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Editor's Leaf



Welcome to the new 1984-185 TVGS officers:

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FRANKLIN COUNTY

Hats off to Theresa Stirbis of Huntsville who is laboriously copying the 1850 census of Franklin County for publication in "Valley Leaves" beginning with the December issue. Since so many of you have asked us to continue publishing material on Franklin County Mrs. Stirbis has accepted the monumental task of copying the census from the microfilm. The film is extremely difficult to read and apparently some of the 1850 enumerators were barely literate as so many of the names were written phonically.

COLBERT COUNTY

For those of you interested in Colbert County we take pleasure in announcing two new series beginning with this issue: Will Book "A" from 1869 to 1903 and the Colbert County cemeteries. There is a complete explanation of the cemeteries on Page 10.

MORGAN COUNTY

We were delighted to hear that Dene Walls (Marine/Walls Historical Publications, 1300 Hayes St., Hartselle, Al 35640) is going to publish the 1850 Morgan County census. Janet Burks of Tyler, Texas has copied it from the microfilm and Dene is publishing it. Hopefully, it will be out this fall or winter. Incidentally, do not forget that Marine/Walls' second volume of cemetery records will be completed before long.

LAWRENCE COUNTY

We are pleased to announce that we will be publishing abstracts of Deed Book "B" of Lawrence County beginning with this issue. The book begins in 1822. Lawrence County is a particularly difficult county to research due to the apathy on the part of certain officials where genealogists and historians are concerned. Our heartfelt thanks to Janet Burks of Tyler, Texas who is abstracting this early, important book for "Valley Leaves."

YOUR COMMENTS

We especially appreciate your comments on the bottom of your Renewal-Order form. They guide us in selecting material to publish in "Valley Leaves." Many of your questions and requests will be answered in the December issue.

TVGS MEETING SCHEDULE

We welcome members and guests to our bi-monthly meetings. Meetings are always held in the auditorium of the Huntsville Public Library at 7:00 o'clock the fourth Thursday of every month (except November) as follows:

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| September 27, 1984 | March 27, 1985 |
| November 15, 1984 | May 22, 1985 |
| January 24, 1985 | July 23, 1985 |



Dorothy Scott Johnson,
Editor 



Book Reviews



CURRENT GENEALOGICAL PUBLICATIONS, Vol. 1. Edited by Claudette Maerz, P. O. Box 37010, Bloomington, Minnesota 55431 - cost not given - 100 entries - 8-1/2 x 11, soft cover. Index by surname and state.

Claudette Maerz's "Current Genealogical Publications" provides researchers a listing of some of the genealogical works that are now available for purchase. Presented in questionnaire format, Mrs. Maerz's book provides an overview (as provided by the author) and full order information for each work listed.

FOSTER: A FIRST FAMILY by Bettina Higdon - 8-1/2 x 11, hardbound, indexed. \$40.00 from The Gregarth Company, P. O. Box 1045, Cullman, Al 35056

Mrs. Higdon's "Foster: A First Family" was compiled for, and presented to, her aunt, Minnie Blanche Bradley Williams, on her 84th birthday. The work traces the descendants of William and Sabrina Roberts Foster (born 1795 Ga. and 1804 NC) especially the line of their sixth child, Joseph Archibald Foster.

Section II of the book contains collected data about Fosters who are not known to be related to Mrs. Higdon's line.

THE McCARLEY MEMORIES by Jane Berry McAfee. 8-1/2 x 11, velo-bind cover, indexed. 138 pages. \$15.00. Order from: Search-N-Print, P. O. Box 777, Farmersville, Texas 75031

"The McCarley Memories" by Jane B. McAfee traces the descendants of David McCarley of Spartanburgh District, South Carolina. Beginning with a chronological listing of pre-1790 McCarley records the book follows the family through Georgia, Alabama and Texas.

Reproductions of documents and pictures illustrate the text.

Some of the other surnames included are: Bomar, Chambers, Fowler, Heaton, Tapp, Richardson, Winne and Yeats. The book is indexed by surname with a full-name indexing of the McCarleys.

THE DEDMAN GENEALOGY WITH ALLIED FAMILIES by Wanda Williams Colvin. 1984. Hard bound, 8-1/2 x 11, 303 pages including a full-name index. \$35.00. May be purchased from author at 202 South Roosevelt, Cleveland, Texas 77327.

This book is well laid out and nicely arranged. Mrs. Colvin's Table of Contents enables one to easily locate a given family branch in the book and the full-name index is also very helpful.

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Book Review Editor - ANNEWHITE FULLER

Dedman Genealogy (-continued-)

Mrs. Colvin's research appears to be quite thorough and well thought out. She has included transcripts of wills and other records to document her work which is excellent especially since she traces this family from Virginia in 1646. In later generations the author has included a generous supply of family photographs and photocopies of actual documents which makes genealogies come alive.

Allied families treated are Anthony, Hawkins, Howard, Mason, Nutt, Rhea, Sanderson, Steelman and Stockman. [Reviewed by Dorothy Scott Johnson]

OLD LAND RECORDS OF LIMESTONE COUNTY, ALABAMA. 1984. By Margaret Matthews Cowart, 7801 Tea Garden Road, Huntsville, Al 35802. 8-1/2 x 11, soft cover, 238 pages plus full name index. \$18.00

This meticulously compiled record of the purchasers of Government land in Limestone County is the fourth in a series of published land records by Mrs. Cowart. Others are on Madison (\$18.), Jackson (\$20.) and Morgan (\$17.) counties, Alabama.

This work is actually a transcription of the Government Land Tract Book which is a record of the first owners of all property purchased from the United States Government. Mrs. Cowart made her transcription from the tract book housed in the Limestone County Probate Judge's office then compared this copy with that in the Secretary of State's office in Montgomery since the two copies do not always agree. She has then noted the discrepancies. In many cases, the only record of a man being in Limestone County will be in this work.

In the front of the book is a page explaining the abbreviations used throughout the book—something more authors of genealogical books should provide.

Instead of an Introduction or Foreword, Mrs. Cowart has chosen the title, "Explanation of Some of the Terms Used in This Book." The information she gives in these few pages is invaluable to anyone attempting to locate ancestors in land records. She covers such items as "Public Domain" and "Old Indian Boundary Lines." She shows how your ancestor may have obtained land for military service in Limestone County. Some of the most important information she gives you is a detailed explanation of how you can find original applicants when the land has been assigned to someone else, how to order a copy of a patent, and how to order land entry papers, plus much more.

This book is broken into chapters by townships and ranges with a map showing the location of each chapter within the county. Not only does this show you at a glance where your ancestors lived in the county but Mrs. Cowart has gone a step farther and included a blank township plat in each chapter so you can actually plot your ancestor's land.

The information contained in the book consists of name of purchasers, date, acreage, location of land and the certificate number issued by the U. S. Government. [Reviewed by Dorothy Scott Johnson.]



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 XII

Township 6, Range 3 East (continued)

Section 9 (continued)

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ W. H. Vance
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ D. R. Fletcher, Sr?
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Whittaker

Section 10

Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ M. Davis
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Whittaker
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ R. Whittaker
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ R. Whittaker
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ R. Whittaker
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ R. T? Coles?
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ R. Whittaker

Section 11

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Wright
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Isaac A. Morrison
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ T. Guffey
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Isaac A. Morrison
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank?
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ D. M. Cooper
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ M. Ashborn
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Geo. A. Faulkner
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ M. Ashborn
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank?
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ D. M. Cooper
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Cornelius
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank?

Section 12

N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Wildmon
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ D. M. Cooper
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ T(uggles?) Guffey
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ S? Guffey
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Wright
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ S? Guffey
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Thomas J. Anderson

Section 13

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ N. Whittaker
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ N. Whittaker
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Thos. J. Anderson
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ C. Embry
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ C. Embry
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ G. M. Embry
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ C. Embry

Section 14

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Geo. A. Faulkner
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Geo. A. Faulkner
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ M. Godsey
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. M. Davis
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Sims
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Crage
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. M. Winkle
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ M. Godsey
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ B. E. Sutton
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ B. E. Sutton
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ W. G. Pruett

Section 15

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ D. Cobb
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ A. Tate
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ D? R. Fletcher?
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Robert Coles
 pt E of Indian Bdry D. R. Fletcher?
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ A. M. Clay
 pt E of Indian Bdry D. R. Fletcher?
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ S. Cruse
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ D. R. Fletcher
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ L? Craig
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ W. J. Fletcher

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Decatur County (continued)

Township 6, Range 3 East (continued)

Section 16

$N\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ J. M. Winkle
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ J. B. Harris
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ J. Whittaker
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ E of River J. W. Clay
W of River J. R. Boyd
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ J. B. Harris
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ C. C. Clay
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ E. Fletcher
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ J. W. Clay

Section 17

$NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ J. Davis
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ J. Stapler
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ J. Stapler
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ D. Walker
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ J. N. Stapler
Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ E of River J. Fletcher
W of River Amos Stapler
Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ Amos Stapler

Section 18

$N\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ J. N. Stapler
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ J. N. Stapler
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Z. T. Kennemer, Stapler
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ W. B. Huggins
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ W. T. Echols
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ W. B. Click
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ W. B. Huggins
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ R. Hamlet?
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ J. Kinnebrugh &
J. W. Leadbetter
 $N\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ Kennebrugh & Leadbetter
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ A. Morrow
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ J. Prichett (or Puckett?)

Section 19

$E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ G. Morrow
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Jas. Walker
Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ Jas. Walker
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ Emmett Walker
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ James Butler
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ M. J. Young
 $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ Blank

Section 20

$E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ S. (or I?) Cruse
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ A. Stapler
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ A. Stapler
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ M. Jones?
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ J. P. Avery
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ Blank?

$N\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ J. P. & A. A. Avery
 $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank

Section 21

Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ S. R. Click
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ J. Fletcher
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ W. Watts
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ to Indian Bdry W. B. Robinson
 $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ to Indian Bdry N. Tidwell
 $N\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ to Indian Bdry Blank
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ to Indian Bdry N. Tidwell
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ to Indian Bdry W. B. Robinson

Section 22

$NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ B. E. Sutton
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ J. Watts
Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ W. J. Fletcher
 $N\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ J. Watts
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ J. Watts
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ W. Watts
 $N\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ G. W. Berry
 $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ W. Watts

Section 23

$NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ J. Watts
 $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ B. M. Fletcher
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ J. Watts
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ N. S. Davis
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ G. L. Watts
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ J. Watts
 $N\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ H. Dennis
 $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ J. Tucker
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ J. Watts
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ Eliza Winkler
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ G. L. Watts

Section 24

$N\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Wm. R. Peels?
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ W. R. Kirkland
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $N\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ Wm. R. Peels?
 $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ A. McGehee
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ W. R. Kirkland
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ J? B. Sutton
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ A. McGehee
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ C. C. Davis
 $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ Blank

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Decatur County (continued)

Township 6, Range 3 East (continued)

Section 25

Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ G. W. Tucker
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ I? D. Posy
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Embry
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Tidwell
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ A. Kirkland
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Watson
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ T. J. Dunn
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ G. W. Tucker
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. J. Birdwell
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ G. W. Tucker

Section 26

N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Jno. Tucker
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Tidwell
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Tucker
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Eliza Winkler
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ G. W. Tucker
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Joseph B. Whitaker
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Kirkland
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Wm. T. Walls
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ M. Burdwell

Section 27

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ John Oller
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. A. Cochran
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ T. Sims
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ W. A. Cochran
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ M. Burdwell
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ H. Bayles
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ H. Bayles
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Johnson

Section 28

Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ W. N. Lane
 Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ J. A. Marona except
 E of Bdry in NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$
 W. B. Robinson
 Blank
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. S. Logan
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ W. W. Ault
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ N. Reno?
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. H. Ault

Section 29

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ A. H. Parkill
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ E. Saint
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ E. Saint
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. M. Walls
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ E. Saint
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Walter? Cliff?

S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. H. Ault
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ A. H. Parker
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank

Section 30

Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Furgason Parkill
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ M. G. Young
 Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank

Section 31

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. W. Leadbetter
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Herrin Watts
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ M. N? Riche
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ M. T. Johnson
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ H. Henry?
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Walker
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Walter Davis
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ D. Walker

Section 32

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ C. R. Drown?
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. H. Ault
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ R. R. Kirkland
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Maynard
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ E of Bdry J. H. Ault
 W of Bdry John H. Patterson
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Maynard
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ John H. Patterson
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. T. Robinson
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Maynard
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Saint
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ G. W. Drake & J. M. Berry
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. H. Ault

Section 33

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Logan
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ A. C. Davis
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ N. Reno?
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. H. Ault
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ A. C. Davis
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Watts
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ E. N. Lemley
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ A. C. Davis
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ E. N. Lemley
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ R. R. Kirkland
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Dods & T. J. Lint
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Watts

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Decatur County (continued)

Township 6, Range 3 East (continued)

Section 34

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| $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ | H. Bales |
| $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ | Blank |
| $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ | W. S. Johnson |
| $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ | W. H. Moore |
| $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ | J. Freeland |
| $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ | J. H. Fulks |
| $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ | Blank |
| $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ | A. H. Parkill |
| $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ | W. S. Logan |
| $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ | W. S. Johnson |

Section 35

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| $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ | Blank |
| $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ | W. Whitehead |
| $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ | L. P. Clapp |
| $N\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ | Wm. T. Walls |
| $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ | H. W. Fulks |
| $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ | Blank |
| $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ | J. Sutton |
| $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ | B. S. Clapp |
| $N\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ | J. H. Fulks |
| $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ | Blank |

Section 36

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|------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ | Blank |
| $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ | T. J. Dunn |
| $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ | D. Baker & H. J. Chandler |
| $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ | J. J. Burdwell |
| $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ | J. C. Long |
| $N\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ | D. Baker & H. J. Chandler |
| $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ | T. T. Dotey |
| $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ | E. Stevens |
| $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ | Blank |
| $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ | J. C. Long |
| $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ | Blank |

Surveyor's District Northern Part A.
Fractional Townships Nos. 7 & 8, Range
3 East. Surveyed in the 4th quarter
of 1822 by Wm. B. Jones, Deputy Sur-
veyor. Signed by John Coffee, Survey-
or.

Section 1

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| Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ | W. Clapp |
| $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ | J. Upton |
| $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ | P. Starnes |
| $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ | R. Bearden |
| $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ | J. M. Sutton |
| $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ | H. Henry |
| $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ | J. Craft |
| $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ | G. M. Embry |
| $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ | P. Starnes |

Section 2

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|------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ | R. Jones |
| $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ | W. Stewart |
| $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ | J. Troup |
| $N\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ | T. Manning |
| $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ | Blank (or same as above?) |
| $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ | T. Manning |
| $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ | C. Grayson |
| $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ | W. Kirkland |
| $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ | E. Kirkland |
| $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ | T. Manning |

Section 3

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| $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ | T. Manning |
| $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ | David Parkhill |
| $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ | David Parkhill |
| $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ | J. Troup |
| $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ | T. Manning |
| $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ | J. T. Robertson |
| $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ | N. Majors |
| $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ | J. A. Mowney (Mowrey?) |
| $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ | C. Grayson |

Section 4

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| $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ | M. Buzbee |
| $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ | C. McD & W. L. (Chris Mc- Donald & Wm. Linsky) |
| $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ | W. Watts |
| $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ | J. Watts |
| $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ | W. Watts |
| $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ | W. Watts |
| $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ | W. Anderton |
| $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ | E. Brown |
| $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ | M. Woody |
| $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ | C. McD & W. L. (See above) |
| $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ | W. Watts |
| $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ | D. Ricketts |

Section 5

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|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ | T. Saint |
| $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ | McDonald & Linsky |
| $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ | T. Tidwell |
| $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ | W. Selvage |
| $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ | McDonald & Linsky |
| $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ | F. M. Marvin? (or Moring?) |
| $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ | W. Bridgess |
| $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ | T. Cargyle |
| $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ | H. Henry |
| $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ | M. T. Johnson |
| $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ | McDonald & Linsky |
| $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ | J. McMorris |
| $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ | J. Johnson |
| $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ | S. M. Jobe |

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Colbert



COLBERT COUNTY WILL BOOK "A" - 1869 - 1903 1st Installment

The earliest Will book in Colbert County is Book "A" which runs from July 22, 1867 to May 11, 1903. The first Judge of Probate was C. Womble. Colbert County was carved from Franklin County and became a full-fledged county in 1867. Many of the earliest wills were dated in Franklin County before it was split into two counties. Abstracted from photocopies by Dorothy Scott Johnson.

Pages 1-4 A. L. GARNER, Last Will & Testament.
Dated 4 March 1861, Franklin Co., Ala.
Codicil dated 12 April 1861
Probated 22 July 1867

- I, A. L. Garner, of Franklin Co., Alabama being in good health and of sound mind ...
- 1st. Pay just and lawful debts.
 - 2nd. To my dau. Sallie Bettie Garner, now an infant, all my property both real and personal.
 - 3rd. In case Sallie Bettie dies without heirs of her body my slaves are to be kept together and worked on my land as though I was living and managing them myself.
 - 4th. In case of the death of Sallie Bettie:
I give unto the present children of my brother, Sturdy F. Garner, \$100.00 each for ten years; to the children of my brother Daniel H. Garner, the sum of \$100.00 each for ten years.
 - 5th. To the children of Alexander Malone, Goodloe W. Malone, and John S. Malone, equally, all the residue of the proceeds from my estate for 50 years. [Note: this is in case Sallie Bettie dies without issue.]
 - 6th. At the end of 50 years each of my slaves to select their master and the master so chosen to pay the other heirs a fair valuation for them - it being my desire to keep them together as much as possible.
 - 7th. My executors, A[lexander] Malone, G[oodloe] W. Malone, and J[ohn] S. Malone are empowered to make purchases and sales necessary to best serve the estate. At deaths of executors their oldest children to replace them as follows:
They shall write their names on slips of paper and put them in hats numbered 1, 2, and 3. The one drawing No. 1 shall have the management for the first four years, the one drawing No. 2 shall have the management for the next four years, and the one drawing No. 3 to have the management the next four years, then the rotation to begin over again until the expiration of 50 years.
 - 8th. I appoint Alexander Malone, Goodloe W. Malone, and John S. Malone executors placing full confidence in their judgment and integrity.

Witness: Hector Atkisson
John D. Inman
J. H. Simpson.

Codicil

- 9th. I give full executor power to the children and their heirs and representatives.
- 10th. I wish to be distinctly understood as to raising and management of my daughter, Sallie Bettie Garner: she is to be kept at home on my premises with a competent lady employed to attend her. The same servants who now nurse her shall continue as such as long as they live.
- 11th. The lady employed to attend my daughter to receive instructions on management of my child from my executors.
- 12th. None of my brothers or sister, nor their children, are to have anything to do with the management of my child whatever - nor are any of my wife's brothers or

A. L. Garner, Last Will & Testament (-continued-)

sisters, nor their children, to have any control or management of my child.
/s/ A. L. Garner

Witness: Hector Atkisson
J. D. Inman
J. H. Simpson.

Will proven 22 July 1867 by witnesses who stated A. L. Garner was of sound mind and of legal age at the time his will was made.

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WILLIAM H. PERSON, Last Will & Testament
Dated 17 December 1866 Franklin Co., Ala.
Probated 12 August 1867

I, William H. Person, of sound mind and memory ...

