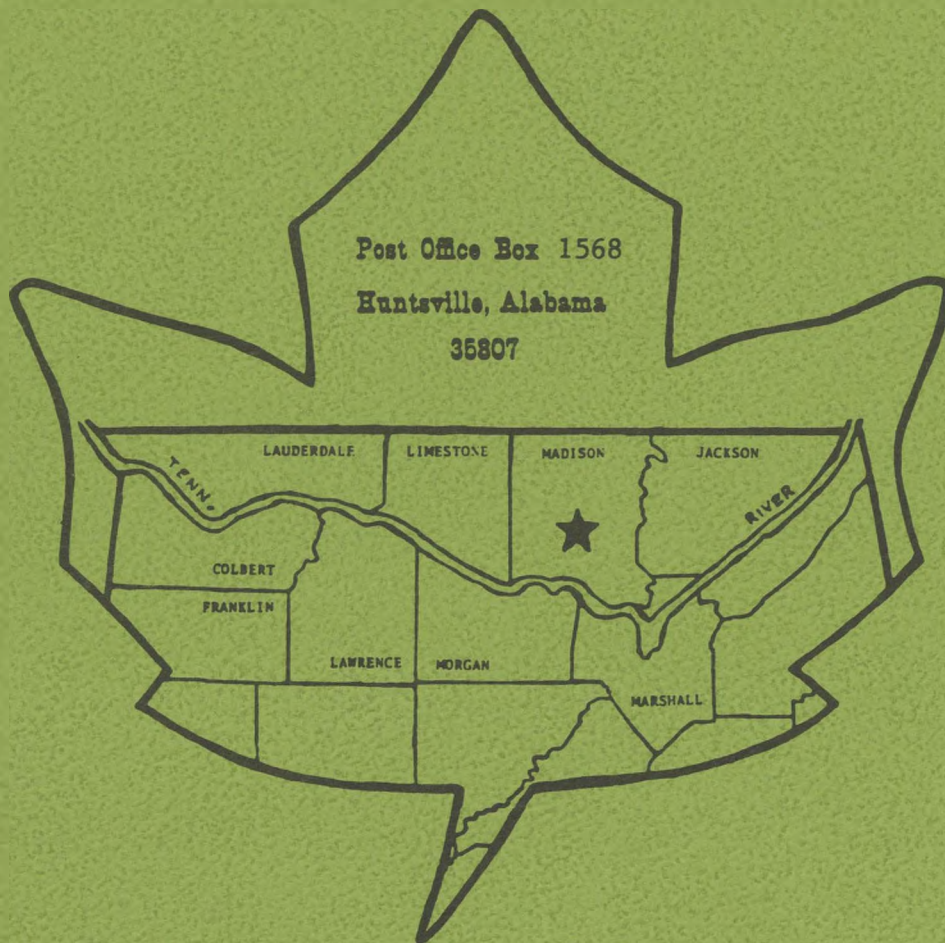


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Editor's Leaf

FRANKLIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

The TVGS Board of Directors has again voted to suspend publishing material on Franklin County on a regular basis due to the difficulty of obtaining material on that county. We have not "dropped" it completely and from time to time we will publish material as it come to us but it will not be on a regular basis. Theresa Stirbis of Huntsville laboriously copied a great deal of the 1850 census of Franklin County and rather than publish it the Board recommended it be kept on file in the Heritage Room of the Huntsville Public Library. Our heartfelt thanks to Mrs. Stirbis and we hope that in time the entire census can be copied off and indexed for patrons of the library.

FRANKLIN COUNTY, TENNESSEE

Even though we do not cover any Tennessee counties we try to keep informed of worthwhile publications in the Tennessee counties that border our Alabama counties because of the migration pattern from Tennessee to Alabama. Jeanne Ridgway Bigger, genealogist, has just published a very helpful 1890 Franklin County, Tennessee tax list that is an excellent substitute for the burned 1890 census of that county. Please refer to the Book Review section of this quarterly for more information on this important work.

Another important work to come out of Franklin County is the compilation of cemetery records done by the Franklin County Historical Society (P.O. Box 130, Winchester, TN 37398). This 804 page book sells for \$35.00 and may be ordered from the Society at the above address.

BOOK THEFT

It has come to our attention recently that original books are disappearing from various county courthouses. For instance, the Lawrence County, Alabama Orphans Court's Deed Book "C" from September, 1824 through February, 1829 has disappeared from the shelves during the last year. It is a small book and could easily have been slipped into a briefcase or large purse. We fully expect a published transcript of this book to appear on the market before long thus exposing the culprit — and if it doesn't appear it is probably because the culprit just read this paragraph! Might I remind anyone tempted to remove a public record from a courthouse that in the State of Alabama such an act is classed as a felony and is governed by the criminal code.

TUSCALOOSA COUNTY

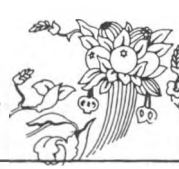

The Tuscaloosa Genealogical Society Morning Group will issue a Pioneer Certificate to persons who can prove they are descendants of early settlers of Tuscaloosa County, Alabama, prior to 1830. Applications can be obtained from Mrs. W. G. Lockard, 29 DuBois Terrace, Tuscaloosa, AL 35401. Please send a stamped, self-addressed envelope. This is a nice gesture on the part of the Tuscaloosa group and we urge all TVGS members who have pre-1830 ancestors there to participate.

SAN FRANCISCO EARTHQUAKE

Mrs. Gladys Hansen, Archivist of the San Francisco Public Library, is making a concentrated effort to identify all persons who died as a result of the earthquake that hit San Francisco April 18, 1906. Mrs. Hansen has identified 826 known dead which is far in excess of the official figure of 478 given by the 1907 Board of Supervisors. Yet even with her careful calculations, Mrs. Hansen believes the revised figure too low. She appeals to anyone having knowledge of any person killed in the 1906 disaster to write to her with whatever information they have. The names of the dead will be entered in the official roster in the Public Library, available to researchers of history and genealogy. Please send the information to:

Mrs. Gladys Hansen
San Francisco Archives
Public Library
Civic Center
San Francisco, California 94102

Please enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope when you send your information to Mrs. Hansen.



Dorothy Scott Johnson
Editor

Book Reviews



Book Review Editor: Annewhite Fuller

NOTE: Some time back we initiated the policy that we would review only complete volumes of quarterlies. For those of you who have submitted a single issue of your quarterly we will be glad to hold it and review it when the remaining issues have been sent.

THE HULSEY RESEARCHER, edited by Lou Pero. 8-1/2 x 11, monthly, indexed. May subscribe from the editor, P O. Box 488, Bend, OR 97709. No price given.

The 1983 issues bring "The Hulsey Researcher" to a total of 343 pages of family information gathered by Lou Pero. Family group sheets, census transcriptions, marriage, and other records plus personal reminiscences are part of the information included in this family publication.

The February issue contains the first of a series of articles taken from the Territorial Papers of the United States; the first (from Vol. 6, Mississippi Territory) pertains to the 5 September 1810 petition from "Sims'es" Settlement (Limestone County, Alabama).

This excellent volume ends with a full-name index of the Hulseys and a surname index of allied lines. Hulseys are listed in Franklin, Madison, Jackson, and Limestone Counties, Alabama as well as Georgia, Ohio, Virginia, Arkansas, etc. (Reviewed by Annewhite Fuller.)

MARSHALL COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI MARRIAGES, 1836-1860 by Helen Bowling McKnight. Soft cover, 8-1/2 x 11, indexed. May order from author, 7702 Treeline Dr., SE, Huntsville, AL 35802. 101 pages \$12.50 - index check, \$3.00 per surname.

Former "Valley Leaves" editor, Helen McKnight, has provided another excellent source for genealogical research. Marshall County, Mississippi was formed in 1836 from the Chickasaw Cession of 1832. Bounded by the Tennessee State line, Marshall County once included some of the land that is now in Fayette County, Tennessee.

This book includes listings of ministers authorized to perform marriages and the Probate Court officials as well as the grooms, brides, bondsmen, and consenting parents. The format is clear and the full-name index makes using the book quite easy. Mrs. McKnight has annotated the entries of her families with data from census and family records. (Reviewed by Annewhite Fuller)

1870 FEDERAL CENSUS, SMITH COUNTY, TEXAS, transcribed by Howard O. Pollan for the East Texas Genealogical Society. 8-1/2 x 11, soft cover, 308 pages, map, index. May order from the East Texas Genealogical Society, P. O. Box 6967, Tyler, Texas 75711. \$10.00 plus \$1.00 postage.

Mr. Pollan and the publications committee of the East Texas Genealogical Society have provided a valuable research tool in publishing this census. The census data is transcribed in a clear style following the National Archives microfilm format. Beyond the usual household data, the book includes the names of the census beats and post offices plus the date the enumerator gathered the information. Lists of abbreviations used for birthplaces and occupations are at the beginning of the book which is indexed by surname.

The convenience of having the census on microfilm is completely overshadowed by using a well-produced census in print such as this. (Reviewed by Annewhite Fuller)

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MARRIAGE RECORDS OF WAYNE COUNTY, TENNESSEE, 1857-1929 by Irma Matthews Plott. Soft cover, 8-1/2 x 11, indexed. May be ordered from Mrs. Plott, Box 438, Route 4, Rogersville, AL 35652. \$17.50 (2nd edition).

Mrs. Plott has arranged for the proceeds from the sale of this book to go to the Genealogy Department of the Wayne County Library.

Wayne County, Tennessee marriage books for the years prior to 1857 were lost between the years 1918 and 1936. The original bonds were destroyed in a fire in January, 1972. None of the destroyed records had been microfilmed.

In order by book, the listings give names of groom and bride, date of the marriage, and name of the minister or Justice of the Peace who officiated. Surname indexes for the grooms and brides are given for each book. The neat format makes Mrs. Plott's work pleasant to use. (Reviewed by Annwhite Fuller)

A BEDWELL FAMILY by Larry King, 7 x 10, hard cover, indexed. May order from author, 100 Longview Drive, Hendersonville, TN 37075. \$25.00 (20% discount to libraries and genealogical/historical societies.)

Larry King's, "A Bedwell Family" is a record of fourteen proven generations of the descendants of Robert Bedwell who came to America in 1661. He received a 727 acre land grant in Farnham Parish, Old Rappahannock County, Virginia. He moved to Kent County, Delaware about 1680 (then still Pennsylvania).

The family data is presented in a format that is easy to read with a numbering system that is easy to follow. The book is illustrated with photographs of family members, tombstones, and documents. The full-name index has 15,770 entries.

Some allied lines included in the book are Adams, Bales, Casteel, Colbert, Driver, Isaman, Poole, Towery, and Wolfe. (Reviewed by Annwhite Fuller)

FRANKLIN COUNTY, TENNESSEE 1890 TAX LIST by Jeanne Ridgway Bigger (1984), 98 pages, soft cover, 8-1/2 x 11, mimeographed. May be ordered from Mrs. Joseph Koltick, Maplewood Apartments #6, Winchester, TN 37398. \$10.00.

As you probably know, the 1890 Federal Census for most of the United States was burned and only a few county censuses throughout the entire country survived. Franklin County, Tennessee was not one of the fortunate ones but now a respectable substitute has been published in the form of the 1890 Tax List.

This book lists the taxpayer, the number of acres he owned, and whether or not he lived in town. Adding to the value of this work are the numerous comments made by the tax assessor as to the circumstances of the taxpayer. Comments beside the name such as "Gone to Texas," "Gone to Alabama," "dead," "cripple," "too old [to pay tax]," "not found," and "worthless," give tremendous genealogical and historical clues. If a taxpayer was deceased, the word "heirs" would be noted by his name and often you will find the name of the heir who paid the tax on the property that year listed beside the landowner's name. Several entries give the place the taxpayer lived if it was out of the county. If someone other than the landowner actually paid the tax then that person's name is listed.

The type is easy to read and the format is easy to understand. There is no index since the book is compiled in alphabetical order by voting districts. Mrs. Bigger has added a foreword explaining the work which is most helpful to the researcher. An excellent book.

Even though Mrs. Bigger bore the expense of publishing this book the proceeds will go toward Project Preservation efforts. (Reviewed by Dorothy Scott Johnson)

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A HISTORY OF THE DENNIS FAMILY, by William L. Dennis, 1505 Summerland, NE, Decatur, AL 35601. 57 pages, typeset, 8-1/2 x 11, soft cover. Not indexed! No price given.

Once in a while a book crosses my desk that is so unique, so well done, and in such good taste that I have difficulty containing my enthusiasm. This is one of those books—even without an index.

Mr. Dennis has found an excellent solution to exchanging (and gathering more) Dennis family information. This book is not intended to be a chronological study of a certain person and his descendants although there are some excellent genealogies of some branches included. It is, however, a lively "bits and pieces" work compiled from his own research and the research of others that has been sent to him. It has ended up being a sort of Dennis encyclopedia.

The author begins with a few paragraphs on the origin of the name then lists some of the earliest Dennises to America in the 1600's. Dennis vital statistics have been extracted from other works as has census information and wills. The wills of several persons have been used in their entirety. Many character sketches are included as are old family letters. Some of the states represented are N.Y., N.J., Pa., Md., Va., N.C., S.C., Ga., Miss., Tenn. and Alabama.

Inside this beautifully arranged book is packed a wealth of information on many branches of the family. I hope more volumes are planned (and that an index is included in them). (Reviewed by Dorothy Scott Johnson).

MORGAN COUNTY, ALABAMA CEMETERIES, VOLUME II by Marilyn Sue Short Marine and Ivydene Simpson Walls. Published by Marine/Walls Historical Publications, 1300 Hayes St., Hartselle, AL 35640. 483 pages, hard bound, surname index, 8-1/2 x 11. \$30.00

There must be a special place in Heaven for those dedicated souls who laboriously brave the elements, snakes, and unfriendly landowners to bring you your ancestors' tombstone inscriptions.

Volume I of the Morgan County Cemeteries covered the graveyards east of Interstate 65 [roughly, the east third of the county] and Volume II covers those west of 65. Planned Volume III will include the large cemeteries of Roselawn, Decatur City, and Johnsons Chapel.

In this Volume II there is a wealth of "extras" that make it a valuable research tool over and above the tombstone inscriptions. The dedicated authors have not only included 130 graveyards but have also given you an interesting account of some of their hair-raising experiences; then they share their expertise by devoting three pages to "How to Copy A Cemetery." I urge anyone planning to copy a cemetery to read and digest these three pages. Too, they show you how to interpret what you have just copied - or read.

As in their first volume, the authors have included maps showing the exact location of each cemetery and also give directions on how to get to them. The maps are especially helpful, not only to show one how to get to a graveyard, but one can easily plot their ancestor's land on them. Naturally, people are buried close to where they lived.

Other "extras" include photographs of some of the tombstones of Revolutionary War soldiers buried in Morgan County. In a separate section are lists of the graves of soldiers of the War of 1812, Mexican War, Spanish American War, and Civil War. Also included is information on grave sites in which no tombstone could be found.

The authors diligently watched the obituary columns of the local papers and included a list of burials that took place after the cemeteries were copied so that this volume was current practically to the day it was printed. At the beginning of each cemetery listing is the date that cemetery was copied.

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Morgan County, Ala. Cemeteries, Vol. II (-continued-)

This book is beautifully typed and organized; it reflects the diligence and conscientiousness of the authors in their attempt to produce an accurate and thorough listing of the cemeteries of Morgan County. (Reviewed by Dorothy Scott Johnson)

FRONTIER RESEARCH, a publication of the Frontier Researchers Genealogical Society, P. O. Box 2141, Fort Smith, Arkansas 72902. 200 pages yearly, paper cover, 8-1/2 x 11, full-name index at end of year. Dues \$6.00 yearly. Mimeographed.

The copy sent for review was Volume 3, Issue No. 4, June, 1984. The cover is paper and did not fare well in the mails. I could not find the name of the president of this organization nor the editor of the publication in this book. "Frontier Research" is issued four times yearly with approximately 200 pages total. The review copy contained 145 pages including the index.

Queries are found in three different places throughout the book rather than in a section or chapter by themselves. The introduction, or explanation, to some of the material is found at the end of an article instead of at the beginning which is somewhat frustrating to the reader but at least it is there.

Despite the poor layout and apparent lack of pre-planning, this quarterly contains some excellent genealogical material. For instance, there is a list (by county) of all Arkansas residents in 1883 receiving Government pensions for military service in all wars to date. Not only the pensioner's name is given but also his post office (residence) and his Certificate number which would allow interested persons to order a copy of his file from the National Archives. Personal reminiscences are included which are fascinating. Also included are family information, tombstone inscriptions (selected), family group sheets, ancestor charts, William Montgomery's Guilford County, N.C. Will and the Atkinson family Bible.

Throughout the book are excellent research tips and information helpful to the genealogist. Of particular interest is an article on Arkansas criminal law pertaining to the wanton destruction of family cemeteries. (Reviewed by Dorothy Scott Johnson)

LOST AND FOUND, A Genealogical Query Newsletter. Edited by Glenda Suit, 3060 Blackhills Drive, Boise, Idaho 83709. 8-1/2 x 11, paper cover, \$12.00 yearly.

This is a national query newsletter which prints queries only. Subscribers have unlimited queries through the year for \$12.00. Non-members may place ads limited to 50 words per query for \$1.00 each.

There were 30 pages in the review copy sent us. The type is quite large and easy to read. The organization is new and just gaining speed.

The name and address of the person submitting a query is included enabling one to write directly to that person. (Reviewed by Dorothy Scott Johnson)

You Asked For It....

Each year we try to respond, as space permits, to your requests and questions as stated on your membership-renewal form. We appreciate your comments and suggestions as this helps us decide what to publish in "Valley Leaves." Sometimes what you need simply is not available or has already been published. If it has already been published we try to let you know where you can obtain it. Thanks for your comments.

Request

Would like to see an index of the family files in the Heritage Room of the Huntsville Public Library published in "Valley Leaves."

Am mainly interested in Ala. connections to my Ashby lineage: Ready, Watson, Baites. I must say, I really haven't found anything of real interest to me in your magazine but hope to one of these days so continue to take it.

Would like to see pre-1850 school records.

I think "Valley Leaves" is the greatest!

Would like information on cotton mill workers in Madison County.

