	2	Written "Umprey"
Davis, M. M.	-	1	2	1	4	-	-	4	-	
Jackson, F. M.	2	1	1	1	5	-	-	5	-	
Davis, Alfred	1	1	2	1	5	-	-	5	-	
Davis, Elizabeth	1	-	3	2	6	1	-	7	2	
Lindsay, Colebery[?]	2	1	7	1	11	-	-	11	3	
McKinny, John	-	1	3	1	5	-	-	5	-	
Davis, Mary	1	1	3	2	7	-	-	7	-	
Wood, Dennard	2	1	2	1	6	-	-	6	1	
Clement, Rily	2	1	1	1	5	-	-	5	-	



Names of Individuals or Heads of Families	1	2	3	4	5	8	9	10	19	Remarks
<u>Page 12 (-continued-)</u>										
Clement, Benjamin	5	1	1	1	8	-	-	8	3	
Clement, Peter	3	1	3	2	9	-	-	9	2	
Clement, William	6	1	3	1	11	-	-	11	4	
Lindsey, Dennard	4	2	1	3	10	-	-	10	2	
Classip[?], William	1	1	3	1	6	-	-	6	3	
Bannibly[?], Thomas	-	1	3	1	5	-	-	5	6	
Hollin, J. W.	5	1	1	2	9	-	-	9	-	Probably Holland
Weatherford, W. W.	2	1	2	1	6	1	-	7	3	
Terry, Thomas	1	1	6	1	9	-	-	9	3	
Mckinny, W. C.	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	McKinny??
Davis, Ransom	2	1	3	1	7	2	-	9	3	
Holland, Edmond	3	1	5	2	11	1	-	12	1	
Paris, Joel	2	1	4	1	8	-	-	8	2	
Jones, J[T?] B.	3	1	3	1	7	-	-	7	1	
Thorn, G. W.	2	1	1	1	5	-	-	5	-	
Fuller, John	2	1	2	1	6	-	-	6	-	
Thorn, T.C.H.	2	1	-	1	4	-	-	4	-	
Rodgers, Thomas	1	1	-	2	4	-	-	4	-	
Osborn, H. A.	-	1	2	1	4	-	-	4	-	
Osborn, John	1	2	1	2	6	-	-	6	-	
Voluntine, Jillessen[?]	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	
Self, Tilmon	1	1	4	1	7	-	-	7	-	
Clack, M. C.	-	1	1	1	3	-	-	3	1	
Tilmon, H. F.	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	
Pate, L. R.	2	1	3	1	7	-	-	7	2	
Hall, William H.	2	1	4	1	8	-	-	8	2	
Cely, M. S.	-	1	1	1	3	-	-	3	1	
Hall, Gipson[Gibson?]	1	1	-	1	3	-	-	3	-	
Wills, David	-	1	1	1	3	-	-	3	-	
Holimon, John	-	1	1	-	2	-	-	2	-	
Holimon, G. D.	4	2	1	1	8	-	-	8	3	
Clack, T. L.	3	1	1	1	6	-	-	6	1	
Dickson, Henry	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	
Hiles, James	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	
<u>Page 13</u>										
BarHdall, Nick	3	1	3	1	8	-	-	8	4	Probably Barksdale
Hughs, A. A.	2	1	3	1	7	4	-	11	2	
Hughs, James	-	1	2	1	4	5	-	9	-	
Dubery, Margaret	-	-	3	2	5	-	-	5	3	
Hall, Jane	-	-	3	2	5	-	-	5	3	
Ledbetter, W. J.	1	1	3	1	6	-	-	6	1	
Maloy, Delfey	3	-	1	1	5	-	-	5	2	
Lewis, James	2	1	4	1	8	-	-	8	4	
Ledbetter, S[L?] P.	3	1	2	1	7	-	-	7	2	
Selinger[Sclinger?], Charles	-	1	1	-	2	-	-	2	-	Probably Sulligent
Holland, Elizabeth	1	-	1	1	3	-	-	3	1	
Underwood, Elizabeth	-	-	1	1	2	-	-	2	-	
Hodge, R.	2	1	2	1	6	-	-	6	3	
Hammonds, Thomas	-	1	-	1	2	-	-	2	-	
Rollins, John	2	-	3	-	7	6	-	13	-	
Rollins, Johnson	3	1	4	1	9	-	-	9	3	
Owens, John	2	1	2	1	6	-	-	6	1	
Murphy, George W.	4	1	2	1	8	-	-	8	4	
[W]right, Franklin	5	1	4	1	11	-	-	11	7	Written "Right"
Green, Howel	3	1	2	1	7	-	-	7	3	Written "Gr een" or "Gr un"??

Names of Individuals or Heads of Families	1	2	3	4	5	8	9	10	19	Remarks
<u>Page 13 (-continued-)</u>										
Spearman, Partheny	-	-	1	1	2	-	-	2	-	
Spearman, William	3	1	2	1	7	-	-	7	2	
Goin, William	1	1	1	1	4	-	-	4	1	Should be Goins
Winston, William	1	2	1	1	5	-	-	5	-	
Prints, Isaac	-	1	1	1	3	-	-	3	1	Should be Prince
Kinsley, Thomas	4	1	2	1	8	-	-	8	3	
Murphy, Jackson	5	1	1	1	8	-	-	8	4	
Brown, George	-	1	1	-	2	-	-	2	-	
Williams, Luke	3	1	3	1	8	-	-	8	2	
Jackson, Susan	2	-	3	1	6	-	-	6	4	
Woolbright, John	1	2	1	2	6	-	-	6	-	
Mullins, Matthew Jr{?}	-	2	-	1	3	-	-	3	-	
Smith, N. S.	-	2	-	1	3	-	-	3	-	
Armstrong, Matthy	2	1	2	1	6	-	-	6	1	
Cleveland, A. J.	1	1	2	1	5	-	-	5	-	
Kent, J. H.	3	1	5	1	10	-	-	10	3	
Epps, Levy	-	1	3	1	5	-	-	5	-	
Epps, Eli	1	1	2	1	5	-	-	5	2	
Tiffen, H.	-	1	2	1	4	-	-	4	-	
Martin, Samuel	1	1	1	1	4	-	-	4	-	
Sulinger, Charles	-	1	1	-	2	-	6	8	-	
Carter, Irvin	-	1	1	1	3	-	-	3	-	
Armstrong, William	3	1	6	1	11	-	-	11	4	
Crooks, Charles	3	1	3	1	8	-	-	8	3	
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Stanfield, James	3	1	3	1	8	-	-	8	3	
Horton, John H.	5	1	1	1	8	-	-	8	3	
Mills, A. R.	1	1	3	1	6	-	-	6	-	
Ray, J. H.	4	1	1	2	8	-	-	8	1	One in column 12 here.
Ray, Andrew	-	1	1	-	2	-	-	2	-	
Stewart, W. J.	-	1	1	1	3	-	-	3	-	
Bales[Boles?], William	5	1	1	1	8	-	-	8	3	Should be Boles
Britten, William J.	1	1	1	1	4	-	-	4	-	
Britten, John	1	1	-	2	4	1	-	5	-	
McKinny, Ralas	2	1	-	3	5	1	-	6	-	
Ellet, Glover	4	1	3	1	9	-	-	9	3	
Reid, M. H.	1	1	2	1	5	1	-	6	-	
Reid, S. B.	1	-	1	1	3	2	-	5	2	
Boggs, Kinchen	5	2	2	1	10	-	-	10	4	
Ellet, Robert	2	1	-	1	4	-	-	4	-	
Miller, Uriah	1	-	6	1	8	-	-	8	4	
James, Nancy	2	1	3	2	8	-	-	8	4	
Renn, Joseph	3	1	2	1	7	-	-	7	4	Wrenn?
Renn, William	2	1	-	2	5	-	-	5	-	Wrenn?
Rayborn, Wily	1	1	2	1	5	-	-	5	-	
Jones, W. S.	-	1	2	-	3	-	-	3	-	
James, John	4	1	3	3	11	-	-	11	4	
McKinny, James	1	1	4	1	7	1	-	8	1	
Burluson, John	2	1	5	1	9	-	-	9	5	
Burluson, Mikel	-	2	2	1	5	-	-	5	-	
Burluson, David	-	1	1	-	2	-	-	2	-	
Wrenn, Robert G.	3	1	2	1	7	-	-	7	3	
Miller, William	-	1	-	1	2	-	-	2	-	
Hall, Squire	5	1	3	1	10	-	-	10	5	
Witte, James	-	1	2	1	4	-	-	4	1	White?? Whitt??
Savage, C. R.	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	

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## JAMES OATES FAMILY

The Oates family records were contributed to Valley Leaves by Mrs. Mary Fran Moore of Roswell, New Mexico. The record, shown below, is a Xerox copy of one of the loose pages of family records found in the front of the Bible of James Oates. The Bible and family records are now owned and in the possession of Mrs. DeEtte Boyd Oates of Darlington, South Carolina.

*The Ages of the Children  
of James Oates Deceased*

*John Oates son of James and  
Sarah his wife was Born <sup>the</sup> 8  
Day of December 1753*

*Susaner Oates Daughter of  
James Oates and Sarah his  
Wife was Born <sup>the</sup> 24 Day of  
March 1756*

*James Oates Son of James  
Oates was Born <sup>the</sup> 25 Day of  
December 1757*

*Samuel Oates was Born  
<sup>the</sup> 4 Day of February 1760*

*Wyatt Oates who Born  
<sup>the</sup> 26 Day of July 1762*

*Stephen Oates was Supposed  
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Samuel K. Oates, the son of Samuel Oates above (b. Feb. 4, 1760) is shown in the Franklin Co. 1840 Census:

Oates, Samuel K.

2 males under 5 years  
2 males 5-10 years  
2 males 10-15 years  
1 male 20-30 years  
1 male 40-50 years  
1 male 50-60 years

1 female under 5 years  
2 females 15-20 years  
1 female 30-40 years



FRANKLIN CO.

REVEREND JOSEPH S. STOCKTON OBITUARY

The old bound copies of the Russellville, Franklin County, newspapers were burned in a devastating fire which also took most of the county records. The following obituary was probably clipped from the Franklin County Times (published in Russellville) in the first part of February, 1910, and is on one of the area's early settlers. The original article is in the possession of Mrs. Elton Shewbart of Spruce Street, Russellville, Alabama, a granddaughter of Rev. Stockton.

A FAITHFUL SERVANT CALLED TO REWARD

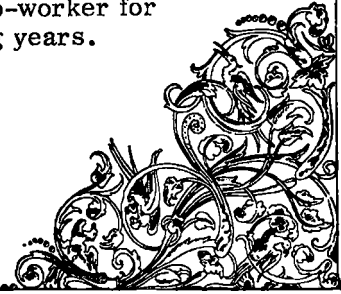
Rev. Joseph S. Stockton was born June 25, 1845, departed this life at his home near Belmont, Miss., February 19, 1910. When about fifteen years of age he enlisted in the confederate army in Capt. Brumley's Company C, Second Mississippi Regiment, commanded by Col. J. M. Stone. He was wounded in the leg at the battle of Weldon R. R. near Petersburg, Va. Soon after the war he was converted and soon felt impressed to preach the gospel, but the war and his service for his country cut him entirely out of an education. He went to school and by hard study and close application to his books he succeeded in getting a fair common school education. He was married to Miss Frankie Hughes December 20, 1866, who died and left him with several children June 13, 1884. He was married the second time to Miss Tennie Vance September 25, 1884. On June 25, 1871, he was ordained a minister of the gospel in the Missionary Baptist church, in which communion he remained during his life. Brother Stockton was a strong and forceful preacher, being a fine orator and a man of commanding appearance. He always drew a fine congregation and sent them away with something to think about. In the Big Bear Creek and Tombigbee associations he stood at the head and wielded an influence surpassed by none. He was well versed in the bible which made him a good sermonizer. In exhortation to sinners he was strong, able and successful in bringing many souls to Christ who will be bright stars in his crown. In 1872 he joined Pleasant Site Lodge No. 364 of Masons and had the honor of filling every station from J. D. to W. M. proving himself a true mason.

In 1896[?] he was elected by the voters of Franklin county to the legislature as our representative for that term.

Thus we can follow his life and see in him from mere boyhood through a life of more than three score years the characteristics of a faithful public servant. While he was a native of Mississippi yet the greater part of his useful life he gave to Alabama, living first in Burleson, Belgreen and Pleasant Site. At these places his best efforts were made which will never be forgotten among those that shared them. Well does the writer remember many hard fought battles that I and Bro. Stockton have made together against sin, in all of which he stood firm until the enemy was driven from the field. He was gifted in prayer, forceful in argument and powerful in exhortation. Each one of his wives was the mother of several children. His first family of children are all grown and married, two are dead, R. Lee and Mrs. Hattie Nichols, some are in Texas, some in Mississippi and Alabama. His last family lives in Mississippi at his home where he died. His life was cut short from wounds received in the civil war.

Thus, we see him as husband, father and friend he was true and devoted, as soldier and preacher, Mason and citizen he was faithful to the many obligations that were upon him. It is sad to think we shall see him here no more, yet in our hearts will we think of his life as a blessing not only to family and friends but as a benediction to the world, looking with confidence to our meeting him at the beautiful gates. May heaven's blessing be with loved ones and bring them home at last.

B. E. Finch, A co-worker for  
many long years.





# Jackson



The following Smith Cemetery was copied by Miss Lois Robertson, a TVGS member from Huntsville, Alabama. The cemetery is located on Alabama Highway 65, seven miles from U. S. Highway 72 in Jackson County. There were several graves in this cemetery without markers or marked only with unlettered field stones. Miss Robertson is not certain of the name of the cemetery but has heard it referred to as the "Smith Cemetery."

JONES - Fate Jones (no other information)

JONES - Bet Jones (no other information)

KIRKPATRICK - Angie Kirkpatrick (no other information)

KIRKPATRICK - E. J. Kirkpatrick, Co. A, 1st Alabama VI D Cav.

MAS - (No other information)

--- In memory of Martha (No other information)

--- There were two CSA iron crosses here. No other identification on graves.

SMITH - At rest. Our Mother. MA Smith, Borne Oct. 4, 1856 - Died Jan. 26, 1944

SMITH - MA - Oct. 4, 1856 - Jan. 26, 1944 ) Dbl. stone.

SMITH - LE - Jan. 28, 1849 - Feb. 27, 1900 ) "At rest. erected by Jeff Smith and wife Nellie A."

SMITH - James W. - 1878 - 1956 )

SMITH - Pheby - 1881 - 1959 ) Dbl.

SMITH - Mrs. J. W. Smith (No other information)

DAVIS - Lawson Lee Davis, Alabama, Sgt. 151 Engr. Combat Bn., World War II - Jan. 14, 1914 - May 23, 1954

DAVIS - Ada Davis - Born 17 June 1879 - Died 17 Dec. 1959

WILLIAMS - Nannie B. - Feb. 15, 1895 - Nov. 11, 1969

SMITH - Claudy C. Smith - 1888 - 1951

SMITH - Joe Henry Smith - 1885 - 1950

WILBOURN - Hess O. - 12-23-1887 - July 15, 1962 )

WILBOURN - Lillie - Born 1892 - Died Aug. 1962 ) Dbl.

BINGHAM - Marion O. Bingham, Alabama, Pvt. 1 Cl, U.S. Marine Corps. April 20, 1939.

JONES - Betty Bingham Jones - Mar. 1, 1874 - Oct. 22, 1957

BINGHAM - in memory of Robin Dale Bingham - Mar. 7, 1955 - July 9, 1955

E. S. - (No other information)

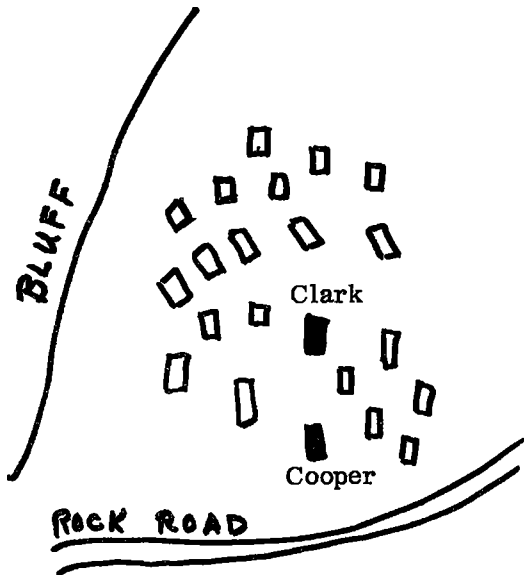
FRAZER - Cecil Roy Frazer - Borne ... (blank) - Died Sept. 1943

SMITH - Andrew Smith - Nov. 24, 1948. Our Darling.

End.

CLARK CEMETERY

LOCATION: This cemetery is believed to be located in the NE/4 of Section 1-1-4E in Jackson County near the Alabama-Tennessee state line. It is in an area called "Walls of Jericho" because of the steepness of the bluff overlooking the Estill Fork of the Paint Rock River. The cemetery was copied and contributed by Bobby L. Drake who did not have a map with him when he made the trip but he drew his own. The above location has been reconstructed from his map. The cemetery is accessible only on foot or in a four wheel-drive Jeep and is located in a meadow beneath the bluff.



There was a barb-wire fence around the cemetery. Of the 25 "sinks" or impressions indicating graves only twelve of them were marked with unlettered fieldstones. Only two graves had identifying markers; one was a regular tombstone and the other was a fieldstone on which "LATEN COOPER" had been scratched. There were no dates under Mr. Cooper's name.

The tombstone read as follows:  
 JOSEPH M. CLARK  
 Born Mar. 9, 1835  
 Died May 11, 1881  
 My sheep hear my  
 Voice and I know  
 Them and They follow  
 Me.

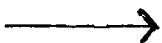
JACKSON COUNTY MARRIAGES

According to the Probate Judge of Jackson County the marriage books prior to 1851 were "burned by Yankees" during the Civil War. At least the earliest marriage book I could find began in 1851. The marriages are not recorded in chronological order which makes me wonder if they are a copy of an earlier book. Copied and contributed by Dorothy Scott Johnson, Editor.

GROOM	BRIDE	LISC..	SOL.	BY
Wm. Gamble	Polly A. Stewart	10-14-1851	10-16-1851	A. K. Mathews, J. P.
Thomas Browing	Martha C. Poston*	10-2-1851	10-2-1851	Wm. Bellamy, J. P.
[*Index says: James M. Bynum [??] and Martha C. Proctor [??].]				
Francis Rinshaw	Agnes Sargent*	10-15-1851	10-16-1851	C. L. Roack, M.G.
[*Index says: Agnes Sargent]				
Westly Rush*	Martha J. Taylor	11-1-1851	11-2-1851	Thomas Carlton, J. P.
[*Index says: Wesley Rush]				
John L. Harrison	Elizabeth J. Charles	10-24-1851	10-24-1851	J. G. Dickson, Judge Prob. C.*
[*Elsewhere the name of the Judge of the Probate Court is J. G. Dixon]				
John Hembre	Martha Bonds	9-26-1851	9-26-1851	J. G. Dickson, J. P.C.
David Kanmer	Kitty L. Hodge	11-18-1851	11-20-1851	John P. Smith, J. P.
Rufus D. Bush	Temperance Puckett	9-27-1851	10-2-1851	J. A. Bussell, J. P.
P. A. Gunter	Rebecca P. Price	11-8-1851	11-18-1851	T. A. Hill, J. P.