1st. To my son Alfred S. Person and my daughter Sarah J. Person, jointly, the following lands:

the W/2 Section 1-3-14W
SW/4 Section 36-2-14W
W/2 NE/4 Section 35-2-14W

Also all my household and kitchen furniture, stock of hogs, cattle, sheep, mules, horses, wagons, carts, harness, plough gear and farming implements.

2nd. To my son John A. Person, in trust, for the use and benefit of my grandson, William H. Person, the following land:

NW/4 Section 36-2-14W
12 acres in SE corner of SW/4 Section 25-2-14W
25 acres in NW part of SE/4 Section 25-2-14W touching on the Tennessee River.

3rd. To my daughter Mary Harris \$10.00 having already given her a full share of my estate.

4th. To my son John A. Person \$10.00 having heretofore paid out for him at sundry times money to the full amount of his interest in my estate.

5th. My son Alfred S. Person and my daughter Sarah J. Person, jointly, to pay my just debts and then to pay John A. Person, in trust, for my grandson William H. Person, an amount sufficient to make his portion equal to theirs.

6th. If my grandson, William H. Person, should die before he reaches age 21, his share shall revert to my son Alfred S. Person for use and benefit of my son John A. Person, to be paid him in installments.

7th. I appoint my son Alfred S. Person executor without security.

Witness: R. A. Goodloe
James Key
James J. Hyatt.

Probated 12 August 1867. James J. Hyatt swore that William H. Person was of sound mind and memory, a resident of Colbert County, and over age 21 at the time he made his Last Will & Testament.

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THOMAS BOOTH JONES, Last Will & Testament
Dated 6 October 1867 Colbert Co., Ala.
Recorded 25 February 1868

I, Thomas Booth Jones, of Colbert Co., Alabama ... pay just debts ... my property of every description to be equally divided between all my children [not named in Will.]

I empower my executor not to permit any property sold at sacrifice under execution for benefit of my estate. He may buy property for benefit of my estate.

I appoint my brother, Francis H. Jones Senr., executor without bond.

Witness: J. W. Rand,
William Deoprey

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JAMES DOUTHIT Last Will & Testament
Dated 3 November 1858 in Franklin Co., Ala.
Recorded 6 July 1868

... of sound and disposing mind and memory but in feeble health ... pay my just debts and funeral expenses.

To my beloved wife, Cynthia D. Douthit, all my property real and personal during her lifetime. At her death it is to be equally divided among all my children or their descendants - with the exception of a negro boy, Toney, who is to "descend to the heirs of the body of my said wife, Cynthia."

I appoint my wife Cynthia Douthit executrix.

Witness: Christopher Tompkins
John W. Burton.

Note: None of James Douthit's children were named in the will, however, the Probate Minute Book "A" on Pages 72-74 lists his children as:

1. James E. Douthit)
2. Lucinda Fielder, wife of Anderson Fielder)
3. Jane Gibbs, wife of Alexander Gibbs) all residents of Colbert Co.
4. Caroline Nesbit, wife of N. B. Nesbit)
5. Elizabeth Basden, wife of George Basden)
6. Emeline Woody, wife of Amos Mood, a resident of Franklin Co., Ala.
7. Nancy Ann Fielder, wife of Richard D. Fielder, a resident of Henderson County, Tennessee.
8. Catherine Moss, wife of H. T. Moss, a resident of Tishomingo County, Mississippi

Pages 11-12

ALEXANDER LECKY, Last Will & Testament
Dated 20 February 1870, Colbert Co., Ala.
Probated 9 May 1870

To my sister, Jane M. Leggett, wife of Samuel J. Leggett, my interest in lot in Leighton including the dwelling and out-houses.

To my sister, Isabella Cunningham, wife of William Cunningham of Courtland, Alabama, \$2500.00.

To my niece, Mary J. Felton, wife of Hartwell K. Felton, and Margaret J. Leckey, \$1000.00 each.

To my niece, Adaline E. Merrill, wife of Edmond Merrill of Iuka, Mississippi, \$1000.00

Alexander Leckey, Last Will & Testament (-continued-)

To my friend, John Gulbreath, \$500.00
 To my nephew, Alexander Cunningham, my gold watch.
 To my cousin, Sarah J. Caruthers, \$250.00.
 To my brother, Hugh C. Leckey, the balance of my property.
 I appoint my brother, Hugh C. Leckey, executor "empowering him to use any way in the settling up of our partnership business."

Witness: Thos. W. Young
 G. E. Kumpie

Pages 13-15 EDMUND ELLETT, Last Will & Testament
 Dated 26 May 1870
 Probated 6 Sept 1870

To my daughter, Eliza Ellett:
 the SW/4 Section 30-4-10W on which is situate my buildings;
 also the S/2 Section 25-4-11W and
 E/2 NW/4 Section 36-4-11W totaling 560 acres.
 Also my household and kitchen furniture, farming tools including blacksmith tools, smokehouse and crib contents, two-horse wagon, two geens [gears/guns?] and fixtures, my mules, horses, cattle, hogs and sheep except a colt that I give to Richard Rather.

To my daughters Elizabeth Gunn, Mary M. Throckmorton, and Martha A. Rather, the:
 NE/4 Section 36-4-11W containing 160 acres
 N/2 NW/4 Section 1-5-11W cont. 80 acres
 SE/4 NW/4 Section 1-5-11W cont. 40 acres
 NE/4 SW/4 Section 1-5-11W cont. 40 acres
 W/2 SE/4 Section 1-5-11W cont. 80 acres; and totaling approximately 400 acres to be divided equally between them.

I confirm the gift, given previously, to Martha A. Rather:
 W/2 NW/4 Section 6-5-10W containing 80 acres
 NE/4 Section 1-5-11W cont. 160 acres
 SE/4 Section 36-4-11W cont. 150 acres, totaling approx. 390 acres; also the perishable property she has already received.

To Edmond Throckmorton, the colt of my riding mare.
 To Martha A. Rather, my yoke of oxen and our horse wagon.
 To Elizabeth Gunn, Mary M. Throckmorton and Martha A. Rather, my notes and accounts except \$500 when collected is to be given to Richard Rather to educate him.

To my daughter, Eliza Ellett, my two bales of cotton to pay my debts and taxes, and any residue is to be hers; also the rents of my plantation after paying necessary expenses.

Appoints Jackson Gunn of Morgan County, Executor.
 Witness: R. T. Abernathy
 A. J. Woodall

Pages 16-19 FRANK SMITH, Last Will & Testament
 Dated 13 June 1870, Kings County, New York
 Probated 10 Aug 1870, Kings County, New York

I, Frank Smith, of the city of Brooklyn in the County of Kings and State of New York, of the age of thirty four years ... of sound mind and memory ...

Frank Smith, Last Will & Testament (-continued-)

To my beloved wife, Mary Huston Smith, all my personal estate, my real estate, and all the rest, residue, and remainder of my estate.

I appoint Nathan J. Huston, M. D., of Brooklyn, N. Y., and Charles Hofer of Cincinnati, Ohio, executors, and my wife, Mary Huston Smith, executrix of my will.

Witness: L. B. Tuthill, M. D., residing at Cor. 26th & 3rd Ave., New York City
Edwin Kennpton, Lawyer, residing at No. 46 Lands St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Surrogate Court of Brooklyn, Kings County, New York
Frank Smith was a resident of Kings County, N. Y. at the time of his death and that Nathan J. Huston is granted executorship of the Last Will & Testament of Frank Smith.

Pages 20-21 MONROE FORT McKEEMAN (also written McKeman), Last Will & Testament
Dated 20 April 1861, Franklin Co., Ala.
Probated 20 March, 1871, Colbert Co., Ala.
Recorded 25 March 1871

... pay just debts and funeral expenses ...

To my beloved brother, Charles B. McKeeman of Franklin Co., Ala., during his natural life (and to his children equally after his death) all my estate, real and personal, money, bank bills, notes, and property of every description.

I appoint William H. Price of Franklin Co., Ala. as my executor.

Witness: Dr. James W. Stewart
William H. Price, Jr.

Pages 21-22 NANCY JANE RAMSEY, Last Will & Testament
Dated 10 July 1869, Franklin Co., Ala.
Probated 11 March 1871, Colbert Co., Ala.

... of sound mind and memory but having been on the bed of affliction for some months ...
pay just debts ...

My sister, Mary E. Ramsey, to have 1/4 of my estate both real and personal.
My sister, Drucilla S. Ramsey, to have 1/4 of my estate both real and personal.
My brother, B. W. Ramsey, to have 1/4 of my estate both real and personal.
My brother, Robert N. Ramsey, to have 1/4 of my estate both real and personal.
My brother, B. W. Ramsey, to be executor of my Last Will & Testament.

Witness: J. B. Grisham
Benjamin Hancock

Pages 22-24 REUBIN A. MITCHELL, Last Will & Testament
Dated 2 February 1871
Probated 28 February 1871

... of sound mind and "disposable" memory ...

To my beloved wife, Hellen T. Mitchell, all my half-interest in the brick yard on which I now reside (having a five year lease on it) together with my half-interest in horses, mules, hogs, wagons, cattle, corn, fodder, cottonseed, brick, farming tools, and all property of every description on the place.

Also, I give to my wife all my interest in a \$675.00 note due me by Levi Martin, due 28 November 1865 and now in the hands of Somonerville & McEachin of Tuscaloosa for collection.

Also to my wife, a \$337.00 note due me by Charles M. Foster, due 27 Dec. 1870 and

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also the balance of a \$200.00 note due me by Mastison & Moon due on November 1, 1869.

My wife to raise, school, clothe, and take care of my grandson, John J. Underwood, and give him \$500.00 cash when he reaches age 21.

The balance of my property to be divided equally among my lawful heirs.

Appoints wife Hellen T. Mitchell, executrix.

Witness: H. R. King

Dr. George E. Kumpe

Note: Reubin A. Mitchell did not mention his heirs by name in his will, however, they are listed in Probate Minute Book "A" on Pages 252-4. On 6 Feb. 1872 they were:

1. Martha A. Henley, wife of Valentine Henley of Mt. Pleasant, Miss.
2. Thomas J. Mitchell of Franklin Co., Al.
3. Anderson Mitchell of Raymon, Tn.
4. Hellen H. Cribbs, wife of H. Otis Cribbs of Colbert Co., Al.
5. Mary Reedle and Kimpe Reedle, over age 14, of Mt. Pleasant, Mississippi and living with Valentine Henley.
6. Crocket Downing and Viola Downing, under age 14, living with Pleasant Downing at Fulton, Mo., the children of Mary J. Downing who was a daughter of Reuben A. Mitchell.
7. William Asher Mitchell, age about 13, the son of Franklin Mitchell, decd., who was a son of Reuben A. Mitchell; William Asher Mitchell living with his mother, Mrs. Sallie Martin, in Lawrence Co., Ala.
8. Reuben Mitchell Jr., under age 14, son of Washington Mitchell, decd., who was a son of Reuben A. Mitchell; Reuben Mitchell Jr. resides with his mother, Nancy Hailley, in Marion County, Ala.
9. John J. Underwood, under age 14, son of Louisa Underwood, decd., who was a daughter of Reubin A. Mitchell; John J. Underwood resides with Hellen T. Mitchell, the widow of Reubin A. Mitchell, in Colbert Co., Ala.

-To be continued-

COLBERT COUNTY CEMETERIES

During the Great Depression days of the 1930's, one of the Colbert County WPA projects was to copy the cemeteries of the county. Since that time a copy of the work has been on deposit in the office of the Colbert County Commissioners' office and available only to those who knew it was in existence and who went to that office to see it. TVGS has Xeroxed the complete work, indexed it, and will carry some of the cemeteries in "Valley Leaves" from time to time beginning with the December issue.

In the 1930's genealogical research was not as exacting as it is today and a few words of caution must be said regarding these cemeteries. First of all, it is apparent the copyists did not use chalk on the faces of the stones to bring out the lettering to a more legible condition. For instance, a person's initials might be "M. R." on one inscription and "W.R." on another.

There is nothing on the work to indicate when these cemeteries were copied, however, it was probably between 1931 and 1935. Of course, no tombstones erected after that period are included. Too, there is no way we can guarantee their accuracy which depended entirely upon the copyist and the typist. The location of the individual cemeteries is given only roughly and even then in only a few cases. I have tried to correlate these cemeteries with the current Colbert County road map without success. I feel sure there are some that were copied that are no longer on the map and some on the map that were not copied.

The great thing about these cemeteries is that they were recorded. "Civilization," being what it is, has probably already destroyed a number of them and at the very least some of the individual markers have undoubtedly been obliterated by time and the elements.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to the Colbert County Commission for allowing us to copy these important genealogical documents and for sharing them with a hungry public.



Franklin



AMNESTY AND PARDONS

On May 29, 1865, shortly after the end of the Civil War, President Andrew Johnson issued a Proclamation granting amnesty and pardon, with restoration of all property (except slaves) and rights of full citizenship, to those who would sign an oath and pledge their allegiance to the United States government. This "blanket" pardon DID NOT include persons who fell into any of fourteen different categories, the most common one being, "All persons who have voluntarily participated in said rebellion and the estimated value of whose taxable property is over \$20,000."

A total of 1787 persons in Alabama applied to the provisional Alabama government for pardons. Of these, forty nine were from Franklin County and one was Dr. James M. Huston. Dr. Huston made a special application for pardon because his property was valued at more than \$20,000 and he was not covered by President Johnson's "blanket" pardon.

Dr. Huston's file was submitted by TVGS member Elizabeth Collins, genealogist, No. 604, 1300 Beacon Parkway East, Birmingham, Ala. 35209. It was photocopied from microfilm at Samford University in Birmingham.

JAMES M. HUSTON AMNESTY PAPERS

Head Qurs. U. S. Forges
Tuscumbia Ala Sept 14th 1865
I Certify that the within oath was taken for the express
purpose of making application for Special pardon.
Dav. V. Rhea, Lt.
F Co. 7th Ill. Cav.

To His Excellency, Andrew Johnson, President of the United States of America:

Your petitioner, J. M. Huston, shows to your Excellency that he has long been a citizen of the County of Franklin & State of Alabama; That he is a practicing Physician & planter & as such was residing on his plantation in said County at the commencement of the war.

That he is the owner of over twenty thousand dollar's worth of taxable property which alone places him in the excepted classes, as excluded from the general Amnesty extended in your Proclamation.

He further states that he voted for John Bell for the Presidency in 1860; that he honestly believed secession to be a reserved right of each State; that he was largely interested in slavery as a property owner; and that he believed the exercise of the right of secession would place this property on a firm and secure basis; & he was therefore in favor of the passage of the ordinance of secession on the 11th January 1861 by the Convention of Alabama.

He further states that he subscribed fifty bales of cotton to the so-called Confederate Cotton loan, all of which were burnt by Confederate authority.

Petitioner never belonged to the Confederate army, nor did he hold any State or Confederate office during the rebellion, but remained at home, a private citizen, superintending his planting interests & practicing his profession.

No charges are preferred against petitioner in any tribunal of the United States, nor has any of his property been seized or in the possession of the United States as abandoned or otherwise.



(-continued-)

Petitioner further states that he will in perfect truth & sincerety sustain the policy of your Excellency's administration in restoring the State of Alabama to her Federal duties & relations; that he accepts & recognizes the emancipation of the slaves in the Southern States as a fixed & accomplished fact; & that he will abide by & sustain the laws of the United States & the proclamations of the President thereof in respect to the emancipation of slaves since the rebellion; & that he will in future make a peaceful citizen, loyal to the United States.

Petitioner prays that your Excellency would restore him by a special pardon to his rights of citizenship & property.

/s/ James M. Huston

Sworn to and Subscribed to before me this 14th day of Sept. 1865.

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To His Excellency, Lewis E. Parson, Governor of Alabama.

The answers of J. M. Huston of the County of Franklin, State of Alabama, to the Interrogatories of your Excellency, circular July 25, 1865, to applicant for Special pardon. He answers as follows (viz) to:

- 1. He answers that he is not [under arrest.]
- 2. He answers that he did not advise, counsel, nor aid in taking Fort Morgan, nor Mount Vernon Arsenal.
- 3. He has never served on any vigilance committee.
- 4. No one has ever been shot or hung by his order for real or supposed disloyalty to the Confederate States.
- 5. He has never short, or hung, or aided in shooting or hanging any one for real or supposed disloyalty to the Confederate States.
- 6. He has never ordered, nor been engaged in, hunting with dogs any one who was disloyal or supposed to be so, to the Confederate States.
- 7. He was in favor of the so-called ordinance of secession on 11th Jany. 1861.
- 8 and 9 not answered. [Note: Number 8 was "You are not bound to answer any except the first of these questions" and your editor has been unable to determine the ninth question.]
- 10. He will be a peacable & loyal citizen in the future.
- 11. No proceedings have been instituted against his property under the confiscation act.
- 12. None of his property is in the possession of the United States as abandoned property or otherwise.

/s/ James M. Huston
14 Sept. 1865

Note: On the front of this application was a notation, "Approved by Governor."



Jackson



THE PARKS FAMILY

The following information on the Parks family was compiled and contributed by Christine Sumner of Jackson County. The notes and comments are also by Mrs. Sumner. This Parks family came to Jackson County from Blount County, Tennessee, and settled at a place near Scottsboro called "Parks Campground."

The following record is taken from the old Thomas B. Parks diary (son of John Parks). The diary is presently owned by Mr. Julian Clemons of Scottsboro.

Thomas B. Parks Diary

John Parks was born on January 14, 1782. He married Mary M. Dulaney on March 12, 1811. Mary M. Dulaney Parks died February 15, 1812. John Parks married 2nd, August 13, 1816, Ruth Brown (born October 18, 1796). John Parks and Mary M. Dulaney had one child:
William Dulaney Parks, born January 22, 1812, died 5 April 1888.

Children of John Parks and Ruth Brown:

1. Robert C. Parks, born May 2, 1818
2. James M. Parks, born July 9, 1819
3. Mary M. Parks, born January 12, 1821
4. Eliza B. Parks, born September 11, 1822
5. Rebecca Parks, born February 19, 1824
6. John G. Parks, born December 19, 1825
7. Elizabeth Parks - record lost
8. Samuel W. Parks - record lost
9. Thomas B. Parks, born March 27, 1832
10. Joseph F. Parks - record lost

Notes by Thomas B. Parks: "Now these are the sons and daughters of John Parks and Ruth Parks that was born unto them after they came to the state of Alabama and settled in the Tennessee River Valley."

Thomas B. Parks, born March 27, 1832 [died May 24, 1918] married first to Martha A. Hudgins. Issue:

1. Anson Benjamin Parks
2. Jerome Black Parks

Thomas B. Parks' second wife was Mary Jane Pierce.

Thomas B. Parks' third wife was [blank]

Thomas B. Parks was a Methodist minister, farmer, and Postmaster at Collum in Jackson County, Alabama.

WILLIAM DULANEY PARKS BIBLE RECORD

This Bible record was copied in 1968 by Christine P. Sumner in the home of Mrs. Ada Sumner Smith, daughter of Kate Parks and James Exum Sumner, Sr.

William Dulaney Parks was born 22 January 1812 - died 5 April 1888
Lucinda Ann Kirby Parks was born April 8, 1812 - died October 8, 1876

William Dulaney Parks and Lucinda Ann Kirby were married on 5 December 1832. [Note:

The Parks Family (-continued-)

Both William Dulaney Parks and Lucinda Ann Kirby are buried in the old Parks Cemetery just off Highway 79 near the Scottsboro Golf and Country Club.]