Answer

First, let me give some background to those members not familiar with the "Heritage Room." The Heritage and Zeitler Rooms comprise the genealogical and historical sections of the Huntsville Public Library and over the years have become a major research center. In the Heritage Room are five four-drawer legal size file cabinets containing hundreds of family files. Some have only a few scraps of information on a family while others have volumes. All are filed alphabetically by surname and one must remember that there may be information on several unrelated families in one file, all with the same surname.

Annwhite Fuller, supervisor of the Heritage Room, has given us permission to publish a list of the surnames that have files on them in a future issue of "Valley Leaves." We must first find someone who will accept the arduous task of copying these names for us. Too, it must be stressed that the Heritage Room personnel do not have time to search these files and answer the many requests that publishing this list may bring.

We appreciate your candid comments and regret the information has not been helpful to you. In this issue we have run the abstract of Nicholas Reedy/Ready's lengthy estate proceedings in hopes it is the family in which you are interested. Best of luck.

Since there was no state-sponsored public education in Alabama before 1854 there are no public school records before then. Prior to that time all schools were privately organized and run. All private school records were kept by the person or organization sponsoring the school. You might wish to check with the State Archives to see if any of those early records found their way there.

Thanks. I needed that.

Charles Cabiness established a cotton mill in Madison County as early as 1809 but if any of those records still exist I am not aware of it. The next cotton mill was Bell Factory on the Flint River. Some of the timekeeper's ledgers from the 1830's have survived and will be printed in "Valley Leaves" in the near future.

After the Civil War several cotton mills were established in Madison County and continued for many years. In the basement of the Courthouse are original affidavits which were required of parents who allowed their minor children to work in the mills. The parent had to swear that the child wished to work and was not being forced to work; the affidavit also

gives the child's age, date and place of birth, midwife or doctor who delivered the child, and the name of the legal guardian or parent. A great many of these families were from Tennessee. The affidavits date from the 1890's up to about the time of World War I. These have not been published and since we have a policy of using only pre-1900 material I doubt we will use them any time in the near future. The courthouse personnel are not familiar with these documents so it would be best to hire a researcher to check them for you. There are also several old mill records housed in the Zeitler Room that you might want researched.

Would like to have information on Indians of that area.

Indian research is a highly specialized branch of genealogy. Most of the Indians in north Alabama were Cherokee (the Creeks were in south Alabama). The Cherokee records are kept in Tahlequah, Oklahoma and are open only to those with proven Cherokee blood.

In searching for your Cherokee ancestors you may find very helpful a publication called "Cherokee Blood" published by Shirley Hoskins, P. O. Box 2226, Chattanooga, TN 37422. It is Ms. Hoskins' aim to provide a means of communication between, and to provide information to, persons interested in Cherokee Indian genealogy. She also does research for a fee.

What was happening in that area in 1820-30 to attract settlers? Bounty lands? Use of Tenn. River as waterway? Why did folks migrate there?

Your questions can not be answered adequately here so I have asked Elise Hopkins Stephens to write a paper covering the points you mention. Ms. Stephens, a Phi Beta Kappa scholar, is a very busy lady but has consented to do this research for our members. She holds a masters degree from Yale University and has taught history at Tulane University in New Orleans and Texas Southern in Houston. She is currently an Associate Professor of History at Alabama A&M University.

Want to see minutes of old Primitive Baptist Church Meetings of Morgan, Madison, and Limestone Counties.

We try to publish all early church records that come our way but no one has secured any Primitive Baptist records for us. The only central repository I know of where these might be found is at Samford University in Birmingham. They have a large collection of Baptist Church records on microfilm from throughout the state and you may find what you need in their collection.

The State Archives in Montgomery may also have what you are looking for. At the turn of the century Dr. Owens, the original director, wrote to every church in Alabama asking for the history of their church. About half responded, some with sketchy information but others went so far as to send their record books.

Incidentally, for those of you searching for information on Methodist Churches you might find what you are seeking in the Birmingham Southern College Library.

Can we pick up Blount County since we dropped Franklin?

We have not actually dropped Franklin; we are merely ceasing to have Franklin material on a regular basis but if something comes in on that county we certainly will publish it. I wish we could pick up Blount but we cover only counties touched by the Tennessee River. True, Franklin is not touched by the Tennessee but it was until Colbert was carved from it in 1867.

Would like to see the Will of William Smith, 1840 Madison County, former U.S. Senator from S.C. & Ala. State Representative at time of death.

This Last Will & Testament and an abstract of his probate file will be carried in the next issue of "Valley Leaves." According to some local historians, Harriet Beecher Stowe used the basement of his home on Eustis Street as a model for part of her story, "Uncle Tom's Cabin." His home is no longer standing.

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- Want list of original ancestors who settled in counties covered by TVGS; when and where they came from.
- To compile this information would take the lifetimes of several persons and many, many volumes. A good start toward this effort, however, is Margaret Cowart's several volumes of Old Land Records. She has published the tract books of Madison, Morgan, Limestone, and Jackson Counties and is presently working on one for Colbert County. [see the book review of her Limestone County book in the last issue for more information.]
- Would like to see you publish more informative old letters.
- If some of our readers will share their old family letters with us we will be glad to publish them. I, too, love them.
- Want early probate records of Jackson County.
- Beginning in the June issue we will continue to run "Will Book K" and hope to run abstracts of the deeds later on.
- Would like to see more Lawrence County cemeteries and family records.
- How I wish someone would publish the cemeteries of that county but so far I know of no one even considering it. Few Probate Judge's offices are staffed sufficiently to do genealogical research and Lawrence County is no exception. On one of my recent trips there I was told by a clerk in the Probate office that they no longer acknowledged genealogical requests because they did not have time and from watching them work for an afternoon I believe it. In this county you would do well to hire a professional researcher to look for the records you need. I suggest Mr. Jack Cochran, 615 Vance Road, Huntsville, AL 35801. Jack and his wife, Ann (past editor of Valley Leaves), have done considerable research there and make frequent trips to Moulton.
- Want newspaper obits of Madison, Morgan and Limestone Counties.
- The "Death Notices from The Athens Post" we are now publishing should be helpful. In 1981 Southern Historical Press (P.O. Box 738, Easley, S.C. 29640) compiled all of the newspaper abstracts from Pauline Gandrud's many volumes of records and published them, fully indexed, in a single 615 page volume. In it are most North Alabama extant newspapers (except the Moulton Advertiser) plus many of the early papers from other parts of the state and some from Tennessee. We at TVGS could hardly improve on this work and we are also hesitant to print material that has already been published and is still on the market. The big (and only) drawback to the book is the price: \$42.50 which is out of reach of most of us.
- Would like the War of 1812 Pension Records
- Our Society has just furnished the Huntsville Public Library with funds to purchase the War of 1812 Bounty Land Applications, on microfilm, for the entire United States. This microfilm should be available to researchers in the Heritage Room by the first of the year. The Bounty Land applications give a lot of the same information that Pension Applications give.
- The best source of information on military records of individuals is the multiple volume work done by Pauline Gandrud before her death and which is being published by Bobbie Jones McLane, 112 Leach St., Hot Springs, Ark. 71913. These volumes include information on Alabama soldiers in the Revolutionary War, War of 1812, and Indian Wars. Marriages, census, and other genealogical data are correlated with the military information. Mrs. McLane has published volumes through F1 of the alphabet.
- What was a mechanick and a journeyman?
- My Walker's Dictionary of 1827 defines mechanick as one "skilled in mechanicks, mean; servile; of mean occupation; a manufacturer; a low workman." In 1869 Webster defines mechanic as a workman or laborer who practices any mechanic art; one skilled or employed in shaping or uniting materials as wood, metal, etc.
- The 1827 Walker's Dictionary lists journeyman as "A man hired to work by the day; hence, any mechanic who is hired to work for another whether by the month, year, or other term." By 1869 Webster defined it as "A

hired workman, formerly a workman hired by the day; but now it is used of those that covenant to work in their occupations with another by the year." Currently Webster states a journeyman is a "worker who has learned a handicraft or trade; distinguished from apprentice, foreman or master."

Pulaski Navarre was shown buying land in Limestone Co. in 1825 but Bible records say his children born in Giles Co., Tn. starting in 1826. Was there any state line trouble?

No, there was never any boundary dispute between Alabama and Tennessee at least concerning that line between Giles and Limestone Counties. There was a lot of land speculation at that time and he may have purchased the land as such.

Want Limestone and Lauderdale County Probate Court records 1780-1790.

Sorry, those counties were not established until 1818 so no records exist before that time. Madison was the first county to be established in north Alabama and that was in 1809. In 1780-90 this land was controlled exclusively by hostile Indians and attempts by white men to settle were met with physical resistance.

Want Marshall County Mortality Schedules.

We have published these in "Valley Leaves" as follows:
Year 1850 is in Vol. 8, Pages 103-106
Year 1860 is in Vol. 10, Pages 107-109, 118
Year 1870 is in Vol. 16, Page-183

Would like information on river travel and shipping, Florence to New Orleans, 1850-1900.

You might find at least part of what you are seeking in Frank L. Teuton's 72 page history entitled, "Steamboat Days on the Tennessee River" which is a history of the St. Louis & Tenn. River Packet Co. Mr. Teuton (9102 Riverside Drive, Washington, D. C. 20022) has also published:
"Steamboat Days on the Mississippi River" (1967)
"Steamboating on the Upper Tennessee" (1975)
"Log of the Julia Belle Swain" (1976)
You might also be interested in "Directory of Tennessee River Steamboats (1821-1928)" by Bert Neville. It was printed by Coffee Printing Co., Selma, Ala. and consists of 272 pages of photographs with captions, no text.

There is often a fine line between historical research and genealogical research since they are indispensable to one another, however, what you seek is more historical than genealogical and is not something we would normally carry in "Valley Leaves."

I want Lauderdale County marriages 1875-1882.

Robin Crew and Betty Womble compiled the Lauderdale marriage records from 1818-1857 and they were published by the Tennessee Valley Historical Society (P. O. Box 149, Sheffield, AL 35660). We hope to include some marriages in "Valley Leaves" after 1857 in the near future but it will be quite a while until we get to the dates you mention. Have you written to the Probate Judge and asked for copies of the marriages you need? I would try that before hiring a researcher.

Want to see you publish more Bible records.

MANY of you have requested Bible records. PLEASE share yours with us. Send us a Xerox copy of the family information sheets and the page showing when the Bible was published if there is one. It will certainly be appreciated.

Want Marshall Co. death records, cemetery records and marriages 1880-1910.

I will look for the death records on my next trip to Guntersville and if they are available perhaps we can publish them in one of our future issues. Cemetery records were published several years ago but they do not have an index and are incomplete, however, we still hesitate to publish work that has already been published. Since the marriages you want are so late and since we try to publish earlier material it might benefit you to hire a researcher to search them for you since that county is poor to respond to requests even when money is sent.

Happy Hunting!

Introduction to Genealogy

HOW TO USE NAMES

Whether writing for information or adding facts to your Family Group Sheet or Pedigree Chart, you need to keep certain rules in mind. Some rules are flexible but others are not and you must recognize the difference. All "rules" in genealogy are established by persons who have, through years of experience, learned the best way to do things and now pass that knowledge on to you.

Letter Writing

How many times have you received a letter regarding a specific individual only to be thoroughly confused when the writer referred to that individual by various names? Let us assume you have received a letter giving you information on your family. In this letter, your correspondent refers to Charles Edward, Uncle Ed, C.E., Major Smith, and Pat. After reading the letter fourteen times it dawns on you that all these people are one person, Major Charles Edward Smith whose nickname is Pat and who happens to be your correspondent's uncle. How much simpler it would have been for you had your correspondent, at the beginning of the letter, made the following statement: "He was my uncle, Major Charles Edward "Pat" Smith, but hereafter I shall refer to him only as Ed."

In writing letters you have much flexibility in what you call a person, but even then you should use the person's legal name at least once as demonstrated above. In other cases you do not have this much flexibility.

Legal Names

In writing a family genealogy, family group sheets, and pedigree sheets always use the full legal name and add the nickname in quotation marks after the given name and before the surname. Example:

Charles Edward "Pat" Smith

Keep in mind that the genealogies you are compiling now will be on earth for all time and unless you consistently use full, legal names as shown above, your great-great-great-grandchildren may not readily grasp who you are talking about and lose a lot of the impact and flavor of your knowledge. Many names or numbers thrown rapidly at a person usually result in a jumble of confusion in his or her mind.

Nicknames

Nicknames **MUST** be used with the legal name for the reason that many people go through life known only by their nickname and it will even be found on legal documents. One of Madison County, Alabama's oldest and most prominent settlers was Bartholomew "Batt" Jordan. Almost all legal records on this man refer to him as "Batt" and I was surprised when I finally discovered one Bartholomew Jordan selling the identical land that one Batt Jordan had purchased a few years before.

Often a person is known by a nickname within the family or within a small community and that name may never appear on a legal document. All my life I had heard of "Uncle Bazz Scott" who married Alta McVay in Putnam County, Missouri. I could not find him in any legal records and was beginning to think he was a figment of my imagination. In checking the marriage records I discovered that Alta McVay had married Elbridge Baswell Scott and the mystery was solved: "Bazz" was Elbridge Baswell's nickname. From that time on I had no problem locating him on other records. On genealogical records his name should be recorded as Elbridge Baswell "Bazz" Scott.

Recently I became involved in helping some of the descendants of Benjamin Ellis trace their

Nicknames (-continued-)

genealogy down to the present generation. Elderly family members clearly remembered a man they all called "Cousin Mogg." They remembered his kind ways and that he lived in Jackson County but they had no idea how he fit into the family group. After a great deal of research we discovered that "Cousin Mogg" was actually John Morgan Ellis who got his nickname from the youngest family members being unable to say "Morgan."

In another family there was an uncle who assigned his own special nickname to each of his nieces and nephews. One nickname was "Sorrol Top" (his red-headed niece), one was "Mug" (she was the homely one in the family), and so on. The appropriate Family Group Sheet should reflect those names as I am certain family correspondence in which those nicknames will appear will surface in years to come. No one dared use those hideous names except the uncle and probably only the immediate family knew them. By putting the nicknames on the Family Group Sheet under "Facts of Interest" we not only clarify who the people really were for future generations but give insight into the personality of this warm and adoring uncle. Since these particular nicknames were only used by one person, and were NOT commonly used nicknames, they should not be used in quotation marks after the given name. Only commonly used nicknames should be shown in quotation marks after the given name.

Nicknames are the cause of a great deal of confusion, missed clues, and wrong tracks in genealogy and can not be ignored or treated lightly. They can also add a lot of color to your family genealogy especially if you know how the nickname came into being.

Confirmation Names (Catholic Church)

A child baptised in the Catholic Church is usually given the name of at least one saint. The baptismal name is the same as the legal name given at birth and found on the birth certificate. In addition to the legal, or baptismal name, at the confirmation of a child that child is given another name which is called his confirmation name but it should not be used for genealogical purposes. I have only known one person who used his confirmation name in addition to his legal name. Example:

Charles Edward is Mr. Smith's legal given name and when he was confirmed in the Church he was also given the names Patrick and Anthony. His full name then became Charles Edward Patrick Anthony "Pat" Smith. This name is too cumbersome to deal with in the limited space provided in genealogical forms. Too, the confirmation name will be found only in the Church's confirmation records and maybe the family Bible whereas the legal name may be found in countless public records.

If the confirmation name is known it should be given in the "Facts of Interest" space on your Family Group Sheet in the space provided for "Religion."



Correction\$

It happened again! That terrible, no 'count gremlin perched on your editor's shoulder and made her punch the wrong typewriter keys! Please make the following corrections in Vol. 19, Issue No. 1:

Editor's Leaf: Should read "Welcome to the new 1984-1985 ..." not "1984-185"

Page 1 - Should be Part XIII not Part XII

Page 7, Line 11 - Should be William Desprez not Deoprey; this name was actually written Desprey in the original record.

Page 8, Line 1 - Should be John Galbreth not Gulbreath; Line 8 should be G. E. Kumpe, not Kumpie.

Page 12, Item 5 - Should be "He has never shot ..." not "short."

Page 23, Line 16 should be "Lawrence County, Alabama" not Tennessee.

Page 45, the heading should be 1840 - 1841 not 1840 - 1842.



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 XIV

Township 7, Range 3 East (continued)

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| Section 6 $N\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ | E of Cherokee Bdry Peeve Duncan Rand? W of Cherokee Bdry J. Martin | $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ | J? Lafallett F. Burket H. Parritt R. Fearn |
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| $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ | sm pt E of Cherokee Bdry A. Morrow W of Cherokee Bdry J. Martin | $E\frac{1}{2}$ pf $SE\frac{1}{4}$ | T. Cargyle except pt formerly in John Thompson's Reservation to J. H. Kirk (or Kile?) J. H. Kirk (or Kile?) C. Rorget? J. Patterson |
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| Section 7 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ | W. P. Bridges J. P. Foster Exclusive of John Thompson's Reservation to L. Allison. Remaining pt formerly John Thompson's Reservation to H. R. Beaver | Section 10 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ $N\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ | S. Prentiss T. Manning McDonald & Linskey T. Manning J. Burgess J. Martin McDonald (Marked out) L. Lewis W. Lewis L. Lewis (-continued) |
| $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ | A. Lafalett H. Furguson J. Ricketts except sm pt W of Cherokee Bdry to H. Furguson | | |
| $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ | formerly John Thompson's Reservation to H. R. Beaver plus sm pt of $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ | | |
| $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ | R. Ivey (See above) J. Barclay (See above) | | |

Decatur County (continued)

Township 7, Range 3 East (continued)

Section 11

$E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ J. McDonald
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ W. C. Troup
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ T. Manning
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ J. Kirkland
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ R. Robinson
Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ Wm. Linskey
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ W. C. Troup
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ C. McDonald
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ C. McDonald

Section 12

$NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ H. Henry
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ J. McDonald
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ R. Chandler
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ J. McDonald
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ J. McDonald
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ J. C. McCorkle
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ H. J. Chandler
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ D. Boshart
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ Jas. McDonald
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ Jas. McDonald
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ H. Henry

Section 13

Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Boggess
Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ M. J. Tidwell
Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Tidwell
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ G. M. Embry
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ Jno. Ray (or Roy?)

