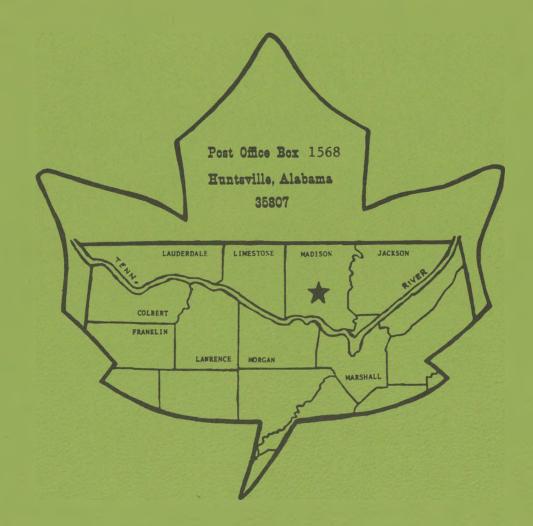
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On Page 116 of the May-June, 1982 issue of "The Genealogical Helper" an ad offers the 1816 Madison County Mississippi Territory Census for sale. There is no such thing! In "Valley Leaves," Volume 4, beginning on Page 58, editor Ann Cochran devotes six pages to disproving and explaining the myth of the 1816 Mississippi Territory Census. Mrs. Cochran explained that researchers have often used Dr. Dunbar Rowland's "List of Taxable Property for 1815" as a census. She states, "Ironically, the Madison County tax list he used is not the 1815 list, but it is in fact the earlier 1813 tax list." We had hoped the Madison County 1816 census myth had been put to sleep once and for all so one can easily understand our chagrin to find it has surfaced again. The Madison County Mississippi Territorial tax lists for 1810, 1811, 1812, 1813 and 1815 were published in Volume 4 of "Valley Leaves" along with an excellent introduction.

For the record, the following are the only extant census records, prior to 1830, on the nine northernmost counties of Alabama covered by "Valley Leaves," located to date:

- 1. 1809 Madison Co., Miss. Territory, Squatter Census (published in Vol. 6 of "Valley Leaves."
- 2. 1820 Lawrence Co. state census (published by TVGS; see inside front cover of 'Valley Leaves.'')
- 1820 Limestone Co. state census) published by Genealogical Pub. Co., Inc. of Baltimore, Md.,
 1820 Franklin Co. state census) in book entitled "Alabama Census Returns, 1820."

Many of our readers have asked for a list of available genealogical publications covering our nine counties and the compiled list will appear in the next issue of "Valley Leaves." Fortunately, there are not many Beatrice Baileys in the genealogical publishing field but there are a few and those few make it difficult for legitimate publishers as customers are often hesitant to buy a book if they are not familiar with the publisher. Most genealogical books are produced by persons motivated by dedication instead of money and the publications listed in the next issue are works with which we are thoroughly familiar and can recommend.

A census and soundex microfilm rental service is now available to you from Darlene Winter. When you order a census please give the year and state; when ordering the soundex please give the year, state, and surname. The rental cost is \$5.00 plus a \$10.00 deposit per roll of film ordered - the deposit will be refunded when the film is returned and they ask that you send a stamped, self-addressed envelope for your refund. The film must be returned within one month, insured. No microfilm will be sent without advance payment. Allow six to eight weeks for delivery. Send your requests to: Darlene Winter, Box 312-A, Holland, Michigan 49423. Incidentally, do NOT ask your librarian to do this for you. This rental service is most welcome, especially since the National Archives increased the purchase price of each roll of film from \$15. to \$17. on August 9, 1982.

Since we have been mailing "Valley Leaves" by bulk mail we have had an occasional complaint from members who have not received their copy. As we put mailing lables on each quarterly the recipient's name is checked off our membership list so we can readily see if anyone has been overlooked. For this reason, we must put the blame on the Post Office if you fail to get your quarterly. If yours does not arrive please let us know and we will promptly replace the undelivered copy. If there is a pattern we can complain to the postal authorities. Our mailings go out on the first day of Sept., Dec., March and June so if you have not received your quarterly by the 20th or 25th of these months please write to us.

Many of our members are probably not aware of the close working relationship between TVGS and the Heritage and Zeitler Rooms of the Huntsville Public Library. This relationship has been most advantageous for both of us. All TVGS income over operating expense goes to buy books, microfilm, and other necessities for the Heritage Room which has contributed significantly to making it a major genealogical research center. This achievement would not have been possible without the dedication and cooperation of librarians Annwhite Fuller, Margaret Henson, and Rane Pruitt. These wonderful people are, aside from their many duties as librarians, stalwart and indispensable members of the Society. Margaret Henson directs at least two six-week long seminars in genealogy for beginners

each year at the library and is one of TVGS's biggest boosters. Annwhite Fuller, supervisor of the Heritage Room (genealogy and history), is our Book Review Editor and keeps us abreast of changes and innovations in the genealogical field. Rane Pruitt, in charge of the Zeitler Room (rare books),

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Book Reviews



Annwhite Fuller, Book Review Editor

MORGAN COUNTY. ALABAMA CEMETERIES. Volume I by Marilyn Sue Short Marine and Ivydene Simpson Walls. 1982, 8½ x 11, 442 pages, indexed. May be purchased from Marine/Walls Historical Publications, 1300 Hayes Street, Hartselle, Alabama, 35640.

There is good news for Morgan County, Alabama researchers! Sue Marine and Dene Walls have battled snakes, mud and other delights of nature to provide the cemetery listings for that part of Morgan County which is east of I-65.

Each cemetery listing includes the legal land description as well as present day directions to the cemetery. Notations of fieldstone markers and unmarked graves are given. Names, dates and other pertinent data are listed for the tombstones and funeral home markers.

Lists of Revolutionary and Civil War soldiers include the unit in which the soldier served and the cemetery where he is buried. Cemetery locations are marked on township maps. The index is by surname.

WAYNE COUNTY. TENNESSEE. CENSUS RECORDS: Volume III: 1870. Transcribed by Edgar D. Byler, III. 1982, 8½ x 11, 284 pages, soft cover, indexed. May be purchased from The Byler Press, Route Two, Box 291, Collinwood, Tennessee, 38450. \$15.00.

According to genealogist Val Greenwood: "...research on no American genealogical problem is complete until all pertinent census schedules have been searched." Census searching can be quite a task due to the quality and availability of census microfilm. However, help is available through the dedicated work of publishers like Edgar D. Byler.

Mr. Byler has provided Wayne County, Tennessee, researchers with another of his beautifully transcribed census, the 1870. The book includes an explanation of the data in the census and a description and map of Wayne County's Civil Districts as set for the 1870 census. The index is by surname.

DR. CLARENCE WILLIAM DAUGETTE: THE BIOGRAPHY OF AN EDUCATOR by Mrs. Frank Ross Stewart. 1982, 8½ x 11, 141 pages, indexed. May be ordered from the author, Route 5, Box 109, Piedmont, Alabama, 36272. \$20.00 paper cover, \$25.00 hard cover.

Dr. Clarence William Daugette was appointed President of the State Normal School at Jacksonville, Alabama (now Jacksonville State University) in 1899. For the next forty two years, Dr. Daugette worked to develop the two-year State Normal School at Jacksonville into the largest four-year Teachers' College in Alabama.

Mrs. Stewart's biography of Dr. Daugette provides much more than an account of the life of this noted educator. She has included a history of the development of Jacksonville State, illustrated with photographs of the campus and students. Reproductions of commencement programs and newspaper

articles add interest to the work. The book's introduction was written by Alabama State Superintendent of Education - Emeritus, Austin Ruel Meadows, who was a graduate of Jacksonville Normal School in 1922.

Some of the family histories in the book are: Daugette, Agee, and Rankin. The work includes a full-name index.

MEYER'S DIRECTORY OF GENEALOGICAL SOCIETIES IN THE U.S.A. AND CANADA, 1982. Edited by Mary K. Meyer. 1982, 8½ x 11, soft cover, 92 pages, indexed. Order from Mary K. Meyer, 297 Cove Road, Pasadena, Maryland, 21122. \$15.00.

MEYER'S DIRECTORY, now in its 4th edition, is a useful genealogical tool for locating a genealogical society in one's area of interest. Section I is a listing of genealogical societies in Canada; Section II, a listing of genealogical societies in the United States; and Section III, an alphabetical listing of independent genealogical periodicals.

The societies are grouped under the state or province in which they are located and appear then under the name of the city or town within the state. A listing might include the society's address, annual dues, publications, and area of interest. Societies are also indexed alphabetically by name.

CHICKASAW TIMES PAST by the West Chickasaw Historical and Genealogical Society. $8\frac{1}{2}$ x 11, Quarterly, 50+ pages, \$15.00 from the Society, PO Box 42, Houston, Mississippi, 38851.

The West Chickasaw County Historical and Genealogical Society was formed in 1979 with 18 charter members. The first issue of their quarterly was published in June, 1982 This first issue includes family and Bible records, a map of Houston, Mississippi, some cemetery, land, and marriage records, and a brief history of Chickasaw County.

Queries are free to members and \$2.00 each to non-members. Photocopies of original records will be accepted for publication.

Chickasaw County, Mississippi, when formed in 1836, included land now in Calhoun and Clay Counties.

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is the TVGS Program Director and has been responsible for providing some excellent, informative programs at the meetings. She has also served on the TVGS Board of Directors for several years and is the Lawrence County editor for "Valley Leaves." All three of these ladies have attended seminars, and taught classes, in genealogy. They have never said "No" to a request for help and are thoroughly familiar with the internal workings of each job in the Society. Our corresponding secretary was recently called out of town for several weeks due to family illness and they took over her duties during her absence. They have helped mail "Valley Leaves" and assisted time and time again when called upon. They have truly become indispensable and have provided a "home away from home" for researchers in the Heritage Room of the Huntsville Public Library.



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North Alabama



DECATUR COUNTY

The exact location of the Decatur/Jackson County line remains elusive but it was in trying to locate it that negative photostats of the township plats of the Decatur County area were ordered. The public surveys of this land were conducted in 1822 and 1823 but annotations as late as 1888 are included. Located and secured by Catherine Gilliam, this information was transcribed by Dorothy S. Johnson and Margaret M. Cowart. This series began in <u>Valley Leaves</u> Volume 16, Number 1, September 1981.

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1907 CONFEDERATE CENSUS

The Alabama Legislature passed an act requiring that a census of all Confederate Soldiers be taken in 1907. This was to include all veterans of the Civil War who had fought for the Confederacy and who were presently living in the state of Alabama regardless of where they had served or from what state they had served. It was the duty of the Probate Judge in each county to secure the information and to send a copy of it to the state.

Each veteran was to fill out an Affidavit stating his residence, date and place of birth, and to give a brief statement as to his military service. This information was transferred from the original affidavit to ledgers in alphabetical, or semi-alphabetical, order by the soldier's last name. Some of the affidavits were returned after the ledger was made up and those will be found at the end of the ledger out of alphabetical order. The original ledgers are housed in the Probate Judge's office of each county and the copies are now in the Alabama Department of Archives and History, Military Division. The material used in Valley Leaves was taken from microfilm copies of the ledgers in the Archives and was abstracted by Dorothy Scott Johnson. The number preceeding each name is the number of that person as found in the ledger.

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General Information

Tuscumbia, Ala.

1. William Henry Avery Mr. Avery was born December 19, 1828 at Tuscumbia, Franklin Co., Ala. He entered service as a private in January, 1861 at Cherokee, Alabama in Company L of the 4th Alabama Cavalry. He was captured April 1, 1865 and paroled April 13, 1865.

2. Joe Jefferson Auton Spring Valley, Ala. Mr. Auton was born December 19, 1844 at Frankfort, Franklin Co., Ala.

He entered service as a private in September, 1864 at Pond Springa, Alabama in Company C of the 11th Alabama Cavalry and continued until May, 1865. He was paroled at Montgomery, Alabama in April, 1865.



Mr. Allen was born on January 22, 1834 at Social Circle, Walton County, Georgia. He first entered service as a private on June 13,



State House At Montgomery.

1861 at Hillsboro, Alabama in Company C of the 9th Alabama Regiment. He continued until the 4th day of April, 1865 when he was captured at Petersburg, Virginia and sent to Newport News Prison and was paroled from there on July 13, 1865.

- 4. Consentine Smith Beard Cherokee, Tenn.
- Mr. Beard was born November 8, 1825 at Cherokee, Giles County, Tennessee. He entered service September 12, 1862 at Howels Store in Company B of the Alabama 5th Cavalry and continued until May 18, 1865 when he was paroled at Union Springs, Alabama.
- 5. Isaac N. Berryman Cherokee, Tenn.

Mr. Berryman was born February 20, 1833 at Courtland, Lawrence Co., Alabama. He entered service as a private in June, 1861 at Courtland, Alabama in Company "I" of the 16th Alabama Infantry Regiment and continued until May, 1865 when he was discharged. He does not recall the place he was discharged.

- Cherokee, Alabama
- 6. John Augustus Berry- Mr. Berryman was born January 3, 1838 at Avoca, Lawrence County, Alabama. He entered service as a private in May, 1862 in Landersville, Alabama in Company A of the 4th Alabama Cavalry Regiment and continued until May, 1865 when he was paroled at Pond Springs on May 15th.
- 7. John Dudley Bowen Littlesville, Ala.
- Mr. Bowen was born September 8, 1843 at Tuscumbia, Franklin County, Alabama. He entered service as a private September 12, 1862 at Russellville, Alabama in Company E of the 5th Alabama Cavalry Regiment and continued until the war closed in May, 1865. He was paroled at Pond Springs, Alabama on May 15, 1865.
- Cherokee, Alabama
- 8. Thomas Fedrick Bevis Mr. Bevis was born May 19, 1844 at Florence, Lauderdale County, Ala. He entered service as a private December 10, 1862 at Florence, Alabama in Company C of the 27th Alabama Regiment of Infantry and continued until September, 1864 when he was discharged because of poor health. He re-enlisted as a private in November, 1864 at Gravelly Springs, Alabama in the 4th Alabama Regiment of Cavalry under General [Philip Dale Roddy's command and continued until May, 1865 when he was paroled at Waterloo [Lauderdale Co.], Alabama.
- 9. William Braden Spring Valley, Ala.
- Mr. Braden was born February 3, 1840 at Spring Valley, Franklin Co., Alabama. He entered service as a private in April, 1861 at Tuscumbia, Alabama in Company B of the 2nd Alabama Regiment of Infantry and continued until February 18, 1862 when he was discharged. He re-enlisted as a private in April, 1862 at Fort Henry, Tennessee in Company B of the 27th Alabama Regiment of Infantry and continued until April 7, 1863 at which time he was discharged. He again re-enlisted as a private in June, 1863 at Tupelo, Mississippi in Company G of the 33rd



Plan Of Fort Henry. 1

Mississippi Regiment of Infantry and continued until May 12, 1864 when his regiment was consolidated with the 49th Alabama regiment and he served with them until May, 1865 when he was paroled.

Tuscumbia, Ala.

10. James Munro Beasley Mr. Beasley was born December 14, 1840 at Cedar Springs, Cherokee County, Alabama. He entered service as a private August 2, 1861 at Huntsville, Alabama in Company G of the 19th Alabama Regiment of Infantry and continued until May 13, 1864 when he was discharged because of bad health at Marietta, Georgia.

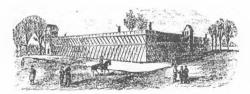
Mount, Alabama

11. Levy Jackson Bercham Mr. Bercham was born October 24, 1844 at Burnsville, Tishomingo County, Mississippi. He entered service as a private in October, 1863 at Boonville, Mississippi in an Alabama cavalry but does not recall the company letter or the regiment number. Mr. Bercham continued in service until April, 1865 at which time he was paroled at Bluff Springs, Alabama in May, 1865.

¹ The A's denote the position of twelve 32-pounders; B, a 24-pounder barbette gun; C, a 12-inch Columbiad: D. 24-pounder siege-gun; E. 12-pounder siege-guns; F, Flag-staff; H, Drawbridge; K, Well; M, Magazine; O, Ordnance Stores; P, Adjutant's Quarters; Q, Head-quarters; R, Officer's Quarters.