Children of William Dulaney Parks and his wife Lucinda Ann Kirby:

1. Hugh Lawson Parks, born Jackson Co., Ala. 23 October 1833
2. Mary E. Parks was born 18 January 1836
3. John W. Parks was born July 28, 1839
4. Eliza Jane Parks was born 22 October 1842
5. Sarah Catherine "Kate" Parks was born 22 February 1845 and died 17 January 1935
6. Nancy E. Parks was born April 22, 1849 and died February 3, 1912. Never married.
7. William D. Parks Jr. was born 14 March 1852.

Marriages

Mary E. Parks and Milton P. Brown were married in Jackson Co., Ala. August 20, 1854.
 Hugh L. Parks and Sallie Morrison were married in Bellefonte by the Rev. Robert Frazier on the 11th day of October 1858 at 9 o'clock A. M.
 Eliza Jane Parks and Thomas D. Starnes were married November 2, 1859
 John Parks and Mollie (Elizabeth Mary) Larkin were married October 15, 1862.
 James Exum Sumner and Sarah Catherine "Kate" Parks were married November 13, 1862
 W. D. Parks [Jr.] and Ada West were married August 16, 1877.

Deaths

Sallie L. Parks, wife of Hugh Parks, died April 18, 1862
 Mrs. Mollie Parks [wife of John] died August 16, 1868
 Hugh Lawson Parks died May 22, 1869
 John W. Parks died January 15, 1875
 Lucinda Parks died October 8, 1876
 Nancy Ellen Parks died February 3, 1912
 James Exum Sumner was born 11 August 1825 and died 4 February 1877

Note: Hugh Lawson Parks and John W. Parks were both lawyers and practiced at old Bellefonte, first permanent county seat of Jackson County.

The following is an old, undated, Scottsboro newspaper clipping sent to Christine Sumner by Mrs. Elizabeth Behlert in 1973.

An Old and Esteemed Citizen Gone

Dr. Andrew Jackson Kirby died at his home three miles south of town, on the 4th of December and was buried at the Parks' graveyard on the Ridge. He was in his 82nd year and passed away tranquilly, expressing no fear of the dark river. Dr. Kirby's father was Joseph Kirby who came to this section from Tennessee in 1800. His brothers were Clinton and Richard Kirby. He was a soldier of the Florida Indian wars and drew a pension for that service. He practiced medicine in the county until enfeebled by age and was always held in high esteem and passed away without an enemy. He married Miss Jane Gossett, who survives him, with nine children and a large family connection. Mrs. J. D. Jordan of this place is a daughter; Mrs. T. D. Starnes is a niece, and W. D. Parks is a nephew.

The Parks Family (-continued-)

"The foregoing obituary is the only evidence we have found to date to prove that Joseph Kirby, one of the first county [Jackson] commissioners, was the father of Lucinda Kirby who married William Delaney Parks.

"When Andrew Jackson Kirby's widow applied for a widow's pension she gave the death of her husband as December 4, 1895 (General Services Commission, Washington, D. C.)

"These Kirbys are also from Blount County, Tennessee, and we believe they came down the river to Jackson County with the Parks family."

FROM THE CONFEDERACY

The following newspaper article, from the "Nashville Daily Times and True Union," was secured for and contributed to TVGS by member P. B. Keel. The newspaper was dated April 21, 1864.

"A mixed crowd of citizens and soldiers, nineteen in number, arrived at the picket line yesterday, direct from the nitre works near Paint Rock, (Ala.) and were sent to Captain Goodwin. Up to a short time since they had all been engaged in the nitre works. Their names are:

William Cox of Morgan County, Ala.
 J. H. Rivers, 19th Ark.
 W. H. Cox of Morgan county, Ala.
 B. J. Johnston, 49th Ala.
 Wilson Cogill, 49th Ala.
 Adam Cogill, Marshall county, Alabama
 David Cogill, Marshall county, Ala.
 James P. Cogill, Marshall county, Alabama
 Isaac Curry, Morgan county, Ala.
 Joseph Light, Marshall county, Ala.
 J. A. Caphern[Cophern?], 16th Ala.
 W. A. Lemons, Morgan county, Ala.
 John Wilson, Marshal county, Ala.
 Joseph Jones, 27th Ala.
 Wm. Birdsell, Marshal county, Ala."

MAPLES FAMILY NOTES

The following information was contributed by Judge William D. Page.

Source: "Southern Advocate" newspaper, Huntsville, Ala., May 21, 1856:

"Married on the 11th at Moses Maples' by Rev. S. Hawk, Mr. J. E. Adams to Miss Mary Maples, all of Jackson County." [Note: The Jackson County marriage records show that James E. Adams and Mary Maples were issued a marriage license on 28 April 1856 but it shows the marriage as solemnized on May 12, 1856.]

Source: "Southern Advocate" of 20 November 1847:

"Died at the residence of his sons in Madison County, Ala. on 26th ult., William C. Maples in the 81st year of his age."

ERWIN CEMETERY

The Erwin Cemetery is located in the SW/4 of Section 21-4-4E in Shiffman's Cove, Jackson County, Ala. It was copied January 28, 1984 and contributed by Judge William B. Page and Wilma B. Page.

| | | |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| J. W.) | Maldy | Mildred Fronia Holder |
| Frasier) | Derrick | Died Dec. 2, 1949 |
| Oct. 18, 1847) | Bornd. Nov 2 | Aged 76 Yrs., 3 Mo., ... |
| Mar. 7, 1923) | 1861. Died. Oct | [Note: This was a Laughlin |
|) Double | 16. 1904. Wife | Service Funeral Home metal |
| M. M.) stone | of. A. J. Derrick | marker. No stone.] |
| Frasier) | [Footstone: M. D.] | |
| Dec. 26, 1853) | | |
| Jan. 28, 1928) | A. J. Derrick | SHERRELL) |
| At Rest) | May 13, 1850 |) |
| | Feb. 19, 1920 | Odie Lee [Sherrell]) |
| | Resting in hope of a | Sept. 11, 1892) |
| | glorious resurrection | Apr. 21, 1951) Dbl. |
| Harold Dotson | |) stone |
| Derrick | | |
| Oct. 5, 1922 | | Della G. [Sherrell]) |
| Aug. 1, 1942 | Ella F. Derrick) | Nov. 4, 1894) |
| Dearest brother, thou hast left us | Sept. 12, 1884) | (blank)) |
| Here thy loss we deeply feel | Oct. 27, 1919) | A light in our household gone,) |
| But 'tis God that hath bereft us | [Footstone: Mother]) Double | A voice we love is still,) |
| He can all our sorrow heal |) Stone | A place is vacant in our home,) |
| Footstone: H. D. | Dotson D. Derrick) | That never can be filled.) |
| | April 1, 1880) | |
| | Mar. 14, 1940) | |
| Myrtle Derrick | [Footstone: Father]) | Maggie C. |
| Lewis | In loving memory.) | Wallingsford |
| May 19, 1907 | | Oct. 11, 1884 |
| May 7, 1941 | | Sept. 26, 1957 |
| In Loving memory | Infants of D. Derrick) | Asleep in Jesus |
| |) | |
| | Harvey) | |
| | Aug. 30, 1902) | Samuel Jordon |
| Cora Frazier | Dec. 12, 1902) Double | Wallingsford |
| Derrick |) Stone | Apr. 2, 1882 |
| Wife of | | June 23, 1941 |
| Marion Derrick | Beddie L.) | Asleep in Jesus |
| Feb. 14, 1885 Sept. 22, 1910 | Mar. 4, 1918) | [Footstone: S. J. W.] |
| | Mar. 4, 1918) | |
| Sherman Boyd | | SMITH) |
| son of | Note: There was a |) |
| Marion and Cora | tombstone here with only | Ossie Gentle [Smith]) |
| Derrick | the name "Derrick" on | Jan. 13, 1911) |
| Aug. 26, 1909 Aug. 20, 1910 | the top of it. Both | (blank)) |
| | sides were blank. | [Footstone: Wife]) Double |
| | |) Stone |
| Walter Lesley | Jarrett | John Frank [Smith]) |
| Infant Son of | Stewart | Mar. 10, 1902) |
| Marion and Cora | Sept. 6, 1876 | Aug. 27, 1966) |
| Derrick | Apr. 22, 1936 | [Footstone: Husband]) |
| May 7, 1924 | He died as he lived, | |
| | a Christian | |

Erwin Cemetery (-continued-)

John Raymond
Smith
Dec. 7, 1937
July 24, 1955
Gone But Not Forgotten

Daughter
Tody Po....[broken]
Bo Sep. 3, 1922
Di..... 1933

Elijah Saint
Dec. 7, 1883
Apr. 25, 1947
[Footstone: E. S.]

Jimmie
Smith
Mar. 19, 1933
June 27, 1933
Our Darling

Mother
Emley E. Gossett
Born Oct. 22, 1857
Died Aug. 15, 1933

Martha Green
1878 - 1937

Note: Two graves here surrounded by a metal fence marked only with fieldstones, no lettering.

Joe E. Elledge
July 29, 1889
July 1, 1932
Gone, but not forgotten
[Woodman of World Memorial Stone.]

Fay
Holliman
Tucker
Mar. 14, 1931
Oct. 31, 1936
A sunbeam from the world has gone.

Note: Five graves here marked only with fieldstones and

Mother
Pearlie Mae Elledge
Oct. 26, 1888
July 19, 1976
[Footstone: Mama]

Mother
Annie Lou
Smith
Oct. 2, 1914
Oct. 24, 1942
[Footstone: A. L.S.]

surrounded by a metal fence. One of these graves had a Spry Funeral Home Marker as follows:

M[iss ?] Carrie Erwin
Died 197....
[illegible]

S. E. Elledge
Born
Aug. 1, 1874
Died
Dec. 31, 1917
At Rest
[Footstone: S. E. E.]

Note: There were three metal funeral home markers here - no information visible on them.

Our Darling
Cecil Shelton
Aug. 11 - Sept. 6
1916
Baby.

Note: The Wilson tombstone had three inscriptions on it:

WILSON:

Tommy Charles)
1956 - 1974) Triple
[Footstone: Tommy]) Stone

Note: A metal funeral home marker by Tommy Charles Wilson's grave stated:
Tommy Charles Wilson
Died November 12th 1974
Aged 18 Yrs,

Sister
Vivian P.
Elledge
Nov. 29, 1919
Oct. 30, 1937
[Footstone:
Vivian Elledge
1919 - 1937]

James Larry)
1949 - 1961)
[Footstone: Larry])
William Franklin)
1954 - 1959)
[Footstone: Frankie])

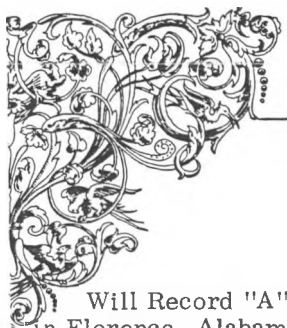
LETTERS LEFT AT BELLEFONTE POSTOFFICE

The following item was found by Helen Bowling McKnight of Huntsville, Alabama, at the University of Alabama library at Tuscaloosa. The April 1, 1841, issue of this Bellefonte, Alabama newspaper is the only one on microfilm at that library. The Jackson County Democrat "printed and published every Thursday morning by R. A. Eaton, next door to the Mansion Hotel," Bellefonte, Ala., Thursday, April 1, 1841, Volume 1, No. 1.

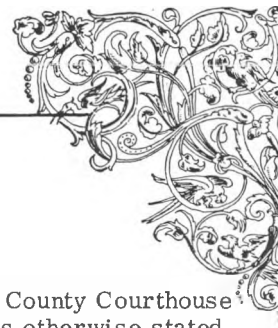
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A List of Letters remaining in the Post Office at Bellefonte, Jackson County, Alabama, on the 1st of April, 1841, which if not taken out on or before the 1st day of July next, will be sent to the General Post Office as dead letters.

| | | |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| Armstrong, E. M. | Hogue, Solomon | Snodgrass & Coffee |
| Armstrong, Wm. C. | Hall, Charles M. | Smalley, James |
| Archey, Elizabeth | Hall, M. J. | Shankie, James T. |
| | Hall, Jno. C[G ?] (2) | Scott, James C. |
| Burks, Wiatt (2) | Houston, Wm. (1) | |
| Barnes, Nathan | Huffman, J. B. | Taylor, R. Q. |
| Brittan, John II | Higgins, Henry | Tipton, Washington |
| Brown, George | | Tipton, Minerva (Miss) |
| Bolten, James | Johnson, William | Thomas, Henry |
| Barber, Mark | Jones, Moses | Thomas, Samuel C. |
| Bridges, Jno. W. | | |
| Bridges, Thomas | Knox, Williamson | Willhelums, Jacob |
| Bryant, H. M. | | Willis, Henry |
| Byram, Isaac Sr. | Loyd, Jourdan (2) | Wilson, Rhewbin |
| Bennett, Townsend | Laggin, Thomas D. | White, Archibald |
| Barclay, William | Laggin, Mastin | Wilbanks, Owen (2) |
| Besore, John | Laggin, Elijah B. | Wall, Alfred |
| Busby, Reaves | Lagan, Joseph | Ward, Christina |
| Berry, Jno. W. | Lackey, R. or B. F. Ivy | Weston, Thomas |
| | | Woodall, Cary |
| Carr, John | McIntarf, James | Wann, Isaac D. |
| Sheriff of Jackson Co. (2) | Mason, William Dr. | Walker, Elizabeth (Mrs.) |
| Coffee, B. B. | Mitchell, A. | Webb[Wibb?], William (Capt.) |
| Coldwell, James H. | McNail, D. | Wormack, Josiah |
| Chadwick, Wm. D. | Martin, Stinix | Wormack, Wm. |
| | Messer, Joha | Wut, James |
| Derrick, Mary | Morris, John Sr. | |
| Dobbs, David | McComb, Ann (Miss) | |
| Duboes, Elias | Martin & Austin | Signed by Alva Finley, |
| Dudly, Jackson | Moody, Isaac | Post Master |
| | | April 4, 1841 |
| Eledge, Whitefield | Nicholas, John W. | |
| Eustis, J. G. | | |
| | Osborne, Nebema | |
| Franks, Benjamin | | |
| | Parks, Robert | |
| Gay, Thomas | Pittman, Levi H. | |
| Gist, Joseph | Payton, Wm. W. | |
| Giles, Geo. W. | Price M. | |
| Giles, James | | |
| Giles, John | Riggs, Wm. | |
| | Rogers, John | |
| Haynes, Wm. O. | Russell, Thomas | |
| Hammons, Valentine | Riddle, James | |
| Hope, James | | |
| Harris, McNary (2) | Short, Jane | |
| Higgins, Wm. | Starkey, Jesse | |



Lauderdale



WILL RECORD "A"

1835 - 1858

(Nineteenth and Final Installment)

Will Record "A" is a large, red 316-page volume and it is in the Lauderdale County Courthouse in Florence, Alabama. 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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Petition to Probate Will
William K. McMackin

Dated: 8 Sept 1858

Petitioner: Stephen A. McMackin

William McMackin died September 1, 1858 in Lauderdale County, Alabama. During his last illness he made his nuncupative will. His heirs are:

- Nancy McMackin, widow, resident of Lauderdale County, Alabama)
- William P. McMackin, resident of Hickman County, Tennessee) heirs at law
- Adelaid Campbell of Hickman County, Tennessee) of
- Andrew McMackin of Lauderdale County, Alabama) Hugh
- Stephen McMackin of Lauderdale County, Alabama) McMackin
- Adeline Campbell of Perry County, Tennessee)
- Elizabeth Welsh of Hickman County, Tennessee)
- John McMackin
- Rosana Cruse
- Patsey Choats
- William Gillespie
- Martha Jane Yancy
- Sundry children of Thomas McMackin, names unknown.

The petitioner does not know the place of residence of the other heirs at law.

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WILLIAM K. McMACKIN
Nuncupative Will

Dated 1 Sept 1858
Prob: 25 Oct 1858

On Wednesday, September 1st 1858, in view of his approaching death and apparently in extremes, William K. McMackin was asked by Sydney C. Posey who he wished to have his property. He answered that he wanted his wife to have it. Sydney C. Posey immediately wrote it down and the witness subscribed to it.

Witness: Sidney C. Posey, S. A. McMackin, and A. T. McMackin

Court's Findings

William K. McMackin, being very sick at his residence on September 1, 1858, in Lauderdale County, Alabama, and being his last illness, declared he wanted his wife, Nancy McMackin, to have his property. He was of sound mind at the time—he then had a lucid interval—and was capable of making a nuncupative will.

Petition to Probate Nuncupative Will
Elizabeth Jenkins

Petitioner: Georgie Reed

Mrs. Elizabeth Jenkins died in August, 1858 having made a nuncupative [verbal] will which was duly reduced to writing and proved within the time prescribed by law. She left the following children and heirs at law:

- Benson Jenkins, over age 21, a resident of Florence, Alabama.
- Eliza M. House, wife of Julius House, of legal age, a resident of Florence, Alabama.
- Elizabeth A. Hays, wife of William Hays, of legal age, a resident of Lauderdale County, Alabama.
- Eli M. Jenkins, of legal age, a resident of Jefferson, Texas.
- Mary A. Berry, formerly Jenkins, of legal age, a resident of Greenwood, La.
- James Eli Jenkins, age 6 years) The children of James D. Jenkins, decd.,
- Alfred Jenkins, age 2 yr. & 6 mo.) (son of Elizabeth Jenkins) who reside with their mother in Greenwood, Louisiana.



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ELIZABETH JINKINS
Nuncupative Will

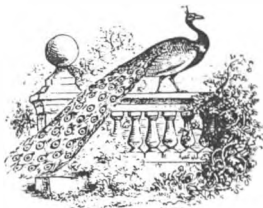
Mary E. Wood, Susan Y. Amonett, and Jane Stafford, witnesses state:

Elizabeth Jenkins resided in Florence, Lauderdale County, Alabama and died August 26, 1858 at her home. She had lived there more than ten years previous to her death. On Monday, August 23, 1858, during her last illness, she was conscious of her fast approaching death but of sound mind and disposing memory. She stated she wanted her granddaughter, Georgie Reed, to have \$100. money, a bed, bedstead, and furniture, and her two-ply ingram parlor carpet.

Petition to Probate
William G. Fuqua

Petitioner: John C. Fuqua, executor

William Fuqua died with a will. He left a widow, Susan Fuqua, and the following minor heirs, all under age 14 years:



- Lucy Ann Fuqua
 - Sarah E. Fuqua
 - Archibald G. Fuqua
 - Mary Susan Fuqua
 - Martha C. Fuqua
- These are the only heirs of W. G. Fuqua.

To my beloved wife, Susan Fuqua, seven slaves, two mules, a grey colt, a lady's saddle, and as much of my household and kitchen furniture as is necessary for her use; also one year's provisions.

To my son, Archibald G. Fuqua, my double-barelled shotgun.

My executors are to sell my cotton crop at private sale for cash.

