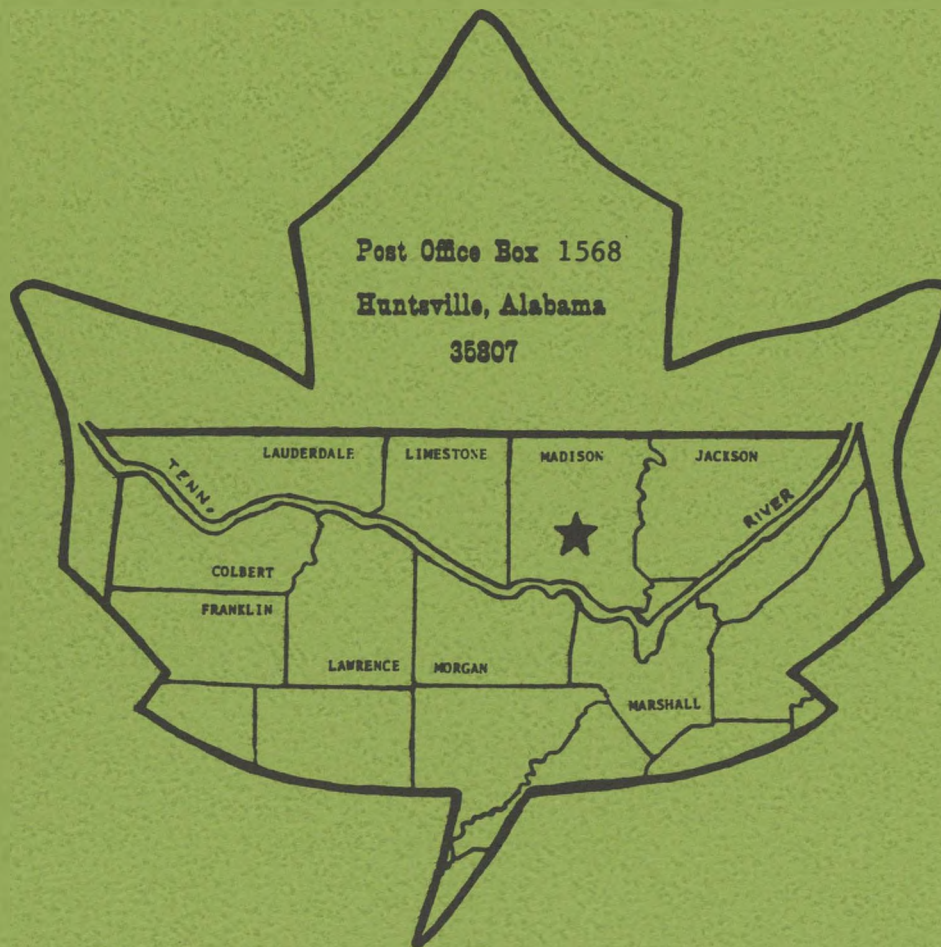


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Book Reviews



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THE HISTORY OF MORRIS COUNTY [Texas], VOLUME I: The Public Cemetery of Omaha, Texas, edited and annotated by James Reggie Talley, 5-1/4 x 8-1/2 paper, 67 pages. Order from: James R. Talley, 7709 LaVerdura, Dallas, Texas 75248.

This first volume in "The History of Morris County," Texas was published for the Centennial Anniversary of Omaha in 1982. The book begins with a history of the Omaha Cemetery whose earliest marked grave is that of Mancel Pope who died 2 February 1851.

An analysis of the origin of Omaha families shows a strong tie with our TVGS region. "The Omaha Community is indebted to those pioneers who brought their families to Texas. Other areas have contributed significantly, but none in the numbers contributed by Jackson County, Alabama."

UNPUZZLING YOUR PAST by Emily Anne Croom, 8-1/2 x 11, soft cover, index. \$7.95. Available from The Berkshire Traveller Press, Stockbridge, MA 01262

"How many of your eight great-grandparents can you name?" begins Emily Anne Groom's "Unpuzzling Your Past," an excellent guide for those newly interested in genealogy. Mrs. Croom's book introduces the techniques and forms used in genealogical and family history research. The research suggestions in the text are supported by appendices that include a glossary, needed abbreviations, a list of libraries and archives in the United States, and reproducible census forms and family record charts.

THE GEORGIA BLACK BOOK by Robert Scott Davis, Jr., hard cover, 402 pages, indexed, \$35.00; Order from Southern Historical Press, Inc., P. O. Box 738, Easley, SC 29640

From "Horse thieves and other charming people" to "murderers and murder victims," Robert Davis guides us through "The Georgia Black Book: Morbid, Macabre, and Sometimes, Disgusting Records of Genealogical Value." While not the most "popular" of genealogical sources, records of the criminal justice system and of the mental health agencies can provide much information for a family history. Here could be an explanation of why "Uncle George" suddenly left the state, or why no one in the family will talk about "Aunt Jane." Good reading even if you have no one in Georgia. Perhaps the full-name index of more than 10,000 names will lead you to exclaim: "At last, a book about my family!"

WRITE IT RIGHT by Donald Ray Barnes and Richard S. Lackey. Lyon Press, Ocala, Florida. 1983. 138 pages, indexed. Soft cover. \$6.00 plus \$1.00 postage, Maryland residents add 5% sales tax. Order from D. R. Barnes, Assoc., Box 5755, Rockville, MD 20855-0755.

Written as a companion volume to "Cite Your Sources," Barnes and Lackey's "Write it Right" offers sound advice to the potential author of a genealogy or family history. Beyond the necessary techniques of outlining, writing the text and preparing the final draft, "Write it Right" provides concise explanations of four of the more popular generation-numbering systems. Appendices provide lists of proofreaders' marks and commonly used abbreviations.

"Write it Right" provides the encouragement and guidance that many researchers need to compile the notes of their research and write.

CHEROKEE BLOOD NEWSLETTER, edited by Shirley Hoskins, quarterly, \$12.00 per year. Order from P. O. Box 22261, Chattanooga, TN 37422.

The purpose of "Cherokee Blood Newsletter" is stated as providing "a means of communication between those interested in Cherokee Indian Genealogy." The Spring, 1983 issue contains a brief explanation of Federal records pertaining to the Cherokees and a roll of Cherokee volunteers in the War of 1812. Summer, 1983's issue includes hints on research at the National Archives and various lists of Cherokees from Federal records, as well as excerpts from the "Cherokee Advocate," a newspaper published in the Cherokee language. A much needed publication.

Book Reviews (-continued-)

WRIGHT FAMILY WORKBOOK, 8-1/2 x 11, published Jan., May, and August. \$10.00 per year. Order from "Claudette's," P. O. Box 37010, Bloomington, MN 55431 [The January, 1984 review issue contained 42 pages.]

Published as a research aid to make available collected (and to be collected) information, "The Wright Family Workbook" offers researchers of the Wright and allied lines to assist each other in compiling their family histories. This premier issue contains Revolutionary War, marriage, cemetery, and census records from various states. Family records and queries are included.

WOODSON WATCHER PLUS ALLIED LINES, Marilyn Goza Longobardi, editor. 8-1/2 x 11, published November, and July. \$12.00 per year. Order from "Claudette's" P. O. Box 37010, Bloomington, MN 55431 (July, 1983, Vol. I, No. 3 reviewed)

This issue of "Woodson Watcher" has family data from Georgia, Missouri, Kentucky, Virginia, and South Carolina. Items included are the obituary of Matthew Woodson of Woodsonville, Ky; the Woodson lineage of Frank and Jesse W. James; and records from the Bible of Alexander and Elizabeth Woodson Trent of Virginia. Queries and lineages of subscribers round out the issue. An index for Volume One will be published. Future volumes will be indexed by issue.

THE THREE BELLS, quarterly, 8-1/2 x 11, \$10.00 per year. Order from Mrs. Molly Reigard, 1321 Gum Tree, Huffman, Texas 77336. (May, 1983, Issue No. 12 reviewed - 12 pages.)

Mrs. Reigard serves as the editor of "The Three Bells," a publication "devoted to the research of the Bell family." First published in 1980, the quarterly furnishes lists of Bell family researchers and family reunions, abstracts of census data, ancestor charts of subscribers, and queries. There is no indication that an index is published. Books are accepted for review.

MY MCGEE and JOYNER FAMILIES by Helen Bowling McKnight. 8-1/2 x 11, 218 pages, full name index, \$20.00 Order from the author, 7702 Treeline Drive, SE, Huntsville, AL 35802.

Former "Valley Leaves" editor Helen B. McKnight has spent many hours with old documents, books, and her computer to publish "My McGee and Joyner Families." From Ireland to the Eastern United States and South to Tennessee, Mrs. McKnight traces the generation of her family.

While well-written and of legible format, the beauty of "My McGee and Joyner Families" is the documentation. All sources are footnoted and copies of many of the original papers are included. All of this topped off with a full-name index.

PROBATE MINUTE INDEX, LIMESTONE CO., AL., VOL. I, edited by Eleanor Schulte Frost. 8-1/2 x 11, soft cover. \$12.00. Order from Limestone County Historical Society, P. O. Box 82, Athens, AL 35611

The brief history of the settlement of Limestone County and of the county's courthouses is a fitting introduction to our fellow society's "Probate Minute Index, Limestone County, Al." This first volume of a proposed series is an index to the Probate Minutes of Limestone County 1818-1925.

The full name, alphabetical list gives reference to the specific minute book and page for each entry. The format is easy to read and to use. Limestone County Historical Society has published another excellent research aid.

THE 1850 CENSUS OF JACKSON COUNTY, GEORGIA, transcribed by Terri B. Boyd, 8-1/2 x 11, soft cover, indexed. Order from Terri B. Boyd, 3502 Ventura Road, Huntsville, AL 35805. \$14.00

Mrs. Boyd has published a very usable reference in "The 1850 Census of Jackson County, Ga." The foreword explains the format of the text and gives a synopsis of the data that is to be found in the census. The spacing of the text is such that there is plenty of room for those of us who annotate our books. The index is by surname.

Jackson County, Georgia was one of the "stopping places" for families on their way to North Alabama.

Book Reviews (-continued-)

THE GARNERS AND ALLIED LINES by Lucy H. Stewart. 8-1/2 x 11, hardbound, surname index. Available from Mrs. Vaughn M. Stewart, 620 Fagan Springs, Huntsville, AL 35801.

TVGS member Lucy Stewart has published an unusual family history—unusual in that "The Garners and Allied Lines" is illustrated with sketches drawn by Vaughn Stewart, the author's husband. The sketches, combined with family photographs and copies of documents, provide more detailed history of the descendants of John and Jane (Conley) Garner.

Allied lines included are Fincher, Hughes, Johnson, Kemp, Osborn, and Taylor.

THE EARLY HISTORY OF WHAT IS KNOWN AS THE EVERGREEN BEAT by Young M. Rabb. 5-1/2 x 8-1/2, soft cover, indexed, 94 pages. Order from Frank A. Luttrell, III, P. O. Box 303, Brewton, AL 36427.

In 1981, David L. Sanders and Frank Alex Luttrell, III, published "The Early History of What is Known as the Evergreen Beat" by their ancestor, Young Madison Rabb. Mr. Rabb's history of Evergreen, in Conecuh County, Alabama, was originally published in twelve installments in the "Conecuh-Escambia Star" 21 August 1879 through 31 January 1880.

The many names mentioned in the text are easily found through the full-name index that Mr. Sanders and Luttrell have prepared. Mr. Luttrell is one of TVGS's newest members.

HOW TO GET A MANUSCRIPT PUBLISHED by David Strode Akens, soft cover, 47 pages, indexed. Order from: The Strode Publishers, 720 Church St., Huntsville, AL 35801. \$1.95

David Strode Akens of the Strode Publishers prepared the booklet "How to Get a Manuscript Published" for the Alabama Writers Conclave. Advice is given for preparing the manuscript and searching for a publisher. Self-publication is discussed as an alternative to the vanity publishers. Mr. Akens writes: "Important though it is, how to get a manuscript published is less important in the final analysis than that a manuscript get published."

THE HERITAGE AND DESCENDANTS OF DAVID TALLANT OF GEORGIA by Winnie Bramblett Tallant and Nancy Tribble Heard. 8-1/2 x 11, soft cover. No index. \$14.50. May be ordered from Mrs. R. B. Tallant, Route 11, Box 626, Cumming, GA 30130.

Beginning with Thomas Tallant, a Revolutionary War Soldier from North Carolina, Mrs. Tallant and Mrs. Heard trace "The Heritage and Descendants of David Tallant of Georgia." David Tallant, born 14 June 1784, was the second son of John Tallant, Sr. David married Sarah _____ prior to 1808, fathered ten children and died in Forsyth County, Georgia on 6 January 1856.

A separate chapter has been prepared for each of the ten children (and their descendants) of David Tallant, Sr. The book is well illustrated with copies of documents as well as photographs.

CONCORD CEMETERY ASSOCIATION, edited by Mrs. Janette Tigert Cook, 1980, Tyler, Texas. 8-1/2 x 11, soft cover, 31 pages. Order from: the editor, 1618 Sequoia, Tyler, Texas 75703.

The "Concord Cemetery Association" provides a history of the Concord Meeting House and Cemetery in Morris County, Texas. The history includes a list of the Church's preachers since 1874. The building was erected in 1857. An alphabetical listing of the people buried in the cemetery gives the information from the tombstones and the quadrant of the cemetery where the grave is located. The print is quite legible.



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 Valley Leaves Volume 16, Number 1, September 1981.

Part X

Township 3, Range 3 East (continued)

Section 17

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Section 18

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Section 19

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Section 20

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Section 21

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 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ D. Berry

Section 22

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Section 23

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 Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ James Brewer

Section 24

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Decatur County (continued)

Township 3, Range 3 East (continued)

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Section 25

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 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Holden Nash

Section 27

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Section 28

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Section 29

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Section 30

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 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. D. Lewis
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ K. F? Daniel
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. E. Daniel, Sr.
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. E. Daniel, Sr.
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. E. Daniel
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. D. Lewis

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Decatur County (continued)

Township 3, Range 3 East (continued)

Section 34

$\frac{N}{2}$ of $\frac{NE}{4}$ Holden Nash
 $\frac{SE}{4}$ of $\frac{NE}{4}$ D. Kirkpatrick
 $\frac{SW}{4}$ of $\frac{NE}{4}$ Blank
 Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $\frac{E}{2}$ of $\frac{SW}{4}$ D. Kirkpatrick
 $\frac{NW}{4}$ of $\frac{SE}{4}$ Blank
 $\frac{SW}{4}$ of $\frac{SE}{4}$ J. Kirkpatrick
 $\frac{E}{2}$ of $\frac{SW}{4}$ Blank
 $\frac{NW}{4}$ of $\frac{SW}{4}$ Blank
 $\frac{SW}{4}$ of $\frac{SW}{4}$ J. E. Danils, Sr.

Section 35

$\frac{NE}{4}$ of $\frac{NE}{4}$ J. D. Smith
 $\frac{NW}{4}$ of $\frac{NE}{4}$ J. A. Flanagan
 $\frac{S}{2}$ of $\frac{NE}{4}$ J. A. Flanagan
 $\frac{E}{2}$ of $\frac{NW}{4}$ M. Walker
 $\frac{NW}{4}$ of $\frac{NW}{4}$ Holden Nash
 $\frac{SW}{4}$ of $\frac{NW}{4}$ D. Kirkpatrick
 $\frac{E}{2}$ of $\frac{SE}{4}$ M. M. Jones
 $\frac{NW}{4}$ of $\frac{SE}{4}$ J. A. Flanagan
 $\frac{SW}{4}$ of $\frac{SE}{4}$ P. L. Griffin
 $\frac{E}{2}$ of $\frac{SW}{4}$ M. Walker
 $\frac{W}{2}$ of $\frac{SW}{4}$ Felix Jones

Section 36

$\frac{E}{2}$ of $\frac{NE}{4}$ W. Freeman
 $\frac{W}{2}$ of $\frac{NE}{4}$ G. Gilliland
 $\frac{E}{2}$ of $\frac{NW}{4}$ T. Bingham
 $\frac{W}{2}$ of $\frac{SE}{4}$ Blank
 $\frac{E}{2}$ of $\frac{SE}{4}$ J. McCartney
 $\frac{W}{2}$ of $\frac{SE}{4}$ J. Lipscomb
 Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ Polly Derrick

Surveyor's District, Northern Part of Alabama, Township No. 4, Range No. 3 East. Surveyed in the 4th quarter of 1822 by Wm. B. Jones, Deputy Surveyor and signed by Jno. Coffee, Surveyor.

Section 1

$\frac{NE}{4}$ of $\frac{NE}{4}$ W. H. Light
 $\frac{NW}{4}$ of $\frac{NE}{4}$ D. Dobbs
 $\frac{S}{2}$ of $\frac{NE}{4}$ J. P. Brown
 $\frac{NE}{4}$ of $\frac{NW}{4}$ D. Dobbs
 $\frac{SE}{4}$ of $\frac{NW}{4}$ S. Meade
 $\frac{W}{2}$ of $\frac{NW}{4}$ J. Allison
 $\frac{NE}{4}$ of $\frac{SE}{4}$ S. Meade
 $\frac{SE}{4}$ of $\frac{SE}{4}$ W. M. Light
 $\frac{W}{2}$ of $\frac{SE}{4}$ J. Gilleland
 $\frac{NE}{4}$ of $\frac{SW}{4}$ J. Gilleland
 $\frac{NW}{4}$ of $\frac{SW}{4}$ C. Acord
 $\frac{SE}{4}$ of $\frac{SW}{4}$ D. Kirkpatrick
 $\frac{SW}{4}$ of $\frac{SW}{4}$ Blank

Section 2

$\frac{E}{2}$ of $\frac{NE}{4}$ I. Cargyle
 $\frac{W}{2}$ of $\frac{NE}{4}$ J. Robinson

$\frac{E}{2}$ of $\frac{NW}{4}$ J. Stewart
 $\frac{W}{2}$ of $\frac{NW}{4}$ J. Roberts
 $\frac{E}{2}$ of $\frac{SE}{4}$ J. Gilleland
 $\frac{W}{2}$ of $\frac{SE}{4}$ J. Wilson
 $\frac{E}{2}$ of $\frac{SW}{4}$ J. Wilson
 $\frac{W}{2}$ of $\frac{SW}{4}$ W? Lee

Section 3

Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ E. Kirkpatrick
 $\frac{E}{2}$ of $\frac{NW}{4}$ W. H. Glasscock
 $\frac{W}{2}$ of $\frac{NW}{4}$ J. Gentry
 $\frac{N}{2}$ of $\frac{SE}{4}$ S. Mead
 $\frac{SE}{4}$ of $\frac{SE}{4}$ E. W. Williams
 $\frac{SW}{4}$ of $\frac{SE}{4}$ J. Wilson
 $\frac{E}{2}$ of $\frac{SW}{4}$ S. Mead
 $\frac{NW}{4}$ of $\frac{SW}{4}$ A. Steger
 $\frac{SW}{4}$ of $\frac{SW}{4}$ S. Mead

Section 4

$\frac{E}{2}$ of $\frac{NE}{4}$ J. Bazoar
 $\frac{W}{2}$ of $\frac{NE}{4}$ K. Killingsworth
 $\frac{E}{2}$ of $\frac{NW}{4}$ S. (or I?) Meade
 $\frac{W}{2}$ of $\frac{NW}{4}$ D. A. Lewis
 Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ S. Meade
 $\frac{E}{2}$ of $\frac{SW}{4}$ G. Mitchell
 $\frac{NW}{4}$ of $\frac{SW}{4}$ K. T. Daniel
 $\frac{SW}{4}$ of $\frac{SW}{4}$ J. J. Fowler

Section 5

$\frac{E}{2}$ of $\frac{NE}{4}$ Mollie Turner
 $\frac{NW}{4}$ of $\frac{NE}{4}$ Mollie Turner
 $\frac{SW}{4}$ of $\frac{NE}{4}$ Donated to State
 $\frac{NE}{4}$ of $\frac{NW}{4}$ C. C. Clay, Sr.
 $\frac{NW}{4}$ of $\frac{NW}{4}$ Blank
 $\frac{SE}{4}$ of $\frac{NW}{4}$ Donated to State
 $\frac{SW}{4}$ of $\frac{NW}{4}$ C. C. Clay, Sr.
 $\frac{NE}{4}$ of $\frac{SE}{4}$ Mollie Turner
 $\frac{NW}{4}$ of $\frac{SE}{4}$ Donated to State
 $\frac{SE}{4}$ of $\frac{SE}{4}$ J. J. Fowler
 $\frac{SW}{4}$ of $\frac{SE}{4}$ C. C. Clay, Sr.
 $\frac{N}{2}$ of $\frac{SW}{4}$ T. McBroom
 $\frac{S}{2}$ of $\frac{SW}{4}$ D. McBroom

Section 6

$\frac{N}{2}$ of $\frac{NE}{4}$ Blank
 $\frac{S}{2}$ of $\frac{NE}{4}$ C. C. Clay, Sr.
 $\frac{E}{2}$ of $\frac{NW}{4}$ Blank
 $\frac{W}{2}$ of $\frac{NW}{4}$ L. Williams
 $\frac{E}{2}$ of $\frac{SE}{4}$ D. McBroom
 $\frac{W}{2}$ of $\frac{SE}{4}$ S. Whitely
 Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ Willis Ellett

Section 7

Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ W. H. Moore
 Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ N. Carrington
 Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ W. H. Moore, Sr.
 Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ Jno. M. Moore

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Decatur County (continued)

Township 4, Range 3 East (continued)

Section 8

$E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ J. J. Fowler
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ C. C. Clay, Sr.
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ J. McCartney
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ W. Mason
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ A. Christian, Jr.
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ A. S. Mitchell
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ F. Jones
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ C. C. Clay
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ J. Redmon

Section 9

$E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ L. & S. Mead
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ A. Christian, Jr.
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ W. McBroom
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ G. W. Lewis
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ Jno. Bazoar
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ W. Brandon
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ A. Christian, Sr.
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ A. Christian, Jr.