12. Jno. D. Balden Maude, Alabama Mr. Balden was born May 23, 1843 at Allsboro, Franklin County, Alabama. He entered service August 31, 1862 as a private at Cherokee, Alabama in Company A of the 4th Alabama Cavalry and continued until May 17, 1865 when he was paroled at Pond Springs, Alabama.

13. Cordy Skinner Badgett Tuscumbia, Alabama Mr. Badgett was born March 25, 1839 at Winchester, Franklin Co., Tennessee. He entered service in March, 1861 at Russellville, Alabama in Company H of the 16th Alabama Regiment of Infantry and continued until the winter of 1863 when he was captured near Russellville, Alabama.



Prison At Camp Chase, Columbus, Ohio.

He was taken as a prisoner to Camp Chase, Ohio. He took the Oath and was turned out of prison in June, 1865.

14. James Munro Briley Spring Valley, Ala.

Mr. Briley was born September 20, 1835 at Woolf Springs, Lawrence County, Alabama. He entered service as a private in June, 1863 at Avoca, Alabama in Warren's Battalion and J. S. McCluskey's Company. He continued until May 15, 1865 when he was paroled at Pond Springs, Alabama.

15. James Richard Crow Sheffield, Alabama Mr. Crow was born June 29, 1840 at Pulaski, Giles County, Tennessee. He entered service as a private January 11, 1861 at Marion, Alabama in the Marion Rifles and continued until April, 1861. He returned to



A Hand-Litter.

Marion and joined the Marion Light Infantry, Company G, 4th Alabama Infantry Regiment. He was severally wounded at the first Battle of Manassas on July 21, 1861 and was discharged. He re-enlisted as a drill master (Capt.) in November, 1861 at Nashville, Tenn. in the 53rd Regt. of Tenn. Infantry and continued until the regiment was captured at Fort Donaldson, Tennessee on Feb. 16, 1862. He made his escape and was assigned to duty by Gen. N. S. Johnson to collect scattered and pardoned troops and report at Decatur, Alabama.

He re-enlisted as a First Lieutenant in Company F in March, 1862 and was assigned to duty with the 5th Tennessee Regiment under Col. J. B. Hill at Shiloh and continued until October, 1862. He was transferred to Port Hudson, Louisiana and assigned to duty. He transferred to the Army of Tennessee in Atlanta, Georgia and assigned to duty in purchasing department. He was assigned to duty at Jackson in West Tenn. He was captured while on duty and sent to Pulaski, Tenn. where he was tried as a spy by order of General Dodge at the same time as was the hero Sam Davis but he was acquitted. He was sent north again. Went on duty in West Tennessee. He surrendered alone in Memphis, Tenn. on June 16, 1865. He was hit by the enemy, shot five times at Shelton Hill, Manassas, Corinth (Miss.), Richmond (Va.), Perryville (Ky.); served four years, five months and five days.

16. Robert Hilliard Cooke Spring Valley, Ala.

Mr. Cooke was born August 28, 1828 at Brunswick, Brunswick Co., Va. He entered service as a Second Lieutenant in May, 1862 at Whittsberry, Arkansas in Company J[I?] of McNeal's Regiment and continued until August, 1862 when he was discharged because of bad health at Browns-

(-continued-) ville, Arkansas. He re-enlisted as a private in December, 1862 at Taylor's Creek in the same company and regiment and continued until May 25, 1865 when he was discharged.

17. James Frank Clement Mehama, Alabama Mr. Clement was born February 29, 1842 at Tuscumbia, Franklin Co., Alabama. He entered service as a private March 15, 1861 at Tuscumbia in Company C of the 2nd Alabama Infantry and continued until March 15, 1862. He re-enlisted as a private on April 1, 1863 in Company A of the 25th Alabama Infantry and continued until he was paroled at Pond Springs, Alabama April 15, 1865.

18. Absolum Craft Leighton, Alabama Mr. Craft was born March 15, 1834 at Landersville, Lawrence County, Alabama. He entered service

as a private on March 15, 1862 at Marietta, Alabama in Company K of the 27th Alabama Regiment of Infantry and continued until January, 1865 when his company was nearly all killed and he was captured at Franklin, Tennessee. He re-enlisted as a private in February, 1865 at Woolf Springs, Alabama



Mules Carrying Wonded Men. 1

in William Warren's Battalion and continued until he was paroled at Pond Springs, Alabama on May 15, 1865.

19. John Thomas Collum Cherokee, Alabama

Mr. Collum was born December 28, 1844 at Burleson, Franklin County, Alabama. He entered service as a private in June, 1861 at Burleson in Company E of the 16th Alabama Cavalry regiment and continued until May, 1865 when he was paroled at Iuka, Mississippi.

20. Samuel L. Corsby Alsborough, Ala.

Mr. Corsby was born January 22, 1831 at Buzzard Roost, Franklin County, Alabama. He entered service as a private in September, 1862 at Tuscumbia in Company E of the 4th Alabama Cavalry regiment and continued until May 17, 1865 when he was paroled at Iuka, Mississippi.

21. <u>Isasiah Wesley Corsby</u> Cleaver, Alabama

Mr. Corsby was born March 6, 1830 at Spring Valley, Franklin County, Alabama. He entered service as a private and made sergeant. He entered service in September, 1863 at Avoca, Alabama in Company C of the 4th Alabama Cavalry regiment and continued until the close of war. He was paroled at Pond Springs, Alabama on May 15, 1865.

22. John Richard Carter Sheffield, Alabama Mr. Carter was born November 16, 1844 at Abbeville, Abbeville County, South Carolina. He first entered service as a private on March 10, 1862 at Kosciusko, Mississippi in Company K of the 40th Mississippi Regiment of Infantry and continued until April, 1865. He was at home when the war closed and was not discharged or paroled.

23. John Parks Cooper Tuscumbia, Alabama Mr. Cooper was born February 14, 1844 at Tuscumbia, Franklin County, Alabama. He entered service as a private on March 12, 1862 at LaGrange,

The picture shows the method of carrying sick and wounded on mules which was in practice in the earlier periods of the war by both the North and the South. The horse-litter, on which men who could not sit up were carried, is shown in the front figure; and the "Cacelet," in which men wounded in the upper extremities were carried in a sitting position, is seen in the figure behind. When good ambulances came into use these methods were abandoned or became rare exceptions.

Alabama, in Company B of the 35th Alabama Regiment of Infantry. He continued until the surrender of

Johnston's Army at Greensboro. North Carolina in May, 1865.

24. Dr. Isaac Fox Deloney Leighton, Alabama Dr. Deloney was born December 8, 1830 in Madison County, Alabama. He entered service as a private on or about April 15, 1862 at LaGrange, Alabama in Company D of the 35th Alabama Regiment of Infantry. He continued in service until about the first of October, 1862 when he was discharged on account of bad health near Grenada, Mississippi.



Place Of Johnston's Surrender To Sherman.

During the entire time of his brief service he was detached as a surgeon and acted in that capacity first in the 26th Alabama Regiment of Infantry about one month. The remainder of his service was in the 35th Alabama Regiment of Infantry. He was discharged near Grenada, Mississippi but has lost or misplaced this record.

25. Jefferson Taylor Donaldson Leighton, Alabama Mr. Donaldson was born June 5, 1843 at Dalton, Murry County, Georgia. He entered service as a private November 17, 1861 at Mount Hope, Alabama in Company K of the 4th Alabama Regiment of Cavalry and continued until May 15, 1865 when he was paroled at Pond Springs, Alabama.

Mynot, Alabama

26. David Hubbard Durham Mr. Durham was born January 23, 1843 at Frankfort, Franklin County, Alabama. He enlisted as a private October 12, 1862 at Cherokee, Alabama in Company P[J?] of the 4th Alabama Regiment of Cavalry and continued until April, 1865 when he was paroled at Point Lookout, Marvland.

27. Elias Crocket Downs Sheffield, Alabama

Mr. Downs was born December 10, 1840 at Monroe, Walton County, Georgia. He entered service as a private in March, 1863 near Lexington. Virginia and on account of bad health did not pass muster but did go as a private with Company B, Cobb's Georgia Legion, paying his own way from March, 1861 to March, 1863 before he was mustered into Company G. Cobb's Georgia Legion of Cavalry and remained there. He was on the flag of truce when General Joe E. Johnston capitulated to General [William T.] Sherman. He served from January, 1861 until March, 1863 as an independent with the same Company B, and entered the service with Company G, same squadron, in Cobb's Legion of Cavalry and was on flag of truce and went with General J. E. Johnston to General Sherman. He served in Virginia until two or three months before the surrender when his brigade was sent to South Carolina with General [Wade] Hampton. [Note: See above drawing.]

28. James East Cherokee, Alabama Mr. East was born July 16, 1846 at Russellville, Franklin County, Alabama. He entered service as a private in April, 1864 at Pond Springs, Alabama in Company J[I?] of the 11th Alabama Regiment and continued until May 4, 1865 when he was paroled at Pond Springs, Ala.

Cherokee, Alabama

29. Mose Fletcher Edwards Mr. Edwards was born December 23, 1845 at Waynesborough, Wayne County, Tennessee. He entered service as a private in September, 1862 at Asheville, North Carolina in the 9th Tennessee Cavalry Regt., Company J[I?]. He continued until December, 1862 when he was indefinitely furloughed.

30. Thomas Ethburt Fore Mehama, Alabama

Mr. Fore was born October 26, 1836 at Moulton, Lawrence County, Alabama. He enlisted as a private on March 10, 1862 at Chesterville, [Lee County, Mississippi] in Company E of the 2nd Mississippi Regiment of Infantry and continued until October, 1862 when he was discharged on account of bad health.

31. George Washington Franklin Tuscumbia, Alabama Mr. Franklin was born June 12, 1840 at Rockford, Coosa County, Alabama. He entered service as a private in May, 1861 at Rockford in Company C of the 34th Alabama Infantry Regiment and continued until May, 1865 when he was paroled at Pond Springs.

32. James Barton Farris Margerum, Alabama Mr. Farris was born August 24, 1844 at Newworton[?], Tishomingo County, Mississippi. He entered service as a private in May, 1862 at Alsborough, Alabama in Company H of the 10th Tennessee Regt. of Cavalry and continued until May, 1863 when he was transferred to the 7th Alabama Regiment of Cavalry, Company H. He was captured at Franklin, Tennessee and remained in prison until the war closed in May, 1865.

33. John Calvin Green Tuscumbia, Alabama Mr. Green was born in 1845 at Russellville, Franklin County, Alabama. He entered service as a private December 25, 1861 at Newburgh, Alabama in Company A of the 27th Alabama Regiment of Infantry and continued until winter of 1862 when he had measels and got separated from his company and regiment. He served with the 3rd Mississippi Regiment about three months when transferred back to his old company and regiment, the 27th Alabama Infantry, Company A, and continued until March, 1863 when he was discharged from the service. He never re-entered.

34. Lawson P. Grissom Riverton, Alabama

Mr. Grissom was born May 5, 1844 at Cassville, White County, Tennessee. He entered service as a private June 10, 1861 at Cassville, Tennessee in Company K of the 28th Tennessee Infantry Regiment and continued until April 6, 1862 when he was wounded at the Battle of Shiloh and was discharged in July, 1862. He re-enlisted as a private in January, 1863 at Cassville [White County, Tennessee] in Company A of the 20th Tennessee Cavalry Regiment and continued until May 28, 1864 when he was captured at Moulton, Alabama.

35. Obadiah Gist Mynot, Alabama Mr. Gist was born December 25, 1835 at Eastport, Tishomingo County, Mississippi. He entered service as a private September 12, 1862 at Frankfort, Alabama in Company E of the 4th Alabama Cavalry and continued until May, 1865 when he was paroled at Pond Springs, Ala.

36. John Calvin Giddens Leighton, Alabama Mr. Giddens was born June 5, 1838 near Meridianville, Madison County, Alabama. He entered service as a private in July, 1862 at Shady Grove, Tennessee in the 4th Alabama Cavalry, Company C, under Captain F[rank] B. Gurley and continued until he was paroled at Macon, Georgia in May, 1865.

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Franklin



1921 CONFEDERATE CENSUS

Most of us are familiar with the Alabama 1907 Confederate Census but few are aware of the one taken in 1921. The Alabama Legislature passed an Act requiring that a permanent roll of Civil War pensioners be prepared and kept by the Pension Commission in 1921. Questionnaires were prepared and sent to all pensioners, both veterans and widows of veterans. These original, completed questionnaires are now housed in the Military Branch of the Alabama State Department of Archives and History in Montgomery, Alabama. They not only give a brief military history of the veteran but they also give personal information such as when and where married and the age of the wife if she is still living. Unfortunately, they did not ask the name of the wife but did ask for a list of living children, their addresses, and occupations. Obtained, abstracted, and contributed by Dorothy Scott Johnson.

JOHN H. BERRY Route 2 Vina, Alabama John H. Berry enlisted at Courtland, Alabama on August 25, 1861 as a private in Company "E" of the 16th Alabama Regiment of Infantry commanded by Capt. W. W. Weatherford and Col. W. B. Woods. He served for the duration of the war and was in the battles of Shiloh and Fishing Creek among others which were not listed. In 1863 he was wounded in the battle of Missionary Ridge but was never captured or imprisoned. He was furloughed and unable to get back to his unit so was never discharged or paroled.

Mr. Berry was born March 23, 1839 in Perry County, Arkansas and moved to Alabama in 1846. He was married in August, 1863 in Marion County, Alabama and his wife, born in Bibb County, Ala., is now aged 76 years. He is a farmer by occupation, is a registered voter in the Red Bay, Alabama precinct and is presently living with a son. His living children and their addresses and occupations are:

Joe H. Berry, Vina, Alabama - farming
J. J. Berry, Red Bay, Ala. - farming
C. W. Berry, Vina, Ala. - farming
J. B. Berry, Vina, Ala. - farming
Modena Barksdale, Cardova, Ala. - house keeping
Belle Hughes, Vina, Ala. - house keeping
S. A. Berry, Vina, Ala. - farming

Mr. Berry was placed on the pension roll in Franklin County, Alabama and missed receiving one pension check "in July during B. B. Comer's administration."

The questionnaire was signed by John H. Berry on June 17, 1921 at Vina, Alabama and witnessed by J. E. Dillard.

JAMES ALLEN KIMBROUGH

Route 2 Russellville, Alabama

James Allen Kimbrough enlisted in service at Pride Station in 1862 in Company "E" of the 5th Alabama Regiment. He was a Second Sergeant and served under the command of Captain Lang[Long?] C. Allen and Col. Joe Patterson. He participated in fights at Harrisburg [Pa.], Pulaski [Tn.], Huntsville [Ala.], Decatur [Ala.], Eagleville [Tn.], and Madison Station [Ala.].

Although Kimbrough was not wounded in the service he was captured in January, 1864 while on the LaGrange Road but was not imprisoned.

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After serving three years in the service he was discharged on May 17, 1864*at the end of the war at Pond Springs in Lawrence County.

Mr. Kimbrough was born at Good Springs in Franklin County, Alabama, on December 9, 1830 and has never lived in any other state. He was married on July 12, 1855 in Franklin County, Alabama and his wife, who is now 83 years of age, was born in Franklin County. He is presently living with his wife but is unable to work. He is a registered voter in the Russellville precinct.

His living children and their places of residence and occupations are:

W. C. Kimbrough, Tuscumbia, Ala. - farming J. L. Kimbrough, Russellville, Ala. - farming Mary D. Badgett, Tuscumbia, Ala. - widow Francis P. Grissom, Russellville, Ala. - house keeping Sarah E. Malone, Russellville, Ala. - widow Martha M. McNatt, Russellville, Ala. - house keeping

Mr. Kimbrough was placed on the pension roll in Franklin County, Alabama and has received all his pension checks.

The questionnaire was signed by James A. Kimbrough on June 14, 1921 at Russellville, Alabama with R. N. Grissom as his witness.

*probably meant 1865 since that was the year the war was over.