The balance of my estate, after the payment of debts and funeral expense, is to be sold at public sale and the proceeds divided as follows:

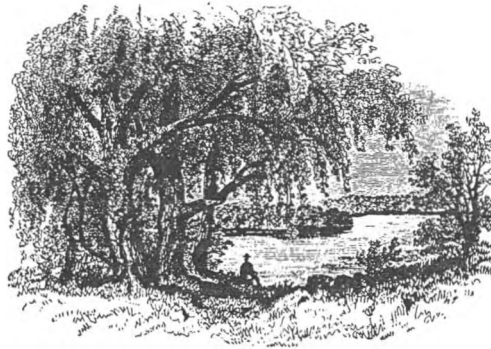
\$500 to my wife, Susan Fuqua, and the remainder to be divided equally among my children as tenants in common (including the posthumous child), to-wit:



- Lucy Ann Fuqua
- Sarah Elizabeth Fuqua
- Archibald G. Fuqua
- Mary Susan Fuqua
- Martha C. Fuqua

I appoint my brother, John C. Fuqua, executor.

Witness: Thos. L. H. Maclin and James A. Binford.



This completes this series of wills of Lauderdale County, Alabama, as given in Will Record "A"

1921 CONFEDERATE CENSUS

The 1921 Alabama Legislature passed an Act requiring that a permanent roll of Civil War pensioners be prepared and kept by the Pension Commission. Questionnaires were prepared and sent to all known pensioners, both veterans and widows of veterans. The following is an abstract of some of those returned questionnaires. For a full explanation see the Morgan County chapter in this issue. Abstracted by Dorothy Scott Johnson.

James A. Duncan
Route #4
Florence, Ala.

James A. Duncan was born May 20, 1842 in Alabama and has never lived in any other state. His wife is now aged 65 and she was born in Lauderdale County. They were married in 1881 in Lauderdale County. He is a farmer.

Mr. Duncan entered service at Oakland near Florence in June 1861 as a private in Company "D" of the 9th Alabama Regiment of Infantry under Dr. Butler Houston, Captain, and Col. Wilcox. He was in the battles of Williamsburg, Seven Pines, Second Manassas, Gettysburg, Malvan Hill, Frasier's Farm, Salem Church, and the Wilderness in Virginia. He was wounded on May 6, 1864 in the Battle of The Wilderness but was not captured or imprisoned.

Mr. Duncan served three years and was discharged on account of wounds he received in the Battle of the Wilderness. He was paroled in May, 1865 at East Port, Mississippi.

James A. Duncan lives with his wife and daughter and is a registered voter in the Lauderdale County 12th precinct. The names, residences, and occupations of his living children are:

James C. Duncan, Florence, Ala. - Salesman

Mrs. Lillian Reed, Florence, Ala., Route 4 - Housekeeper

Mrs. Evelyn Boman, Florence Ala. - Miliner

Mrs. Kate Smith, Florence, Ala. - Housekeeper

Miss Bessie Duncan, Florence, Ala. Route 4 - Clerk

He has received his pension regularly since being put on the roll except one July when none were issued.

Signed J. A. Duncan and witnessed by
M. Malone on June 4, 1921.

Robert Henry Smith
Star Route, Box 15
Florence, Ala.

Robert Henry Smith was born in Culpepper County, Virginia on 7 October 1839. He moved to Alabama in 1840. He is now a widower but his wife was aged 57 at her death. She was born in Lauderdale County and they were married in Lauderdale County in February, 1863.

Mr. Smith entered service at Florence, Alabama in 1861 as a private in Company "C" of the 16th Alabama Regiment of Infantry under Capt. Cal Carson and Col. W. B. "Billie" Woods. He was in the battles of Fishing Creek, Chickamauga, and in the Battle of Perryville, Ky. He was never wounded, captured, or imprisoned. He was in service over four years and was discharged at the surrender in North Carolina. He was paroled April 26, 1865 in North Carolina.

Mr. Smith is a registered voter in the Florence Precinct, is a farmer, and lives with a son and a daughter. His living children, their residence, and occupation are:

Amos F. Smith, Florence, Ala. - farmer

Nannie Smith, Florence, Ala. - farmer

Jennie Smith, Florence, Ala. - farmer

Robert C. Smith, Florence, Ala. - farmer

He has received his pension regularly. He signed his name as Robert Henry Smith to the affidavit and it was witnessed on June 1, 1921 by M. Malone.



Lawrence



TVGS is pleased to announce that with this issue we will begin carrying the abstracts of the Lawrence County Deek Book "B." The original book is housed in Montgomery in the Department of Archives and History and these abstracts have been taken from a microfilm copy. We are deeply indebted to TVGS member Janet Burks of Tyler, Texas who has painstakingly abstracted these early records and contributed them for your pleasure. Thanks, Janet, you are a champ.

DEED BOOK "B"

The first page on this microfilm appears to be a copy of a certification of a deed from Tennessee. The first thirteen pages are missing so we might assume that this certification is for the deed on Page 12.

Page 12? State of Tennessee)
 Rutherford County) I, Blackman Coleman, of the Court of pleas and courts of
 Rutherford County do certify the foregoing to be a true
 copy from the original as it remains in my office. 23 March 1822. Blackman Coleman.

State of Tennessee) I, John Smith, ... certify that Blackman Coleman is a clerk
 Rutherford County) of court ... signed 23 May 1822, John Smith, Clerk.
 Recorded 3 July 1822 by Daniel W. Wright, Clerk of the
 Lawrence County, Tennessee, court.

Pages 14, 15 W. Graves Bouldin of Morgan County, Alabama, for \$300, paid by Alexander Green, has sold a lot in Moulton being 35 feet and fronting the public square east of lot No. 31 and extending back 140 feet ... between lot of George A. Glover and John McMahon the title of which forever warrant and defends against all claimants. 17 April 1822. /s/ W. Graves Bouldin

Witnesses: Isaac N. Owens, George Worley, Fare Owens. Worley and Owens proved the deed on 8 August 1822 before Daniel W. Wright, CCC. Recorded on 27 August 1822 by D. W. Wright, CCC.

Pages 16-18 Indenture dated 16 August 1822. (Mortgage)
 Joel D. Harris, 1st part
 Peter W. Taylor, trustee, 2nd part
 William Farris, 3rd part
 Peter W. Taylor is trustee for William Farris. Harris sold to Taylor, in trust, the following slaves, to wit: A negro woman named Lizzy (aged abt. 19 yrs.) and her child at the breast (abt 12 months) and a girl named Patsey (abt 11 yrs) and the other following property, to wit:

- 4 beds, bestead and furniture
- 1 first-rate china press
- A quantity of China and cut-ware valued about \$80.
- 1 first-rate chest
- 6 Windsor chairs
- 1 first-rate folding table
- 3 cows and calves
- 1 gray horse about 9 years old.

This property deeded by Harris to Taylor, in trust, to satisfy and pay to Farris all and every amount that Farris may have to pay in discharging debts as follows:

- 3 debts to James M. Banks for \$47.16 payable 1st day of Oct. 1822
- 2 debts to Isaac Morrow due in June 1823 for \$411.64 plus interest
- 1 debt to Joel Embry due Jan. 1823 for \$68.45 plus interest

Also \$100 if Farris should be liable to David Mason for note assigned to Smith and Ladd by Farris and Harris and by Smith & Ladd to Mason.

The above property now in possession of Harris and is to remain his until taken by

trustee at request of Farris; trustee (Taylor) binds himself anytime at Farris' request to take any part or all of the property until debts are discharged and at Farris' request to sell any or all of the property to the highest bidder for ready money after giving ten (10) days notice by advertisement on the door of the courthouse in Moulton. Trustee may sell any part of the property from time to time, in like manner, to satisfy Farris or save him from damage as the debts become due; trustee to pay or discharge the debts from proceeds and the balance of money left after debts satisfied is to be paid over to Harris.
Proved 16 August 1822, Recorded 9 September 1822.

Pages 19-21

Indenture entered 19 August 1822 (Mortgage)
John Grugett of Lawrence Co., Ala., 1st part
John Billings of Charleston, South Carolina, 2nd part

Some time in the month of May or June, 1819, Grugett sold Billings the following land for \$2000:

Lot No. 67 in original plan of Moulton, all of Lot No. 69 lying south of room of Peter W. Taylor which he occupied as a lawyer's office on Market Street and its south boundary being the north end of room occupied by Phillip Roddy as a sadler shop; also the following personal property:

1 dun color horse, about 7 years old
1 gray mare, about 9 years old
1 yoke of oxen and their apparatus
A wagon and apparatus
4 beds and bedsteads and furniture
2 dining tables and furniture
2 ovens, 1 skillet, and 2 pots
24 chairs
China ware and cut ware now in the use of Grugett
2 sows and their pigs being under 10 in number

and all property now in possession and use of Grugett, to said Billings forever. The condition of the sale is that Grugett pay to Billings \$2000 on or before 1 January 1825, plus interest.

Test: Chs. Pierson, A. Hodges
Proven 19 August 1822 by Grugett
Recorded 9 Sept 1822

Pages 22-24

Indenture dated 13 September 1822
Joel D. Harris of Lawrence County, Ala.
John Brahan of Madison County, Ala.

Harris sells to Brahan, for \$350., the following property:

1 negroe slave, Lizy, (age about 19 yrs.) and her child at breast (aged 12 mo.)
1 girl Patsy aged 11 yrs.
1 first-rate fine bedstead
5 common bedsteads
3 beds and furniture
1 first-rate china press
1 first-rate chest
1 sugar chest
2 large dining tables
5 dressing tables
1 dozen mirror chairs
1 first-rate folding table
3 cows and calves.

This sale is upon the condition that Harris pay Brahan on 1 Nov. 1823 or give a obligation bond on 1 September 1822. This obligation bond is not to prejudice or effect the right of Peter W. Taylor, as trustee for William Farris, to that part of

the above named property which is included in a deed of trust dated 16 Aug. 1822
 Test: John Brugett
 Geo. A. Glover
 Proven 13 Sept. 1822, Recorded 13 Sept. 1822

Pages 24-26

Indenture dated 29 Oct. 1818
 This is to certify that John P. Brodnax of Madison Co. has contracted with us, the undersigned trustees of the Courtland Company, for the purchase of Courtland Lots No. 37, 102, 103, and 104 for which he is to pay \$2995. as follows:
 \$998 Oct. 29, 1819
 \$998 Oct. 29, 1820
 \$998 Oct. 29, 1821

The trustees of Courtland Company of Lawrence County hereby jointly bind ourselves to convey to John P. Brodnax the above listed lots after the last payment has been received.

Signed: W. H. Whitaker
 James W. Camp
 M. M. [N. N. ?] Tilford
 Benj. Thomas
 Wm. F. Brodnax
 B. McKernan

"For value received I assign my interest in the within certificate to G. A. Blackwell." Signed: Jno. P. Brodnax - Jan. 1, 1831
 Test: H. C. Cooper

State of Alabama) On this day appeared before me, N. Tilford, an active
 Lawrence County) Justice of the Peace for said county, John P. Brodnax
 and acknowledges deed ... 16th day of July 1822.

Recorded 13 Sept 1822.

Pages 26-29

Indenture dated 10 June 1822 (Mortgage)
 Clinton Norvill
 Hance M. Cunningham
 Michael Kelly, trustee, all of Lawrence Co., Ala.

Clinton Norvill has this day received from Hance M. Cunningham \$325. To secure Cunningham against loss Norvill deeds to Michael Kelly, in trust, a negro boy named Jerry (about age 17). Norvill to retain possession of Jerry until 1 September next [1822] when debt becomes due. If debt not paid at that time then, at Cunningham's request, Kelly to sell negro at public sale to highest bidder, after giving 15 days notice, and pay Cunningham \$325 plus interest.

Witness: John Gallegher
 Asa Hodges

Proven 19 June 1822
 Recorded 13 Sept. 1822

Pages 29-32

Indenture dated 1 July 1822 (Mortgage)
 Clinton Norvill
 Asa Hodges
 Nathaniel Mitchell, trustee

Clinton Norvill received \$300 from Asa Hodges. To secure Hodges against loss Norvill deeds to Mitchell, in trust, a negro boy named Charles (about 10 years old). Norvill to retain possession of Charles until November 1st next [1822] and if by that time Norvill has not paid Hodges the \$300 then Hodges may request that Mitchell sell the negro to highest bidder for cash and repay Hodges the \$300 plus interest. Proven 1 July 1833 and recorded 13 Sept 1822.

Pages 32-33

Deed dated 6 May 1822
 Seller: Leonard P. C. Burford
 Buyer: Jonathan Burford

Know all men by these presents that I, Leonard P. C. Burford of Lawrence County, Alabama have sold to Jonathan Burford, also of Lawrence County, a negro boy slave called Edom (age about 19) for \$720.
 Test: Poca Wilson
 Albert Neill
 Proven 6 May 1822 by Alexander McClanahan, J. P.
 Recorded 13 Sept. 1822

Pages 33-35

Deed dated 7 August 1822
 Seller: Abraham Bayles of Lawrence County, Ala.
 Buyer: John A. Marrs[Morris?] of Bedford Co., Tn.

Bayles received \$1000 from John A. Marrs for the following land:
 West half of Lot No. 68 in town of Moulton
 Proven 8 Aug. 1822
 Recorded 13 Sept 1822

Pages 36-37

Deed dated 3 July 1822
 Seller: Bernard M. Patterson and Ann, his wife of Lawrence Co., Ala.
 Buyer: John M. Jackson of Lawrence Co., Ala.

Bernard M. Patterson and Ann, his wife sell to John M. Jackson, for \$120., one lot of ground situated and lying in the town of Moulton, Lawrence County, Ala., known in the plan of the town as lot No. 82.
 Proven 3 July 1822

Ann A. Patterson relinquished her right to dower in this land before Daniel W. Wright, Clerk of the County Court, on 3 July 1822.
 Recorded 13 Sept. 1822

Pages 38-40

Deed of Trust (Mortgage) dated 1 June 1822
 John P. Johnson, 1st part
 Charles Anderson, 2nd Part
 Robert Hanley [also written Hanly], trustee

On 1 June 1822 John P. Johnson of Lawrence County, Ala. executed a bond to Charles Anderson of Lawrence County for \$100. Johnson wishes to secure Anderson against loss and has agreed to convey a negro girl named Sally (aged 10 years) to Robert Hanly of Lawrence County, in trust. Sally to remain in possession of Johnson until 1 January next [1823] and if at that time the debt of \$100., or any part thereof, remains unpaid then Johnson to take possession of Sally and after giving 30 days public notice of the time and place he is to sell her to the highest bidder for ready money and out of the proceeds to satisfy Charles Anderson the debt plus interest and necessary cost and charges. The excess of the sale is to be paid to Johnson. If Johnson shall pay the debt to Anderson on or before 1 January 1823 then Hanley is to reconvey the right and title to Sally back to Johnson.

Test: Samuel Nunly
 Frederick (X) Crawford
 Proven 7 Sept 1822 by Daniel McAlester
 Recorded 13 Sept 1822



Pages 41-44

Deed of Trust (Mortgage) dated 24 Sept 1821
 Alexander Ross of Lawrence Co., Ala.
 Lewis Greene
 Robert M. White, Trustee

Alexander Ross did, together with Lewis Green as his security, make their bond to Javan McVay for \$180 on or before 25 December 1822 plus legal interest from 26 February 1821 until paid. If Ross does not pay the indebtedness then Greene may be liable for the debt and in order to secure Greene against all damages and loss Ross deeds to Robert M. White, in trust, all right, title, and interest in the SW/4 of Section 27-6-7W. Ross to remain and continue in possession of the real estate until 25 December 1822 when the debt becomes due and payable. If debt is not paid by that date then, upon demand by Greene, Robert M. White (as trustee) is to sell the real estate after giving 20 days notice of the time and place and sell same to the highest bidder for ready money. Out of the proceeds of the sale White is to pay Javan McVay thereby negating any loss by Ross.
 Recorded 23 Oct. 1822

Pages 44-47

Deed dated 14 March 1822
 Sellers: Abraham Bayles and Louisiana T., his wife, of Lawrence Co., Ala.
 Buyer: William Kyle, of Lawrence Co., Ala.

Abraham and Louisiana T. Bayles sell to William Kyle, for \$1000. a certain lot or parcel of ground lying in the town of Moulton, Lawrence County, Alabama, containing 40 feet on front of lot Number 68 agreeable to the plan or platt of said town of Moulton and extending back on said lot to the southern boundary thereof beginning at the NW corner of a lot owned and possessed by Michael Kelly running thence west 40 feet, thence south to the boundary line of said Lot No. 68 thence east 40 feet thence to the beginning.

Louisiana T. Bayles, wife of Abraham Bayles, after being examined separate and apart from her husband, relinquished of her own right her dower to the foregoing lot of her own free will and accord, before Daniel W. Wright, Clerk of the County Court, on 12 June 1822.

Recorded 24 October 1822.

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Deed dated 10 October 1820
 Seller: Fanny W. Hawkins of Lincoln County, Tenn.
 Buyer: Frances Hawkins of Lincoln County, Tenn.

Lincoln County and State of Tennessee.
 Know all men by these presents that I, Fanny W. Hawkins, of the County and State aforesaid, do bargain, sell, and deliver unto Frances Hawkins, both of the County and State aforesaid:

- One feather bed and furniture
- One trunk
- One cow and calf
- One yearling
- One small Bureau
- One cotton wheel
- One Washing Tub and Churn
- One side saddle
- One setting chair

I, the said Fanny Hawkins, do sell and deliver unto the said Francis Hawkins the above mentioned for and in consideration of the sum of Fifty Dollars [\$50.00] to me in hand paid, the receipt is hereby acknowledged in the presence of we the undersigned this 10th day of October 1820.

Fanny Hawkins Deed (-continued-)

her
Fanny X Hawkins
mark

Test: John Bullock
Mary W. Bullock

Recorded November 18, 1822
John Gallagher, Clerk of County Court

Pages 49-50

Deed dated 22 January 1822
Seller: Joseph Burleson of Lawrence County, Ala.
Buyer: Abraham Bayless of Lawrence County, Ala.

Note: This Abraham Bayless is undoubtedly the same person as the Abraham Bayles who sold land to John Marrs[Morris?] on the preceeding page. This is an old Madison County family and the name in the early period of that county is interchangeable.

Joseph Burleson sold to Abraham Bayless, for \$1050. the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, a certain lot or parcel of ground lying and situated in the town of Moulton, Lawrence County, Alabama. This parcel of ground is known, marked and numbered in the plan or platt of said town of Moulton as Lot No. 68 ... to have and hold the said lot of ground ...

Test: John Gallagher
Lewis B. Fully[Tully?]
Recorded 18 November 1822 by John Gallagher, Clerk of the County Court.

-To be continued-

MOULTON ADVERTISER

The following news notes were abstracted by TVGS member Ola Johnson of Decatur, Alabama:

April 9, 1896

Mrs. Betty Cagle, a niece of ex-President Davis of the late Confederate States is in Moulton, the guest of Mr. W. R. Roberts. She is in destitute circumstances and our citizens will most likely be called upon for assistance to enable her to reach her people in Mississippi. She is a lady of fine accomplishments, and it would be cruel in the extreme to place her in the poor house where she could have no association. We hope her wealthy relatives will come to her aid right soon.

A Distressing Casualty. Our community was greatly shocked last evening by a telephone message stating that our fellow townsman, Mr. Thomas W. Lynch, who left here yesterday morning with a wagon load of cotton for Decatur, had driven into the back waters of the Tennessee River and was drowned. His body had not been recovered up to 7 o'clock this morning. We have no particulars. The sympathies of our people go out to his distressed family.

Legal Advertising. State of Alabama, Lawrence County Probate Court. Notice of insolvency in the estate of Elizabeth Seamons, deceased. J. M. Sandlin, administrator.