Section 14

Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ B. Jaco
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ S. C. Price
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ J. Ray (or Roy?)
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ B. Jaco
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ B. Roden
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ J. Price
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ J. Martin
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ R. (marked over with D.)
Ricketts

Section 15

$N\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ John Jimmerson
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ John Jimmerson
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ W. Lewis
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ John Jimmerson
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ L. Lewis
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ S. Cruse
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $N\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ H. Lewis
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ C. McDonald & Linskey
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ B. C. Johnson

Section 16 (School)Section 17

Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ That pt not in John Thompson's Reservation to J. Johnson. Part formerly in John Thompson's Reservation to A. Moore
Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ pt formerly in John Thompson's Reservation to J. B. Manley
Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ to Tenn River, pt not in John Thompson's Reservation to J. Johnson, pt formerly in Reservation to A. Moore
Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ to Tenn River, pt formerly in Reservation to J. B. Manley. (Site of Thompson's Ferry)

Section 18

Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ That pt formerly in John Thompson's Reservation to J. Moore, pt of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ to H. R. Beaver, pt of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ to K. Rogers
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ K. Rogers
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ H. Furguson
Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ to Tenn River, that pt formerly in John Thompson's Reservation to J. Moore, pt of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ to K. Rogers
Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ to Tenn River K. Rogers

Section 21

$E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Jno? Dotson
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ E. Thompson
Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ to Tenn River J. W. Brown
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ R. H. Anderson
Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ to Tenn River E. Thompson

Section 22

Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ Jos. (or Jas?) Johnson
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ B. C? Johnson
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ J. Johnson
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ Jno? Dotson
Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Martin
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ J. Johnson
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ J. Reed

Section 23

$E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ B. Roden
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ H. Henry
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ J. Martin
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ S. Cruse

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Decatur County (continued)

Township 7, Range 3 East (continued)

Section 23 (continued)

Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ B. Roden
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ G. Black
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ L. T. Black

Section 24

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Martin
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ H. Henry
 Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Roden
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ I. Smith
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ E. Peters
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ E. Peters
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Roden

Section 25

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Wilborn
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Martin
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ G. Taylor
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ A. R. Barclay
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ A. Moore
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ G. Taylor
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ B. Patterson
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Martin &
 A. R. Barclay

Section 26

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ T. Parker
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ D. Bashart
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ L. T. Black
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ E. Henson
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ A. R. Barclay
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ S. Nichols
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ S. Nichols
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ E. Clampet

Section 27

N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ D. Ricketts
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ T. Ricketts
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Hardey
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ E. Parker
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ T. Ricketts
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ E. Clampet
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Baker
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ E. C? Beard

Section 28

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. H. Wyatt
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ L. Manning
 Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ to Tenn River L. Manning
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Martin
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ A. G. Holt
 Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ to Tenn River A. G. Holt

Section 33

formerly Catherine Cheek's
 Reservation
 Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ A. Finley
 Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ to Tenn River S? W? Finley
 Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ to Tenn River W. Baker
 Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ to Tenn River W. Baker

Section 34

Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ That pt not in Edward Gun-
 ter's Reservation to Jno.
 Baker
 Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ That pt that was formerly
 Catherine Cheek's Reserva-
 tion to R. Green, rest blank
 Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ Edward Gunter's Reserva-
 tion
 (Site of Gunter's Ferry)
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ pt to B. Green?, rest blank
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ (formerly Catherine Cheek's
 Reservation) to J. Baker

Section 35

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Martin
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ S. Chilk? (Cheek?)
 pt of Gunters's Reservation
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ S. Chilk? (Cheek?)
 pt of Gunter's Reservation
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Edward Gunter's Reserva-
 tion
 Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ pt of Gunter's Reserva-
 tion
 pt to H. Henry
 Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ Edward Gunter's Reserva-
 tion

Section 36

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. J. Pleasants
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Jno. Martin
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Jno. Martin
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. W. Connelly
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ E. Wilson
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Baker
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ W. McKee
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ H. Henry

Township 8, Range 3 East (Same informa-
 tion and Surveyors as for Township 7)

Section 1

Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ to Tenn River John Whitloe?
 Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ to Tenn River John Whitloe?

Section 2

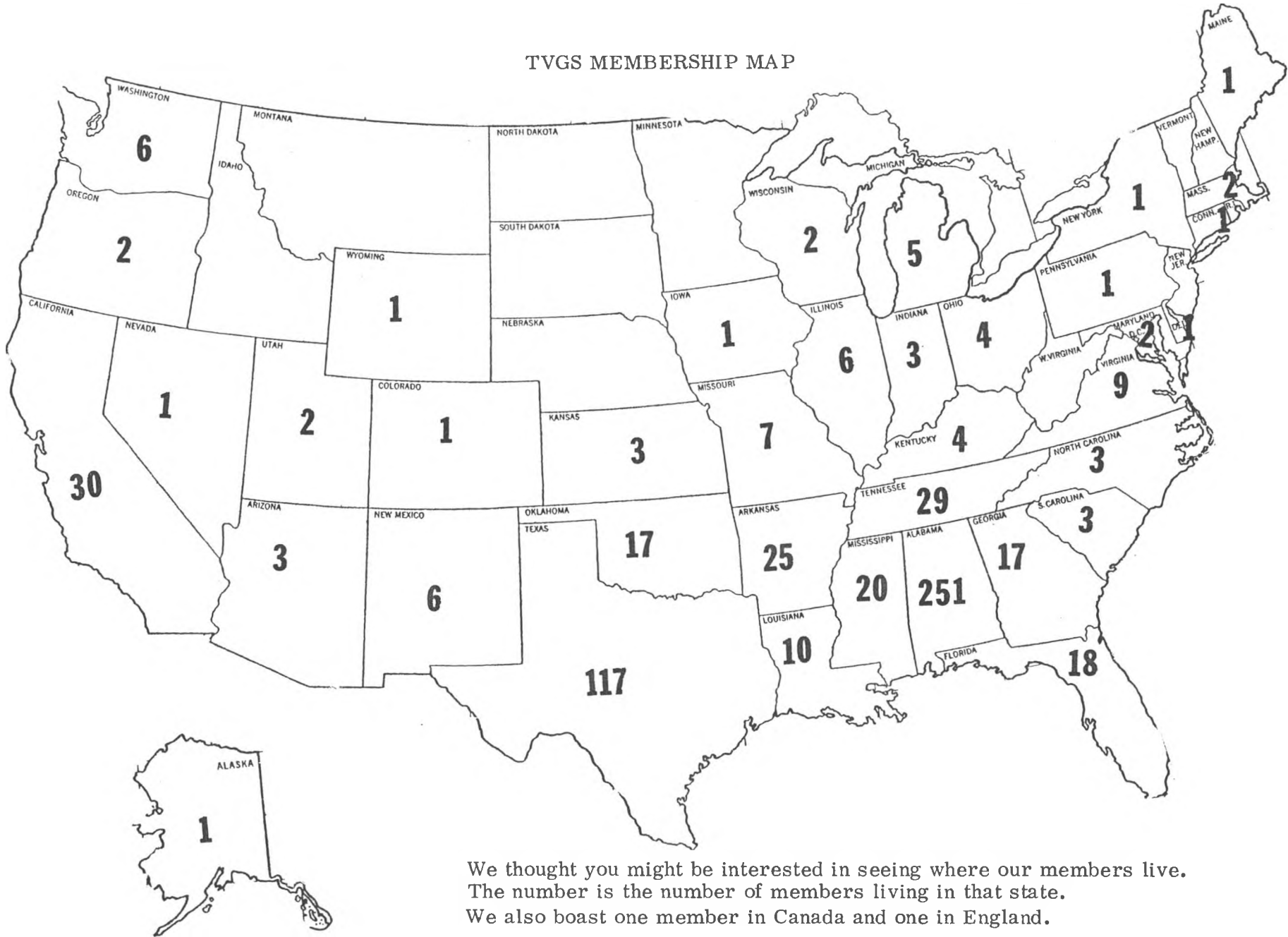
Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ to Tenn River John Whitloe?
 Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ to Tenn River Edward Gun-
 ter's Reservation

Section 3

Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ to Tenn River Edward Gun-
 ter's Reservation
 Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ to Tenn River W. H. E.
 Wheeler

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TVGS MEMBERSHIP MAP



We thought you might be interested in seeing where our members live. The number is the number of members living in that state. We also boast one member in Canada and one in England.



Colbert



COLBERT COUNTY WILL BOOK "A" - 1869 - 1903 2nd Installment

The earliest Will Book in Colbert County is Book "A" which is from July 22, 1867 to May 11, 1903. 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 24-25

SUSAN HART

Dated 1 Nov. 1869 Franklin Co., Ala.
Probated 11 Jan. 1870 Colbert Co., Ala.
Recorded 30 May 1871

Witness: A. H. Keller
M. R. Williams

I, Susan Hart of Franklin Co., Ala., being in full possession of all my mental faculties and considering the uncertainty of human life ... pay just debts ...

To my four grandchildren, the children of my son William L. Hart, decd., towit: Indiana L[S ?] Hart, Thomas Hart, Robert Hart, and Adah Hart, one-half of my estate both real and personal when sold.

To my son Thomas J. Hart the remaining half of my estate when sold.

My executor to sell, within five years of my decease, all my estate both real and personal.

I appoint my son Thomas J. Hart executor.

her
Susan X Hart
mark

Pages 25-32

ISAAC LANE

Dated September 1858 [no day given],
Franklin Co., Ala.
Probated 1 March 1862
Recorded 13 Sept. 1871

Witness: W. J. Pride
Isaac L. Pride
Goodloe Pride

I, Isaac Lane of Franklin Co., Ala. ... being in perfect health and of sound mind ...

To my wife, Polly Lane, 22 slaves (named), my carriage and carriage horses, gold watch, and all perishables on my plantation in Franklin Co. consisting of household and kitchen furniture, provisions, plantation tools, utensils, wagons, machines and tools, all in fee simple.

To my wife during her natural life or widowhood "all of half Section two [Sec. 2-3-14W] which lies South of Colbert Creek except a small tract hereinafter described in the bequest to my daughter Mary Goodloe. All of Section three [Sec. 3-3-14W]; That part of Section two [Sec. 2-3-14W] lying north of Colberts Creek and west of land given to my daughter Mary Goodloe." All of Section 5[-3-14W]. The N/2 SE/4 Sec. 10-3-14W and all of Sec. 11-3-14W. Eighteen acres off the south part of SE/4 Sec. 32-3-14W; all of Sec. 33-3-14W except 40 ac. off south part of SE/4; all of Sec. 34-3-14W and the W/2 of SW/4 of Sec. 35-2-14W and 72 slaves (named). After death or marriage of my wife the property loaned to her is to be equally divided between the children of my daughter, Mary Goodloe, with Mary to have possession of same during her natural life.

To my daughter, Mary Goodloe, wife of Robert A. Goodloe, 16 slaves (named) and the following lands in Franklin County, Alabama: E/2 Sec. 2-3-14W and a fraction off E/2 NW/4 Sec. 2-3-14W; the NE/4 Sec. 1-3-14W; SE/4 Sec. 35-2-14W. All to be distinct and free from right, title or interest of any husband - for her benefit only. Upon her

Will of Isaac Lane (-continued-)

death the property is to go to her children living at the time of her death and decendants of any of her deceased children if there be any.

To Robert A. Goodloe, in trust, for use and benefit of my daughter Mary Goodloe and her children, the real estate I lately purchased from the surviving executor of Henry Smith, decd., known as the Chickasaw tract, it being fractional Sec. 14-2-15W and the SE/4 Sec. 23-2-15W deeded to me by J. C. Goodloe as trustee of the Chickasaw Land Co. Also fractional Sec. 12-2-15W and the N/2 Sec. 13-2-15W which was lately deeded by Henry D. Smith to J. C. Goodloe as trustee of the Chickasaw Land Co., my interest being 1/4 of the whole.

To my dau., Mary Goodloe, during her lifetime, the following lands: E/2 Sec. 36-2-14W except 74 acres sold to James T. Mhoon; south part of fractional Sec. 25-2-14W; frac. Sec. 31-2-14W and NW/4 fractional Sec. 6-3-13W and five slaves (named). After Mary's death this property to go to my grandson, Isaac Goodloe.

To my granddaughter, Sallie Louise Goodloe, a note by Robt. A. Goodloe to me for \$2500. due January, 1863.

To my granddaughter, Mary Goodloe, a note by Robert A. Goodloe to me for \$2500 due January 1, 1865.

To my grandson, Robert A. Goodloe, son of Robert A. Goodloe, a note by Robert A. Goodloe to me for \$2500 due Jan. 1, 1868.

To my grandson, James M. Goodloe, a note by Robert A. Goodloe to me for \$2500 due Jan. 1, 1870.

To my granddaughter, Susan Turner Goodloe, a note by Robert A. Goodloe to me for \$2500 due Jan. 1, 1873.

I loan to my daughter-in-law, Mary Agnes Lane, widow of my deceased son, Edward Lane, during her natural life, the following: all of Sec. 4-3-14W; NE/4 Sec. 9-3-14W; SW/4 Sec. 33-2-14W; and 40 acres off S/2 SE/4 Sec. 33-2-14W. At her death, this land is to be divided equally between the children of my dau., Mary Goodloe. Also to Mary Agnes Lane 24 slaves (named), all the stock of hogs (not pork hogs) and cattle on the plantation I purchased of Frederick A. Combs; also five work horses of average value; all the furniture in the house now occupied by Mary Agnes except the carpets on the floors; also sufficient corn, fodder and pork for herself and negroes for one year.

To my grandson, Isaac L. Goodloe, 320 acres of land in Bexar Co., Texas on east bank of Neuces River about 90 miles west of the city of Sanantonia granted to R. A. Gillespie, assignee of Samuel P. Middleton by patent #203; also 15 slaves (named).

All my property not bequeathed by this will is to go to my wife, Polly Lane. Pay my just debts out of my cash on hand.

I appoint John F. Pride, H. J. Pride, and Dr. Wm. Cleroso[?], executors without security.

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JOHN DAVID GAISSER
Dated 25 Sept. 1871
Probated 14 Aug. 1871
Recorded 13 Sept. 1871

Witness: Frank Wallace
Robert Guthrie
Thomas S. Grisham

... of sound mind and memory ...

To my beloved daughter-in-law, Mary A. Gaisser and her children, the heirs of my son, George F. Gaisser, decd., the N/2 Sec. 30-3-14W in Colbert Co., Ala.

Will of John David Gaisser (-continued-)

To my son John Henry Gaisser the S/2 Sec. 19-3-14W in Colbert Co., Ala.

To my son, William Carroll Gaisser, the S/2 Sec. 30-3-14W in Colbert Co., Ala.

To my grandson, George F. Gaisser, the NE/4 Sec. 25-3-15W in Colbert Co., Ala.

My homestead, the S/2 Sec. 30-3-14W, which I have given to my son William Carroll Gaisser, is to be a home and support for my wife [not named] during her natural life.

I appoint Barton Dickson executor.

his
John David X Gaisser
mark

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BENJAMIN WILSON JR.

Dated November, 1871
Codicil dated November, 1871
Probated 23 December 1871

Witness: James O. Murphy
Samuel Hugley

To Stephen Wilson (age 20), Tiller[Teller?] Wilson (a girl aged 15), Mat Wilson (a girl aged 7), Lizy Wilson (a girl aged 5), Susan Wilson (a girl in her 3rd year of age), and Anna Wilson (about 9 months old), all my property, both real and personal, located in Colbert County, Alabama. They are not to sell any portion of said property. "All of the above named legatees are mulattoes and are hereby constituted my legal heirs. I direct that all of the above named legatees (children) be Sent to School till they learn to read and write."

To Rose Wilson (a black woman I raised and who was formerly my slave) for her natural life, to have one share of stock and its profits in the factory at Corinth, Mississippi. At her death it is to go to Stephen Wilson and Susan Wilson, two of the above named legatees.

I appoint Samuel J. Harrington executor without bond. He is to take charge of my property and manage it in accordance with the provisions of this will. If he can not serve I direct that he appoint an executor.

When each child marries, or Stephen comes of legal age, that child to receive his or her share of the estate. If any legatee is incompetent to manage their share then someone is to be appointed to manage it for them.

To my six sisters [not named] living in Tennessee, all the lands I own in that state.

To my brother, M. Wilson, the sum of \$5.00.

CODICIL:

If another child is born after my death that child to receive an equal share of my estate.

CODICIL:

"I do not wish under any circumstances Felix G. Norman, Burres Moon, or Nathan Pearsall to have any thing whatever to do with my estate."

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WILLIAM R. ALEXANDER SR.

Dated 30 Aug. 1871
Probated 23 Sept. 1871

Witness: William A. Tankersley
Benj. F. Lawson

I appoint William R. Alexander Jr. and Edgar H. Alsobrook executors without bond. They are to defend the suit against me instituted by heirs of J. R. Johnston "now pending in F.C. at H." [Federal Court at Huntsville] in which Mr. Cooper of Tusculumbia and Messrs Walker and Brickel of Huntsville are my attornies. Executors to also attend to final

Will of William R. Alexander Sr. (-continued-)

settlement of my administration of the J. B. Johnson estate "to come off next Monday" in Frankfort, Franklin County, Ala.

To J. J. Alexander, my son, my watch and horse named Bill.

My Administrators "to take special care of and to provide for my dear, beloved and faithful companion for over forty years, E. G. Alexander, my wife, and my unfortunate daughter, Margaret E. Alexander, during their natural lives."

To H. E. Alexander, my little shot gun.

To my son, William R. Alexander, my large shot gun.

To William R. Alexander Jr. my silver headed cane.

To my son, James H. Alexander, a lever silver watch with a chain and my initials engraved on it to be purchased new [Note: He is listed as James N. in codicil and in Probate Minutes.]

To my daughter, Teresa T. Alexander, the Piano Forte.

To Frank Graham (Colored) \$100 per year for as long as he performs his duties because of his faithful performance of his duties for many years. He is to be allowed to rent and cultivate land as he has done during my life.

To my eldest son, R. J. Alexander, all notes and accounts I hold against him and \$100 per year if he will sign and faithfully observe a pledge to abstain from all spirits.

To my daughter, Sallie J. Harris, \$100 to be used to purchase silver plate with my initials engraved thereon.

To my daughter, Mattie F. Mabry, \$100 to be used to purchase silver plate with my initials engraved thereon.

To my daughter, M. A. McFarland, \$100 to be used to purchase silver plate with my initials engraved thereon.

My administrators to be guardian of my daughter, Eliza M. Alexander, during my wife's lifetime.

The remainder of my estate to be divided among my other living children [not named].

CODICIL

My \$10,000 life insurance not to be distributed until my estate is finally settled. The policy is in the South Carolina Insurance Co. of Memphis, Tenn. After settlement it is to be divided among my living children.