WADE HAMPTON EDWARDS

Bear Creek, Alabama

Wade Hampton Edwards was born in Spartanburg County, South Carolina on March 7, 1848 and later moved to Georgia, then to Alabama in 1898. He was married in 1867 in Hart County, Georgia to a lady who was born in White County, Georgia. His wife is now dead and was aged 71 years at the time of her death. He is a registered voter in the 8th precinct in Marion County, Alabama and was a farmer by occupation but is now not "able to do much of anything."

Mr. Edwards enlisted in August, 1864 at Spartanburg, South Carolina and served about eight months until the surrender. He was a corporal in Company "J" of the 4th Regiment of South Carolina Infantry commanded by Capt. John Wood and Col. Goodwin. He was in the battles of Adams Run, South Carolina; Pocataligo, South Carolina; and Bentonville, North Carolina. He was never captured or imprisoned and was discharged at the end of the war [place of discharge not given.]

He is presently residing with his son, R. W. Edwards, Route 5, Haley-ville, Alabama. His living children and their addresses and occupations are:

R. W. Edwards, Rt. 5, Haleyville, Ala. - [occup. not given]
T. W. Edwards, Bowersville, Ga. - carpenter
Netter Vernan, Hartwell, Ga. - farmer
Berta Bailey, Bowersville, Ga. - farmer
Lewis Edwards, Hartwell, Ga. - farmer
Ruth Handley, Bivins, Texas - farmer
Elgavie Foster, Landersville, Ala. - farmer

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Mr. Edwards was placed on the pension roll in Franklin County, Alabama but has not received his pension regularly. He states:

> 'Well, you know we was cut off 6 or 7 years ago and I did not get anny thing for a year or 2 but was put back on the Role."

The questionnaire was filled out by, and signed as, Wade H. Edwards on February 28, 1921 at Bear Creek, Alabama with E. P. Phillips as witness.

ANDREW J. FLIPPO Phil Campbell, Ala.

Andrew J. Flippo enlisted in August, 1861 at Pears Mills as a Private in Company "C" of the 3rd Alabama Regiment of light artillery under the command of Capt. Lumsdon[?]. A few of the battles in which he fought were Shiloh, "Carrent," Perryville, [Ky.] Murfreesboro, [Tn.], and Chickamauga. He was never captured or wounded and served 3 years and 6 months. He was legally discharged or paroled at the end of the war in 1865 at "Gun Springs."

Mr. Flippo was born December 19, 1840 at "Golde-mins[?]", Main [probably means Marion] County, Alabama and never lived in any other state. His wife was born in Marion County and is now aged 80. The date and place of the marriage was not given. He is a registered voter in the Phil Campbell precinct and his occupation has been that of farming. He is now residing with a son. The name, addresses, and occupations of his living children are:

> J. R. Flippo, Phil Campbell, Ala. - farmer Melvin Newel, Phil Campbell, Ala. - farmer E. T. Flippo, Phil Campbell, Ala. - farmer Jack Flippo, Russellville, Ala. -farmer Mary Jeams, Russellville, Ala. - farmer

Flippo was placed on the pension roll in Franklin County, Alabama and has received his pension regularly. The questionnaire was filled out and signed by A. J. Flippo on June 13, 1921 at Phil Campbell, Ala.

WILLIAM H. COLLUM Route 1 Vina, Alabama

William H. Collum enlisted at Burleson, Alabama in August, 1861 as a Private in Company "E" of the 16th Regiment of Alabama Infantry under Capt. Wm. Weatherford and Col. Wood. He was in the battles of Shiloh, Murfreesboro, Kennesaw Mountain, Missionary Ridge, and Corinth but was not wounded or captured. He was honorably discharged at Juka, Mississippi in 1865 at the end of the war.

Mr. Collum was married in 1880 at Burleson, Alabama, and his wife, who is now dead, was born in Franklin County, Alabama. He is a farmer by occupation and is a registered voter in the Holland precinct in Franklin County. He is presently residing with a son. His living children and their addresses and occupations are:

- J. F. Collum, Vina, Ala. farming J. O. Collum, Vina, Ala. farming
- T. B. Collum, Golden, Miss. milling

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Mr. William H. Collum was placed on the pension roll in Franklin County, Alabama and has received his pension checks regularly.

The questionnaire was signed by Wm. H. Collum on June 15, 1921 at Vina, Alabama with W. H. Carr as a witness.

J. T. COLLUM Route 1 Cherokee, Ala. J. T. Collum enlosted May 15, 1861 at Burlison as a private in Company "E" of the 16th Regiment of Alabama Infantry under Capt. W. W. Weatherford and Col. W. B. Wood. In 1862 he transferred to Hawkins' Company of Sharpshooters under the command of Captain Tom Steeger and Col. Hawkins. He participated in the battles of Shiloh, Fishing Creek, Green River, Perryville, and Murfreesboro. He was wounded in the battle of Murfreesboro but was never captured or imprisoned. He was in the service five years and was paroled in 1865 at the end of the war in Iuka, Mississippi.

Mr. Collum was born December 28, 1844 at Burlison in Franklin County, Alabama. He was married April 15, 1866 in Colbert County, Alabama and his wife, who was born in Franklin County, is now 57 years old. He is a registered voter in the Cherokee precinct of Colbert County, Alabama. He is a farmer by occupation and is now residing with his son, C. W. Collum. His living children and their addresses and occupations are:

W. R. Collum, Mayfield, Ky. - factory worker Rosie Borden, Cherokee, Ala. - farmer Ed Collum, Cherokee, Ala. - farmer Phina Borden, Cherokee, Ala. - [no occupation given] Walter Collum, Cherokee, Ala. - farmer C. W. Collum, Cherokee, Ala. - farmer.

Mr. Collum was placed on the pension roll in Franklin County, Alabama and has received all of his pension checks.

The questionnaire was signed by J. T. Collum June 19, 1921 at Cherokee, Alabama with W. J. Smith as witness.

-End Franklin Co., Ala. 1921 Confederate Census-





Jackson



PROBATE RECORDS

1855 - 1858

(Twentieth Installment)

This series began in Valley Leaves, Vol.11, No.4 (June, 1977). The original book from which this material was taken is housed in the Jackson County Courthouse in Scottsboro. It is a large red volume entitled 'Will Record K' but is more accurately described as probate records. Abstracted from photocopies by Dorothy Scott Johnson

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280	William Bostick Estate The property of this estate was appraised at \$2,175.25 by F. Fouler, R. W. Clay, and R. C. Robertson. Included in the appraisal were a mare and colt, a bay filly, two yoke of oxen, 6 head of cattle, "15 or 18 Head of young hogs," 15 barrels of corn, a cythe and cradle, and two negroes. Certified before W. A. Hood, J. P. [No date given.]
280-281	Jesse Starkey Sr. Estate Appraised property included three head of horses, 4 head of cattle, a yoke of oxen, "120 acres of land on the mountain," and two negores. Estate appraised at \$1810. on May 16, 1857 by James P. Hawk, Samuel Rorex, and Moses Jones. Property subject to the widow's dower is not included here. Widow not named. Attested to before Thomas McIntire, J.P.
	Estate sale held on June 20, 1857. Nancy Starkey, John Starkey, J. P. Starkey, and Willis Jones were the purchasers. Proceeds totaled \$161. J. J. Sublett, Sheriff, the exofficio administrator, attested to the above on June 22, 1857 before Judge John H. Norwood.
282-283	P. W. Jones Estate An Inventory of property included "80 acres of Land on the mountain, one Livery Stable and lot in Stephenson, one vacant lot in Stephenson," six beds and bed clothing, seven bedsteads, plus a great deal of household furniture and furnishings [itemized], bacon, coffee, and miscellaneous items. Attested to by Oliver M. Jones, Admr., on July 4, 1857. The appraisal of this estate included 72 McCurdy's Arithmetic books (\$18.00), four men's saddles (\$18.00), 16 cakes of tobacco (\$3.20), a silver watch (\$10.00), a clock (\$5.00), cutting knife (\$10.00), broad axe (\$3.00), part of a buggy (\$5.00) and a stove (\$10.00) for a total of \$80.20. Appraisers were John E. Caperton, Anderson Gordon, and S. C. Norwood who certified the above before John Cawlfield, J. P., on July 18, 1857.
283-284	Benjamin Milligan Guardianship F. M. Milligan, guardian of Benjamin Milligan, states that pursuant to a decree of the Court granted in March, 1857, he sold to the highest bidder on Nov. 1, 1857 the undivided interest belonging to his ward in the real estate of Benjamin Milligan Sr., deceased. Joseph Minor bought the land for \$200. Sworn to by F. M. Milligan on April 25, 1857.
284	John P. Starkey Estate The personal property of this estate was sold at auction by James Kelsoe. The property and purchasers were: One mare One red heiffer Gideon Starkey Turning plow Gideon Starkey I.00 Iron wedge Gideon Starkey 35

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9 head of hogs	Gideon Starkey	\$14.40
3 head of shy. hogs	Gideon Starkey	3.00
1 black heiffer	James Ballard	5.00
1 set of gears	11	2.00
1 saddle	ŤŤ	10.00
1 gun	11	10.75
1 lot of Iron	W. O. Haynes	6.00
		\$47.25

Attested to by James Kelsoe, Administrator, on June 13, 1857.

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John McCutchens Estate

B. (X) Hembree, C. Morris, and J. Dunham were appointed to appraise "a certain tract of Land of John McCutchens Estate, decd., where John Boyd is now living." Said property is located in the NW/4 of Section 33-4-5E. The appraisal was \$600. Subscribed to June 20, 1857 before John Owen, J. P.

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William Bostick Estate

A list of property of this estate was sold at public sale on April 6, 1867 by John R. Bostick, Admr., and is as follows:

1 bay mare	C. Bostick	\$81.00
1 bay filly	J. T. Price	70.00
1 yoke of oxen	Nathan Bostick	55.00
1 yoke of oxen	Clarinda Bostick	10.00
1 red heiffer	John Reid	4.80
1 white heiffer	11	6.00
1 yoke of yearlings	W. P. Fowler	12.90
17 head of hogs	C. B. Bostick	35.25
3 bbl. corn	M. H. Prince	8.70
3 bbl. corn	H. D. Martin	9.60
3 bbl. corn	T. B. Griffin	3.00
1 cythe cradle	M. D. Bostick	1.75
		\$304.00

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Priscilla C. Christian Estate

The perishable property of this estate was appraised for \$541.00 and included one cotton gin and band, two wheat cradles, livestock, all household furniture and furnishings, and all plantation utensils. Attested to before E. C. Williams, J. P. on June 11, 1857. [No appraisers or administrators named.]

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Henrietta Johnson Estate

Michael Johnson, special administrator.

The inventory of the property of this estate consisted of:

1 Baker	1 wooden framed trunk
1 coffee mill	1 safe
1 coffee pot	42 slaves (named with ages given)
3 feather beds	a large number of livestock
1 straw mattress & bedstead	plantation tools and foodstuffs
1 lot of bed clothing	4500 pounds ginned cotton

Michael Johnson states there is other property held by other persons adversely to the estate. As soon as title to such property can be lawfully determined, if found for the estate, it will be listed on a Supplementary Inventory. Attested to by Michael (X) Johnson on March 13, 1857.

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Rhoda Higginbotham Estate

A sale of the perishable property belonging to this estate was held Nov. 20, 1856. Purchasers were:

Arnold, Joel	Bell, W. H.
Bell, W. W.	Bellamy, J.

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Busby, Jefferson Neil, J. T. Campbell, J. N. Proctor, S. F. James Province, T. V. 11 W. W. Rigney, William 11 William Robinson, N. Card, J. T. St. Clair, C. B. Frazier, Arthur J. J. Holland, J. J. P. P. J. W. Snodgrass, Ben Thomas N. Tenny, Elisjah Ivey, L. D. Tubb, George Morgan, William Wilson, Thomas Neil, J. F. Wyche, G. A.

James Campbell, administrator of the estate of Rhoda Higginbotham attested to the sale of the perishable property on Nov. 26, 1856.

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B. M. Moon Estate

A sale of the property of this estate was held and among the items sold were cattle, sheep, hogs, wool, dishes and other household items. Purchasers were:

Cameron, H. B. Hulsey, H. J. Carroll, J. M. John Moon, W. C. Carroll, J. H. William Cunningham, Wm. 11 William C. Dible, J. C. Glover, Wm. Mulvey, H. J. Hembree, A. C. Pennington, N. Hembree, R. L. 11 William

William Moon, administrator, attested to the above on May 28, 1857.

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William Patton Estate

A list of the property belonging to this estate was appraised June 10, 1857 as follows:

1 featherbed, bedstead and furniture - \$25.00

Attested to by Thomas Wilson, W. L. Petty, and W. O. Haynes, appraisers, on June 27, 1857.

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William Cross Estate

The property of this estate was appraised by Sevier Bolton, C. Rutherford, and Wm. Guinn, appraisers, at \$11,089. and included horses, half interest in a crop of corn, 10 slaves (itemized), "the tract of land that fell to him from the estate of his father [not named]," an 80 acre tract of land "entered by his guardian," "the tract of land that fell to him from the estate of his Grand Father [not named]," 10 head of cattle, half interest in cattle "on mountain," and a mule. Attested to by the appraisers on Sept. 28, 1857. The estate was sold on Sept. 28, 1857 by John R. Coffey, admr., and purchasers were:

Austin, Wm. A. Cross, C. M. Bolton, Sevier " Clark Timberlake, J. P. Coffey, John R. " John P.

Attested to October 14, 1857 by John Cawfield, J.P.

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Greenberry Middleton Estate

The property of this estate was appraised by Pleasant Lovelady, Sevier Lovelady, and James Rorex, and attested to on Sept. 5, 1857 before Joseph Minor, J. P.

The property was sold at public sale on September 5, 1857 by C. M. Cross and Silence Hester, Administrators. Purchasers were:

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                                            Silence
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         Bray, G. P.
                                    Morgan, G. B.
         Bruce, B.
                                            Nancy
                                    Roach, C. B.
         Cross, C. M.
         Gill, R. C. T.
                                           H. M.
         Hampton, Wm.
                                    Rorex, James
                                    Sanders, F. R.
         Harris, Gideon
                                      " W. R.
         Hester, Silence
                                    Sisk, Alfred
        Kelsoe, James
         Lewallen, Madison
                                            James
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                                    Sullivan, John
         Lovelady, Pleasant
                                    Wann, William
          " Sevier
         Mason, Joseph
                                    Yarber, John
         Mathis, Godfrey
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Attested to October 6, 1857 by C. M. Cross

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Robert Rogers Estate

A list of notes and accounts, belonging to this estate and totaling \$290.78 were produced by John Arnold, administrator, and attested to on Dec. 25, 1856. Debtors were:

Arnold, Clinton	McCoy, Will
" J. B.	Matthews, W. J.
Jere	'' William
'' John	Nelson, Jesse
Been, James M.	Pack, Joseph
Champion, Randolph C.	Pelham, Jesse
" Will	" Mark
Conner, L.	Price, Hardy
Gamble, D. B.	Rogers, John B.
'' James	Steel, Eli
" Willis	Stewart, J. C.
" William G.	" John S.
Greer, Joseph	'' William
Gunner, P. M.	Stubblefield, John
Holder, Hawkins	'' William
Jack, Joseph	Sutton, J. C.
Linch, Nathan	Waller, George
Looney, J. C.	West, Simpson
" W. E.	Willis, M.
McCoy, A. J.	William L.
" James	11 S.
" R.	

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Henry Verner Estate

The property of this estate was sold Dec. 13, 1856 and attested to on Dec. 23, 1856 by J. E. Verner, administrator. Purchasers were:

Champion, Daniel
Collins, A.

'' A. W.
Hutton, John
Jacks, David

Robinson, James
Sisk, Wesley
Verner, E. E.
'' James
'' N.

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WILL RECORD "A"

1835 - 1858

(Twelfth Installment)

Abstracts of wills in Lauderdale County, Alabama, were first published in Valley Leaves in Volume 7 (December, 1972), and began with Will Record 3 (1821). Additional wills were published until that series concluded with the first fifty pages of Will Record "A" in Volume 8 (June, 1974). The current series begain in Volume 14 (June, 1980).