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Groom	Bride	Lisc.	Sol.	By:
Daniel McNoble	Elizabeth J. Casbel	11-17-1851	11-17-1851	Wm. C. Armstrong, J. P.
B. M. Pulley	Sarah Rodes* [*Index says: Sarah Rhodes]	10-24-1851	10-24-1851	J. G. Dixon, J. P. C.
Thomas Beasley	Sarah Nuberry	11-4-1851	---	---
James M. Bynum	Martha C. Proctor	9-30-1851	---	---
Wm. Rufus Knight[?]	Nancy E. Carlton	10-4-1851	10-16-1851	James B. Matthews, J. P.
J. M. Johnson	M. J. Derson	3-20-1851	3-20-1851	Joseph Wilson, J. P.
John King	Susan A. Jeutes[Yewter?]	8-4-1851	8-4-1851	Hiram Langston, J. P.
Wm. Swargin[?]	Mary A. Branham* [*Index says: Mary A. Bradshaw]	8-2-1851	8-2-1851	Hiram Langston, J. P.
William F. Blackwell	Sarah Hardy	7-29-1851	---	---
Joseph J. Langston	Mary A. Norman	8-5-1851	---	---
P. R. Dodson	Margarett A. King	5-3-1851	5-3-1851	Joseph Wilson, J. P.
George Gray	Amanda Wills	6-3-1851	6-3-1851	Hiram Langston, J. P.
James H. Stephens	Martha S. M. Roden	7-22-1851	7-22-1851	John P. Smith, J. P.
John Nippers	Margarett E. Kefley	8-17-1851	8-17-1851	W. C. Wilson, J. P.
Samuel Graves	Rebecca Dean	1-10-1851	1-12-1851	William Mason, J. P.
James M. Robinson	Martha H. J. Chorn	9-29-1851	10-1-1851	Benjamin Franks, J. P.
Samuel Long	Eliza Williams	11-22-1851	---	---
James C. Scruggs	Lydia Woode[Woods?]	11-27-1851	11-27-1851	Wm. C. Armstrong, J. P.
Leroy Jones	Nancy Vaught	12-8-1851	12-11-1851	Ezekiel Harris, J. P.
Samuel Lewis	Eliza Williams	11-22-1851	---	---
F. A. Brown	Elizabeth McElroy	"12th day of _____ 1851"	---	--- [Copied exact]
John W. Kelly	Nancy Dawson	12-11-1851	12-18-1851	A. H. Hill, J. P.
Alexander Vincent	Ruhaney[?] Busby	12-11-1851	12-14-1851	S. J. Grider[?], J. P.
James Troxell	Nancy Richards	12-15-1851	12-16-1851	L. H. Brewer, J. P.
Elijah Tinny	Elizabeth Selby	12-15-1851	12-18-1851	Noah Shelton, J. P.
Edmond Williamson	Methursey Campbell	11-16-1851	11-23-1851	R. H. Taliaferro, M. G.
James McCord	Malinda A. Criner	12-11-1851	12-11-1851	W. J. Padgett, J. P.
John L. Simons	S. J. Campbell	12-13-1851	12-14-1851	R. C. Austin, J. P.
Daniel W. Hamock*	Ann Vaught [*Index says: Daniel W. Hancock]	12-6-1851	12-18-1851	W. J. Padgett, J. P.



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Groom	Bride	Lisc.	Sol.	By:
James G. Caperton	Elizabeth Walker	10-13-1851	10-14-1851	F. Boyd Foster, J. P.
James W. Sellers	June Cargill	12-4-1851	12-9-1852	A. M. Campbell, J. P.
Zachariah Isbell	Susanah J. Culver	12-16-1851	12-20-1851	Allen Jones, J. P.
Larkin Day	Sally Grider	12-24-1851	12-25-1851	Wm. C. Headden, J. P.
James B. Carter	Elizabeth Smith	12-28-1851	12-28-1851	T. A. Hill, J. P.
John B. Isbell	Martha Jones	12-29-1851	1-1-1852	Madison McCutchen, J. P.
John M. Maples	Martha Ledbetter	1-14-1852	---	---
Hugh P. McElyea	Angeline Pelcook	1-24-1852	---	---
William Arnold	July Boat Rytee	10-23-1851	10-23-1851	Joseph Wilson, J. P.
Alexander Brand	Gimima Morser[Marser?]	10-26-1851	10-26-1851	Joseph Wilson, J. P.
<u>Thomas B. Counts</u>	<u>Delia F. Denson</u>	11-29-1851	---	---
Robert Crabtree	Sarah Gray	12-29-1851	---	---
<u>Thomas Blancet</u>	<u>Delila Dinson</u>	11-29-1851	---	---
A. W. Barber	Caroline B. Smith	2-5-1852	---	---
A. P. Armbrister	Elizabeth Jenkins	2-11-1852	2-11-1852	Wm. Rodes, M. G.
Jasper Hinshaw	Mary Ann Sanders	2-13-1852	2-13-1852	Wm. Morgan, J. P.
James W. Hembree	Mary Ann Moon[Moore?]	2-25-1852	2-26-1852	T. A. Hill, J. P.
James Mathews	Elender Walker	2-24-1852	3-3-1852	A. A. Grider, J. P.
John W. Williams	Margaret Carden	2-19-1852	2-19-1852	R. C. Austin, J. P.
William H. Berry	Nancy J. Williams	1-14-1852	1-14-1852	R. C. Austin, J. P.
Benjamin B. Tony	Jane Woodfin	10-20-1851	10-30-1851	R. H. Talliaferro, M. G.
Wm. D. Allen	Sarah Matthews	1-15-1852	2-15-1852	A. Grider, J. P.
Wm. J. Skelton	Eva Kerby	1-6-1852	1-9-1852	John K. Childress, J. P.
George Gapling	Catharine Thomas	1-20-1852	1-21-1852	William Maples, J. P.
Thomas I. Holland	Mary J. Foster	3-11-1852	---	---
John McMahan	Minerva McCoy	1-21-1852	1-21-1852	A. H. Mathews, J. P.
Fountain Gracir[?]	McDonald Judith L. Christian	3-16-1852	---	---
Thomas Honey	Ira A. Shihorn*	3-16-1852	3-16-1852	James Dollar, J. P.
	[*Index says: Ann Shehorn]			
M. M. Davidson	Mary J. Miller	3-22-1852	---	---

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# Lauderdale



On Saturday, Oct 9, 1976, Ann Cochran and Dot Johnson, in response to an ad in a local newspaper, attended a sale of books which had belonged to the Senator C. C. Clay, Jr. (1817-1882) and Virginia Caroline (Tunstall) Clay-Clopton estates. The sale was held at the old Clement Claiborne Clay home, "Wildwood," located a mile east of Gurley in Jackson County. Among those offered for sale was a small white booklet entitled, "In Memoriam." It was found to contain photograph-portraits, obituaries, and eulogies of Gov. Edward Asbury O'Neal and his wife, Olivia Moore O'Neal. It had been compiled by Mary Coffee O'Neal Campbell and printed in Florence, Ala. The book was purchased by Dot Johnson for inclusion in Valley Leaves. The book had belonged to Virginia Clay-Clopton, wife of Clement Claiborne Clay and David C. Clopton (d. 1887).

## THE DEAD STATESMAN THE SOLEMN FUNERAL CEREMONIES

### EDWARD ASBURY O'NEAL

On Sunday last all that was mortal of the distinguished soldier and statesman, Hon. E. A. O'Neal, was laid peacefully to rest in the quiet shades of the Florence cemetery, surrounded by an immense concourse of citizens, who thus by their presence manifested their regard for the character and services of the honored dead.

At eleven o'clock the remains, borne by a body of faithful family servants, were conveyed into the church, where the service was solemn and impressive, and thence, followed by the largest procession ever assembled in Florence on a similar occasion, to the cemetery, where, with the solemn rites of the Masonic Order they were sorrowfully consigned to their final resting place. The honorary pall bearers, the Masons and the Wheeler Rifles, as organized bodies, participated in the service.

Rev. G. W. Briggs, assisted by Rev. Jno. A. Preston, conducted the funeral. We give here the remarks of Mr. Briggs in the church, which was crowded to its utmost capacity, with a large number on the outside:

"Edward Asbury O'Neal was born in Madison county, Alabama, September 3, 1818. After receiving an academic education he entered LaGrange College, from which he was graduated in 1836 with the honors of his class.

On the 12th of April, 1838 he married Miss Mary Olivia Moore, daughter of Dr. Alfred Moore of Huntsville. To this happy marriage nine children were given, six of whom survive him.

He studied law with Hon. Jas. McClung of Huntsville and was admitted to the bar in 1840. Beginning the practice of law in this city, he was in 1841 made solicitor of the Fourth judicial district, which office he held four years. After this, declining further official positions, he devoted himself to his chosen profession and was quickly recognized as one of the ablest lawyers, as well as one of the strongest and most magnetic public speakers in the entire South.

On the outbreak of the civil war he was among the first to enlist. On the 4th of June, 1861, he left this city and went to the front, taking with him a battalion of three companies. On reaching Richmond he was at once made major of the Ninth Alabama Infantry. In the spring of 1862 he received a colonel's commission and was assigned to the command of the Twenty-sixth Alabama. In the summer of 1863 he was promoted for gallantry on the field to the rank of brigadier-general.

From the first to the last he was a member of the army of Northern Virginia, that incomparable army of tattered uniforms but bright muskets, that for four years carried the revolution upon its bayonets, which "receiving terrific blows, did not fail to give the same, and which vital at all its parts, died only with its annihilation."

It is altogether proper that in paying that tribute to the memory of Gov. O'Neal we should recall this period of his career. I know we are living in the new South; but it is not a new South in the sense that we have forgotten or shall ever forget the men who fought beneath Southern banners on the hundred battlefields of the civil war. In answer to what they believed to be the most

Edward Asbury O'Neal  
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sacred impulse that could stir a patriot's heart they left their happy homes and plunged into the storm of battle, and whether falling on the field or returning as this man did, bearing on their bodies the scars of honorable conflict, they have made the whole land sacred with the traditions of their valor, and he who may now forget them or speak light of their memory, not only does not begin to understand the progress of a nation's growth, but is alike unworthy the name and heritage of a free man.

Shoulder to shoulder with these men stood the friend who has gone from us. He was with them at Williamsburg and Seven Pines, at Boonesboro and Chancellorsville, and from the Rapidan to Petersburg, and in the fiercest hours of all that terrific time he was at their head and front, brave as the bravest.

Four years from the day he left this city he was mustered out of the Confederate service and coming directly home quietly took up again the practice of his profession. "Let us go home and cultivate our virtues," said Lee after Appomattox, and Gen. O'Neal, with thousands of others, took him at his word.

But his people, knowing his worth, soon called our friend to the front again. In 1875 we find him a member of the constitutional convention and chairman of one of its most important committees.

In 1880 he was an elector for the state-at-large and his public addresses were among the most powerful during that notable campaign.

In 1882 he was made governor of the state and succeeded himself in that high office in 1884. His administration of the affairs of state during these four years has passed into history. It was the verdict of the time that it was marked with a statesmanship broad and wise. Since that time his life has been passed in the practice of his profession and in the charmed circle of his perfect home.

On the 1st of October he suffered a paralytic stroke. More than four weeks of illness followed, and on last Friday morning at 4 o'clock he fell asleep.

In 1876 Gov. O'Neal became a member of the church (First Methodist) and for fourteen years has attended upon its ministry and contributed to its support. It was not until his recent return from Waukesha that I came to know much of that side of his life. In a conversation I had with him in his home soon after his return I saw where his trust was placed, and therefore was not surprised that immediately after the stroke, as they were lifting him helpless upon his bed, in reply to a friend who spoke as if to calm him, there leaped instantly to the old soldier's lips these words: "I am not afraid."

"I am not afraid!" God grant that we may all in that dread hour be able to say as much.

"I am not afraid!" and neither are we as to day we resign his soul to the strong and tender hands of his Father and our Father — the Father of all flesh.

"Not afraid!" No, but very sorrowful, for tomorrow we shall miss him; and most sorrowful when we think of her who is not here to-day, not in this house to mourn him. With what tender sympathy our hearts go out to the one who sits at home with her sorrow, while we, his friends and comrades, go forth to bury the eloquent advocate, the gallant soldier, the public spirited citizen, the upright, who for fifty-two years walked by her side.

The Lord be with her in the buffeting of the wind, with all the tender solaces of the gospel and the sweet and lasting inspiration and comfort of His grace. Amen.

Friday, Nov. 14, 1890

The Florence Times

## A DISTINGUISHED DAUGHTER OF ALABAMA

### OLIVIA MOORE O'NEAL

Mrs. Olivia Moore O'Neal of Alabama, is held in loving esteem by her entire State, and by many beyond its borders.

Her name is familiar to all who knew and admired her husband in his able service to his country. He, as a citizen, soldier and statesman, found in her a true helpmeet and inspiration.

Whether in the quiet of her private home, or dispensing gracious hospitality as the Governor's wife, she has won all who have come in contact with her; and age has not detracted from the charm of her magnetic personality.

Mrs. O'Neal was born in Murfreesboro, Tenn., in 1819, but in her infancy was taken by her parents to Huntsville, Ala., and has spent her long life in that State. Her mother was a Tennessean and her father, Dr. Alfred Moore, was a Virginian.

On the 12th of April, 1838, there was a wedding of unusual interest in Huntsville. The youthful groom was Edward Asbury O'Neal, and the bride was beautiful Olivia Moore, then a girl in her teens. The bride was attended by eight bridesmaids, and according to the custom of those good old days, hosts of relatives and friends were invited to partake of the wedding feast. The excitement of the occasion reached to the slaves' quarters, and not a few of these faithful creatures, from some hiding place, witnessed the ceremony that was to take away their beloved young mistress.

The year after their marriage the youthful couple located in Florence, and here, with the exception of the Governor's two terms in office, from 1882 to 1886, they made their home for more than fifty years. Here Gov. O'Neal died in 1890, and Mrs. O'Neal continues to reside in her old home, surrounded by her children and grand-children.

To this union was born nine children, two of whom, Elizabeth and Mary, died in infancy. The eldest son, Alfred Moore, married Miss Annie Warren of Tuscumbia, Ala., and is a merchant in New York City; Edward Asbury, Jr., a brilliant young lawyer, married Miss Mary Coffee of Florence, Ala., and died Feb. 13, 1876, leaving one son, Edward Asbury; and Emmet married Miss Elizabeth Kirkman of Florence, Ala., and was associated with his father in the practice of law. Their eldest daughter, Rebecca Wheat, is the wife of Col. R. H. Shotwell of St. Louis, Mo.; another, Georgie is the wife of Mr. Eugene F. Williams of St. Louis, Mo.; the third, Sydenham Moore, is the wife of George H. Dudley of Montgomery, Ala.; and Miss Julia, is yet of her father's household.

Mrs. O'Neal has had the gratification of seeing the qualities of an illustrious ancestry inherited by her descendants. Her sons are men of ability and prominence, and her daughters are not only accomplished women, but recognized social leaders.

In a grand-daughter who bears her name, Miss Olivia Dudley, are reflected the beauty and grace of her girlhood.

Madame Shotwell-Piper, the celebrated singer, is another grand-daughter.

A grandson, Edward Asbury O'Neal, the third in succession to bear the name, was recently married to Miss Camper, a gifted and popular young lady of Florence. The solemnizing of this marriage was a sweet reminder to the grand-mother of that event so long ago, when the first Edward Asbury O'Neal led her, a fair bride, to the altar.

Mrs. O'Neal has vigor of mind and body unusual for one of her years, and she recalls the past with great vividness. She tells with much pleasure of a journey made to Washington in her girlhood. She and her father went by stage from Huntsville, to Nashville, thence to Louisville by stage. From that place they went by river to Wheeling, and finished the trip to Washington by stage. During her stay in the capital city, the young girl visited her father's friend, President Jackson.

Mrs. O'Neal is a valued member of the Daughters of the Confederacy, and two years ago, at the unveiling of the Confederate monument in Florence, she was the guest of honor, and assisted in presenting the crosses to the veterans.

Her husband gave gallant service to the Confederacy from 1861 to 1865, rising to the rank of brigadier-general, and it was said of him that no more superb soldier enlisted in the Southern cause.

Among Mrs. O'Neal's most cherished treasures is the battleflag of the Twenty-sixth Alabama, a regiment commanded by her husband. The flag was in seventeen important battles, and bears the marks of many bullets.

While her husband was away, fighting for his country, Mrs. O'Neal was bravely fighting life's battles at home. Though accustomed to every comfort, she endured with courage the trials and privations of the times, and was ever ready to minister to the sick and wounded Confederate soldiers. She assisted in caring for those sent to the hospitals, and nursed back to health those of her relatives sent to her home from the battlefield.

Once during the war she was called to see Gen. O'Neal, who was passing through Tuscumbia, a town five miles south of Florence, and separated from it by the Tennessee river. As the bridge had been destroyed, the only way to cross the river was to be rowed over in a leaking bateau. Mrs. O'Neal was warned by some Federal officers not to leave home, as their troops would soon be in possession of the

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town. But in spite of their warning, the brave woman made her trip without molestation, though on her return she found the town occupied by 5,000 bluecoats.

How great the contrast between that perilous time and the present! Now a steel bridge spans the river and one can spin across in an electric car—and war has given place to peace.

None appreciated Mrs. O'Neal's determination and soundness of judgment more than her husband. During his second gubernatorial campaign, in 1884, he was called from home by some urgent matter, and left instructions that his wife, instead of his secretary, should reply to certain important letters. In the midst of her task, when she was deluged with letters to answer, the announcement was received that the governor's opponent had withdrawn from the race, and the burden of responsibility was lifted from her shoulders—the letters did not require replies.

Mrs. O'Neal still takes great interest in everything pertaining to the welfare of the state and nation.

She is interested, too, in the affairs of society, and when her strength will permit she gladdens her friends by attendance upon some social function.

Mrs. Ruth Penn Foote  
Memphis Commercial-Appeal, January 16, 1905.

NOTE: Mrs. O'Neal's obituary is also included but gives the reader little information that is not given in the tribute to her above. Her death date is not given but three telegrams of condolence are dated October 25, 1909. The obituary did say that she was "Endowed by nature with a lovely disposition and magnetic presence" and that "her years sat lightly upon her." The following paragraph from the obituary is also of interest:

"Although quite ill for a week before her death, all hoped Mrs. O'Neal's wonderful vitality would conquer, but symptoms of heart trouble appearing for the first time during her illness, caused grave apprehension; for when seemingly as usual, a sudden attack of heart failure proved fatal within a few minutes. Her children, Mrs. Georgie O'Neal Williams of St. Louis, Mrs. George Dudley, Miss Julia O'Neal, Alfred O'Neal and Emmet O'Neal, were all with her and have the sympathy of the entire community in their irreparable loss.

"The funeral services were conducted by Dr. E. D. McDougall, of the first Presbyterian Church, at the residence where a large crowd had gathered to mourn the dead..."



Gov. Edward Asbury O'Neal



Olivia (Moore) O'Neal



# Lawrence



## LETTERS LEFT AT COURTLAND POSTOFFICE JULY 1840

From the Moulton Banner & Lawrence Enquirer newspaper published at Moulton, Lawrence Co., Ala. by M. C. and I. J. Galloway. There are three issues of this newspaper on microfilm at the University of Alabama library in Tuscaloosa: August 21, 1839, September 4, 1839, and August 8, 1840 issues. Contributed by Helen Bowling McKnight.