CODICIL

My son, James N. Alexander, to have a bridle and saddle when he reaches age 21. I also wish him to be executor if he will accept it.

Note: Will proved by Dr. Ben. F. Lawson who states the other witness is a resident of the state of Mississippi.

-This series to be continued-

ATKISSON CEMETERY

Location: Not given

Source: WPA records. See previous issue, Page 10, for Introduction.

William Sterdy

son of

R. M. & H. C. Garner

March 29, 1873

May 27, 1900

Caroline H.,

dau. of

H. & S. W. B. Atkisson

Born in Lynchburg, Va.

November 25, 1823

Died March 14, 1900

Mrs. Joel A. P. Donley

Oct. 20, 1825

Oct. 28, 1881

Mrs. Hester M. Donley

Aug. 4, 1839

May 30, 1862

Martha J. M.

wife of J. E. Donley

Feb. 18, 1834

Oct. 30, 1861

John E.

son of

J. E. & M. J. M. Donley

Dec. 28, 1860

May 11, 1861

Sallie E. M.

dau. of

J. E. & M. J. M. Donley

Feb. 28, 1859

Nov. 14, 1861

Robert P. Moore

Born in Merringo Co., Ala.

May 20, 1843

Died in Colbert Co., Ala.

Jan. 30, 1902

Viola

Dau. of O. J. & Mary Rikard

April 4, 1902

Sept. 9, 1917

Mary M.

wife of Tilmon A. Whitley

May 6, 1835

Nov. 8, 1900

Tilmon A. Whitley

Died Dec. 27, 1857

Aged 29 years, 11 mo's., 5 days

Sallie W. B.

Dau. of Hecton & Sallie W. B. Atkisson

Nov. 17, 1828

Nov. 17, 1908

Sallie W.,

wife of H. Atkisson

Died Sept. 25, 1859

Aged 54 yrs., 4 mo's., 3 days

Hecton Atkisson

Mar. 7, 1798

Oct. 11, 1871

Note: In the Last Will & Testament of A. L. Garner this name was carried as Hector Atkisson.

Robert M. Garner

Dec. 30, 1832

March 15, 1916

Hectoria C. Garner

June 20, 1843

Nov. 20, 1875

Robert Hectoria Garner

son of R. M. & H.C. Garner

Nov. 12, 1875

Jan. 15, 1875

Robert C.

son of R. M. & H. C. Garner

Dec. 17, 1870

Sept. 19, 1874

Arggie H.

son of R. M. & Hectoria Garner

April 1, 1867

Dec. 15, 1910

Note: About 50 or 60 graves in this cemetery - many were unmarked.

Willie Tucker

Sept. 25, 1865

Aug. 2, 1870

Mary E.

wife of Jas. H. Stickle

Feb. 10, 1844

Annie Norman

dau. of

Jas. H. & Mary E. Stickle

Nov. 11, 1870

June 21, 1886

Jas. H. Stickle

Apr. 18, 1827

Apr. 19, 1883

BETHEL CEMETERY

This cemetery was copied by WPA employees in the 1930's. They gave the location as being "In Wheeler Precinct." It may be one of the Bethel cemeteries located in the southeast corner of the county near the Lawrence and Franklin County lines. There were 258 graves in this cemetery without markers.

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| Gordan C. Johnson Sept. 24, 1863 May 14, 1908 A loving husband A father dear, A faithful friend Lies buried here. | Lona Mitchell Wife of W. C. Mitchell Oct. 30, 1852 June 4, 1930 | Reuben Hooper April 10, 1811 July 13, 1903 |
| One grave marked: Kapp 1921 | William C. Mitchell Oct. 24, 1849 March 6, 1916 | Lou Ella Hooper Dau. of R. & M. S. Hooper Sept. 1, 1865 June 26, 1888 Farewell Father, Farewell Mother, I'm with angels, Do not weep; Farewell brothers, Farewell sisters, For in Heaven We will meet. |
| One grave marked Kapp [No other information] | Mary E. Simpson Wife of H. B. Simpson June, 1847 [No day given] Jan. 31, 1928 | Mary S. Hooper Wife of Reuben Hooper Dec. 6, 1820 March 17, 1896 |
| Susen M. Rogers Nov. 15, 1830 Sept. 22, 1908 Heaven now returns' and treasure each the lonely casket keeps, and the sunbeams love to linger were our Sainted Mother sleeps. | Martha L. Mitchell Nov. 13, 1827 May 2, 1866 | Conley. Infant son of Mr. & Mrs. D. L. Conley Died April 11, 1928 God sent his Angel for him. |
| Ramon E. Johnson Sept. 18, 1910 Nov. 4, 1910 | W. J. Duncan May 9, 1879 Age 22 years | |
| Luther G. Johnson son of J. A. & L. M. Johnson Nov. 5, 1913 April 11, 1914 Gone to be an angel | J. E., son of Joe & C. P. Rutland Oct. 25, 1911 Nov. 25, 1911 Gone to be an angel | |
| Cyntha O. Grissom Nov. 19, 1901 April 3, 1907 | Dewey Rutland Son of Joe & C. P. Rutland Jan. 20, 1917 Aug. 23, 1924 God sent his angels for him. | |
| Janie Maude Grissom June 22, 1895 Sept. 27, 1899 | Sarah E. Maddox Dau. of J. R. & A. M. Maddox Aug. 2, 1889 Aug. 13, 1890 A bud on earth transplanted to the paradise of God. | |
| J. W. Autry May 26, 1852 June 20, 1908 | Lillie E. Thompkins Aug. 22, 1888 Aug. 1, 1890 | |
| Elizabeth M. Lindsey Feb. 18, 1877 Oct. 28, 1918 | Lizie Myrtle Reid Dau. of Theo. & N. F. Reid Feb. 19, 1894 Oct. 8, 1900 | |



Jackson



SOUTHERNERS WHO SERVED IN THE UNION ARMY

A little known fact, one that is most difficult for some Southerners to accept, is that throughout northern Alabama there was a great sentiment for maintaining the Union. In some communities the desire to maintain the Union was so great that entire companies were recruited for service in the Union Army.

One such Company was Company "A" recruited from Jackson County. This Company, under the direction of Ephraim Latham, Captain, left Stevenson, Alabama, on the 21st day of September 1863 and arrived at Hunts Mill, Alabama, a distance of twenty three miles, on September 24th. On September 26th they were attacked by the 560th Cavalry which resulted in the capture of eighteen men in the company. On the 20th of October, 1863, they were ordered to Bridgeport, Alabama, and thence to Lookout Mountain near Chattanooga as an escort to Generals Hooker and Howard. From Lookout Mountain they returned to Stevenson, Alabama arriving there October 31st. In November and December, 1863 they were at Mud Creek, Alabama and in January through April, 1864 they were at Larkinsville, Jackson County, Alabama. They were mustered out in June, 1864.

The above information and a roster of Company "A" has been meticulously compiled by TVGS member, Eva Burger, and contributed to "Valley Leaves." The information was taken from National Archives microfilm Rolls No. 10, 11, and 12 of Micro Copy Number 393.

The Compiled Service Records of Volunteers Union Soldiers who Served in the First Independent Vidette Cavalry Company "A"

Latham, Ephraim (Captain)

Mustered into service as First Lieutenant on 28th August 1863 with 72 men at Larkinsville, Alabama. (Official records state 72 men were initially enrolled but an actual count of the rolls comes to 75 men.)

Ardis, Andrew Jackson

Age 18, enrolled 3 November 1863; born Madison County, Alabama

Ardis, Joseph

Age 23, enrolled 28 August 1863. (Buried in Old Tanyard Cemetery at Hollytree, Ala.)

Berry, James M.

Private/Sergeant. Age 22, enrolled 28 August 1863 at Larkinsville. Captured by the enemy 26 September 1863 at Hunts Mill. Died at Andersonville Prison in Georgia on 17 June 1864 while a prisoner of war.

Berry, Josiah

Private, age 27, enrolled 28 August 1863. Born in Tennessee.

Berry, William

Private, age 39, enrolled 28 August 1863. Born Jackson County, Alabama. (Buried at Kirkpatrick Cemetery across Guess's Creek.)

Bowman, Isaac V.

Private, age 18, enrolled 28 August 1863.

Bowman, Lorenzo D.

Private, age 45, enrolled 28 August 1863.

Brandon, Elisha B.

Private, enrolled 1 January 1864, age 36. Born Jackson County, Alabama.

Southerners in Union Army (-continued-)

Browning, Isaac O.

Private, age 23, enrolled 28 August 1863. Born in South Carolina.

Bynam, Thomas W.

Private, age 18, enrolled 28 August 1863. Born in Jackson County, Alabama. Captured by the enemy 26 September 1863 at Hunts Mill, Alabama. Died on 16 January 1864 at Danville, Virginia, of pneumonia, while a prisoner of war.

Calahan, Griffin

Private, age 28, enrolled 10 September 1863. Born Gwinnett County, Georgia.

Cardin, James S.

Private, age 33, enrolled 28 August 1863. Born Jackson County, Alabama. (Buried in Latham Cemetery, Jackson County, Ala.)

Cardin, John L.

Private, age 18, enrolled 28 August 1863. Born Jackson County, Alabama. (Buried in Latham Cemetery, Jackson County, Ala.)

Cardin, Leonard

Private/Corporal, age 20, enrolled 28 August 1863. Born Jackson County, Ala. (Buried Latham Cemetery, Jackson Co., Ala.)

Click, Bibb

Private, age 18, enrolled 18 November 1863 at Larkinsville. Born in Jackson County, Alabama.

Coffee, Andrew Jackson

Private, age 22, enrolled 3 November 1863 at Stevenson, Jackson Co., Ala. Born in Jackson County, Alabama.

Davis, Jackson

Private, age 18, enrolled 28 August 1863. Born in Jackson County, Alabama.

Denton, William

Private, age 23, enrolled 28 August 1863. Born in Jackson County, Alabama.

Duncan, William R.

Private, Corporal, age 31, enrolled 28 August 1863. Born Jackson County, Alabama.

Evans, David H.

Private, age 23, enrolled 15 January 1864 at Larkinsville. Born Lumpkin County, Georgia.

Flanagan, William A.

Private/Sergeant, age 42, enrolled 29 August 1863 at Larkinsville. Born Madison County, Alabama.

Flippo, Andrew J.

Private, age 18, enrolled 28 August 1863. Born Jackson County, Alabama.



Southerners in Union Army (-continued-)

- Fowler, James M.
Private/Sergeant, age 35, enrolled 28 August 1863. Born Jackson County, Alabama.
- Fowler, John W.
Private/Corporal, age 23, enrolled 28 August 1863. Born Jackson County, Alabama.
Captured 26 September 1863 at Hunts Mill. Died 4 March 1864 at Military Prisoner Hospital in Richmond, Virginia, while a prisoner of war.
- Frazier, John
Private, age 23, enrolled 28 August 1863. Born Jackson County, Alabama. Captured 26 September 1863 at Hunts Mill. Admitted to United States Hospital at Annapolis on 2 May 1864. Died 20 May 1864. Buried 21 May 1864 at Ash Grove United States Cemetery at Annapolis, Maryland.
- Frazier, Jonathan
Private, age 35, enrolled 28 August 1863. Born in Jackson County, Alabama.
- Frazier, Thomas
Private/Farrier, age 28, enrolled 28 August 1863. Born in Jackson County, Alabama.
[Note: A farrier is one who shoes horses.]
- Hall, Jonathan B.
Private, age 20, enrolled 28 August 1863. Born Jackson County, Alabama. (Buried in the Blue Springs Cemetery.)
- Hall, Thomas
Private, age 27, enrolled 28 August 1863. (Buried Latham Cemetery)
- Harper, Andrew J.
Private, age 18, enrolled 27 November 1863. Born in Jackson County, Alabama.
- Harper, Robert
Private, age 19, enrolled 1 November 1863. Born Jackson County, Alabama.
- Hill, Gilbert
Private, age 23, enrolled 28 August 1863. Born Jackson County, Alabama.
- Hutchenson, James D.
Private, age 18, enrolled 28 August 1863.
- Hutchenson, John C.
Blacksmith. Age 35, enrolled 28 August 1863. Born in Blount County, Alabama.
- Hutchenson, Joseph
Private/Blacksmith, age 23, enrolled 28 August 1863. Born Jackson County, Alabama.
Captured at Hunts Mill on 26 September 1863. Paroled at City Point, Virginia on 20 April 1864 and admitted to Hospital, Division Number 2, at Annapolis, Maryland on 2 May 1864.
- Hutchenson, William H.
Private, age 20, enrolled 28 August 1863. Born in Jackson County, Alabama.
- Isbell, Jesse W.
Private, age 33, enrolled 28 August 1863. Born Jackson County, Alabama.
- Isbell, John
Private, age 18, enrolled 28 August 1863. Born Jackson County, Alabama.
- Isbell, William
Private, age 29, enrolled 28 August 1863. Born in Jackson County, Alabama.

Southerners in Union Army (-continued-)

Isbell, Zachariah

Private/Corporal, age 28, enrolled 28 August 1863. Captured at Hunts Mill, Alabama, on 26 September 1863 and admitted to Hospital 21 at Richmond, Virginia on 14 October 1863. He died there on 4 November 1863.

Jones, John W.

Private/Corporal, age 39, enrolled 28 August 1863. Captured at Hunts Mill on 26 September 1863. He was admitted to Hospital 21 at Richmond, Virginia on 20 October 1863 and died there on 21 October 1863.

King, Ezekial P.

Private, age 18, enrolled 28 August 1863. Captured at Hunts Mill on 26 September 1863. Died 31 December 1863 (Buried Mill Creek Cemetery).

Kirkpatrick, Daniel

Private/Corporal, age 35, enrolled 28 August 1863. Born in Jackson County, Alabama.

Kirkpatrick, Edward J.

Private, age 45, enrolled 28 August 1863. Born in Jackson County, Alabama. Captured 26 September 1863 at Hunts Mill. Died 15 October 1863 at Coffeetown, Alabama while a prisoner of war. (Buried in the Smith Cemetery.)

Kirkpatrick, Hiram

Private, age 19, enrolled 28 August 1863. Born Jackson County, Alabama. (Buried Kirkpatrick Cemetery across Guess's Creek)

Kirkpatrick, Martin

Private, age 45, enrolled 28 August 1863. (Buried Kirkpatrick Cemetery, Kirk Cove.)

Kirkpatrick, Robert

Private, age 40, enrolled 28 August 1863. Born in Jackson County, Alabama.



DEPARTURE OF THE FIRST HOSPITAL TRAIN FROM CHATTANOOGA, JANUARY, 1864, AND INTERIOR OF A HOSPITAL CAR.
From a war-time photograph.

Latham, Ephraim

1st Lieutenant/Captain, mustered into service as First Lieutenant 28 August 1863 with 72 men at Larkinsville, Alabama.

Latham, James

Private, age 25, enrolled 28 August 1863. Born Jackson County, Alabama.

Latham, John

Private, age 40, enrolled 28 August 1863. Captured 26 September 1863 at Hunts Mill. Died at Richmond, Virginia on 1 February 1864.

Latham, Thomas

Private/2nd Lieutenant, age 36, enrolled 28 August 1863. Born in Jackson County, Alabama.

-to be concluded in the March, 1985 issue of Valley Leaves-

DECATUR COUNTY

The following letter was found by Judge William D. Page in the State Archives in a file containing election returns for Decatur County. Copied and contributed by William D. Page.

Woodville, Decatur County
Sept. 9th 1823

Israel Pickens, Esqr.

Dear Sir:

It has become my duty to communicate to your Excellency the melancholy fact that Alexander W. Dulany, Esquire, a member to the State Legislature, departed this life on the evening of the 7th instant. At the late General Election Mr. Dulany has been elected by a large and respectable majority to represent the counties of Jackson and Decatur in the House of Representatives of the State Legislature, and by his death the legislature is deprived of an honest and well meaning member and his fellow citizens have been left to deplore the loss of a useful and most respectable citizen.

With respect & esteem, I am Dr. Sir

Your most obt. servt.

Silas Parsons
Sheriff of Jackson County and
returning Officer for the counties
of Jackson & Decatur.

P.S.

Your excellency has seen that in case of a vacancy in either house of the General Assembly the Constitution requires the Governor to issue his writs of election to fill such vacancy upon that subject. I would only suggest that the 4th Monday in October next would interfere less with other public business and perhaps on other accounts would be the most suitable time to hold the election. On the 2nd Monday in October there will be circuit Court in Jackson and on the 3rd Monday the Circuit Court in Decatur will be held.

S. P.

White Davidson, Land Certificate

The following Land Certificate of White Davidson of Jackson County was obtained and contributed by Mr. Alvie L. Davidson of Lakeland, Florida. It is Patent No. 17,152 and recorded in Vol. 32, Page 379 of the government's land records.

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

CERTIFICATE }
No. 17,152

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

Alberens White Davidson of Jackson County
Alabam,

has deposited in the GENERAL LAND OFFICE of the United States, a Certificate of THE REGISTER OF THE LAND OFFICE at Lebanon whereby it appears that full payment has been made by the said White Davidson

according to the provisions of the

Act of Congress of the 24th of April, 1820, entitled "An act making further provision for the sale of the Public Lands," for the South East Quarter of the South West Quarter of Section Seventeen, in Township four of Range eight in the District of Lands formerly subject to sale at Lebanon now Centre Alabama containing thirty nine acres, and eighty hundredths of an acre,

according to the official plat of the Survey of the said Lands, returned to the General Land Office by the SURVEYOR GENERAL, which said tract has been purchased by the said White Davidson

NOW KNOW YE, That the

United States of America, in consideration of the premises, and in conformity with the several acts of Congress in such case made and provided, HAVE GIVEN AND GRANTED, and by these presents DO GIVE AND GRANT, unto the said White Davidson,

and to his heirs, the said tract above described: To have and to hold the same, together with all the rights, privileges, immunities, and appurtenances, of whatsoever nature, therunto belonging, unto the said White Davidson

and to his heirs and assigns forever.

In Testimony Whereof, I, James Buchanan

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, have caused these Letters to be made PATENT, and the SEAL of the GENERAL LAND OFFICE to be hereunto affixed.