Will Record "A" is a large red, 316 page volume and can be found in the Lauderdale County Courthouse, Florence, Alabama. All decedents were residents of Lauderdale County unless otherwise stated. Mr. B. W. Wood was judge of the County Court and W. T. Hawkins was judge of the Probate Court at the time these minutes were made. Abstracted from photocopies by Dorothy Scott Johnson.

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HUGH McVAY

Dated: 19 November, 1841 Probated: 20 June, 1851

Tuscaloosa, Alabama, Nov. 19, 1841. This is to certify that I, Hugh McVay, a citizen of Lauderdale County and Being a Siniter [Senator] of Said County, Being afflicted with a disease which may prove fatal and terminate my Existence and [being] Perfectly in good Mind I wis[h] all the papers of whatsoever nature Either notes or what not that may be found in my possession against my Son Henry W. McVay showing or calling for any Demands whatsoever against Said Henry W. McVay, I wish my Executors or administrators to declare null and voyd and of Know Effect whatever so I Dischard [discharge] Said Demands through the Purest motives So much So I Don't wis[h] them ever presented for consideration and my Executors or administrators may Divide the Preeds of my Estate after Paying all Just Demands Eaqully amonset my Lawful Hiers given under hand and Seal the day and Date abov[e] mentioned at the City of Tuscaloosa and State aforesaid the day and date abov[e] mentioned and in adition to the forgoing I wish Him to hav and to Hold in addition and Extry of my lawful heirs four nego fellows to wit, one named Mat, Allen, Jo, Elie.

Hugh McVay

Witt: Geo. W. Lane
Jas. R. Alexander

Proven before Wiley T. Hawkins, Probate Judge of Lauderdale Co., Ala. by George W. Lane and James R. Alexander, witnesses, on June 20, 1851.

CASPER URBAN

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Dated: 7 May 1851 Probated: 20 May 1851 Recorded: 1 Sept. 1851

... being weak in body and Sound in Mind ...

To my daughter, Christiana, I will the tract of land on which I now live on account of my affection for her and in consideration of her services and attendance on waiting on me in my present Sickness. The tract of land contains about 20 acres more or less.

To the balance of my children, Sophia, John Henry, and Casander, I will the balance of my Estate to be equally divided after payment of my just debts. I also constitute and appoint my daughter Christiana as Executrix to this my last will and testament

hereby empowering her to carry out the provisions of my will as above stated.

Casper Urban

Witness: Henry Mussleman

William Price Levi Todd

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BERRY NOLEN

Dated: 2 Sept 1847 Prob: 27 Apr 1850

... being of Sound mind and disposing memory ...
To my beloved wife Rachel, \$100, cow, calf, feather bed, bedstead & furniture, 100 lbs. bacon, 4 hogs, 100 bushels corn, and 300 lbs. flour to dispose of at any time.

Wife shall have, during her natural life or widowhood, use and labor of following property, viz: negores Silla and Aaron, one horse, one carryall, one sow and pigs, one pot rack, 2 pair pot hooks, 3 pieces of castings, one seive, one tea kettle, one coffee pot, six tumblers, 3 bowls, 2 dishes, one coffee mill, 3 water vessels, 4 head of sheep, 3 silver spoons, 6 plates, one set tea cups and saucers, one set knives and forks, one bureau, and one book case and six chairs.

To my son Rufus K. Nolen my negro man William and to my Son Ammon D. Nolen I give my negro man George.

To my daughter Martha G. Carr, \$500. To my daughter Linai[Sinai?] Pinkston, \$500. To my daughter Artimissa D. Young, \$500.

To my daughter Martha G. Carr also one feather bed and furniture and 3 silver spoons and \$50. in money if any is left after the above sums are paid.

Balance of my estate to be sold at discretion of my executors without the usual court expense and money equally divided between all my lawful heirs except Jefferson Whitfield, and I will that my grandchildren, Henry W. Whitfield and Martha Whitfield, shall have an equal share of said division.

To my son Allen J. Nolen, at death of my wife, negro man Aaron. The balance of her property to be sold and the money equally divided among my lawful heirs.

Appoints son Ammon D. Nolen and son-in-law Thomas K. Young executors.

Berry Nolen

Witness: John S. Farr
Burwell McManas
Matthew Pinkston

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TEMPERANCE T. PETERS

Dated: 6 Apr 1849 Prob: 11 Feb 1850

... while I am of sound mind and capable of transacting business ... pay just debts ...

To my son, Henry R. Peters, five slaves [named]. I discharge my son Henry R. Peters from all his pecuniary liabilities to me either in note or account provided, however, that whatever he may pay me during my life not be claimed by him as a debt against my estate.

To my grand daughter, Sarah H. Peters, eldest daughter of Henry R. Peters, my negro

girl Delia and her increase.

To my daughter, Elizabeth R. Haley, my negro man Wiley and woman Isabella, and whatever sum of money may be due from her husband, James T. Haley, either by note or account.

To my grand daughter, Sarah T. Jordan, my negro girl Rosena

To my son, John Peters, 13 slaves (named) providing John pays over to my daughter, Martha P. Smith, \$2375 in three equal payments dating from the time of my death. He is also to pay over to my daughter, Elizabeth R. Haley, \$125 at the time of my property division.

To my son, John Peters, all my household and kitchen furniture including beds and clothing as well as any other property that may not be mentioned in this will and I further release him from all pecuniary liabilities to me.

To my grand daughter, Elizabeth Temperence Haley, the negro woman Mary and her three children.

My executor, John Peters, to have \$500 as compensation for the support and maintenance of my old negro woman, Isabel, free of any additional charges upon my estate.

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DANIEL G. NANCE

Dated: 7 Feb 1850 Prob: 18 Feb 1850

... to be buried near where my Father and Mother are buried ...

To my wife Susan Catherine, one bedstead and furniture and the negro girl, Fillis, worth \$400; and all my other personal property, including three negroes (Frank, Winney and Ginn) I want sold as soon after my decease as may be convenient and divide proceeds between my wife and my son, Samuel Abernathy [Nance], less \$400 for my wife which is the value of Fillis.

If my son should not live to receive his portion I want it to go in equal parts to my brother, S. A. Nance, and my sister, Oiley Cunningham.

I purchased a Girl from J. M. Cunningham's Father and I want the trade cancelled as there has been no bill of sale or any payment made lately.

Appoints friend John Cooper executor.

Witness: David J. Cannon
William T. N. Smith
David Snoddy

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PRESLEY N. TODD

Dated: 23 Nov 1851 Prob: 6 Jany 1852

... being in a low state of bodily health but possessing a sound, disposing mind and memory ... pay just debts and funeral expenses ...

To my beloved wife, Matilda Todd, all my freehold estate, my five slaves, kitchen and household furniture, 2 horses, 5 head of cattle, a yoke of steers and wagon, all my hogs

and sheep, all my corn, four stacks of fodder, two stacks of oats, all my farming implements, 25 bushels of wheat, 75 pounds coffee, 100 pounds sugar, two barrels of salt, two pounds of pepper, two pounds of spice, all geese and other poultry, and 100 pounds of ginned cotton. This property to remain with my wife for the purpose of raising my children during her natural life or widowhood. If my wife should remarry then the above

property to be sold and divided among my children with my wife drawing an equal share.

The residue and remainder of my property, not otherwise directed, is to be sold.

If my negro woman, Jane, continues to be a dutiful and obedient servant she is to remain with my wife and children, but if she becomes refractory and ungovernable my will is that my executor hire her out from year to year to the highest bidder.

Appoints Nehemeah Howard executor.

Witness: Robert Newton

Jacob Springer Hames Hammonds Albert B. Hammonds Samuel B. Hammonds.



Pages 201-202 Signed with an "X"

KATHARINE TROUSDALE

... of sound mind and memory ...

To my son, William M. Trousdale, \$400.

To my son, John Trousdale, \$5.

To my daughter, Nancy Phillips, \$5. To my daughter, Katharine Thompson, \$5.

To my son, Johnston Trousdale, the balance of my money.

To Elizabeth Trousdale, daughter of William M. Trousdale, my bedstead.

To William M. Trousdale's family, my bed and bedclothes.

Appoints son, William M. Trousdale, executor.

Witness: John W. Tapp

Benjamin F. Crittenden

William Herman

Pages 202-203 Recorded: 29 Jan 1852

JOSHUA HARDIN

Dated: 21 May 1846 Prob: 2 Sept 1851

Dated: 7 Jan 1850

Prob: 8 Sept 1851

... being infirm in body but of sound mind and memory ...

To my two sons. Peter Hardin and Joshua Hardin [Jr.], equally and jointly, "the occupant improvement whereon sd. Peter now lives adjoining the land of Jaby[?] Cannon."

To my beloved daughter, Rhoda Lamb, the balance of my property which consists of a

negro boy, horse and carryall, cow and calf, two beds and furniture, some household and kitchen furniture, and all my books.

Appoints Jas. H. Witherspoon and daughter Rhoda Lamb executor and executrix.

Witness: Jas. H. Witherspoon

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JAMES McKNIGHT

Dated: 20 Oct 1833

Prob: not given

Recorded: 11 Feb 1852

Note: This will is copied in its entirety.

"The Last Will and Testament of James McKnight, i. e., that his wife Mary McKnight shall retain and possess all his Estate: both Real and persinable[personal or perishable?], after paying his Just debts, during her life, and at her death, for her grand daughter, Suzen F. Young to have and possess the same."

Witness: W. P. Kendrick

J. W. Williams Elisha Rhodes

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Recorded: 20 Jan 1854

ALFRED A. WESTMORELAND

Dated: 11 Feb 1853

Prob: 25 July 1853

... of sound mind and memory but afflicated in body ...

To my wife, Mary M. Westmoreland, all my personal and real estate during her widowhood. If she remarries the estate to be equally divided between my two children, J. A. Westmoreland and J. C. Westmoreland, except for negro boy Aaron and \$500 which is to go to my wife. At her death her portion to be divided between my two sons above named. Wife also to have negro boy Jeff who is to remain with her free of all labor during his natural life. All notes and accounts from sale of goods in 1849 and 1850 to be divided among my wife and two sons.

J. L. House to have privilege of redeeming, after paying expenses, the land deed given me by G. W. Walters.

Willis Golethan[?] to have privilege of redeeming the land deed given me by Jonathan Morris after paying off all notes and accounts I have against him and also all notes and accounts in favor of Westmoreland, Littleton, Westmoreland, & Grissom.

Appoints wife Mary M. Westmoreland and William B. Littleton executrix and executor.

Witness: Thornton Cox D.J. Jones

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JACKY S. HETT

Dated: 1 Apr 1847 Prob: 4 July 1847

I, Jacky S. Hett, of Bourbon County, Kentucky, being weak of body but of sound mind and

disposing memory ...

To my beloved wife Matilda, 125 acres on west side of the Pike including the dwelling house and as much of the Wedde place as necessary to make 120 acres including the Weddefield. Wife to have my yellow woman, Jane, and her four children. Said land and slaves to wife during her natural life. Wife to also have my buggy and horse.

The balance of my lands in Kentucky and slaves to be equally divided among the following named children:

Nancy L. Becroft Elisha B. Hett B. F. Hett Amanda R. Hutchinson Rachel A. J. Miller Margaret J. D. Reesfind

To A. S. Miller, as trustee for my daughter Harriet H. Scruggs, two pieces of land: one near Jacksonville, Morgan County, Illinois containing near 40 acres with a fine brick house; the other near Florence in Lauderdale County, Alabama, containing about 20 acres with a fine improvement. Trustee to sell both tracts and buy other land for the use and benefit of Harriet and her children but to retain title in his name.

My two grand-daughters, Ann Lee Hett (daughter of J. S. Hett) and Caroline H. B. H. Scruggs (daughter of A. J. Scruggs) each to have \$1200 in addition to what I have advanced their parents.

Since my son, B. F. Hett, agrees to remain on farm this year the stock and other property not to be sold until next fall. Balance of estate to be divided among children already named except the two named grand daughters.

To E. B. Hett, a silver lever watch; to B. F. Hett, my clock. I have advanced \$6200. to Martin Hutchinson.

Appoints A. S. Miller executor.

Witness: Henry Parker

Thomas Wright.

Note: Will proven in July term of Bourbon County, Kentucky Circuit Court July 5, 1847.

Pages 207-8 Recorded: 20 Jan 1854 JOSIAH PAGE

Dated: 1 Oct 1852 Prob: not given

... of sound mind but weak of body ...

To my beloved wife, Nancy Page, during her natural life, the land whereon I now reside, 4 horses, a negro man and woman, and so much household and kitchen furniture and farming utensils, cows, sheep, and hogs as she may think proper to retain. Said property for her support and the support of my unmarried children. If wife desires, the real estate may be sold (provided executor can get \$10. per acre for same) and another tract purchased; wife to retain corn, fodder, oats, wheat, and rye as she thinks fit for family's support. Balance of estate to be sold and divided equally among all my children. At wife's death the property to be sold and divided equally among all my children [not named].

Appoints Bayles E. Bourland executor.

Witness: Chas. W. Haraway James R. Alexander

J. D. Stamps

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RANE' PRUITT, LAWRENCE COUNTY ASSOCIATE EDITOR

TRACT BOOK

A "tract book" is a ledger showing who purchased what land from the U. S. Government. Each county in Alabama should have a tract book covering the land in their county and a duplicate of this should be in the Secretary of State's office in Montgomery, Alabama. The section, township and range were copied for publication by Mary Fran Destree Moore of Torrance, California. This series began in "Valley Leaves" in Vol. 14, Number 1 (Sept. 1979).