"A list of Letters remaining in the Post Office at Courtland, Ala. on the 1st July 1840, which if not taken out by the 1st day of October next, will be sent to the General Post Office as dead letters:

Allen, Mrs. Jane L.  
 Barus, Wm. (2)  
 Boothe, Harper  
 Barford, Zadock (2)  
 Burrus, Richard  
 Brown, Joseph  
 Bayliss, James K.  
 Bailey, Joseph H.  
 Battle, Mrs. R. A.  
 Coleman, Rudin[?]  
 Curtis, Isham  
 Cottengen, Charles  
 Craig, James L.  
 Clark, T. G.  
 Cockrell, Mrs. Mary H.  
 Doty, William E. (4)  
 Degraffenread, A. M. (2)  
 Degraffenreak, Thos.  
 Degraffenread, Mack  
 Davidson, Fidello (2)  
 Dearing, William (2)  
 Davis, Orren (2)  
 Davis, Thomas S.  
 Dunlap, J. C.  
 Dublin, S.  
 Easton, Charles B.  
 Fenner, Maj. Robt. (5)  
 Fittsgearald, Wm. (3)  
 Farris, Willis  
 Fette, Henry G.  
 Faircloth, Cordial  
 Foster, Thomas J.  
 Gibson, James (2)  
 Gibson, Thos. Esq.  
 Goode, Freeman  
 Glass, Thos. A.  
 Greenfield, M.  
 Graham, George

Gallagher, John  
 Gallagher, Clinton  
 Hicks, Jno. C.  
 Hazlewood, J. E.  
 Haygood, Lewis  
 Hunt, Jno. M.  
 Hunter, David M.  
 Hanna, Revd. J. W.  
 Harris, J. H.  
 Hodges, H. W.  
 Hodges, C. C.  
 Holland, Thomas  
 Hardwich, Miss E.  
 Jones, V. H. (5)  
 Jones, William (2)  
 Jones, Thos. Booth  
 Jones, Wm. E.  
 Jones, John  
 Jackson, Mis Frances  
 Lovelady, J.  
 McMahan, J. J. (7)  
 McMahan, Wm. P. (2)  
 McMahan, Wm. P. (2)  
 McMahan, A. M. & Co. (2)  
 McMahan, J. J. & Co. (2)  
 Manning, Wm. (2)  
 Mosely, Jno. F.  
 Mosely, Mrs. E.  
 Moore, David  
 Moore, D. or Wm. P.  
 Martin, James M.  
 Martin, Mrs. W. H.  
 Martin, Mrs. H. L.  
 McCord, Rev. T. P.  
 Mathews, Thomas E.  
 Massengill, L. D.  
 Norwood, Jno. W.  
 Norwood, Miss. E. J.

Owen, Isaac N.  
 Puryear, Peter (3)  
 Pearsall, James M. (2)  
 Peters, J. S.  
 Powell, Abram  
 Price, Isaac  
 Robertson, Dr. A. F. E.  
 Roberts, Jerry  
 Ranpolph[Randolph?], Joseph  
 Rennaw, G. G. Esqr.  
 Riddy, F. V. L.  
 Saunders, C. W. (3)  
 Saunders, Rev. Turne  
 Smith, Thornton J.  
 Smith, Newton  
 Smith & Mitchel  
 Scott, Rev. T. F. (2)  
 Sherrod, F. O. A.  
 Swoope, John M.  
 Stephenson, W. D.  
 Sykes, William  
 Travis, George P.  
 Terry, William  
 Terry, John  
 Tate, S. J.  
 Talbot, James (2)  
 Wilson, Thomas (2)  
 Wilson, Thos. or Joseph  
 Watkins, A. T.  
 Wallace & Sons  
 Walton, Martin  
 Wingo, John B.  
 Wear, Dr. Hugh  
 Ware, Nicholas  
 Watt, James M.  
 Washburn, B. B.  
 Wempire, David

Persons calling for Letters will please say if advertised.

Thos. B. Jones, P. M.

LAWRENCE COUNTY, ALABAMA  
 GUARDIAN BOND &<sup>c</sup> ABSTRACTS - 1845-1850

The title, "Guardian Bond &<sup>c</sup>" is found on the first page of this volume which contains all types of bonds on the first 115 pages. The volume is located in the Probate Record Room, labeled "M. L." and contains 1865-1869 free colored marriages on pages 116-247. The bonds are indexed by the name of the person making the bond; the index has not been checked for accuracy. The bonds are not numbered, however, they have been numbered here for easy identification. Copied, abstracted, and contributed to Valley Leaves by Mrs. Roy J. Cochran.

Abbreviations: ROP - approved by Richard O. Pickett, Judge of County Court  
 WMG - Judge William M. Galloway, Judge of County Court  
 WCG - Judge William C. Graham, Judge of County Court

1. Richard Pruet [also written Prewet, etc.] guardian of Maria Hodges, infant heir of John Hodges, deceased. Securities: John Moore, Thomas J. McDaniel. \$5,000 bond dated 1 Jan. 1845, ROP. (Page 1) [Also see Numbers 2, 3, and 4]
2. Identical bond to No. 1 except Richard Preuit guardian of Lafayette Hodges (p. 1 & 2)
3. Identical bond to No. 2 except Richard Preuit guardian of Sarah Hodges (p. 2)
4. Identical bond to No. 3 except Richard Preuit guardian of Parthena Hodges (p. 2 & 3)
5. William Barker, guardian of Lucretia Bone, minor heir of Henry Bone, deceased. Securities: John E. Barker and Lewis E. Cheatam. \$340 bond dated 10 March 1845. ROP. (p. 3 & 4)
6. David H. Walker, executor of estate of James Bradley, Deceased. Securities: Archer Campbell and John Martin. \$14,000 bond dated 14 July 1845. ROP (page 4)
7. Green B. Couch [name signed by "X"], guardian of Aaron L. Couch, Lucinda C. Couch, Mary R. Couch, and Martha A. Couch. Securities: David McClusky and David J. McClusky. \$230 bond dated 16 July 1845. ROP (p. 4 & 5)
8. Harriet Wright [name signed by "X"], guardian of Robert McCrary, minor heir of Robert McCany, deceased. Securities: Berville M. Hodges, and (blank). \$3500 bond dated 25 July, 1845. (p. 5) [also see No. 22]
9. B. M. Hodges assigned the above bond, John H. Knott, J.P. 25 July 1845. (p. 6)
10. John Kitchens, guardian of William Moury, Lunatic of said county. Securities: Thomas Q. Martin and D. Lynch. \$4000 bond dated 25 April 1844. ROP (p. 6)
11. Paul J. Watkins, Administrator, swears that Felix A. M. Sherrod, deceased, died intestate [without a will], 4 July 1845. ROP. Sarah A. Sherrod relinquishes right as admr. of deceased husband in favor of Watkins. Test: Fredrick O. Sherrod. Paul J. Watkins, administrator of estate of Felix A. M. Sherrod, deceased. Securities: Jonathan Gray and Wily Cargill. \$5000 bond dated 4 July 1845. ROP. (p. 7 & 8)
12. Elizabeth Houze [also spelled Howze - signature made with "X"], administrator, of estate of Eli W. V. Howze, deceased. Securities: Green L. Walker and Nathaniel Burnam. \$1000 bond dated 3 Sept. 1845. (p. 8)
13. John L. Towns, administrator of estate of Elizabeth T[?] Dandridge, deceased. Securities: William Leigh and William Gregg. \$1000 bond dated 8 Sept. 1845. ROP (p. 8 & 9)
14. John L. Towns, guardian of John J. Dandridge, minor son of Robert H. Dandridge, deceased. Securities: William Leigh and William Gregg. \$6000 bond dated 8 Sept. 1845. (p. 9 & 10)
15. Archibald Wright, administrator of estate of James Tolbert, deceased. Securities: Edmund I[?] Wright and Henderson Shaw. \$1000 bond, 6 Sept. 1845. ROP (p. 10)

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16. Archibald Stovall, guardian of Eliza R. Stovall, his daughter. Securities: William T. Stovall and Josiah Stovall. \$2000 bond, 6 Oct. 1845. ROP (p. 10 & 11)
17. Jenkins W. Brown, administrator of estate of Howel Irwin, deceased. Securities: Samuel Irwin and John Irwin. \$4000 bond, 18 Oct. 1845. ROP (p. 11 & 12)
18. William Trulove has undertook to rebuild a Bridge across Town Creek near Thomas Wright's to insure bridge 4 years from 15 February next, paying \$200 now and if said Truelove shall faithfully keep up said Bridge until 15 February 1849 then obligation is void. \$4000 bond dated 17 November 1845 (p. 12) [Contractor's indemnity?]. Securities: James M. Green and Elijah S[?] Masterson.
19. Thomas R. Brooks [name signed with "X"], administrator of estate of Russell Smith, deceased; Securities: Barnabas W. Isbell and John M. Cummings. \$100 bond, 8 Nov. 1845. ROP (p. 12 & 13)
20. Jonathan Norwood, administrator of estate of Elizabeth Atkinson, deceased. Securities: Barnabas W. Isbell and Amos P. Gallaway. \$1000 bond, 21 Nov. 1845. ROP (p. 13)
21. Wesley J. Parks, guardian of Eiza H. Nicholson, child of William Nicholson, deceased. Securities: John Landers and Finch Scruggs. \$850 bond, 1 Nov. 1845. ROP (p. 14)
22. Harriet Wright [name signed with "X"], guardian of Robert M. McKamey, son of Robt. McKamey. Securities: Bereville M. Hodges and Asa M. Hodges. \$5000 bond, 15 Dec. 1845. ROP. (p. 14 & 15) [also see No. 8]
23. William P. McMahan, administrator of estate of Alfred Wiley, deceased. Securities: William McMahan and Orrin Davis. \$2000 bond, 3 Dec. 1845. (acknowledge signing before Jas. M. Beemer, J. P. 3 Dec. 1845.) ROP. (p. 15)
24. Oliver H. Willis, Guardian of James William Brewer, a minor under 21 years. Securities: John J. Brewer and William White. \$2500 bond, 21 Jan. 1846. (p. 16)
25. John F. Lightfoot, guardian of William W. Lightfoot, minor heir of Henry C. Lightfoot, deceased. Securities: Archibald Wright and Robert W. Lightfoot. \$15,000 bond, 27 Jan. 1846. ROP (p. 16 & 17)
26. Thomas W. Warren, guardian of Hugh Warren, minor heir of Robert B. Warren, deceased. Securities: Levi F. Warren and Henry W. Warren. \$500 bond, 31 Jan. 1846. (p. 17) ROP [also see No. 27]
27. Identical bond to No. 26 except guardian of Sarah C. Warren
28. Samuel Elliott, guardian of Ann V., Samuel N., and Randolph Elliott, infant heirs of Randolph Elliott, deceased. Securities: John T. Rather and Nathan Cook. \$15,000 bond, (no day or month given) 1846. ROP. (p. 18 & 19)
29. Paul J. Watkins, administrator de bones non of estate of Felix A. M. Sherrod, deceased. Securities: William Sykes and James C. Watkins. \$5000 bond. 26 March 1846. (p. 19)
30. William Leigh, Guardian of Mary G. Watson, infant under 14 years, daughter of Fontain Watson, deceased. Securities: John L. Towns and John T. Abernathy. \$5000 bond. 18 May, 1846. Teste: Wm. Gregg. ROP (p. 20) [Also see No. 43 and No. 44]
31. Joseph H. Stanley, administrator de bo nis non of estate of Eleanor Denton, deceased. Securities: William Leigh and William Gregg. \$5550 bond, 20 July 1846. ROP (p. 20 & 21)
32. Joseph F. Fenner, administrator of estate of Robert H. Fenner, deceased. Securities: A. L. Gibson and William H. Martin. \$1000 bond, March 19, 1846. (p. 21) Note: No. 66 is a duplicate of this entry.

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33. Benjamine McWhorter and Martin W. Bowling, administrators of the estate of Moses W. McWhorter. Securities: John Landers and Samuel D. Wasson. \$2500 bond, 11 April 1846. ROP. (p. 21 & 22) [No. 46 is a duplicate of this]
34. Edgar M. Swoope, guardian of Mathew Clay, minor heir of Matthew Clay, deceased. Securities: John M. Swoope and Thomas Clay. \$30,000 bond, 13 May 1846. ROP. (p. 22)
35. Elizabeth Martin, administratrix of estate of William H. Martin, deceased. Securities: Robert Armstrong and Neadham G. Whitley. \$16,000 bond, 19 June 1846. ROP. (p. 23) [No. 41 is a duplicate]
36. Susan Lansford, administratrix of estate of William Lansford, deceased. Securities: Amos Jarman and William Green. \$1000 bond, 4 April 1846. ROP (p. 23 & 24a) [See No. 45]
37. Dreury Stovall [also spelled Drury], executor of last will and testament of Asa Hodges, dec'd. Securities: Robert M. Johnson, Senr. and Samuel Livingston and Peter Stovall. \$20,000 bond 30 June 1846. Teste: B. W. Isbell (p. 24a) [Also see No. 67]
38. Thomas Davidson, guardian of William Davidson, minor heir of Samuel Elliott, deceased. Securities: William Sykes and William F. Mosely. \$2000 bond, 14 July 1846. Test: Jno. B. Sale. ROP. (p. 24b - should be p. 25).
39. Identical to No. 38 except guardian of John Davidson (p. 24b & 26)
40. Identical to No. 38 except guardian of James[?] Davidson (p. 26 & 27)  
[No. 39 and No. 40 says Jno. B. Sale as to Davidson & Sykes.]
41. Identical to No. 35. (p. 27)
42. Judith [signed: Judith Ann] Daugherty, administratrix of estate of Noble Daugherty, deceased. Securities: Edward Garrett [signed Edmund]. \$5000 bond, 21 Sept. 1846. Attest: Willis Ireland, J. P. ROP. (p. 28)
43. Identical to No. 30. (p. 28 and 29)
44. Identical to No. 30 except guardian of Elizabeth F. Watson (p. 29)
45. Identical to No. 36 except: "Teste: Wm. Wallis, J. P." added. (p.30)
46. Identical to No. 33. (p. 30 & 31)
47. Charles Barker, administrator of estate of Alfred H. Byler, deceased. Securities: Henry Broyles and Robert R. Chiles. \$500 bond, 14 Dec. 1846. Attest: David Hubbard. ROP. (p. 31)
48. Christopher C. Gewin, administrator of estate of William B. Wallace, deceased. Securities: William Boyd and Pleasant Clark. \$500 bond, 18 Dec. 1846. ROP (p. 32)
49. David Terry, guardian of Lucy Terry, minor heir of David Terry, deceased. Securities: Amos P. Gallaway and James H. Caruth [signed Carruth]. \$50 bond 26 Oct. 1846. ROP. (p. 32 and 33) [Also see No. 59 in June, 1977 issue of Valley Leaves]
50. Fielder W. Lindsey, administrator of estate of Samuel F. Brook. Securities: Thomas R. Brooks, and B. W. Isbell. \$500 bond, 17 July 1846, ROP (p. 33 & 34)
51. Nancy Hodges, administratrix of estate of William L. Hodges, deceased. Securities: Richard Pruett and John M. Cox. \$6000 bond, 18 Jan. 1847. ROP. (p. 34 & 35)

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# Bible Record

## KIRK

The Kirk family record is in the possession of Miss M. W. Kirk, Tuscumbia, Ala., and was submitted to Valley Leaves by Mrs. Evelyn Evans of Russellville, Alabama. Note: The Cleere family Bible will be carried in the next issue of Valley Leaves.

### Page 1

#### FAMILY RECORD

James Myrick Kirk born in North Carolina, January 11th 1794.  
Terry Sugg, born in North Carolina, February 7th, 1806.  
James Myrick Kirk was married to Terry Sugg March 21st, 1822.  
James Myrick Kirk joined the Baptist church at Mount Nebo on the 8 day of November 1828  
Terry Kirk joined the Baptist church at Mount Nebo on the 4th day of June 1829  
James Myrick Kirk departed this life November 15th in the year of our Lord 1890.

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Terry Kirk departed this life in the year of our Lord August 15th, 1887

#### BIRTHS

Elizabeth Kirk born in Ala. Oct. 7th A. D. 1823  
Sarah Goodwin Kirk, born in Ala. May 14, A. D. 1825  
Mary Jane Kirk born in Ala. March 9th A. D. 1827  
James Thomas Kirk born in Ala. Jan. 8th A. D. 1829  
William Lafayette Kirk born in Ala. Dec. 20th A. D. 1830  
Franklin Sugg Kirk born in Ala. Dec. 15 A. D. 1832  
Ann Elyza Kirk born in Ala. Oct. 10th A. D. 1835  
Synthia Caroline Kirk born in Ala. Nov. 10 A. D. 1837

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#### MARRIAGES

Sarah Goodwin Kirk was married to John W. Mullins Dec. 2, A. D. 1841.  
James Thomas Kirk was married to Louisa Clear [Cleere] Oct. 30th A. D. 1851.  
Ann Elyza Kirk was married to William W. Pearson Nov. 30, A. D. 1852.  
William L. Kirk was married to Martha Gibson May 14, A. D. 1853.  
Franklin S. Kirk was married to Susan Drake May 27, A. D. 1856.  
Synthia Caroline Kirk was married to Andrew J. Drake Feb. 12, A. D. 1857.

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#### DEATHS

Elizabeth Kirk departed this life July 2 in the year of our Lord 1824.  
Mary Jane Kirk departed this life Oct. 11 in the year of our Lord 1839.  
James Thomas Kirk departed this life April 7 in the year of our Lord 1858.  
Franklin S. Kirk departed this life on the battlefield of Shiloh on Sunday the 6th day of April, in the year of our Lord 1862.  
Ann E. Pearson departed this life Dec. 24 in the year of our Lord 1876.  
Andrew J. Drake departed this life Dec. 26 in the year of our Lord 1894.  
Synthia Caroline Drake departed this life Feb. 12 in the year of our Lord 1907.  
Sarah Goodwin Mullins departed this life in the fall of 1906.

NOTE: Pages 1 through 4 are in the same hand and appear to have been copied from another record, quite possibly a Bible. Pages 5 and 6 are in the same hand, but different from that above, It also appears to have been copied from another source.

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Geo. D. Cleere Sr. father of Margaret Louise Kirk was born in Caroline County Va. on Feby 9th 1806 married Elizabeth Ward, who was born Jany 5 1814 in Pittsylvania County, Va. He died April 16th [10th?] 1857. His wife died Oct. — 1857. They had — children viz.

1. Lucy A. E. who married A. E. Allen. born Nov. 25 1829
2. Geo. D., born Mch 20 1832
3. Margaret Louise wife of J. T. Kirk, born Nov. 10 1835
4. Christopher C., born June 15 1837
5. Mary Walker wife of — Mullens, born April 20 1840
6. Jerremiah Thomas born Oct. 10 1842
7. Geo. D. born April 25 1845
8. Quitman C. born Oct 25 1847
9. Polk born April 7 1850
10. Lawrence Percival born Dec. 27 1855

DEATHS

Lucy A. E. wife of A. E. Allen died Jany 5th 1850  
Christopher died Mch 15 1852  
Jerremiah Thomas died Aug 31 1849  
Quitman died Oct 5 1850

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James T. Kirk son of J. M. & Fenah<sup>\*</sup> Kirk born in Franklin County Ala. on Jany 8th 1829

Margarett Louise, wife of James T. Kirk and daughter of Geo D. & Elizabeth Ward Cleere was born in Lawrence County Ala on Nov 10th 1835

They had children viz.

1. Frankie Danella born in Franklin Co. Ala July 24th 1852 - died Oct 21st 1877. Married J. W. Britnell
2. Lucilla Walker born Dec. 11th 1853 - married S. H. Radford
3. Carry Levenia born Jany 24th 1855 - Died July 16th 1865
4. Cardelia [Cordelia?] Golduine[?] born Oct. 24th 1856 - married W. M. AsGaugh[?] - Died Sept. 10th 1887
5. James T. Kirk born April 7th 1858 - died December 18th 1938 of [lived at] Tuscumbia [Alabama].

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# Limestone



## 1846 Marriages

Contributed by Mrs. Eulalia Wellden of Athens, Limestone County, Alabama. This is the fifteenth in a series of Limestone County marriage records from 1832 through 1862 to be run in Valley Leaves.