Limestone



DEATH NOTICES FROM THE ATHENS POST

Death notices from microfilm copies of The Athens Post (located in the Athens Public Library) were abstracted and contributed by TVGS member Marjorie Shelton Kent. The notices for years prior to 1874 have been published in Volume 16 of "Valley Leaves." The dates given are the dates of death unless so noted.

1874

- 6 January 1874 Mrs. Willie Townsend, wife of Major B. M. Townsend.
- 16 January 1874 Mrs. Sallie Bridgeforth, wife of John Bridgeforth and daughter of Col. Thomas Redus.
- 1 February 1874 Mattie Mingea, Daughter of Micajah Mingea.
- 4 February 1874 Daniel A. Cannon
- 20 January 1874 Maggie Nash, daughter of Major Hugh W. Tisdale.
- 15 October 1873 Eliz. Briggs died in Harrison County, Texas
- 19 February 1874 Mr. Ashbery was shot and killed northwest of Salem Church on February 19th.
- 1 March 1874 Della Lewis - born October 12, 1854
- 22 March 1874 Col. John P. Grigsby
- 21 March 1874 Mrs. Mary McWilliams, wife of W. R. McWilliams
- 23 March, 1874 Little Lawrence, son of Thos. H. and Malinda C. Field.
- 21 March 1874 Mr. Frank Blackburn, age 86 or 87, died at home on Nubbin Ridge.
- 25 March 1874 Samuel Tanner Sr.
- 20 March 1874 Roy Leighton, son of J. W. and Sallie D. Bridgeforth.
- 24 April 1874 Nina E., daughter of G. W. & Lula B. Tanner.
- 14 May 1874 Mrs. Samuel Tanner Jr., daughter of Napoleon Beaty.
- 8 May 1874 Mrs. Mollie A. Mitchell, wife of Dr. Elihu Mitchell, formerly of Limestone County, died in Lawrence County, Tennessee. Buried in Athens.
- 12 May 1874 Gen. Hiram H. Higgins, a soldier of the Mexican War and the War between the States, Age 72.
- 12 May 1874 Prout Elliott, age unknown
- 19 May 1874 Mattie A. Cole, sister of Charity Brittle of Athens
- 15 May 1874 Mrs. Rebecca J. Hendricks, 56 years old.
- July, 1874 (no day) Miss Mattie Benton, daughter of Dr. James W. Benton, formerly of Limestone, now of Texas. Mother was daughter of John Rains of Nashville, Tennessee. A brother, W. H. Benton, went to Texas.

Death Notices from "The Athens Post," 1874 (-continued-)

- 18 July 1874 Mrs. Eliz. Crawford, wife of Abram R. Crawford - born 1806.
- 14 August 1874 William H. Walker, son of William H. and Mrs. Sallie Walker.
- 19 August 1874 Mr. Abner McWilliams, age 76
- 14 August 1874 Miss Anne M. Fletcher of Nubbin Ridge, teacher at Athens Female Institute, daughter of John J. Fletcher.
- 1 October 1874 Mrs. James A. Moore
- 8 October 1874 Mary J. Holt, wife of David A. Holt.
- 7 October 1874 Reuben W. Johnson (his first wife was the daughter of H. H. Higgins.)
- 29 October 1874 Mrs. Sarah Travis, mother of Benton Sanders buried at Nubbin Ridge.
- 8 October 1874 Robert Wade, son of R. C. and Helen P. Gamble.
- 15 November 1874 In Nashville, Tennessee, Wm. S. Sartin, a soldier of the Mexican War and a member of Ward's Battery in the Confederate Army - of this place.
- November, 1874 (no day)
Wilson McKinny, nearly 80 years old, drowned in Elk River.
- 6 December 1874 Robert L. Bridgeforth.

-end 1874 deaths-

THE UNION BANNER NEWSPAPER EXCERPTS

Saturday, November 3, 1860

Volume 1, No. 9

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE

I will sell on Monday the 26th of November next, at the plantation of R. R. Easters, all the perishable property belonging to said estate consisting of corn, fodder, oats, horses, mules, pork hogs, stock hogs, cattle, oxen, wagons, and ploughs and other things too tedious to mention. Terms of sale: A credit of twelve months, with bond and two securities. The sale will be continued from day to day till all is cleared out.

Sam. W. Easters, Administrator
October 23, 1860

PICTURE FOR ONE DOLLAR

I have just received a supply of cheap, though very neat cases, which will enable me to furnish good pictures for One Dollar. Call soon.
O. Hubbard. September 1, 1860.

RUNAWAY

Committed to the Jail of Limestone county, Alabama, on the 28th day of June, 1860, a negro woman who says her name is Mary, but that they first called her Jenny, and says that she belongs to Billy or William Allen, whose station is in Richmond, Va., but that he stays mostly in Mobile. She further says that she has been staying with one John King, of Madison county, Ala. Said negro is five feet six inches and a half high, black complexion, and about 35 or 40 years old. The owner is requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges and take her away, or she will be dealt with as the law directs.

Mobile Register, Huntsville Democrat,
Montgomery Advertiser publish 3 times and forward account to jailor.

D. M. Elliott, Jailor
July 4, 1860.

ORPHANS COURT MINUTES, 1824 - 1830
(Part Nine)

1828

All persons mentioned in these minutes were residents of Limestone County unless so stated. Daniel Coleman was the Judge from the beginning of the minutes through May 2, 1829 and on May 26, 1829 William J. Mason became the presiding judge. This is not the earliest Orphans Court Minute book in Limestone County; at least one book prior to this time is in the Limestone County Archives.

To fully understand these minutes there are some facts the reader should know. When an estate was ready to be appraised the judge usually appointed five men as appraisers, or commissioners. It was only necessary that a majority, or three, of these commissioners do the actual appraisal.

When an estate or guardianship was ready for final settlement the administrator or guardian submitted his final accounts and vouchers to the judge and asked that the case be settled. The law required that a notice of this intent be published for a certain length of time in a local newspaper. The judge set the date of the hearing on the settlement and at that time anyone interested in the case in any manner could appear and let his wishes or complaints be heard. In these abstracts we have not always stated that the judge ordered publication in the newspaper, however, it should be understood that such was the case.

Photocopied by Eulalia Wellden, Limestone County Archivist, and abstracted for "Valley Leaves" by Virginia Olson.

| <u>Item</u> | <u>Page</u> | <u>Date</u> | <u>Item</u> |
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| 310 | 156 | 1 April 1828 | <u>Sally Taylor Estate</u> Sally Taylor died without a will. Willis Danna applied for, and received, letters of administration after giving \$300 bond with John R. Evans and Robert B. Francis, his securities. |
| 311 | 156 | 1 April 1828 | <u>Jesse Coe, permission to perform marriages</u> Ordered by the Court that Jesse Coe be authorized to Celebrate the rites of matrimony in this State, he having produced Satisfactory evidence to this Court that he has been ordained a minister of the Gospel of the Methodist Episcopal Church. [Copied verbatim.] |
| 312 | 156 | 8 April 1828 | <u>William Wales Estate</u> Charles S. Clemons, Admr., says this estate is insolvent. The court ordered that all persons having claims against the estate file evidence within twelve (12) months and that a copy of the order be published in some public newspaper in this state for two successive months and be posted at the front of the Limestone County courthouse. |
| 313 | 157 | 12 April 1828 | <u>Polly Manning Estate</u> Polly Manning died without a will. Wright W. Manning applied for and received Letters of Administration after giving \$1500 bond with Samuel Cox and Exum Manning, his securities. Alexander Jones, Josiah Daley, and Jacob Powel were appointed to appraise the personal estate and return an inventory to the court. The administrator was ordered to sell, at public sale, the slave named Letta, belonging to the deceased, and return an account to the court. |
| 314 | 157 | 12 April 1828 | <u>Pridgin Manning Estate</u> Final settlement of the estate by Wright W. Manning, administrator, was ordered recorded by the judge of this court. |
| 315 | 158 | 12 April 1828 | <u>William Hargrove Estate</u> Abner Hargrove, Administrator, requested permission to sell the real |

property belonging to this estate since the personal property was insufficient to pay the estate's debts. Heirs of the estate are:

1. John Mitchell and his wife Susan, lately Susan Hargrove
2. Samuel Lewis and his wife Eliza, lately Eliza Hargrove
3. James J. Hargrove
4. Hawkins L. Hargrove
5. William B. Hargrove
6. Benjamin F. Hargrove
7. Wade H. Hargrove

Heirs were ordered to appear before the court in Athens on the 4th Monday in April, 1828 to answer the above petition to the court. Robert Austin, Jr. was appointed guardian of Hawkins L., Benjamin F. and Wade H. Hargrove, minors, to answer and defend against the above petition to sell real estate.

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| 316 | 158 | 26 April 1828 | <p><u>Lilburn Tucker Estate</u> Nelson Robinson, Administrator of Lilburn Tucker, was called to appear before the court in Athens on May 9, 1828 and give further security as administrator or show cause why he should not be removed as same.</p> |
| 317 | 159 | 28 April 1828 | <p><u>William Hargrove Estate</u> Abner Hargrove, Administrator -vs- John Mitchell and Susan Hargrove Mitchell Samuel Lewis and Eliza Hargrove Lewis James H. Hargrove Wm. B. Hargrove Robert Austin Jr., as guardian of: Hawkins S. Hargrove Benjamin F. Hargrove Wade H. Hargrove. Petition for the sale of real estate belonging to William Hargrove, Decd. The court is satisfied the citation was served and ordered a commission appointed to take depositions on behalf of the plaintiff. Hearing set on same May 14, 1828.</p> |
| 318 | 159 | 6 May 1828 | <p><u>Lilborn Tucker Estate</u> Nelson Robinson, Administrator of the estate of Lilborn Tucker, having been ordered to give additional security, gave further bond of \$2000 with Edward G. Kyle and James Robinson as his securities.</p> |
| 319 | 160 | 6 May 1828 | <p><u>John Lowry Estate</u> Upon application of Jane Blackwood: Elizabeth Lowry, widow of John Lowry, was ordered to appear before the judge on the second Monday in June, 1828, to show cause, if any, why Jane Blackwood should not be appointed administratrix of the estate of John Lowry.</p> |
| 320 | 160 | 14 May 1828 | <p><u>Benjamin S. Adams Estate</u> On the application of James Hargrove, the court ordered Jeffrey Murrell, Meredith Wilkerson, and Thomas Sullivan to appear before the judge in the courthouse in Athens the 2nd Monday in June, 1828 to show cause, if any they have, why James Hargrove should not be named administrator.</p> |
| 321 | 161-5 | 14 May 1828 | <p><u>William Hargrove Estate</u> Abner Hargrove, Administrator of the estate of William Hargrove, asked for a sale of the real estate. The court examined depositions of Francis H. Ford and Thomas G. Tyus and ordered that James Hargrove, Benjamin Hargrove and Joel Eddins, or any two of them, be appointed commissioners to sell the real estate which is:</p> |

William Hargrove Estate (-continued-)

SW/4 Section 11-1-3W and
N/2 SE/4 Section 11-1-3W

Said real estate to be sold to the highest bidder on a credit until the 1st day of January 1829 requiring the purchaser to post bond sufficient to cover the purchase money. Ordered they advertise the time and place of said sale giving 30 days notice.

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| 322 | 161 | 27 May 1828 | <p><u>Thomas Lawrence Estate</u> Moses Birdwell, Administrator of the estate, reports the estate is insolvent and there are claims against it. Joseph Johnston, Stephen Flinn and Thomas Lucard, or any two of them, were appointed commissioners to receive and examine creditors' claims. Notice of same to be published in the "Athenian," an Athens newspaper, for six successive weeks and posted at the Athens courthouse door. The commissioners to report to the court a list of all claims against the estate together with the sum to be allowed on each claim.</p> |
| 323 | 161 | 27 May 1828 | <p><u>Thomas J. Colly Estate</u> Final settlement made and ordered recorded.</p> |
| 324 | 162 | 5 June 1828 | <p><u>James R. Patterson Estate</u> Hamilton Kyle and Hillery Patterson ordered to appear before the court in Athens on July 7, 1828 for final settlement of the estate of James R. Patterson.</p> |
| 325 | 162 | 9 June 1828 | <p><u>Lucinda P. Birdseye Estate</u> The Last Will & Testament of Lucinda P. Birdseye was presented for probate and ordered recorded. Will proven by Joshua L. Martin and William I. Mason, two of the witnesses.</p> |
| 326 | 162 | 9 June 1828 | <p><u>Benjamin Maddox Estate</u> The Last Will & Testament of Benjamin Maddox was presented for probate and ordered recorded. Will proven by James Golightly and Gabriel Soughmiller.</p> |
| 327 | 162-3 | 12 June 1828 | <p><u>Benjamin Adams Estate</u> Hearing no objections from Jeffrey Murrell, Meredith Wilkerson or Thomas Sullivan, the court named James Hargrove as administrator of the estate of Benjamin Adams. Hargrove gave \$3000 bond with Philander Tisdale and John Rhodes, his securities.</p> |
| 328 | 163 | 12 June 1828 | <p><u>Martha, Mary Ann, Lucy and Elizabeth Hargrove Guardianships</u> Personally appeared Martha Hargrove, Mary Ann Hargrove, and Lucy Hargrove, over age 14, and chose James Hargrove their guardian. The court also appointed him guardian of Elizabeth Hargrove, under age 14. He gave \$1600 bond with George Phillips and Abner Hargrove, his securities.</p> |
| 329 | 163 | 16 June 1828 | <p><u>Josiah Davidson Estate</u> Final settlement of the estate was continued until the 3rd Monday in July, 1828.</p> |
| 330 | 164 | 20 June 1828 | <p><u>George Dobbs Estate</u> Levi Edmondson, Administrator of the estate of George Dobbs, decd., was ordered to appear before the court on or before the second Monday in July, 1828, prepared for the final settlement of this estate.</p> |

- 331 164 23 June 1828 Andrew Witty Estate
Andrew Witty died without a will. James Witty applied for, and received, Letters of Administration after giving \$800 bond with James K. Murrah and James Martin, his securities.
- 332 164 23 June 1828 William Hargrove Estate
Abner Hargrove, Administrator of William Hargrove, deceased, declared this estate insolvent. The court ordered that all persons having claims against the estate file evidence with the clerk of the court within fifteen months. Notice is to be published in some newspaper in Alabama for two months successively and posted at the door of the courthouse in Athens.
- 333 165 26 June 1828 Sarah Hargrove Estate - Littleberry Adams Estate
On the petition of Robert Hughey and James Hargrove, guardian of
 1. Martha Hargrove
 2. Mary Ann Hargrove
 3. Lucy Hargrove
 4. Elizabeth Hargrove;
It is ordered by the court that James Grigsby, Thomas Martindale, John Eakins, Charles S. Clemons, and William Redus be appointed commissioners to divide negroes left the heirs of Sarah Hargrove, deceased, by her father Littleberry Adams, deceased, late of Madison County, according to the Will of said deceased, they being first duly Sworn for that purpose and that they make due return thereof to this court.
- 334 165 30 June 1828 James Chapman Estate
James Coalter, executor of this estate, was cited to appear before the court on the 4th Monday in July, 1828, prepared for the final settlement of this estate.
- 335 165 30 June 1828 Milly Beckham Estate
On the petition of Howel C. Featherston, the heirs of Milly Beckham were to be cited to appear before the court in Athens on the second Monday in September, 1828; heirs named being:
 1. Philemon B. Beckham
 2. Burwell Beckham
 3. Wyatt Beckham
 4. Benjamin Beckham
 5. Julius Beckham
 6. William C. Beckham
 7. Caswell L. Beckham
 8. John Morgan and Elizabeth Beckham Morgan, his wife
 9. Abner Beckham as guardian of James H. Beckham.
Purpose of the hearing will be to show cause, if any, why a sale of the real estate should not be made. Since some heirs are not residents of this state, a copy of the order is to be published in some newspaper printed in this state for two successive months and posted on the door of the courthouse in Athens.
- 336 166 7 July 1828 James R. Patterson Estate
The time allowed by the court for filing claims against the estate has lapsed and all interested parties are ordered to appear in court in Athens on the 3rd Monday in August, 1828, to show cause, if any they have, why final settlement should not be made. This order is to be printed in some newspaper in Alabama for 40 days previously.

-to be continued in next issue of Valley Leaves-



Madison



MORRIS CHENNAULT BIBLE RECORD

This Bible record was contributed by Mrs. Lewis Robinson (nee Lucy Chennault) of Huntsville, Alabama. The Bible is very fragile and was photocopied only once. Morris Chennault was a graduate of William and Mary College and his Bible was kept contemporarily. Please note how the name "Chennault" dropped one "n" in later years. This Bible was published in New York in 1816.

First Page: Marriages of Morris Chennault and his wife Marry S. Childress.
Nancey Ann Chennault and Alexander Patton Was married A. D. 29th April, 1832 — Sunday evening. [Note: I could not find this marriage in the Madison County marriage books.]

Page Two: FAMILY RECORD
BIRTHS

Stephen Chennault Was born January 1767
Fanney Nelson Was born 6th January 1766

Ages of the Children of Stephen Chennault and his Wife Fanney

Morris Chennault was born 25th Augt. A. D. 1786

Polley Chennault was born 10th June 1788

William Chennault was born 24th Febuary 1790

John N. Chennault was born 27th Novr 1792

Stephen Chennault was born 24th February 1795

George Chennault was born 9th Feby 1797 — Died June 16, 1884 [Note: death date was in a different hand.]

Fanney Chennault was born 10th June 1803

Nancey Barnard now Nancey Chennault wife of George Chennault was born 16th April A. D. 1802 — Died Sept. 17, 1870 [death date in different hand.]

Page Three: MARRIAGES

Stephen Chennault and Fanney Nelson was Married 23rd Octr. 1785

Morris Chennault and Elizabeth Willeferd Was Married Novr 9th in the Year 1808

Then after that Married to Polley Murphey 31st day March 1814

Polley Chennault and Joseph Teague was Married 10th June 1808

George Channault and Nancey Barnard was Married the 25th November 1818

Andrew Ice and Fanny Chennault Was Married 16th Day of March A.D. 1820

William Chennault and Elizabeth Teague Was Married the 17th Day of February A. D., 1816

John N. Chennault and Elizabeth Sanders was married the 2nd June 1812

Stephen Chennault and Polley Huchingson was Married the 3rd Novr., A.D., 1814

Page Four: BIRTHS

Childrens ages of Morris Chennault

George Washington Chennault Was born August the 12th day A. M. 1811

Nancy Ann Chennault Was born 5th day of March A. M. 1815

Martha Jane Chennault Was born 26th April A. M. 1818

Fanny Harriet Chennault was born 16th March A. M. 1820

Thomas Jefferson Chennault was born Jany 23rd day, 1822 — Wednesday A.M., 7 o'clock.

Matilda Mary Ann Chennault was born 21st March 1824

Morris, William, Stephen Decatur Chennault was born 17th July 1828

Morris, William, Stephen Decatur Chennault Died 11th June 1829 at 40 minutes

~~after 12~~/[marked out] A. Morn

John Murphey Chennault was born 15th March A. D. 1830[1833?] about 8 o'clock P.M.