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LIMESTONE COUNTY ORPHANS COURT MINUTES, 1824 - 1830

(Part Two of several parts)

1825

For the Introduction to these Minutes please refer back to the last issue of <u>Valley Leaves</u>. Copied by Eulalia Wellden and abstracted by Dorothy Scott Johnson

Item 10	Date 4-11-1825	Page 15	Matthew Stuart Estate Nancy Stuart, administratrix of Matthew Stuart, made final settlement.
41	4-11-1825	15	Sally H. Stuart Guardianship John Fletcher appointed guardian of Sally H. Stuart, over age 14, after giving \$1000 bond with William Fletcher and Nancy Stuart his securities.
42	4-11-1825	15-1	William Fletcher appointed guardian of John F. Stuart, over age 14, after giving \$1000 bond with John Fletcher and Nancy Stuart his securities.
43	4-11-1825	16	Stuart Guardianships William Fletcher appointed guardian of Hiram L. Stuart William J. Stuart Thomas Stuart Calvin Stuart all under age 14, after giving \$4000 bond with John Fletcher and Nancy Stuart his securities.
44	4-13-1825	16	James B. Gray Guardianship Young A. Gray appointed guardian of James B. Gray, infant son of the said Young A. Gray. Young A. Gray gave \$5000 bond with Henry Fort and Lemuel Peters his securities.
			NOTE: A natural father was often made guardian of his child if that child was coming into an inheritance and was under the legal age.
45	4-18-1825	17	William Bond Estate Edward Massey, Admr. of the estate of William Bond, deceased, made final settlement.
46	4-18-1825	17	Ann Bond Guardianship Daniel Tate appointed guardian of Ann Bond, under age 14, after giving \$500 bond with Edward Massie and[blank]_ his securities.
47	4-18-1825	17	John Chester Estate Settlement of this estate continued to the 3rd Monday in May, 1825
48	5-2-1825	18	James Davidson Estate James Davidson died without a will. Sophia Davidson, his widow, applied for and received Letters of Administration after giving \$500 bond with Edmund

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			(-continued-) Clements and James Simpson her securities. George Beard, John N. Beard, and John Wofford appointed to appraise perishable estate which is to be sold.
49	5-12-1825	19	Isaac Campbell Naturalization (Declaration) Isaac Campbell declared his intention to become a naturalized citizen of the United States. He was born in Inverness Shire, Scotland, subject to the King of Great Britain, and emigrated to the United States in 1818 landing at the port of New York. He is 40 years of age and intends to reside in the state of Alabama.
50	5-12-1825	19	William Logwood Guardianship John Tate, former guardian of William Logwood, was ordered to appear in Court on the 3rd Monday in July, 1826, and be prepared to make final settlement.
51	7-18-1825	20-21	Woodson C. Montgomery and William Montgomery, Admrs. of the estate of Woodson C. Montgomery, deceased, requested that the real estate of the deceased be sold to pay estate's debts since the personal property was insufficient for that purpose. Heirs are: William S. Montgomery James K. Montgomery Jordan Montgomery Cenata[Cencita?] Montgomery, an infant Patsey Lee, lately Patsy Montgomery, wife of Richard P. Lee Jane Lee, lately Jane Montgomery, wife of William F. Lee Sophia Brown lately Sophia Montgomery, wife of Willis Brown Mary Lowry, an infant, the only child of Maria Lowry, deceased, formerly Maria Montgomery who was the late wife of Matthew P. Lowry. Said heirs to appear in court on the 5th Monday in August, 1825, to show cause, if any, why said real estate should not be sold. The said heirs "reside without the state." This order to be published in a Huntsville, Ala. newspaper. It is further ordered that Robert Austin be appointed Guardian of Ceneta Montgomery and Mary Lowry to defend their interests in this case.
52	7-18-1825	21	James Davidson Estate Sophia Davidson, Admx. of James Davidson, states the estate is insolvent and insufficient to pay its debts. Those persons having claims against the estate are to submit their claims to this court within six months.
53	7-22-1825	21	<u>Lilbourn Tucker Estate</u> <u>Lilbourn Tucker died without a will.</u> Nelson Roberson appointed administrator after giving \$2000 bond with John Easely his security.
54	7-23-1825	22	Obadiah Jones Estate The will of Obadiah Jones was proven by Daniel Coleman, Jordan G[?] Cummings and David R. Scott, witnesses. Elizabeth Jones, executrix, gave \$20,000 bond with James Cowdon her security. John Maples, Thomas Reddus, and David R. Scott appointed to appraise the perishable property of this estate.
55	7-25-1825	23	Joseph Little Estate Joseph Little Jr. was ordered to appear in court on the 3rd Mon. in Aug., 1825 to make final settlement.
56	8-8-1825	23-24	James McNees Estate Richard McNees, admr., reports this estate is insolvent and insufficient to pay

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			(-continued-) its debts. Persons having claims against estate to present same to this court within six months. George Keyes and Washington Lewis were appointed to sell certain lands of this estate and reported that William Rainey, [blank] Cubbs, John D. White, and William Jones were purchasers. The admr. ordered to transfer the certificates on fractional Section 2-6-3W to William Rainey and Cubbs, and the NW/4 of Section 2-5-4W to John D. White and William Jones.
57	8-25-1825	23/26	Jesse Robertson Performance Bond Governor Israel Pickens appointed Jesse Roberson Clerk of the Limestone County Court. Roberson gave \$10,000 bond with William T. Gamble, James K. Murral [also written Murrah], Alexander Tedford, Thomas Lanier, Robert Elliott, Henry G. Fellows [also written Fellers], Thomas Bullman, Edmund Clements [also written Edmond Clements], Vincent Kelly, William B. Rather, and Kelly Stegall, all of Limestone County, his securities. Said bond is to assure faithful performance of his duties.
58	8-25-1825	26	Erwin Wilder Guardianship Holloway J. Maples, security for Samuel Slaughter who is guardian of Erwin Wilder, requested a citation be issued to Slaughter to appear in court on the 2nd Monday in Sept., 1825 to show cause, if any, why he should not be removed from his guardianship unless he gives additional security.
59	8-29-1825	27	Woodson C. Montgomery Estate William Montgomery and Clayton C. Montgomery, Admrs., previously petitioned for sale of real estate [see Item No. 52]. The court agreed that land should be sold & ordered that the following persons be appointed to sell Lot No. 35, part of Lot No. 44, and Lot No. 30 in the town of Mooresville, at public auction: Amos Vincent, James B. Walker, and Scott Bayne.
60	9-7-1825	28	John McDonald Estate The will of John McDonald was proven by Sampson Wood, John Maples and John English. Edward McDonald was appointed executor and gave \$4000 bond. John Maples, James Lines, and Thomas Redus appointed to appraise the perishable property.
61	9-10-1825	29	Richard Moore Estate The will of Richard Moore was proven by Joseph D. Peebles and John Tunstall, witnesses. John F. Moore & Alfred Moore, appointed executors, gave \$20,000 bond. Joseph D. Peebles, John Davis and Nicholas Davis appointed to appraise the perishable portion of this estate.
62	9-19-1825	30	George Baird Estate George Baird died without a will. Martha Baird, his widow, relinquished her right to administer. John N. Baird, the next of kin, was appointed administrator and gave \$2000 bond with Edmond Clements and William Adams his securities. John Wofford, Samuel Neely and William Adams appointed to appraise perishable portion of this estate. Said perishable estate to be sold at public sale.
63	9-19-1825	31	Andrew J. Edmondson Performance Bond Governor Israel Pickens appointed Andrew J. Edmondson as Sheriff of Limestone County. Edmondson entered into a \$30,000 performance bond with James Titus, Ruffin Coleman, John R. Evans, George Phillips, Lott[?] Harrison, James W. Exam, John D. Carrill, James C. Malone, James Craig, William T. Gamble, and William Edmondson, his securities.
64	9-19-1825	31	Erwin Wilder Guardianship [also see Item No. 58]

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			(-continued-) Samuel Slaughter appeared in court at the request of Holoway J. Maples and asked that he be given until October 17, 1825 to answer the citation in the Erwin Wilder Guardianship case.
65	9-26-1825	32	Davis Guardianships Tinsley Davis appointed guardian of Maria A. R. Davis Lycurgus Davis Robert R. Davis Beverly S.[L?] Davis Tinsley gave \$4000 bond with Nicholas Davis his security.
66	9-26-1825	32/33	Patrick Parks Estate The will of Patrick Parks was proven by George Rutledge. Susanna Parks and Robert Parks appointed executrix and executor and gave \$1000 bond with John/Lewis/and Edmond Clements/[marked out] their securities.
67	9-26-1825	33	James Woodruff Guardianship Edmund Walton appointed guardian of James Woodruff, under age 14. Walton gave \$8000 bond with James Avent and Charles Love his securities.
68	9-26-1825	33-34	Green -vs- Stewart Estate During his lifetime Matthew Stewart obligated himself (on Dec. 31, 1821) to assign Balom Green title to the NE/4 Section 34-3-4W. Stewart is now dead and Green requested he be given title by Nancy Stewart, the admx. of Matthew Stewart. [Hearing on same set for the 3rd Monday in Dec., 1825 then re-set for the 3rd Monday in January, 1826 in another entry on Pages 34-35.]
69	9-26-1825	34	Ervin Wilder Guardianship Samuel Slaughter, guardian of Ervin Wilder, failed to appear in court to give additional security as directed and he is therefore relieved of his duties as guardian. Erwin Wilder, infant son of Lee Wilder (deceased), over age 14, is ordered to appear in court on the 3rd Monday in Nov., 1825 to choose another guardian.
70	11-21-1825	36	Reuben R. Scott Estate Margarett Scott, admx., filed her accounts and vouchers for final settlement. Hearing on same set for the 3rd Monday in January, 1826.
71	11-25-1825	36-7	Josiah Davison Estate Josiah Davison died without a will. Elizabeth Davison, his widow, and Thomas Hardiman were made admx. and admr. They gave \$2000 bond with Uriah Smith, Simon Foy, and James Temple their securities. Uriah Smith, Simon Foy, and James Temple were appointed to appraise the estate; the personal portion of this estate is to be sold at public sale.
72	11-25-1825	37	Thomas Colly Estate Thomas Colly died without a will. Theophilus Thomas, next of kin, appointed administrator. He gave \$5000 bond with George Malone and Micajah Thomas his securities. Thomas Bass, James W. Hill and Samuel Tanner appointed to appraise the perishable property of this estate.
73	12-1-1825	38	Hugh Hall and Elizabeth Hall Guardianships Washington Keys and William Dewoody were appointed guardian Hugh Y. and Elizabeth Hall, infants over age 14. Keys and Dewoody gave \$8000 bond with George Gorman their security.

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74 12-1-1825 38 Archibald McRobert Estate The personal estate of Archibald McRobert is insufficient to pay the claims against said estate. Therefore, the court ordered the administrator to sell the Negroes Will and Aggy to pay said debts.

NOTE: When a man died owing debts those debts had to be paid. If he left enough cash the debts were paid from that. If there was not enough cash then the perishable property, except slaves, were sold to pay debts. If there were still debts then personal property was sold and if that was not enough then the slaves were sold. As a last resort the real estate was sold.

75 12-1-1825 38-39 David Miller Estate

According to "Charles King and others" David Miller died possessed of a certificate on the S/2 SE/4 Section 22-5-3W and the NE/4 Section 27-5-3W. The personal estate is insufficient to pay the balance of 3 installments now due the U. S. for said land. Charles King, admr., is ordered to sell the land and pay debts.

76 12-12-1825 39 William Hall Estate

James H. Gamble, John D. White, Asa Winsett, George Gorman & Hamilton Kyle appointed to lay off and divide real estate and negroes among heirs.

77 12-20-1825 39-40 Margarett Phillips Estate

Margarett Phillips died without a will. Allen Urquhart appointed admr. after giving \$4000 bond with Migginson Loving & George Terry his securities. Jacob Fisher, Charles Land, Matthew Roberts, Henry Roberts, Moses Couch, & William A. Foote appointed to appraise property; the personal property to be sold at public sale.

--End 1825--

Source: Acts of the Seventh Biennial Session of the General Assembly of Alabama held in the city of Montgomery, commencing on the Second Monday in November, 1859.

Act No. 384. An Act to authorize the Court of County Commissioners of Limestone County or any person or persons to build one or more bridges across Elk River in said County.

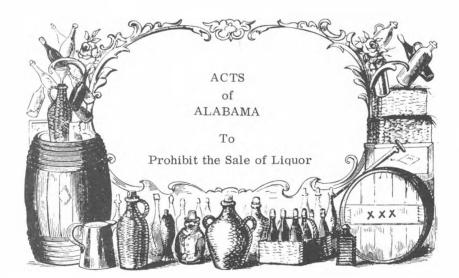
Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Alabama in General Assembly convened; That the court of county commissioners of Limestone County, or any person or persons, are hereby authorized and empowered to build one or more bridges across the Elk river, in said county; That any bridge erected under the authority of this act shall not in any manner obstruct, impede, or interfere with the navigation of said river.

Approved: February 24, 1860

ACTS OF ALABAMA



The Senate Chamber at Montgomery. 1860.



SOURCE: Acts of the Seventh Biennial Session of the General Assembly of Alabama held in the City of Montgomery, commencing on the Second Monday in November, 1859.

Act Number 386. Page 524

"An Act to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors within certain limits of Limestone County,"

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Alabama in General Assembly convened: That from and after the passage of this act it shall not be lawful for any person except physicians and licensed druggists to sell, exchange or barter away for money or other valuable consideration within the corporate limits of the town of Athens, in Limestone County, or within a distance of three miles in any direction from said corporate limits any quantity, large or small of any spiritous, vinous or intoxicating liquors, and any person so violating the provisions of this act shall be liable to be indicted by the grand jury of said county, and on conviction, shall for the first offense be fined a sum not less than Fifty [\$50.00] nor more than One Hundred Dollars [\$100.00], and for the second and for every subsequent offense shall in addition to said fine be imprisoned in the county jail for three months.

Sec. 2. Be it further enacted, That this act shall be deemed and considered in law a public act, and shall be officially taken notice of without being specially pleaded;

Provided, That this act shall not be construed to prevent any person now licensed to retail spiritous liquors from continuing to retail within the limits named in this bill under the said license until the same expires by its own initiation.

Sec. 3. Be it further enacted, That all provisions of the two preceeding sections shall apply to the town of Mooresville, in said county, and all the territory in said county within four miles of the Masonic Hall in said town.

Approved: February 6, 1860



Madison



CLAY LETTERS

The following two letters were written by John Withers Clay during the Civil War and are part of the Clay Collection housed in the Zeitler Room of the Huntsville Public Library. Even though the letters are lengthy we have chosen to use them in their entirety because of the genealogical and historical significance of the information contained in them.

John Withers Clay was one of the children of Clement Comer Clay, Sr., and Susannah Claiborne Withers. He was a lawyer by profession and in later years became the editor of the Huntsville Democrat. On November 11, 1846 he married Mary Fenwick Lewis (1825-1898), the daughter of John Haywood Lewis of Connecticut and Mary Margaret Betts. John Withers and Mary Fenwick had eleven children of which three died in infancy, one died in childhood, and another died at age 21.

Knoxville, May 17, 1862

Hon. C. C. Clay, Jr.

My dear Brother,

I wrote to you day before yesterday, but you will desire to know the additional intelligence I have to communicate, however unpleasant some of it may be. I presume brother Lawson will have informed you, by telegram or letter, of the death of Comer by scarlet fever on yesterday morning. I asked him to telegraph me on his arrival at Macon, and, last night, I recd. a despatch-"Comer died this morning—Celeste is sick with fever." The night before bro. L[awson] left here he told me that he thought Comer would diethat his lungs were so delicate & he had always been so susceptible to cold, that he did not think he could stand a severe attack of scarlet fever. I tried to comfort—& told him, incidentally, that I had lost three children, & the affliction was very severe, but it ought not to be when we reflected how much better off a child was. "Ah!" said he-"but you had other children—& I have but one & shall never have any more, & he loves me better than everybody else." It is, indeed, a terrible blow to them. I trust he may not blame himself for sending Celeste to Macon, 2 knowing that the scarlet fever was there, for she was very loth to go; but he felt uneasy all the time she was here, lest he should be called off to Cumberland Gap or some other field, & her retreat to her father's should be cut off by the destruction of R.R. bridges by tories. If I had known that scarlet fever was prevalent in Macon, I should have dissuaded him from sending Celeste & Comer there. Mr. Parker, who furnished them a room, told me this A.M., of the fact & said Major Clay said it was of a mild type & he

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wanted Comer to take it when it was mild. Independent of the natural affection I had for my brother's child, I felt greatly attached to him for

his lovely qualities—his intelligence, vivacity, affectionate disposition, and apparent love for me, calling himself "Uncle Wither's boy." I grieve at his loss, especially to his parents, but how vastly better off is the dear child. Faith in God's word makes us to see, in this sad dispensation, blessings in disguise. God grant that it may be the means of drawing the parents nearer to Him & assuring their salvation! The sundering of such earthly ties ought to detach our thoughts & affections more & more from earthly things & fix them on Heaven & heavenly things.