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2144 Thomas Smith to Lucy Ann Simms  
14 December 1846, sol. 15 December 1846 by Z. C. Stanly
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2145 Charles M. Weatherford to Adaline F. McGregor  
14 December 1846, sol. 17 December 1846 by James Kirklen, M. G.
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2146 Fredland Crabb to Mary E. Snipes  
15 December 1846, sol. 16 December 1846 by Isaac Dial, J. P.
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2147 James F. Rutledge to Mary B. East  
19 December 1846, sol. 22 December 1846 by J. Seale M. G.
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2148 Jacob P. Griffeth to Sarah E. J. Sandifer  
21 December 1846, sol. 23 December 1846 by James Kirklen, M. G.
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2149 William E. Batts to Mary Ann Norwood  
21 December 1846, sol. 21 December 1846 by James C. Elliott, M. G.
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2150 David R. Craig to Mary A. E. Wynn  
22 December 1846, sol. 24 December 1846 by B. H. Hubbard, M. G.
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2151 Mason Clem to Mary A. Harvey  
22 December 1846, sol. 24 December 1846 by James Simpson, J. P.
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2152 William H. Ray to Jane Cox  
28 December 1846, sol. 28 December 1846 by Henry Smith, J. P.
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2153 Pleasant R. Stamps to Elizabeth F. Bishop  
28 December 1846, sol. 31 December 1846 by W. B. Bryan
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2154 Shadrach L. Tipton to Fedelia Jane Adams  
29 December 1846, sol. 30 December 1846 by L. R. Chadrick
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2155 William W. McCully to Nancy E. Meacham  
29 December 1846, sol. 29 December 1846 by J. D. Hopper, M. G.
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2156 William Howard to Mahala Bales  
29 December 1846, sol. 31 December 1846 by A. A. Greeson, J. P.
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2157 William Gantt to Mary J. Tucker  
29 December 1846, sol. 31 December 1846 by James Kirklen, M. G.

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2158 William F. Power to Sarah A. Legg  
4 January 1847, sol. 7 January 1847 by Charles Hodges, M. G.
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2159 Lewis Franklin Hall to Mary Jane Laughmiller  
4 January 1847, (No return)

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2160 Kimbro G. Jones to Avalina Weatherford  
6 January 1847, sol. 9 January 1847 by J. Seale, M. G.
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2161 Isaac Pulley to Elizabeth Johnson  
7 January 1847, sol. 7 January 1847 by James C. Elliott
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2162 Ezekiel Dawson to Matilda L. Hargrove  
11 January 1847, sol. 12 January 1847 by James Kirklen, M. G.
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2163 Oscar A. Evans to Louisa Dawson  
11 January 1847, sol. 13 January 1847 by Charles Hodges, M. G.
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2164 Hamilton F. Arthur to Louisa Patterson  
13 January 1847, sol. 14 January 1847 by Charles Hodges, M. G.
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2165 Joseph Abrams to Elizabeth Moore  
14 January 1847, sol. 14 January 1847 by James Simpson, J. P.
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2166 Edmund McCuan to Biddy G. Burrus  
26 January 1847, sol. 27 January 1847 by Albert Walls, J. P.
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2167 Samuel McCuan to Cornelia Cox  
26 January 1847, sol. 27 January 1847 by Albert Walls, J. P.
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2168 William F. Greenhaw to Nancy Ann Peace  
4 February 1847 (No return)
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2169 Mathew Isom to Marry Gray  
6 February 1847, sol. 14 February 1847 by James Harrison, J. P.
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2170 James Dawson to Julia Ann Hyde  
10 February 1847, sol. 11 February 1847 by James Kirklin, M. G.
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2171 William R. Jackson to Martha Jane French  
11 February 1847, sol. 16 February 1847 by Henry Smith, J. P.
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2172 Peter A. Crawford to Elizabeth N. Vernon  
15 February 1847, sol. 16 February 1847 by Charles Hodges, M. G.
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2173 James M. Dungee to June Arnette  
19 February 1847 (No return)
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2174 Thomas R. Bently to Mary Jane Creamer  
23 February 1847, sol. 26 February 1847 by Charles Hodges, M. G.
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2175 John Berry to Sarah Sanderson  
1 March 1847 (No return)
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2176 James S. Hollend to Isabella McDonald  
2 March 1847, sol. 3 March 1847 by Wm. C. Dawson, J. P.
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2177 William G. Martin to Mary F. Fogg  
3 March 1847, sol. 4 March 1847 by Finch P. Scruggs, M. G.
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2178 Arthur M. Sweaney to Martha S. Steele  
6 March 1847, sol. 11 March 1847 by James Kirklin, M. G.
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2179 William B. Graves to Sarah B. Hine  
16 March 1847, sol. 11 March 1847 by B. H. Hubbard, M. G.
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2180 John Yarbrough to Nancy Ann Elizabeth Cox  
3 May 1847, sol. 5 May 1847 by H. Stanly, J. P.
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2181 John Ady to Minerva Jackson  
16 March 1847, sol. 17 March 1847 by Isaac Dial, J. P.

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2182 Henry W. Adkinson to Martha Wheeler  
8 May 1847, sol. 9 May 1847
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2183 William Norris to Ailsey Jane Raneyan  
17 May 1847, sol. 17 May 1847 by F. B. Nelson, J. C.C.
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2184 Sherrod W. Smith to Charlotte Cheatham  
31 May 1847, sol. 30 June 1847 by J. Seale, M. G.
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2185 John S. Blair to Emily A. Dunn  
12 June 1847, sol. 16 June 1847
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2186 William A. Gilleland to Mary A. E. Ganeway  
15 June 1847, sol. 15 June 1847 by Henry Stanly, J. P.
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2187 Robert Jones to Elizabeth Hanks  
28 June 1847, sol. 29 June 1847 by M. Morriss, J. P.
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2188 William H. Sandy to Malinda Patterson  
29 June 1847, sol. 1 July 1847 by Isaac Dial
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2189 Sterling A. Hager to Elizabeth Holland  
1 July 1847, sol. 1 July 1847 by Absalom Forbes, J. P.
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2190 William M. Lapington to Charlotte E. Fudge  
22 July 1847, sol. 22 July 1847 by Thomas Black, J. P.
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2191 Leonidas L. Irvin to Elizabeth A. Webb  
21 July 1847, sol. 22 July 1847 by Wm. P. Riddle
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2192 John F. Roberts to Sarah R. C. Jones  
23 July 1847 (No return)
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2193 James Hathcock to Mildred T. Williams  
23 July 1847, sol. 29 July 1847 by Wm. J. Gladish
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2194 Thomas P. Berryhill to Elizabeth Yount  
6 August 1847, sol. 8 August 1847 by Benj. Lentz, J. P.
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2195 William F. Atkinson to Nancy J. McDonald  
9 August 1847, sol. 10 August 1847 by Charles Hodges, M. G.
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2196 Hugh S. Creamer to Mary R. Bently  
10 August 1847, sol. 11 August 1847 by A. A. Greeson, J. P.
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2197 James A. Simpson to Eliza E. Horton  
14 August 1847, sol. 19 August 1847 by H. Stanly, J. P.
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2198 Benjamin E. Meberg to Arrena Dungee  
16 August 1847, sol. 18 August 1847 by Preston Morris, J. P.
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2199 John M. Woods to Mary T. French  
17 August 1847, sol. 18 August 1847 by William M. Redus, J. P.
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2200 Elias Jackson to Elizabeth Jane Lennard[?]  
17 August 1847, sol. 19 August 1847 by Wm. M. Redus, J. P.
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2201 Manning T. Woods to Catherine M. Hoke  
18 August 1847, sol. 18 August 1847 by Robt. P. Riddle
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2202 John C. Wilson to Lucretia Whitehead  
21 August 1847, sol. 24 [August] 1847 by Samuel Edmondson
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2203 Richard H. Mitchell to Martha Jane Smith  
31 August 1847, sol. 31 August 1847 by Charles Hodges, M. G.

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2204 George W. Holt to Rebecca M. Long  
2 September 1847, sol. 2 September 1847 by Albert Walls, J. P.
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2205 Wm. H. Moore to Ruth Loduski Lewis  
31 August 1847, sol. 2 September 1847 by James C. Elliott, M. G.
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2206 James H. Stagsdille to Ellen M. Yancy  
6 September 1847, sol. 8 September 1847 by H. Stanly, J. P.
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2207 Wm. B. Tidwell to Martha Ann Yancy  
6 September 1847, sol. 8 September 1847 by Henry Stanly, J. P.
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2208 Brooks L. McKinney to Harriet R. Jones  
11 September 1847, sol. 14 September 1847 by James C. Elliott, M. G.
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2209 John W. Crenshaw to Amanda J. Jones  
13 September 1847, sol. 14 September 1847 by J. Seale, M. G.
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2210 Wesley W. Howard to Sarah A. Smith  
20 September 1847, sol. 21 Sept. 1847 by Wm. Levesque, M. G.
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2211 Abner L. Flannegan to Jemima H. Collier  
29 September 1847, sol. 29 September 1847 by R. H. Rivers
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2212 Samuel K. McKombs to Mary E. Summers  
29 September 1847, sol. 30 September 1847 by James C. Elliott, M. G.
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2213 Abner D. Lauderdale to Sarah A. Linerd  
4 October 1847, sol. 12 October 1847 by James C. Elliott, M. G.
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2214 John J. Brown to Nancy E. Higgs  
6 October 1847, sol. 6 October 1847 by Finch P. Scruggs, M. G.
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2215 Thomas McKinney to Julia Garris  
7 October 1847, sol. 7 October 1847 by John Peterson, J. P.
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2216 William Copeland to Sarah J. Strange  
12 October 1847, sol. 15 October 1847 by Dawson Phelps, A. P.
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2217 James H. McNeely to Margaret T. Davidson  
18 October 1847, sol. 19 October 1847 by W. R. Hanserd, J. P.
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2218 N. W. Benson to Elizabeth Bailey  
17 October 1847, sol. 21 October 1847 by James C. Elliott, M. G.
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2219 Andrew C. Legg to Terry Ann Walker  
22 October 1847, sol. 27 October 1847 by James Shelton
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2220 William E. Malone to Mildred M. F. A. Peace  
27 October 1847, sol. 28 October 1847 by T. Black, J. P.
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2221 James Hargrove to Caroline G. Martindale  
26 October 1847, sol. 27 October 1847 by Wm. Levesque, E. M. E. C.
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2222 James F. Danforth to Mary Kennimer  
2 November 1847, sol. 2 November 1847 by B. H. Hubbard, M. G.
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2223 James W. Shoemaker to Tabitha Holbert  
8 November 1847, sol. 9 November 1847 by Samuel Edmundson, M. G.
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2224 William H. Calvin to Sarah E. Colier  
10 November 1847, sol. 17 November 1847 by James C. Elliott, M. G.

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# Madison



## WILLS

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PR = Probate Record Book

PR 9, P. 316

### WILL OF SAMUEL WALKER

Dated: Nov., 1840  
Prob: 25 Jan 1841

To beloved wife Fanny Walker - slaves, the plantation with the several tracts of land connected to it, also stock, furniture, tools, etc.

One slave to each of the following: Gr-son Benjamin Sims, John R. Sims, Milton Sims, Gr-dau Mary Sims, Nephew Thomas M. Norris.

To nephew Starling W. Mitchell the use of the plantation on which he lives in Limestone Co. for 3 years, free of rent, provided he stay there and cultivate the land.

To son Benjamin Walker the furniture now in his possession, a slave, the land and plantation on which he now lives in Lincoln Co., Tenn., also wagon, stock, hogs, and tools on said plantation.

To sons Richard S. Walker and Milton Walker my entire settlement of land in Limestone Co., bounded on west by Elk River, whereon my son Richard S. now lives. Also to each, stock, wagon and tools.

To dau. Martha Jefferson Easter, tract in Limestone Co. on which Starling W. Mitchell lives at the end of 3 years, or sooner, should he leave.

To nephew Samuel Holloway, a foal and a colt.

All other slaves to be divided among my 4 children.

Execs: Sons Benjamin, Richard S. & Milton Walker. Benjamin to be guardian of my gr-son Benjamin Sims; Milton of my gr-son John R. Sims; Richard S. of my gr-son Milton Sims; and Champion Easter of my gr-dau. Mary Sims.

Wit: David Moore, Thos. V. Province, Jere Clemens.

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### WILL OF WILLIAM LANIER

Dated: 23 Aug. 1834  
Prob: 11 Jan. 1841

Lend to my wife Nancy Lanier the tract whereon I reside, consisting of 3 quarter-sections, one of which was purchased of Eldred Rawlings. Give to wife negroes, stock of horses, cattle, hogs and sheep, furniture, crops, tools, waggon, cart, gig and harness, my clock & all the books in my library.

To son Asa H. Lanier - \$5. having heretofore given him land and negroes to his children.

To dau. Elizabeth H. Frazer the east part of the Fraction I bought at the land sales in Huntsville, land which has since been run out by Hunter Peel, consisting of 243 acres. Also slaves.

Lend to son-in-law Henry Jordan, 136 acres, it being the SW part of the Fraction. At his death, the land to be divided between my gr-sons William H., James B., and Henry C. Jordan, ch. of my deceased daughter, Mary Jordan.

To gr-son William I. Sumner, son of my deceased dau. Louisa Sumner, after the death of my wife, the quarter section purchased of Rawlings. Also some slaves, but if he die without heirs, the slaves to be divided between the heirs of my dau. Matilda Allen. Grand-son to be educated. Lend to Matilda Allen, after death of wife, 2-1/4 sections, place of my residence; at her death, to her children.

Wife to have power to remove dwelling house, Gin & cabins to the Mountain grove quarter as I have contemplated myself to do, for the better preservation of the Health of the family.

Executors: Wife Nancy, Stephen S. Ewing, Henry Jordan, James W. Allen.

Wit: Wm. Brandon, Wm. H. Jones, Robert L. Brandon.

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WILL OF HARPER MALONEDated: 8 Sept. 1840  
Prob: 3 Apr. 1841

"...being weak &amp; feeble in body..."

Whereas Robert L. Clark has transacted most of my business for several years... to him (money) for services rendered.

To beloved wife Nancy Malone the quarter Section whereon I now live and also the quarter section lying directly south of it with all appurtenances. Also quarter of all personal and perishable estate.

To Thomas S. Ford who married my late dau. Sarah Ann Malone, \$200.

To my gr-dau. Sarah Ann Elizabeth Ford, dau. of Thomas S. Ford and Sarah Ann, the land I purchased of William McAlexander, cont. 400 acres, 1/3 of balance of personal estate, she to be educated from proceeds.

To dau. Martha C. Clark...all remaining property, real and personal.

Exec: Robert L. Clark, Benjamin Ellis, as guardian for Sarah A. E. Ford.

Wit: Wm. Howard, Samuel D. Clark, and John Kirkland.

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WILL OF JOSEPH LEEMANDated: 12 Feb. 1841  
Prob: 26 April 1841

To my sister Catherine Leeman...the whole of my estate subject to the expense of schooling, boarding and clothing Reuben Ransom, Joseph Ransom, Richmond Ransom, and my nephew Henry Wilkes during the present year.

All of cleared land to be rented until Jan. 1843, then put up at public sale. Debts to be collected and loaned at interest for benefit of my sister. After her death, all property to be divided among the four boys mentioned above and my nephew James R. Wilkes.

Executors: Jno. B. Turner and Turner Chapman.

Witness: Jno. Timmons, James Dickson, W. R. Davis

PR 9, p. 446

WILL OF JAMES MANNING, SR.Dated: 26 Sept. 1837  
Prob: 20 May 1841

To my children ... all debts & demands I have against them & confirm all gifts & grants heretofore made.

To wife Sophia Manning the houses & lot of land in Huntsville upon which I now reside, including furniture, books, paintings, portraits, carriage, and horses, and all stock which belong to said house.

The interest I have jointly with Thomas Bibb, Esquire, of Limestone County, in house and lot in Huntsville, along with lots in Triana and Florence to be sold and money applied to debts & legacies.

Execs. to keep Estate in Marengo Co., Ala. together and out of proceeds pay \$1000 annually to my wife until all debts & legacies are settled. At that time one-seventh part in fee simple to wife Sophia & rest divided among my children. Children who have already received large sums of money: Peyton Thompson Manning, George Felix, Robert J., James, Bartley M. Lowe and his wife Sarah, William Watkins Manning. Marengo County Estate, after gift to wife, to be divided so as to make children equal in their legacies.

To nephew Reader Manning of Marengo Co. - \$1000 and release him from debts.

To Bartley M. Lowe - release of debts and confirm all gifts.

Executors: Robert J. Manning, Bartley M. Lowe of Madison Co. & James Manning Jr., & William Watkins Manning of Marengo County.

Wit: Saml. Peete, A. F. Hopkins, and M. S. Watkins.



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WILL OF BENJAMIN O. WILBURN

Dated 18 Jan. 1839

Prob: 5 July 1841

My whole estate to be kept together for benefit of wife & children - the children to be well educated out of money made on the farm. My dear wife to have control of the estate as long as she remains single. If she marries, estate to be divided, she to have one-fifth. (no names)

Exec: My wife

Wit: Wm. Christopher, John Dement, Rebecca W. Tucker

PR 9, p. 497

WILL OF MARINA HOWARD

Dated: 19 Apr. 1841

Prob: 12 July 1841

My mother Penelope Howard to keep my slaves and have the benefit thereof. At her death my sister Martha Howard to have one slave and the other slave & increase divided among my brothers and sisters: James W., Allen M., Andrew J., Martha & Sarah Howard.

To John Howard, infant son of my brother Allen M., all my rite, title, & interest in land belonging to estate of George Howard, my father, dec'd.

No executor named.

Wit: John W. Irby, Joseph Spence, Jesse F. Brown.

PR 9, p. 500

WILL OF WILLIAM WALLS

Dated: March, 1841

Prob: 13 July 1841

To beloved wife Susah Walls - tract of land on which I now live, plus slaves, cattle, sheep, hoggs, furniture & farming utensils.

Three cattle & three sheep to each: son Lewis Augustus Walls, dau. Serena, dau. Anna, son William & son Jackson.

Two dollars each to: son Allen, son Albert, dau. Sarah Davis, dau. Experance Wilkinson.

To 3 gr-ch., ch. of my son Anderson Walls, viz: Philip Deadman Walls, Mary Susah Walls & Eliza A. Walls, the \$100 note I hold on my son Anderson.

Execs: Sons Allen &amp; Jackson Walls.

Wit: James Cocke, Littleberry Sullivan, Benjamin (X) H. Noble.

PR 9, p. 537

WILL OF JOHN ALLISON

Dated: 26 Mar. 1841

Prob: 13 Sept. 1841

"...being in bad health..."

To my beloved wife Duanna N. Allison - 160 a. of land inc. the fractional section whereon I now reside, plus slaves, stock, furniture, carriage & horses, oxen & ox-wagon, etc.

To my gr-son John A. Williams - my silver watch.

To the Cumberland Presbyterian Missionary Society - \$50.

To the Cumberland Presbyterian Temperance Society - \$20.

To my daus. Harriet L. Williams & Pamela W. Smith each \$800 in cash or property to make them equal to that given my dau. America M. Lyle.

Balance of estate to my 3 daus. America M. (wife of Thomas Lyle), Harriet L. (wife of Eldred W. Williams), & Permelia W. (wife of David T. Smith) & my gr-son John Washington Bennett, infant son of my dec'd. dau. Emily W. Bennett. Appoint my wife guardian of John Bennett.

Execs: Wife Duanna N. Allison &amp; son-in-law Eldred W. Williams.

Wit: Wm. H. T. Browne, B. T. Moore, John T. Coleman

MADISON COUNTY REGISTER OF BIRTHS  
(First Installment)

March, 1977

In the Annex to the Madison County Courthouse, which also serves as the Law Library, are a number of very old county records. Among them is a huge ledger entitled "Births & Deaths" but only births are recorded therein. It must be stated here that not ALL births are recorded here—only those the doctor or midwife remembered to report are included. If you know of a birth in Madison County within the time span covered here and it is not included it was probably not reported.

Negro and White births are included in the ledger but only White births have been copied. All other information has been copied and included here except "Birth Presentation" and the name of the doctor or midwife.

These records are written across two pages. The first page in the book is missing, therefore, only the last half of the information is available on the first few births. Unfortunately, the name of the baby was not given even though the names of both parents and their places of birth was felt important enough to give.

The ledger begins with the year 1893 then it appears someone has copied into this ledger births from the 1880's. The births recorded from the 1880's are in pencil and all in the same hand which leads us to believe there is (or was) an earlier book from which they were copied.