Section 10

$N\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ N. Sloan
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Geo. W. Houk
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $N\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ S. Mead
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ Nancy J. Thompson
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ W. Brandon
 $N\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ S. Mead
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ Nancy J. Thompson
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ S. Mead
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ A. S. Mitchell

Section 11

$NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ I. Jones
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ C. B. Hill
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ N. J. Thompson
 $N\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ S. E. & J. B. Poston
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ J. M. Allen
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ Geo. W. Houk
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ J. M. Allen
 $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ J. Summers
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ J. M. Allen
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ J. C. Haile

Section 12

$NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ C. B. Hill
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ S. Baker
 $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Silas Jones
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ I. (or S?) Findley
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $N\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ James O. (or P?) Clark

$NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ I. (or S?) Findley
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ James O. (or P?) Clark
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ Blank

Section 13

$N\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Nichols S. Wells (Walls?)
 $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Elizabeth A. Thompson
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ Nichols S. Wells (Walls?)
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ Chas. H. Owen
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ Elizabeth A. Thompson
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ M. Taylor
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ Elizabeth A. Thompson
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ W. N. Wisdom
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ Blank

Section 14

$N\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Amos Gibson
 $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ J. C. Haile
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ L. Echols
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ W. H. Johnson
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ J. S. Hales
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ W. Brandon
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ T. W. Brandon
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ J. S. Hale

Section 15

$E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ T. Brandon
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ W. Brandon
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ T. Brandon
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ W. Brandon
Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ J. C. Hale
 $N\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ J. Walker
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ K. J. Harrison
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ Blank

Section 16 (School)Section 17

$E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ A. Christian, Sr.
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ W. Keel
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ Donated to State
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ D. McDuff
Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Gibson (except part formerly in Andrew Lacy's Reservation to Mary W. Pugh)
Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ D. McDuff (except part formerly in Andrew Lacy's Reservation to: $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ to Mary W. Pugh, $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ to H. Langston)

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Colbert

SOUTHERN CLAIMS COMMISSION ARMISTEAD BEAN ESTATE CLAIM

The Southern Claims Commission was established by the United States Government in 1871 to reimburse pro-Union Southerners for damages they sustained by the North during the Civil War. There were 37 claims filed by individuals in Franklin County and 89 claims from Colbert County. Some of the claimants, such as the Armistead Bean estate, lived in Franklin County during the war but found themselves in Colbert County when it was carved from Franklin in 1867.

The following information was abstracted from the 55-page Southern Claims Commission's file Number 6506 of the estate of Armistead Bean who died after the Civil War. The file was obtained from the National Archives in Washington, D. C. This entire file is now in the Heritage Room of the Huntsville Public Library. Abstracted by Dorothy Scott Johnson.

Claim: For property taken by United States troops in War of 1861-65: One sorrel mule, 4 years old, valued at \$200; one black mule valued at \$200; and one saddle valued at \$15., totaling \$415.00.

Susannah S. Bean Deposition taken 7 March 1879 by John E. Donley

Susannah S. Bean was a daughter of Armistead Bean and is 36 years old. She was born in Franklin County and resided there until 1872 when she became a Colbert County resident. Her sympathies were always for the Union and she was willing and ready to aid the Union cause. She knows of no relatives in the Union military service. She contributed nothing to the Union cause but showed her loyalty to the Union through "conversations" and rejoiced at the final surrender of the Confederacy. The Union granted her no favors, privileges, or protections during the conflict but did show her courtesy. None of their property was taken by the Confederacy nor was she threatened with damage or injury by the Confederates as a result of her loyalty to the Union.

Susannah states the best known Unionists in her vicinity during the war were William Skinner, R. S. Watkins, John Seal, N. T. Underwood, Edward Hooper, Dr. Fred Anderson, A. P. Webb, and James Boyles. Mr. A. P. Webb was called to testify to the loyalty of her father.

One brother, James Bean, a resident of Colbert County, volunteered in the Confederate Army at age 42. Another brother, William, was conscripted and is now dead having never married and leaving no children. Another brother, Mortimore Bean, a resident of Colbert County, was conscripted at about age 20. All three brothers deserted the Rebel Army and went into the Union lines.

The children of Armistead Bean, besides herself, are:

1. James Bean
2. Mortimer Bean
3. Carrie Bean [also referred to as Caroline]
4. Catharine Blevins who died and left children:
 - a. Holman Blevins) All under age 16 when
 - b. Blanche Blevins now married to Charles Donley) war ended.
 - c. Charles Blevins)
5. William Bean, deceased
6. Gonsalver (Bean) Devaney, deceased, left children:
 - a. Thurston W. Devaney)
 - b. Cloudy M. Devaney) All under age 16 when
 - c. Matilda Devaney) war ended.
 - d. Catharine Devaney)

Carrie S. Bean Deposition dated 7 March 1879

Miss Carrie S. Bean states she is a daughter of Armistead Bean and is 28 years of age. She has been a resident of Colbert County since the county "was organized in 1872," but was born in, and was a life-long resident of, Franklin County prior to that time including during the war.

Southern Claims Comm., Armistead Bean Estate (-continued-)

Carrie S. Bean states her sympathies were with the North as her father was an uncompromising Union man. She did nothing for the Union cause as she was a lady and "could not do anything Except cooking for the Union Army when they came to our house."

She states that one of her brothers joined the Confederacy and the other two were conscripted. Her father furnished means to have them captured and imprisoned to keep them out of the army. The oldest brother was James Bean who enlisted at age 42. He is a resident of Colbert County. Brother William is now dead without heirs. Mortimer and William were conscripted but deserted and went into the Union lines. Carrie S. had two sisters. One was Catharine Blevins who died leaving three children (listed above) and Gonsalver Devaney who died leaving four children (listed above). [Note: Each sister failed to mention themselves as a daughter, and Carrie forgot to mention Susanna.]

James W. Ligon Deposition dated 7 March 1878

James W. Ligon states his age as 82 years, a resident of Colbert County, and he was a farmer for over 50 years. He is not related in any manner to the beneficiaries of the estate of Armistead Bean. Ligon has known the family about 45 years and during the war he lived about 10 miles from them, sometimes nearer. Ligon states he heard Armistead Bean speak in favor of the Union cause and that Bean was bitter against the Rebel Government. Ligon states he, too, was a Union supporter.

Charles Devaney Deposition dated 4 March 1878

Charles Devaney states he is 43 years old and a life-long resident of Colbert County. He is related to the Bean family through marriage as his brother married Armistead Bean's daughter. He has known Armistead Bean all his life and lived about three miles from him. During the war Devaney was in the Confederate service from 1861 until he was captured "on or about December 1863 and remained until the close of the war." Bean had expressed himself to be in favor of the Union and in about October 1862 he told Devaney to go home and keep out of the army. Bean told him that he had buried a Union soldier in 1862 when no one else would. Bean also supplied the 3rd Michigan Cavalry with information.

Devaney stated that Bean's public reputation was as a Union man and sympathizer. Neighbors of Bean during the war who could testify as to Bean's loyalty were R. S. Watkins, Joe Trimble[?], Joe Hollman, and Frederick Anderson.

Known prominent Union people of the neighborhood were R. S. Watkins, William Skinner, James Boyles, Alfred Devaney, Joe Bowling, Jack Willis, Ryley Spark, Isaac G. Barrett, N. T. Underwood, John Devaney, Uriah Dill and Andrew M. Warnock. Devaney states he was in favor of the Union until the war but he was pro-slavery. He also stated he did not know that the rebels would have destroyed Bean's property but he kept his own company from destroying any of it.

Carrie S. Bean Affidavit dated 4 March 1878

Carrie S. Bean said she was present when the property for which claim was made was taken. It was taken in the day time but she made no complaint because they carried the property off at once. The troops were on a raid and did not remain long enough to give a receipt or voucher. The property was in good condition and had a total value of about \$415 in U. S. money.

CONCLUSION

Mr. Bean died after the war and Ligon was his administrator. The deceased left several sons and daughters. Three of the sons were in the Confederate Army. "The testimony fails to impress us favorably. It is very general and without any significant facts indicating loyalty. The claim is disallowed." Signed by A. O. Aldes and O. Ferrin, Commissioners of Claims.

CHARLES BOWEN PALMER/ISABELLA B. (ANDERSON) PALMER BIBLE

Tuscumbia, Alabama

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title page not available.]

FAMILY RECORD

MARRIAGES

[1]

C. B. Palmer and Isabella B. Anderson married Feby 28th, 1849
 Martha O. Palmer and E. L. Cammack of Coahoma County, Miss. married
 Oct. 10th, 1877
 Charles R. Palmer and Sudie Huston Jan. 19, 1888
 Beverly F. Palmer and Martha R. Wise of Jonestown, Miss., Dec. 1, 1896
 Chas. Beverly Palmer married Marianne Woodward July 26, 1944

BIRTHS

[2]

[Charles Bowen Palmer born New York, 26 Feb. 1819]

Mary Bowen Palmer Born February 2^d 1850
 Martha Octavia Palmer Born February 1st 1852
 Ann Eliza Palmer Born October 9th 1854
 Catharine Palmer Born July 8th 1856
 Charles Richard Palmer Born Friday October 28th 1859
 Edwin Palmer Born Nov. 3^d 1863
 Beverly Franklin Palmer Born June 27th 1867

Mary B. Cammack daughter of M. O. and E. L. C. born May 7th 1879 [3]
 Katherine Cammack Jan 17 [blank]
 Edward L. Cammack "
 Mattie Belle Cammack "
 Louise Cammack March 31, "
 Ethel L. Cammack "
 Charles Neil Cammack "
 W^m. Cammack "

James Huston Palmer son of C. R. Palmer June 21, 1889
 Charles R. Palmer June 12, 1891
 Mabel Palmer Sept. 11, 1893
 Frank Brandon Palmer July 21, 1898
 Bartelle Palmer son of B. F. Palmer March 11, 1898
 Charles Beverly Palmer Oct. 17, 1899
 Mary Louise Palmer Dec. 8, 1902



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Charles Bowen Palmer/Isabella B. (Anderson) Palmer Bible - continued

DEATHS

[4]

Ann Eliza Palmer Died July 26th, 1855
 Mary Bowen Palmer, wife of Philip Palmer and daughter of Benjamin &
 Hannah Bowen Died Oct. 27, 1862
 Philip Palmer Died July 11th 1879
 Catharine Palmer Died Sept. 11th 1879
 Edwin Palmer Died Sept. 18th 1879
 "Lovely and pleasant in their lives, and in their deaths they were not divided."
 Charles Bowen Palmer, August 18, 1904
 Beverly Franklin Palmer died Dec. 8, 1910
 Isabella B. Palmer, wife of C. B. Palmer entered into rest Oct. 13, 1911
 Charles Richard Palmer died July 26, 1917
 Mary Bowen Palmer died Feb 18th 1920
 Bartelle Palmer, son of B. F. Palmer died 1965, Memphis, Tenn.
 Marianne W. Palmer died June 19, 1968
 Charles Beverly Palmer died Sept. 9, 1978

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



SHEFFIELD TOMBSTONE INSCRIPTION

Byrd Cemetery, Colbert County, southwest of Tuscumbia
R11W, T4S, NE 1/4 Section 31

In memory
 of
 PATRICK H. SHEFFIELD
 Born Sept. 12th, 1813. Died
 Decr. 6th, 1834 for want of
 Skill in a pretended physician
 Then basely slandered
 By the quack imposter
 After thus depriving him
 of life



Contributed by the late Allen W. O'Reilly of Russellville, AL.



Franklin



1907 CONFEDERATE CENSUS

(Third Installment)

For the detailed introduction to this series see Valley Leaves, Volume 17, No. 4 (June, 1983). This census was authorized by the Legislature for pension purposes and includes all veterans who were residents of the state at the time.

54. Hiram Marion Murphree Rara Avis, Mississippi Mr. Murphree was born October 18, 1845 in Franklin County, Alabama. He entered service as a private in August, 1862 at Iuka, Mississippi in Moreland's Regiment of Cavalry and continued until May 7, 1865 when he was paroled at Iuka, Mississippi. [Note: Mr. Murphree probably lived in Alabama but had a mailing address at Rara Avis in Itawamba County, Miss.]
55. John William Morrison Newburgh, Alabama Mr. Morrison was born August 22, 1842 in Franklin County, Alabama. He entered service as a private in May, 1861 at Newburgh, Alabama in Company A of the 27th Alabama Regiment of Infantry and continued until 1865 when he was paroled at Nashville, Tenn.
56. Henry Harrison Moore Belgreen, Alabama Mr. Moore was born December 27, 1840 at Russellville, Franklin County, Alabama. He entered service as a private November 1, 1862 at Russellville, Alabama in the 27th Alabama Regiment of Infantry and continued until May 17th [no year given] when he was paroled at Pond Springs, Alabama.
57. Richardson Greene Malone Pleasant Site, Alabama Mr. Malone was born February 6, 1831 in McNairy County, Tennessee. He entered service as a private in October, 1851 at Cherokee, Alabama in Company L of the 4th Alabama Regiment of Cavalry and continued until May, 1865 when he was paroled at Pond Springs, Alabama.



ON THE WAY TO MANASSAS. A VIRGINIA SCENE IN '61.

58. Edwin Vinson Malone
Rockwood, Alabama

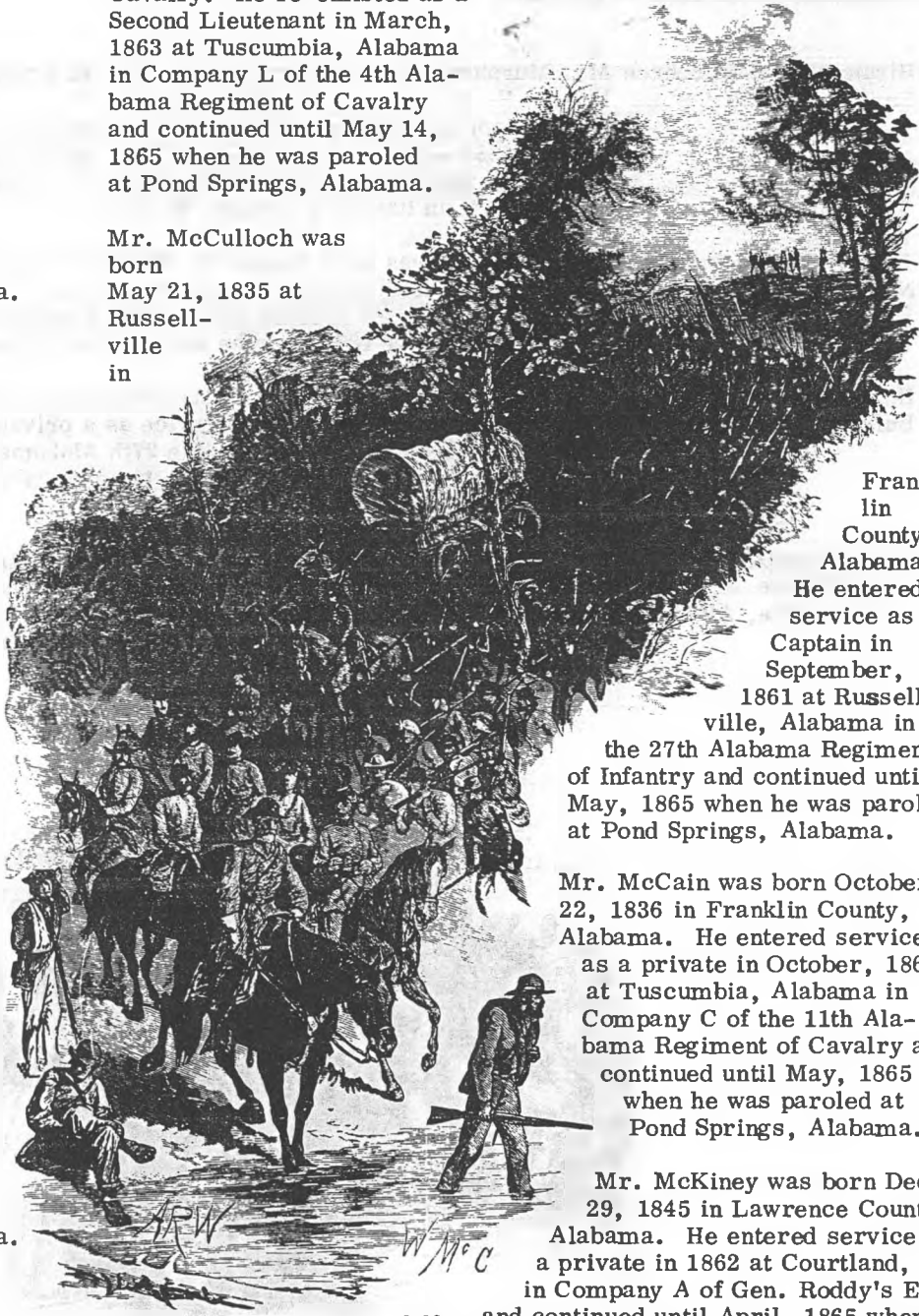
Mr. Malone was born August 19, 1847 in Franklin County, Alabama. He entered service as a private in October, 1864 at Cherokee, Alabama in the 4th Alabama Regiment of Cavalry and continued until April, 1865 when he was paroled at Pond Springs, Alabama.

59. Robert Davis Malone
Russellville, Alabama

Mr. Malone was born August 17, 1836 in Franklin County, Alabama. He entered service as a private in August, 1861 at Courtland, Alabama in Company E of the 15th Alabama Regiment of Infantry and continued until March, 1863 when he was transferred to the Cavalry. He re-enlisted as a Second Lieutenant in March, 1863 at Tuscumbia, Alabama in Company L of the 4th Alabama Regiment of Cavalry and continued until May 14, 1865 when he was paroled at Pond Springs, Alabama.

60. Thomas Ellett
McCulloch
Russellville, Ala.

Mr. McCulloch was born May 21, 1835 at Russellville in



Franklin County, Alabama.

He entered service as a Captain in September, 1861 at Russellville, Alabama in the 27th Alabama Regiment of Infantry and continued until May, 1865 when he was paroled at Pond Springs, Alabama.

61. William Riley
McCain
Mehama, Ala.

Mr. McCain was born October 22, 1836 in Franklin County, Alabama. He entered service as a private in October, 1862 at Tuscumbia, Alabama in Company C of the 11th Alabama Regiment of Cavalry and continued until May, 1865 when he was paroled at Pond Springs, Alabama.

62. Houston Alexander
McKinney
Spruce Pine, Ala.

Mr. McKinney was born Dec. 29, 1845 in Lawrence County, Alabama. He entered service as a private in 1862 at Courtland, Ala. in Company A of Gen. Roddy's Escort and continued until April, 1865 when he was paroled at Pond Springs, Alabama.