Col. Hundley, 31st Ala., recently arrived here, sent Lieut. Pickens (son of old Joe of Madison) to enquire after his wife, who is staying with his brother, O. M. H. (Dick Holding's son-in-law) near Madison Station. He returned to-day with a letter from Hundley's wife, which says that Gen. Mitchell has arrested Gov. [Clement Comer] Clay,3 Gov. [Reuben] Chapman, & [George P.] Beirne, & other prominent citizens of Huntsville, & holds them as prisoners in the Court House, & that he has Augustine Withers in chains—& that Huntsville & Athens are ruined—how, she doesn't state. Pickens says he didn't get into Madison, but Mr. H's letter was handed to him on the South side of the Tennessee [River]—that he didn't hear the names of any prisoners but Mr. Woodson & Dr. Patton-he heard, however, that a number of prominent citizens were held as hostages for the good behavior of the citizens of the county who were worrying Mitchell's

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scouts & detachments sent on the Railroad by bush-whacking—that it was said that old man [Philip] Woodson was arrested on a charge (made by negroes) of cutting telegraph lines & [was] threatened with severe punishment. (I suspect it was old man Woodson's son-in-law who was confounded with the old man as the rumor passed from one to another)—that some of our people had hid in a cedar thicket near Whitesburg & shot 8 Feds from their horses—& that another party had shot 5 of them near Vienna; that no train of Feds passed into Jackson Co. without being fired on & that Mitchell made a speech at

fall of Huntsville⁵ & exchanged for two prisoners taken by Morgan at Pulaski. One of them had been sick in the hospital & the other nursed him. They represent that mother visited & was very kind to them, & they called to bid her farewell the day before leaving. She appeared to be in good health & indomitable in spirit. She told him that father was feeble but able to walk about the house & vard-& that a Federal Guard had been stationed around his house but had been removed. Mother told them that the Yankees had taken father at the plantation & brought him to town-& that they had taken or destroyed the things in the dwelling-house at Monte Vista, even down to some of her clothes. One of them thought, but was not certain, she said something about one of father's negroes at the plantation having gone off. Dr. Thompson, at Atlanta, told bro. L[awson] as he returned here that father had written to Judge Ezzard that six of his negroe fellows had gone off with six mules, But I do

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not credit it, for I have enquired particularly of a good many persons who have left Hjuntsvillel or Madison or Jackson Counties, in reference to the property of each & all of the Clays & none of them had heard anything from father's plantation, or from any of our houses or lots in or near town. To-day I got a letter from Ellen Jordan, who, with her children, is at Marietta (her husband remaining in Mobile) & she tells me that she got a "budget" from her sister Florie, about three weeks ago. She told her that the Yankees had not disturbed her mother or sister Mary—& that the camp fever had been among my negroes & Fanny had died. Lieut. Taylor (Farris & Gaston's clerk) was here some two weeks ago. He told me nothing of Jere Clemens being Provost Marshall or Judge Lane having some Federal office, or Nick Davis going on a mission to Andy. Johnson. Some one told me the other day that he understood that Nick Davis had made his escape from Huntsville & gone to Corinth, and Ad[dison] White was entertaining Kentucky Federals of a regt. encamped near his house, that Porter Bibb was riding there about in his buggy & had written to one of his sons, one of the Fort Pillesr[?] prisoners, to take the oath of allegiange & return home, but, I think, all these statements "need conformation." There is no manner of doubt, however, in the treason of Clemens, Lane, and I believe, Davis. The former two entertained Federal officers & their wives at their houses I am informed. Gen. Smith sees no early prospect of the Feds being whipped out of Huntsville. He has or can get men, but has no arms for them—at least, not enough to arm an effective force. All his force nearly is at or near Cumberland Gap—about 7 or 8,000 men opposing 12,000 or more. About 2000 cavalry, under Col. Adams & Stones[?], are in

N[orth] Ala. & Mid[dle] Tenn. Gen. Shorter telegraphs Gen. Smith that he has no forces but 5 companies who are of cavalry at Montgomery & they are unarmed. I hope some of the guns arrived from Europe,

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or captured by Stonewall Jackson, or at Richmond in the fight now progressing & reputed so far favorable to our side, will be used to rid our homes of the invaders & restore us to them. All the available force from Alabama has, I presume, been sent to Beauregard; for, a few weeks ago, Hilliard's Legion of 2500 including infantry, cavalry & artillery, was in Montgomery, & 3 or 4 regiments were at Auburn & Loachapoka, 1 at Greenville, & 1 at Selma. Perhaps Gov. Brown of Geo[rgia] might furnish some troops to prevent Mitchell from crossing the river at Whitesburg or Guntersville, & passing on to Rome. I heard yesterday that several hundred Fed. cavalry had crossed at Guntersville & they might, unresisted, make a dash toward Rome. Two little boys, 16 & 18 yrs. old, caught one of Mitchell's couriers near Salem, Tenn. with his horse, gun, accouterments 6 & mail. The mail contained some interesting letters & Mitchell's morning report of May 4. This last showed his force to be, nominally, 13,000, but effectively, 7400 & odd. Of these, a regiment was at Shelbyville—about 3,000 at Huntsville & the rest at Stevenson & Athens & intermediate points. Mitchell is said to show great nervousness & uneasieness, his communications, by railroad to Nashville, being continually interrupted by Morgan, Starns, or Adams, or guerillas, or private individuals—& extravagant reports being continually made to him (no doubt by our people) of the appearance of Confederate forces at one point or another inducing him to continually shift the position of his troops. There are now few or no troops (Feds) in Jackson Co. & about 500 Confederate cavalry. I was informed a day or two ago-& an official report from Leadbetter yesterday, I believe, stated that Mitchell had sent 2000

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troops to Fayetteville. It does seem to me, that a force might be provided, sufficient to whip these out in detail. There are several hundred men in Madison, Marshall & Jackson [Counties] whose 12 months service has expired & they are ready to organize to drive the enemy away from their homes, (which are now unsafe to them) if they can get arms. Lieut. Taylor (of whom I spoke above) came here to get arms to arm a company of partisan rangers he was about to raise from old members of the 4th & 7th Ala. Regts. who could not stay at home. Joe Bradley, who is still, or was, at Warrenton, was backing Taylor in his efforts. Genl. Smith told him if

Woodville [in Jackson Co.] & told the people if they did not cease shooting his men he would hang every private citizen he caught doing it & wd. burn every house with 10 miles, & some fellow, away off, halloed, "The hell you say!" - & that Paint Rock & Woodville had both been burnt—that he (Pickens) read Mitchell's proclamation demanding supplies for his troops & threatening, if not furnished in 10 days, he would seize it wherever found—that he was told (by old man Handley, I think) that if the Feds went on for 15 days longer as they had been going, the people would be starved out—that R.R. communications with Nashville had been destroyed, both ways, by burning bridges & tearing up tracks & Mitchell's supplies were then cut off. I fear that my family, mother & father, Mr. Lewis's family, & other relations & friends will be, if they are not already, pinched for something to eat, from all accounts. It is a great pity that the scoundrels can't be

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driven out, but I see no immediate prospect of it, unless Beauregard shall soon whip Halleck at Corinth—which I have no doubt he will do from all I see & hear, privately & publicly. Gen. Smith would like to undertake it, but he has to guard this important region with the force he has—a little over 12,000 effective men on the 30th of April, now increased by two large regiments (Hundley's 31st & Shelby's 38th Ala.)—& some others, perhaps, but a large number of the old & new regiments are sick, I think not less than 4 or 5,000 in all, which wd. swell the whole force to 18 or 20,000.

May 20th

I wrote the above last Saturday night intending to finish & send it off by Sunday's mail but circumstances prevented & fortunately, for Sunday Maj. Fulkerson, 19[th] Tenn., wounded at Shiloh & detained in Huntsville on the train captured there, but who managed to get to Bob Spragins' house & to be cared for till he recovered enough to travel, represented himself as a private citizen (& such he was for his time of enlistment had expired) & got a pass from the Federal Provost & got off & arrived here, bringing later & more correct accounts. I did not get to see him in time to write Sunday & on Monday, Lieut. Wm. H. Taylor, 4th Ala., reached here, giving news up to Thursday last, when he was warned by parties from Huntsville to leave his father's house near Maysville as the enemy had been informed of his presence & would try to capture him. Faulkerson & Taylor, both, state that Father was captured at his plantation, taken to town detained in the Court House for two or three days & released on parole to remain in Huntsville. Nearly all prominent citizens of town had been under arrest & held for one or more days—& some 12 more, when they left, confined in the Court House;

& about 32 citizens of the county were confined in Beirne's law building & other offices. They represent that the Hessians have committed great devastation in seizing bacon, horses, mules, stock, provender, but they have no knowledge of any outrages committed on the property of any of the Clays. They had taken everything from Gen. Patteson's, breaking up a piano, furniture, & etc. - had done great damage at John Patton's, Tom McCalley's, Beirne's, Willis Harris' pressed nearly all the mules & horses in the neighborhood—seized & broke up all the guns & pistols they could freighten people into delivering up-taken all the groceries in town, without comensation, except Wm. H. Power's stock, which they bought & paid for-kept Judge Scruggs confined in his office & had Fearn, Gus Mastin, Beirne, [and] Harris.

Across margin of first page:

I have no special, or rather direct, news from my immediate family or any relation in Huntsville—nothing of domestic matters. I propose to send a letter to my wife-anonymous, in its body & signature—by Taylor, to be sent into town by old Anyan & hope to get an answer in the same way. Taylor came here by request of Joe Bradley to get authority to raise a company of partisan rangers, & arms for them to operate about Huntsville & he has a prospect of success. Mitchell ought to be driven out—not only for Huntsville's sake, but for the Confederacy's. Sister's letter of 16th recd. to-day. Give her best love & accept same for self. God bless & preserve you both, body & soul, for Christ's sake—is the constant prayer of your affec. brother,

J. Withers Clay

NOTE: The second letter written by John Withers Clay to his brother Clement Claiborne Clay was dated a little less than two weeks later:

Knoxville, June 2, 1862

Hon. C. C. Clay, Jr. Macon, Geo[rgia]

My dear brother:

Your letter of the 25th did not reach me 'till after bro. L[awson] & Celeste reached here. Yours of the 29th to bro. L[awson] was recd. to-day. We were somewhat surprised at your remaining at Macon & supposed you would be at Warrenton, N. C. as proposed. I think the information you have about father's being in custody is of an old date. Two young men, privates in the 19th Tenn. Regt. left Huntsville on Friday, May 23d, having been detained there as prisoners (taken on the train from Corinth the morning of the

he would being him a first rate company of drilled men he would arm them, & Taylor left to raise them. He said he could communicate with Hunts-ville—& I gave him a letter to my wife, written without mentioning my own or any other names to identify by or to whom written, & I also sent her \$25. I have never had an apparent opportunity to send her a letter since I crossed the Tennessee [River]—& have never recd. a line or verbal message from her or any one at home.

Brother L[awson] & Celeste appear as well as usual—although still somewhat delicate, perhaps. They are both very much crushed by Comer's death, but, I am glad to see, are not rebellious. I do humbly trust that this & other dispensations of

Providence, daily multiplying upon us, will have the effect to show us our utter helplessness, when trusting in our own strength & our entire dependence on God, and to draw us nearer to God in the ordinances of His Church. How gladly would I welcome both by brothers & sisters into that new & more enduring relationship with me, which is found in the communion of Christ's Church! That all of us may be speedily found communicating at the altar of Christ's Church, as members of His family, is the constant prayer,

Your affectionate brother in exile,

J. Withers Clay

BISHOP CEMETERY

LOCATION: This cemetery is located in the W/2 SW NW of Section 19-3-1W off John's Road in the Indian Creek Community northwest of Huntsville.

George Bishop Died May 30, 1902	There was at least one unmarked grave here and	John B. Son of Wm. & Sarah E.	Sarah E. Bishop Wife of Wm. Strange	Lilla B. Eason Born Feb. 20, 1858
Age 73 ys.	one grave marked only with a fieldstone; no	Strange Mar. 15, 1924 Mar. 16, 1924	Born June 24, 1888 Died March 22, 1924	Married to John M. Bishop Aug. 1, 1881 Died
	identification on either grave.		5	Oct. 16, 1916 Age 8 Ys. 7 Ms. 24 Ds.

We wish to thank Vonda Dihm who contributed this long-lost cemetery and a special thanks goes to Mr. Vonzo L. Turner, of Athens, Alabama, who went out of his way to take us to this nearly impossible-to-find location.

Note: See next page

¹Felix Comer Clay was the only child of Harriet Celeste (Comer) and Hugh Lawson Clay who were second cousins. The child was born in November, 1856 and died of scarlet fever May 16, 1862 at Macon, Georgia.

 $^{^2}$ Harriet Celeste was the daughter of Major Anderson Comer and Maria Louisa (Sanders) Comer of Macon, Georgia.

 $^{^3}$ Gov. Clement Comer Clay was the father of Clement Claiborne Clay and John Withers Clay, the recipient and writer of these letters.

⁴The present day town of New Hope in Madison County.

⁵Huntsville was captured in a surprise move the morning of April 11, 1862.

⁶A soldier's trappings and equipment other than clothes and weapons.

BISHOP DEATH CERTIFICATE

The following is a photocopy of the death certificate of John M. Bishop who died in Madison County June 23, 1929. As this certificate proves, he was buried in the Bishop Cemetery listed on the preceding page, but he does not have a tombstone. Obtained and contributed by Vonda Dihm.

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NOTICE OF PARTNERSHIP

C[lement] C[omer] Clay and J. W. M'Clung, Have united in the PRACTICE OF LAW. In future, they will, jointly, attend to all cases in which either is retained in the Courts of Madison; one of them will regularly attend the Circuit Courts held in the Counties of Limestone, Morgan, Blount, St. Clair, Jackson, and Decatur, and also the Supreme Court of the State.

Their Office will be kept over the Store-Room of Messrs. Clements & M'Clellan on the South side of the public square. Huntsville, March 21, 1824.

Source: "The Alabamian," Huntsville, Alabama, Thursday, July 15, 1824.

SHADRACK READY, REVOLUTIONARY SOLDIER

The following Affidavit attesting to Shadrack Ready's service as a soldier in the Revolutionary War was found in the Circuit Court Minute Book, 1820-1821, Page 431. It was recorded under date of September 10, 1820, Clement C. Clay, Judge. Copied and contributed by Judge William Page.

"The affidavits of Shadrack Ready and Peyton Powell made in open court, being here heard, it is by the court here ordered [to be] certified that by said affidavits it is proved to the satisfaction of the Court that the said Shadrack Ready served in the Revolutionary war in the Virginia line, an continental establishment, against the common enemy for the term of nine months and more as in his declaration stated, that the property stated in his schedule is of the value of two hundred and twelve dollars and the yearly income thereof of the value of thirty dollars and that said Shadrack Ready is in indigent circumstances and has no estate or income sufficient for his maintenance, and is unable to support himself by bodily labor and stands in need of assistance from his country for support, all which is ordered to be certified to the Secretary of the department of war.

PETITION OF GRIEF CARRIEL, OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI TERRITORY, 21 JUNE 1813

Referred to the Committee on the Public Land: July 7, 1813. Committee discharged—

Honl. the Senate and House of Representatives in Congress assembled:

The petition of Greif Carriel Citizen of Madison County, Mississippi Territory, humbly submits that at the land office Kept at Huntsville in Said County on the tenth day of present month and year, he did, thro mistake, and error, enter __[blurred]_ purchase, paying the first installment, the North west quarter of Sexion Numbered fifteen in Township No. Two of Range No. One West in the district of lands offered for sale at Nashville containing one hundred & fifty six & 89/100 acres—

Your petitioner states the Said quarter sexion he so entered thro error, is not worth any thing to him, being intirely wouthout any knowledge of letters, and was led into the mistake by another, intending to have entered other lands. Your petitioner therefore humbly prays that you will take his case into consideration, and begs that a law may be passed authorizing the Register of the land office at Huntsville to __[marked out] _ permit him to apply the moneys paid to __[marked out] _ other land in the aforesaid district.

Madison County, M. T. May 22nd 1813

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This petition to the 13th Congress, House of Representatives, Committee on Public Lands was found in the National Archives [No. HR 13A-G11.1] by Catherine Gilliam and transcribed by Margaret M. Cowart.







ACTS

of the

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF ALABAMA

The "Acts" are the proceedings of the legislature of the State of Alabama. They were compiled and published each year by the state printer. A complete set is in the Alabama State Department of Archives and History.

1856

- Act No. 219.

 Section 1

 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Alabama in General Assembly convened, That the sum of Fifty Dollars [\$50.00] be, and the same is hereby appropriated to William C. Thomas of the county of Marshall.
 - Section 2 Be it further enacted, That the Comptroller of Public Accounts be, and he is hereby authorized and required to draw his warrant upon the Treasurer in favor of said William C. Thomas for the said sum of Fifty Dollars to be paid out of any money not otherwise appropriated.

 Approved January 25, 1856.
- Act No. 273
 Section 1

 To Compensate Samuel K. Raburn, of Marshall Co., for Certain Services.