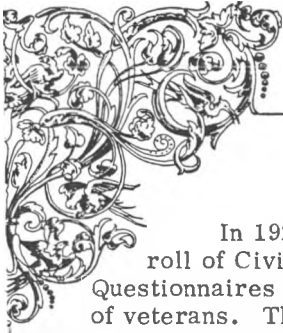
GIVEN under my hand, at the CITY OF WASHINGTON, the 1st day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty nine and of the INDEPENDENCE OF THE UNITED STATES the eighty third



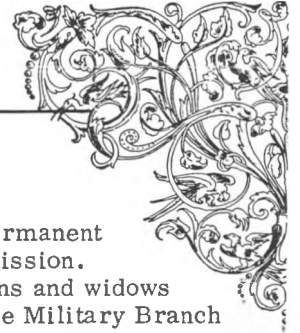
BY THE PRESIDENT: James Buchanan
By J. D. Albright

Secretary.

Inerranger Recorder of the General Land Office.



Lauderdale



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.

John W. Nugent
Rogersville, Al.

John W. Nugent was born in Rogersville, Lauderdale County, Alabama on October 27, 1849. He enlisted at Center Star in May, 1861 as a Private in Company J of the 9th Alabama Regiment 9 under Col. King.

Nugent was in the Battles of Yorktown, Gettysburg, Malvern Hill, Seven Pines, Chacersville[Chancellorsville?], Fransform[Frayer's Farm?], Wilderness, Cold Harbor, Crater, Fredericksburg, Gaines Mill and Williamsburg. He was wounded on Aug. 28, 1862 in the Battle of Manassas. He was captured on April 7, 1865 in the retreat from Richmond and imprisoned at Point Lookout for two months until he was parolled at the Surrender.

Mr. Nugent states his wife is now dead. He is a registered voter in Rogersville Precinct in Lauderdale County and he is a farmer living with his son, S. B. Nugent. His living children are:

| | | |
|---------------|-------------------|--------|
| S. B. Nugent, | Rogersville, Ala. | Farmer |
| Lul[?] White | " | " |
| Ader Thornton | " | " |

Mr. Nugent states he has received his pension regularly since being added to the rolls.

Witness: L. T. Thornton

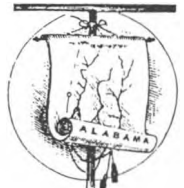
/s/ John W. Nugent
May 31, 1921

Copy of letter attached (verbatim)

6-1-1921

Mr. McCall Dear Sir
i give this statement
to you as near as i
can i didnt have
room to put as many
fights down as i wanted
to i Was in a lot more
Hard ones Yours as ever
J. W. Nugent
rogersville
Ala

r.f.d. 2B5
Mye Pention number i
think i am right 5330.



1921 Confederate Census (-continued-)

A. T. Clemons
St. Joseph, Tenn.

A. T. Clemons was born at Green Hill in Lauderdale County, Alabama July 28, 1838 and has lived in no other state. He is married and his wife is aged 72 years. She was born in Alabama and they were married in 1865. He is presently living at home with his wife.

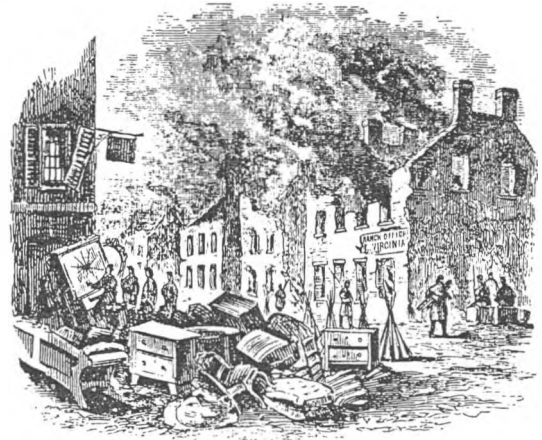
Mr. Clemons entered the service May 1, 1861 as a Private in Company J of the 9th Regiment of Infantry under Capt. E. W. Oneal and Col. C. M. Wilcox.

He was in the First Battle of Manassas, Yorktown, Fredericksburg, Wilderness, Salem Church; he states he was in the Virginia Campaign from "start to finish."

Mr. Clemons was wounded twice, once on May 1, 1862 at Yorktown and on May 3, 1863 at Battle of the Wilderness. He was captured in November, 1863 at Rock Island and imprisoned there until paroled. He was in the service a total of four years when he was paroled at the end of the war at Rock Island.

Clemons is a farmer and a registered voter in Atlas Precinct in Lauderdale County, Ala. Clemons has four living children who are:

1. J. P. Clemons, farmer, living at Atlas, Ala.
2. Alice [last name not given] living at Cambel, Tex.
3. Nancy G., [last name not given] living at Atlas, Ala.
4. Annia. No other information given on Annia.



Scene in Fredericksburg

At the bottom of the Affidavit Mr. Clemons states, "I was seriously wounded twice, shot through the head, lost one eye, have been a constant sufferer ever since the war."

/s/ A. T. Clemons

Witness:
H. O. Myrick
St. Joseph, Tenn.
June 8, 1921

Josiah S. Brewer
E. Mobile Street
Florence, Ala.

Mr. J. S. Brewer states he was born December 4, 1842 near Florence in Lauderdale County, Alabama. He has lived in no other state except for a short time in Tennessee. He is married and his wife is aged 49 years. She was born in Jackson, Mississippi and they were married in 1907 in Tuscumbia, Alabama.

Brewer entered the service on October 9, 1861 at Center Star, Ala. as a Private in Company J of the 9th Alabama Regiment of Infantry. He served under Caption Gillis first, then Capt Chisholm. His first Colonel was Wilcox, then Col. Henry, then Col. King.

1921 Confederate Census (-continued-)

J. S. Brewer (-continued-)

Mr. Brewer was in the Battles of Yorktown, Williamsburg, Seven Pines, Seven days fight before Richmond, Second Battle of Bull Run, Antietam, Fredericksburg, Salem Church, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Wilderness, Spottsylvania, Cold Harbor, Weldon's Cross Roads, Harper's Ferry, all the engagements around Petersburg, Appomattox Courthouse and was in many skirmishes. He was slightly wounded in 1862 at Fredericksburg but was never captured or imprisoned. He served four years plus a few days in the army. He was paroled at the end of the war when Gen. Lee surrendered at Appomattox in April, 1865.

His present and only occupation is a Notary Public as he is unable to work. He lives with his wife and his two children who live with him and who are both in school. They are:

Josephine Brewer, age 13

David Emmet Brewer, age 11

He states he is a registered voter in Florence's 10th Precinct. He has received his pension regularly since being placed on the rolls.

/s/ Josiah S. Brewer

Witness:

J. I. McClure

May 30, 1921

Henry R. Hill
Route 2
Killen, Ala.

Henry R. Hill was born on Shoal Creek in Lauderdale County, Alabama on December 19, 1844. He is married and his wife is 79 years old. She was also born in Lauderdale County and they were married December 6, 1865 in Lauderdale County. He is a registered voter in Precinct 5, a farmer, and a "local preacher in the Methodist Episcopal Church South." He is presently living with his wife.

Mr. Hill enlisted in August, 1861 in Florence, Alabama as a Private in Company C of the 16th Regiment of Infantry under Capt. A. D. Coffey and Col. W. B. Wood. He was in the Battles of Fishing Creek, Ky., Shiloh, Tenn., Murfreesboro, Tn., Perryville, Ky., Chickamauga, Ga., and others. He was in the army two years and eight months but was never wounded or captured. He left the service in December, 1863 at Dalton, Ga. where he had gone to see after his mother and sister who were in a seriously destitute condition. He was not paroled.

He has three living children who are:

1. Jas. H. Hill living at Galtman, Miss.
2. Jno. W. Hill living at Iron City, Tenn.
3. Hiram T. Hill of St. Joseph, Tn.

/s/ Henry R. Hill

Witness: M. Malone

June 9, 1921



Slope of Lookout Mountain

1921 Confederate Census (-continued-)

Jonathan Levi Howell
Pruittton, Ala.

Mr. Howell was born in Pruittton, Lauderdale Co., Ala. on December 11, 1843. He is married and his wife is aged 71 years. She was born at Green Hill, Alabama and they were married in 1865 at Green Hill.

He entered Service in September, 1861 at Dumfries, Virginia as a Corporal in Company H. of the 4th Alabama Regiment of Infantry under Capt. Robert McFarland and Col. E. M. Law. The Company was also called the Lauderdale Guards and the Regiment was called The Fighting Fourth.

Jonathan Levi Howell was in the Battles of Chickamauga, Ga., Rock Coon Mt., Tenn., South Mountain, Md., Sharpsburg, Md., Fredericksburg, Va., Gettysburg, Pa., Manassas, Va., Seven Pines, Va., and Suffolk, Va. Mr. Howell was wounded at the Battle of Seven Pines, Va., but was never captured or imprisoned.

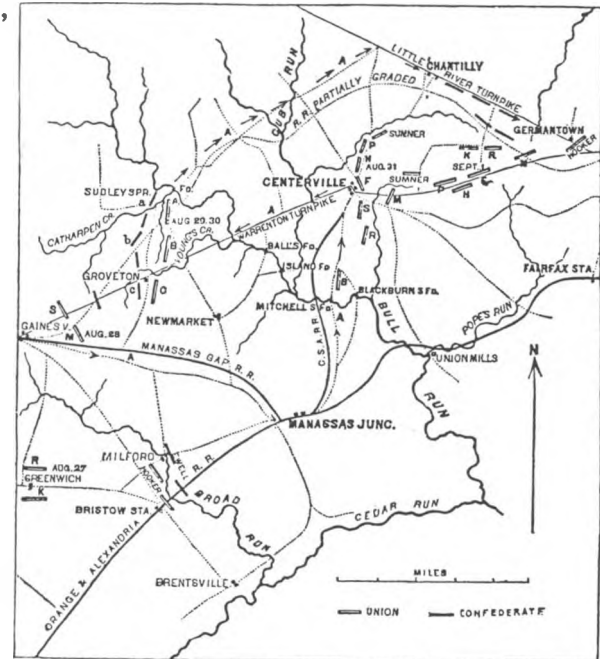
He was paroled from service on April 9, 1865 at Appomattox Court House, Virginia at close of war. He no longer has his parole as it was burned.

He is now a farmer and is a registered voter in the 8th Precinct of Lauderdale County. He has three living children, all housewives, whose names and residences are:

1. Mrs. Lulu J. Bradley, Pruetton, Ala.
2. Mrs. Richard Bearer, Florence, Ala.
3. Mrs. H. A. Cathey, Florence, Ala.

He states he has received his pension warrant regularly since being on the rolls.
/s/ J. L. Howell

Witness: J. S. Brewer
June 1st, 1921



MAP OF SECOND BATTLE OF BULL RUN, SHOWING IMPORTANT POSITIONS OCCUPIED FROM AUGUST 27th TO SEPTEMBER 1st.

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The following abstract was sent to us by Janell McCann of Fort Worth, Texas. It is from the Giles County, Tennessee Chancery Court Minutes, Volume 1, Pages 99-103, March term, 1839.

James Howard vs. William C. Mayfield.

Re: Estate of William Lyons.

William Lyons died prior to 1830 in Lauderdale County, Ala. leaving a wife (still living) and five children: Robert, James, Rebecca, Elizabeth, and John. Rebecca, Elizabeth and John were minors at the time of the death of William Lyons. Rebecca married in the fall of 1837. The three minors lived with defendant, William C. Mayfield who was their uncle, the brother of the children's mother. William's wife is not named but she is still living with her brother as are Elizabeth and John Lyons and as did Rebecca until her marriage.

Deed Book "B" (-continued-)

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| 4 dozen tablespoons | 8 doz. knives & forks with 2 pair carver forks. |
| 10 doz. edged and blue plates | 11 pair shovels and tongs |
| 3 doz. assorted dishes with 6 <u>stak</u> dishes and covers. | 2 pair waffle irons |
| 9 doz. cups and saucers & sauce bowls. | 2 sets pot hooks and trammels |
| 18 bowls | 1 lot of tin pans |
| 4 sets plated casters | 1 candlemolds |
| 6 doz. tumblers | 1 pair patent Balances |
| 6 doz. wine glasses | 3 pair Steelyards |
| 3 tea waiters, 6 waiters | 1 wheelbarrow |
| 2 tea Boddis | 3 pair salt stands |
| 1 sugar stand | 1 gallon bottle |
| 2 liquor stands with bottles | 400 barrels corn & all fodder raised on the place cultivated by Blackwell this year. |
| 6 demijons [bottles] | 14 cows and calves |
| 2 writing desks | 2 heifers |
| 5 washtubs | 1 steer |
| 15 pales and piggins [buckets] | 20 head hogs |
| 6 noggins [mugs] | 8 pair gear |
| 6 doz. chairs | 2 grindstones |
| 7 stake ovens | 2 doz. decanters and bottles |
| 9 iron pots | 2 writing desks |
| 3 tea kettles | 8 wash stands and bowls |
| 2 spiders | 3 doz. hand towels |
| 2 gridirons | 6 diapers and cotton table cloths |
| 2 copper stern kettles | |
| 11 pair andirons | |

If Blackwell defaults on his several payments then William Gregg to sell enough of the property to satisfy demands. Property to be sold at public sale after giving 20 days notice.
 Test:

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| Danl. W. Wright | /s/ J. A. Blackwell |
| Recorded 19 Nov. 1822 | /s/ Charles McClung |
| | /s/ Trotter & McGonegal |
| | /s/ Gregg & Johnson |
| | /s/ William Gregg |

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Deed. 10 Jan. 1822
 Joseph Burleson, 1st part)
 Thomas Pearson, 2nd part) Parties to an indenture dated 12 Sept. 1821
 Branch Jones, 3rd part)
 James Hubbard, 4th part)

Now, on 10 Jan. 1822, James Hubbard sells to Branch Jones land located at the SE corner of the town of Moulton it being in the SW/4 of Section 32-6-7W next to Thomas Pearson.

Test: Peter Taylor /s/ James Hubbard by D. Hubbard,
 Thomas Pearson his Attorney in fact.
 Recorded 20 Nov 1822

Note: Apparently Joseph Burleson gave a deed of trust with James Hubbard as trustee. Burleson could not meet payments and Hubbard sold property to Jones.

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Deed. 10 Oct. 1822
 Lewis Campbell sells to Nathaniel Mitchell, for \$95.00 a town lot in Moulton being the NW/4 of lot No. 66 bounded by lots belonging to the said Mitchell, Lewis Campbell, Joseph Coe, Asa Hodges, and John Grugett.
 Ack. 10 Oct. 1822 /s/ Lewis Campbell
 Recorded 20 Nov. 1822

- Pages 62-63 Deed. 10 Oct. 1822
Lewis Campbell sells to Joseph Coe, for \$75.00, the S/2 of the NE/4 of Lot No. 66 in Moulton bounded by lots belonging to Nat. Mitchell, Lewis Campbell and bounded on the east by Main Street.
Ack. 10 Oct. 1822 /s/ Lewis Campbell
Recorded 20 Nov. 1822
- Pages 63-66 Deed of Trust. 19 Jan. 1821
George Miller defaulted on a Deed of Trust for \$1000 in Madison County, Ala. in favor or John D. Carroll. On 14 Nov. 1820 the Madison County Sheriff sold the mortgaged property which was purchased for \$204 by Austin Hewlett, William Smith, Johnson Curtis and Allen Christian. The property consisted of:
1 horse called Pompay
1 horse called Charly
hogs
2 cows and calves
2 heifers
George Miller has been rendered unable to keep his family together and to provide a means of support, therefore, the four purchasers desire to secure the property for the use and benefit of said Miller and his family and agree to make the following conveyance to Jeremiah Haughton, in trust, for the use of George Miller, his wife [Mary Ann Miller], and their children:

Deed of Trust. 19 Jan. 1821
Hewlett, Smith, Curtis, and Christian sell to Haughton the above property, in trust, upon the condition George Miller, his wife and children under age 21, have use and enjoy said property during the lifetimes of Miller and his wife. At their decease Haughton to convey the property to the Miller's heirs.

Test: Thomas Barnes /s/ William Smith
Proven by Barnes 20 Jan. 1821 /s/ Johnson D. Curtis
Delivered for Recording 20 Jan. 1821 /s/ Allen Christian
Recorded in Morgan Co. 20 Nov. 1822. /s/ J. P. Haughton
/s/ George Miller
- Pages 66-69 Deed of Trust. 19 Jan. 1821
George Miller defaulted on a debt to Jean Davis in amount of \$45.50 and one to Henry Cook for \$41.75. On 8 Dec. 1820 Constable Willis Elliott levied and sold the following property belonging to Miller to pay debts:
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| 2 tables | 2 candlestands |
| 7 chairs | 1 cupboard & furniture |
| 1 blue desk | Scotts family Bible & other books |
| 3 beds and furniture | 1 trunk |
| 1 flax wheel | 1 side-saddle |
| 1 cotton wheel, reel & cards | 1 loom |
| 1 oven pot & skillet | 1 large kettle & pot |
| balance of kitchen furniture | 3 ploughs |
| 5 hoes | 3 axes and fro |
| 2 saws & joiners | 3 augurs |
| 1 wagon | 1 saddle and 3 bridles |
| 4 pair gear | 2 old wagon hobs |
| 1 black colt | 9 sheep |
| 3 beestands | 1 pair dog irons |
| 1 stage wagon | 17 geese |
| 1 looking glass | 1 side-saddle & bridle |
| 1 walnut chest | 1 clock |
| 1 double barrelled shot gun | 1 rifle |
| 1 bed & furniture | 2 trunks |

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| 1 side table | 1 oven pot & skillet |
| 1 tea kettle & frying pan | 2 pair steelyards |
| 1 spade & box of old irons | 1 sythe and cradle |
| 1 cutting box and knives | 20 turkeys |
| 2 peacocks | other poultry. |

Said property sold for \$89.91 and the highest bidders were Jeremiah P. Haughton and Johnson Curtis, both of Madison County, Ala. George Miller is truly rendered unable to keep his family together and provide a means of support. Haughton and Curtis agree that Haughton keep this property, in trust, for George Miller, his wife and children.

On 19 Jan. 1821 Curtis sold his share of the above property to Haughton who is to hold it in trust and allow Miller, his wife and children under age 21 to have, use, and enjoy the property until the decease of Miller and his wife. At that time it is to be conveyed to the Miller's heirs.