RETREAT OF LEE'S ARMY AFTER GETTYSBURG.

63. Albert Webb McIntosh
Spruce Pine, Alabama
Mr. McIntosh was born Mary 3, 1847 in Morgan County, Alabama. He entered service as a private on October 1, 1861 at Iuka, Mississippi in Company K of the 2nd Mississippi Regiment of Infantry and continued until December, 1862 when he was discharged at Richmond, Virginia. He re-enlisted in February, 1863 at Iuka, Mississippi in the 4th Alabama Regiment of Cavalry and continued until April, 1865 when he was paroled at Iuka.
64. John Duncan McRae
Pleasant Site, Alabama
Mr. McRae was born August 16, 1845 in Marengo County, Alabama. He entered service as a private in August, 1864 at Dickson, Alabama in Company J[I?] of the 4th Alabama Regiment of Cavalry and continued until May, 1865 when he was paroled at Pond Springs, Ala.
65. Presley McMicken
Russellville, Alabama
Mr. McMicken was born September 9, 1836 in Lawrence County, South Carolina. He entered service as a private in August, 1862 at Landersville, Alabama in Company A of the 4th Alabama Regiment of Cavalry and continued until May 17th [no year given] at Pond Springs, Alabama.
66. James Polk
Montgomery
Russellville, Alabama
Mr. Montgomery was born May 25, 1845 in Marshall County, Mississippi. He first entered service as a private in January, 1863 at Burnsville, Mississippi in Company H of the 13th Regiment of Mississippi Cavalry and continued until May 16, 1865 when paroled at Iuka, Mississippi.
67. James Madison
Montgomery
RFD #1
Hargett's Mill, Ala.
Mr. Montgomery was born August 2, 1843 in Lawrence County, Alabama. He entered service as a private in September, 1863 at Pinhook, Alabama in Company A of the 4th Alabama Regiment of Cavalry and continued until May 5, 1865 when he was paroled at Montgomery, Alabama.
68. Patrick Merony
Russellville, Alabama
Patrick Merony was born March 17, 1836 on the ocean while his



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parents were coming to America. He entered service as a private in July, 1861 at Petersburg, Virginia in the 3rd Maryland Artillery and continued until May 10, 1865 when paroled at Meridian, Miss.

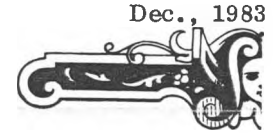
69. Thomas Ditmas Newel Phil Campbell, Ala. Mr. Newel was born November 25, 1840 in Tuscaloosa County, Alabama. He entered service as a private in October, 1861 at Tuscaloosa in Company F of the 50th Alabama Regiment of Infantry and continued until February, 1865.
70. Thomas Jefferson Parish Pleasant Site, Ala. Mr. Parish was born September 11, 1839 in Greenville County, South Carolina. He entered service as a private in June, 1862 at Guntersville, Alabama in Company C of the 48th Alabama Infantry and continued until April 9, 1865 when paroled at Appomattox, Virginia.
71. William Riley Petre Belgreen, Ala. Mr. Petre was born August 9, 1841 in Lincoln County, North Carolina. He entered service as a 3rd Lieutenant in October, 1861 at Iuka, Mississippi in Company E of the 4th Alabama Cavalry Regiment. He was paroled in May, 1865 at Pond Springs, Ala.
72. William Rollins Vina, Alabama Mr. Rollins was born January 28, 1840 in Franklin County, Alabama. He entered service as a private in the fall of 1861 at Knoxville, Tennessee in Company E of the 16th Alabama Infantry Regiment. He continued until May, 1865.
73. Isaac Jasper Rogers Burleson, Alabama Mr. Rogers was born June 2, 1836 in Jefferson County, Alabama. He entered service as a Captain in December, 1861 at Florence, Alabama. He served with Company B of the 27th Alabama Infantry Regiment until April, 1865 when he was paroled at Chesterville, South Carolina.
74. Robert Jackson Rea Spruce Pine, Ala. Mr. Rea was born March 29, 1844 in Franklin County, Alabama. He entered service as a Private October 10, 1861 at Holly Springs, Mississippi in Company G of the 27th Alabama Infantry Regiment and continued until April, 1865 when he was paroled at Pond Springs, Alabama.
75. Andrew Bufort Reed Russellville, Ala. Mr. Reed was born January 4, 1833 in Marion County, Alabama. He entered service as a private on June 15, 1862 at Tuscumbia, Alabama in Company H of the 16th Alabama Infantry Regiment. He continued until wounded and was discharged in June, 1864.
76. James Franklin Robinson Rockwood, Alabama Mr. Robinson was born June 29, 1835 in Franklin County, Alabama. He entered service as a private in August, 1861 at Tuscumbia, Alabama in Company H of the 16th Alabama Regiment of Infantry and continued until he was discharged October 18, 1864 at Forsyth, Georgia.
77. Thomas Coke Spraggins Newburgh, Alabama Mr. Spraggins was born June 2, 1831 in Robertson County, North Carolina. He entered service as an Orderly Sergeant in October, 1861 in Company A of the 13th Alabama Battalion of Cavalry and continued until April, 1865 when he was paroled at Decatur, Alabama.
78. Shepard S. Strickland Pleasant Site, Alabama Mr. Strickland was born December 27, 1835 at Pleasant Grove, Pickens County, Alabama. He entered service as a private September 20, 1862 at Baldwin, Mississippi in the Lane Guards of Lorient Regiment and continued until January, 1863 when he was discharged. He re-enlisted in September, 1864 at Selma, Alabama in McCall's Cavalry and continued until the close of the war.



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MARRIAGE RECORDS 1851 - 1856

(Tenth Installment)

This is the earliest surviving marriage book in Jackson County, the earlier ones having been destroyed during the Civil War. For the introduction to these records please refer to the September, 1983 issue. Continued from Volume 18, Issue No. 1 (September, 1983.) Copied and contributed by Dorothy Scott Johnson.

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267	James Kelso	Elen C. Starky	11-20-1855	11-20-1855	Joseph Minor, JP
268	W. J. McCoy	Mary Mathews	11-20-1855	11-22-1855	J. B. Golley[?], JP
268	Jesse J. Cox	Ella Hickman	11-22-1855	11-22-1855	C. B. Hill, JP
269	Wm. B. Stevenson	Angeline Cunningham	11-22-1855	11-22-1855	Wm. Stocton, JP
269	Eli J. Kitchens	Mary J. Dudley	11-28-1855	---	---
270	John Williams	Susan J.E. Sample	12-3-1855	12-4-1855	T. M. Hickman, MG
270	Daniel McCarly	Lucy Rutledge	12-8-1855	12-8-1855	Joseph Wilson, JP
271	George V. Houston	Elizabeth Lawrence	12-1-1855	12-2-1855	W. Bellomy, MG
271	Martin Proctor	Sarah E. Sharp	11-23-1855	11-23-1855	John F[?] Womack, JP
272	Caleb Browning	Elizabeth Belomy	10-31-1855	11-1-1855	Noah Shelton, JP
272	Solomon G. Belomy	Susan C. Foster	11-21-1855	11-22-1855	Noah Shelton, JP
273	Jackson Rouse	Tempy Sisk	12-11-1855	11-29-1855	W. A. Hood, JP
273	James Bain	Nancy Holder	12-6-1855	12-6-1855	Thos. Campbell, JP
274	Newton Evans	Mary E. Marsh	12-13-1855	12-13-1855	Jeremiah Walker, JP
274	Cresland Robinson	Martha J. Reece	12-15-1855	12-20-1855	B. B. Harris, JP
275	W. H. Wilmoth	Eveline Messer	12-15-1855	12-18-1855	Noah Shelton, JP
275	W. J. Johnson	Jane Messer	12-15-1855	---	---
276	J. W. Ellis	Mary W. Harris	12-17-1855	12-18-1855	M. P. Brown, MG
276	J. W. Lovall	Elizabeth Frazier	12-19-1855	12-20-1855	F. Fowler, JP
277	D. T. Bussan	Martha A. Stelam	12-21-1855	12-23-1855	C. B. Hill, JP
277	James T. Webb	Lawson L. Sharp	12-24-1855	12-24-1855	William Morgan, JP
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279	Joseph H. Williamson	Mary Parker	12-25-1855	12-26-1855	N. A. Wright, MG
279	Edward J. Maples	Francis C. Grizzell	12-26-1855	1-1-1856	J. P. Smith, JP
280	J. J. St. Clair	Mary F. Riddle	12-26-1855	12-27-1855	Wm. Belamy, MG
280	Joshua Miller	Elizabeth Smith	12-28-1855	12-30-1855	J. P. Smith, JP
281	Hugh McCabe	Hannah Short	12-29-1855	12-30-1855	James Austill, MG
281	John M. Ward	Nancy Rodden	1-2-1856	1-2-1856	James Austill, MG
282	Rily Stephens	Sarah Banks	1-4-1856	1-10-1856	W. A. Hood, JP
282	John Hudson	Mary Martin	1-8-1856	1-13-1856	W. A. Hood, JP
283	John McLemore	Nancy Calvin	1-22-1856	1-22-1856	John Law, JP
283	Thomas B. Parke* [*Parks in index.]	Martha A. Hudgins	1-12-1856	1-20-1856	W. H. Adams, MG
284	Joseph Clayton	Huldy C. Matthews	1-23-1856	1-27-1856	J. G. Bynum, MG
284	John B. Sanders	Rebecca Lee	1-23-1856	1-24-1856	E. C. Williams, JP
285	Newton Hackworth	Eliza Allison	1-24-1856	2-4-1856	A. H. Matthews, JP
285	James H. Hughin* [*Hughes in index]	Anjaline Kirby* [*Angeline in index]	1-28-1856	1-30-1856	John Law, JP
286	Jesse Evans	Delila Cawhorn	1-30-1856	1-31-1856	Wm. Belomy, MG
286	David N. Culver	Martha C. Isbell	1-31-1856	1-31-1856	James Isbell, MG
287	Benjamin J. Culpepper	Rachael A. Lowry	12-27-1855	1-2-1856	Enoch Floyd, MG
287	James M. Weldram* [*Waldran in index.]	Letutha Cunningham	2-11-1856	2-15-1856	Wm. Stocton, JP
288	W. H. Thomas	Susan J. Roulston	2-13-1856	2-17-1856	J. E. Pernor[?], JP
288	Hugh Owen	Notha J. Brinkley	2-12-1856	---	---
289	Henry Reese	Mary Morris	2-11-1856	---	---
289	J. H. B. Walker	Mary A. Lee	1-25-1856	2-28-1856	C. B. Hill, JP
290	Jonathan Wilson	Mary Bryant	2-12-1856	2-12-1856	C. C. Williams, JP
290	John M. Roberts	Jemima Frazier	2-19-1856	2-21-1856	Noah Shelton, JP
291	N. J. Fletcher	Mary Turner	<u>2-19-1856</u>	<u>12-30-1855</u>	J. P. Smith, JP
291	Isaac C. Deblee* [*Diblee in index.]	Sarah Har[Han?]	2-21-1856	2-24-1856	John Pettit, JP

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PRINCE CEMETERY

The following cemetery is located in Jackson County, Alabama in the Paint Rock Valley, Section 5, Township 2 South, Range 4 East. It was copied in October, 1979 by Betsy Collins of Huntland, Tennessee and TVGS member, Lois Robertson of Huntsville. It was copied in August, 1980 by Mrs. Walterine Sharp of Farmersville, Texas. It has also been copied in 1983 by TVGS member, Addie Katherine Shaver of Huntsville. Each copy has differences in dates, initials and even names. The cemetery is overgrown and very difficult to find. Many of the stones are disappearing. We have compared the differences and have shown significant differences in parentheses.

Promelie E. Allen
 May 18, 1846
 May 4, 1913
 Asleep in Jesus
 Footstone: P. E. A.

In Memory of
 Nancy J. Green
 Born Jan. 20, 1838
 Died Feb. 13, 1856
 Footstone: J. G.

In Memory of
 Mary Ann Houston
 Born May 13, 1845
 Died Oct. 13, 1873

In Memory of
 Sarah H. Reed
 Wife of George Reed
 Born 1836, Died Jan. 15, 1871
 St. John XXC
 Blessed Art thou that
 have not seen and _____
 have believed.

Gone So Soon
 Nora A., dau. of
 J. H. and N. A. Hall
 Born May 18, 1883
 Died Sept. 11, 1892
 [Note: Mrs. Sharp
 has Sept. 10, 1892.]

Footstone: W. R. M.
 Note: No other
 information;
 apparently the
 matching headstone
 is gone.

Gone but not forgotten.
 Carrie M. V. Green
 Born April 3, 1884
 Died July 11, 1904
 [Note: Mrs. Shaver recorded
 this name as Callie M. V. Green.]

In Memory of
 Martha Green
 Born Jan. 15, 1813
 Died Sept. 29, 1877

In Memory of
 Cynthia C. Green
 Born Sept. 20, 1856
 Died Oct. 10, 1871

In Memory of
 Hannah W. Beason
 Born Feb. 5, 1826
 Died Jan. 2, 1884
 Left a bright evidence of here
 faith in Christ. Aged 57 years,
 10 mo., and 27 days.
 [Note: Mrs Sharp had Hannah V. Beason]

In Memory of
 Mary Beason
 Born Sept. 16, 1827
 Died Nov. 12, 1854
 Footstone: M. B.

In Memory of
 Elizabeth D. Green
 Born Oct. 28, 1854
 Died Nov. 8, 1884
 Footstone: E. D. G.

Samuel H. Hall
 Son of Thomas & Sary Hall
 Husband of Mary R. Hall
 Nov. 10, 1855
 Sept. 7, 1883
 Age 27 yrs., 9 mo's., 27 dys.

Sarah Hall
 June 6, 1813
 Mar. 1896
 [Note: Mrs. Shaver copied:
 Sarah A. Hall
 July 6, 1813
 Mar. 13, 1896

Thomas Hall
 Born May 23, 1812
 Died Oct. 2, 1897

 --- Sept
 Lived about 6 hours
 [Note: Rest of stone missing]

In Memory of
 Nevills H. Bridges
 Born Dec. 1st 1815
 Died April 24, 1881
 Aged 65 yrs., 4 mos., 23 dys.
 [Note: Mrs Shaver: Born Dec. 4th 1815;
 Aged 65 yrs., 4 mos., 20 dys.]

Lucy Bridges
 Born in Lincoln Co., Tenn.
 12 March 1818
 Departed this life in
 Jackson Co., Ala.
 Jan. 14, 1894
 Age 75 years, 10 mo's., 2 days
 [Note: Mrs. Sharp: Born 12 May 1818]

J. H. Hall
 Sept. 3, 1862
 Mar. 3, 1899
 -----) No other info.
 S. K.) Square stone

There are about 20-30 native stone markers in this cemetery with no inscription. There is one large box tomb. The stones of Nevills H. Bridges and Lucy Bridges were enclosed in an iron fence.

The following information was donated by TVGS member Lorraine Baxter, 2937 N. W. 11th, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73107. Mrs. Baxter would like to see proof that her Gibson W. Bryant, who married Sara (Sallie) Craft, is the son of the above John Bryant. John died in Jackson County 29 March 1842. The destruction of the county records during the Civil War has hampered the tracing of John's descendants.

Pension Application Affidavit

State of Alabama)

)

Jackson County)

On this 22nd day of February in the year A. D., 1838,
personally appeared in open Court before me, Thompson M.
Rector, Judge of the County Court of the County aforesaid,

appeared John Bryant a resident Citizen of the County & State aforesaid, aged Eighty four years, who being first duly Sworn according to law doth on his Oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the pension made by the Act of Congress passed June the 7th 1832 (towit),

That he was Drafted into the Service of the United States for three months [in 1781] under Captain Anthony Winston under whom he served a Term of Three months.

At the time of entering Said Service he was a resident Citizen of the County of Buckingham in the State of Virginia & was marched by Said Capt. to Cabbin point where they spent some time & the only Troop Stationed at that point was the Regiment to which he belonged. The Said Regiment was Commanded by a colonel whose name he cannot Recollect. The Major in command there was ___[blank]___ Jones, his Lieutenant was by the name of Sap[Lap?] Walker & his Ensign [was] John Ganaway.

We marched from thence to Coopers Mill. There we remained until our Term of Three Months Service Expired and received his written discharge from Said Captian. They were in no engagements with the Enemy from the places last mentioned.

They marched home and again he States that about the 20th of August following, then being a resident of said County of Buckingham, State of Virginia, he was drafted for a Term of Three months under Captain John Mosely and marched to Little York. Before arriving at that place they Joined the Army & marched to that place with them. He cannot Recollect the principle officer that Commanded at that place, the number of ...[illegible]... Regiment he cannot recollect but believes ...

They continued at the place last mentioned until the surrender of Cornwallis and after that he, with others, guarded the prisoners to the Barrax[?] near Winchester in Virginia at which place they were Stationed until their Term of Three months Expired & was then Discharged at Little York. The Army was Commanded in person by General G. Washington.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and he declairs that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency of any state.

Sworn to and Subscribed to before me this 22nd day of February, 1835.

/s/ Thompson M. Rector, Judge of
the County Court

his
John + Bryant
mark

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INTERROGATORY

Question 1: When & in what year were you born ?

Answer: In Albemarle County, Virginia and thinks in the year 1754.

Question 2: Have you any record of your age and if so where is it ?

John Bryant Revolutionary Pension Claim (-continued-)

Answer: I have no record of my age. I did have but it was Destroyed.

Question 3: Where were you living when called into Service & where have you lived since the revolutionary war and where do you now live?

Answer: When I entered the Service both times I lived in Buckingham County, State of Virginia. Since the revolutionary war I have lived in Lincoln County, Kentucky; Adair County in the same State; Lincoln County, Tennessee; Then Jackson County, Alabama, then Back to Lincoln County, Tennessee; then Jackson County, Alabama where I lived about twelve years; then to Franklin County, Tennessee then Back to Jackson County, Alabama where I now live.

Question 4: How were you called into service; were you drafted, did you volunteer, or were you a Substitute and If a substitute for whom?

Answer: I was drafted both times as before Stated.

Question 5: State the name of Some of the regular officers who [you] were with & the troops in which you served such [as the] Continental & Militia Regiments as you can recollect and the General circumstances of your services.

Answer: I cannot recollect the names of many of the officers. My Captains were Anthony Winston and John Mosely. Major Jones commanded in the regiment to which I belonged I Believe. The ...[illegible]... I cannot recollect the names of any of the regiments. Generals Washington & Lawson are the only officers I can presently recollect and the general circumstances of my Service was embodied in my Declaration.


Question 6: Did you ever receive a discharge from the Service and if so by whom was it given and what has become of it?

Answer: I did receive 2 discharges, one from Capt. Anthony Winston & the other from Capt. John Mosely; the first of which had been Burned & the other Lost or Mislade same way.

Question 7: State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your Character for veracity & their belief of your Services as a Soldier of the revolution.

Answer: Ludwid S. Rector, Thos. Fondian[Fondren?], Robert Proctor Senr., William L. Snodgrass, Benjamin Snodgrass. Affiant states that he knows no witness in this State by whom he can prove his Services. There did live in the State of Kentucky Some years ago [persons] by whom he could have proved it but whether they are yet living he does not know.

Sworn to and Subscribed before me this 22nd day of February 1838.

John ^{his}  Bryant
mark

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On the front of John Bryant's file was the following information: Filed at Huntsville, Alabama. John Bryant, [a resident of] Jackson Co., in the State of Alabama, who was a private in the Company commanded by Captain Winston of the Regt. commanded by Major Jones in the Virginia Militia, term for 6 months. Inscribed on the Roll of Alabama at the rate of 20 Dollars and no Cents per annum to commence on the 4th day of March, 1831. Certificate of Pension issued the 5th day of March, 1839 and Sent to T. M. Rector, Bellefonte, Alabama. Arrears to the 4th of March 1839 \$200., Semi-annual allowance ending 4 Sept. 1839, \$10. Total \$210.00.

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THOMAS WILSON LETTER, 1846

The Capitol of Alabama was located at Tuscaloosa from 1826 (when it was moved there from Cahawba) to 1847 (when it was moved to Montgomery.) The following letter was written January 14, 1846 by Thomas Wilson, a member of the State Legislature from Jackson County, while attending a Legislative Session in Tuscaloosa and was addressed to Reuben Lackey Esqr.