 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Alabama in General Assembly convened, That the Commissioners of Free Public Schools, for the County of Marshall, be, and they are hereby authorized and required to draw their warrant on the Superintendent of Education, for the sum of One Hundred and Forty One Dollars, in favor of Samuel K. Raburn, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Marshall County, for costs incurred by the State of Alabama, in sundry suits had in said Court, on Sixteenth Section notes wherein the State failed in the prosecution, and was taxed with the costs.
 - Section 2 And be it further enacted, That the amount herein appropriated in the first section of this act shall be paid out of the interest arising out of the 16th Section of Township 9, Range 2 East in Marshall County, Alabama.

 Approved February 14, 1856.
- Act No. 236
 Section 1
 For the Relief of Horatio Fergusson and Jeremiah Lafarlett
 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Alabama in General Assembly convened, That the sum of Fifty Dollars be appropriated and paid out of the Treasury of the State to Horatio Fergusson and Jeremiah Lafarlett, of Marshall County, for retaking Colbert Blankenship, convicted of an assault, with an intent to murder, and conveying him to the custody of the Sheriff of Marshall County, Alabama.

 Approved February 15, 1856

- Act No. 162
 Section 1
 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Alabama in General Assembly convened, That Peter Kilfoyt, Washington W. Griffin, John Gordon, James H. McCarroll and Redney Parker, be, and they are hereby appointed and constituted a Board of Commissioners for the town of Warrenton, in the County of Marshall.
 - Section 2 Be it furtner enacted, That said Board of Commissioners, a majority of whom shall be competent to transact business, is hereby authorized and empowered upon satisfactory proof of the payment of the purchase money, to convey to the purchasers of lots, in said town of Warrenton, such title as existed in, or was possessed by the former Board of Commissioners appointed by Act of the General Assembly, approved 26 November 1841.
 - Section 3 Be it further enacted, That in case of vacancy from any cause in said Board of Commissioners, it shall be lawful for the remaining number to appoint others.
 - Section 4 Be it further enacted, That all laws contravening with the provisions of this Act, be, and the same are hereby repealed.

 Approved February 15, 1856.

1858

Act No. 334
Section 1

To Create an Additional Company Beat and Election Precinct
Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Alabama in
General Assembly convened, That an additional captain's company beat be
established in the county of Marshall with the following boundaries:

Commencing at the Tennessee river, opposite Matthew Culbreth, running from thence to Matthew Culbreth's house, thence with the old Law's landing road to Doctor David Smith's, thence southeast to Town creek, thence up Town creek to the DeKalb county line, thence along the DeKalb line, eastwardly, to the Jackson and Marshall line, thence with Marshall and Jackson line to the Tennessee river, thence down said river to the beginning, to be known as the Kirby beat, and be attached to the battalion and regiment who now have jurisdiction over said territory.

- Section 2 Be it further enacted, That on the first Monday of March next, it shall be the duty of the sheriff, after giving ten days' notice at three public places in said territory, described in the first section of this act, to cause an election to be held at the house of Frank M. Kirby, in said beat, for two justices of the peace, a constable, a captain, and the requisite subaltern officers, who shall hold their offices until the first Monday in March, 1859, after which the said officers shall be elected for the term prescribed by law, and at the time prescribed by law; and a precinct for general elections is hereby established at the house of the said Frank M. Kirby. Approved January 27, 1858
- Act No. 335
 Section 1

 To Change & Establish Boundary Lines Between Marshall, DeKalb & Jackson Co's.
 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Alabama in General Assembly convened, That the boundary lines between the counties of Marshall, DeKalb and Jackson, is hereby changed and altered so as to commence at

the mouth of Black Oak creek, thence in a direct line to the northwest corner of Section 31 in Township 6 of Range 6 East, thence to Main Sauta creek, thence up said creek to Bynum's mill, thence to the county line between the counties of Jackson and DeKalb as heretofore established by law, making James Bynum a citizen of DeKalb county.

Approved February 2, 1858.

Act No. 388 Section 1 For the Relief of W. McJohnson
That W. McJohnson, of Marshall County, be, and he is hereby relieved from the disabilities of non-age, so as to authorize him to make settlement with and to receive from his guardian all his property in the same manner and to the same extent as though he was of full age, and his guardian is hereby authorized and fully empowered to settle with and deliver to the said Johnson all his property, and the settlement and receipt of the said Johnson shall be as effectual as if he were of full age, and the said Johnson is hereby authorized to exercise all the privileges and rights of an adult, except the right to vote, and he shall be subject to all the liabilities and duties of an adult notwithstanding his non-age. Approved February 2, 1858

Act No. 336 Section 1 To Create an Additional Company Beat and Election Precinct
That an additional captain's company beat be established in Marshall County with
the following boundaries:

Commencing at John Prigmore's and running down Hog creek to the fork near Martin's, thence southwest to James Nixon's, thence down Slab creek to the county line of Blount county, thence with said line to Watts' mill, thence with the road up Clear creek to the rail road, thence with said road to Agrippa Scott's, thence with the Somerville road to John Prigmore's, to be known as the Davidson beat, and be attached to the battalion and regiment which now had jurisdiction over said territory.

Section 2

Be it further enacted, That on the first Monday in March next, it shall be the duty of the sheriff to cause an election to be held at the house of William Davidson in said beat for two justices of the peace, a constable, a caption, and the requisite subaltern officers, who shall hold their offices for the term prescribed by law; and a precinct for general elections is hereby established at the house of the said Davidson; it shall be the duty of the sheriff to give ten days' notice of said election. Approved February 4, 1858

1857

Act No. 400 Section 1 For the Relief of Champeon Farris, Tax Collector of Marshall County
That the comptroller of public accounts be, and he is hereby required to draw his
warrant on the State treasurer for the sum of \$10.11 to be paid out of any money
not otherwise appropriated, in favor of Champeon Farris, tax collector of
Marshall County, Alabama.
Approved February 5, 1857.

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Valley Leaves

Marshall County

December, 1982

1858

Act No. 395

For the Relief of Elijah Woosley and James S. Bain

Section 1 That the sum of Forty Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated to Elijah Woosley and James S. Bain, of Marshall County, Alabama.

Section 2 Be it further enacted, That the comptroller of public accounts be, and he is hereby authorized and required to draw his warrant upon the treasurer in favor of said Elijah Woosley and James S. Bain, for the said sum of \$40.00 to be paid out of any money not otherwise appropriated.

Approved February 6, 1858

1859

Act No. 401 Section 1 To Authorize the Levy of a Special Tax for Relief of Certain Persons
That the court of county commissioners for Marshall County be, and they are hereby authorized to levy a special tax on the citizens of said county, if they deem it advisable, sufficient to pay the costs of the suits of the State against James Cook and John Fugate charged with the offence of counterfeiting.

Approved December 17, 1859

1860

Act No. 609

Section 1

For the Relief of the Idiotic Sons of Eli Watts

That the commissioners court of roads and revenue of Marshall county be, and they are hereby authorized and directed to make annually a separate allowance for the support of Eli Lemuel [Watts] and Jeptha Newton Watts, pauper idiots of said county, equal to the sum the said court shall allow to the overseer of the poor house of said county for each pauper kept in said poor house, which allowance shall be paid to the father of said idiots, during his lifetime, and thereafter to their mother or other person having charge of them, so long as they remain in said county. Approved January 30, 1860.

Act No. 491

To Compensate Thomas J. Cochran for Services Rendered the State
That the sum of Nine Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, to pay
Thomas J. Cochran, for removing a sick prisoner from the jail of Marshall
County to the county of Cherokee, by order of the circuit court of Marshall
County; and that the controller is hereby required to draw his warrant on the
treasurer for said amount.
Approved February 24, 1860

Act No. 400

To Prevent the Increase of Paupers in Marshall County
That any contractor or contractors of any of the railroads of Marshall county,
who shall employ from other counties other than Marshall County, laborers to
work upon said road[s], and said laborers become paupers and a charge upon said
county, that said contractor[s] shall be personally liable to said county of Marshall
for the amount expended in the support of said paupers, to be recovered by suit
instituted by the county treasurer of said county.
Approved February 25, 1860

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Morgan



MARRIAGE BOOK "A" (Sixth Installment) 1821 - 1861

Morgan County Marriage Book "A" is the earliest marriage book found in this county and covers the period from July 18, 1821 through March 1, 1861. The book begins with marriage No. 132 so we can assume there are at least 131 of the earliest marriages missing. This series began in Valley Leaves, Vol. 16, No. 1 (Sept. 1981). Copied and contributed by Dorothy Scott Johnson.

No.	Groom	Bride	Lisc.	Sol.	By
677	Crunk, Paschal	Moore, Nancy	1-1-1831	1-2-1831	John McMahan, JP
678	Crow, James	McClannahan, Diana	1-5-1831		
679	McClure, William	Holley, Sally	1-10-1831	1-11-1831	H. Wright, JP
680	Summers, James A.	Smith, Nancy	1-10-1831	1-10-1831	T. W. McCarty, JP
681	Nelson, Thomas C.	Sykes, Mary M.	1-18-1831	1-20-1831	Jas. Lane, MG
682	Martin, James R.	Putman, Duncan	1-21-1831	2-8-1831	H. Reedy, JP
683	Putman, William	Stephens, Susan	1-21-1831	1-21-1831	J. Lane, MG
684	Crawford, Abner	Jenkins, Elizabeth	1-26-1831	1-27-1831	M. Patterson, JP
685	Wallace, J. R.	McLain, Martha L.	1-26-1831	1-27-1831	A. Hewlett, JP
686	Axton, William	Roane, Ann	1-27-1831	1-27-1831	D. Ballew, JP
687	Wynn, Wright	Marshal, Mildred	2-1-1831		
688	Reeves, Hickenon [Hickmon?]	Kirkland, Mary A.	2-1-1831	2-3-1831	Jno. McClanahan, JP
689	Smith, Joshua	Neal, Jane	2-12-1831	2-13-1831	N. Reedy, JP
690	Ryon, Philip	Johnson, Nancy	2-15-1831	2-17-1831	Thos. Brisco, MG
691	Deskins, Danl. M.	Gibson, Mary A.	2-15-1831	2-16-1831	A. Hewlett, JP
692	Thompson, James	Thompson, Sarah B.	2-15-1831	2-17-1831	Jo. Lane, MG
693	Hokett, William	Faught, Susan	2-18-1831	2-18-1831	J. Callaway, JP
694	Owens, David	Stevens, Mary	2-18-1831	2-22-1831	Jo. Lane, MG
695	Handy, James	Axton, Leah	2-25-1831	2-25-1831	D. Ballew, JP
696	Read, William	Harwood, Nancy	2-26-1831	2-27-1831	Thos. Brisco, MG
697	Garner, Andrew J.	Ditto, Eliza	3-8-1831 (-continu	3-8-1831 led on next page	D. Ballard, JP e-)

No.	Groom	Bride	Lisc.	Sol.	Ву
698	Love, William W.	Fennell, Margaret	3-12-1831	3-16-1831	James Wallen, MG
699	Barron, Cullin	Thurman, Parthenia	3-23-1831	3-23-1831	Jo. Lane, MG
700	Sweeten, Moses	Dunn, Rhoda	3-24-1831	3-26-1831	E. Thompson, JP
701	Pate, David R.	Gay, Cynthia	3-25-1831	Mar., 1831	T.W. McCarty, JP
702	Burrell, John	Shaver, Mary	4-9-1831	4-10-1831	Thos. Jones, MG
703	Dodd, William	Putman, Abbey	4-10-1831	4-21-1831	James Evens, MG
704	White, Robt. W.	Denton, Malinda	4-27-1831	4-27-1831	T.W. McCarty, JP
705	Griffin, Nathan W.	McCommac, Terriss	a 5-4-1831		
706	Haffley, P. H.	Winton, Minerva G.	5-9-1831	5-9-1831	D. Ballew, JP
707	Speagle, Abner [Abs	olen?] Canford, Marth	a 5-11-1831	5-11-1831	Wm. Skidmore, JP
708	Davis, Mastin	Ellison, Elizabeth	5-14-1831	5-18-1831	Wm.M. Smith, JP
709	Echols, George	Tully, Sarah	5-30-1831	5-30-1831	Wm.M. Smith, JP
710	Sherrell, Wiley B.	Wilson, Nancy	6-9-1831	6-16-1831	E. M. Miller, MG
711	Lawrence, John	Johnson, Sarah	6-22-1831	6-22-1831	Wm. M. Smith, JP
712	Vance, George W.	Thompson, Mary	7-25-1831	8-12-1831	J. G. Callaway, JP
713	Dunoway, Edward	Lott, Jiney	8-2-1831	8-3-1831	M. Patterson, JP
714	Owen, William	Alford, Mary	8-3-1831		
715	Winsett, Kilbac	Hendricks, Mary	8-11-1831	8-14-1831	E. Thompson, MG
Note:	Numbers 716, 717, 7	18, and 719 are missin	g and were app	parently omitte	d entirely.
720	Ballenger, Larkin	Murphey, Mary Ann	8-12-1831	8-17-1831	John Sharp, JP
721	Fraser, Thomas	Walden, Susan	8-13-1831	8-19-1831	J. G. Callaway, JP
722	Fisher, Daniel	Dancy, Sarah M.F.	8-13-1831		
723	Jaggers, Thomas	Vest, Martha	8-17-1831	8-17-1831	T. W. McCarty, JP
724	Lawson, J. A.	Couch, Susan	8-20-1831	8-21-1831	Thos. Jones, MG
725	Alford, John N.	Lamascus, Malinda	8-25-1831	8-25-1831	D. Ballew, JP
726	Elliott, Saml. Jr.	Rather, Frances Ann	8-29-1831	8-30-1831	Chas. W. Peters, JCC
727	Allen, Sherod	Skidmore, Menah	9-15-1831	9-15-1831	N. Evans, JP
728	Chattam, Henry K.	Brown, Nancy	9-21-1831	9-26-1831	John McClanahan, JP
729	Johnson, Thomas R.	Ballew, Elizabeth	9-24-1831	9-25-1831	Thos. Brisco, MG

No.	Groom	Bride	Lisc.	Sol.	Ву
930	Collins, James	White, Ellen	9-27-1831	Sept., 1831	T. W. McCarty, JP
931	Walker, John B.	Surralt, Sarah	10-3-1831	10-6-1831	Robt. Morrow, JP
732	Lynn, James K.	Holmes, Fran Rey	10-15-1831	10-16-1831	Wm. M. Smith, JP
733	Patton, William	Lewis, Elizabeth	11-9-1831	11-9-1831	Hiram Wright, JP
734	Breenen, Anthony	Dunn, Anne	11-10-1831	11-10-1831	Hopkins Lacy, JP
735	Shafer, Wm.	Smith, Becky	11-11-1831	11-17-1831	Thos. Jones, MG
736	Couch, George	Speagle, Henny	12-3-1831	12-4-1831	D. Turney, JP
737	Love, Patrick	Malone, Martha	12-5-1831	12-8-1831	N. Reedy, JP
738	Hale, Jeremiah	Martin, Nancy	12-6-1831		
739	Condron, William	Willis, Peggy	12-11-1831	12-28-1831	Geo. W. Morris
740	Harrell, Thomas J.	NeSmith, Martha	12-20-1831	12-22-1831	A. Hewlett, JP
741	Henderson, Abner	Alford, Levisa	12-23-1831	12-28-1831	Joseph Sandlin, JP
742	Lemley, Pleasant	Towrie, Hanna	12-26-1831		
743	Chapman, John	Hoket, Susan	12-27-1831	12-29-1831	James Crow, JP
744	Stinson, Jedekiah	Ray, Noma	1-4-1832	1-5-1832	Daniel Turney, JP
745	Smith, Joseph	Davidson, Susan	1-5-1832		
746	Norwood, John	Taylor, Jane	1-13-1832	1-24-1832	Jo. Lane, MG
747	Long, Nathan	Davidson, Lucy	1-11-1832		
748	Wallace, James	Morrow, Mary	2-7-1832	2-9-1832	G. H. Gillespie, MG
749	Lacy, Hopkins	Axton, Susan	2-9-1832	2-14-1832	N. Evans, JP
750	Caruthers, Thomas	M. Stovall, Mary Ann	2-13-1832		
751	Bell, James	Larimore, Elizabeth	2-13-1832	2-14-1832	Andrew McClellan, JP
752	Hackworth, James M	I.Railey[Bailey?], Eliz	zabeth 2-13-1	832	
753	Clark, Thomas	Royer, Nancy	2-16-1832	2-14-1832	James Edens, MG
754	Carns, John	Kent, Sarah	2-16-1832		
755	Hester, Peyton	Burt, Martha H.	2-28-1832	60 op	
756	Ash, Dudley	Gruing[Gowing?], Ma	ırtha 2-28-183	32	
757	Johnson, Kennedy	Hankins, Dice	3-10-1832	3-11-1832	Jos. W. Ryan, JP