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| Test: Thomas Barnes | /s/ J. P. Haughton |
| Pvn. by Barnes and ack. by | /s/ Johnson D. Curtis |
| Haughton. | /s/ George Miller |
| Rec. in Madison Co. Al. 21 Jan. 1821 | |
| Rec. in Morgan Co. 20 Nov. 1822 | |

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Mortgage. 18 Nov. 1822

Bartley Marshall sold to Samuel Irwin one negro man slave named Robert, age 19 yrs., for \$161.76. This bill of sale conditioned that Samuel Irwin to have use and benefit of Robert but if Marshall pays Irwin \$161.76 by 16 Nov. 1823 then Robert is to be returned to Marshall. If the money is not paid then Irwin to keep slave.

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| Test: | /s/ Bartley Marshall |
| Samuel Forby | |
| James Allen | |
| Proven by James Allen 18 Nov 1822 | |
| Recorded 18 Nov 1822 | |

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Deed. 28 Nov. 1822

Asa Hodges of Lawrence County sold to Joseph Coe, for \$125., a Moulton town lot being the S/2 of Lot No. 66.

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| Ack. and recorded 30 Nov. 1822 | /s/ Asa Hodges |
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Pages 72-74

Deed. 4 Dec. 1822

Michael Kelly sold to Nathaniel Mitchell for \$700. a Moulton town lot being part of Lot No. 68.

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| Ack. & Rec. 4 Dec. 1822 | /s/ Michael Kelly |
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Deed. 4 Dec. 1822

Nathaniel Mitchell sold to Michael Kelly part of Lot No. 65 in Moulton for \$1900.

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| Ack. & Rec. 4 Dec. 1822 | /s/ Nat. Mitchell |
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Deed of Trust. 12 Sept. 1822

David Wade owes Littleberry H. Jones (both of Lawrence Co.) one note for \$1291.69 dated 1 April 1822 and due one day later; one note for \$1110.50 dated 1 April 1822 and due 1 Feb. 1823; a note for \$1110.50 dated 1 April 1822 and due 1 Feb. 1824; one note for \$1110.00 dated 1 April 1822 and due 1 April 1825. To secure Jones against loss, Wade deeds to Thomas Glass, in trust, 20 negro slaves as follows:

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Negro woman, Aggy, age 45; man Carey age 35, woman Polly age 28, woman Evelina age 22, woman Nancy age 20, woman Edy age 18, girl Jenny age 15, girl Tamry age 12, boy Jack age 11, boy Charles age 10, girl Lucy age 8, girl Molly age 6, boy Stephen age 3, boy Harvy age 11, boy William age 5, boy Sam age 6, boy Phillip age 3, boy Washington age 1, girl Mana age 4 and girl Meriland age 2.

If Wade fails to pay said sums of money, or any part thereof, when they come due then after giving 10 days notice by advertisement in Courtland, Glass to sell slaves and pay Jones.

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| | /s/ Daniel Wade |
| Ack. 12 Sept. 1822 | /s/ Thomas Glass |
| Del. for Rec. 2 Dec. 1822 | /s/ Lett. Jones |
| Recorded 3 Dec. 1822 | |

- Page 80 Brand Registration. 5 Dec. 1822
James Chilcoat registered his livestock brand as "an under bilt in each ear."
- Page 80 Brand Registration. 5 Dec. 1822
John Anderson registered his livestock brand as "a crop out of each ear and an under bit out of each ear."
- Pages 80-82 Deed of Trust. 25 Jan. 1822
George Wesley Moore, debtor
Reynolds Green, William White, Lewis Green, and Reuben Rucker Jr., trustees.
George Wesley Moore owes Fanny L. Price, executrix of the Last Will & Testament of Robert H. Price, decd., \$764.12-1/2 due 25 Sept. 1823. To secure Price against loss, Moore deeds to Lewis Green, Reynolds Green, William White and Reuben Rucker Jr., in trust, the following slaves:
David or Davy, age 40 to 48; Amy, wife of David; Susanna (also called Lukey) aged 34 months; Polly age 11 mo., and Jerry 5 years old.
If George Wesley Moore pays Fanny L. Price \$764.12-1/2 then this deed is void.
/s/ George W. Moore
Test: Geo. B. Balch
Ack. by Moore & recorded 19 Dec. 1822
- Pages 83-84 Deed of Trust. 25 Jan. 1822
On 4 May 1821 Joseph Moore deeded, in trust, to Jonathan Burford, certain negro slaves:
David or Davy age 40 to 48; Amy, David's wife; and two female children, Susanna (also called Lukey) aged about 2 yr. 10 mo., and Polly aged about 11 months.
Said slaves were deeded to Burford, in trust, to secure a \$764.12-1/2 debt owed Robert Price, now deceased. Lewis Green, Reynolds Green, William White and Reuben Rucker Jr. were Joseph Moore's securities. Debt due 25 Sept. 1823. Now, by consent of Jonathan Burford, Joseph Moore, and Fanny L. Price (executrix of Robert Price) the said Jonathan Burford is hereby released from all claim to the slaves.
Test: Lewis Campbell
Del. for Rec. 21 Dec. 1822 /s/ Jonathan Burford
- Pages 85-86 Deed of Trust. 24 Dec. 1822
On 24 Dec. 1822 Fare Owen deeded to John Gallagher, in trust, 1 wagon & 4 sets of gear, one grey horse with nicked tail, one gray mare, and one sorrell mare. On 26 Sept. 1822 Fare Owen filed a Bill of Injunction suit in the Lawrence County Circuit Court and John Henderson and Martin B. McMahan became his securities in amount of \$342. If Owen should fail in his suit he wishes Henderson and McMahan secured from loss, therefore, he deeded above
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Deed Book "B" (-continued-)

property to Gallagher, in trust. If Owen fails to indemnify Henderson and McMahon against loss then Gallagher to sell the property at public sale after giving 30 days notice by advertising it at four of the most public places in this county.

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| Test: L. B. Tully[?] | /s/ John Gallagher |
| William L. Pearson | /s/ Fare Owen |
| Del. for Rec. 24 Dec. 1822 | /s/ John Henderson |
| | /s/ Martin B. McMahon |

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Deed. 30 Dec. 1822

Bunard M. Patterson and Ann Patterson, his wife, sold to Nathaniel Mitchell a lot west of Lot No. 42 in town of Moulton for \$110.

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| Ack. by Bunard M. Patterson, and | /s/ Bunard M. Patterson [Bernard??] |
| Ann Patterson relinquished her | /s/ Ann Patterson |
| dower 30 Dec. 1822. Rec. 30 Dec. 1822. | |

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Deed of Trust. 27 Dec. 1822

On 16 Sept. 1822 a judgment was rendered in Circuit Court in behalf of David Mason against Josiah Knight and Jacob A. Blackwell for \$1138 debt, \$140.31 damages and \$15.62 costs. All judgement, except \$300 paid on 22 June 1822, remains unpaid.

Josiah Knight being anxious to secure payment sells the SE/4 of Section 13-5-8W containing 159.73 acres including the house and mill, to John White, in trust. If the above obligation is not paid by 1 Feb. 1823 then White to sell the property after first advertising time and place of sale in some newspaper in Florence or Huntsville at least 10 days previous to the sale. Obligation to be paid from proceeds.

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| Test: Thomas Glass | /s/ Josiah Knight |
| George L. Rousseau | /s/ John White |
| Chas. Pierson | |

Proven by Pierson & Rousseau 6 Jan. 1823.
Del. for Rec. and Recorded 6 Jan. 1823.

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Mortgage. 26 Dec. 1822

On 26 Dec. 1822 Parker Alexander loaned \$180. to Lewis B. Tully for 12 months. As collateral, Tully deeds to Alexander 1 sorrel horse, one cherry writing table with glass front, one trunk and one snafflebridle. If Tully repays Alexander the \$180 then this deed void, otherwise it is in full force.

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| Test: William Wallace | /s/ L. B. Tully |
| Ack: 13 Jan. 1823 | |
| Rec: 8 Jan. 1823 | |

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Mortgage. 7 Jan. 1822

Clinton Norvell sells to David M. Hunter, for \$525. a negro slave named Abner, aged 22 years, and warrants Abner to be sound and free of disease. If Norvell pays Hunter \$525. by 25 Dec. 1822, or within 60 days thereafter, then Hunter is to deliver Abner to Norvell together with his bill of sale. If Norvell does not pay the \$525. then Abner is to continue to be the property of Hunter and this bill of sale to remain absolute.

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| Test: Peter W. Taylor | /s/ Clinton Norvell |
| Recorded 10 Jan. 1823 | |

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ORPHANS COURT MINUTES, 1824-30
(Part 10)

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| 337 | 166 | 9 July 1828 | <u>Samuel McAllister Estate</u> The admrs. of the estate (not named) filed accounts and vouchers of their administration for final settlement. Court ordered all interested persons to appear before the court in Athens the 4th Mon. in August, 1828, to show cause, if any, why final settlement should not be made. This order to be printed in some newspaper published in Alabama for 40 days previous to hearing. |
| 338 | 166 | 15 July 1828 | <u>Anderson Johnson Estate</u> Christian A. Johnson, Administrator of the estate, filed his accounts and vouchers for final settlement. Publication ordered in some public newspaper in the state for 40 successive days requiring all interested persons to appear in court in Athens on the 4th Monday in August, 1828, to show cause, if any, why final settlement should not be made. |
| 339 | 167 | 28 July 1828 | <u>James Chapman Estate</u> The court issued an alias citation against James Coulter, executor of the estate of James Chapman, to appear before the court the 3rd Monday in August, 1828, with his accounts and vouchers, to show cause (if any) why final settlement should not be made. |
| 340 | 167 | 28 July 1828 | <u>Josiah Davidson Estate</u> Final settlement made and same ordered recorded. |
| 341 | 167 | 29 July 1828 | <u>George Dobbs Estate</u> Sarah Dobbs, widow of George Dobbs, and Silas Dobbs, Wm. L. Dobbs, Richard Dobbs, and Edwin Dobbs, all heirs of George Dobbs, asked the court for a division and distribution. Levi Edmondson, admr., ordered to appear in court on 4th Mon. in Aug., 1828 to show cause, if any, why distribution should not be made. |
| 342 | 167 | 13 Aug. 1828 | <u>Samuel Renfro Estate</u> Uriah York, Admr., states the estate is insolvent and can not pay its debts. Court orders all persons having claims against estate to file evidence of their claims with clerk of this court within 12 months. On the 4th Monday in Aug., 1829 these claims will be audited by the judge of this court and final settlement made. A copy of this order to be published in some Alabama newspaper for two successive months and posted on Athens courthouse door. |
| 343 | 168 | 18 Aug. 1828 | <u>James Chapman Estate</u> The administrator filed his accounts and vouchers for final settlement. All persons interested in the final settlement to appear in court on 2nd Monday in Oct., 1828 to show cause, if any, why final settlement should not be made. Publication ordered for 40 days previously. |
| 344 | 168 | 18 Aug. 1828 | <u>John Lowrey Estate</u> John Lowrey's Last Will & Test. was produced and proven by Robert Ervin, one of the witnesses, and ordered recorded. |

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| 345 | 168-9 | 18 Aug. 1828 | <p><u>Benjamin S. Adams Estate</u> James Hargrove, Admr., asked for a sale of real estate. Heirs are: Jeffrey Murrell and his wife, Nancy Merideth Wilkinson and his wife Elizabeth Robert Hughey and his wife Julian Martha Hargrove Mary Ann Hargrove Lucy Hargrove Elizabeth Hargrove</p> <p>Heirs ordered to appear in court on 2nd Monday in Oct., 1828 to show cause, if any, why said sale should not be made. Also ordered that Robert Austin Jr. be appointed guardian of: Julian Hughey Martha Hargrove Mary Ann Hargrove Lucy Hargrove Elizabeth Hargrove Sarah Ann Sullivan Mahalah Adams Parmelia B. Adams, infants under age 21, to defend their interest.</p> |
| 346 | 169 | 18 Aug. 1828 | <p><u>James R. Patterson Estate</u> This estate insolvent and creditors were ordered paid the amounts of their respective claims less 36-1/4%.</p> |
| 347 | 169 | 20 Aug. 1828 | <p><u>John H. Coleman Estate</u> This estate insolvent. William T. Gamble and Robt. C. David heretofore appointed commissioners to receive and examine claims of creditors. Their report presented with list of claims against estate bearing date of 19 Aug. 1828. Report ordered confirmed and recorded. Administrator ordered to pay each creditor the amount listed in his claim.</p> |
| 348 | 170 | 25 Aug. 1828 | <p><u>George Dobbs Estate</u> Final settlement ordered continued until 3rd Mon. in Oct., 1828.</p> |
| 349 | 170 | 25 Aug. 1828 | <p><u>Samuel McAlister Estate</u> Final settlement ordered continued until 20 Dec. 1828</p> |
| 350 | 170 | 25 Aug. 1828 | <p><u>George Dobbs Estate</u> Sarah Dobbs, widow of George Dobbs, and George Dobbs [Jr.], Silas Dobbs, Wm. Dobbs, Richard Dobbs, and Edwin Dobbs, children of George Dobbs, decd., asked for distribution of estate. Levi Edmondson, Admr., made no objection. Court ordered James C. Malone, Booth Malone, Samuel D. White, Jacob Fisher, and Wm. Sandefer, commissioners, to divide estate and make return on 4th Tuesday in Feb., 1829.</p> |
| 351 | 171 | 1 Sept. 1828 | <p><u>John H. Davis Guardianship</u> Tinsley Davis appointed guardian of John H. Davis, infant under age of 14 years. Tinsley gave \$1000 bond with Nicholas Davis and Ruffin Coleman as his securities.</p> |
| 352 | 171 | 1 Sept. 1828 | <p><u>John Lowrey Estate</u> Elizabeth Lowrey asked for and recd. Letters of Administration on this estate after giving \$800 bond with Alexander Smith, Uriah Smith and John McAlvin, her securities. Court ordered John Maples, Thomas Redus, and James Grigsby to appraise estate.</p> |

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| 353 | 172 | 6 Sept. 1828 | <u>Benjamin Maddox Estate</u> Will admitted and recorded. Jesse Maddox and James Maddox, executors; James Golightly, George S. McElwee, and John T. Wray appointed to appraise estate. |
| 354 | 172 | 8 Sept. 1828 | <u>Ruffin Coleman, Commission</u> "This day Ruffin Coleman produced in open court a commission from John Murphy." |
| 355 | 172-3 | 9 Sept. 1828 | <u>Nathaniel Barham Estate</u> Calvin J. King reports that Nathaniel Barham died without a will. King appointed admr. after giving \$2000 bond with William E. Phillips and Robert E. Beasley his securities. Reuben Massey, Edward Massey, and Thomas Cole appointed to appraise personal estate. Perishable property ordered sold at public sale. |
| 356 | 173 | 16 Sept. 1828 | <u>Moses Kindle Estate</u> John D. Carriel, surviving admr. of Moses Kindle, decd., ordered to appear in court on 3rd Monday in Oct., 1828, and show cause, if any, why final settlement of this estate can not be made. |
| 357 | 173 | 16 Sept. 1828 | <u>John Lowrey Estate</u> The executrix of the Last Will & Test. ordered to sell at public sale the perishable property. |
| 358 | 173-4 | 8 Sept. 1828 | <u>Milly Beckham Estate</u> Howell C. Featherston, Admr., asked for a sale of real estate. The court appointed Washington Keyes, Micajah Thomas and Wm. Richardson to sell real estate which is part of the NW/4 of Sec. 27-3-4W containing 60 ac. |
| 359 | 174 | 19 Sept. 1828 | <u>Ruffin Coleman, Sheriff - Performance Bond</u> Ruffin Coleman presented to the court his commission from Gov. John Murphy, appointing him sheriff of Limestone County. He took oath of office and posted \$30,000 bond with Wm. T. Gamble, Samuel Craig, And. J. Edmondson, Micajah Thomas, Thomas Bibb, Samuel Jordan, Amos Vincent, Washington Keyes, George Phillips, Waddy Tate, Joseph D. Peebles, George Fearn, John D. Carriel, James Roberts, George Malone, and David Hobbs his securities. |
| 360 | 174-5 | 19 Sept. 1828 | <u>Paul Mitchell Estate</u> Paul Mitchell died without a will. Sheriff Ruffin Coleman appointed Admr. and issued Letters of Administration. Waddy Tate, James C. Malone, and Thomas Maul... [illegible] appointed appraisers of the personal property. |
| 361 | 176 | 2 Oct. 1828 | <u>16th Section Sale (School land)</u> A majority of the qualified electors in Township 1, Range 4 West, have chosen to sell the 16th section in said township. The court orders that James Hargrove, Thomas Philips, and Allison Hodges sell the land and make report to this court. |
| 362 | 176-7 | 8 Oct. 1828 | <u>Peter Taylor Estate</u> Elizabeth Taylor, executrix, gave \$6000 bond with Thomas Hardiman, Simon Foy, Ezekiel Dawson, Sampson Wood and David Shaw, her securities. Will proven by oaths of Sampson Wood, Simon Foy, and David Shaw and same ordered recorded. Executrix ordered to sell property specified in the will. Simon Foy, Thomas Hardiman and George McCormick ordered to appraise personal property. |

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| 363 | 177 | 10 Oct. 1828 | <p><u>Adoption of Official Seal of the Limestone County Court</u> "Ordered by the Court that the following be adopted as the device of the Seal of the County Court of Limestone County, Alabama, towit:</p> <p>On the outward circle thereof to be engraved these words: Limestone County Court, Alabama; On the inner circle, these words: Ruat, Caelum, Fiat, Justitia; and on the inside of the circles, a female figure holding a pair of scales in the right hand and a small sword in the left.</p> <p>And that the Clerk of this Court procure a seal of said description for this Court." Note: Ruat, Caelum, Fiat, Justitia, in the Latin is translated to "Though the Heavens fall let justice be done." [Ed.]</p> |
| 364 | 177 | 13 Oct. 1828 | <p><u>James Chapman Estate</u> Final settlement of the estate, with James Coulter as executor, was ordered continued until the 3rd Monday of Oct., 1828.</p> |
| 365 | 177 | 13 Oct. 1828 | <p><u>William McClung Estate</u> This estate reported insolvent by administrator. Time allowed for filing evidence of claims against estate expires Feb. 7, 1829. Persons interested in this estate to appear in court on 4th Monday in Feb., 1824 and show cause, if any, why final settlement should not be made.</p> |
| 366 | 178 | 13 Oct 1828 | <p><u>Wilson McKinney Estate</u> The will of Wilson McKinney proven by oaths of William Mason, Richard Henderson, and Jeremiah C. Gilliam and ordered recorded. Sarah McKinney, widow, and the next of kin relinquished their right to administer this estate in favor of Paul Hildreth. Paul Hildreth appointed administrator after giving \$10,000 bond with William Mason and William T. Gamble, his securities. Property of this estate ordered sold per instruction in the will. Jesse Speer, William Miller, and John Sherrod appointed to appraise the personal property</p> |
| 367 | 178 | 13 Oct. 1828 | <p><u>Rice Tate Estate</u> The administrators of this estate ordered to sell at public sale, according to law, the following slaves belonging to this estate: Frank Big Joe Charles Overton</p> <p>Sale of these slaves is necessary to pay the debts of this estate since there is not sufficient other property to pay debts.</p> |



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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 were published in Volume 16 of "Valley Leaves" and the 1874 notices were published in the September, 1984 issue.