The letter was submitted by Mr. Thomas C. Brewer of Tulsa, Oklahoma and is in the possession of Mr. Harold D. Bynum of Albuquerque, New Mexico. It is copied here verbatim. The words in brackets are clarifications of misspelled words and were inserted by your editor. The handwriting is sprawling and difficult to read. Some words are illegible and are denoted by dots (. . .)

The address on the envelope was to: Reuben Lackey Esqr., Ceuba[Cuba/Caba?], Jackson County, Ala. This town, or community, is apparently no longer in existence and we could not locate it on any old map of Jackson County. [Perhaps some of our readers can enlighten us as to the actual town name and its location.]

Reuben Lackey Esqr.
Ceuba Jackson County
Ala.

Dear sir,

Your favor of the 19 of december came to hand and I was glad to here that all was well and much gratified to here the defilty [difficulty] was seteed [settled] with James and Collins. I have now [no] news of importance to write we have bin in session forty six days and now [no] bill of importance has past in to a law as yet the joint Resolutions to ratify the amendments to the constitution has pased the house by a vote of 68 to 32 tha have not past the senate but I think tha will pass in that event we will have a long session tho I am anxious to Git home I want you to write to me on the Receipt of this and let me know whether Peter Gold has done the work I paid him to do or not if he has not tell him I want it done by the time I git home with out fale I received a letter a few days ago saying that there was some feeling be tween Thomston and Mr. Holland on thare settlement and my name had bin ..wged in and bikay[?] some feeling toward me in that case I have not said one word at any time but what I will say agane if Thomston has ~~said any thing~~ [marked out] brout my name in his settle-ment with them I think he has acted ungratefull. Say to J.N.H.*to hold title untill I come home I will not be misrepresented in aney case and lett it remain so anueff on that sire Just tell Milley God bless her and the children that I want to see them very much but I fear I will not Get home till February tell her I have not received one line from her I wrote to her and the children last month and thout I would have received a ancer bee fore this time I want you if Peter Gold has not made the Rales he was to make for me nor want [won't] by the time I get home hire some boddy that will make them and I will pay the money when I come home I want two or three thousand made all the timber that will split in the new Ground that P. Gold was to clear and thein that timber back of the orchard that blood down last spring I have sent you a paper every week I think and tha give you more news than I could write write and give me all the news in the nabour hood Give E. Phillips my best love and Thomas Gold and Isaac Bynum and Father all others that may inquire and leave a potion for your self.

Yours Truly

Thomas Wilson
January 14, 1846

*"J.N.H." was probably John N. Holland, a brother of William D. Holland.



Lawrence



CRAIG FAMILY

In 1955 the DAR published a state-wide compilation, in the form of an index, of "all" wills recorded in the state of Alabama. This book has been a big help to researchers trying to locate their ancestors in Alabama even though many wills were inadvertently omitted. One such will was that of John Craig of Lawrence County, Alabama. Because of the tremendous amount of information contained in this will we are publishing it in its entirety along with a Petition to Sell Real Estate. This information was compiled and contributed by M. S. Craig, M.D., of Little Rock, Arkansas.

On 22 November 1850 John Craig of Lawrence County, Alabama signed his Last Will and Testament and died the next month at age 77. On 13 January 1851 his will was presented to the Probate Court and proved by the subscribing witnesses. It was recorded in "Inventory and Will Record" Book "A" 1850-1856, Pages 22-24, in Lawrence County, Alabama.

Last Will and Testament of John Craig

I John Craig of the State of Alabama and Lawrence County feeling that my earthly existence is drawing to a close, in view of which I commend my soul into the hands of God who gave it, and my body to the dust from whence it was taken, and being desirous to dispose of my property I do hereby make this my last Will and Testament as follows. After paying all my debts and funeral expenses I do hereby will unto Nancy Craig, my wife, during her natural life, my plantation and appurtenances belonging thereunto, also my servant girl Sarah Emily, and so much of my stock of all kinds as I have. Also household and kitchen furniture as she may wish to keep for her own use provided she continues to reside on my plantation, but in case she does not remain on said plantation, I will unto her my Roan Mare during her life or one hundred dollars in lieu of said mare as she may choose. Also my clothes press, one bed furniture and all her clothing and as many books belonging to my library as she may want. The balance of my property [to be] sold to the highest bidder on a twelve month credit, requiring bond and security, which money shall be paid to my legal heirs, as follows:

To Andrews Craig five dollars; Nathaniel Davis five dollars, John L. Craig five dollars; they have received their rateable portion of said Estate heretofore.

And the balance arising from said sale, also from debts due me or may be due either by note or account when collected, to be divided as follows:

1st, Twenty Five dollars to the American Bible Society and Twenty Five dollars to the American Tract Society to constitute James L. Craig a life member of each of those societies.

The balance to be divided into five equal shares and distributed as follows:

One share to Margaret A. Crockett, formerly Farr. Martha C. Julien one share. James H. Craig [error: should be Samuel H. Craig] one share. James L. Craig one share, and Ebenezer Craig's heirs one share.

It is my will at the death of Nancy, my wife, in case she does not remain on my plantation, said land and negro girl Emily, together with all the property belonging to my estate that may remain, shall be sold and divided as above written to the last named heirs whose mother's maiden name was Elizabeth Andrews.

It is my will if my executors shall ever receive my Soldiers Claim that [it] shall be given to Martha C. Julien.

I do hereby appoint William K. Moore and William Davis of Lawrence County,

John Craig Will (-continued-)

Executors of this my last Will and Testament this November 22, 1850. Whereunto I do subscribe my name.

/s/ John Craig

Witness: Clement Ferguson
William Ash

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The above will was submitted for probate on 13 January 1851 at which time William Davis declined to act as executor, therefore, William K. Moore was appointed sole executor.

In a Petition to Sell Real Estate dated in 1852, there is a list of all the heirs of John Craig which gives their places of residence. This Petition was found on Page 357 of Lawrence County's "Probate Court Minute Docket" Book "A" 1850-1853. The heirs were listed as follows:

- (Andrews Craig of Crawford County, Missouri
- (James L. Craig of Lawrence County, Alabama
- All over age 21 (Rhoda Davis who is a Feme Covert, wife of Nathaniel Davis of Limestone Co., Ala.
- (Martha C. Julian, wife of James J. Julian, now a widow, of Weakley Co., Tenn.
- (Margaret A. Crockett, a Feme Covert, wife of _____ Crockett of Graves Co., Ky.
- (Samuel H. Craig of Marshall Co., Miss.
- (John L. Craig of Independence Co., Ark.
- James J. Craig, of age, of Weakley Co., Tenn.)
- Martha C. Craig, of age)) The children
- Margaret E. Craig, of age)) of
- Columbus F. Craig, a minor) all) Ebenezer Craig,
- Nancy M. Craig, a minor) of) deceased,
- Susan A. Craig, a minor) Hickman) who was the
- Mary Z. Craig, a minor) County,) son of
- Clarissa R. Craig, a minor) Kentucky) John Craig.
- Electa N. Craig, a minor))

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John Craig was born in 1773 in South Carolina according to the 1850 census of Lawrence Co., Ala. Positive identification of his parents has not been accomplished. On 17 October 1795 in Rowan Co., North Carolina, John Craig married Elizabeth Andrews, his first wife and the mother of his eight children. Below is a copy of this marriage bond of which the original is in the State Archives in Raleigh, N.C.

"North Carolina. We, John Craige and George Andrews of Rowan County acknowledge ourselves indebted to Richard Dobbs Spaight, Esquire, Governor, N.C., in the full sum of five hundred pounds current money of North Carolina.

"But to be void on condition that there hereafter appear no lawful cause to be had and celebrated between the said John Craige and Elizabeth Andrews by virtue of a license bearing equal date with these presents. Else to remain in full force and virtue. Witness our hands and seals this 17th day of October A. D. 1795.

/s/ John Craig
/s/ George Andrews

Witness: J. Troy, Deputy Clerk

OBITUARIES

The following obituaries were copied from the "Courtland Enterprise" and donated by TVGS member Mrs. Ola A. Johnson of Decatur, Alabama.

CLINTON HESLEP

August 7, 1896 Death of Capt. Heslep. Capt. Clinton Heslep, one of our oldest and most highly respected citizens, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. M. C. Hood, at Woodlawn, near this city on Wed. morning last between 8 & 9 o'clock.

Capt. Heslep was in his 86th year. Until six or eight weeks ago he was remarkably active for his years, but since then, under the weight of years, he has steadily been declining in strength until Wed. morning, when the final summons came and he passed peacefully away surrounded by loving relatives, who in his declining years had ministered loving and faithfully to his every want.

Capt. Heslep was a Pennsylvanian by birth, but in his early youth came to North Alabama, first locating in Franklin County. He married Miss Elizabeth Allen of Florence, Alabama, and five children were born to him, four sons and one daughter. Three of his sons had preceded him to the grave leaving two survivors, Mr. Lewis B. Heslep of St. Louis and Mrs. M. C. Hood of Lauderdale [County.]

In his early life Capt. Heslep was one of the most active and useful citizens of North Alabama and had a wide acquaintance. In all the relations of life he was a model citizen, a man of high integrity and nobility of character.

He served his generation well and leaves the heritage of a long life well spent. Taken from the Florence Times.

 COL. JAMES E. SAUNDERS

August 28, 1896 An Old Landmark Gone. Sunday afternoon, Aug. 23, [1896] at 4 o'clock the spirit of Col. James E. Saunders winged its flight to the bright and beautiful beyond.

Col. Saunders was probably the oldest man in Lawrence County having been born in Virginia in 1806. He came to Alabama in 1820 settling near this place, married Miss Mary Watkins in 1824, and enjoyed sixty odd years of married life, she having died about ten years ago. He leaves three children surviving him, Dr. D. D. Saunders and Mrs. Ella McFarland of Memphis, and Mrs. J. M. Hayes who resides at the old homestead, "Rocky Hill."

The funeral services were conducted by Rev. J. M. Terrell, pastor of the M. E. Church of which Col. Saunders was a consistent member. The interment was in the family burying ground near the residence.

Editor's Note: This is the James Edmonds Saunders who wrote "Early Settlers of Alabama," an important history and genealogy of residents of Lawrence and surrounding counties.

October 9, 1896 Mrs. P. W. Phinizy Dead. Thursday night between the hours of 12 and 1 o'clock, the soul of Mrs. Lucy Phinizy took its flight to the judgement seat of the all wise Creator.

Mrs. Phinizy had been sick for 13 weeks, and a great many times during that period she was thought to be out of danger, but an overruling providence willed it otherwise. A husband and three little boys survive her to whom we offer words of consolation and I point them to the Lamb of God who doeth all things well.

October 16, 1897 Mrs. J. M. Hayes Dead. At Rocky Hill last night the death angel laid his icy fingers upon the brow of Mrs. Hayes, wife of Dr. J. M. Hayes, and her spirit winged its flight to the land beyond. Only a few short weeks ago her father, Col. James E. Saunders, was summoned from the pain and sorrows of this world, and little did we think then that in so short a time his daughter would be called. Truly the ways of Providence are beyond the knowledge of man.

March 6, 1896 Tribute of Respect. To the S. S. of the Methodist Episcopal church of Courtland, Ala: Your committee appointed to draft resolutions touching the death of our lamented brother, S. W. Brown, formerly our treasurer, respectfully submit the following:

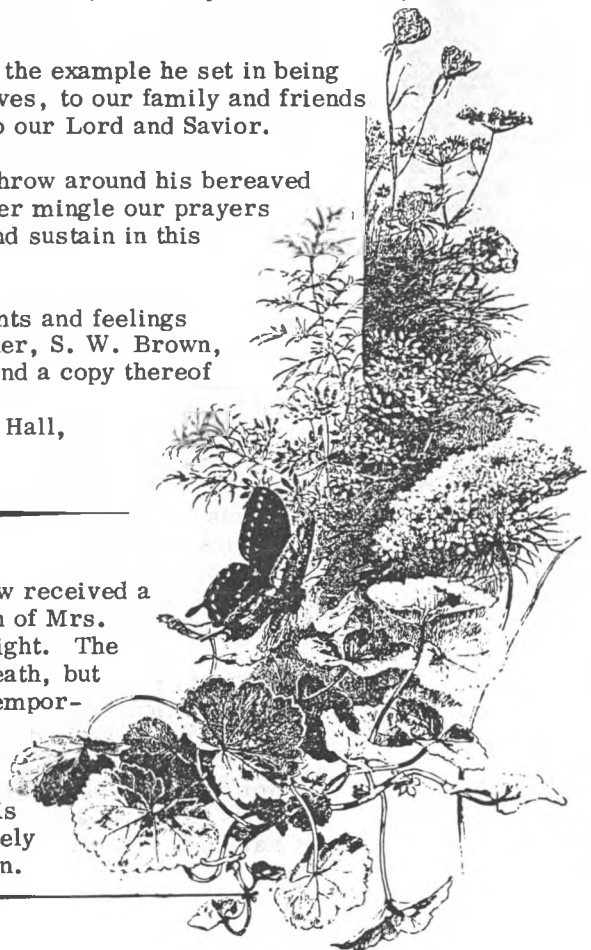
RESOLVED, that we strive to follow the example he set in being true to all the relations of life, to ourselves, to our family and friends to the S.S., our church, our faith, and to our Lord and Savior.

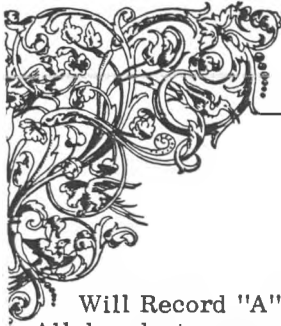
RESOLVED, That we in our hearts throw around his bereaved widow our sympathy and love, and with her mingle our prayers and tears, asking for grace to comfort and sustain in this affliction.

RESOLVED, That these our sentiments and feelings touching the death of our friend and brother, S. W. Brown, be recorded in the minutes of the S.S., and a copy thereof be sent to the wife.

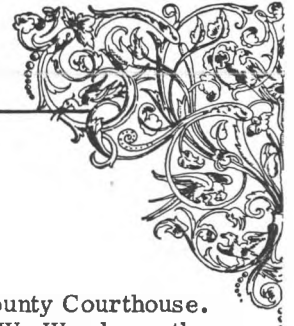
W. F. Melton, T. J. Pippen, L. G. Hall,
Committee.

May 22, 1896 Mrs. Wheeler Dead. Mrs. Dr. Crenshaw received a telegram Wednesday announcing the death of Mrs. Joseph Wheeler in Washington Tuesday night. The telegram did not state the cause of her death, but was very sudden. Her remains will be temporarily laid to rest in Washington, but will shortly be removed to the family burying ground near this city. The many friends of General Wheeler throughout this county, district, state, and nation sincerely sympathize with him in this sore affliction.





Lauderdale



WILL RECORD "A"

1835 - 1858

(Sixteenth Installment)

Will Record "A" is a large, red 316-page volume and is in the Lauderdale County Courthouse. All decedents were residents of Lauderdale County unless otherwise stated. B. W. Wood was the County Court judge and Wiley T. Hawkins was the Probate judge at the time these minutes were made.

Abstracts of the wills of Lauderdale County were first published in Valley Leaves in Volume 7 (Dec., 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 began in Volume 14 (June, 1980). Abstracted from photocopies by Dorothy Scott Johnson.

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EATON GRISSOM

Dated: 31 Oct 1855

Prob: 2 Sept 1856

... being weak in body and infirm by age but in sound mind and memory ... to be buried in a decent manner ... pay just debts and expenses ...

To my beloved wife, Nancy Grissom, all my property, real and personal, during her life-time or widowhood. If wife remarries she is then to have an equal share with the rest of my heirs. At wife's death or remarriage all my property to be sold and equally divided between:

- Sarah A. G. Harris [wife of Emanuel Harris.]
- Robert F. Chandler
- Henry A. Grissom
- Eaton S. Grissom
- Lewis A. Grissom
- Andrew H. Grissom
- Catherine B. Grissom

except Mary E. Grissom, who is a cripple; I wish Mary E. Grissom to have sufficient support, therefore, I give her \$2000 in cash to be loaned out at interest with the yearly interest to go to her support. At her death, if she leaves children, the money is to go to them, otherwise it is to revert to the other heirs.

The children, when they marry or come of age, are to all have as much as Sarah Harris and Eaton Grissom which was a horse, bridle, saddle, bed and furniture, sow and pigs, and two head of sheep.

Appoints Henry O. Grissom and Andrew H. Grissom, executors.
Witnesses: David J. Jones and Reuben S. Littleton.

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Petition to Probate Will
James H. Weakley

Dated: 22 Sept 1856

James H. Weakley of Lauderdale County, Alabama, died September 3, 1856 at Wilmington, North Carolina, after making a will. He died leaving a widow and the following heirs at law:
Samuel D. Weakley, a resident of Lauderdale County
Mrs. Elizabeth I. Donegan, wife of James J. Donegan of Madison County, Ala.
Mrs. Narcissa Scruggs, wife of John W. Scruggs, residents of Madison County, Ala.
Dr. Benjamin F. Weakley, a resident of Davidson County, Tennessee
Mrs. Sarah J. Webster, wife of James H. Webster, a resident of Maury Co., Tn.

Mrs. Mary S. Winn, wife of William M. Winn, residents of Maury County, Tn.

Petitioners Ellen M. Weakley, James J. Donegan, and James H. Donegan, pray for this will to be admitted to probate.

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JAMES HENRY WEAKLEY

Dated: 25 Jan 1851

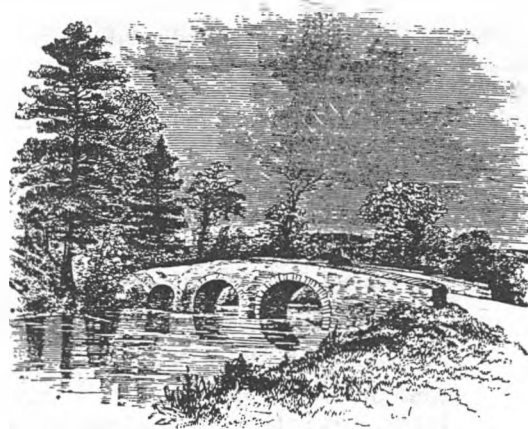
Recorded: 28 March 1857

Prob: 20 Oct 1856

... of sound mind, aged 52 years and upwards ... pay all just debts ...

My wife, Ellen M. Weakley, to pay my debts; I am bound for the large debt of the Florence Bridge Company and my executors are to use all honorable and lawful means to rid my estate from that embarrassment.

The house and lot in Florence, where I reside, (known as the post office and surveyor's office) being part of Lot No. 78, is to be sold. Also 25-3/4 wooded acres (Lot No. 409) and 20 acres (Lot No. 5) being part of the SE/4 of Section 3-3-11W near Florence and lying between the Coffee and Military roads and crossed by the road leading to Mrs. Matilda Bedford's home.



Having no children I give to my beloved wife, Ellen M. Weakley, half of my entire estate during her lifetime and the use of the other half during her natural life for the support of her and her sister, Catharine F. widowhood. They are to confine their expenses, if possible, to the annual income of the estate.

To my nephew, William Henry Donegan, my gold patent Severs watch and half of my estate at the death of his aunt, Ellen M. Weakley.

To the daughters of my brothers and sisters, equally, after my wife's death, the remaining half of my estate.

Appoints wife, Ellen M. Weakley, and brother-in-law, James J. Donegan, and nephew, James Henry Donegan, executors.

Witness: Neander H. Rice, Lucy E. Rice, Maria Louisa Jenkins, and Catharine F. Malony.

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GABRIEL BUTLER

Dated: 13 April 1856

Probated: 3 Nov 1856

... being in some degree weak in body but in perfect mind and memory ... my soul to Almighty God ... body to be buried in a decent Christian burial ...

To my beloved wife, Frances Butler, during her lifetime the plantation I reside on, a horse and mare, two cows and yearlings, hogs, household and kitchen furniture, farming tools, wagon, corn, meat and provisions on hand, the present crop, the negro girl, Harriet, plus \$50. now in her possession.