YEAR: 1893

BIRTH		CHILD		MOTHER		FATHER		
Mo.	Day	Sex	Where born	Name	Nativity	Name	Nativity	Occupation
						Daniel Maprles	Tenn.	Farmer
						William Campbell	Ala.	RR Foreman
						Jess Marks	Ala.	Farmer
						Wm. McGaha	Unkn.	Farmer
						Thomas Preston	Tenn.	---
						Frank Maples	not given	Dearyman
						Frank Middleton	Ala.	Laborer
						James Malcom	Tenn.	Farmer
						Wm. Pierce	Tenn.	Laborer
						Jno. W. Eslinger	Ala.	Farmer
						...nson Lemley	Ala.	Fisherman
3	31	F	Beat 12	Fannie Powell	Beat 12	Jesse Powell	Beat 12	Farmer
3	31	M	Beat 12	Dora Bates	Ala.	George Bates	Ala.	Farmer
3	14	M	Beat 12	Emma Williamson	Ala.	Ab. Williamson	Ala.	Farmer
3	9	M	Beat 12	Sue Cowley	Ala.	Jno. Cowley	Ala.	Farmer
3	27	M	Beat 12	Almeady Campbell	Ala.	Joe Campbell	Ala.	Farmer
3	3	F	Beat 12	Rebecca Reynolds	Ala.	Elias Reynolds	Ala.	Farmer
3	5	F	Beat 12	Sallie Reynolds	Ala.	Frank Reynolds	Tenn.	Farmer
3	14	M	Beat 12	Julia Phillips	Ala.	Jno. Phillips	Ala.	Farmer



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YEAR 1893

	BIRTH		CHILD		MOTHER		FATHER		Occupation
	Mo.	Day	Sex	Where born	Name	Nativity	Name	Nativity	
	3	9	M	Beat 12	Lizzie Parsons	Ala.	Jno. Parsons	Tenn.	Farmer
	3	19	M	Beat 12	Sallie Boyd	Ala.	Wm. Boyd	Ala.	Farmer
	3	31	M	Beat 11	Mollie Crenshaw	Tenn.	Jno. Crenshaw	Tenn.	Farmer
	3	22	M	Beat 11	Katy Wade	Ala.	Bamy Wade	Ala.	Farmer
	3	10	M	Beat 11	Amanda McCallam	Ala.	Zack J. McCallam	Tenn.	Farmer
	3	13	F	Beat 5	Mary Christian	Ala.	P. R. Christian	Ala.	Farmer
	3	15	M	Beat 5	Anna Crofs	Ala.	L. R. Crofs	Ala.	Farmer
	3	26	M	Beat 5	Mary Rice	Ala.	T. R. Rice	Ala.	Farmer
	3	14	M	Beat 5	Sallie Cobb	Ala.	James Cobb	Ala.	Farmer
	3	3	M	Beat 8	Ada Gooch	Ala.	William Gooch	Ala.	Farmer
	3	21	M	Beat 8	Catherine Fletcher	Ala.	Leslie Fletcher	Ala.	Farmer
twins	3	12	M	Beat 9	Ora Smith	Ala.	Joe Smith	Ala.	Farmer
	3	12	F	Beat 9	Ora Smith	Ala.	Joe Smith	Ala.	Farmer
	3	19	M	Beat 10	Sarah J. Neely	Ala.	Eli A. Neely	Tenn.	Farmer
	3	19	F	Beat 2	Mollie Hereford	not given	Theo. Hereford	not given	Farmer
	3	1	M	Beat 17	Lillian Jacks	Ala.	Richard S[?] Jacks	Ala.	Farmer
	3	10	M	Beat 19	Mary Walls	Ala.	Wm. Walls	Ala.	Farmer
	3	26	F	Beat 19	Alice Turner	Ala.	E. L. Turner	Ala.	Farmer
	3	--	M	Beat 2	Maria Britton	Ala.	W. A. Britton	Ala.	Farmer
	3	26	M	Beat 12	Lucretia Warden	Tenn.	Franklin H. Warden	Tenn.	Farmer

YEAR: 1886-7 (Note: I assume the year of these births is 1886 even though heading is "1886-7.")

	1	2	M	Whitesburg	Nelly French	Ala.	Herbert French	Tenn.	Merchant
	8	30	M	"	Nellie Morrow	Ala.	Joseph E. Morrow	Ala.	Railroader
twins	8	26	F	"	Lula Smith	Ala.	Jas. L. Smith	Ala.	Farmer
	8	26	F	"	Lula Smith	Ala.	Jas. L. Smith	Ala.	Farmer
	8	31	M	"	Mary A. Turner	Ala.	Peace Turner	Ala.	Farmer
	9	7	F	"	L. Cobbs	Ala.	John W. Cobb	Ala.	Farmer
	11	7	M	"	Sallie Shafer	Ala.	Wiley Shafer	Ala.	Farmer
	12	15	F	"	Emily Campbell	Ala.	Lanier Campbell	Ala.	Farmer

YEAR: 1893 - City of Huntsville

\*Hv. Beat = Huntsville Beat

BIRTH		CHILD	MOTHER		FATHER			Occupation
Mo.	Day.	Sex	where born	Name	Nativity	Name	Nativity	
4	6	F	Ward 1	William Hutchings[? ?]	Ala.	Wm. Thomas Hutchings	Ala.	Contractor
4	27	M	*Hv. Beat	Maggie H. Moore	Ala.	J. A. Moore	Ala.	Farming
4	8	F	Ward 2	Martha J. Mason	Ala.	Samuel Mason	S.C.	Laborer
4	9	F	Ward 2	Etta J. Fulgham	not given	Jno. R. Fulgham	Ala.	Policeman
4	13	M	Hv. Beat	Eliza Trammer	Ala.	N. B. Trammer	Ala.	Weaver

YEAR: 1888

1	10	F	Whitesburg	Maggie M. Latham	Ala.	James M. Latham	Ala.	Farmer
1	6	M	"	Martha Shafer	Ala.	Alf Shafer	Ala.	Farmer
1	27	F	"	Sallie Woodard	Ala.	Jack Woodard	Ala.	Farmer
2	16	M	"	Martha E. Farley	Ala.	Jno. Benton Farley	Ala.	Farmer
2	9	--	"	Mary Harris	Ala.	William Harris	Ala.	Farmer

YEAR: 1893 - County of Madison

4	2	F	Beat 2	Annie Shelton	Ala.	Jno. Shelton	Ala.	Farmer
4	8	M	Beat 2	Lucy E. Pruitt	Ala.	Jno. P. Pruitt	Ala.	Farmer
4	20	M	Beat 2	Laura Popejoy	Ala.	James Popejoy	Ala.	Mechanic
4	1	M	Beat 3	Mahala J. Harris	Ala.	Perry Harris	Ala.	Carpenter
4	30	F	Beat 5	Emma Vann	Ala.	N. E. Vann	Ala.	Farmer
4	26	F	Beat 11	Laura Elkins	Ala.	Fenn[?] Elkins	Ala.	Farmer
4	22	M	Beat 11	L. E. Rice	Ala.	T[?] R. Rice	Ala.	Farmer
4	18	M	Beat 11	Mary Horton	Ala.	Tom Horton	Ala.	Farmer
4	24	M	Beat 11	Mary Whittaker	Ala.	N. E. Whittaker	Ala.	Farmer
4	6	M	Beat 6	Saluta Chaudies	Ala.	A. C. Shaudies	Ala.	Shoemaker
4	7	M	Beat 8	Florence Ennis	Ala.	James Ennis	Ala.	Farmer & Mechanic
4	2	M	Beat 9	Lillian Phillips	Ala.	David L. Phillips	Ala.	Not given
4	23	M	Beat 9	Jennie Willbanks	Tenn.	Andrew Birdsong	Ala.	Farmer
4	27	M	Beat 10	Jennie Cowley	Ala.	James H. Cowley	Ala.	Farmer
4	28	F	Beat 11	Maggie Strong	Ala.	James Strong	Ala.	Farmer
4	27	F	Beat 11	Lucy W. Walker	Ala.	Jno. W. Walker	Va.	Civil Engr.

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## CHAPTER 85

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"County Officials And A Couple of Hangings"

Mat Edmonds of north of the Tennessee river was county tax collector. J. B. (Bush) Starnes was his clerk.

Howard Irby, also of across the river, was elected tax assessor. He died and Oscar Horton was appointed by the governor.

John Starnes of North was on the county board of education for years. His son Joe Starnes, who was Congressman 10 years, is now practicing law in Guntersville.

Charles Rice died while tax collector and J. M. Draper was appointed by the governor.

James K. Huckaby Jr. died while tax collector and John Coleman was appointed by the governor.

Rev. J. D. Fletcher and J. W. Musick have been tax assessor. C. C. Smith, W. T. Solley, Willie Smith, Thomas Patterson, A. J. Beard and T. J. Hinds have been tax collector.

Those that have been Probate Judge include: W. T. May, Lewis Wyeth, Montgomery Gilbreath, T. A. Street, A. M. Ayers, Sr., J. H. Carter, Gordon Gilbreath, R. H. Williams and Oscar Horton.

W. T. Solley served as clerk in the probate office, taught school and has three children teaching, Thad Solley, Mrs. Emma Lou King and Miss Videll Solley. Mr. Solley is living on his farm near Friendship Church.

Among those that have been Sheriff are: Zeke Adamson, Gum Wells, Henry Parris, James Parris, John Lewis, I. B. Hyde, Robert Moody, James Campbell, James Sparks, Dono Taylor and Zeke Boyles. That may not be in the right order. John Lewis hanged Bob Watts when he was sheriff. It was at the old jail. Watts was accused of killing Pert Winkles and he denied it to the last. The doctor had to chloroform him before they could get him out of jail.

At the close of the Civil War a sheriff named Sparks hanged a man named Keener near Gunters Landing. Keener had hired a man and his team to move him and his family from Georgia and the feed gave out for the stock and the man didn't have the means to buy feed and it was charged that during the night Keener knocked him in the head with an axe. Next morning Keener went to a house and told the folks. Some one had killed his partner, and the people saw the blood on Keener's clothes.

Only two have been hanged in Marshall county.

## CHAPTER 86

November 6, 1946

"The Feemster Family Has An Eventful Past."

Samuel Feemster came from Kentucky in 1800. They came horseback, as it was before the days of the railroad in this country. You can imagine they couldn't bring much on horseback.

He settled in the woods near the big spring at the foot of Brindlee mountain, now called Feemster's Spring. He dug a race to run the water in to get power to run a grist mill. This place is about 1-1/2 miles west of Red Hill.

He ran a tan yard, a government distillery and had a lime kiln where he burned lime. His sons were John, George, Garrison, Warren and William.

Once when a crowd of road hands was working on the road, William (Bill) Feemster and William Farris fell out and Farris killed Feemster. He fled and went west. He never was caught. It was said they were drinking.

I don't know whether there were any daughters of the family. The oldest living Feemster's I know are J. N. Feemster, Guntersville 1 and Henry Feemster, Arab 2. They are the sons of John Feemster and grandsons of Samuel Feemster.

Samuel Feemster had some relatives on Georgia mountain. One day after visiting them he got down to Judge T. A. Street's place, traveling on a road that ran along the Tennessee river to Guntersville, and he started across Brown's creek but the water was up and it washed him and his horse down and he was drowned.

John Feemster ran the grist mill, etc., after his father died. You can see the signs of the race and one of the mill rocks lying there.

John Feemster moved to Brindlee Mountain near the top of the Feemster gap. Claud Smith and John Feemster's son, J. N., own the place.

John Feemster married Mary Bodine, a daughter of Frank Bodine, who lived in Suck Egg Valley not far from Brown's creek Primitive Baptist church. The Bodine families came from North Carolina before the Civil War. Frank Bodine's brother William came at the same time.

J. N. Feemster entered a place 1-1/2 miles west of Arab, where Mayhue Bryant lives. It was in 1882. The land was in the woods.

His wife, Mrs. Mollie Dobbs Feemster said, "I went to the woods where my husband was clearing land. He would clear land at night and

burn the brush heaps and I would carry my spinning wheel to the woods and spin thread by the light from those fires. I had to spin thread to weave cloth out of to make clothes for the family."

The young folks have a picnic nowadays to what people had in those days.

#### CHAPTER 87

November 13, 1946

"Rice And Some of Its Early Families."

Rice School is two miles west of Arab to the right of the Cullman highway.

The first house was built out of logs about 1883. The late William (Uncle Billy) Camp said, "when I came to Brindlee Mountain it was in the woods." He lived near this school.

In later years they built a frame building in which school was held and the primitive Baptist worshipped.

M. M. Putnam lived near there. He was a Justice of the Peace. He was a son of Elder Martin Putnam, a Primitive Baptist, who preached all through the country.

The name of the church there is Liberty. A preacher came from Georgia named Holcomb and they called themselves, "Holcombites."

There was another wing they called "Sheltonites" and another "Hoodites."

They differed on some points of doctrine. Virgil Hood of Blount county believed in secret orders, etc. James Shelton of Blount county believed some other way.

Charles Brock lived not far from this place. He now lives at Huntsville. His land adjoined that of M. M. Putnam. The place where they lived is called "Hog-Jaw."

Elder Thomas A. (Uncle Tom) Wright moved from west of Blountsville to Marshall County and settled about two miles west of Arab. He was a Primitive Baptist preacher. He was born in 1856, died in 1943; his wife, Laura J. Adkins Wright was born in 1862, died in 1937. They were the parents of T. Harvey Wright and Mrs. Alton Brown of Gunter'sville.

J. M. Thomason, my father, and I met Uncle Tom in the road one day in 1908. Father and he inquired about the health of each other's families. Uncle Tom said, "Bro. Thomason, when wife and I were rearing our family, we thought when the children got grown they could stay at home and let us go, but we found out us old folks stayed at home and they did the going."

John H. Wright, a brother of T. A. Wright, came from Georgia, settled about a mile west of Rice school. His widow and son Joseph Wright live on the old homestead.

Uncle John was born 1859 died 1936. He ran a shoe shop in Arab for years. He was blasting out some stumps and it put his eyes out.

His son, Tom Wright, was born in 1901, died in 1934. He ran a shoe shop in Arab. Another son, John W. Wright, was buried in Texas in 1932.

James C. Huckaby married a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wright. He was the fourth rural carrier who carried mail out of Gunter'sville. His widow married Dr. W. R. Huckaby of Gunter'sville.

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#### CHAPTER 88

November 20, 1946

"First The Pole Barge, Later the Steamboat."

In the early days of settling up this country the people up towards the head of the Tennessee river built barges and floated them down stream with grain, etc. on them to furnish the people with. There weren't any steamboats those days.

When they got the barges unloaded they poled them back up the stream, staying near the bank where the water was shallow so the poles would reach bottom.

During the Civil War, they ran gun boats in the Tennessee river.

In the early 70's they ran steamboats on the river hauling cotton, corn, cattle, etc. to market.

The first boats that were operated just had a little cab that covered the engine. They burned wood in the boilers. Some times they would run out of wood and have to tie up at the bank and the boat crew would saw wood and then go on their trip.

Sometimes the boilers would explode and kill the crew.

Among the boats on the Tennessee were the "Chattanooga," "R. C. Gunter," "R. C. Cole," "J. A. Patton," "White Oak," "Creggs," etc.

The people along the river and on Brindlee and Sand Mountain would peel chestnut oak bark and get cord wood and cross ties out and put them at landings and the steamboats would come certain days and take up this bark, wood and ties. The people that lived on the mountains didn't make much crops and that was about all they had to get any money out of.

The government had dredge boats with steam shovels on them that would clean out the river channel where the boats could run.

In the summer the river would get low and the boats couldn't run. The merchants at Arab, Warrenton, Gunter'sville, etc., who had their freight shipped on the boats couldn't get their goods. It was a proposition. It worked a hardship on people.

In a real dry year there were some few places where you could ford the river.

The boats could run from Chattanooga to Florence. Back about 1904 or 1905 the government built a dam below Florence at Muscle Shoals and dug a canal to Riverton, where the boat line had a grain elevator at the end of a railroad line.

The boats now operate from Chattanooga to Paducah, Ky.

The government has spent enormous amounts of money to improve the boat situation. Building the dams helped transportation, gave folks electrical advantages and the manufacture of nitrates.

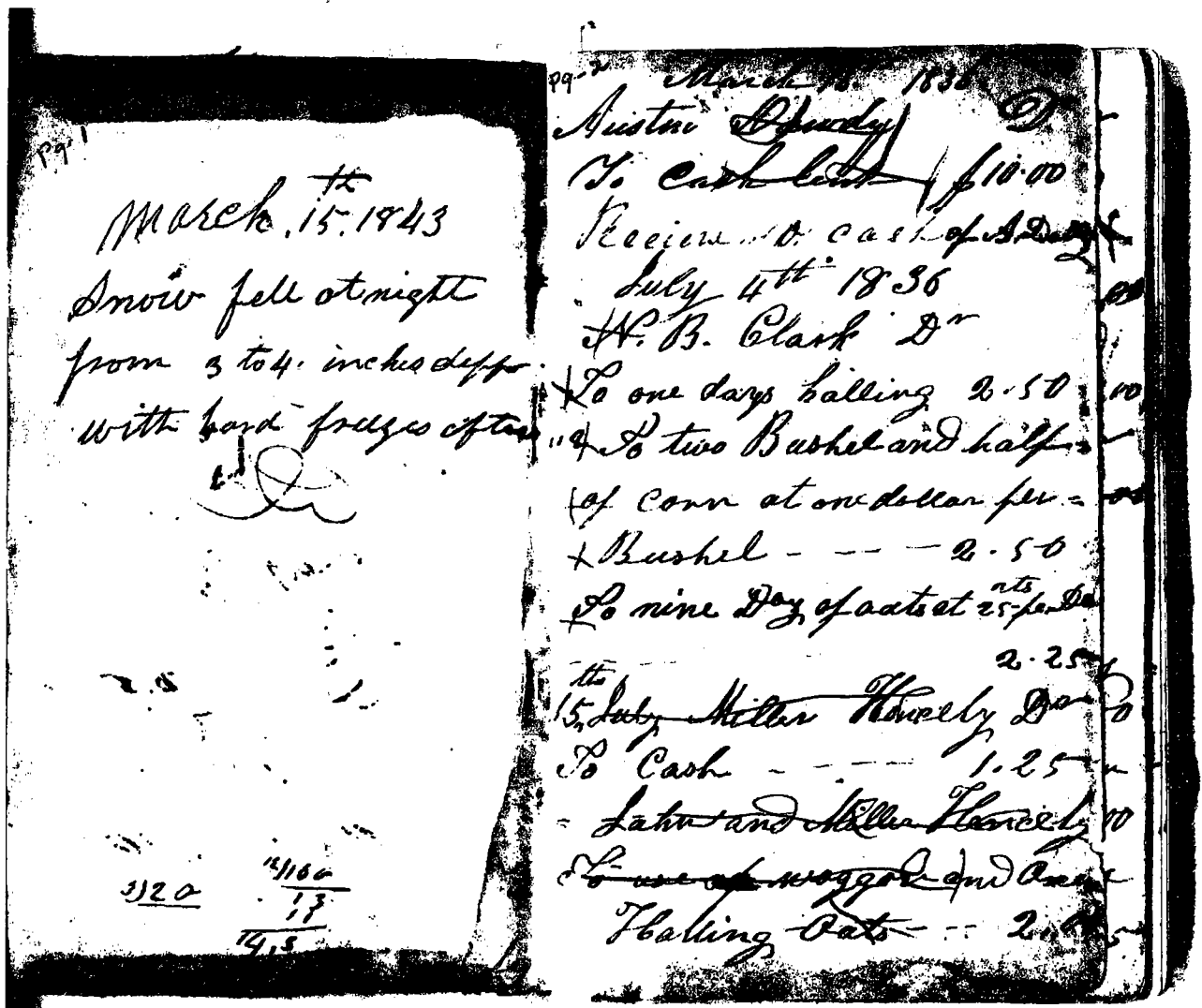
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ACCOUNT BOOK OF WILLIAM DITTO

John Ditto is believed to have been the first white settler in Madison County. He is reported to have come to the Big Spring (now Huntsville) circa 1802 and built a pole lean-to near the spring. It is believed he moved on to the Tennessee River circa 1804 and it is historically accepted that he was living among the Indians as a trader at "Ditto's Landing" several years before Huntsville was established. In 1813 Andrew Jackson and his troops crossed at Ditto's Ferry on their way south. A few years after the settlement of Huntsville practically all supplies arriving in Huntsville came via the river and were picked up at Ditto's Landing. The Ditto name was not only known in Madison County but also in Marshall County.