Chennault Family Bible (-continued-)

Polley Teague Departed this life 26th Decr 1813
 Stephen Chennault Senr. Departed this life after a long illness the 9th April 1819
 Elizabeth Chennault Departed this life the 12th Novr. 1812 Consort of Morris
 Chennault
 Fanney Chennault Wife of Stephen Chennault Senr., Deceased, Departed this life
 the 16th November 1821 between 9 and 10 O'clock P. M.

Page Five:

John Murphy Chenault was born 15th March A. D. 1830
 William Patton Chenault was born 28th March A. D. 1832
 Morris Calvin Chenault was born 7th July A. D. 1834
 John A. Murphy was born the 4 of november A.D. 1821
 Martha Jane — 2nd Daughter of Morris & Mary Chenault was born 18th November
 A. D. 1840 — her mother Died the day following naming the child before
 she died.
 Mary Jane Patton was born 11th May A. D. 1834
 Mary Ellender Chenault Daughter of William P. and Jane C. Chenault was
 born 21st August A. D. 1851
 William Morris Chenault, Brother to the above was born 23rd day of February
 A. D., 1853

Page Six:

DEATHS

Fanney Ice died the 28th February A. D. 1829
 Nancey Ann Patton Daughter of Morris and Mary Chennault Departed this life the
 23rd day of January A. M. 3 o'clock 1833.
 Nancy A. Cotton Daughter of N. A. Patton departed this life 28th May 1833
 about 10 P. M. being 4 months and five days old
 Marthy Jane Chennault Daughter of M. & M. Chennault Departed this life after a
 long illness late in the night March the 27th day A. D. 1836
 Mary Chenault departed this life on Thursday the 19th day of November about
 1 o'clock P. M., A.D. 1840 Aged near 44 years, Consort of
 Morris Chenault.
 Morris Chenault departed this life the 25 of January A. D. 1854 Age near
 67 years of age.

Page Seven:

MARRIAGES

Alexander Patton and Nancey Ann Chennault Was Married the 29th April A. D. 1832
 by Wm. Ervin
 George W. Chennault and Mary Tidwell was Married the 14th June A. D. 1832
 Thomas J. Chenault and Orlena Jane Gailey Was Married 13th October A. D.,
 1840 by John McBride, Esqr.
 Thomas Gotcher and Metilda Mary Ann Chenault was Married 28th November
 A. D. 1843 By M. Chenault
 Morris Chenault and Mary Aldridge was Married 13th June 1841 By John McBride Esqr,
 She being the third wife. Marriages all recorded in this Book.
 William McLemore and Charity Elizabeth Aldridge Was Married 13th February
 A. D. 1845 By Parson Rainwater.
 John M. Chenault and Mehala Duboise was married the 5th August, Sunday Morning
 by parson Smith in the A. D., 1849
 William P. Chenault and Jane C. Aldridge was Married the 31st October,
 10 P. M. by Jas. Alexander, J. P. in the A. D. 1850

Page Eight:

BIRTHS

Amanda Fitz Allen Chenault Was born the 30th day of November A. D., 1842,
 6 o'clock A. M.
 Turner Monroe Chennalt was born 29th September A. D. 1845 Early in the evening.

Chennault Family Bible (-continued-)

DEATHS

Metilda Mary Ann Gotcher daughter of M. & M. Chenault Departed this life
20th August after night A. D. 1844
Martha Jane Chenault Daughter of M & M Chenault Departed this life 10th day
of August between 10 and 11 o'clock A. M., A. D. 1852
William P. Chenault Son of M & M. Chenault Departed this life the 13th August
a few Minutes after 8 o'clock P. M. in A. D. 1852.
The two above deaths was by Flux or Collery each some 10 or 12 days Sickness.

Page Nine:

Note: The remainder of this Bible record is in a more modern hand.

DEATHS

John M. Chenault departed this life January 31 A. D. 1907 at 3:14 o'clock
P. M. Aged 77 years liking one months and fifteen days
Martha W. Chenault departed this life August 28, 1920, Saturday, 9 o'clock A. M.,
Aged 82 years, 1 month and 26 days.
James Monroe Chenault Departed this life Oct. 4, 1922 in Texas.
Morris Chenault departed this life the 25th of January A. D. 1854
Thomas J. Chenault Departed this life March the 11th 1888 aged 66 years and
Two months wanting 11 days.
Morris C. Chenault Departed this life A. D. March the 5th 1889 Aged 55 years
wanting 4 months nearly.
Alexander Patton departed this life May the 11th 1889
George W. Chenault departed this life Sept. 24th 1895 aged 84 years one month
and 12 days.

-End Chennault Bible Record-

A. H. BAYLESS LETTER

The following letter was found in the attic of the old A. H. Bayless home near Madison Cross Roads before it was torn down. It has been graciously loaned to TVGS for publication by Mrs. Mary (Jones) Little of Madison County. The letter was a rough-draft copy of one sent to General Joseph Wheeler when he was in the national House of Representatives.

Madison Cross Roads, Alabama
March 3rd 1897

Hon. Jos. Wheeler

Sir:

Your letter of the 27th of Feb. recd. yesterday and contents noted. I will now explain the whole matter. Mr. Jos[eph] F. Ellis was Postmaster at this place [Madison Cross Roads] and on the 4th day of last January he died, and I as one of his bondsmen was appointed as acting Post Master untill a Post Master could be appointed. When I taken charge of the office Mr. D. E. McCants, another bondsman, and my Self recommended J. C. Carpenter as a Suitable person for PM and he was the onley person that applied at the time. We didn't know that Mrs. Toney wanted the office. So She Sent in a petition I am toled with about 50 names. Mr. J. C. Carpenter Sent in a petition with 115 names [on] it. Seames the Depr't paid no attention to the letter McCant and my Self wrote nor the petition Mr. Carpenter Sent in; after waiting Something like a month and there was no PM appointed I Sent in my resignation and asked that this office be discontinued if they could not appoint a PM. So there were two petitions Sent in before I resigned. The PM General did not grant me my request. I am Still acting PM and there are no PM appointed yet. I don't know that there are any Serious objections to Mrs. Toney as PM but there is objections to moving the office. The people will be as well off without the office as they will if the office is moved. Will you please suggest Some plan for me to get out of the affair. It is very illconvenient for me to attend to it.

Yours,

A. H. Bayless, acting PM

CAPT. JAMES CRAIG'S MUSTER ROLL

The following was found in the Alabama Department of Archives and History in Montgomery. It is a list of Capt. James Craig's Company mustered into service at Fayetteville, Tennessee on 20 September 1814. Captain Craig commanded a company of Tennessee volunteers in the "War of 1814" and kept a list of his men in a book.

James Craig's company was composed of approximately 109 men which were recruited from Tennessee and mustered into service at Fayetteville in 1814. This company gave service in the campaigns of Andrew Jackson's Army on the Coosa, the lower Alabama and Mobile Rivers.

Even though this is a Tennessee Company we have chosen to carry it in "Valley Leaves" because so many of the men whose names appear here did settle in Madison County and other North Alabama counties.

Officers

| | | | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|-----|
| 1. James Craig, Capt. | | Commissioned Officers | 5 |
| 2. Edmond W. Gee, 1st Lt. | | Non commissioned off. | 11 |
| 3. Trustin B. Thomas, 2nd Lt. | | Privates | 93 |
| 4. Thomas Nesbit, 3rd Lt. | | Total | 109 |
| 5. Johnathin King, Ensign | | | |
| 6. Samuel Young, 1st Sgt. | | | |
| 7. John Letherdale, 2nd Sgt. | | | |
| 8. John Nesbit, 3rd Sgt. | | | |
| 9. Thomas Gee, 4th Sgt. | | | |
| 10. William Barber, 5th Sgt. | | | |
| 11. James Jackson, 1st Corp. | 27. James Thredford | 61. Francis McClenehan | |
| 12. George Purkins, 2nd Corp. | 28. Jessy Young | 62. John Peacock (transferred) | |
| 13. Benjamin Gremmet, 3rd Corp. | 29. Daniel Robison | 63. Richard High — | |
| 14. Ephram Potter, 4th Corp. | 30. John Smith | Joseph Ivrey | |
| 15. Benjamin Thomas, 5th Corp. | 31. John Sharp | 64. Harry Johns | |
| 16. William H. Stennet, 5th Corp. | 32. George Suliven | 65. Charles White | |
| | 33. William Curtis | 66. Robt. Tatty | |
| | 34. John Stafford | 67. Nimrod McIntosh | |
| | 35. William Stone | 68. Hugh Lasly | |
| | 36. William Warren | 69. Redrick Bethy | |
| | 37. John Garner | 70. Peeter Bohoner | |
| | 38. Alexander Rose | 71. Anguish McCloud | |
| | 39. Jacob Odom | 72. Thomas McGill | |
| | 40. John McCemmy | 73. James Todd | |
| | 41. John Lomicks | 74. James Lanckford | |
| | 42. Gilbert Briffen | 75. Robt. Hamilton | |
| | 43. Nathan Linn | 76. Alen Williams | |
| | 44. Erasmus Brewer | 77. John Biggs | |
| | 45. William Petty | 78. Robt. Warren | |
| | 46. John Miller | 79. John Leggit | |
| | 47. Jacob Bean | 80. Ebenezer Skinner | |
| | 48. Ezekiel Preston | 81. James McClenehan | |
| | 49. Malcim McMillen | 82. James Hendon | |
| | 50. Joseph Gibson | 83. Thos. Laten | |
| | 51. Kenchen Perry | 84. John Haynes | |
| | 52. Ruffin Gin (enlisted) | 85. David Jackson | |
| | 53. Levi Murphy | 86. William Lightfoot | |
| | 54. John Gerret | 87. John Jackson | |
| | 55. Jacob Ortner | 88. Hugh Jackson | |
| | 56. Harry Giles | 89. Isaac Hegler | |
| | 57. Barton Davis | 90. William Davidson | |
| | 58. Jeremiah Menasco | 91. David Alsip | |
| | 59. Andw. Hunter | 92. George Steel | |
| | 60. James Menasco | 93. Thomas Dally. | |

Enlisted Men

1. Thomas Powers
2. Alen Comer
3. John Wood
4. Joel Childers
5. William Cotton
6. Abraham Robertson
7. Levi Anderson
8. Drury Massy
9. James Maloney
10. Conrad Farmer
11. James Hamilton
12. Francis McDaniel
13. Nathan Fortner
14. John Forbush
15. Daniel Dodd
16. William Curtis
17. Thomas Archer
18. James Storry
19. William Johns
20. John Holland —
Elisha Roberts
21. Enos Farmer
22. Hardy Chambers
23. Lemuel Russel
24. William Hand
25. James Gouch
26. William Mathis

HUNTSVILLE DAILY CONFEDERATE

During the occupation of Huntsville by Federal troops during the Civil War no newspaper was printed in the county, however, the "Huntsville Daily Confederate" was published in Georgia and brought back to Huntsville. Very few copies of this newspaper survived. The following article was taken from Page 2, Column 1 of the 6 February 1864 issue.

LATER FROM HUNTSVILLE

Our latest dates from Huntsville are in Jan.

We learn that the Methodist Church near the Public Square in Huntsville, was burnt in the early part of December. Some Yankees were occupying the basement of the Church at the time. It is not known whether it was the result of accident or design, but is supposed to have been the former.

Of the twelve citizens who were arrested and required to take the oath of allegiance to the Lincoln Government or leave the Yankee lines, we have heard of Messrs. George P. Beirne and Stephen W. Harris and Dr. Anthony having arrive "in Dixie."¹

Of many family residences in which the Yankees have quartered, we learn that Gen. Sherman and Staff have taken full possession of Mr. Beirne's with the furniture, pictures &^c, occupying it as headquarters, and the portion of Mr. B's family at home being thus compelled to seek a home with friends—General Smith has made Gov. Clay's residence his Headquarters leaving but two rooms for the use of the family—and a portion of J. W. Clay's house is similarly occupied.

¹"In Dixie" meant across the Tennessee River, the normal crossing being at Whitesburg

JOHN RHEA ESTATE

The following document was found misfiled in Theophilus Lacy's estate file. Theophilus Lacy was the administrator of Hopkins Lacy and Hopkins Lacy was the administrator of John Rhea Sr. This document is dated 13 May 1833:

"Recd. of Theophilus Lacy, admr. of Hopkins Lacy, decd. (admr. of John Rhea Sr., decd.) the following sums of money, Viz:

For Philip B. Mason - \$33.37-1/2
 For Joseph Nail - \$33.37-1/2
 For Robert Brashears - \$33.37-1/2
 For William Rhea's heirs - \$33.37-1/2
 For Margaret Wright's heirs - \$33.37-1/2
 And for myself [John Rhea Jr.] - \$33.37-1/2

All the above named persons being heirs of John Rhea Senr., deceased, and these amounts are coming to them from the sale of land belonging to the Estate of said John Rhea [Senr.] Given under my hand and seal this 13th day of May, 1833."

/s/ John Rhea [Jr.]

John Rhea Sr. may have died in late 1814 or in early January, 1815 since the following entry was found in the Orphans Court Minutes of 10 January 1815:

"Whereas it has been Suggested to the Court that John Rhea, late a citizen of this County, has died entestate with a considerable personal Estate in possession and that no person is willing or will come forward to administer on said Estate, therefore, it is ordered by the Court [that] Hopkins Lacy and William Simpson be appointed administrators with power to collect the goods and Chattels, Rights and Credits of John Rhea, Deceased, with full power and authority to Dispose by private Sale or public, as they may see proper, of such parts of said personal Estate as they may in their discretion deem in danger of immediate waste & injury and that they make return at the next Term of this Court of an inventory of said property together with their proceedings therein.

PROBATE FILES

The following are abstracts of the original papers in probate files housed in the Madison County Court-house. Some of these files have only one paper in them and others are quite complete while others are missing entirely. The saving factor is that even if a file is missing the important documents, in most cases, will have been recorded in the ledgers on the third floor in the records room.

WILLIAM A. FOWLKES ESTATE

File No. 3.

John P. Harrison appointed Administrator 2 December 1833. An Inventory of this estate showed seven slaves. There was a statement from William W. Johnson of Winchester, Tennessee dated 9 November 1833 for \$15.00 for a coffin. There was also a statement from Dr. Estel of Winchester, Tennessee dated 10 November 1833 for \$24.50 for medical services rendered. Apparently William A. Fowlkes died on November 9, 1833 in Winchester. The file mentions "John P. Harrison in right of his wife, Martha A. Harrison, formerly Martha A. Fowlkes" as the only one entitled to distribution of this estate.

JAMES WELDON ESTATE

File No. 8

John Hardin was listed as Administrator. William P. Terry was guardian of the first six children listed below and the last three were of legal age.

1. John A. Weldon
2. Jones G. Weldon
3. William A. Weldon
4. Nancy S. Weldon
5. James Weldon
6. Letitia M. S. Weldon
7. Richard C. Weldon
8. John A. Weldon
9. Samuel Weldon.

JAMES COLLIER ESTATE

File No. 9

Statement from John S. Logan for surveying land, \$25., dated 12 July 1834. Description and location of land surveyed was not given.

Statement from Benj. Kuyrkendall dated 20 July 1833, \$116.84 for "enclosing with cedar (and painting) the graveyard." Settled by arbitration by Patton & Sadler.

Receipt from R. Brewer, J. P., dated 22 July 1834 for "administering oath to D. H. Tillinghast & J. C. Ayrs[Ayres], commissioners appointed to divide the estate of James Collier," Fifty Cents [50¢]

Receipt dated 22 August 1832 showing the Rev'd. J. Thompson was paid \$20. for preaching funeral sermon of Mr. J. Collier.

Statement dated 1831 and paid 18 June 1834 for "cash paid M. B. Low[e] for Martha Littlepage for one session of tuition at the Female Seminary at Huntsville, fall session, \$13.00 [Note: Student not named.]

Note: This file was far from complete and not all the receipts and statements have been abstracted here. For more information on this family see "The Old Free State, A History of Lunenburg County, Virginia and Southside Virginia" Volume II, Page 368 for a genealogy of this family. This was a wealthy and influential family of Madison County. The tombstones, located in the family graveyard on the plantation, were knocked to pieces by a sledgehammer by the current owner, then carried off to use as a landfill. The inscriptions were:

James Collier
Born Oct. 13, 1757 Lunenburg Co., Va.
Died August 20, 1832

Elizabeth Bouldin Collier
wife of James Collier
Born February 13[15?], 1763
Died February 23, 1828
Married July 3, 1777 in Lunenburg Co., Va.



Marshall



Second Installment

1907 CONFEDERATE CENSUS

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

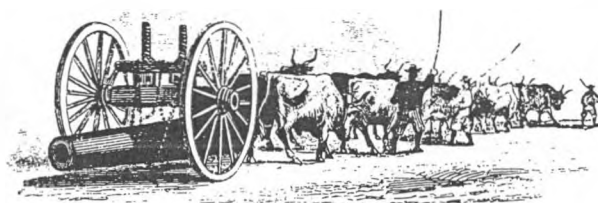
Each veteran was to fill out an Affidavit stating his residence, date and place of birth, and to give a brief statement as to his military service. This information was transferred from the original affidavit to ledgers in alphabetical, or semi-alphabetical, order by the soldier's last name. Some of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

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| Name/Address | General Information |
|---|--|
| 27. William Lowe Boyles Guntersville, Ala. | Mr. Boyles was born September 18, 1843 at Franklin, Lincoln County, Georgia. He entered service as a private in October, 1862 at Guntersville, Alabama in Company "A" of the 4th Alabama and continued until discharged at Tupelo, Mississippi. |
| 28. Calvin C. Bush Albertville, Ala. | Mr. Bush was born in 1862 at Guntersville, Marshall County, Alabama. He entered service as a private in 1861 at Nashville, Tennessee in Bill Dawson's Company from Attalla, Alabama and continued until discharged at Nashville, Tennessee in 1861. He re-enlisted as a private in 1864 at Short Creek Ferry in Capt. Spark's Company and continued until the close of the war. [Note: The birth date is obviously wrong as he could not have enlisted the year before he was born.] |
| 29. Hugh S. Black Union Grove, Ala. | Mr. Black was born May 16, 1841 at Oleander, Marshall County, Alabama. He entered service as a private on May 12, 1863 at Guntersville, Alabama in Company "G" of the 4th Alabama Cavalry and continued until paroled May 15, 1865 at Huntsville, Alabama. |
| 30. William R. Barnard Union Grove, Ala. | Mr. Barnard was born June 10, 1843 at Parch's Cove in Marshall County, Alabama. He entered service as a private October 1, 1863 at Cedar Bluff, Alabama in Capt. Hart's Company and continued until September, 1864. He re-enlisted at Tunnell Hill, Georgia in the command of General Joseph Wheeler. |
| 31. Joshua Nicholson Coleman Union Grove, Ala. | Mr. Coleman was born September 16, 1845 at Blue Pond, Cherokee County, Alabama. He entered service as a private September 18, 1863 at Warrenton, Alabama in Company "P" of the 8th Alabama and continued until paroled at Guntersville, Alabama in June 1865. |
| 32. Wyeth Franklin Chandler Columbus City, Ala. | Mr. Chandler was born April 3, 1841 at Woodville, Jackson County, Alabama. He entered service as a private September 1, 1862 at Paint Rock, Alabama in Gunters' Battalion under Capt. Mean and continued until the company was dissolved in December, 1862. He re-enlisted (-continued-) |

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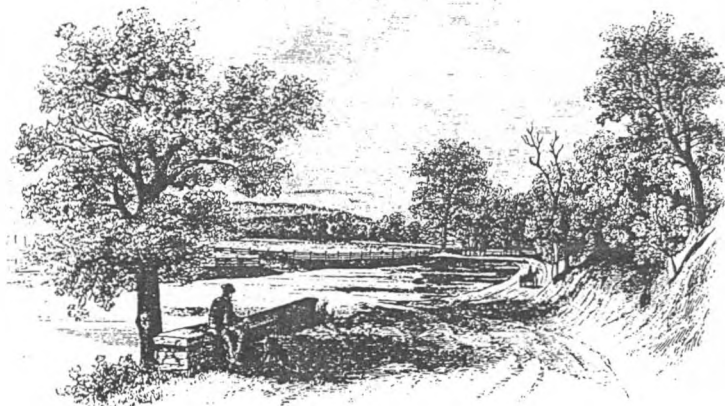
as a private
on June 10,
1863 at
Huntsville,
Alabama, in
Ward's Light
Artillery and
continued
until
October, 1863
when he was
discharged on account of physical disabilities.