I have given my daughter, Polly Richardson, \$110; John Butler, \$110; Henry Butler, \$110; Elizabeth Phillips, \$110; Chisholm Butler, \$110; Gabriel Butler Jr., \$70; and Susan Barnett, \$20. The above sums are to be considered part of their distributive share of my

estate.

My five negroes are not to be sold, except Wiley if necessary, and are to be divided among my children: John Butler, Polly Richardson, Henry Butler, Susan Barnett, Chisholm Butler, Elizabeth Phillips, Gabriel Butler Jr., Francis Butler, and Sarah Butler. The children are not to sell the negroes.

At the death of my wife the property she held is to be equally divided among my nine children. My negro, Harriet, is not to be sold.

Appoints Stewart Wilson and Aaron Askew, executors.

Witness: Jack Phillips, Aaron Askew, and Thomas C. Nunley



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Date/Codicil: 1 June 1856

EDWIN B. WESTMORELAND

Dated: 24 May 1854
Prob: 14 Oct 1856

... pay my just debts ... being desirous that harmony should exist between my children after my decease ...

To my beloved wife, Lucy Westmoreland, 1/5 of my personal estate and 1/5 of my land, part of which I purchased of John Nail, Lewis Marshall, and Jourden Nippen, and part of which I purchased from the United States Government, totaling 360 acres.

To my grandchildren, Ann Bell Briggs, Mary Briggs, and Martha Briggs, the children of Sarah Briggs, now deceased, \$200. each to be paid to my son-in-law, Dr. Benjamin F. Crittenden, and by him to be loaned at interest until said grandchildren become of age or marry.

To the children of Frances McGuir [also written McGuier], my daughter now deceased, viz: William Wiley McGuir and Virginia McGuir, \$200. each subject to the same handling as that of the Briggs children except George J. Cox to receive the money.

The balance of my real and personal estate is to be divided between my six living children:
Mary Crittenden, wife of Dr. Benjamin F. Crittenden, less \$400. she has already received in the form of one negro boy.
Elizabeth Cox, wife of George J. Cox, less \$300. she has already received it being the value of a negro I gave her.
John Westmoreland, my son.
Virginia Westmoreland, my daughter
Lucy Westmoreland, my daughter
Eliza Westmoreland, my daughter.

My executors may sell my negroes, my lots in the town of Lexington, and all other property for the purpose of division.

Appoints son-in-law George J. Cox executor.
Witness: J. Coffee Simpson, Richard B. Baugh, and J. R. Mitchell

Codicil

Date: 19 Oct 1856

The sum of \$150 each instead of \$200 is to go to the children of Sarah Biggs and Frances McGuier. My son John Westmoreland is to handle the McGuier legacy instead of George C. Cox as Cox died since the execution of this will.

Since the execution of my will my daughter, Virginia, has married Dr. N. Leath, and I direct that she be charged with the sum of \$400. it being the value of a negro I gave her.

My son, John Westmoreland, to have my 1/3 interest in the mercantile firm (in Lexington) of W. T. Hawkins & Company. After said firm has been fully closed by my surviving partner my interest is to be paid to my son John. The reason is he will take care of his dear mother in her declining years and have the care of my two little daughters, Lucy and Eliza.



Appoints son John Westmoreland and friend John M. Davis, executors.

Witness: Henry W. Williams and William A. McPeters

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Petition to Probate Will
Wyatt Collier

Petitioner: William Patton, executor

Wyatt Collier died leaving a widow, Jennette Collier, and the following heirs:

Clara Adeline Walker Collier

Mary Elizabeth Collier, now married to Nelson K. Maguire of Maury Co., Tn.

Martha Jane Collier

Jeanette Collier

Alice Walker Collier

Executor petitions for probate of will, 21 Oct. 1856.

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WYATT COLLIER

Dated: 25 Sept 1856

Prob: 10 Nov 1856

... being in feeble health but of sound mind and memory ... pay just debts ...

My estate to be kept together until the general division for the benefit of my family who are to reside on the plantation. My family is to be maintained and my children well educated from the annual profits. During my wife's widowhood or natural life my estate is to be held in common for her and the children.

If my wife remarries she is to receive her 1/5 share of the personal property at that time.

As my children marry they are to be given three house servants but only if there is a surplus of over the necessary thirty-six (36) hands to work the plantation as that takes priority.

My children are to be well educated, preferring Southern schools to Northern schools, and schools near home rather than distant ones.



My estate is to be equally divided among my children at my wife's death. Any slaves given my children during my lifetime are to be considered against their distributive share of my estate.

My personal property is not to be sold unless it can not be equally divided otherwise. Try to keep negro families together. My real estate may be sold for division if necessary.

I appoint my esteemed friends, James T. Hargraves, John McAlester, William H. Key, and William Patton, executors.

My property is to be vested in my daughters and not under the control of their future husbands.

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If any of my children die without issue, her share is to be divided among the surviving siblings. If she dies with issue then her share is to go to her children or grandchildren.

My children are to be kind to one another and also kind to the slaves in sickness and in health, protecting them against injustice and unnecessary severity. "Slaves have no other protection than the feeling justice of the owner."

Witness: N. Rowell and J. M. Hood.

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THOMAS MOORE

Dated: 24 July 1851

Prob: 24 Oct 1851

I, Thomas Moore, of Bedford County, Virginia ... of sound memory and disposing mind ... pay just debts ...

To my beloved wife, Sally Moore, during her lifetime, 1/3 part of the land whereon I now live including the dwelling house, kitchen, and garden with the reserve that my son, Edwin D. Moore, shall live in said house during my wife's lifetime. She is also to have six slaves [named], two beds and furniture and sufficient horses and stock of every kind during her lifetime.

To my son, Edwin D. Moore, reserving his mother's 1/3 part, the tract of land whereon I now live, four slaves [named], four head of horses, wagon, and two yoke of oxen.

To my grandson, Thomas Christopher Walker, one negro boy named Mayer "in consequence of his name; I give my grandson, Thomas Christopher Moore one negro boy named Milton for the same consideration." In case either grandson should die without heirs it is my desire that the slaves' value be divided among the surviving brothers and sisters.



The balance of my negroes are to be divided in three lots, 1/3 of which I give to my son, Edwin D. Moore, 1/3 in trust for my daughter, Eliza H. Walker, and 1/3 to my daughter, Catharine E. White.

At my wife's death, her portion (except land) is to be divided equally between Edwin D. Moore, Eliza H. Walker, and Catherine E. White.

Appoints son Edwin D. Moore and Howson L. White and esteemed friend Bolda McDavid as executors.

Witness: John L. Cobbs, Wm. B. Whitten, and T. W. Nelson

Probated in Bedford County, Virginia 24 October 1851 and certified 14 April 1857.

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Petition to Probate Will
John Duckett

Petitioner: Levi F. Duckett

John Duckett died at his residence in Lauderdale County on October 18, 1856 after having made a will in which petitioner was a legatee. Witnesses to the will are Charles Sullivan, Ebenezer G. Young, and James C. Young. At the time of his death, John Duckett owned a

large estate. He left a widow and the following heirs at law:

Elizabeth Duckett, widow
 Martha Young, wife of Ebenezer G. Young
 Mary Young, wife of James C. Young
 Levi F. Duckett, your petitioner
 Ailsey E. Johnson, wife of William Johnson,

all of full age and residents of Lauderdale County, Alabama.

Sarah Clement
 Martha Clement
 Mary Clement,

minor children and heirs of Sarah Clement, deceased (daughter of John Duckett), who reside with their father, John W. Clement in Tishomingo County, Mississippi.

Petitioner prays for probate.

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JOHN DUCKETT

Dated: 13 Oct 1856

Prob: 17 Nov 1856

... being of feeble health but in a reasonable state of mind ... collect all debts due me ... sell my real and personal estate and pay my just debts and funeral expense ...

To my beloved wife, Elizabeth Duckett, 1/6th part of my estate.

To the children of my deceased daughter, Sarah Clem, \$100. exclusive of the advances I gave her.

To my daughter, Martha Young, \$50. in addition to what she has already received which makes her equal with her sister, Sarah Clement.

To my affectionate daughter, Mary Young, \$340. which makes her equal with Martha.

To my only and well-loved son, Levi F. Duckett, \$445. exclusive of his former advances.

All liabilities to which my son may be subject to in consequence of the mercantile firm entered into by him, myself, and E. G. Young, to be paid out of my estate.

To my youngest and beloved daughter, Elisabeth Johnson, \$444. which, with her former gifts, makes her equal with my other children.

The balance of my estate is to be divided equally among all my children and the children of my deceased daughter, Sarah Clements, are to have one share.

My wife and children are to choose an executor of their choice and I hereby appoint that person as my executor.

Witness: Charles Sullivan, E. G. Young, and James C. Young.



-To be continued in the next issue of Valley Leaves-



Limestone



ORPHANS COURT MINUTES, 1824 - 1830

(Part six of several parts)

1827

Please refer to the September, 1983 issue for a full introduction to this series. Part 1 of this series was run in the September, 1982 issue of Valley Leaves.

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177	96	19 Feb 1827	<u>Elizabeth Brewer Est.</u> Final settlement made by Charles Love, Executor, and ordered recorded.
178	97	20 Feb 1827	<u>William Driver Est.</u> The court appointed Charles King, Joseph Johnston, William Fletcher, Thomas Leonard, and John Nicholas to lay off and allot the real and personal property of this estate to the heirs who are: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Green Boulden Sr., in right of his wife Elizabeth Bouldin, late Elizabeth Driver2. Green Bouldin Jr., in right of his wife Margaret Bouldin, late Margaret Driver3. Mary Driver4. David Driver5. Luke Driver6. Lewis Driver7. Barsheba Driver
179	97	20 Feb 1827	<u>William Malone Est.</u> William Malone died without a will and Jane Malone, his widow, applied for and received Letters of Administration after giving \$16,000 bond with Silas Hine, Henry Yarbrough, Jesse Coe, and John P. Malone her securities. Jesse Coe, Silas Hine, and John P. Malone ordered to appraise the personal property of this estate. Jane Malone ordered to sell the perishable property. She was also ordered to sell the crop at private sale.
180	98	24 Feb 1827	<u>William Hall Est.</u> William Cowan and Nancy Cowan, his wife, late Nancy Hall, administrator and administratrix of William Hall, decd., filed their accounts and vouchers for final settlement. Hearing on same set for the third Monday in April, 1827. Any interested party to then show cause, if any, why settlement should not be made.
181	98	24 Feb 1827	<u>James Miller Est.</u> James Miller died without a Will. William Miller and Margaret Miller applied for, and were awarded, Letters of Administration after giving \$10,000 bond with Richard Henderson and Anderson Miller their securities. William Love, Samuel Weatherford, and John Favor appointed to appraise the personal property of this estate. The perishable property ordered sold.
182	99	27 Feb 1827	<u>Levi Barnes Est.</u> Levi Barnes died without a will. Philip Barnes applied for and received Letters of Administration after giving \$1000 bond with Samuel W. Howland and Ezekiel Birdseye his securities.

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183	99	5 Mar 1827	<u>James Blackwood Est.</u> Jane Blackwood and George L. McElwee, executors of the Last Will and Testament of James Blackwood, decd., gave \$10,000 bond with James Maddox, Robert Maddox, and Benjamin Maddox their securities. The Will has already been proven. The executors were ordered to sell the estate agreeably to the will. James C. Elliott, William B. Higgins, and James McElwee appointed to appraise the perishable property of this estate.
184	100	5 Mar 1827	<u>Margaret Phillips Est.</u> Allen Urquhart, Admr., filed his accounts and vouchers for final settlement. Hearing on same set for the third Monday in April, 1827.
185	100	6 Mar 1827	<u>James McNees Est</u> Richard H. McNees, Administrator, filed his accounts and vouchers for final settlement; hearing on same set for 16th of April, 1827.
186	100	7 Mar 1827	<u>James Pipes Est.</u> William Shores, executor of the Last Will and Testament of James Pipes, filed his accounts and vouchers for final settlement; hearing on same set for 18 April 1827.
187	101	14 Mar 1827	<u>Elizabeth Love Est</u> On the application of Weldman Hines the court ordered that a citation issue to Thomas Love, administrator, requiring him to appear in court on the third Monday in April, 1827, to file his accounts and vouchers of his administration.
188	102	2 Apr 1827	<u>Milly Beckham Est</u> Milly Beckham died without a will. Howel C. Featherston applied for and received Letters of Administration after giving \$8,000 bond with Samuel Farmer, Cyrus Aldridge, and Wyatt Ballard his securities. John D. Carriell, Alexander Word, and Jesse Owen were appointed to appraise the personal property; perishable property ordered sold.
189	102	2 Apr 1827	<u>Benjamin C. Benham Est.</u> On application of Jane Benham, widow of Benjamin C. Benham, the court ordered that a citation issue to John Montgomery and John Cunningham, administrators, requiring them to appear in court on the 3rd Monday in May, 1827, with their accounts and vouchers for final settlement.
190	103	16 Apr 1827	<u>William Hall Est</u> Final settlement continued until Monday next
191	103	16 Apr 1827	<u>Margaret Phillips Est</u> Allen Urquhard, Admr., made final settlement.
192	103	16 Apr 1827	<u>James McNees Est</u> Richard McNees, Admr., made final settlement.
193	103	16 Apr 1827	<u>Milly Beckham Est</u> The administrator ordered to sell the slaves of this estate since the other personal property is not sufficient to pay the debts of this estate.
194	103	18 Apr 1827	<u>Jane Pipes Est.</u> Final settlement continued until first Monday in June, 1827.
195	104	18 Apr 1827	<u>Benjamin C. Benham Est</u> John Montgomery and John C. Cunningham, admrs., filed their accounts and

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			vouchers for final settlement. Hearing set on same for second Monday in June, 1827.
196	104-5	26 Apr 1827	<u>Andrew Foster Est</u> The Last Will and Testament of Andrew Foster has already been proven. Thomas D. Foster applied for and received Letters Testamentary after giving \$10,000 bond with James Campbell and James Fitten[Fetten?], his securities. George Malone, James Campbell, and Elijah Hogan were appointed to appraise the personal property of this estate. Property of this estate is to be sold per the will.
197	106	14 May 1827	<u>James Slaughter Est</u> The Last Will and Testament of James Slaughter was proven by James W. Hill and James Odell, two of the witnesses, and ordered recorded.
198	106	18 May 1827	<u>William Fowler Est</u> The Last Will and Testament of William Fowler was proven by Benjamin Isswell, one of the witnesses, and ordered recorded.
199	106	21 May 1827	<u>Archibald McRobert Est</u> Final settlement made.
200	106	28 May 1827	<u>Isaac Hall Est</u> Andrew J. Eddmondson, Admr., reports that this estate is insolvent. All persons having claims against this estate are to file evidence of their claims within six months of this date. This order to be published in The Democrat for two months successively and posted at the door of the court house in Athens. [Note: "The Democrat" was a Huntsville newspaper.]
201	107	4 June 1827	<u>William Fowler Est</u> Daniel P. Fowler, one of the executors named in the Last Will and Testament of William Fowler, gave \$2500 bond with John J. Fowler, William Shores, and John Pipes his securities. William Shores, John Pipes, and Edmund S. Strange were appointed to appraise the personal property of this estate. The personal property is to be sold according to the Will.
202	107	4 June 1827	<u>Jane Pipes Est</u> William Shores, executor, made final settlement.
203	107-8	4 June 1827	<u>John Kirby Est</u> The Last Will and Testament of John Kirby was produced by John D. Kirby and was proven by Starkey Perkins and David See, two of the witnesses and ordered recorded. John D. Kirby applied for and received Letters Testamentary after giving \$300 bond with David Hobbs and Starkey Perkins his securities. John Tate, Benjamin Dickinson, and John R. Lucas were appointed to appraise the personal property of this estate. The court ordered the perishable property sold at public sale according to law.
204	108	11 June 1827	<u>Sarah Lee Est</u> The Last Will and Testament of Sarah Lee was proven by oaths of Vardimon Lee and Simon B. Huddleston, two of the witnesses, and ordered recorded.
205	108	11 June 1827	<u>Benjamin C. Benham Est</u> Final settlement of this estate continued until June 28, 1827.
206	109	26 June 1827	<u>Eaton P. Vaughn Est</u> Eliza Vaughn, widow and relict of Eaton P. Vaughn, "by Petition here filed whereby she dissents from the Will of the said Easton P. Vaughn, deceased,

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			her said husband."
207	109	28 June 1827	<u>Benjamin C. Benham Est.</u> John Cunningham and John Montgomery, admrs., made final settlement.
208	110	20 June 1827	<u>Mary Vining Est</u> Samuel Farmer produced the Last Will and Testament of Mary Vining which was proven by the oaths of H. Augustus Prout and Charles B. Matthews, witnesses. Samuel Turner applied for and received Letters Testamentary after giving \$2000 bond with Andrew J. Edwards Jr., and David H. Friend, his securities. Charles B. Matthews, William B. Higgins and Ezekiel Birdseye were appointed to appraise the personal estate; the perishable property ordered sold.
209	111	30 July 1827	<u>Jane Scott Est</u> James Jordan, one of the named executors, produced the Last Will and Testament of Jane Scott and the same was proven by Jesse Burdett and Benjamin Wilson. Hardiman Jones, one of the named executors, refused to take upon himself the burden of the executorship. James Jordan applied for and received Letters Testamentary after giving \$35,000 bond with Hardiman Jones and Jesse Burdett his securities. William E. Phillips, William Word, and Ambrose Crain were appointed to appraise the personal property of this estate.
210	112	7 Aug 1827	<u>Sarah Lee Est</u> John J. Jones, one of the named executors, applied for and received Letters Testamentary after giving \$3000 bond with Fleming Bates and Thomas Malone, his securities.
211	112	8 Aug 1827	<u>Eaton P. Vaughn Est</u> Luke Matthews, Joseph Powell, Boothe Malone, Paul Mitchell, and Lewis Capell were appointed to divide this estate among the heirs and distributees.
212	112	10 Aug 1827	<u>Eliza E. Vaughn Guardianship</u> Francis Epps appointed guardian of Eliza E. Vaughn, under age 14, after giving \$10,000 bond with George Malone and Allison C. Cain, his securities.
213	112	10 Aug 1827	<u>Stegall Guardianships - Richard and Polly</u> Richard Stegall, under age 21 and over age 14, chose Kelly Stegall his guardian. Kelly Stegall was also appointed guardian of Polly Stegall, under age 14. Kelly gave \$1000 bond with William T. Gamble and James K. Murrat, his securities.
214	113	17 Aug 1827	<u>William McClung Est</u> William McClung died without a will. James McClung applied for and was granted Letters of Administration after giving \$2000 bond with William T. Gamble and Aaron Redus, his securities. David J. Gatewood, John B. Elliott, and Robert C. Davis were appointed to appraise the personal property of this estate. The perishable property is to be sold at public sale.
215	113	21 Aug 1827	<u>Agness and Richard Jones Guardianship</u> Upon application of John R. Evans it is ordered that Wade H. Vining appear in court on the first Monday in September and give further security as guardian of Agness and Richard Jones and show cause why he should not be displaced as their guardian.

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Madison



MISSISSIPPI TERRITORY COUNTY COURT RECORDS

The following abstracts are of the only known extant Madison County Mississippi Territorial County Court Records. They consist of seven loose, unnumbered, pages that were found stuck in the front of a territorial docket book in the library of the University of Alabama at Tuscaloosa, Alabama. These pages obviously do not belong in the docket book but the rest of the records apparently are not in Tuscaloosa, in the state Archives in Montgomery, nor in the Madison County archives, therefore, one must assume they are lost.

Pleas had before the County Court for the County of Madison at a Court began and held at the Coarthouse in the town of Twickenham on the first monday it being the first day of July in the year of our Lord 1811 and of the Independence of the United States the thirty fifth, William Dickson, Leroy Pope, Edward Ward, John Withers, and Thomas Bibb, esquires, Gentlemen, Justices of the Quorum presiding.

JACKSON & CAFFERY -vs- BLEVINS

Plaintiffs: James Jackson, Washington Jackson, and Donaldson Caffery, merchants, trading under the firm of Jackson & Caffery, by their attorney, John M. Taylor.

Defendant: Dillen Blevins, by his attorney, John C. Hamilton.