In the 1850 Marshall County Mortality Schedule, after the death entry of Michael Ditto, a baby, the enumerator made the following note: "The Ditto men were early Indian traders." This, plus family records, show that John Ditto was not a lone white man among the Indians but that he in fact had his family with him. John, also referred to as James in early court records, was born before 1755 and died circa 1828. John and his wife (unknown) had seven children of which six came with him to Alabama.

John Ditto was the g-g-g-grandfather of Margaret Trotman Lowe of Florence, Alabama, who has graciously made the account book of William Ditto available to VALLEY LEAVES. William was Mrs. Lowe's great-grandfather and the grandson of John Ditto. We are indeed grateful to Mrs. Lowe for sharing this very historic and important document which is now in her possession.



A photocopy of the first two pages of William Ditto's account book.

Page 1	March 15th 1843	Snow fell at night from 3 to 4 inches depp with hard freezes after	
Page 2	March 16th 1836	Austin Dowey	Dr
		To Cash lent	\$10.00
		Received of ..(illegible).. cash of A. Dowdy	
	July 4th 1836	N. B. Clark	
		To one days halling	2.50
		To two Bushel and half of corn at one dollar per Bushel .....	2.50
		To nine Day of oats at 25 cts per Day	2.25
	15 July	Miller Hencely	
		To Cash .....	1.25
		John and Miller Hencely	
		To use of waggon and oxen hauling oats....	2.00
Page 3	July 21st	N. B. Clark	
		To one days hauling	2.50
		To two bushel and half of corn at \$1.00 per bushel	2.50
		for carrying the same to mill	1.00
		Samuel Wallis	
		To five Day of oats at 20 cts .....	1.00
	July 27th	Ballance due from Drewry King after settlement .....	1.75
		Franklin Alexander	
		To five Day of oats at 25 cts per Day	1.25
		Samuel Landman	
		To use of waggon and oxen .....	1.00
Page 4	July 30th 1836	Jame[s] C. Wayland	
		To hauling .....	\$ 2.50
	Sept 21st	D. L. Black	
		To hauling corn one day .....	2.50
		George Bush	
		To hauling three days .....	6.00
		Samuel Landman	
		To hauling two Days .....	5.00
	January 12th 1837	Miller Hencely	
		To hauling fodder one day .....	1.00
	13th	D. S. Black	
		To hauling corn six days	
		To hauling fodder	11.00
	March 17th 1837	Stephen Duke	
		Due after Settlement	4.25

NOTE: Entries throughout this book appear to be made wherever there was writing space, consequently, not all entries are in chronological order.

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GRIFFIN CEMETERY

Location: Marshall County, Alabama. The Griffin Cemetery is located in the SW/4 NW/4 of Section 25-8S-2E. Going south on County highway No. 25 it is on the left. There are many graves marked only by fieldstones, large rocks, and assorted material, indicating the presence of many graves for which no inscription is available.  
Copied by Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cochran of Huntsville, Alabama

GRAHAM - Joseph D. Graham - Born Apr. 15, 1838 - Died Aug. 6, 1896 (Masonic symbol)

Note: According to TVA Reinterment Cemetery Data for Guntersville Reservoir, Ala., 28 graves were moved to the Griffin Cemetery from the Fennell Cemetery, being relocated due to flooding of the cemetery. (See Valley Leaves, Vol. 11, Page 91 and 92.)

In the TVA records one of the 28 was identified as "William Griffin" and the others as "unidentified Griffin." In addition, one monument, that of Joseph D. Graham, was removed to this cemetery, the body being undisturbed. The monument of Joseph D. Graham is located alone in the Griffin Cemetery; presumably the other 28 graves were relocated in this same area.

JONES - Paul Leonard Jones - 196<sup>5</sup> - 1965 (Carr Funeral Home marker). Note: This funeral marker was at the base of a monument but the monument was missing.

BIRDWELL - Infant son of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Birdwell - Nov. 15, 1934. Gone to be an angel.

SCOTT - Arizona Scott - 1906 - 1909. Our darling .

SCOTT - Eliza Scott - 1885 - 1959. Rest in peace.

BIRDWELL - Parrenia T. Birdwell - Apr. 17, 1875 - Sept. 5, 1940 )  
BIRDWELL - John B. Birdwell - Jan. 28, 1869 - Mar. 28, 1908 ) Dbl.

BIRDWELL - Sammie Birdwell - Jan. 7, 1907 - Feb. 11, 1907

BIRDWELL - Johnnie Birdwell - Dec. 27, 1899 - Jan. 18, 1916

TOWNSON - Nancy C. Townson - Oct. 10, 1863 - Dec. 14, 1928

TOWNSON - James T. Townson - Dec. 26, 1853 - Apr. 5, 1922

TOWNSON - Omma, wife of John Townson, Born Sept. 6, 1882 - Died July 14, 1904. She died as she lived - believing in God.

TOWNSON - Jo Ann Townson - Mar. 22, 1936 - Aug. 21, 1936

TOWNSON - Minnie B. Townson - Sept. 15, 1888 - Dec. 3, 1929. Gone but not forgotten

TOWNSON - Grover W. Townson - Born Oct. 15, 1888 - Died Oct. 18, 1971. Gone but not forgotten

Note: There were many graves here marked with fieldstones, one of which has: "A. B. T." painted in red on it.

TOWNSON - Mary Jean, Dau. of J. E. & Maggie Townson - Dec. 15, 1922 - July 6, 1924

TOWNSON - Woodroe W., Son of J. E. & Maggie Townson - Sept. 27, 1915 - Oct. 22, 1924

Note: A rock here with "J. B. B." carved on it. ]  
Note: A rock here with "J. T." painted on it in red paint. ] probably Townson family members ]

SMITH - Seaborn L., Son of S. T. & A. A. Smith - Born Mar. 3, 1882 - Died Mar. 7, 1883

SMITH - Seaborn T. Smith, Co. H., 49 Ala. Inf., C.S.A. (CSA Iron Cross on grave also)

## Griffin Cemetery (-continued-)

GRIFFIN - Saunders V. Griffin - Born Oct. 14, 1835 - Died Mar. 5, 1862 (Note: Stone broken)  
(The base reads: Erected by S. T. Smith.)

GRIFFIN - Willie Ann, Wife of W. W. Griffin - Born 1817 - Died Feb. 22, 1848 (Stone broken)

GRIFFIN - W. W. Griffin - Born Dec. 6, 1811 - Died June 15, 1881 (Stone broken)

GRIFFIN - Adella H., Wife of W. W. Griffin - Born Mar. 8, 1830 - Died Dec. 1885

JORDAN - Caroline T., Wife of John Jordan - Born Nov. 8, 1838 - Died March 18, 1858  
(Note: This is a very tall obelisk)

LINN - Martha A. P., Wife of J. W. Linn - Born Oct. 14, 1841 - Died Oct. 15, 1873.  
(Note: At the base of this grave is another stone, half underground, with the same inscription)

CARTER - Myra Linn Carter - Aug. 16, 1861 - Mar. 29, 1927 - Thy life was truth and love. Sister.

McGEE - Charlie McGee - April 11, 1886 (no other info.)

McGEE - Amanda McGee - June 18, 1894 (no other info.)

McGEE - Fletcher McGee - May 10, 1885 (no other info.)

McGEE - Lula Brashier - Sept. 6, 1885 - (blank) )  
McGEE - Harry M. - Oct. 22, 1880 - Aug. 4, 1960 ) Dbl.

RICE - Robert C. Rice, C.W.T. - Aug. 9, 1897 - Dec. 11, 1943. He gave his life for his country,  
may he not have died in vain.

ANDERSON - T. J. Anderson - Sept. 30, 1845 - Aug. 13, 1920 (CSA Iron Cross also on this grave.)

ANDERSON - Note: This was a large family plot marker.

ANDERSON - Emma F., Wife of T. J. Anderson - Born Dec. 14, 1847 - Died Mar. 23, 1896

GRIFFIN - William M. - Born Dec. 13, 1806 - Died Aug. 25, 1881 ) Dbl.  
GRIFFIN - Amanda C. Griffin - Born Jan. 2, 1822 - Died Apr. 27, 1881 ) "Farewell our Father  
& Mother."

RIGGINS - Mollie M. - Jan. 26, 1856 - March 1, 1941

RIGGIN - Alic Rigginn - Born Ap..... Died .....(Illegible)

DODD - Venton M. - Aug. 31, 1903 - Feb. 14, 1954

ABERCROMBIE - Maggie L. - June 19, 1905 - Oct. 10, 1961 )  
ABERCROMBIE - Joe W. - Dec. 30, 1892 - 19..(blank) ) Dbl.

ABERCROMBIE - O. D. Abercrombie - Mar. 23, 1940 - May 6, 1962

HALL - Sarah Lee Hall - 1888 - 1963. Thy God has claimed thee as His own.

HALL - B. M. Hall - 1886 - 1948. Thy God has claimed thee as His own.

JONES - Mary C. - Dec. 7, 1905 - (blank) )  
JONES - George O. - Mar. 10, 1900 - Nov. 19, 1961. ) Dbl.

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# Morgan



## BLUE SPRING BAPTIST CHURCH CEMETERY (-Continued from December, 1976 issue-)

This old cemetery was copied and contributed to Valley Leaves by John Gunn of Huntsville, Alabama.

Baby Armstrong b & d 7 Apr 1940	Wayne, son of Bryan & Alice St. John 11 Oct 1927 4 Oct 1928	William R. Bartlett 28 June 1877 1 July 1965	Gilbert W. Peck 16 Dec 1856 18 Mar 1944
Mother M. J. Nixon 24 Jan 1887 31 Dec 1920	Jack N. St. John 20 Feb 1920 18 Apr 1944	Hambree Drucilla Bartlett 16 Mar 1881 17 Aug 1946	Sarah E. Peck 22 Aug 1871 31 Mar 1937
Eugene L. Clayton 13 Sept 1921 1 Sept 1942	George M. St. John 6 Feb 1860 15 July 1934	William R. Jones 15 Feb 1874 6 Aug 1937	Janie Peck Gibson 6 Dec 1895 20 June 1969
Robert Morrow 29 Nov 1874 17 Jan 1960	Mary C. St. John 20 Mar 1860 26 Apr 1930	Lizzie F. Jones 11 Mar 1878 3 Apr 1945	Henry Fowler 16 May 1894 -----
Elzore Morrow 11 Mar 1882 8 Feb 1960	Arlie Marvin St. John 19 Jan 1884 30 July 1934	Richard G. Bartlett Ala., Pfc 337 Inf 85th Div, World War II 18 Jan 1909 16 May 1944	Fannie Fowler 3 Dec 1892 16 Dec 1961
John L. Gurley 29 May 1859 16 Mar 1935	Charles F. Stack 1 July 1913 14 Apr 1958	Cecil D. Bartlett Ala., Pfc Co. C 208 Eng. CBT BN World War II 31 Dec 1913 10 Oct 1971	William H. Fowler 21 Mar 1880 -----
Mary E. Gurley 30 July 1864 25 Mar 1939	Charles T. Stacks 31 May 1880 6 Mar 1965	Coleman Peck 27 Oct 1868 18 Aug 1942	Etha E. Fowler 9 Aug 1887 26 Aug 1960
Jodie C. Benefield 8 Oct 1877 25 July 1945	Annie K. Stacks 11 May 1896 22 Oct 1968	Cicero F. Peck 1 Aug 1864 4 Oct 1939	William P. Fowler 6 Oct 1915 2 Nov 1966
Allie Benefield 4 Apr 1880 1 Dec 1937	William M. Fowler 1843 - 1930	James Erle Peck 10 Feb 1893 -----	Grace L. Fowler 23 Sept 1915 -----
Bobbie, son of Vera Grauah 27 Dec 1937 26 May 1938	Thomas J. Fowler Pfc. U.S. Army World War II 14 Nov 1921 7 May 1974	Susie Elizabeth Peck 3 May 1895 9 Mar 1968	Ulick W. Griffin 8 Feb 1906 29 Aug 1969
Charles Madison Dixon 15 Jan 1857 2 May 1937	Minnie V. Fowler, wife of W.M. Fowler 1 Jan 1876 5 Mar 1962	Coleman Fayne Peck 4 Sept 1921 31 May 1971	James B. White 4 July 1922 17 Oct 1950
Mary Susan Dixon 3 May 1852 15 June 1929	John W. Fowler 26 Oct 1917 -----	Eunice Puckett Peck 11 July 1921 -----	Mae L. White 4 May 1920 17 Oct 1950
Wray, son of Bryan & Alice St. John 9 Nov 1928 9 Feb 1932	Fornie Ozer Bartlett 21 Oct 1925 22 Aug 1930		Robert L. Gordon 7 Apr 1898 14 Nov 1964
			Clara O. Gordon 18 June 1903 -----

Blue Spring Baptist Church Cemetery  
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Morgan County

March, 1977

Elvin J. Gordon 9 Dec 1921 14 July 1952	Maude A. Briscoe 19 Feb 1882 7 Jan 1967	Margie A. Knighten 12 Apr 1956 14 July 1966	Marvin Brittin Bowling 3 May 1918 - - - - -
James W. Lynn 3 Apr 1887 17 June 1957	William P. Briscoe 30 Dec 1868 5 Apr 1955	Diane Knighten 12 Oct 1954 11 May 1955	James Briscoe Jr. 14 Mar 1916 14 Nov 1916
Lois J. Lynn 4 Nov 1895 14 Jan 1947	Johnson W. Ervin 22 June 1883 10 Apr 1950	Morris K. Edmonson Jr. 26 Dec 1950 29 Dec 1973	Ara Belle Briscoe 19 Mar 1888 3 May 1940
R. Edward St. John 30 Aug 1939 - - - - -	Ora Lee Ervin 16 Feb 1887 - - - - -	Frank D. Jones 11 Dec 1882 22 Feb 1970	James H. Briscoe 22 July 1872 5 Sept 1954
Barbara Faye St. John 20 Apr 1938 16 Oct 1970	J. B. Gurley 14 Feb 1894 3 Jan 1950	Hugh L. St. John 4 Nov 1890 4 Apr 1956	Cebell Knighten 4 May 1914 - - - - -
Edmond Edmonson 23 Aug 1860 16 May 1942	James Gurley 27 Apr 1907 2 July 1967	Bessie Blocker 6 Oct 1906 7 July 1974	Robert L. Knighten 7 Nov 1911 9 Dec 1959
Matilda Edmonson 22 Jan 1868 26 Apr 1946	Alfred M. Hardiman 14 July 1910 18 May 1972	Alex H. Dunn 8 Feb 1892 17 Apr 1955	Clariece Vansandt 1916 - 1970  Hattie Lee Knighten 1896 - 1959
Hattie Edmonson 16 Oct 1897 - - - - -	Hattie L. Hardiman 23 Nov 1907 - - - - -	Alex Pierce Dunn 28 July 1962 3 July 1962	John Knighten 1887 - 1961
John A. Ralph 1 Feb 1866 5 Feb 1950	Alonzo Franklin Smith 23 Apr 1902 10 July 1972	Billie Mack Dunn 6 Aug 1932 23 Feb 1968	
Susie A. Ralph 3 Dec 1875 1 Sept 1957	Danny Hugh Bowling b & d 18 Oct 1957	Louise Fowler Bowling 11 Feb 1911 2 Nov 1973	

- End Blue Spring Baptist Church Cemetery -

LASSITER CEMETERY

This is a small cemetery located on the old Florette-Apple Grove Road in the NW corner of the SE/4 of the SW/4 of Sec. 22-7-1W. It is on the property of Mr. Jack Littleton who said they found it while building a fence. The fieldstone markers and depressions indicate there are 8 to 10 unmarked graves here. Copied and contributed by J. E. Gunn, Jr., 2025 Giles Dr., Huntsville, Ala. 35811 in October, 1976.

Infant dau't of  
J. H. & L. J. Francis  
born & died Oct. 24, 1883  
Footstone: "I. F."

Zilpha Lassiter  
[no dates]  
Note: This was a box tomb,  
top broken in three pieces,  
sides fallen in.

Footstone: "M. L."

Note: We found what appeared to be the footings of two headstones but was unable to find the headstones.

MORGAN COUNTY MARRIAGE RECORD "B" - 1860 - 1872

Beginning in September, 1973 and ending in March, 1976 VALLEY LEAVES carried the Morgan County Marriage Record "B" 1848-1860. Beginning in this issue we will run the "B" book from 1860 - 1872. This book is a continuation of the one carried earlier by VALLEY LEAVES.

NO.	GROOM	BRIDE	LISC.	SOL.	BY
2613	Jesse M. Hall	Sarah F. Clemmons	3-20-1860	3-21-1860	Thomas Ryan, J. P.
2614	Barnett King	Lucinda Hallbrook	4-5-1860	---	---
2615	John Watson	Mildred Merit	4-17-1860	4-17-1860	Green P. Rice Jr., P. J.
2616	Dillard Blevins	Mary E. Morris	4-19-1860	4-19-1860	Abner W. Nunn, J. P.
2617	G. W. Johnson	Virginia Parker	4-18-1860	4-19-1860	J. Edmondson, M. G.
2618	John L. Wyatt	Nancy A. Smith	4-26-1860	4-26-1860	Wm. L. Wright, J. P.
2619	Floyed Harris	Elizabeth Brusnell	4-28-1860	4-29-1860	Meddleton R. Kerby, J. P.
2620	James H. Bruse	Respu[?] E. Morgan	4-30-1860	---	---
2621	F. J. Knight	Elizabeth A. Slate	5-1-1860	5-2-1860	Wm. Nelson, M. G.
2622	R. M. Humphrey	Mattie A. Price	5-3-1860	5-3-1860	E. M. Lamis[?], M. G.
2623	Richard F. Owen	Mary Grantlan	5-21-1860	5-30-1860	William M. Tuney
2624	William L. Edwards	Martha E. Wyat	6-9-1860	6-12-1860	Wm. L. Wright, J. P.
2625	William Black	Elizabeth Campbell	6-9-1860	6-10-1860	J. Rice, J. P.
2626	William Flack	Susan E. McClure	7-3-1860	7-4-1860	Thomas Ryan, J. P.
2627	John M. Smith	Lucinda Raley	7-7-1860	Returned without being Solemnized	
2628	William B. Allen	Susan N. Walden	7-19-1860	7-19-1860	Charles W. Price, M. G.
2629	Joseph R. Martin	Eliza J. Mooney	7-19-1860	7-22-1860	Wm. Nilson, M. G.
2630	Thomas C. Ford	Martha E. McCee	7-28-1860	8-1-1860	O. L. Sims, L. D:MEPCS
2631	Harrison Dunaway	Orlando J. Swann	8-1-1860	8-1-1860	Thomas Morrow, VDM
2632	Joseph Yielding	Chasey M. Bartlett	8-2-1860	8-5-1860	O. L. Sims, M. G.
<u>2633</u>	Reubin J. Morris	Sarah H. Stanton	8-11-1860	8-12-1860	W. W. Wilhite, M. G.
<u>2633</u>	Samuel Haslett	Eliza Jane Evans	8-30-1860	8-30-1860	H. M. Welch, M. G.
2634	Henry Davidson	Malinda J. Terry	8-30-1860	8-30-1860	H. M. Welch, M. G.
2635	Jeremiah Pait	Martha Blankenship	9-2-1860	9-2-1860	E. M. Sams[?], M. G.
2636	G. W. Riggs	Elizabeth Riddles	9-10-1860	9-10-1860	T. F. Jackson, M. G.
<u>2637</u>	Wesley L. Stover	Amanda Stroup	9-23-1860	9-26-1860	James A. Woodall, M. G.
<u>2637</u>	William F. Brewton	Lenora A. M. Burnum	9-28-1860	10-2-1860	W. W. Wilhite, M. G.
2638	M. C. Wade	Jane E. King	10-1-1860	10-11-1860	John S. Marks, M. G.
2639	Zebulan M. Mims	Mary A. Orme	10-4-1860	10-4-1860	E. M. Sams, M. G.