No.	Groom	Bride	Lisc.	Sol.	Ву
759	Milligan, John A.	Morrow, Jane	3-20-1832	3-22-1832	J. H. Gillespie, MG
760	Morris, P. M.	Morris, Elizabeth	4-30-1832		
761	Barnard, John	Wilson, Peggy	5-1-1832	5-2-1832	Jno. S. Brooks, JP
762	Orr, Robert	Walker, Maria	5-26-1832	5-27-1832	Andrew McClellan, JP
763	Tucker, Henry	Forrester, Christens	a 6-12-1832		
764	Falkner, William	Stacy, Nancy	6-14-1832	6-14-1832	John W. Locke, JP
765	Harvey, Joseph	Enos, Sarah	6-19-1832	6-21-1832	T. W. McCarty, JP
766	White, William	Woodall, Eliza N.	6-30-1832		
767	Gibson, John R.	Day, Eliza	7-11-1832		
768	Brewer, Edmond	King, Nancy	7-16-1832	7-17-1832	John Sharp, JP
769	Morse, Elias	Condron, Lucinda	7-25-1832	7-26-1832	James Evens, MG
770	Parker, John J.	Jenkins, Elizabeth	7-25-1832	7-25-1832	Jas. Ferguson, JP
771	Ryan, Joseph W.	Hill, Louisa	7-30-1832	7-31-1832	Thos. Jones, MG
772	Perry, Aaron	Fowler, Susan E.	8-2-1832	8-3-1832	J.H.Gillespie, MG
773	Ormand, John	Pleasants, Mary	8-16-1832	8-16-1832	James R. Lowrice, MG
774	Jones, John W.H.	Gibson, Eliza	9-12-1832	9-12-1832	A. Hewlett, MG

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AN ACT FOR THE RELIEF OF LAURENCE S. BANKS

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Alabama in General Assembly convened, That the sum of one hundred and fifteen dollars [\$115.00] be, and the same is hereby appropriated, for the purpose of paying Laurence S. Banks, of the county of Morgan, the expenses incurred by him as deputy sheriff of said county, on the commitment trial of James H. Deloney, charged with the murder of Moses S. Morris.

Section 2. Be it further enacted, That the comptroller of public accounts be, and he is hereby authorized and required to draw his warrant upon the treasury in favor of the said Laurence S. Banks for the said sum of one hundred and fifteen dollars, to be paid out of any monies in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

Approved February 6, 1858

[Source: Acts of Alabama, 1858. Act. No. 405]

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814 KIMBELL, LOGWOOD, STUART

Mary P. Kimbell, b ca 1814 NC, m Edward F. Logwood 1832, Morgan Co. AL. Mary F. Logwood is shown in 1850 Lawrence Co. AL census, age 36, living by with dau Mary E., age 15, in household of Thomas P. Kimbell, age 32. Is Thomas her brother? When did Edward die? Who were Mary's parents? Her dau Mary Elizabeth Logwood m 1853 Morgan Co. AL to Atabalipa Columbus Stuart, b 1832 Madison Co. AL, s of Atabalipa Stuart. Mary Elizabeth Stuart d ca 1878 Shelby Co. TN leaving 6 children. 1880 census of DeSoto Co., MS shows Mary P. Logwood living with grandson Edward Logwood Strart. Correspondence welcomed on all lines.

🖈 Frances Bickford, 3735 Hulen Park, Fort Worth, TX 76109

815 DAVISON, ELLIOTT, BORUM, HOLLAND, MCCRARY

Thomas Davison b 1802 VA, d bef 1870 Lawrence Co. AL, m Jane Elliott 1820 Lawrence Co. She d/o Samuel Elliott, Sr. and sis of Samuel, Jr. settlers in Lawrence Co. in 1818 from TN. She d ca 1842, he m 2nd wife Elizabeth Weatherford 1845 Limestone Co. 1850 census shows children: Thos. R. 22, Samuel E. 25, Maneroia 26, Adalene 23, John 14, James 13, Jane 10, Wm 8 (first marriage), Eliza 4, Robert 1/12. Samuel and Wm went to Madison Co. by 1860. John killed at Shiloh. No info on others. What is connection bet this family and Thos. R. Davison who m Martha Jane Borum Oct 1870 Lawrence Co.? He not in 1870 Lawrence census but in 1880 are in 47 b Al. parents b Al. Family story places death in 1888 1880 age is 47, b AL, parents b AL. Family story places death in 1888 Hillsboro but Bible shows 1893. Seek info his parents, etc. Name often spelled Davidson in records. Contact bet these two families maintained today but exact relationship lost. Will exch info on these families as well as Holland and McCrary who settled in Lawrence by 1818. Rebecca G. Patterson, Rt. 3, Box 315, Fair Grove, MO 65648

816 SMITH, VINES, FLANIGAN, BRANOM

Would like to learn from where in NC ca 1838, L(ewis?) Y. and Cathrine R. Smith migrated to Red River Co. TX (now Upshur Co.). Oldest child Mary Ann had a dau named Marietta Vines b in TN, then Mary Ann m Drury David (Uncle Dave) Flanigan and had large fam. Did the L. Y. Smiths also liv in TN for a while and leave other children there? Their 1st (known) son was Henry E. Smith who m Julia Ann Branom, d/o Capt. Merritt Branom (sea captain) in Upshur Co. TX. Another son was Lewis Cass Smith. Will gladly return postage.

★ Evelyn R. Stern, 618 Shadwell Dr., San Antonia, TX 78228

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817 COOPER

Need birth, ancestors, relatives of Benjamin Cooper, prob b ca 1792. Served in War of 1812 from Madison Co., M.T. Benjamin, George & Waid Cooper on 1813 Madison Co. M. T. tax list. Were they related? Any info on George or Waid? Benjamin in Lawrence Co. AL by 1820. May have gone to MO bef settling in TX in 1840's. Did he fight for TX Independence?

JOHNSTON, HODGES, BALLINGER

Martha (Patsy) Elizabeth Johns(t)on d/o of Samuel & Elizabeth Ballinger Johns(t)on was 1st w of Fleming Hodges, Sr. Need proof. Believe married mid to late 1790's. One dau b 1800. Saunders wrote she was from Madison Co., others say she m in Warren Co. GA. Patsy d bef 14 Apr 1823 when Fleming m another Martha (Patsie). Need ancestors & military record of Samuel Johns(t)on, Sr. Liv in Henry Co. VA until ca 1790; in Warren Co. GA by 1799; then to Madison Co., M.T.; will probated Limestone Co. AL Feb 11, 1833. Will exch info.

★Lois Preuit Turner, Rt. 1, Box 524, Kingsville, TX 78363

818 BURTON, DERRICK, DANIEL

Williams T. Burton and w Mary were b ca 1801 and 1810. In 1840 Madison Co. AL census with others of same surname. Around 1842 migrated to Tippah Co. MS. Children: John S., Sarah Ann, Robert M., James W. Miles F., Wm Wesley, Lucy Jane & Allen Franklin. Believe Williams T. Burton had 3 bros: Miles R., Thomas & Robert. Miles R. Burton m Mahalia Ethel Derrick in Madison Co. AL in 1830's, lived in Tishomingo Co. MS from ca 1840 until he settled in White Co. AR in 1850's. Thomas Burton m in MS (wife b Madison Co.) and followed his bro to White Co. AR. Robert & w Jane settled in Drew Co. AR. Williams T. Burton left Tippah Co. MS ca 1858 though some Burtons remained. Settled in Grant Co. in the community of Belfast (then pt of Saline Co.) AR. James Evans Daniel & w Polly (Mary) Burton tie in somehow, they remained in Tippah Co. MS. Any info about these families, maiden names of the bros' wives, and the birthplace, parents, siblings, etc. of Williams T., Miles R., Thomas & Robert Burton would be greatly appreciated.

**Brian Burton, 5 Longlea, Little Rock, AR 72212

819 DAVIS, KERBY, CROWDER, RODEN, HALL, DAVIS, HORTON, LEMAY

Need parents of Parilee Davis b 1868 Colbert Co. AL, m in Lawrence Co. AL, possibly Cherokee Indian. Marriage permission note signed by Marthia Kerby (mother remarried?). Would like to trade info with following families: Crowder, Roden, Hall, Davis, Horton and Lemay.

**Karline Crowder Miller, 4575 Timberline Ct., Batavia, OH 45103

820 JORDAN, DOBSON, DODSON

Seeking data for Andrew C. Jordan who m Elizabeth Dobson in Madison Co., AL 1811. Was he born in Augusta Co. VA? Would like to contact descendants of any Dodson living in Jackson Co. AL 1820-1850, especially James Dodson.

★ Mrs. William L. Price, 506 S.E. Ave. K, Idabel, OK 74745

821 CARTER, JACKS, MONEY

Milton Carter b 1797 & Meredith Carter b 1809 had 3 sisters: Rebecca b 1795 NC, Prudence b 1799 NC and Mary Nancy Carter b 1801 NC. All migrated to Jackson Co. AL by 1840. Can anyone confirm the following marriages: Rebecca Carter to Thomas Jacks; Mary Nancy Carter to Jacob Money; Prudence Carter to __? Money? All married before 1840. Stanley D. Carter, 712 Mint Springs Rd., New Market, AL 35761

822 SHEPHERD, SMITH, MULKEY, WRIGHT, GRIFFITH, NEELEY, PETERS

Need help on following families: John "Old Jack" Shepherd came to Crawford Co., AR ca 1828 from an area north of TN River next to Madison and Jackson Cos., AL. John Shepherd m Elizabeth Smith, d/o of John Smith & Nancy Mulkey. 4 known ch: James b 1805 VA; Rev. William Shepherd b 1807 AL; Mary "Polly" b 1809 AL; John "Young Jack" b 1814 AL. Old Jack & younger ch returned to AL & listed in 1830 Madison Co. census. James & Wm remained in AR. Mary Shepherd m Isham Wright and had son James b 1830 Jackson Co. John m Elmira Wright. Mary & John returned to AR ca 1841. Elizabeth Smith had sisters: Sallie m John A. Griffith; one m a Wright; on m a Neeley, and brothers: Jesse and Elijah Smith. Rev. Wm. Shepherd m Sarah "Sallie" Peters b 1810 TN. Brother John L. Peters listed on 1830 Jackson Co. census. Could Henry or John Peters listed on 1830 Jackson Co. census be their father?

🖈 David T. Bunton, 613 South Commerce Ave., Russellville, AR 72801

823 BYRAM, COWEN

Seeking info on the following: Ebenezer Byram went to AL from TN in 1809. Levi Byram b 1778, d 17 Oct 1816 Madison Co. AL. Alden Byram b 21 Mar 1804 nr Knoxville, TN m Talitha Cowen 7 Aug 1823 Madison Co. lived nr Bellefonte or Gerey's Ferry.

★ Mary Byram Majors, 1204 S. 18th St., Blue Springs, MO 64015

824 BANKS, CARLETON

Seek info on James Banks b ca 1783 SC, m (1) Rebecca Carleton, (2) Ann Carleton, (3) Frances ? Ch b to Ann were Sarah Ann & Harriet.

Other ch were Ruth Jane, Lucinda & Levi. Where in SC was James Banks born? Who were his parents? Will exch info.

Frances Walker McGill, Rt. 6, Box 289, Tupelo, MS 38801

825 CRAIG, WORTHY, ALEXANDER, ASH

All from Lawrence Co., AL. Need parents of John Newton Craig 1826-1908 and parents of his wife Margaret Sarah Worthy 1841-1916. Also need info on Alexander and Ash families.

Dorothy Craig, 8702 Santa Ridge Circle, Elk Grove, CA 95624

826 HUMPHREYS, ORTON, RAY, EDWARDS, MORRIS, SEAT, LAWRENCE, HILL, NEILL

Rev. Sol. Capt. Benjamin Humphreys b ca 1758 VA, m prob Surry Co., NC to Jane Lawrence to TN ca 1796-1806, liv Williamson Co. where Jane d 22 Jul 1808 leaving 9 ch. Capt. Benjamin d 27 Jul 1814, left will. Ch: Jincey (Jane) b ca 1792 m 6 Mar 1806 David Orton; Daniel Jones b 7 Apr 1795 Surry Co. Co. m Margaret (Peggy) Seat 1815 Davidson Co., d Gibson Co. TN 29 Jan 1838; Willie Jones m Levica Link 1817 Davidson Co.; Elijah m Elizabeth Morris 1834 Dickson Co., on 1840 census; Hester b ca 1804-08 m John Alexander Neill ca 1826; Polly (Mary) m Wm Ray 1821; Sally (Sarah) m Peter Edwards 1821; Anna m Hezekiah Hill 1821; Harriet m Samuel B. Orton 1822. Need parents of Benjamin Humphreys and Jane Lawrence. Need marriage of Hester and any info on above.

827 BROOKS, GOLDEN

Is Frances B. Brooks wife of William Golden b ca 1750 (Rev Sol)? He d ca 1810/1820 GA. As widow Frances (Brooks) Golden on 1830 census age 60-70. By 28 Sep 1838 she received 160 a. in Cherokee Co. GA as wid of a Rev. War soldier. Living nr her in Wilkes Co. GA was Christopher Brooks. Was he her brother?

Mrs. Louis O. Brackeen, 207 Villa Fontaine Apts., 1520 Carridale SW, Decatur, AL 35601

828 MADDOX

Need info on parents of John Wilson Maddox b 1850 GA, and wife Nancy Adeline ? b 1854 MS. His parents b GA/SC, hers b AL. J. W. and Nancy Adeline b Salem Cem nr Hickory Flat Schoolhouse between Rienzi and Jacinto in Alcorn Co. Last known residence in Prentiss Co. Dau Ada believed buried with them. All graves unmarked. J. W. died 1923, Nancy d prior to 1900. My grandfather, George L. Maddox was their eldest. G. L. lived entire life in Alcorn Co., in Macedonia community between Corinth and Jacinto. Other ch: Della E. (Maness) b 1877 MS; Ada b 1879 TX; Richard b 1880 TX; Benjamin F. b 1883 TX (m Rebecca Doty of Blackland); Amanda b 1885 MS; John Wilson b 1888 MS; Mary A. b 1891 MS; Jennie Rose b 1839 MS.

FLANAGAN/FLANAGIN/FLANIGAN, STEENSON, MADDOX, NEWMAN

My grandmother, Mary Shelby Flanagan b 1879 MS, m George L. Maddox & lived in Alcorn Co. all their lives. Her parents were Thomas J. Flanagan b 1833 MS and Nancy J. Newman b 1840 MS. Tom's parents were Bryant Flanagan b 1791 SC and Elizabeth Steenson b 1795 SC who m in Lawrence Co. AL Dec 1825 and moved to present Alcorn Co (Old Tishomingo Co.) MS ca 1833. Need info prior to their residence in AL. Bobby W. Mays, P. O. Box 285, Fort Meade, SD 57741

829 CARLETON, HOLDER, WANN, LEDBETTER

Need info on Thomas Carlton b ca 1803 NC, m Sarah ? b TN ca 1811.

Believe they lived nr Winchester, TN prior to coming to Jackson Co. AL.

Lived on Little Coon Creek ca 1840. Eldest son John Winston Carlton
b ca 1825 prob TN, m Margaret Holder b ca 1825 AL. Info needed on her
parents. William Wann b ca 1823 AL m Catherine Ledbetter b MO, dau of
Pleasant Ledbetter and Elizabeth ?

George H. Carleton, P. O. Box 593, Depoe Bay, OR 97341



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