Case: Dillen Blevins owes the plaintiffs \$89.10-1/2 for which he gave a 60-day note on 3 January 1810 in Madison County, Mississippi Territory. The plaintiffs state that no part of the debt has been paid even though they repeatedly asked Mr. Blevins for payment which he refused to make. At the January, 1811, term of court Mr. Blevins denied he owed the debt and stated he had paid it. The plaintiffs denied that it, or any part of it, had been paid and that they had suffered damages of \$100 as a result. The case went to the jury in the July term of court, 1811. Jury members were:

James Manning	William Linier[Lanier]
William Lesslie	Peyton Cox
George Dilworth	Samuel Mardis
George Titus	John Allison
Woodliff Bevil	John Flecher
Edmund Clemons	John Couch Senr.

Verdict: The jury found in favor of the plaintiffs in the amount of \$89.10-1/2 plus damages (no amount given) plus costs and directed Blevins to pay same.

DAVID ABBOTT -vs- SIMON MILLER

Plaintiff: David Abbott by his attorney, George Coulter

Defendant: Simon Miller by his attorney, Gabriel Moore

Case: It appears that William R. Miller owed Captain David Abbott \$106.00 which debt was assumed by Simon Miller. Simon Miller signed a note for the \$106.00 on 30 December 1809 but, according to Captain Abbott, he had not paid the debt nor any part of it even though Abbott had often asked him for it. In the January, 1811 term

Mississippi Territory County Court Records (-continued-)

of court the defendant, Simon Miller, stated he had paid the debt 1 August 1810. At the July term of court, however, Miller "confesseth that he owes the plaintiff." No other information.

JOSEPH SIVILY -vs- MICHAEL HARRISON & JOHN CARTER

Plaintiff: Joseph Sivilly, assignee of Robert Williams, by his attorney, John C. Hamilton

Defendants: Michael Harrison and John Carter by their attorney, Marmaduke Williams.

Case: Robert Williams, Michael Harrison, and John Carter played darts, a game commonly called "Little Loo," and money was bet. Williams won \$50.00 from Harrison and Carter who signed a promissory note for this money on 24 November 1809 in Madison County. Williams assigned the note to Joseph Sivilly who tried unsuccessfully to collect the debt. The case went before a jury. Jury members were:

John P. Steger	Richard Harris
John Hunt	John Couch
William Campbell	Samuel Thomas Couch
William Crawford	Henry Cox
George Dilworth	James B. Rogers
James Criss	Samuel Waddy

Verdict: The jury found that the promissory note was executed for money won at gaming, therefore, they decreed the plaintiff get nothing "for his false clamour" and the defendants recover their costs of this suit from the plaintiff.

SAMUEL ROBINS -vs- JOHN ROBINS

Plaintiff: Samuel Robins, by his attorney, John C. Hamilton

Defendant: John Robins

Case: Samuel Robins states that John Robins owes him \$30.00 and that John signed a promissory note for that amount on 3 March 1808 which was due in seven months. The debt has not been paid and Samuel feels it has resulted in \$100. damage to him. The case was continued from the January, 1811 term of court to this (the July) term of court, however, John Robins has failed to appear in court and has, therefore, defaulted.

Note: The rest of this ledger is missing.

WILLIAM SMITH ESTATE

The following Account of Sales of the estate of William Smith who died before July, 1815 was found in the estate file of the William Smith who died about January 24, 1842. These estate files are in the Madison County Courthouse.

ACCOUNT OF SALES

The Sail bill of Wm. Smith, Decd, Estate on the 14 & 15th of July 1815.

Rosanah Smith	Cupboard and furniture	\$ 4.00
"	one Bed and Furniture	10.00
"	Another Bed and furniture	7.43
"	one Saddle	4.00
"	one Cotton Wheel	1.25
"	One flax Wheel	1.53
"	One Pot	2.03
"	One Dutch oven	2.13-1/2
"	One Dashing Tub	.26
"	Two Churns	.53
"	One Barrel, one Tray	1.01
Jno. Craig	one Mattick	2.90
Rosanah Smith	one Shovel plow	1.00
Jos. Mountgomery	Two Clevises	.50-1/4
David Rutledg	one Barshear Plow	8.06-1/4
John Hopkins	one Steel Trap	1.75
John Ray	one Steel Trap	2.00
James Kimsay	one Steel Trap	1.76
Goarg Wilson	one Smoothiron	1.43-3/4
Isaac Teague	one Iron	1.50
Rosanna Smith	one Tomehawk	.63-1/2
Adam Craig	one Rifle gun	8.56
Rosanna Smith	one Rifle gun	7.10
"	Six Chairs	3.03
"	three Chairs	1.37-1/2
James Harrison	one Drawing knife	1.25

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William Smith Estate (-continued-)

Wm. Conner	one Set of Darping Spools	1.25
Wm. Lashlie	one Bason	1.25
Rosanna Smith	one larg Pot	5.05
"	one Cattle	5.15-1/2
James Burleson	one Ewe and lamb	8.00
Rosanna Smith	one Ewe and lamb	6.90-1/2
John Ray	one Ewe and lamb	8.50
James Burleson	two Sheep	7.00
Thomas Smith	two sheep	7.50
David Rutledg	a Stud Horse	100.00
Rosanna Smith	one Mear [Mare]	36.00
John Baley	one Mare	38.75
Robart Smith	one Mare	28.00
Rosanna Smith	one Mare	53.03
Archabld Tremble	one Steer	22.75
"	one Steer	25.50
"	one Steer	20.75
"	one Cow	12.76
Gabral More	one Cow	20.00
Archibald Trimble	one Steer	19.00
John Bailey	one Heifer	11.50
Saml. Mardis	one Cow	11.81-1/4
Rosanna Smith	one Cow	10.57
Simion H. James	one Bull	15.25
William Bell	two Steers	20.00
Simion H. James	one Smal Bull and Hofer[heifer]	9.50
Daniel Riley	one Cow and Calf	16.50
Vincen Glass	one Cow and Calf	17.69
John F. More	one Cow and Calf	17.25

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William Smith Estate (-continued-)

Rosanna Smith	one Heafer	8.00
"	one Steer	12.12-1/2
John Bailey	one Steer	15.12-1/2
Simion H. James	one Hefer	4.51
James Harrison	one Small Steer	6.06-1/4
James Alleson	one Steer	10.12-1/2
Edward Burleson	one Cow	16.06-1/4
James Harrison	one Small Steer	4.39-1/2
William Straet	one Steer	15.00
Edward Burleson	one Cow	15.12-1/2
James Harrison	Small Steer	4.00
Jesse Freanch	Small Steer	7.00
William Gilleam	one Steer	15.43-3/4
Rosanna Smith	two Hefers	13.50
Jonethan Burleson	one Steer	11.00
Robart Mitchel	one Steer	4.00
William Gillum	one Bull	10.00
"	one Small Steer	5.50
Rosanna Smith	Small Steer	5.50
William Bell	one Steer	10.25
Rosanna Smith	one Cow	12.50
John Craig	one Steer	10.00
Samuel Brunson	Stock of Hogs	95.18-3/4
Rosanna Smith	Four Piggins	.80
"	one Small Beel [bell]	.50
"	one Sifter	.09
John Ray	one Dictionary Book	2.00
Jesse Franch	fifteen lb. of Irion, one lb steel	3.50
Rosanna Smith	one Maer [mare] and Colt	13.50
James McCracken	one Cow Hid [hide]	2.32-1/2

Total amount \$982.97-1/2

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William Smith Estate (-continued-)

The Depts[debts] du the Estate of Wm. Smith, Des.

Wm. Ests [Estes]	\$35.00
Wm. Heal [Hale?]	17.00
Robrt. Smith	13.40
John Baley	9.18
Robrt. Rogers	6.09
John Mitchel	2.50
Gidion Harreson	7.00
Wm. Black	5.00
Ritchard Smith	8.00
Jothen Burlison [Jonathan Burlison]	5.00

Delivered into Court 20th May 1816, May term.

Apparently William Smith died in Madison County, Mississippi Territory between February 7, 1815 when he was a purchaser at the estate sale of William Hancock, and June 13, 1815 when Letters of Administration were issued on his estate. The Madison County Orphans Court Minutes entry on this estate is as follows:

June 13, 1815:

Ordered by the Court that Letters of administration be issued to John Crage [Craig] and Rosannah Smith over the Estate of William Smith, deceased, their having given bond and Security as the law directs and it is further ordered by the said court that James Titus, Gideon Williams, David Rutledge, Aron Burlison and James White be appointed to appraise the Estate of William Smith, Deceased. Ordered by the Court that the said administrator and administratrix have leave to dispose of all the personal Estate of the said William Smith and by giving notice as the Law directs.

The above information has all been copied verbatim. The words in brackets are clarifications made by your editor since many of you may not be familiar with the way some of our pioneers spelled. It has been copied in its entirety since it has been lost for 168 years through misfiling and unavailable to researchers. Too, it establishes the date of residence in Madison County of the purchasers.

Names such as "William Smith" are very common and extremely difficult to prove because of that commonness. There were at least two others of the same name in Madison County at about the same time as shown by Madison County Marriage Book No. 1:

William Smith to Sally Jones, Lisc. 22 Jan 1816
William Smith to Lucy Hodges, Lisc 6 Dec 1816

On 11 Oct 1815 one William Smith purchased 18 acres in the NW/4 of Section 29-3-1E from Charles Cabaniss. Nathan Strong and Joshua Wingo witnessed the deed and proved it on 20 May 1816.



Marshall



HISTORY OF MARSHALL COUNTY

By
Judge Louis Weiss Wyeth

(Part 2)

For a full introduction to this history please refer to the September issue of "Valley Leaves." In his history, Judge Wyeth has quoted extensively from the Acts of Alabama and has, in fact, copied some of the Acts that pertain to Marshall County in their entirety. These Acts can be wordy and most tedious reading, therefore, I have chosen to omit certain parts that have no genealogical or historical content. In some cases, rather than omit the Act entirely I have chosen to condense or abstract it. These omissions and abstracts are preceded by an ellipsis: (. . .)

JACKSON COUNTY vs. MARSHALL COUNTY

By reference to the Act of Assembly approved January 9, 1836 [See Sept., 1983 issue of Valley Leaves for this Act.] it will be seen that the people living in that portion of Jackson county which was attached to Marshall were subjected to taxation for what might be their proportion of the indebtedness of Jackson county, which was to be assessed and collected by the authorities of Jackson County.

This looked hard and really was so, for they had thus to pay taxes to the new county as well as the old. When I first heard of this and spoke to some of the officials of Jackson about it, the explanation given was that the people and performances in and about "Gunters Landing," furnished the greatest amount of business in the courts on the criminal side of the docket and that thus it was that Jackson county was so much in debt and as Marshall had got the Landing it should help pay that debt.

This view of the case was reasonable enough from the Jackson standpoint. But Marshall insisted that Jackson ought to have been satisfied and happy to get rid of such a wicked and expensive Landing without requiring pay for it, and so this was a vexed question for many years and caused a good deal of hard feelings in one portion of Marshall county on tax paying days.

What amount was certified to the Treasurer of Jackson county by the commissioners . . . I have no idea but my impression is that it was about \$1000 or \$1200.

Probably the tax collector of Jackson had a hard time in collecting taxes in Marshall in the years 1836-37-38 for the Jackson-Marshall citizens did not like to pay this extra tax, and the Legislature passed another act which was approved Feb. 2, 1839 by which Thompson M. Rector of Jackson and Booker Smith of Marshall were appointed commissioners to ascertain what was then due on this account.

I have not been able to find any document or

or report from these commissioners. I do not know that they acted at all in the matter. . . .

At the August term, 1842, can be found an entry of which the following is a copy:

"Balance due from said county of Marshall to Jackson county by Act of the Legislature passed Jan. 7, 1841, the sum of \$358. It is ordered by the court that the same be allowed out of any monies in the county Treasury not otherwise appropriated."

I . . . presume the Legislature undertook to make the settlement and declared the result as stated. The whole matter rested here, was forgotten, by Jackson County until 1858 when Marshall County was reminded thereof by the institution of a suit to recover the amount allowed and interest thereon for 16 years.

This case was tried March 9, 1859 and a verdict rendered in favor of the plaintiff for \$816.54. An appeal was taken to the Supreme Court and on July 16, 1860 the judgment was reversed. On September 3, 1860 the circuit court took a nonsuit and thus ended the first, and so far as I can remember, the only suit brought against this county.

COUNTY SEAT

For the first ten years after the establishment of the county no one subject exercised the minds of the people and influenced their votes as did the matter of the location of the seat of justice.

By the organic act [See September, 1983 issue of "Valley Leaves."] the courts were to be held in Claysville until otherwise directed by law. That Act made provision for an election of a county seat and the ultimate result of that election was given before [See September, 1983 issue]. Since the publication of that chapter I have found the official returns of that election which are as follows, to wit:

Gunters Landing - 133
 Gunters - 148
 South Side River - 1
 Gunters Store - 4
 Gunters Warehouse - 7
 Gunters Place - 1
 J. Gunters - 116
 total 410
 North Side River - 1
 Spencers - 1
 Claysville - 282

The relative results are pretty much the same as previously given [See September, 1983 issue of VL] though the details are different. The place voted for as "Spencers" was what is now Warrenton; a Cherokee Indian by the name of James Spencer then or shortly before resided there.

Although the decision of the returning officers was generally regarded as legally correct, the location of the county seat at Claysville was regarded as not only contravening the wishes of the majority but it compelled at least 2/3 of the citizens to pay ferriage for crossing the river to attend court or transact other business at the county seat, and the Legislature passed a law in 1837 in regard to this matter entitled "An Act to locate the side of justice for Marshall County." . . . this act provided for an election to be held on the first Monday in August, 1837 to determine the permanent location of the county seat.

The act further provided that William Jordan, Wyatt Coffee, John B. Findley, Elijah Hansboro, Alexander Donaldson, Thomas Manning, L. D. Boshart, Simeon Nichols, John Baker, and Samuel Connimore [Kennemore/Kennamer] Sen., or a majority of them, to select one place on each side of the Tennessee river to be voted for by the qualified voters. The commissioners met and selected and nominated Claysville on the north side of the river and Marshall on the south side as the places to be voted for. The result was the selection of the site of Marshall by a very large majority. I have not been able to find the returns of this election but my impression is that the vote was about 2 to 1 in favor of Marshall and the courts were held there in 1839-40-41. But just here many of the readers of this story of our county will be disposed to ask where is Marshall, once the county site? And why was it nominated and chosen?

The answer to the first question above suggested it very short and comprised in the words, "no where." The site of that place was upon the land where Dr. L. D. Lusk now resides about 1/2 mile south of the present court house and the only relic of that once lively village is a

cedar tree planted by Peter Kilfoyle, Esqr., Clerk of the circuit court. Nor can I give any satisfactory answer to the second question. The commissioners named in the Act were men of good sense, highly esteemed and acted wisely and well under the circumstances; and their action was approved by the people. . . . The town was incorporated by an Act of the Legislature Feb. 2, 1839. . . . In this incorporated town, which whenever spoken of now is called "Old Marshall," (though why I could never tell) and the courts were, as I have stated, held there for three years, 1839-40-41.

The court house was an old and dilapidated gin house, once the property of Edward Gunter and selected because its upper chamber was the only room in the village large enough to hold the judge, the jury, the lawyers, and the customary audience.

An incident connected with the court house has just been called to mind by a friend who thinks that it might well be chronicled as a part of the history of the county. Samuel Fain had just been tried for the murder of Foster Paris [See VL, Sept., 1983] and when the jury handed in their verdict of "not guilty" the court adjourned for dinner. It so happened that as the drowd was descending the narrow stairs of that old gin house, Polly, the sister of the man who had been killed, a fearless stalwart woman, found herself just behind the acquitted defendant. She was angry at the jury, she was mad at Fain, her feelings overcame her and with an imprecation I care not to repeat, she gave him a pedal propulsion which landed him, without any effort of his own, some six or eight feet lower than his starting point. He rose indignant, in fact angry, but as the court was going on to dinner it was thought better by the crowd to separate the parties, and to this day it is a matter of doubt which would have won the fight.

The jail (it was the primal jail of Marshall) was a log building about 15 feet square and about 8 feet high with a wonderful strong door and a roof of very weakly looking boards, suggestive of the difficulty of getting in, and the ease of getting out. These qualities of the structure were exemplified in the first week of the court held at Marshall after it was built. It was Saturday afternoon, with business of the court ended and judges and lawyers ready to start for Bellefonte where the next court was to be holden. The horses were out, saddled and bridled, and some of the riders were up [in the saddle] when the solicitor, who naturally enough felt a deeper interest than the other members of the court in their prisoners, cast a sorrowing farewell look at the jail about 70 yards distant. What he saw was to him indeed of surpassing, perhaps painful interest, and his cry, "Oh Lordy, look there!" caused all of us to look, and we saw the boards flying off that roof and the three victims of the law emerge, one after the

other, or all together, (I am not certain as to the order), slide to the eaves and safely reach the ground and then "they left their country for their country's good."

On February 5, 1840 the legislature thought proper to pass another act in regard to Marshall county in and by which certain persons were appointed commissioners to lay off and sell lots therein. The Act was entitled, "An Act to appoint commissioners to superintend the sale of lots in the town of Marshall, and for other purposes." . . . John M. Tate, John Baker, Samuel Lowery, James Ligan, Wm. Wellburn, Jno. Stearnes, and Edward Cox were the appointed commissioners. . . . They were to appoint a surveyor to lay off town lots and then sell the lots to the highest bidder at the court house door. . . .

I presume these commissioners, or some of them, did act for I remember that several houses were erected, a tavern, several groceries, a law office, a county clerks office, a post office. But whether a sale of any of the lots was attempted or made I do not recollect or think probable because the title to the land was in the United States and was eventually entered under the preemption law by Allen Loveless, as assignee of William Fluellen, better and in fact only known by the name of Bill Ellen.

Without a court house and with a roofless jail



it was burlesque to talk of the "Majesty of the Law," or the "Eternal Principles of Right." It was traditionally proper that the Goddess of justice should be blind, but to refuse her a comfortable house in which to work and secure resting place for her pupils was more than could be borne.

Such seems was the view the Legislature took of the case and promptly came to the rescue. They passed a law at the 1840-41 session to locate the seat of justice of Marshall county, of which

I have not a copy but will give from memory a statement of its provisions.

This was claimed by its authors to be a model law for the selection of a county seat . . . it provided for four elections which afforded unusual opportunities for social gatherings and attendant threats; it gave every citizen voter the right to nominate any place he pleased for the candidacy, and to orators to tell all they knew to admiring and perhaps sometimes tired hearers.

The first election resulted in the nomination of Warrenton, the White House, Claysville, and Beards Bluff.

Of these four places thos nominated, "Beards Bluff" received the smallest number of votes at the second election and was consequently retired from the conflict.

At the third election held on the first Monday in June, Claysville was behind and the final vote was taken on the first Monday in August, 1841, between the White House and Warrenton. The latter was found to have received the greatest number of votes and was declared duly elected and chosen the seat of justice for this county and the courts were held there in 1842-3-4-5-6-7-8.

Elcellent as were the provisions of that law it was thought to be defective in two respects: (1) there was no mode provided of purging the polls, that is of casting out illegal votes, (2) nor was any provision made for the prosecution or punishment of anyone who voted without the right to do so, and as the majority in favor of Warrenton was very small, something less that 50 I believe, it was asserted by many and believed by some that enough illegal votes had been cast for the successful locality to accomplish its choice. The seeds of doubt and discontent were planted and in due time brought forth fruit.

By this time the public land had been surveyed; laid off into sections, townships, and ranges, and sections subdivided. Pre-emption laws had been passed and settlers had the right from April, 1842 to April, 1843 to make their preemption entries before the land was offered at public sale, and after that it was subject to private entry at \$1.25 per acre.

Congress had passed a law some years before granting to any county whose seat of justice was located upon public land the quarter section upon which it was placed, and in this way the county became entitled to the NE/4 of Section 7, township 8, range 3 east of the Huntsville Meridian.

It was provided by the same law that if any person or persons were entitled to pre-emption upon such land they should have the privilege of making an entry for a like number of acres on any public land not otherwise appropriated and as Charles Kennedy and James Childress had a joint right of pre-emption upon that particular quarter section they were entitled to, and did exercise, this

right to "float" as it was most appropriately called.