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NO.	GROOM	BRIDE	LISC.	SOL.	BY
2640	Samuel H. Harring	Milissa Henson	10-10-1860	10-10-1860	Wm. L. Wright, J. P.
2641	Stark Reynolds	Elizabeth Bibb	10-16-1860	10-16-1860	James A. Woodall, M.G.
2642	Elijah P. McClanahan	Elizabeth J. Crow	10-19-1860	10-21-1860	Jas. H. Strane[?], M. G.
2643	James E. Wamack	Martha E. Locke	10-22-1860	---	---
2644	Henry H. Roger	Evaline Long	10-24-1860	10-30-1860	Anson Putman, M. G.
2645	Martin V. Parker	Francis Evans	10-31-1860	10-31-1860	E. M. Sams, M. G.
2646	Rufus C. Roberts	Harriet C. Fant	11-1-1860	11-1-1860	Wm. Ryan, J. P.
2647	Robert A. Johnson	Armenda B. Kitchens	11-9-1860	11-11-1860	Meddleton R. Kerby, J. P.
2648	John M. Bramlett	Harriet M. Kitchens	11-9-1860	11-11-1860	Meddleton R. Kerby, J. P.
2649	James M. McCutcheon	Martha M. Wade	11-10-1860	11-12-1860	Joseph Rice, J. P.
2650	James M. Preuit	Nancy Holloway	11-10-1860	11-14-1860	William Ryan, J. P.
2651	Hugh Banks	Margaret J. Romines	11-10-1860	11-14-1860	William Ryan, J. P.
2652	George Worrow	Nancy E. Cook	11-19-1860	Returned without being solemnized	
2653	James M. Thomas	Sarah Lowry [Louery?]	11-23-1860	11-23-1860	Joel Collins, J. P.
2654	James S. Thomas	Bettie M. French	12-4-1860	12-5-1860	John S. Marks, M.G.
2655	George W. Balleu	Levenia Perry	12-7-1860	12-7-1860	Joel Collins, J. P.
2656	Wesley Henderson	Martha E. McCutcheon	12-12-1860	12-12-1860	Joel Collins, J. P.
2657	Ezekiel Matkins	Rebecca S. Sybert	12-13-1860	12-13-1860	Jas. A. Woodall, M.G.
2658	Squire C. Summers	Mahala E. Bennet	12-14-1860	12-16-1860	W. B. Sherrell, J. P.
2659	James H. Pait	Martha J. McClure	12-18-1860	12-18-1860	Wm. Ryan, J. P.
2660	Robert Higgenbotham	Avarillo Walden	12-19-1860	12-24-1860	Jackson Gunn, M. G.
2661	Jonathan G. Orr	Mattie H. Burleson	12-19-1860	12-20-1860	Jackson Gunn, M. G.
2662	Samuel Speegle	Mary E. Tapscott	12-20-1860	12-20-1860	W. W. Wilhite, M. G.
2663	Scott Morris	Lidia Ann Speegle	12-21-1860	12-24-1860	R. B. Nesmith, M. G.
<u>2664</u>	R. S. Roberts	Mary T. Ryan	12-25-1860	12-30-1860	James Fields, M.G.
<u>2664</u>	Edward A. Lee	Mary E. Legans	12-22-1860	12-22-1860	Jo. Rice, J. P.
2665	Moses S. Watkins	Sarah F. Douns	12-29-1860	12-30-1860	W. B. Sherill, J. P.
2666	William H. Salvey	Nancy A. Turrentine	12-29-1860	12-31-1860	W. B. Sherill, J. P.
2667	S. P. Goble	Clarissa H. Bouers [Borens?]	1-3-1861	1-3-1861	Joel Collins, J. P.
2668	Jonathan W. Dunn	Sarona C. West	1-3-1861	1-3-1861	Joel Collins, J. P.

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NO.	GROOM	BRIDE	LISC.	SOL.	BY
2669	Thomas G. Leonax[?]	Sarah E. Day	1-7-1861	1-7-1861	Joel Collins, J. P.
2670	Jonathan Couch	Martha E. Nesmith	1-7-1861	1-7-1861	M. R. Kerby, J. P.
2671	Nathaniel G. Martin	Nancy C. Nesmith	1-7-1861	1-7-1861	M. R. Kerby, J. P.
2672	Thomas A. Taylor	Armena E. Leedingham	1-21-1861	1-27-1861	F. P. Scruggs
2673	Cesero Clemmens	Martha J. Wright	1-26-1861	1-27-1861	William Ryan, J. P.
<u>2674</u>	James G. Williams	Mary L. McCarley	2-4-1861	2-7-1861	E. M. Sams, M. G.
<u>2674</u>	George W. Russell	Elizabeth H. Bodery[?]	1-29-1861	Returned without being solemnized on 21st day of February 1861	
2675	McClellan McCutcheon	Lucinda Thomas	2-4-1861	2-6-1861	J. Rice, J. P.
2676	Joshua P. Price[?]*	Hannah E. Oden	2-7-1861	2-10-1861	C. B. Wilhite, M. G.
	*Index says "Pouell" - Could be Prill, Priel, or Pouil????				
2677	William P. Janett	Sarah Young	2-2-1861	2-10-1861	R. B. Nesmith, M. G.
2678	William B. Davis	Lucinda H. Raley	2-11-1861	2-13-1861	A. M. Wilhite, J. P.
2679	Henry Ryan	Cathain L. Lancaster	1-15-1861	1-17-1861	O. L. Sims, M. G.
2680	Thomas Wright	Martha E. Little	2-12-1861	2-14-1861	E. M. Sams, M. G.
2681	Reubin M. Yeager	Martha Outlaw	2-13-1861	---	---
2682	William T. Mimm	Eliza Ann McCroskey	2-13-1861	2-14-1861	H. M. Welch, M. G.
2683	Richard Merrit	Nancy H. A. Ervin	2-18-1861	---	---
2684	William Lyle	Sarah Grantlan	2-23-1861	2-26-1861	A. G. Copeland, M. G.
2685	William B. Smith	Susan Holden(Holder?)	2-28-1861	2-28-1861	Wm. H. Lyle, L. E.
2686	R. L. Mitchell	N. R. Sharp	3-1-1861	3-3-1861	F. P. Scruggs, M. G.
2687	William Goodman	H. J. (I?) French	3-11-1861	3-11-1861	H. C. Evans, J. P.
2688	Ezekiel L. Wilhite	Mary N. Pourl[?]*	3-15-1861	3-16-1861	C. B. Wilhite, M. G.
	*Written "Pouill" in index even though there was only one "l" at the end of the name.				
2689	William R. Perry	Sarah Newsom	3-20-1861	3-20-1861	Joel Collins, J. P.
2690	John Bridges	Jurendo[?] Josephine Gooch	3-23-61	---	---
<u>2691</u>	Garland W. Bean	Sarah J. [I?] Brown	3-26-1861	3-27-1861	E. M. Lanes, M. G.
<u>2691</u>	James M. Hill	Lettie G. Fitzmiller	3-30-1861	---	---
2692	Robert H. Johnson	Nancy Herring	4-5-1861	4-7-1861	W. W. Wilhite
	married at the house of Joseph Herring Jr[?].				
2693	Frantz Kontzen	Josephine Bonaparte Caster	4-6-1861	4-7-1861	P. Todd, Intendant Corporation, Decatur, Ala.



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NO.	GROOM	BRIDE	LISC.	SOL.	BY
2694	John Bodery	Nancy McClay	4-12-1861	4-18-1861	M. R. Henz[?], J. P.
2695	John B. Hughs	Margaret E. Pettus	4-13-1861	4-16-1861	W. B. Sherrill, J. P.
2695	John B. Lenz	Martha Ann Roger	4-30-1861	---	---
2695	Samuel B. Morrow	Sarah Wards	5-2-1861	5-2-1861	William Ryan, J. P.
2696	Alonzo P. Cain	Martha E[C?] Robinson	5-7-1861	5-9-1861	H. M. Welch, M. G.
2697	John McNabb	Sarah Winsett	5-14-1861	5-14-1861	Jas. A. Woodall, M. G.
2698	Jeptha Edins	Martha Jane Sandlin	5-15-1861	5-15-1861	Jas. A. Woodall, M. G.
2699	Thomas O'Bryan	Elizabeth Dodd	5-16-1861	5-16-1861	Jas. A. Woodall, M. G.
2700	David Handy	Elizabeth Black	5-18-1861	5-19-1861	Jos. Rice, J. P.
2701	Manson Reynolds	Melvane Martin	5-21-1861	---	---
2702	James A. Sherrell	Sarah Sandlin	5-21-1861	5-21-1861	Jas. A. Woodall, M. G.
2703	Adam K. Julian	Mary E. Wilhite	5-22-1861	5-22-1861	W. W. Wilhite
2704	James H. Sharp	Lucinda Draper	6-12-1861	6-12-1861	A. G. Copeland, M. G.
2705	D. R. Priddy[Piddy?] Anna Gess		6-12-1861	6-13-1861	F. P. Suggs, M. G.
2706	Thomas L. Collins	Elinder D. West	6-12-1861	6-12-1861	Joel Collins, J. P.
2707	William G. Nunn	Margaret Wallace	6-15-1861	---	---
2708	Richard Lacks	Margaret I. Kirkland	June, 1861	---	---
2709	James P. Plemmons[Clemmons?] Sarah E. M. Crutcher		6-20-61	6-20-61	O. S. Sims, S.D.

## LAMONS CEMETERY

The remains of this small cemetery of approximately 40 graves is located in Lamons Cove on the old Florette-Apple Grove Road, now known as Pines Road, now known as Pines Road. It is in the NW corner, NE/4 SE/4 of Section 15-7-1W. It is on the property of Mr. Jack Littleton who was kind enough to go with me and direct me to it, otherwise, I could still be searching for it. Some of the graves are marked with fieldstones (unlettered) and several depressions indicate an unmarked grave. There are several fire-blackened posts and strands of barbedwire that indicate it was fenced at one time. (Copied and contributed by J. E. Gunn, Jr., 2025 Giles Dr., Huntsville, Ala. 35811.)

George S., son of  
J. R. & W. L. Powell  
Dec. 8, 1882  
Jan. 22, 1883

Williams A. Lamons  
Mar. 4, 1822  
Nov. 20, 1907

Note: There was a very old  
box tomb here which had  
fallen in but I was unable to  
determine if there was a  
name on it.

## QUERIES (-continued from Page 149-)

#396 STRICKLAND: Am seeking info. on the Strickland family reunion held in Georgia each spring, possibly June. When and where is it held?

Mrs. Alice M. Stapleton, 2211 Country Club Ave., Huntsville, Ala. 35805



# Queries

- #376 DUMAS: Need info. on Dr. Allison Dumas or any of his family. He is reported to have practiced in Ryland, Ala. after Civil War & to have later moved to Shelbyville, Bedford County, Tenn. Will exch. other Dumas info.  
John H. Wilson, 1212 W. El Paso St., Ft. Worth, Tex. 76102
- #377 CARPENTER, COTHRAN (COTHREN), SEAY: Absolom Carpenter b. ca. 1797 in Va. m. Jane Hamilton (?) ca 1820 in Elbert Co. Ga. Ch: Hamilton, John E., Mitchell C., Frederick, Joshua (Dot), Susannah Carpenter Seay all b. Elbert & Murray Co. Ga. Removed to Franklin Co. [Ala?] 1850-60. When did Absolom die? Where? What was Jane's maiden name? Where did she die? John Elbert Carpenter served in Confederate Army & m. Charlotte Cothran dau. of Jim Cothran & \_\_\_\_\_. What was her mother's name? My g-g-grandmother Cothran was lost in a Galveston, Tex. hurricane. John & Charlotte Carpenter ch: Mary 1859; Julia 1862; John H. 1864; Christopher Columbus 1866; Joshua H. (Dot) 1867; Frances 1870; Della 1873; Cicero Holloway 31 Mar 1877; & Lue Ada 29 June 1880. Why was Joshua called "Dot?" Where were John & Charlotte married? When? Desire to correspond with all desc. of Absolom & Jane.
- HOLLOWAY: Who was Dr. Cicero Holloway?  
Betty Key, 99 North Auburndale St., Memphis, Tenn. 38104
- #378 MAYFIELD, LANE, JARRATT: Desire info on my g-grandfather William S. Mayfield b. ca 1805 in middle Tenn. perhaps Bedford Co. or in No. Ala. m. Catharine Allen Lane Jarratt (wid. of Richard Jarratt) ca 1842. She was dau. of Rev. Sampson Lane, Method. Minister in Limestone Co. Ala. in 1830. Who were parents of William S. Mayfield & from where? He d. prior to 1850 perhaps in DeSoto Co. Miss. Have much info on Lane family to exch. Four of Sampson Lane's ch. m. Mayfields. The oldest dau. Erithea m. Thomas Mayfield, two other ch. m. Thomas Mayfield's neices & dau. Catharine m. William S. Mayfield most likely the cousin of the above Mayfields.  
Mrs. Joe D. McAlister, 929 Palmer Road, Memphis, Tenn. 38116
- #379 FOUCH (FOUTCH), McHENRY, WELSH, DAVIS, McDEARMAN, WAUFORD, CASTLEMAN, FLOWERS, GOODWIN, WALDRON, FREY, JONES: Wish to contact desc. of Elijah Fouch d. Oct. 1837 Smith Co. Tenn. Elijah's 8 ch: William; John; Joel b. 1816/21 m. Elizabeth McHenry dau of Jesse & Elizabeth McHenry; David; Sarah m. James Welsh; Martha m. Martin Davis; Mary m. S. B. McDearman; a dau (?) who m. (David?) Wauford. Joel & Elizabeth had 11 ch: Elizabeth b. 1846 unm; Mary Louise b. 1849 m. James Castleman; Thomas b. 1853 d. 1895 unmn; Elijah b. 27 Aug 1855 d. 27 Oct 1941 m. Martha Myrtle Flowers 8 June 1882 in Wilson Co., Tenn; John b. 1856 m. 1st Betty Goodwin, 2nd Lula Waldron; Joel Dyer Jr. b. 1862 m. Fannie \_\_\_\_\_; James Robert b. 1865 m. Laura Frey in Wilson Co. Tenn; Jesse d. young; William B. b. 1870 m. Mae \_\_\_\_\_; Eliza d. infancy; Martha Frances b. 1872 m. Frank Jones in Wilson Co. Tenn. Myrtle Ruth Foutch, 103 G. St., SW #612, Washington, D. C. 20024
- #380 GILES, MARTIN, LEEMAN: Wish to contact desc & exch info. on John Giles b. 1808 Va. d. \_\_\_\_\_? Huntsville, Ala. m. Louisa \_\_\_\_\_? b. 1810 Va. d. 1879 Huntsville, son Edward Horton Giles b. 1849 New Market, Ala. m. 1861 Mary Eliz. Martin who d. 1913 Madison Co. dau. of George W. Martin b. 1820 d. 1905 m. Nancy Leeman b. 1832 d. 1891.
- SULLIVAN, TAYLOR: Randolph Sullivan b. 1789 Lourens S.C., d. 1850 Huntsville, Ala. m. (Polly) Mary \_\_\_\_\_? in Lourens S.C. b. 1789, d. 1863 Huntsville, Ala. who were parents of Mary Elizabeth b. 1826 d. 1872 in Huntsville, Ala. and who m. William McDavid Taylor "Shanks" b. 1825 d. 1891 in Huntsville.  
Mrs. Loretta Mitchell Querry, Route #3, Larned, Kansas 67550

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Queries Editor: Mrs. S. Drake Ellis

- #381 BYRD; THOMAS: Richard Byrd came to Northern Ala. ca. 1800 from Va. Owned land in Madison Co., Ala. His son James m. Mary Thomas in McMinnville, Tenn. in 1831 & went to Texas. Need Ala. info. this family.  
Mrs. Isabel Funderburk, Rt. 5, Box 296, Sulphur Springs, Tex. 75482
- #382 WEATHERS, SHUMATE: Need parents & siblings of Edmond Weathers b. Va. 1780/85 m. 1st ? b. S.C. d. ca 1822 probably in Williamson Co. Tenn. What was her name? m. 2nd Barbara Shumate ca 1824 in Williamson Co., Tenn. In Lauderdale Co. Ala. by 1826, also in 1840 census but not in 1850, Barbara is shown as head of household.
- LANCASTER, RADFORD: Nancy Radford b. 1785 Va. m. 21 Feb. 1807 in Williamson Co., Tenn. to David Lancaster b. 1782 Edgecombe Co., N.C. Removed from Williamson to Lauderdale Co., Ala. ca 1820. He was a Baptist preacher. Nancy d. 5 Aug 1860 & David d. 26 Mar 1860 in Lauderdale Co. Who were their parents & siblings. Will exch. & refund postage.
- BRILEY, MATHIS: Need parents & siblings of Shadrack G. Briley b. ca 1798/1800 N.C. m. ca. 1829 to Clarissa Mathis b. 1805 N.C. need her parents & sib. Clarissa d. 12 Dec 1878 Tippah Co. Miss. Shadrack Briley d. in Hope, Ark. Have will of one George Briley, probated 1818 Anson Co. N.C. in which he names a grandson Shadrack Briley. Can anyone help estab. relationship here? Mrs. Wm. J. Woodham Jr., 611 W. Avery St., Pensacola, Fla. 32501
- #383 CHILDRESS (CHILDERS), BUSH, SWIFT: Pleasant Childress b. ca 1765 m. Sarah Bush, 4 May 1793 Warren Co. N.C. 1 male under 5 & 1 fem under 5 in 1800 Warren Co. census. Son Guilford Pleasant Childress b. 23 Dec. 1795 & dau. (name unkn) b. ca 1798 m. ? Swift? before 1820. Family in Caswell Co. 1810 thru 1830 census. Pleasant & wf listed in 1840 Henry Co. Tenn. census Madison Co. Tenn. newspaper of 29 Nov 1844 states that in Oct. in Henry Co. Tenn. the heirs of Pleasant Childress petition for sale of real estate: Thomas, Jeremiah, Sarah (wid. of Pleasant) Childress, and Artilia Kirkland (Shadrack Kirkland) formerly Childress, Alfred, Anthony, and Louisa Swift, heirs of Pleasant Childress dec'd. The wid. Sarah Bush Childress was living in Shadrack Kirkland household in 1850 census of Henry Co. Need info. & will share info on any of the above people.
- CHILDRESS (CHILDERS), BUSH, MERRELL, APPLING, SORRELL, WINDHAM, HUGHES, STANTON, DAVIS: Guilford P. Childress, son of Pleasant & Sarah Bush Childress was b. 23 Dec 1795 Warren Co. N.C. m. 1st 1 Sept 1818 Lincoln Co. Ga. to Nici Collins b. 16 Mar 1797 in Lincoln Co. Ga. d. 30 Apr 1926 in Ala., poss. Limestone Co. Ch: Sollomon Collins b. 30 May 1819 d. 12 Aug 1885 m. Mary Merrill 28 May 1843 Panola Co., Miss; Pleasant b. 13 Mar 1821 d. 19 Apr 1872 m. Sarah F. Appling 8 Oct 1850 Tuscaloosa Co. Ala; Abel b. 14 Apr 1823 d. 23 Sept 1894 m. Martha Sorrell 22 Dec 1853 Limestone Co. Ala; Sarah A. E. b. 29 Oct 1824 Ala., d. in Tex. 1885 (no marriage). Nici Collins Childress bro. Albert Collins m. Nancy Creamer 7 Jan 1821 both in Lincoln Co. Ga. in Limestone Co. Ala. bef. 1830, Albert d. ca 1831. Pleasant m. 2nd Dorothea ? in Fayette Co. Ala., census 1820 shows ch: Mary b. ca 1831; Francis (male) b. ca 1833; Guilford b. ca. 1838; Cornelius (male) b. ca 1836; Rebecca b. ca 1838; Thomas b. ca 1843 & James P. b. ca 1847. G. P. & wf still there on 1860 census, all gone 1870. Sons by 1st m. lived Lee Co. Miss when Civil War was over, Sol & Pleas went to Ala to see what became of "Pa" & a neighbor lady named "Woodruff"(?) told them he had been thrown from a horse & never recovered. What became of all the ch. of 2nd m? Guilford Jr. m. Martha J. Windham 27 Sept 1858 Tuscaloosa Co., Ala. Limestone Co. Ala. mar. records show: Elvira Childress to Alford W. Hughes 3 Sept 1840; Mary F. to Henry Stanton 17 Dec 1842 & Samuel A. to Martha A. Davis 14 June 1850. Were these also ch. of old Guilford P. Childress? Did Childress live around Eldridge, Fayette Co. & near Averson in Limestone Co. Ala?  
Mrs. C. L. Neill, Box 103, Pharr, Tex. 78577
- #384 HAMMONDS, BOGGS, SAVAGE, GREEN, STONE, LITTRELL, LOVELL, HORN, STEEN, COX, SHELTON, RUBEY: Interested in discovering if g-g-grandfather James Hammonds owned land in Lauderdale Co., Ala where he settled before 1819. Born ca 1784 N. C. (where?) d. ca 1850 Lauderdale Co. Ala. & is bur. in a field just north of Whitehead, Ala. in unmarked grave. James ("Jim") Hammonds m. 1st Muggie Boggs b. 1786 N.C. (where?) d. ca 1813 N.C. Their ch: Susanna "Susie" b. 1801 N.C. d. 22 Apr 1862 m. 2 June 1833 Lauderdale Co. Ala. to James Green b. 1797 Ga. d. 19 Mar 1869 Tenn. both buried Green Cem. Lawrence Co., Tenn.; Rebecca b. 1801 N.C. d. bef. 1835 Lauderdale Co. Ala. m. 3 Dec. 1828 Lauderdale Co. Ala. to Thomas ("Tom") Stone; Lucinda "Cindy" b. 1811 N.C. m. 5 Oct 1830 Lauderdale Co. Ala. to Alfred Littrell; John ("Johnnie") Clemons Hammonds b. 13 Apr 1813 N. C. d. 2 Mar 1895 bur by wf on home place S. W. Grassy, Ala. m. 21 Apr 1839 Lauderdale Co. Ala. to Sarah (Sallie") Lovell b. 15 Sept 1813 d. 4 Jan 1899; Miles Hammonds b. 29 June 1814 N.C. d. 20 May 1888 m. 1st 8 Nov 1834 to Nancy Horn in Lawrence Co. Tenn. m. 2nd 2 Mar 1836 to Eleanor Steen b. ? Sept 1811 d. 1 Nov 1893 buried