1875

- 27 January 1875 Alexander Russell
- 24 January 1875 Mattie, daughter of Col. James M. Petty, 18 years old.
- 5 January 1875 Laura D. Hargrove born 28 October 1854, married W. W. McKinney (who died on 7th of May 1871).
- 22 January 1875 Mrs. Hattie Jackson, wife of John Jackson and daughter of Judge E. W. Teague.
- 25 January 1875 Henry T. Love, born May 2, 1818 in Davidson County, Tennessee.
- 18 January 1875 Died at Dyersburg, West Tennessee, Mrs. Lucretia T. Tanner, widow of Edwin Tanner, daughter of A. C. and Mary Cain of Limestone County.
- 30 January 1875 Sallie Beaty, daughter of Samuel and Sallie B. Tanner.
- 15 February 1875 Bettie C. Nelson, daughter of Wm. A. and Sue C. Nelson, died in Nashville.
- 4 March 1875 Effie Davis, daughter of Col. L. R. Davis.
- 26 February 1875 William B. Pettus, 38 years old.
- 24 February 1875 George W. Joyner, age 54, died in Jackson County.
- February (no date) William H. Garrett died in Arkansas, buried near Mooresville.
- 9 March 1875 James E. Nunn
- 9 March 1875 Mattie, daughter of William and Lou Bridgeforth.
- 4 March 1875 Dr. Thos. J. Tucker died in Arkansas
- 12 March 1875 W. B. Pettus
- 12 March 1875 R. P. Hughes
- 19 March 1875 George L. Davis
- 19 April 1875 Jane Malone, wife of Dr. T. S. Malone and sister of Col. Luke Pryor.
- April (no date) Joseph M. Petty
- 24 June 1875 Margaret Tanner, widow of Samuel Tanner, died at the home of her son-in-law, Isaac W. Harris, in Gallatin, Tennessee. Born in Virginia not far from Norfolk; married in Virginia.
- 21 July 1875 William A. Nelson, age 45, died in Memphis, Tennessee. Youngest son of Frederick B. Nelson. Brothers: Stephen Nelson of New Orleans, Thomas A. Nelson of Memphis, and Owen Nelson of Dawson, Georgia.
- 1 July 1875 Nashville Malone. Born in Caswell County, N. C. 2 January 1800.

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

- 28 July 1875 Mr. J. E. Thomas, age 32, formerly of Columbus, Ga. Veteran of Civil War. (Sloughheat)
- 27 July 1875 Mrs. Sallie Jones, wife of David Jones
- 12 September 1875 Jane Saxton
- 28 September 1875 Mrs. Nancy Williamson, age 61
- 7 October 1875 Mrs. Thomas Martindale, age 84
- 18 October 1875 James Edgar Russell, age 62, son of E. J. and Zerella Russell. Born in Tennessee January 18, 1814, married December 27, 1839.
- 3 November 1875 Mrs. Sallie Allison, wife of J. H. Allison, and daughter of Elisha K. French.
- 3 November 1875 Anne Hobbs Benaugh, daughter of James and Virginia Benaugh.
- 24th (no date) Michael Clem, age 76, born August 16, 1799
- 29 October 1875 Bruce Mitchell, son of F. L. and Sallie T. Mitchell
- 1 November 1875 Mrs. William Mason, daughter of Daniel Cannon
- 4 November 1875 Mrs. J. L. Lloyd, daughter of Ethelred and E. S. Henderson, born in Knoxville, Tennessee on 13 May 1834. Married 19 July 1857 in Knoxville to Rev. J. L. Lloyd.
- 28 November 1875 At Marianna, Arkansas, Mrs. Sarah C. Jones, wife of Hamilton Jones, formerly of Limestone.
- 11 December 1875 Alexander Hamilton, born in Lincoln County, Tennessee November 8, 1818, married in Triana to Martha E. Arnett on 23 December 1858.

NOTE: The newspapers for the year 1876 are missing or are at least not on the microfilm.

THE UNION BANNER NEWSPAPER EXCERPTS
Saturday, November 3, 1860
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REBECCA LOVELESS ESTATE

Probate Court, September 28, 1860

Came John A. Johnson, Administrator of the estate of Rebecca Loveless, deceased, and filed in this court a petition setting forth that said deceased died seized and possessed of the following described land situated in the county of Limestone, State of Alabama, to wit:

NW/4 of NE/4 Sec. 8-1-4W

Said petition further sets forth that the following named heirs at law of said deceased reside beyond the limits of the State of Alabama, to wit:

James Loveless, res. in Mississippi;
Lucinda Dunnivant, wife of Henry E.
Dunnivant, also;

The heirs of Jesse Dunnivant (names unknown) reside in Tennessee, also; Pinkney Loveless, resides in Tennessee. Said petition further sets forth that said land can not be fairly and equitably divided among the heirs of said deceased without a sale of the same.

It is therefore ordered by the court that publication of the pendency of said petition be given for 3 consecutive weeks in the Union Banner, a public newspaper printed in the town of Athens, requiring all persons interested in said estate to be and appear before the Judge of this Court at the Court House in Athens on the 2nd Monday in November next (1860) and contest the same if they think proper.

Thomas G. Tyus, Judge



Madison



NICHOLAS REEDY ESTATE

This Madison County probate file, Number 206, is most unusual in two respects, (1) It contains many lists of heirs dating from 3 March 1822 through 26 October 1883, and (2) The file remained active 61 years after the death of Nicholas Reedy. Relatively few files have one list of heirs let alone 12 or more and most probate files are settled within five years of the person's death.

Medical bills in the file from Fearn & Erskine, physicians, dated from 13 Dec. 1821 to 5 March 1822 are itemized. Most of the entries are for Nicholas Reedy, the last call being made 5 March 1822. Since trim for his coffin was purchased that day, and his widow Elizabeth was appointed administratrix seven days later, we must assume he died on 5 March 1822. On 3 March 1822 there is an entry in this medical bill for "extracting tooth for sister, \$1.00." Unfortunately, the sister is not named but since her charge was on Nicholas' bill it would indicate she made her home with him or at the very least was visiting him at the time.

The following list of heirs show the full name of the heir, who they married, and the date of the marriage if it was performed in Madison County. The marriage dates are from Madison County marriage books.

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| 1. Bryant P. Reedy | 1st, Mary Jane Bond | 23 Dec. 1845 (MB 4A, p.158) |
| | 2nd, Elizabeth J. Lanaman | 18 Mar. 1858 (MB 4B, p.267) |
| 2. John Andrew Reedy | Jane W. Wilson | 31 Dec. 1834 (MB 4, p.227) |
| 3. Martha Reedy | John Hamblin Jr. | |
| 4. Susan J. Reedy | Woodward B. Hilliard | |
| 5. Elizabeth Reedy | Alexander "Sandy" Malone | 10 March 1830 (MB 3, No. 1335) |
| 6. Sarah Mariah "Mona" Reedy | John Brand | 17 Dec. 1834 (MB 4, p.225) |
| 7. Nancy Leonora Reedy | Thomas D. Bradford | 8 Mar. 1838 (MB 4, p.426) |
| 8. Amanda Jane Reedy | Logan S. Bradford | 18 Nov. 1840 (MB 4, p.551) |
| 9. Mary Reedy | John P. Hawkins | 21 Dec. 1831 (MB 4, p.12) |

Throughout this file various names of the children are used. For instance, in one place Sarah Mariah Reedy who married John Brand will be referred to as Sarah, and called Mariah in another, while in yet another document she will be referred to by her nickname, Mona.

The following material was abstracted from Nicholas Reedy's Probate File No. 206:

Promissory Note dated 27 Mar. 1818: On or before the 25th day of December, 1818, We or either of us promise to pay John Humphreys on order \$55 for value Received. Signed by Alan Bryan and Nicholas Reedy.

Estate Sale delivered for recording on 29 June 1822 and recorded in Will Book 2. The major purchaser at this sale was the widow, Elizabeth, who made the following purchases:

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| Irons & shovel | plow | 2 tables |
| one lot of castings | shovel & boarshear plow | pair saddle bags |
| lot of tinware | 3 shovel ploughs | hogs |
| lot of copperware | 2 cupboards | 15 head sheep |
| loom and harness | tea board, caster & spoon | 12 head cattle |
| 2 spinning wheels | coffee mill | 4 horses |
| spinning wheel & reel | clock | 1 trunk and chest |
| pair steelyards & gimblet | bureau | old irons |
| bell shears and lock | looking glass | hoes, axes, etc. |
| 15 chairs | books | saddle |
| chain | 5 beds and bedsteads | 3 pair gears |

Other purchasers at this sale were:

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|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| John Bishop | David Maxwell | John Reedy |
| Moses Carlock | Dr. R. Owen | Bryant Reedy |
| James Gustin | Joshua Prout | Thomas Reedy |
| John Kinkle | Richard B. Purdom | Shadrack Reedy |
| Thomas Matthews | | William Wilkins |

Nicholas Reedy Est. (-continued-)

Petition to Sell Land to Pay Debts dated 5 February 1824

Elizabeth Reedy, widow, states that on 10 Nov. 1813 Robert Milligan purchased from John J. Winston, 70 acres on the north side of the NW/4 of Sec. 34-3-1W after taking 20 acres off north side. John J. Winston gave Milligan a title bond dated 10 Nov. 1813. On 3 March 1819 Milligan assigned the bond to Giles S. Boggus and on 24 July 1821 Boggus assigned it to Nicholas Reedy. Winston says he is now ready to make title to the land. There are still debts due from estate. There are still slaves left but no other perishable property. The estate will be less injured by the sale of land than by sale of slaves and the land sale will barely cover the debts. Martha Reedy is the only heir of legal age. The other children are minors and all reside in Madison County.

Obligation Bond dated 18 March 1824: Elizabeth Reedy posted \$4000 bond with John Hamblin Jr. and John Hamblin Sr., her securities, to sell the NW/4 of Section 34-3-1W containing 70 acres.

Receipt dated 20 August 1824: Received of Mr. Bryant Reedy, \$20. being the amount of a subscription by Nicholas Reedy, decd., to the Presbyterian Church in Huntsville. Signed by Wm. Leech.

Statement of Fact on Dickey Estate dated 2 Feb. 1828: We the executor and executrix of the Will of John Dickey, decd., certify that we believe \$250 was paid by Elizabeth Reedy, Admx. of Nicholas Reedy, upon a note given by Nicholas Reedy and John Reedy to John Dickey dated 12 April 1817 and due 20 Dec. 1821 and was paid in John Dickey's lifetime. Signed by Hiram Dickey, executor, and Mary Ann Dickey, executrix. [Note: No will found on file for John Dickey in Madison County, Ala., however there was a John Dickey in Franklin County, Tenn. in 1812 and one in Maury Co., Tenn. in 1816.]

Letter dated 12 Aug. 1828 to Mrs. Elizabeth Reedy and signed for Kelly & Hutcheson by A. Hutcheson: "Please pay John Ward \$10. which will be in full of our fee for defending you in the case of the Trustees of Jefferson College."

Petition to Sell Land, recorded Nov., 1834:

SW/4 Sec. 27-3-1W [NW/4??]
 NW/4 Sec. 28-3-1W containing 160.40 ac.
 SE/4 Sec. 28-3-1W
 SW corner of NE/4 Sec. 28-3-1W cont. 30 ac.
 20 ac. off north side of NW/4 Sec. 34-3-1W

All debts of estate have been paid. Above land is subject to widow's dower. Greater portion of above land is cleared and in cultivation and has very little timber. There are nine heirs and division would leave some heirs totally without timber. Heirs are:

1. John Hamblin Jr. and wife, Martha, formerly Martha Reedy, of Talladega Co., Al.
2. Woodward Hilliard and wife, Susan J., formerly Susan J. Reedy, of Lawrence Co., Al.
3. Alexander S. Malone and wife, Elizabeth, formerly Elizabeth Reedy, of Franklin Co., Al.
4. John P. Hawkins and wife Mary, formerly Reedy of Madison Co., Al.
5. Bryant P. Reedy of Madison Co., Al.
6. John Reedy of Madison Co., Al. - all above are of legal age.
7. Sarah M[ariah] Reedy age about 20 yrs., of Madison Co., Al.
8. [Nancy] Leonora Reedy, age about 18 yrs., of Madison Co., Al.
9. Amanda J. Reedy, age about 15 years, of Madison Co., Al.

Petition for Conveyance - Canaan Church dated 10 Feb. 1835:

David Maxwell, William Gray Jr., and Daniel B. Friend, trustees of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church vs- Elizabeth Reedy, widow of Nicholas Reedy, decd., petition for conveyance:

The Trustees state that on 19 July 1817 Nicholas Reedy and Robert M. Rodgers executed a title bond to the "Trustees of the Canaan Church Meeting House" for one acre of land in Sec. 28-3-1W it being the same acre of ground on which Canaan meeting house is situated. Reedy died after executing the title bond but before title was made to the land. Trustees request title to land.

Note: The following document is faded and illegible in places as indicated by dots:
 Be it remembered that we Nicholas Reedy & Robert M. Rodgers are held & bound unto the Trustees of the Canaan Church Meeting House in the sum of \$300 good and lawful money for value recd. this 19th of July, 1817.

The condition of the above Obligation is such that if the said Reedy & Rodgers make a deed to one acre in Sec. 28-3-1W, Madison County, Mississippi Territory, lying on the

Nicholas Reedy Est. (-continued-)

north ... eastern begin ... East of said meeting house ... west 28 poles thence South 8 poles thence ... 20 poles thence 6 north to beginning including Caanon Meeting House then this obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force.

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Nicholas (R) Reedy
mark
his
Robert (II) Rodgers
mark

Report of Commissioners appointed to Sell Real Estate dated 13 April 1835.

[Note: These land descriptions differ from those on the Peition to sell land]

Land sold:

SW/4 Sec. 28-3-1W cont. 160.40 acres
SW/4 Sec. 27-3-1W cont. 160 ac.
20 acres off north side of NW/4 Sec. 34-3-1W

David Bradford purchased said land.

Letter of Resignation dated 26 May 1835

Letter signed by Elizabeth F[?] Reedy: "I do hereby resign the administration of the estate of Nicholas Reedy, decd."

Sworn Statement of Bryant P. Reedy dated 2 July 1841 regarding debt for slave:

Nicholas Reedy bought from James T. ... ville[?] of Tennessee a negro man for \$600. He paid \$400 and gave a note for the balance. The \$200 balance was never paid by Nicholas and after his death and after Elizabeth Reedy, Bryant P. Reedy's mother, became administratrix she gave Thomas Brandon \$200 to pay said debt on 1 Jan. 1823. Brandon gave no receipt.

Petition for Division of Slaves (undated)

There are "about 21" slaves belonging to this estate. All debts are now paid. A portion of land has been sold and the widow has resigned her administration of the estate and Daniel B. Turner is now the Administrator de bonis non.

List of Heirs (undated) showing that each of the following received \$874.12 from the estate:

1. John Hamblin and wife Martha
2. Woodward B. Hilliard and wife Susan
3. Bryant P. Reedy
4. Alexander Malone (Elizabeth Malone, wife) children:
 - (1) Robert B. Malone
 - (2) Virginia Malone
 - (3) Elizabeth A. Malone
5. John A. Reedy
6. Phil Hawkins, wife Mary. Children:
 - (1) Nicholas W. Hawkins [Also listed as Nicholas R.]
 - (2) John A. Hawkins
7. John Brand, wife Maria. Child:
 - (1) Mary Brand
8. Thomas Bradford, wife Nancy L. Child:
 - (1) John S[L?] Bradford
9. Logan Bradford and wife Amanda Jane

NOTE: When the children are listed it indicates the mother is deceased.

Summons dated 10 March 1845

John A. Reedy is guardian of Mary Brand, infant child of John Brand [widower of Maria Brand]; Daniel B. Turner, late Sheriff and administrator de bonis non of Nicholas Reedy was supposed to have turned over to John A. Reedy the sum of \$874.12 it being Mary Brand's distributive share of the estate of Nicholas Reedy. Turner summoned to appear in Probate Court 18 March 1845 to show cause why John A. Reedy should not receive said money for his ward.

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Nicholas Reedy Est. (-continued-)

List of Heirs dated 16 October 1857

Daniel B. Turner, Admr., says the following are heirs and next of kin of Nicholas Reedy :

1. John A. Reedy
2. Bryant P. Reedy
3. Martha Hamlin, decd., who was wife of John Hamlin (David Nowlin, Sheriff, is Admr.)
4. Susan Hilliard, wife of Woodward B. Hilliard
5. Elizabeth Malone, decd. (Alexander S. Malone, Admr.)
6. Mary Hawkins, decd. (David S. Nowlin, Sheriff, Admr.)
7. Mona Brand, decd. (James E. Seat, Admr.)
8. Nancy S. Bradford, decd. (David S. Nowlin, Sheriff, Admr.)
9. Jane Bradford, wife of Logan Bradford
10. Elizabeth Reedy, widow of Nicholas Reedy.

Petition to Sell Land presented 15 Nov. 1860

Nicholas Reedy died owning the NW/4 of Sec. 28-3-1W and 30 acres in SW corner of NE/4 of Sec. 28-3-1W.

His heirs are:

1. John A. Reedy
2. Bryant P. Reedy
3. Sarah M. Ford, wife of James B. Ford [Sarah M. Hamblen m. James B. Ford 29 Dec. 1853]
4. William M. Hamblen)
5. Susan Hilliard, wife of Woodward Hilliard) All over age 21 and all reside out of
6. Robert C. Malone) the state of Alabama
7. Ann C. Drisdell, wife of ___ Drisdell)
8. Virginia Coffee, wife of ___ Coffee of Franklin Co., Ala., of full age
9. Nicholas W. Hawkins
10. John R. Hawkins
11. John L. Bradford
12. Amanda Bradford
13. John H. Delaney, minor - lives out of state of Alabama
14. Sarah M. [Delaney?]