On November 23, 1841 the Legislature passed an Act to incorporate the town of Warrenton . . . extending the corporate limits of the town a quarter of a mile each way from the store house of John B. Findley . . . and made provision for elections.

On the 26th day of November, 1841 the Legislature passed another Act entitled "An Act to appoint commissioners to superintend the sale of lots in the town of Warrenton, in the county of Marshall, and for other purposes." . . . This act appointed William C. Thomas, William Callaway, Peter Ragsdale, John Wilcher, Isham H. Fennell, John B. Fendley, and Philip D. Clack a board of commissioners. . . .

These commissioners very properly and with cordial approval of the citizens of the county, gave to Charles Kennedy one of the pre-emptors, a small portion of the land including his then residence near the South Spring where Dr. William Smith now resides; and to James Childress the other pre-emptor, a few acres near the North Spring; or perhaps they were permitted at the sale of the lots to buy the same at a merely nominal price, and probably the "floats" with these supplementary acres fully compensated them.

From the sale of lots in Warrenton the commissioners realized enough to build a very safe and comfortable jail and I think the court of revenues rented a frame house or church for the sessions of the court; a rather indifferent court it is true, but vastly better than that gin house.

Warrenton was and is a beautiful place, situated at the foot of a mountain some 500 feet high with two springs never failing, of excellent water, it had much to commend it as a desirable place for a residence or village and would probably have continued from then until now, and evermore the seat of justice, but for what existed and occurred.

As has been stated, it was thought by some that at the election of 1841 some voters had been imported to aid the place selected and then, beautiful for situation and springs was Warrenton was, it was distant from the river and the business point of the county. When the courts were not in session all was quiet and serene. One lawyer had moved away and the other wanted to go, and as if to cap the climax and precipitate the inevitable the legislature passed an Act "to provide for the vote of the people of Marshall county in regard to the county site of said county" on January 31, 1846. . . .

This act provided that an election should be held at which the only matter to be voted on was "removal" or "no removal." If "removal" carried, all was to remain undisturbed; but if

"no removal" carried, the commissioner's court was to proceed and to levy and collect a tax sufficient to build a court house. The vote was scheduled for the first Saturday in April, 1846. . . . If there is one constituent of our social organization more detestable in the concrete than anything else, it is "taxation" and so it was no surprise that "removal" carried but by what majority I do not remember and no record can be found.

The constitution of the state had been changed in 1846 and allow that the legislature meet every two years instead of every year. Thus it happened that no further steps could be taken in regard to this subject until the session which commenced in December, 1847 and the members were to be elected in August of that year.

All sides prepared for the contest and the excitement was great. The first matter to be arranged was the selection of suitable candidates for the Legislature. James Fletcher and Nathan Newsom, Blanton B. Ramsay, Thomas C. Barclay, James Critcher and myself were candidates—some self-selected, some otherwise.

The result was the election of James Critcher and myself in August, 1847. At the ensuing session on January 15, 1848 the Legislature passed an Act to permanently locate the seat of justice of Marshall county. . . .

At the same session of the Legislature an act was passed incorporating the town of Guntersville including in the corporation the landing and several adjoining places known as the White House, Gunters House, etc. This was done to prevent a second edition of misapplied votes.

From the outset it was conceded that the contest would be between Warrenton and Guntersville. The result of the first election was the nomination of Guntersville, Warrenton, Claysville, Beards Bluff. On the second election Guntersville, Warrenton, and Claysville received the greater number of votes and on the third, Guntersville and Warrenton.

Warrenton had the advantage of a jail which had cost about \$2500. and it was argued by the friends of that place that if the county seat was moved to Guntersville that jail would be lost to the county—a new jail would have to be built, and of course the people would be taxed to pay for it.

This was a strong point in the case, but was made too early and as soon as made was met by the friends of Guntersville by an agreement and bond well secured to build without any cost to the county a good and sufficient jail in Guntersville if chosen as the county seat.

That equalized the thing, and the fight went on fast and furious. Every man, woman, and weaned child talked, thought, dreamed and cared for nothing else. Each side was certain of success

and at the same time was very much afraid of being beaten, but they kept the latter part of that idea as quiet as possible.

Just then the friends of Warrenton threw into the hostile camp a bomb shell that almost entirely demoralized them. That bomb was a bond with good security to build a court house free of cost to the people if they would vote to let the county seat remain at Warrenton.

For fully 24 hours, maybe more, the Guntersville supporters were as badly beaten as the French at Waterloo. To build a jail was hard enough, and quite enough but in addition to build a court house seemed to be too much. Orators and poets have talked of the last pound that breaks the camel's back, and possibly it does; but this was more than any pound, it involved the outlay of at least \$6000. exclusive of the cost of the already promised jail.

Then it was that the impetuous daring of Arthur C. Beard gave courage to his friends and upon his advice and urgency a bond was given by the friends of Guntersville in form, security and extent of obligation equal to that given by the other party.

The excitement became extreme; nothing else was talked of or apparently cared for. The lists were made of the voters in every precinct and marks attached to each indicating the probable vote, and the fullest, fairest comparison made it manifest that the vote would be close, the struggle desperate, the result so doubtful that fifteen or twenty votes would decide the contest.

In 1847 a company of soldiers had enlisted under the command of Capt. James M. Gee for the Mexican War. They had done good service there; the war had ended—they were on their way home, 9/10 of them were from Guntersville, they had been heard from at Mobile, at Selma even. They were making every exertion to reach home in time for the election, but would they, would they come in time?

It was Sunday morning, the day before the election, and still they had not come. The sun moved on to its meridian glory but gave no vision of their presence, and when it passed away, and yet they came not, no one can tell though many felt how sad it was.

But times moves and we move with it, and at the proper moment the same sun came forth in August splendor and gave light and life to all. It was election day, the day that was to settle for all time (at least for all my time I hoped) the vexed question of the county seat. One whose heart and mind were at the time in unison with mine tells the story of his acts and feelings on that day in words like these: "I felt discouraged for our soldier friends had not come. I ate my morning meal with a sorrowful heart, and got ready for my walk to the landing to

cast my vote for the cause almost lost; my wife was sad as I for she had become interested with me in the matter and because of the interest I felt. As I was passing to the gate I heard the bugle notes and looking, saw the banner and the troop. They had come! They had come!

And when on the next day the officers compared the votes Guntersville was declared duly and legally elected the seat of justice for the county of Marshall. This was more than 34 years ago, a generation has passed away since then and few, alas how few of those who acted with me are left to listen while I tell the story.

COUNTY OFFICIALS

Judge of the county court; six year term:

Washington T. May, 1836, resigned in 1837.

Louis Wyeth, 1837, resigned in 1838.

Washington T. May, 1838, re-elected in 1844 and held the office until the Probate court was established as a substitute for the county court.

Probate Judges; six year term:

Montgomery Gilbreath, 1850, re-elected in 1856 and held the office until January, 1862 when he resigned and Washington T. May was appointed by the Governor to fill the vacancy and in 1862 May was elected to the office for the full term of six years.

Lorenzo D. Lusk, 1868;

Thomas A. Street, 1874 and re-elected in 1880.

Clerks of the circuit court; four year term.

James Macfarlane, 1836, died 1837.

John O. Feemster, 1837

Peter Kilfoyle, 1841, re-elected in 1845.

S. K. Rayburn elected 1849, re-elected 1853.

Walter P. Macfarlane, 1857, re-elected 1861.

John W. Barclay, 1865

By the constitution (so called) of 1868, the term of office for the clerk of the circuit court was extended to six years.

Nathan Proctor, 1868.

Francis A. Provence, 1874, died in Feb., 1879.

John W. Perkins was appointed to fill the vacancy in 1879 and was elected for a full term in 1880.

Clerks of the county court; four year term.

Richard S. Randles, 1836, re-elected 1840.

Montgomery Gilbreath, 1844, re-elected 1848.

Sheriffs; three year term

Percival M. Bush, 1836. His term of office commenced in March, 1836, ended in March, 1839; but the general election was held in August of each year so sheriff Bush's

successor, though elected in 1832, did not enter upon the discharge of his duties of office until March, 1839. Bush's successor was Joel Higgins who was elected in 1838.

Joseph Garrett, 1841

James L. Sheffield, 1844. Mr. Sheffield's term of office would not have expired until March, 1848 but very shortly after the August election of 1847 he gave up that office and his successor entered upon the discharge of the duties of the office and thus it came to happen that afterwards, at least until the close of the Civil War, the sheriff elect entered upon the office immediately after his election.

James H. Moore, 1847

James M. Harris, 1850

Barton S. Clapp, 1853

John J. Sibley, 1856

Thomas J. Cochran, 1859

Reuben Hampton, 1862; before this term of office of Mr. Hampton ended the Civil War (1861-65) had closed and everything was in confusion. In June or July Champion Faris was appointed sheriff by Gov. Parsons.

Seldon Black was elected sheriff in 1866

John L. Kirby was elected or appointed in 1866.

Francis A. Provence elected in 1871

Ezekiel Couch, 1874

Ira D. Lucas, 1877

John S. Bennett, 1880

By the constitution of 1875, Article V, Section 26, it was declared that the sheriff elected in 1880 and thereafter should hold the office for four years.

Register in Chancery. Separate chancery courts were not established in this State until January 26, 1839 (Clays digest, page 348). Prior to that time the Judges of the circuit courts had jurisdiction over all chancery cases. On the organization of the first chancery courts, several counties were attached to one district and Marshall county formed part of a district with Madison county and the sessions of the court were held in Huntsville; Marshall county was made a separate district by an Act passed Dec. 30, 1841 (Clays digest, page 344). The registers in chancery were appointed by the chancellors as follows:

Peter Kilfoyle appointed by chancellor Bowie, 1842.

Samuel K. Rayburn appointed by chancellor Ligon, 1850.

Walter P. Macfarlane appointed by chancellor Foster, 1857.

Francis Dillon appointed by chancellor

Foster in 1862.

Samuel K. Rayburn appointed by chancellor McSpaden, 1866, and is still in office by appointments of chancellors William Skinner, Henry C. Speake and Neil S. Graham.

Commissioners of roads and revenues; three yr.

James Boggess, Benjamin Parsons, James Childress, Little D. Boshart, Aug. 1836-9.

Little D. Boshart, David Ricketts, William G. Jordan and Jas. Childress. 1842-5.

William G. Jordan, George W. Hale, Joseph R. Brown and James H. Moore. 1845-8.

William G. Jordan, George W. Neal, Joseph R. Brown and Percival M. Bush. 1848-51.

William G. Jordan, George W. Hale, Percival M. Bush, and Francis M. Kirby. 1851-4.

William G. Jordan, George W. Hale, Horatio Ferguson and Zacheus C. Kennamer. 1845-1847.

George W. Hale, Blanton B. Ramsey, Zacheus C. Kennamer and Davis S. Black. 1857-60.

David S. Black, Blanton B. Ramsay, William M. Morton and Presley R. Woodall. 1860-63.

George W. Neal, George W. Morton, Little D. Boshart and Francis M. Kirby. 1863-6.

Obediah B. Cooper, William H. Wiggs, Thomas Noble, Nathan Morgan, and P. M. Ragsdale. 1866-68.

Nathan T. Morgan, Josiah Rains, Middleton M. Johnson and William Stewart.

An ordinance was passed by a convention on December 4, 1869, directing all county officers to be chosen at an election to be held and commencing on Tuesday, February 4, 1858.

By an act of the Legislature passed October 8, 1868 four county commissioners were to be elected on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1871.

Under the above ordinance an election was held on Tuesday, February 4, 1868, for county commissioners and there were elected:

Nathan T. Morgan, Josiah Rains, Middleton M. Johnson and Peter C. Stearnes. 1868.

Under the act above referred to there were elected in November 1871:

Patton A. Barnard, John Ricketts, Lee Roden and Benj. L. Mathews. 1871-4.

O. B. Cooper, Horatio Ferguson, James McDonald, Wm. M. Elgin (moved to Calhoun county); Wm. Griffin apptd. to fill the vacancy - he resigned and Champion Faris was appointed. 1874-7.

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

This is the earliest marriage book found in Morgan County and is from July 18, 1821 through March 1, 1861. It begins with marriage No. 132 so we can assume the first 131 marriages are missing. This series began in Valley Leaves in Vol. 16 (Sept., 1981). Copied and contributed by Dorothy Scott Johnson.

No.	Groom	Bride	Lisc.	Sol.
984	Willis, Noah	Harris, Sarah	11-28-1835	11-29-1835
985	White, John G.	Hendricks, Susannah	12-1-1835	---
986	Nunn, Abner W.	Cosby, Arvagina	12-1-1835	12-1-1835
987	Patterson, Alex F.	Heart, Sophia	12-9-1835	12-10-1835
988	Norwood, Andrew B.	Taylor, Rebecca	12-9-1835	12-15-1835
989	Alexander, Asa	Hendon, Mary	12-12-1835	12-14-1835
990	Givens, Alex	Reynolds, Ann	12-14-1835	12-15-1835
991	Goodloe, Robt. A.	Lane, Mary	12-14-1835	12-24-1835
992	Ketchens, Jesse	Bruce, Nancy	12-30-1835	12-30-1835
993	Lawrence, John	Pope, Elizabeth	12-31-1835	12-31-1835
994	Nunn, Joseph B.	Harb, Lutitia	1-5-1836	1-5-1836
995	Norwood, James	Wilson, Shelby Ann	5-16-1834	---
996	McClannahan, Alex Jr.	Collins, Emaline	1-6-1836	1-7-1836
997	Aday, John	Chapman, Nancy	1-8-1836	1-10-1836
998	Campbell, William	Franklin, Martha	1-19-1836	1-19-1836
999	Stovall, Thomas T.	Lucas, Martha Ann	2-1-1836	2-18-1836
1000	Dancy, Wm. M.	Mitchell, Penelope	2-2-1836	2-2-1836
1001	Crow, Thomas J.	McClanahan, Sarah	2-3-1836	2-4-1836
1002	Landman, Samuel	Carmicahel, Mariah	2-5-1836	2-5-1836
1003	Ford, William S.	Rogers, Sarah M.	2-8-1836	2-11-1836
1004	Williams, William	Summers, Blancha	2-9-1836	2-9-1836
1005	Kyle, William L.	Lynn, Margaret	2-9-1836	2-9-1836
1006	McClain, John M.	Stephens, Eliza Ann	2-15-1836	2-18-1836

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1007	Carpenter, Edmond L.	Norwood, Lucinda	2-10-1836	2-18-1836
1008	Scallon, William	Evans, Ann E.	2-16-1836	2-16-1836
1009	Barclay, Samuel	Woods, Nancy	2-23-1836	2-23-1836
1010	Chunn, Matthew T.	Bell, Charity	2-24-1836	3-3-1836
1011	Reeves, Thomas	Alexander, Catharine	3-1-1836	3-3-1836
1012	Freeman, Michael	Harman, Minerva	3-4-1836	3-10-1836
1013	King, Charles L.	Patrick, Sarah	3-2-1836	---
1014	Johns, William H.	Leftridge, Ann	3-16-1836	3-18-1836
1015	Tapscott, Warner	Tapscott, Elizabeth	3-17-1836	3-17-1836
1016	Ramsay, George W.	Taylor, Ann	1-27-1836	1-27-1836
1017	Preston, James L.	Dallas, Serrina	11-24-1834	11-25-1834
1018	Finnie, James C.	Johns, Martha L.	4-8-1836	---
1019	Hodges, Augustus	Blankenship, Rhoda	4-11-1836	4-12-1836
1020	Kaeisor, George	Smith, Mary	5-4-1836	---
1021	Todd, Cornelius	Axton, Agnes	5-23-1836	5-23-1836
1022	Dossey, Greenberry	Curry, Nancy	5-25-1836	5-28-1836
1023	Clarke, John G.	Roddy, Sydney	6-4-1836	---
1024	Woods, James	Adams, Franky T.	6-5-1836	---
1025	Williams, James S.	Frost, Sindi[Sinai?]	6-14-1836	6-14-1836
1026	Stephens, Benjamin	Norton, Lavinia M.	7-4-1836	7-6-1836
1027	Roby, Wm. W.	Orr, Francis E.	7-12-1836	7-12-1836
1028	Randolph, Abram	Martin, Rachel	7-17-1836	---
1029	Wolfe, Vallentine	Wright, Margaret	9-26-1836	9-28-1836
1030	Lynn, Edley O.	Holmes, Sarah	7-18-1836	7-21-1836
1031	Campbell, Ellis	Thompson, Parmelia B.	7-21-1836	7-21-1836
1032	Puryear, William	Norwood, Elizabeth	7-23-1836	---
1033	O'Rear, Jeremiah	Cole, Catharine	8-6-1836	8-11-1836
1034	Farley, Edward S.	Garrison, Emaline S.	8-8-1836	8-24-1836
1035	Horton, Andrew J.	Roland, Elizabeth	8-19-1836	8-25-1836

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1036	Horton, John	Tate, Nancy	8-19-1836	8-25-1836
1037	Acock, Nathaniel D.	Teague, Francis J.	8-29-1836	9-1-1836
1038	Moore, Wesley	McGlatheny, Ann	8-31-1836	9-1-1836
1039	Garner, Jesse	Livingston, Mary	9-5-1836	9-6-1836
1040	Hollaway, Wm.	Atchilla, Isaphonea	9-7-1836	9-8-1836
1041	Wolfe, Gibson	Cosby, Sarah Ann	9-8-1836	9-12-1836
1042	Pitts, Thomas	Smith, Matilda	9-14-1836	9-16-1836
1043	Tackett, John	Campbell, Mary	9-19-1836	9-20-1836
1044	Newman, Samuel	Litthill, Sarah	9-21-1836	9-22-1836
1045	Stine, Edmond	Acock, Parmelia	10-5-1836	10-6-1836
1046	Miller, John S.	Reaves, Elizabeth	10-17-1836	10-27-1836
1047	Baker, Edwin	Johnson, Martha Ann	10-17-1836	10-25-1836
1048	Poteet, Hiram	Pulliam, Jane	10-17-1836	10-20-1836
1049	Winds, Enoch	Ryan, Mary A.	11-1-1836	11-13-1836
1050	Dancy, James L.	McKenzie, Mary Ann	10-17-1836	---
1051	Ratliff, Robert	Kirkland, Penia	11-14-1836	11-16-1836
1052	Hensley, John	Barnett, Caroline	11-16-1836	11-17-1836
1053	McClelan, N. B.	Lundy, Elizabeth	11-26-1836	11-27-1836
1054	Hockett, Benjamin	Royer, Elizabeth	11-29-1836	12-1-1836
1055	Morrow, Geo. W.	McDaniel, Elizabeth	11-23-1836	11-24-1836
1056	Wise, Edward	Stovall, Elizabeth O.	12-1-1836	---
1057	Mooney, Martin H.	Jackson, Elizabeth M.	12-8-1836	12-8-1836
1058	Stanley, Amos J.	Marchbanks, Ellender	12-12-1836	12-14-1836
1059	Williams, Charles	Ross, Mary Bell	no dates	no dates
1060	Cosby, John E.	Rhodes, Sarah	12-17-1836	1-19-1837
1061	Gibson, Thomas	Crawford, Charlotte	12-17-1836	12-19-1836
1062	Smith, James	O'Rear, Margaret	12-20-1836	12-20-1836
1063	Smith, Elijah	Craft, Sarah	12-29-1836	12-29-1836
1064	Campbell, Geo. W.	Guier, Barbry	1-5-1837	1-5-1837