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Second Creek Cem., Lawrence Co. Tenn. James ("Jim") Hammonds m. 2nd 29 Jan 1819 Lauderdale Co. Ala. to Sarah Savage b. 1788 N.C. (where?) d. 1869 Ala. Their ch: Jesse b. 8 Jan 1821 Whitehead, Ala. d. 28 Mar 1894 on farm S.E. Lexington, Ala. m. 13 Feb. 1843 Lauderdale Co. Ala. to Ritta Caroline Cox b. 10 Feb. 1829 d. 21 Sept. 1884 both buried in Newton Cem. on farm S.E. Lexington; William ("Billie") b. 3 Mar 1833 Whitehead, Ala., d. 21 July 1889 bur. by wf in Billie Hammonds Cem. m. 7 Nov 1847 Lauderdale Co. Ala. to Mary Emaline Cox b. 1 Dec. 1832 Ala. d. 21 June 1917 Ala. (sister of Ritta & Newton S. Cox); Nancy Narcissa ("Sis") b. ? 1828 Whitehead Ala. d. ? was on 1860 Carroll Co., Ark. census not on 1870/1880. m. 6 Oct 1850 Lauderdale Co. Ala. to Newton S. Cox b. ? 1830 Lauderdale Co. Ala. died ? ; Matilda b. 11 June 1833 Whitehead, Ala. d. 22 Feb. 1920 at Fowler, Colo. m. 1st 1850 to Robert Shelton b. ? 1834 d. ? . m. 2nd 25 Aug. 1867 at Cross Timbers, Hickory Co. Mo. to Dr. Alfred Ervin Rubey b. 1 May 1815 Ky. d. 17 Aug 1885 Cross Timbers, Mo. ch: Joseph & Ann Hunter Rubey; also an Allie and/or Emer? Who are the ancestors of James Hammonds & his 2 wives, where did they live in N.C.? Wish to correspond with their descendants.  
Mrs. Henry Bollman, Route M, Lockney, Texas 79241

#385 CHANEY, MURPHREE: Need info. on parents of John Chaney b. ca 1820, Tenn. lived DeKalb Co. Ala. 1840's - 1870's d. Jackson Co. Ala. 1896. His mother is thought to have been a Murphree.

TINER: Need info. on parents of Stephen Jackson Tiner, b. ca 1811 Ga. lived DeKalb & Jackson Co's Ala. d. Jackson Co. 1894.

RUSSELL, RUDDER: Will exch. info. on desc. of Matthew Russell d. 1813 in S.C. & Robert Rudder who d. 1843 Knox Co. Tenn.  
James W. Russell, 8600 Hickory Hill Ln., Huntsville, Ala. 35802

#386 ADAMS, WHALEY: Need info on Hiram Adams, b. ca 1815 Ga. m. Elizabeth Whaley. Lived Fayette & Clayton Co's Ga. Believed to be son of either James or William Adams. Charles Whaley b. 1780/83 Maryland d. after 1860 Fayette or Clayton Co's. May have been son of James Whaley but no proof.

BEAUCHAMP: Sabard Overton Beauchamp b. ca 1800 Ga. d. 1883 Texas. Believed to be son of William Beauchamp who came from Md. to Ga. in late 1700's.

GRIFFIN: John Griffin b. ca 1799 S.C. d. after 1870 Fayette or Campbell Co's Ga.

JONES: Rev. Robert Frazier Jones, b. ca. 1779 S.C. d. ca. 1826 DeKalb Co. Ga.

FRAZIER: John & William Frazier in Abbeville, Co.S.C. 1700's & very early 1800's.

ROBERTS: John Roberts, Abbeville Co. S.C. 1700 & 1800's.

McALPIN: William Alexander McAlpin b. 1780 Abbeville Co. S.C. d. 1866 Haralson Co. Ga.

SEWELL, BRASDLE (BRAZEAL, BRASSEL, etc.): Greenberry Sewell b. ca. 1785 son of Samuel Sewell of Rowan Co. N.C. d. 1846 Carroll Co. Ga. m. Ann Brasdle 1807 Franklin Co. Ga.

SMITH, INGRAM: Andrew Smith b. ca 1800 S.C. m. Nancy Ingram b. ca 1798 England. Lived S.C., Henry & Carroll Co's Ga. moved to Tex. during 1850's according to family tradition.

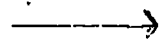
WHITLEY: Zachariah Whitley b. ca 1813 Montgomery Co. N.C. d. after 1862 Newton Co. Ga., son of Needham Whitley.

WINGATE: John Wingate b. ca 1784 possibly Anson Co. N.C. d. Newton Co. Ga. after 1853. Related to William & Reuben Wingate of N.C.  
Need information on all of above families.  
Mrs. James W. Russell, 8600 Hickory Hill Ln., Huntsville, Ala. 35802

#387 THOMPSON, FARRELL, SCOTT: Harriet Farrell m. 1st Samuel Thompson Dec. 1827 Lauderdale Co., Florence, Ala. Lived around Waterloo, Ala. Had 8 ch. Harried m. 2nd John Scott and they also had children. Wish info. on or to hear from any of William M. Thompson's descendants: John, Sarah Jane, George W. James Asbury, Margaret E., Samuel Jr. Will exc. info.  
Mrs. J. L. Lancaster, 410 E. Main, Parsons, Tenn. 38363

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- #388 JONES, SORRELS: Armintha Belle Jones b. Kaufman Co. Tex. 1853 d. Ellis Co. Tex. 1931 dau. of W. B. Jones b. Ala. ca 1831 possibly Bibb Co., & wife Mary T. probably granddaughter of Richard R. Jones b. ca 1788, N.C. and wife, Rebecca, b. ca 1791 Ga. d. 1852 Kaufman Co. Texas. Armintha Belle m. in 1870 Green Matthew Sorrels b. Ark. ca 1847. Siblings: Amanda B., Wm. Bob, DeWitt, Leona, Jefferson D. & Helen. Iris H. Zimmerman, Rt. 2, Box 319, Bertram, Texas 78605
- #389 DANNER, BOYD, TANNER, GEASONDANER: Need any info. re. Jacob Getson Danner, his migration route prior to 1830 & parents. Born 1798 Union Dist. S.C., d. 1856 Ala. m. Elizabeth G. Boyd 1825. Also wish to correspond with desc. of Thomas K. Tanner, Geasondaner, Gitsen Danner dound in Union Dist, S.C. census 1800-1820.
- PRESTWOOD, BOYD: Need proof of parents of Austin Prestwood b. 1797 prob. in Ga. d. 1873 Ala. m. Mary Boyd 1821. Where? Parents may have been Thomas & Polly Swilla Prestwood. Bro. Terrell Prestwood settled in S.E. Ala.
- DABNEY: Need any Dabney info. Martin Dabney b. ca. 1806 S.C. m. Nancy ? . When? Where? Lived Sumter Co. Ala. part of 1840's/50's. Have no d. dates for them or their dau. Mary Magdalene b. 1832 Ala. Where? Mary m. John Prestwood, d. when? Listed 1880 census in Bowie Montague Co. Tex.
- HARDY, McCANTS: Need dates & places for Robert Rutherford Hardy b. ca 1808, m. 1838 to Adeline McCants b. ca 1815 & her sister Mary Elizabeth McCants who lived with them. They lived in S. C. Where? Collereen, Lowdnes Co's Ala. & Jasper Co. Miss when listed in 1870 census. Were active Baptists.
- TURMAN, PAYTON (PADEN): Who was Rachel C. ? wf. of Early Turman? He b. 1809 Franklin Co., Ga. she b. ca. 1826 in S.C. Need m. date & place. They were living in Chickawaw Co. Miss in 1850. In 1860 he had 2nd wife. Rachel & Early's gr-children claimed a "great aunt Tempie Payton(Paden?)" who was related on the Turman side of the house.
- CALLICOATE, HANDLEY, HENDERSON, SPIER, BRECKINRIDGE: Need parents of the following: Matthew W. Callicoate b. 1806 N.C. m. 2nd Rebecca Handley 1840 Union Parish, La. d. Union Co. Ark. 1850; Rebecca b. 1815 in Ala. or Ga. she m. 2nd Lindsey Henderson, d. 1890 Kemper Co. Miss; Rebecca had bro who m. her step-dau., Mary Henderson. This couple lived in the Wilcox-Marengo Co. Ala. area. He killed in war & she m. 2nd to Phillip Spier. Mary's parents were Lindsey Henderson b. June 1810, Rockingham Co. N.C. & Mary Ann Breckinridge m. in 1840 Marengo Co. Ala. Mary Ann b. 1811 somewhere in Tenn. d. 1851 Kemper Co. Miss. Her baby "Hattie" (Harriet) was sent to live with Breckinridge kin in Maringo Co. until Lindsey Henderson m. Rebecca Callincoate sometime during 1850's. Mrs. Martin W. McKinnon II, 829 Baylor Dr., SE Huntsville, Ala. 35802
- #390 MOORE, CLANTON: Seeking add. info. & ancestors of Henry "Hatter" Moore b. N.C. ca 1824 and wife, Malinda Clayton b. Ala. ca. 1825, m. Itawamba Co. Miss 1848, d. Kaufman Co. Texas. Ch: John, Sarah, Granger, Wm. C., Alonzo & James Henry, b. Kaufman Co. 1864, d. Lime-stone Co. Texas. Iris H. Zimmerman, Rt. 2, Box 319, Bertram, Texas 78605
- #391 SIMMONS, VIGUS: John Simmons & fam. came from N.C. to Maysville, Madison Co., Ala. ca 1815 when he was issued a land deed by Pres. James Monroe. John d. 1822 at Maysville, Ala. Where did he live in N.C? Name of his wf? Thomas Simmons, son of John, m. Berillo Vigus 25 Oct. 1825 Maysville, Ala. Jabez Vigus, Berillo's father lived in Lexington, Ky. in 1810 & 1820. Where was he born? Name of his wf? Will be glad to exch. info. Robert A. Wells, P. O. Box 721, Meridian, Tex. 76665
- #392 TRIBBLE, BAILEY: Need parents of John P. Tribble b. 1811 S.C. m. Elizabeth Moore Bailey b. 1816 Ala. Lived Madison Co., Ala. Eva L. Grantland, P. O. Box 364, Medford, Oregon 97501
- #393 McKERLEY (McCERLEY, McCARLEY): Need name of 1st wf of Thomas McKerley living Jackson Co. Ala. ca 1830-1850. Also need maiden name of 2nd wf Lucinda. Four dau., one son listed in 1840 census but not 1850. Need info re. these children. Will exch. info. all spellings of name. Walterine H. Sharp, 207 Wilcoxson, Farmersville, Tex. 75031



# Book Review



GLIMPSES INTO ANTE-BELLUM HOMES, HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA, published by the Huntsville Branch of the American Association of University Women. 7-1/2 x 10-1/2, soft cover, 50 pages. \$3.50 Plus 50¢ postage. May be ordered from Mrs. Harriet Coble, 4012 East Crestview Dr., Huntsville, Ala. 35805.

This book contains 50 pictures of older homes with a history of each. It also has a picture of the Old Railway Depot and the First Alabama Bank plus two of Huntsville oldest churches with histories of each. The centerfold is a double page 1871 map of the City of Huntsville. Most of the homes are of unique design showing the various ways of using brick and wood exteriors. The excellent condition of these residences are a tribute to the loving care with which they were built. This book is well organized and a great improvement over the 1968 edition which was so popular. A copy of this book should be in every school library to be used as a research tool for students of Huntsville and Madison County history.

WALNUT GROVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, LIMESTONE COUNTY, HISTORY 1875-1976, by Marjorie Shelton Kent, 1976. Soft cover, 23 pages 8-1/2 x 11, multilithed. \$3.75. Make checks payable to: Walnut Grove Church. May be ordered from Miss Eathyle Spencer, Route 1, Lester, Ala., or Mrs. Marjorie Kent, 604 1st St., Athens, Ala.

The author has done considerable research and is to be congratulated on recording the history and records of pastors and membership. Too many churches have lost or destroyed records of membership and lists of pastors which in many cases are the only records available other than censuses. Included is a copy of the 1875 land deed for the original church building. Of particular interest to genealogists is the list of members covering the period from 1875 to date with, in many cases, the dates of entry and removal from rolls with reasons for the latter.

**Book Review Editor: John D. Beal Jr.**

## Queries (-continued-)

#394 SEVIER, ARNETT, MATLOCK, COOPER: Valentine Sevier b. 1773 d. btwn 1840/55. Need complete list of children. He is listed on 1820 census of Bedford Co. Tenn; 1830 census of Cumberland Co. Ky; 1840 census of Lincoln Co. Tenn; m. 1st Mary Arnett; 2nd Patience Matlock; 3rd Sarah Cooper. Said to have had 8 ch. by his 3rd wife. No deeds, will or adm. for him in any of the counties mentioned. Any info. appreciated.  
Nancy Sevier Madden, 2900 Conn. Ave., NW Washington, D. C. 20008

#395 OYLER, SEELEY, NEWMAN. Charles Hill Oyler (Oylear) b. 1821 (where?) d. 1898 Putnam Co. Mo. Who his parents or siblings? They are believed to be from Virginia. He m. Sarah Ann Seeley (b. 1832 d. 1922) dau. of George W. Seeley (when & where born?) who d. 1860 Putnam Co. Mo. and Elizabeth Newman (when & where born & who her parents?) who d. 1859 Putnam Co. Mo.

BRUCE: Rufus Bruce (where & when b?) d. 1848 Kentucky (where?) Who his wf? Had dau. Susan Elizabeth who m. Alexander Scott (son of David) b. 1814 West Va.

SCOTT: David Scott, major in War/1812, b. ca 1768 (where?) d. Morgantown, W.Va. 1846, m. 1st to ? (who was she & her parents?) m. 2nd Rachel ? (who?). Who his parents & where they from? Any siblings?

WOMACK, BRUCE: William Womack b. ca 1817 Illinois, m. Martha Ann J. Bruce b. ca. 1818 in Tenn (where?) Her parents were James Bruce b. N.C. (when born & died?) and Martha Ann Jordan b. Tenn (where & when born & died?) Who were James and Martha's parents?  
Mrs. W. H. Johnson, 2409 Gaboury Lane, NE, Huntsville, Ala. 35811

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# Editor's Leaf

Thanks to the many wonderful members who responded to our plea for a source of "Early Settlers" and "Life and Legend." Those members made the following supplement possible:

LAWRENCE COUNTY: Life and Legend of Lawrence County, Alabama by Dorothy Gentry. May be purchased from The Walgreen Agency, 111 Main Street, Moulton, Ala. 35650. Cost: \$7.25 incl. postage.

Early Settlers of Alabama by Col. James E. Saunders. May be purchased from the Genealogical Publishing Co., 521-523 St. Paul Place, Baltimore, Md. 21202. Cost: \$15.

MORGAN COUNTY: A History of Morgan County, Alabama, by John Knox. May be purchased from the Wheeler Basin Regional Library, P. O. Box 1766, Decatur, Ala. 35601. Cost: \$8. plus \$1 for index.

The Story of Decatur, Alabama by William H. Jenkins and John Knox. May be purchased from the City Clerk's Office, Box 488, Decatur, Ala. 35602. Cost: ?

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CLARIFICATIONS/CORRECTIONS: I wish to clarify a price on Mrs. Gandrud's books covering North Alabama that were listed in the December, 1976 issue for \$10. The \$10 is for a carbon copy of the typed book - an original typed copy is \$15. Incidentally, she is Mrs. B. W. Gandrud (not W. B.).

On page 54 of "Formation of Alabama Counties" the County of Decatur was omitted. It was created Dec. 7, 1821 and abolished Dec. 28, 1825 and was located in what is now Jackson County and part of the eastern side of Madison County. We plan to have a map and write-up for you on this county in the future.

On page 92 Grave #29 shows Rev. James Watkins Fennell's death date as March 18, 1864. He actually died January 19, 1864 and this is not only on his tombstone but is verified by his daughter's diary.

In the Table of Contents in the December, 1976 issue we show Morgan County as created in 1836. Morgan County was created in 1818. Those typo's do slip in!

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QUERIES: I've noticed in this issue of Valley Leaves that some members are making their Queries entirely too long and including unnecessary information. Ann Ellis, our Queries Editor, has done a tremendous job in editing so won't you please cooperate with her and give only essential information and make your queries as brief and to the point as possible.

MAP: The Madison County map showing "The Revolutionary Soldiers Buried in Madison County" is now completed thanks to the efforts of John Gunn and Ann Cochran. I hope our readers appreciate the hundreds of hours that went into this map. It will be available at the seminar in March for 50¢ or may be ordered direct from TVGS for \$1. It is 17x22 and printed in brown ink on cream colored paper.

## IN MEMORIAM ALLEN WYATT O'REILLY

Our readers will share our deep regret in learning of the January death of Mr. Allen Wyatt O'Reilly of Russellville (Franklin County), Alabama. Mr. O'Reilly's generosity in sharing his collection of Franklin County local history has been reflected on many pages of Valley Leaves. Just as we have, future readers will profit from the enviable record he left behind. We shall miss him.

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Family Bible records (include title page with date Bible was published if page still exists), diaries, church records, military records, minister's records, cemetery readings (give location of cemetery and whether or not the listing is complete), courthouse records, old newspaper items, etc.

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