33. Benjamin Franklin Cadenhead
Union Grove, Ala. Mr. Cadenhead was born June 23, 1837 at Oak Bowery in Chambers County, Alabama. He entered service as a private in 1862 at Toochoptka, Alabama in Company "A" of the 55th Alabama Cavalry and continued until paroled at Freskugg, Alabama in 1865.
34. George W. Coats
Albertville, Ala. Mr. Coats was born May 27, 1845 at Zebulon, Pike County, Georgia. He entered service as a private March 12, 1862 at Zebulon, Georgia in Company "H" of the 44th Regiment and continued until the close of the War.
35. Robert T. Coles
Upton, Alabama Mr. Coles was born June 29, 1842 at Pittsylvania Church, Virginia in Pittsylvania County, Virginia. He entered service as a private on April 29, 1861 in Huntsville, Alabama in Company "F" of the 4th Alabama and continued until the close of the war.
36. Lewis Clark Chisholm
Albertville, Ala. Mr. Chisholm was born May 30, 1822 at Tuscumbia in Colbert County, Alabama. He entered service as a Home Guard in May, 1861 at Tuscumbia, Alabama in the service as then required, and continued until he moved to Fayette Court House. He again enlisted in the Home Guard. He re-enlisted as a private in March, 1864 at Courtland, Alabama in Capt. William Jarman's Company and continued until May, 1865. He was detailed for the Secret Service by Gen. D. P. Rhoddy. He was appointed by the authorities to collect and pay over funds to _____ of Soldiers in Fayette County, Alabama.

37. Moses P. Couch
Union Grove, Ala. Mr. Couch was born December 23, 1849 at Bean Rock, Marshall County, Alabama. He entered service as a private in the fall of 1864 at Somerville, Alabama [Morgan County] in Company "A" of the 5th Alabama and continued until May 5, 1865 at Danville, Alabama.

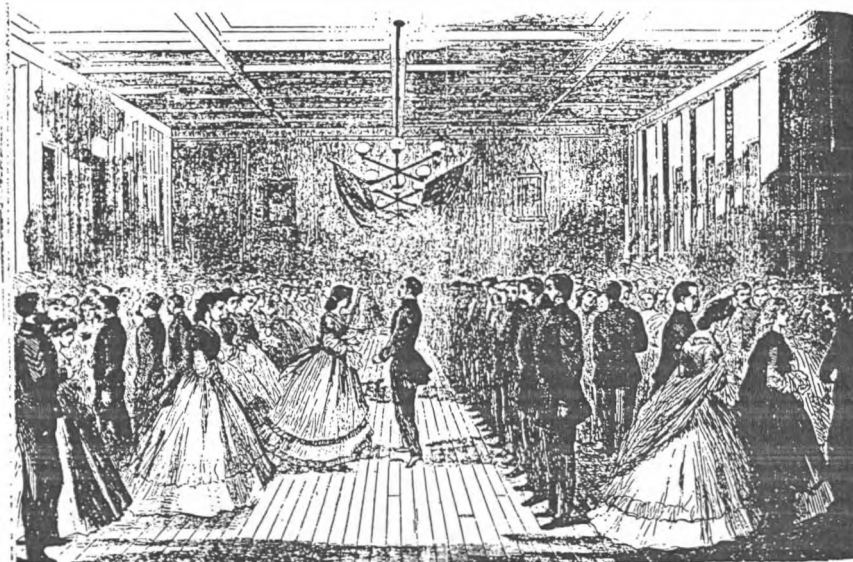
38. Frank H. Cagle
Union Grove, Ala. Mr. Cagle was born February 4, 1833 at Big Lick in Stanley County, North Carolina. He entered



Going home

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service as a private in the Fall of 1862 at Huntsville, Alabama in



Soldiers' ball at Huntsville, Alabama, dancing the Virginia Reel.

Company I[J?] of the 60th North Carolina and continued until about May, 1863. He re-enlisted as a private in the fall of 1864 at Cahaba, Alabama in Company "A" of the 49th Alabama and continued until captured at Marietta, Georgia. He was taken north of the Ohio River and remained there until the close of the War.

39. Henry Collier
Horton, Ala. Mr. Collier was born October 2, 1843 at Wedowee, Randolph County, Alabama. He entered service as a private in November, 1863 at Wedowee, Alabama in Company "H" of the 7th Alabama Cavalry and continued until he resigned at Mobile, Alabama in May, 1864.
40. Washington C. Camp
Albertville, Ala. Mr. Camp was born June 6, 1838 in Henry County, Georgia. He entered service as a private August 1, 1862 at Carrolton, Georgia in Company "B" of the 10th Georgia Cavalry and continued until paroled at West Point, Georgia at the close of the War.
41. Walter Bill Click
New Hope, Ala. Mr. Click was born April 29, 1846 at New Hope in Madison County, Alabama. He entered service as a private in September, 1864 at New Hope, Alabama in Johnson's Battallion and continued until paroled in April, 1865.
42. Eli Cornelius
Horton, Ala. Mr. Cornelius was born in April, 1843 at Blountsville in Blount County, Alabama. He entered service as a private in August, 1864 at Summitt[?], Alabama in the command of Capt. Hamilton. [No other information.]
43. William Henry
Campbell
Grove Oak, Ala. Mr. Campbell was born November 29, 1832 at Cowpens, Spartanburg, South Carolina. He entered service as a private (and then as a Lieutenant) on September 15, 1862 at Valley Head, Alabama in Company "F" of the 7th Alabama Cavalry and remained until the regiment was changed to the 9th Alabama. Paroled at Shotoff[?], North Carolina on May 4, 1865.

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44. Jesse W. Collier Boaz, Ala. Jesse W. Collier was born May 28, 1828 in Moore County, North Carolina. He entered service as a private September 10, 1862 at Carrollton, Georgia in Company "B" of the 7th Georgia Cavalry and continued until paroled at Maddox, Virginia in 1865.
45. Wiley J. Carter Guntersville, Ala. Mr. Carter was born March 13, 1837 in Lincoln County, Tennessee. He entered service as a private March 28, 1862 at New Market, Alabama, in Company "F" of the 27th Alabama and continued until detailed after the Battle of Shiloh. Transferred to same Company in April, 1864.
46. John F. Centers Meltonsville, Ala. Mr. Centers was born January 25, 1846 at Barnesville, Monroe County, Georgia. He entered service as a private in December, 1863 at Savannah, Georgia in Company "A" of the 5th Georgia and continued until paroled in May, 1865.
47. Robert W. Caldwell North, Alabama Mr. Caldwell was born November 21, 1834 at Cokesbury in Abbeville County, South Carolina. He entered service as a private June 1, 1861 at Stilesboro, Georgia in Company "K" of the 14th Georgia and continued until transferred on May 6, 1862 at Richmond, Virginia. He re-enlisted as a private May 6, 1862 at Richmond, Va. in Company "B" of the 1st South Carolina Rifles and continued until discharged at the close of the war at Appomattox Court House, Virginia.



THE LAST STAND MADE BY THE CONFEDERATE LINE.
General Beauregard at Shiloh Chapel sending his aides to the corps commanders with orders to begin the retreat. This was at two o'clock on Monday. The tents are part of Sherman's camp, which was reoccupied by him Monday evening.

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Morgan

MARRIAGE BOOK "A"
 (Eleventh 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 Volume 16 (Sept. 1981). Copied and contributed by Dorothy Scott Johnson.

1840 - 1842

| No. | Groom | Bride | Lisc. | Sol. |
|------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------|------------------|
| 1251 | Brown, Josiah | Holt, Sarena E. | 1-4-1840 | 1-5-1840 |
| 1252 | Cunningham, Thos. | Dunn, Becca | 1-10-1840 | 1-10-1840 |
| 1253 | Smith, Sherrell | Hill, Mary | 1-14-1840 | 1-16-1840 |
| 1254 | Forrester, James | Brogden, Sarah | 1-18-1840 | 1-19-1840 |
| 1255 | Nance, John C. | Reeves, Mary Ann | 1-25-1840 | 1-28-1840 |
| 1256 | Wolfe, Gibson | Hart, Gradeth | 1-29-1840 | 1-30-1840 |
| 1257 | Morrow, James G. | Stuart, Ann | 2-5-1840 | 2-5-1840 |
| 1258 | Eubank, Wm. J. | Blackwell, E.S[L?] | 2-5-1840 | <u>1</u> -5-1840 |
| 1259 | Keyes, Thomas | Denson, Eliza A. | 2-12-1840 | 2-13-1840 |
| 1260 | Ryan, Harris | Smith, Sarah Ann | 3-4-1840 | 3-6-1840 |
| 1261 | Vaughan, Thomas H. | Daniel, Esther | 3-5-1840 | 3-5-1840 |
| 1262 | Wilks, A. J. | Basham, Mary Ann | 3-7-1840 | 3-8-1840 |
| 1263 | Long, Henry | Hodgens, Elizabeth | 3-9-1840 | 3-10-1840 |
| 1264 | Sutherland, Alex | Clark, Rachel | 3-17-1840 | 3-18-1840 |
| 1265 | Stephens, Jesse | Walker, Jane | 3-16-1840 | 3-21-1840 |
| 1266 | Moran, Francis | Morris, Delphina | 3-21-1840 | --- |
| 1267 | Rhodes, Absolon | Devault, Sarah | 3-23-1840 | 3-26-1840 |
| 1268 | Ryan, Thomas Jr. | Basham, Rosena | 4-7-1840 | 4-7-1840 |
| 1269 | Stephenson, Wm. G. | Jones, Harriet E. | 4-20-1840 | 4-23-1840 |
| 1270 | Grammer, Leonard | King, Rosetta E. | 5-9-1840 | 5-13-1840 |
| 1271 | Gardner, William | Bush, Rhoda | 5-18-1840 | 5-21-1840 |

| No. | Groom | Bride | Lisc. | Sol. |
|------|-----------------------|------------------------|------------|------------|
| 1272 | Payne, James | Brooks, Elizabeth A. | 5-28-1840 | --- |
| 1273 | Smalling, Isaac R | Wilhite, Mary S. | 6-18-1840 | 6-18-1840 |
| 1274 | Brown, Saml. | Simmons, Emaline | 6-8-1840 | 6-8-1840 |
| 1275 | Long, Joshua | Reeves, Nancy | 6-20-1840 | 6-21-1840 |
| 1276 | Willis, William | Stevens, Sarah | 6-24-1840 | 6-25-1840 |
| 1277 | Halbrooks, James | Sively, C. | 6-24-1840 | 6-25-1840 |
| 1278 | Ransom, James M. | Wilks, Amey G. | 7-23-1840 | 7-23-1840 |
| 1279 | McNatt, Robt. | Lawson, Susan | 7-29-1840 | 7-23-1841 |
| 1280 | King, Burton | Turrentine, Hannah C. | 7-30-1840 | 7-31-1840 |
| 1281 | Wallace, Harvey | Boyd, Elizabeth A. | 7-30-1840 | 7-30-1840 |
| 1282 | Brisco, John | Nunn, Mary | 8-8-1840 | --- |
| 1283 | Miller, Rich'd. | Farris, Margaret | 8-8-1840 | --- |
| 1284 | Jones, James | Willis, Elizabeth | 8-10-1840 | 8-11-1840 |
| 1285 | Winton, John M. C. | Draper, Virginia A. M. | 8-12-1840 | 8-14-1840 |
| 1286 | Cline, Andrew | McKee, Elizabeth | 8-12-1840 | --- |
| 1287 | Wilson, A. J. | Johnson, Rebecca | 8-15-1840 | 8-16-1840 |
| 1288 | Momly[Momby?], Thomas | Baysinger, Rhoda A. | 8-20-1840 | 8-20-1840 |
| 1289 | Blankenship, Wm. F. | Lundy, Rachel A. | 8-25-1840 | 8-25-1840 |
| 1290 | Turrentine, John | Medford, Telitha | 9-2-1840 | 9-3-1840 |
| 1291 | Eastman, James | Hunter, Mary E. | 9-2-1840 | 9-5-1840 |
| 1292 | Crow, Jonathan B. | Winders, Sarah | 9-3-1840 | 9-3-1840 |
| 1293 | Bell, Francis H. | Gilbert, Elvira J. | 9-7-1840 | 9-10-1840 |
| 1294 | Stovall, Drury | Orr, Elizabeth | 9-10-1840 | 9-10-1840 |
| 1295 | Day, Wm. B. | Harbeson, Nancy | 9-14-1840 | 9-16-1840 |
| 1296 | Brown, Wm. L. | Horsey, Nancy Jane | 9-24-1840 | 10-16-1840 |
| 1297 | McMillon, F. W. L. | Long, Elizabeth | 9-26-1840 | 10-8-1840 |
| 1298 | Campbell, Wm. H. | Rice, Leonard M. | 9-30-1840 | 9-30-1840 |
| 1299 | Dixon, Henderson | Kelly, Mary E. | 10-8-1840 | 10-15-1840 |
| 1300 | Jackson, James G. | Smith, Elizabeth | 10-13-1840 | 10-15-1840 |

| <u>No.</u> | <u>Groom</u> | <u>Bride</u> | <u>Lisc.</u> | <u>Sol.</u> |
|------------|---|----------------------|--------------|-------------|
| 1301 | Hewlett, John W. | Boyd, Melvina | 10-14-1840 | --- |
| 1302 | Woodal, James A. | Yarborough, Eliza | 10-15-1840 | 10-15-1840 |
| 1303 | Quinn, John | Wilson, Margaret | 10-17-1840 | 11-1-1840 |
| 1304 | Newsom, William | Edwards, Sarah | 10-26-1840 | 10-26-1840 |
| 1305 | Hagy, M. W. | Spain, Sarah | 10-28-1840 | 10-28-1840 |
| 1306 | Hollinsworth, William | Puckett, Elizabeth | 11-3-1840 | --- |
| 1307 | Withers, Henry J. | West, Elizabeth | 11-4-1840 | --- |
| 1308 | Long, Solomon S. | Jones, Mary Ann | 11-9-1840 | 11-9-1840 |
| 1309 | Crow, David M. | Burleson, Mary | 12-5-1840 | 12-9-1840 |
| 1310 | Reeves, Geo. W. | Childress, Martha T. | 12-8-1840 | 12-10-1840 |
| 1311 | Walker, Robt. H. | Rutledge, Jane | 12-8-1840 | 12-8-1840 |
| 1312 | Stephens, Willis | Tate, Elizabeth | 12-8-1840 | 12-17-1840 |
| 1313 | McCutcheon, John D. | Collins, Susanna | 12-9-1840 | 12-9-1840 |
| 1314 | Lemons, John | Ryon, Elizabeth | 12-9-1840 | 12-10-1840 |
| 1315 | Wylie, Eli S. | Bell, Ann C. | 12-17-1840 | 12-24-1840 |
| 1316 | Craft, John | Skidmore, Salina G. | 12-23-1840 | 12-24-1840 |
| 1317 | Crow, Elijah | Nunn, Martha | 12-28-1840 | 12-29-1840 |
| 1318 | Carter, Thomas | McMillon, Nancy | 1-1-1840 | 1-3-1840* |
| | *These dates probably should be 1841 instead of 1840. | | | |
| 1319 | Jackson, Isam W. | West, Minerva | 1-4-1841 | 1-5-1841 |
| 1320 | Ryland, Nelson | Hart, Bithena | 1-5-1841 | --- |
| 1321 | Outlaw, Irwin W. | Cobbs, Elizabeth H. | 1-5-1841 | 1-7-1841 |
| 1322 | Holmes, Daniel H. | Lynn, Margaret | 1-13-1841 | 1-13-1841 |
| 1323 | Haynes, Andrew Y. | Brookshear, Sarah | 1-19-1841 | 1-19-1841 |
| 1324 | Deskins, Wm. S. | Kent, Eliza | 1-25-1841 | 1-28-1841 |
| 1325 | Simmons, Daniel | Laney, Margaret | 2-2-1841 | 2-4-1841 |
| 1326 | Colwell, William | Daniel, Arminta | 2-9-1841 | --- |
| 1327 | Sively, Rawley | Burleson, Eliza H. | 2-9-1841 | --- |
| 1328 | Edwards, Gainer J. | Thompson, Mary E. | 2-10-1841 | --- |
| 1329 | Gooch, Thompson | Moneyham, Mary E. | 2-13-1841 | 2-14-1841 |

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MORROW-STUART BIBLE

The following Bible record of William Morrow and his wife Margaret Stuart was copied by Mrs. Arlene McEntire and Mrs. Ola Johnson and contributed to "Valley Leaves" by Mrs. Johnson. This Bible belonged to Samuel Monroe Morrow and in 1968 was in the hands of Mrs. Margaret Ransom of Somerville, Alabama. Mrs. Ransom was 94 years of age when this Bible record was copied in 1968.

William Morrow and Margaret Stuart
were married in Morgan County, Alabama
February 8, 1827.

BIRTHS

William Morrow was born in Greenville
District South Carolina Oct. 17, 1802

Margaret Stuart was born in Roane Co.,
Tenn. Jan. 10, 1808

Samuel Monro Morrow was born in Morgan
Co., Ala. Nov. 19, 1827

David Thomas Morrow was born in Morgan
Co., Ala. Oct. 5, 1830

William Alexander Morrow was born in
Morgan Co., Ala. Aug. 15, 1839

Mary E. Adams wife of A. Clark Adams
was born Nov. 17, 1858

Thomas W. Morrow was born May 10, 1862

Emma J. Morrow was born Dec. 15, 1864

Samuel M. Morrow was born Nov. 3, 1865

Annie S. Fulton wife of A. Milton Fulton
was born June 23, 1868

Alice G. Morrow was born Oct. 30, 1869,
married to James Hardesty Nov. 19, 1896

Rosa C. Morrow was born Aug. 28, 1870

Mattie H. Morrow was born July 3, 1874

Lula W. Morrow was born May 13, 1876

Daisy F. Morrow was born Aug. 28, 1878

DEATHS:

William A. Morrow died in Morgan County, Alabama October 25, 1878

Samuel M. Morrow died in Morgan County, Alabama June 26, 1904.

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1921 CONFEDERATE CENSUS

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

William Ward
RFD #2
Joppa, Ala.

William Ward was born in Jackson County, Georgia on May 25, 1834. He enlisted at Falkville (Morgan Co.) in August, 1862 in the Weston branch of service. He was an ordnance sergeant in Company "E" of the 12th Alabama Regiment under Capt. Donlason and Col. Reese.