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1065	Gay, William	Lindsay, Milly	1-7-1837	1-8-1837
1066	Beuchamp, Jesse D.	Dinsmore, Louisa	1-10-1837	1-10-1837
1067	Guyer, John	Hill, Nancy	1-17-1837	1-17-1837
1068	Hughs, David A.	Lockhart, Jane	1-21-1837	1-22-1837
1069	King, Robert	Peck, Margaret A.	1-26-1837	---
1070	Wilks, David	Osburn, Anny	2-7-1837	2-18-1837
1071	Spain, Joseph	Maxwell, Sarah	2-8-1837	2-8-1837
1072	Vinyard, Noah	Pollard, Mary	2-7-1837	2-9-1837
1073	Smart, Samuel	Nelson, Mary	2-7-1837	2-9-1837
1074	Burnett, H.	Royer, Caroline	2-8-1837	2-14-1837
1075	Chapman, James M.	Hokett, Dice	2-8-1837	2-16-1837
1076	Carnes, James M.	Russell, Orlena	2-19-1837	2-27-1837
1077	Denton, M. V. S.	McClannahan, Margaret A.	2-25-1837	2-25-1837
1078	Wallis, Thomas A. G.	Morrow, Martha E.	2-25-1837	2-26-1837
1079	Blake, Wm.	Nearen, Roda	2-26-1837	---
1080	Hart, Joseph	Bain, Christian	3-24-1837	---
1081	McDowell, James	Thompson, Ellena	2-23-1837	2-23-1837
1082	Royer, Thomas J.	Androw, Eliza	3-7-1837	3-9-1837
1083	Young, Wm.	Simmons, Sarah A.	4-1-1837	4-1-1837
1084	Armstrong, E. K.	Marchbanks, Elizabeth	4-5-1837	4-5-1837
1085	Clingham, Francis P.	Rose, Aphia W.	4-6-1837	4-12-1837
1086	McCarley, Thomas J.	Stringer, Martha	4-12-1837	4-12-1837
1087	Bain, Benjamin	Allen, Rosa	4-29-1837	4-30-1837
1088	Little, Wm. H.	DeVault, Rebecca	3-30-1837	3-30-1837
1089	Reeves, Bennet	Kirkland, Dolly	4-4-1837	4-4-1837
1090	Crosthwaite, A. B.	Miller, Eliza	4-9-1837	4-10-1837
1091	Thomas, Henry	Dunn, Rachel	5-6-1837	5-6-1837
1092	Money, John H.	Jennings, Eliza J.	5-8-1837	5-11-1837
1093	Roby, Albert G.	Rose, Amanda F.	5-20-1837	5-24-1837

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1094	Hannah, John	Hutchins, Martha	6-3-1837	6-5-1837
1095	Lake, Joseph	Foster, Elizabeth	6-10-1837	6-11-1837
1096	Templeton, James W.	Hogan, Jane	6-22-1837	6-23-1837
1097	Rogers, Francis A.	Philpott, Mary P.	6-22-1837	6-22-1837
1098	Patterson, James A.	Martin, Nancy C.	6-29-1837	---
1099	Denton, Perry	Hensley, Susan	7-17-1837	---
1100	McCann, James	Stephenson, Lavina	5-23-1837	---
1101	Johnson, Washington	Johnson, Elizabeth	7-14-1837	7-27-1837
1102	Stephens, John A.	McMillan, Mary Ann	7-10-1837	---
1103	Tapscott, James W.	Wood, Susan	8-13-1837	---
1104	Roundtree, Thomas	Leeman, Elizabeth	8-15-1837	8-18-1837
1105	Stephenson, James	Madison, Elizabeth	8-15-1837	---
1106	Stovall, Wm. W.	Orr, Emily W.	8-16-1837	8-17-1837
1107	Evans, Malkijah	King, Louisa	9-6-1837	---
1108	Brooks, Geo. W.	Newsom, Elizabeth	12-17- <u>1838</u>	12-17- <u>1837</u>
1109	Bowers, David	Hodges, Eliza	12-24-1837	---
1110	Nicholson, J. G.	Speaks, Nancy J.	9-9-1837	9-10-1837
1111	Wiggins, George	Key, Mary A.	9-18-1837	9-19-1837
1112	Wright, Jesse H.	McGlathey, Margaret	9-18-1837	---
1113	Williams, James O.	Thompson, Prudence R.	10-4-1837	---
1114	Preston, James L.	Wood, Frankey T.	10-4-1837	---
1115	Ham, David A.	Russell, Martha	10-21-1837	---
1116	Dinsmore, Andrew W.	Beachamp, Minerva B.	10-24-1837	---
1117	Kaieser, Andrew	Child, Martha W.	10-25-1837	---
1118	McCall, Duncan	Hargrove, Elizabeth	11-23-1837	---
1119	Morrow, Alex. P.	Baptist, Margaret S.	11-28-1837	11-28-1837
1120	Miller, Richard	Boyd, Hannah	11-28-1837	---
1121	Hensley, Wm.	Davidson, Dice	11-11-1837	---
1122	Jorden, John	Rainwaters, Mary	12-11-1837	12-13-1837

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1123	Couch, Thomas S.	Bullen, Sarah	12-11-1837	12-11-1837
1124	Cate, John	Jones, Parthena	12-14-1837	12-21-1837
1125	Thomas, Labon	Maples, Rachel	12-21-1837	12-21-1837
1126	Murray, John A. L.	Ward, Sarah Ann	10-6-1837	---
1127	Love, Charles	Jones, Eliza	12-21-1837	12-21-1837
1128	Elder, George	Elder, Margaret	12-26-1837	12-26-1837
1129	Ratliff, George	Kirkland, Martha	12-30-1837	---
1130	Carnes, D. M.	Russell, Elizabeth	1-9-1838	1-9-1838
1131	Linsay, Robert M.	Elliott, Mary	1-11-1838	1-16-1838
1132	Alford, P. M.	Sandlin, Lavina	1-24-1838	1-25-1838
1133	Wilson, Robt.	Fan[Farr?], Sarah	2-1-1838	2-1-1838
1134	Wise, James	Johnson, Martha	2-5-1838	2-5-1838
1135	Musgroves, Anderson	Young, Milly	2-25-1838	2-25-1838
1136	McGlatheny, James B.	Turney, Matilda	2-21-1838	2-21-1838
1837	Frost, Edward	Jenkins, Jane	2-22-1838	2-23-1838
1838	McAnear, James	Hamilton, Mary	2-26-1838	---
1839	Owen, Thomas	Waldrum, Nancy	2-28-1838	---
1140	Nearin, Benjamin	Black, Rachel	3-3-1838	3-4-1838
1141	McAnear, Wm.	Charlton, Susan	3-12-1838	---
1142	Acock, James	Byers, Sarah	3-19-1838	---
1143	Allen, Eli	King, Catharine	3-22-1838	3-22-1838
1144	Fields, Jackson	West, Lavinia	3-23-1838	3-23-1838
1145	Blackwell, John G.	Yeary, Sirelda	3-27-1838	3-27-1838
1146	Crunk, Saml. D.	Boyd, Elizabeth G.	4-21-1838	---
1147	Lindsay, David D.	Brooks, Sarah	4-26-1838	5-1-1838
1148	King, Charles	Allen, Mary Ann	5-3-1838	5-3-1838
1149	Black, Richard	Laney, Mary	5-14-1838	5-17-1838
1150	McCutcheon, Joshua	Lamaseus, Jane	5-29-1838	5-31-1838
1151	Wood, Benjamin A.	Stovall, Mary G.	5-31-1838	6-5-1838

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Queries

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887 McCARTNEY, VAUGHN

Need info about John McCartney, Revolutionary War Pension #31847. He lived in Madison County, AL when his claim was approved 29 Oct 1837. Who did he marry and where? Received by Certificate #954 160 acres of land (SE½ S17 T1 R1W) Madison County, for which full payment was made 1 Mar 1819. Was this Rev War Vet father of John McCartney who was b ca 1800 SC and married Lucy Vaughn 9 Nov 1837? John and Lucy owned 40 acres of land (SE½ of SW½ S17 T1 R1W) apparently adjoining the 160 acres of the older John McCartney. The younger McCartneys moved to AR ca 1854/5. In the 1860 Franklin Co., AR census Lucy (Vaughn) McCartney is listed as head of household, did John die between 1850 & 1860 in AL or AR? Many descendants of the family still live in the Northwestern AR area. Any information appreciated.

Burl L. McCartney, 203 Elvin Ave., Hamilton, Oh 45013

888 HARRINGTON, BELK

Need info on Dr. J. T. Harrington, b 1818 (where?), m first Margaret Belk (when, where?), d 1904 McCondy, Chickasaw Co. MS. Margaret b Feb 1821, d 1/6/1880 & buried with husband. Second wife Emma A. ? b 1820, d 1899 & buried with husband, no known issue. Only 1 child of J.T. & Margaret is known: Caroline Louise, b 1855 to Karnes Co. TX in 1899. Would appreciate any info and will share.

NEAL, NEILL, etc

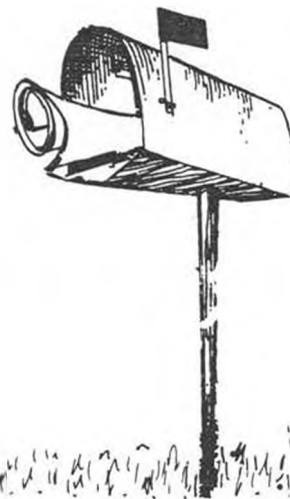
1850 Chickasaw Co. MS census shows 4 Neill families, all living next door to each other. Francis b 1800, Thomas b 1801 and Wm. b 1807 all SC. Wm. T., age 26 b AL is 4th family and evidently a son of one of the others. All children shown were b in AL up to 1841 when Thomas shows son b MS. Need info as to which of above is ancestor of Benjamin F. Neal/Neill b 1853 McCondy, Chickasaw Co., MS, d 1923 Karnes Co. TX. B. F. Said to have eloped with Caroline Louise Harrington, dau of Dr. J. T. & Margaret Belk Harrington. Where in SC did these men come from and where did they live in AL?

Mrs. C. L. Neill, Box 103, Fharr, TX 78577

889 BEVERS, BEAVERS

Valley Leaves, Vol 17, No. 3, p 130 shows Joseph Bevers Estate. Joseph Bevers died intestate, Jane Bevers, his widow, applied for & rec'd Letters of Administration, etc. Is this Joseph Bevers a bro of James Bevers/Beavers the Rev. War Soldier? I would like to exch info with descendants of Joseph or James Bevers/Beavers.

Mrs. C. E. Moore, 557 S. Beach St., Fort Worth, TX 76105



Queries Editor: MARGARET M. COWART

890 CALHOUN, HOWARD

Need parents of James Calhoun, b 1800 TN, married Sarah Howard in 1830. Sarah b April 1801 NC.

Earl C. Troop, 2508 Harvard, San Angelo, TX 76904

891 MARTIN, HOLMES, WILHITE, HART, McCOY

Calvin Martin, b 29 Dec 1827 AL, m 29 Oct 1844 Morgan Co., AL to Elizabeth Ann Holmes, b 24 Mar 1824. She was dau of Dennis Holmes b ca 1789. Calvin Martin died 11 Oct 1896 in Falkville, AL
John Jarmon Wilhite, b Jan 1788 in Green Co. TN, m ca 1810 in Campbell Co. TN to Mary McCoy, b ca 1793 in TN. This couple had 13 children, one of which was Rev. Wiley Washington Wilhite, b 12 May 1827 in Morgan Co., AL, m 17 Jun 1844 in Morgan Co. to Sarah Ann (Littleton) Hart, the dau of Thomas Hart. Sarah b 12 Jun 1827, and d in 1898 in Falls Co. Texas. Would appreciate help on any of these lines.

Sandy Greeson, 651 Campbell Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240

892 JOHNSON, MORRIS, PEEVEY, TAYLOR

Seeking parents of Mastin Johnson b ca 1807 NC, Harriet Johnson Morris b ca 1797 NC & William Johnson. Mastin Johnson m Elizabeth, dau of Dial Peevey on 25 Feb 1830 in Madison Co., AL. He was in the 1840 Jefferson Co., AL census. Sarah "Sally" Taylor, the mother of Harriet Morris, Mastin Johnson & William Johnson died in 1844 in Madison Co. Mastin Johnson was in the 1850 Winston Co., MS census. Harriet Morris was in the 1840 & 1850 Madison Co., AL census. William Johnson went west to fight the indians 1825/30.

Otho S. Johnson, Jr., 4003 Pinewood Drive, Jackson, MS 39211

893 BOX, CLEM

I am a new member trying to trace the early days of my grandparents. James Box b 13 Oct 1865 and Lizzie Clem b 31 Dec 1868. Both born some place in AL. They spoke of Gurley and Huntsville. They married and came to Crawford Co., AR (when?). My mother b 10 Apr 1890 in AR. Lizzie Clem's bro Charles Clem also came to AR with them. Would appreciate someone reading the 1870 census of Madison Co. for me. If you do research for "fun" or "fee", I would appreciate hearing from you.

Frances Raines, 55 Brady Loop Road, Montesano, WA 98563

894 LIVINGSTON, McSWAIN

Need parents of James S. Livingston, b 1824 AL m 4 Jan 1855 Catherine McSwain. He d Cullman, AL 25 Nov 1882.

Mrs. Margaret Richardson, Rt. 6, Box 634, Cleveland, TX 37311

895 WARREN, MORGAN, CAROLAN, DANSBY, YARBOROUGH, JAGGERS, RICH

Need parents, siblings & County of birth (TN) of: Zachary Isam Warren b 1810. Same for his wife: Rebecca Morgan b 1815 TN. Descendants, date of death & where buried for: Elizabeth Jane Warren b 1835 TN, m 12/14/1854 Madison Rich in Jackson Co. AL. Same for: Arthur "Art" Warren b 1841 Jackson Co., AL, m ? & had several children- one son named John. Zachary Isam & Rebecca Warren and most of their children came to (now) Logan Co., AR in 1882. Need father of William P. Carolan, b 28 Mar 1800 Chester Co., SC & his ½ bro, Jonathan Dansby b 8 Nov 1802 Chester Co., SC. Their mother was Sarah Clement Yarborough b 19 Jan 1777. All lived Morgan Co., AL 1820's to 1840's. She later married John Jagers.

Paul L. Springer, 1122 NW 97th Street, Oklahoma City, OK 73114

896 ALVERSON, CANN, ARNOLD

Seeking info on Archibald Alverson b 18 Jan 1812 SC and lived in St. Clair & Madison Cos, AL. He m first Elizabeth Cann 3 Aug 1834 in Talledega Co. AL, second Minerva Arnold 15 Jun 1861, third Ann _____. He lived in Huntsville, AL with his 3rd wife and family. Was he in Civil War? Who were his children by 2nd & 3rd wives?

GOLDEN, ALVERSON

Seeking info on Clarissa Golden, b 17 Mar 1789 SC & m Elijah Alverson 20 Mar 1810. They moved to St. Clair Co., AL (bounty land for War of 1812). Is Clarissa the dau of William Golden b 1760, d 1835, m Peggy _____, and served as a pvt. out of VA in the Rev. War and was pensioned?

SMITH, MOORE, ALVERSON, MASHBURN

Seeking info on Kindred W. Smith (Sr?) who m Mary L. Moore 8/10/1855. Are they parents of Mary Monica Smith who m Chesley David Alverson; Kindred William Smith (Jr?) b 19 Mar 1862 AL, m Eliza J. Mashburn; Jesse Smith; & Charles Smith? Is K. W. Smith, Sr. the son of Wm Smith, Rev War Soldier from GA who d in Monroe Co., AL?

MASHBURN, GOLDEN, SMITH, COWAN

Seeking info on William Nashburn of St. Clair Co., AL. He m Martha J. Golden, b Feb 1834 & d 3 Dec 1914 in St. Clair. Two of their children were Eliza J. who m Kindred William Smith & Rendee who m a Cowan.

Martha Alverson Doxsie, 2401 E. Clark Street, West Frankfort, IL 62896

897 CRAIG, ANDREWS

John Craig b ca 1773 SC m 1795 Rowan Co., NC Elizabeth Andrews, his 1st wife and the mother of all of his children, namely: Andrews, Rhoda, John Lewis, Martha C., Ebenezer, Samuel H., James Levi and Margaret Ann. They lived in TN several years before moving to Madison Co., AL ca 1812 where land was bought in 1813, and then moved to Lawrence Co., AL ca 1819. He is on 1820 State census of Lawrence Co. and the federal censuses for 1830/40/50. He d there in Dec 1850 with a Will. Elizabeth d bet 1820 & 1830. He m 2nd Mrs. Nancy _____ before 1830. A suit in Lawrence Co. court in 1852 provides the names and addresses of all the heirs of the deceased John Craig. I have additional information on these and will gladly share. Need parents of John Craig and Elizabeth Andrews. Postage refunded.

Marion S. Craig, M.D., 300 Beckwood Road, Little Rock, AR 72205

898 HAMILTON

Need name of parents of Reece Hamilton b 1799 SC, m Margaret Hamilton (a distant cousin) b 8 May 1799 SC. Who were her parents? In Franklin Co., AL in 1820 census. John & Thomas Hamilton may have been Reece's brothers. Margaret did have a brother named Samuel and a sister named Martha. Any help on this problem will be greatly appreciated.

Mrs. F. Veto Hester, Rt. 6, Box 80A, Russellville, AL 35653

899 READ, TURNER, HEARD

Need any info on William Read, resident of Morgan Co., AL ca 1824 and wife Mary ("Polly" Turner?). Where are they buried and what are the birth and death dates on their tombstones? Who were their parents? Their son, Thomas Jones Read m Martha Jane Heard, dau of Judge Stephen Rhodes Heard died Morgan Co. 1829, in Morgan Co. 1830 and moved to TX with the Heards, Menefeas, Sutherlands, etc in Oct 1830.

Lucy M. Jacobson, 6410 Nixon St., Lakewood, CA 90713

900 MASSENGALE/MASSENGILL, RUBY/RUBEY, LAWLER, COBB

Lucretia Theresa Massengale m 28 Aug 1826 Conrad Ruby in Huntsville, AL. Need birth & christening dates for both & parents of Conrad Ruby.

Allen Massengale m ca 1805 Margaret Lawler in Madison County, AL. Need siblings of this marriage & parents of Margaret Lawler.

Solomon Massengill m ca 1784 Tabitha Cobb in Washington Co., TN. Removed to Madison Co., AL ca 1800 or before. Who are the parents of Tabitha Cobb?

Would appreciate exchange of correspondence with anyone having info on any of the above persons.

Les Mangum, 9328 Twin Lakes Ave., Orangevale, CA 95662

901 DAMRON, McANELLY, FRAZIER, RIDDLE, WALLACE

I wish to swap info with anyone interested in or related to the Damron/McAnelly/Frazier/Riddle lines in the Paint Rock Valley and Sand Mountain areas of AL and Franklin & Lincoln Cos, TN. Seeking info on John Wesley McAnelly who fought for the Union at a young age. His daughter, Nancy Ann, b Aug 1873 was living with the family of Lisabeth Riddle in Jackson Co. in 1880 census. Nancy's mother, Elizabeth Frazier, d ca one month after Nancy's birth. Nancy m James Henry Damron, b Dec 1865, in 1897. They were on the Jackson Co., AL 1900 census in Trenton. James Henry was the son of Tom Damron by his second wife. Tom Damron had a daughter by his third wife named Tommie Dovie. She m Jim Wallace and raised a family near Huntsville. They had at least one son named Paul Wallace who may still be living in the Huntsville area. Additional info on this family in the Huntsville Public Library family files.

Mrs. Bobby L. Damron, 1927 SW 88th Street, Gainesville, FL 32607

902 TATUM, POTTS, MOSS, STANFORD, HUTCHINSON

Searching for parents of Daniel Webster Tatum. Mother's name was Amanda Potts(?), father's name unknown. Daniel Webster Tatum came to TX from AL. He was b ca 1858. Coming to TX with him was a brother, Robert (Bob) Tatum. Half bro to D. W. Tatum was Dow or Dowd Moss. D. W. and Bob Tatum m sisters in Collin Co., TX. D. W. m Fanny Stanford in 1880; Bob m Emma Stanford, date unknown. Dow Moss also came to TX, date unknown. D. W. Tatum is listed on the 1880 Collin Co. census with the following family: John Hutchinson, age 30 b MO, Mollie age 18, b AR, Lee age 2 & D. W. Tatum, age 22, b AR or AL? Any help would be appreciated.

Zelda Nance Fisher, 1314 SW 9th, Cooper, TX, 73432

903 BANKS, SLOAN

Searching for any info concerning Allen Banks, b ca 1798 SC. Lived in Hall County, GA 1830-1846. Listed on 1850 Cherokee Co., AL census. Allen d bet 1850-1860 as his wife and family are listed there in 1860. Also desire any information concerning his son Nathan Berry Banks who was listed on the 1850 Marshall Co., AL census. Nathan Berry b ca 1820 SC, m Jane Sloan in 1840 Hall Co., GA. Married Lydia ___?___ ca 1868 in AL. All help appreciated.

Sandra Haney Tedford, 200 Sherry Lane, Farmersville, TX 75031

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