Mr. Ward participated in the Battle of Murfreesboro, the Battle of Chickamauga, and the Battle of Atlanta but he was not captured or imprisoned although he was in the service 3-1/2 years. He left the service at Greensboro, North Carolina at the surrender in May, 1865 and paroled at Huntsville, Alabama.

Ward is a registered voter in Baleyton precinct of Cullman County. He is a farmer. His wife, now dead, was born in Blount County, Alabama and they were married August 19, 1857 in Blount County. He is presently living with James Ward. The names, addresses, and occupations of his living children are:

W. C. Ward, Joppa Route 1, Farmer
James Ward, Joppa Route 2, Farmer
E. W. Ward, Joppa Route 2, Farmer
Emma Wallace, Joppa, Farmer

Ward has received his pension warrant regularly since being placed on the roll. Signed by William T[F?] Ward and witnessed by W. A. Oliver on May 15, 1921.

John Ryan
Rt. #1, Box 91
Baileyton, Ala.

John Ryan was born August 11, 1829 in Morgan Co., Ala. His wife is now aged 68 and they were married October 12, 1910 in Cullman County, Ala. He enlisted in 1861 at Falkville in the Western branch of service serving as a second Lt. in Company "E" of the 12th Alabama Regiment under Capt. Donalson and Col Reed. He was in the battles of Murfreesboro, Atlanta, and Knoxville but was not wounded, captured or imprisoned. He was in the service four years and left the service in 1865 when he surrendered to the enemy. He is a registered voter in the 18th precinct in Morgan County. He is a farmer and is presently living with his wife. His children, their addresses, and occupations are:

Sara Nancy McAnally, Somerville, Ala. Rt. 4 - farmer
F. M. Ryan, Lux, Miss. - farmer
T. J. Ryan, Lawrenceburg, Tn. - farmer
Lucy Julian, Joppa, Ala., Rt. 1 - farmer
C. H. Ryan, Somerville, Ala., Rt. 4 - farmer
Mollie Edwards, Tulsaloosa, Ala., Box 581 - farmer
E. J. Ryan, Eva, Ala. Rt. 1 - farmer
Mattie Smallwood, Somerville, Ala. Rt. 4 - farmer
W. R. Ryan, Union Grove, Ala. Rt. 1 - farmer

Mr. Ryan states he has regularly received his pension warrant since being placed on the roll. Signed by John Ryan and witnessed by Wm. Ward on April 28, 1921.

William Youngblood
2610 16th Ave.
Ensley, Ala.

William Youngblood was born December 5, 1830 at Orion in Pike County, Alabama. His wife is aged 61 years and they were married in 1882 at Montgomery, Ala. She was born at Pine Level, Alabama.

Mr. Youngblood entered service in July, 1861 at Troy, Alabama as a private in the Infantry in Company "I" of the 15th Alabama regiment under Captain Benjamin Gardiner and Col. James Cantoy. This Company was also called the Quitman Guards. He was in the battles of Fredericksburg, Gettysburg, Wilderness, Cross Keys, Port Republic, Chickamauga and the Attack on Knoxville, the battle at Beans Station and the Second Manasas. He was not wounded, captured or imprisoned. He was detailed to Longstreet's staff in July, 1863.

He was discharged by parole at Appomattox by Grant after the surrender of Lee and had been with Lee at the surrender in 1865.

Mr. Youngblood is presently living with his family. His living children are:

Floelle Y. Bonner, Ensley, Ala.
W. W. Youngblood, San Diego, Cal.
Frances Youngblood, Ensley, Ala.
J. A. Youngblood, Youngstown, Ohio
J. W. Youngblood, France
Dorothy Youngblood, Ensley, Ala.

He has received his pension regularly since being placed on the rolls. He signed the affidavit as William Youngblood and it was witnessed by James Youngblood on March 23, 1921 at Easley, Ala.

John Millican
RFD #1
Lacon, Ala.

John Millican was born July 2, 1830 in Marshall County, Alabama. His wife is now aged 76 years and she was born in Marshall County, Ala. They were married in 1872 at the residence of Butler[Buttur?] Williams in Morgan County.

Mr. Millican entered service in 1862 at Old Falkville in Company "D" of the 5th Alabama Regiment under Capt. Taylor. He was in the battles of Murfreesboro, Cedar Ridge and his last battle was at Selma, Alabama. He was never wounded, captured, or imprisoned. He later transferred to Company L of the 5th Alabama Regiment under Capt. Andy Paterson and Col. Joe Paterson and was in the service a total of three years.

He was honorably discharged at the close of war in June, 1865 at Danville, Alabama. His parole was burned when his house burned. He was a farmer, is not a registered voter, and lives with his wife. His living children and their residences are:

Maryan - Garden City, Ala.
Adline - Lacon, Ala.
John Millican - Blount Springs, Ala.
Calvin Millican - Hanceville, Ala.
Minday - Slick, Okla.
Florence - dead
Jake Millican - Sumerville
Hop Millican - Cullman, Ala.
Jahue Millican - Lacon, Ala.
Jim Millican - Slick, Okla.

The Affidavit was signed by his son Jahue Millican and witnessed by Frank Holmes on May 12, 1921. Two more witnesses were John Stinson of Lacon and Dan Cook of Falkville. Jahue attached a letter stating his father was bedridden, old and sick plus hard of hearing and unable to fill in the affidavit himself.

Queries

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1 VAUGHAN

Seeking info on brothers William & Melkijah Vaughan who operated a store in Sommerville ca 1818. This info from "A Short History of Morgan County, Alabama" by John Knox. I think this William is my gg grandfather, William H. Vaughan, b 1775 VA & moved to Monroe Co. MS ca 1825. I think Melkijah is William's bro, Melkijah Spraggins Vaughan, b 1796 GA, m Sarah R. Vaughan in Lebanon, TN 5 Jan 1820, and not the Melkijah who was a Representative from Morgan Co. Who was wife of William?

Miles C. Vaughan, 1803 Preston Trail, Harlingen, TX 78552

2 COPELAND, GILLIS, JOHNSON, HELMS, ELLIS

James Copeland & wife Lydia had children: James; Lydia m John Johnson; Rachel m William Helms; Sarah m Benjamin Ellis; Mary (Polly) m Willis Ellis. Did son James m Cathrine Gillis, dau of Daniel Gillis in Madison Co. in 1812?

Nellie Berry, Rt. #1, Box 190, Iron City, TN 38463

3 SELF, WARE, MORELAND, BURLESON, LOGGINS, MILES, VAN, TAYLOR

Need info on the parents, siblings, birthplace and marriage of Issac Self, Sr., b ca 1750/60, d 184? in Jefferson Co., AL. Had following known children: Elizabeth m Jacob Ware Rhea Co., TN 1812; Celia m Jonathan Moreland; William m Rebecca Ware Rhea Co., TN 1811; Rebecca m ? Burleson; Vincent G. m 1) Louisa Loggins 1819 St. Clair Co., AL; Isaac, Jr. m Patsey Miles; Jobe m Peggy Burleson; John m 1) Cassey Van; Elijah m Catherine Taylor. Isaac, Jobe, John, Elijah md in Jefferson Co. I believe this is the same Isaac Self listed in the 1790 census Montgomery Co., NC. Any help will be appreciated.

Larry R. Brown, Rt. 5, Box 268, Hartselle, AL 35640

4 COFFMAN, COWART, KENNEDY, LOTHRIDGE, WALDEN

Scott Cowart b GA, need all other info. Children: William Joel; James; Mary Molly; Grover Cleveland b 30 Sep 1888, Ft. Smith, AR, m 2) Ada J. C. Coffman 17 Jul 1916 Decatur, AL, d 22 Oct 1956; Sherman I.; Lilly; Myrtle. Last three all married Waldens in Morgan Co., AL.

Lois Cowart Kemper, 10601 SW 83 Ave, Miami, FL 33156

5 CROFT

Collecting data for the Croft families of Alabama prior to 1900. Need court records, church and cemetery records, family bibles, compiled histories, etc. If you have access to any of these materials, I would appreciate hearing from you. Will file these in my computer and will make records available to Croft researchers free of charge. Please send SASE if you wish me to check my records for your ancestors.

Mrs. Marguerite C. Zielinski, 422 Dolphin Drive South, Oldsmar, FL 33557



Queries Editor: MARGARET M. COWART
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6 KILBURN

I am interested in the Russel M. Kilburn family listed on the Lauderdale Co. census 1860 through 1900. Russell b TN 1827, wife Martha b KY 1827. Children (from census): John M., William W., James, Mary A., Robert B. and Eleanor. All born between 1858 and 1868. Is this family related to the Kilburns who were in Lawrence Co., TN by 1820?
Delaine Edwards, 2231 Haddon Ave., Modesto, CA 95354

7 WALKER, OSBORNE, SWIFT, DUBOIS, YOUNGER

James W. Walker of New Hanover Co., NC lived Limestone Co., AL 1830. What was his relationship to other Walkers in Limestone Co.? He had a brother, Julius, and two sisters, Harriet m Edwin Jay Osborne & Louisa Margaret m Joseph G. Swift. Parents of these four children were James and Magdalene Margaret (DuBois) Walker who died in New Hanover Co., NC. James W. and 2nd wife, Eliza (Younger) Walker with children came to Sevier and Hempstead Cos., AR ca 1832. Need Walker, Osborne, and Swift data.

PHILLIPS, MATHEWS, CROSSLIN

Nancy Isabella Phillips, dau of Edwin Solomon Phillips (Eddins Phillips in 1830 Franklin Co. census), m ? Mathews ca 1833 in Franklin Co., AL. Children: Lemuel, James B., John W., Emily and Martha Jane. What was given name of their father? Mathews d ca 1841 Hempstead Co., AR. Think Nancy Isabella (Phillips) Mathews m 2) Joshua D. Crosslin in AR. Joshua D. Crosslin in 1830 Franklin Co., AL census. Need Mathews and Phillips data.

Jo Ann Roberson, Rt. 3, Box 132A, Nashville, AR 71852

8 WOODALL, BOTELER, TROUP

James A. Woodall (b ca 1820), m Eliza (Johns?) ca 1840 somewhere in AL. Where? Son, Jesse J. (b 1841) m 1) Carrie Boteler and 2) Maggie Boteler, daus of Nancy Troup and Alexander Boteler, Jr. Would appreciate any info on these families. Will exchange.

Linda Yancey, 8404 Loralinda Dr., Austin, TX 78753

9 DANIELS

Desire info on David Daniels (b ca 1795 NC) and his wife, Catherine (b ca 1806 TN). Lived in Madison Co. at the time of birth of oldest son, William (b 10 Dec 1833). Other children b in AL were: Mayeye Taylor, b 10 Nov 1835; Hanah, b 1837; Richard, b 1839. Children b in TN were: Mary A., b 1842; Elizabeth, b 1843. The fam moved to Poinsett Co., AR ca 1845. Request info on parents of David and Catherine, marriage date of David and Catherine & legal references to same in AL, TN & NC.

Jack L. Daniels, 2506 Villa Verde, Hattiesburg, MS 39401

10 DAVIDSON

Searching for forebears of Jesse Davidson, b 1801 VA, d 1874 Cherokee Co., TX. Married Catherine Davidson 30 Jan 1823, Lawrence Co., AL. She d ca 1838. Issue: 3 daus and 1 son, John J. Davidson, b TN 1829, d Cherokee Co., TX 29 Oct 1859. Jesse Davidson m 2) Margaret Childs Norton 28 Oct 1841 Lawrence Co., AL. She b 1809 KY, d ca 1880 TX. Issue: Henry Childs Davidson, b 1843 AL; Amos L. Davidson, b 1845 AL; Thomas L. Davidson, b 1846 AL; George Washington Davidson, b 1847 AL; Margaret Childs Davidson, b 1849 AL; Jesse Childs Davidson, b 1851 Cherokee Co., TX; Sarah Davidson, b 1854 Cherokee Co., TX. Henry C., Thomas L., George Washington served in the TX Cavalry, Civil War. Jesse Davidson blacksmithed in Lawrence Co., AL until departure from AL in 1849.

J. D. Cummock, Rt. 2, Box 103F, Eustace, TX 75124

- 11 ROAN, SMITH, BROWN, MORRIS, RING, McKUIN/McEWIN
 Need info on Alcidora Roan, b 1845, m Dave Smith ca 1864. What happened to them? 1880 Morgan Co. census shows the following children living with others: Francis E. Smith, b 1865; Martha Idella Smith; b 1869, Thomas Ward Jerone Smith, b 1871. Will exchange info on families of Brown, Roan, Morris, Ring, McKuin/McEwin.
 Doris Laster, Rt. 2, Box 1196, Alma, AR 72921
- 12 MORROW, HARRISON, JONES, TEEFTELLER, REDNER, GILLESPIE
 James Ashiac Morrow, b 17 Dec 1827, Morgan Co., AL. Died 31 May 1863 Fort Donaldson, KY. Married twice - Nancy and Frances Caroline. Need info on children: John Alexander b 4 Jul 1855 TN, m 1) Amanda Jane Harrison, 2) Emma Frances Jones; Thomas m Sarah Teefteller; Albert (Bart) m Nancy _____; William m Mert or Sarah _____; Mary Graham b 24 Apr 1855 Morgan Co., AL, m William James Welden Redner; Eliza Jane b 19 Jul 1859 Morgan Co., AL, m Samuel C. Gillespie; Joseph. Need contact on this family especially in Morgan & Madison Cos.
 Betty Morrow, Rt. 2, Box 96, Teague, TX 75860
- 13 LINDSEY, HESTER, SPARKS, WOODRUFF
 Seeking parents of Malissa Lindsey, b 1823 SC. Married William H. Hester, Jr., b 25 Mar 1818. Both died in Franklin Co. AL. Was she kin to Lindseys buried in Hovater Cemetery in Franklin Co.? Was she kin to Eunice Woodruff Sparks, wife of William Sparks. Eunice's mother was Anna Lindsey, wife of Joseph Woodruff of Woodruff, SC.
 Mrs. Clinton W. Turner, Sr., 1843 Judy Circle SE, Marietta, GA 30060
- 14 SCOTT, JONES
 When and where did William Francis Scott marry Nancy Jones? William b 5 Oct 1786 NC. Nancy, dau of John Jones, b 20 Nov 1793 GA. GA info points toward AL. Their first child, James Madison Scott b ca 1818 AL. Family resided near New Market, Madison Co., AL from ca 1826 to 1851 and are not listed in early Madison Co. marriage records.
 J. M. Hamblin, 211 Westburg Ave., Huntsville, AL 35801
- 15 POWELL, GLOVER, HAMNER
 Seeking parents and siblings of John C(lay?) Powell, b ca 1841 AL?. His wife was Martha Elizabeth Glover, b 1847, d 1920, dau of James Glover and Nancy (Hamner) Glover of Madison Co., AL. John C. & Martha E. lived in Tuscaloosa Co., he was a Methodist preacher and Confederate soldier.
- MORRISON, WILLIAMS
 Seeking parents, siblings and birthplace of Malcom Morrison, b Scotland 1772, d 1852 Perry Co., AL. He m Elizabeth Williams, dau of Rev Sol David William probably in NC. Malcom and Elizabeth lived in NC, later Fl and then AL. Her family migrated with a group of relatives through TN to N AL, and then to the area which later became Hale Co., AL.
 Claire M. Dixon, 120 Oakridge Drive, Warner Robins, GA 31093
- 16 BEADLE
 Would like to exchange info with descendants of Abraham A. Beadle, b 1820 TN. Living in Madison Co., AL in 1860 and Wilson Co., TN 1870. His brother, Thomas, died Madison Co., AL 1866
 Mrs. R. G. Lowe, 421 N. Locust Street, Florence, AL 35630

17 KEYS, SELF

Mahala Keys, b 1804, dau of Ezekiel Keys, m Adam Moore Self and had several children b in Jackson Co. AL. What was her mother's maiden name and who were her brothers and sisters. Any information on the Ezekiel Keys family will be appreciated.

Lorraine Baxter, 2937 NW 11th, Oklahoma City, OK 73107

18 BENNETT, SIMPSON, BILLINGS

Seeking info on the Pleasant and Theodocia Simpson Bennett family who lived in Jackson Co., AL in the 1830's and 1840's. According to Bible record, they married 22 Dec 1829. Where? They moved to Ouchita Co., AR ca 1844 and had 12 children. Was Theodocia dau of John Simpson of Jackson Co.? Who were Pleasant's parents? Was Sarah Bennett his mother? Was William Bennett his brother? Was Lucinda Billings his sister? Have much AR & TX info on this large family, would like to share with anyone who has AL info.

Ann Crumpton, Rt. 1, Box 25A, Lake Creek, TX 75470

19 McDANIEL, NEELY, WRIGHT, COMBS, RAME, McCRARY, BOGGES

Invite correspondence with descendants of Cornelious and Martha McDaniel, Madison Co. landowners until 1834. Children: George m Isabella Neely; William m Martha Wright; James S. m Olive ?; John m Polly Bogges; Jane m William Combs; Jenny m William Rame; Elenor m Arthur McCrary. Was Cornelius son of Henry McDaniel of VA and grandson of John McDaniel a native of Scotland?

J. H. McDaniel, 1839 E. 8th Street, Long Beach, CA 90813

20 ELLIS, SULLIVAN

Would like to correspond and exchange info with any descendant of Benjamin Ellis, b 2 May 1784 Sussex Co. VA, d 30 Sep 1853 Madison Cross Roads, Madison Co., AL. Also James B. Ellis b 30 Nov 1821 Madison Cross Roads, Madison Co., AL, d 6 Mar 1884 Madison Co., AL. Also Randolph Sullivan b 1777/79 Lawrence Co., SC, d 3 Jul 1850 Madison Cross Roads, Madison Co. AL.

Mrs. Sam W. Stovall, 2718 King James Court, Webster, TX 77598

21 HODGES, JOHNS(T)ON, BALLENGER, COOPER, BOALT, WADDELL, PRUIT

Need proof first wife of Lawrence Co. AL Senator Fleming Hodges, Sr. was Martha (Patsy) Elizabeth Johns(t)on, d/o Samuel Johns(t)on, Sr. & Elizabeth Ballenger. Issue of Fleming & first wife: Elizabeth m Benjamin Cooper; Asa Hodges; Eliza divorced Lewis Boalt, m Daniel Hodges; Sarah m Edmund Waddell; John Hodges; Maria m Richard Pruit; Fleming Hodges, Jr. Samuel Johns(t)on's 1832 Limestone Co., AL will, probated 11 Feb 1833, included, but did not name, children of his dau Patsy Hodges. Need settlement of Samuel Johns(t)on's estate naming Patsy Hodges' children. Record not in Limestone Co. Need birth (place & date), parents and siblings of Benjamin Cooper. Benjamin on 1813 Madison Co., AL tax list, in War of 1812 from Madison; in Lawrence Co. by 1820, partner in Cooper & Price Co. before 1842; in Cass Co., TX 1846. Will share records.

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

22 HOLLAND, McCRARY

Greenberry Holland m 6 Jan 1835 Lawrence Co., AL Permelia Holland, dau of Thomas & Charity (McCrary) Holland. Known issue by 1850: Charity, Richard, Sarah T., Sophia & Eunice. Did Greenberry and Permelia have another given name; what became of them between 1852-1860?

Roy E. Gibson, 4517 Coffee Rd., Ft. Worth, TX 76117

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