Note of Instruction from Nicholas W. Hawkins [son of Mary Reedy Hawkins] dated 14 Dec. 1860

To James E. Seat, Admr. of Nicholas Reedy, decd: "Please pay to Johnson & Seat on order, \$135.40 plus interest when amount comes to your hands, said sum belonging to me as an heir at law of Nicholas Reedy."

Report of Sale of Land dated 10 June 1861

Land sold: NW/4 Sec. 28-3-1W and 30 acres in SW corner of NE/4 of Sec. 20-3-1W. Bought by Alexander P. Jones for \$3942.50.

List of Heirs dated 9 January 1871.

1. Bryant P. Reedy - living
2. John A. Reedy - dead (John H. Reedy, Admr.)
3. Martha Reedy - dead (Francis K. Taylor, Admr.) [Note: She married Hamblin]
4. Susan Reedy - dead [married Hilliard]
5. Elizabeth Reedy - dead [married Sandy Malone]
6. Mariah Reedy - dead [married John Brand]
7. Leonora Reedy - dead [married Thos. Bradford]
8. Jane Reedy - living [married Logan Bradford]
9. Mary Reedy - dead [married John Philip Hawkins]

The above list of heirs shows all the children dead except Bryant P. Reedy and Amanda Jane (Reedy) Bradford. By 13 March 1877 Bryant P. was dead and his widow was his administrator. When the final settlement was made on 26 October 1883 the only surviving child was shown as Amanda Jane (Reedy) Bradford. Bryant P. Reedy's widow and his administratrix is shown as Elizabeth J. Reedy.

Note: Mary (Reedy) Hawkins is buried in the Rathbone Cemetery in Madison County. Her tombstone reads: In Memory of Mary Hawkins, consort of J. P. Hawkins. Born Novr. 18th 1812 and died May 10, 1841.

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Marshall



Third Installment

1907 CONFEDERATE CENSUS (Part 3)

For the introduction to the 1907 Confederate Census of Alabama please refer back to the last issue, Issue No. 1, September, 1984.

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| 48. | Josiah C. Creel Boaz, Ala. | Mr. Creel was born March 2, 1845 at Jonesboro in Fayette County, Georgia. He entered service as a private in July, 1863 at Richmong, Virginia in Company "E" of the 27th Georgia and continued until wounded at Petersburg, Virginia and furloughed home. |
| 49. | John J. Childs Albertville, Ala. | Mr. Childs was born March 25, 1846 at Pinksville, Henry County, Alabama. He entered service as a private in May, 1864 at Macon, Georgia in Company "H" of the 3rd Georgia and was discharged at Friffen, Georgia in May, 1865. |
| 50. | William Washington Culpepper Albertville, Ala. | Mr. Culpepper was born May 13, 1834 at Lenna, Randolph County, Alabama. He entered service as a private June 19, 1862 at Auburn, Alabama in Company "B" of the 37th Alabama and continued until discharged at Washington, Georgia at the close of the war. |
| 51. | Robert J. Culpepper Albertville, Ala. | Robert J. Culpepper was born July 2, 1830 in Baldwin County, Georgia. He entered service as a private April 15, 1862 at Auburn, Alabama in Company "B" of the 37th Alabama and continued until the close of the war. |
| 52. | Robert Cobb Arab, Alabama | Mr. Cobb was born September 7, 1846 at Spartanburg, in Spartanburg County, South Carolina. He entered service as a private November 27, 1864 in Columbia, South Carolina in Company "A" and continued until discharged at Spartanburg, South Carolina in March, 1865. |
| 53. | Lewis M. Crawford Arab, Alabama | Mr. Crawford was born December 29, 1831 in Morgan County, Alabama. He entered service as a private February 22, 1862 at Benneville Cross-Roads, Alabama in Company "B" of the 28th Alabama and continued until furloughed on February 20, 1862 at Selma, Alabama. |
| 54. | Idincious N. Chandler Boaz, Alabama | Mr. Chandler was born August 4, 1830 in St. Clair County, Alabama. He entered service as a private September 6, 1862 at Guntersville, Alabama in Company "H" of the 4th Alabama Cavalry and continued until captured in January, 1865. He was imprisoned at Rock Island, Illinois and discharged from prison on June 18, 1865. |



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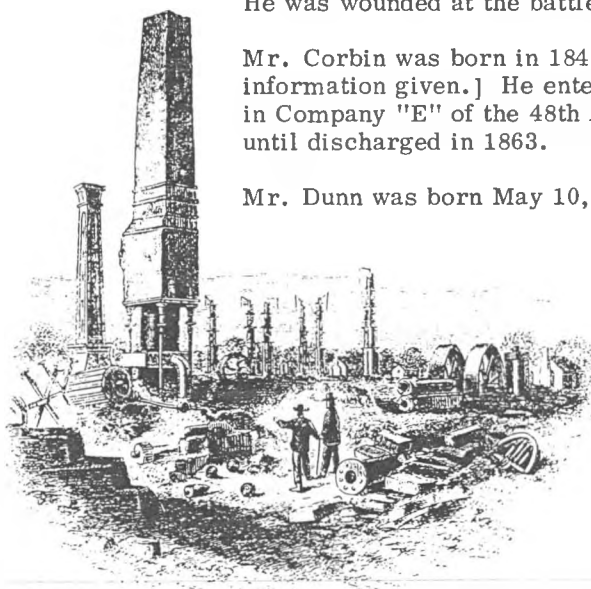
55. William Houston Carter Arab, Alabama Mr. Carter was born August 5, 1845 at Oleander, Marshall County, Alabama. He entered service as a private in September, 1863 at Cedar Bluff, Alabama as an Escort and continued until transferred to Wheeler's Escort in November, 1863. [No further information.]

56. C. C. Collins Ruth, Alabama Mr. Collins was born in 1835 [No day or month of birth was given nor was there a place of birth given.] He entered service as a private in August, 1861 at Gordon, Georgia in Company "A" of the 19th Alabama and continued until discharged at Shiloh in 1865.

57. John C. Clark Preston, Alabama Mr. Clark was born March 5, 1837 at Dodsonville in Jackson County, Alabama. He entered service as a private in April, 1862 at Guntersville, Alabama in Company "E" of the 48th Alabama and was discharged July 2, 1864. He was wounded at the battle of the Wilderness.

58. W. R. Corbin Horton, Ala. Mr. Corbin was born in 1848 [No further birth information given.] He entered service as a private in Company "E" of the 48th Alabama and continued until discharged in 1863.

59. Joseph F. Dunn Union Grove, Ala. Mr. Dunn was born May 10, 1836 at Oleander, in Marshall County, Alabama. He entered service as a private on April 17, 1861 at Ripley, Mississippi in Company "H" of the 2nd Regiment and continued until wounded in July, 1863 and furloughed home.



Ruins of Confederate Foundry

60. Ransom Medous Dick Albertville, Ala.

Mr. Dick was born September 27, 1840 at Farmersville, Union County, Louisiana. He entered service as a private in February, 1862 at Fish Pond, Alabama in Company I [J?] of the 8th Cavalry and continued until discharged at Montgomery, Alabama in August, 1865.

61. Thomas D. Dendy Boaz, Ala. Mr. Dendy was born June 29, 1828 in Henry County, Georgia. He entered service as a private in September, 1863 at Dalton, Georgia in Company "Z" of the 8th Georgia. [No other information.]

62. Daniel Alford Derrick Grant, Ala. Mr. Derrick was born March 13, 1832 at Woodville in Jackson County, Alabama. He entered service as a private in September, 1862 at Preston, Alabama in Company "G" of the 4th Alabama Cavalry. [No other info.]

63. David L. Downs Albertville, Ala. Mr. Downs was born April 21, 1834 at Hogansville, Troupe County, Georgia. He entered service as a First Sergeant on May 1, 1862 at Loachopika, Alabama in Company "F" of the 47th Alabama and continued until paroled on April 15, 1865 at Lynchburg, Virginia.

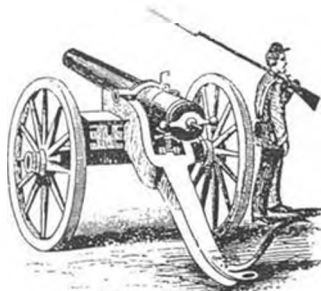
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64. Tip Davis
Cottonville, Ala. Mr. Davis was born February 18, 1842 at Camp Hill in Tallapoosa County, Alabama. He entered service as a private on March 20, 1861 at Montgomery, Alabama in Company "D" of the 1st Alabama Infantry. [No other information.]
65. Thomas H. Ditto
Union Grove, Ala. Thomas H. Ditto was born March 4, 1846 at Oleander, Marshall County, Alabama. He entered service as a private March 4, 1864 at Somerville, Alabama in Company "A" of Stuart's Alabama Cavalry and continued until discharged June 1, 1865.
66. Maston Doyle
Guntersville, Ala. Mr. Doyle was born June 10, 1842 at Blountsville, in Blount County, Alabama. He entered service as a private August 3, 1862 at Huntsville, Alabama in Company "H" of the 5th Alabama and continued in service for three months. He re-enlisted in November, 1862 at Blountsville in Company "M" of the 5th Alabama Cavalry and continued until discharged in April, 1865 at Selma, Alabama.
67. James M. Dobbs
Beard, Alabama Mr. Dobbs was born April 29, 1836 at Lebanon in DeKalb County, Alabama. He entered service as a private in November, 1862 at VanBuren, Alabama in Company "E" of the 48th Alabama and continued until paroled in May, 1865 at Appomattox Court House, Virginia.
68. W. S. Delaney
Rogers, Alabama Mr. Delaney was born in 1840 and entered service as a private in Company "F" of the 12th Alabama. [No other information.]
69. L. A. Dalton
Guntersville, Ala. Mr. Dalton was born in 1840 and entered service as a private in May, 1861 at Marvel Hill, Tennessee in Company "E" of the 17th Tennessee and continued until discharged in 1864.
70. John A. Dearman
New Hope, Ala. Mr. Dearman was born in 1843 and entered service as a private on December 16, 1861 at Paint Rock, Alabama in Company "D" of the 49th Alabama and continued until discharged in 1865.
71. G. W. Dearmon
Cushing, Ala. Mr. Dearmon was born in 1847 and entered service as a private on May 28, 1861 at Guntersville, Alabama in Company "K" of the 9th Alabama and continued until he was discharged in 1865. [No other info.]
72. Eli Maston Ellis
Woodville, Ala. Mr. Ellis was born July 27, 1834 at Woodville in Jackson County, Alabama. He entered service as a private on March 9, 1862 at Guntersville, Alabama in Company "E" of the 4th Alabama and continued until transferred in November, 1862 at Chilton, Georgia. He re-enlisted as a private in February, 1863 at Gravesport, Mississippi in Company "A" of the 4th Alabama.
73. Alford Thompson
Evans
Mellinville, Ala. Mr. Evans was born in 1841 in Lumpkin County, Georgia. He entered service as a Third Sergaent in January, 1863 at Port Hudson, Georgia in Company "E" of the 44th Alabama and continued until discharged in March, 1864.



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Whitworth Cannon

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74. Luke D. Eubanks
Guntersville, Ala. Mr. Eubanks was born December 26, 1841 in Lumpkin County, Georgia. He entered service in February, 1862 as a private in Cherokee County, Georgia in Company "B" of the 43rd Georgia Regiment and continued until captured [No other information.]
75. Mark Edmondson
Albertville, Ala. Mr. Edmondson was born in October, 1830 in Morgan County, Alabama. He entered service as a private in Spring of 1861 at Bastrop, Louisiana in Company "B" of the 3rd Regiment. He was captured at Vicksburg on July 3, 1863 and paroled.
76. Richard Eubanks
Boaz, Alabama Mr. Eubanks was born October 6, 1841 at Flat Shaves in Pike County, Georgia. He entered service as a private in November, 1862. [No other information.]
77. Marcellus A. Espy
Albertville, Ala. Mr. Espy was born June 4, 1847 in Bartow County, Georgia. He entered service as a private on March 4, 1862 at Center, Alabama in Company "B" of the 31st Alabama Infantry and continued until captured July 4, 1863 at Vicksburg, Mississippi.
78. Alfred G[T?] Evans
Langston, Alabama [Note: No birth date or place were given, however, a tombstone for "Alf T. Evans" is in the Langston Cemetery and states he was born Sept. 7, 1841 and died Feb. 7, 1931 and that he was in Company "E" of the 55th Alabama Regiment of C.S.A.] Mr. Evans entered service as a private in June, 1863 in Company "E" of the 55th Alabama and continued until discharged on November 1, 1864.
79. Joseph M. Fletcher
Albertville, Ala. Mr. Fletcher was born March 11, 1830 at Duck Springs in DeKalb County, Alabama. He entered service as a private October 13, 1862



FILLMORE STREET, CORINTH.

at Corinth, Mississippi in Company "G" of the 49th Alabama and continued until discharged at Port Hudson, Louisiana in December, 1862.

80. Martin Farmer
Scottsboro, Ala. Mr. Farmer was born in December, 1836 at Hillsville, Cavel[Cabell] County, Virginia [now West Virginia]. He entered service as a private June 15, 1861 in Virginia in Company "E" of the 45th Virginia Regiment and continued until discharged in West Virginia April 15, 1865.

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1921 CONFEDERATE CENSUS

Please refer to the September, 1984 issue of "Valley Leaves" for a full introduction to these 1921 Confederate Census affidavits. Abstracted by Dorothy Scott Johnson.

F. Joseph Robertson
316 Fifth Ave. West
Albany, Ala.

Mr. Robertson was born at Sandersville, Lawrence County, Alabama on November 27, 1836. He is a widower,

F. Joseph Robertson enlisted in July, 1862 in Lawrence County, Ala. as Chief Bugler in Company "I" of the 5th Ala. Regiment. He served under Capt. Jeff Simpson and Col. Josiah Patterson. This regiment was the 5th Alabama regiment of Cavalry. Mr. Robertson was in the battles at Days Gap, Alabama, Athens, Ala., Town Creek, Ala., and Harrisburg, Miss. He was never wounded, captured or imprisoned. He left the service at the final surrender.

He is a registered voter in Precinct 19 of Morgan County and was a farmer until he "got too feeble." He is living with his son, his only living child, who is:

Chas. C. Robertson, Albany, Alabama - County tax collector.

Mr. Robertson has received his pension warrant regularly since being placed on the roll. Signed by F. J. Robertson and witnessed by Chas. C. Robertson on April 23, 1921.

Clark Fletcher Johnston
Route 3, Box 154
Somerville, Ala.

Mr. Clark Fletcher Johnston was born near Somerville, Morgan Co., Ala. on Sept. 22, 1842. He is now a widower but his wife was born in Blount County, Ala. and they were married in Blount County in March, 1866.

He enlisted in the spring of 1862 at Somerville, Ala. as a private in Company "H" of the Alabama regiment of Infantry. He served under Capt. Darwin when he first enlisted then later served under Capt. Hewlett; he first served under Col. Jones, then served under Col. Gayle and finally he served under Col. Goodgame. He was in the battles of Seven Pines, Frederickburg and other Virginia battles. He was never wounded but was captured at Gettysburg and imprisoned at Fort Delaware in 1863 where he remained until he was paroled. He was discharged from Fort Delaware at close of war. He is now a registered voter in the Somerville Precinct Number 9 in Morgan County. He is a farmer and presently lives at home with his single daughter. His living children are:

Mrs. Eliza F. Brindley, Baileyton, Ala. - housewife
T. L. Johnston, Birmingham, Ala. - dairying
Jas. Johnston, Somerville, Ala. - farmer
Lizzie Johnston, lives with me - housekeeper
E. D. Johnston, Somerville, Ala. - farmer

Mr. Johnston states he has received his pension warrant regularly since being put on the rolls.

The affidavit was signed by C. F. Johnston and witnessed by J. H. Green of Albany, Alabama on May 4, 1921.

Madison B. Robinson
Route 3, Box 57
Hartselle, Ala.

Madison B. Robinson was born October 9, 1838 near Huntsville, Madison County, Ala. His wife is now aged 78 years; she was born in Morgan County and they were married on April 27, 1865 near Somerville, Ala. Mr. Robinson lived in Madison County from 1838 to 1845 and moved to Morgan County about 1845. He has never lived in any other state.

Mr. Robinson enlisted at Somerville, Ala. in last of April or first of May, 1861, in the Infantry. He volunteered as a private then was elected Lieut. by Company "H" of the 12th Regiment. His captain was B. B. Gayle and they served under Col. R. T. Jones. His Company was called the Magnolia Rifles. He was in the battles of Seven Pines, Va., and Boonsboro Gap and Sharpsburg, Md. He was wounded slightly about the 16th of Sept. 1862 when he was struck by a shell on the foot at the Battle of Sharpsburg but he was not critically hurt. He was captured in March, 1865 near Russellville, Alabama but was not imprisoned. Mr. Robinson states "I got away from the guard after he had kept me 24 hours. I pretended to be sick, got my chance and run; he fired at me but didn't hit me."

Mr. Robinson was also in Company "G" of the 5th Alabama Cavalry which he transferred into about the last of October or first of November, 1862. He was appointed First Lt. in Captain A. H. Rice's Company "G" in Col. Patterson's Regiment. He was in the service 3 years and 8 months. He left the service when "General Roddy told me that I could go on 14th April 1865 after the smoke of war had gone by." He was paroled on May 10, 1865 at the close of war.

Madison B. Robinson stated he was too old to have any present occupation and that he was living with his wife and daughter. He is a registered voter in the 5th Precinct at Falkville in Morgan County. He states his living children, their addresses and occupations are:

Ernest Robinson, Chuntona[?], Tenn. - work at wan...[?]
Mrs. Pattie Evans, Falkville, Ala. -
Eugene Robinson, Birmingham, Ala. - works in shop
Frank Robinson, Hartselle, Ala. - farmer
Mrs. Bular Murphy, Hartselle, Ala.
Mrs. Bernice Templeton, Hartselle, Ala.
Sallie Robinson, Hartselle, Ala.

Mr. Robinson states he has not received his pension warrant regularly since he has been on the roll, that "before last Legislative increase amount the July amount was hardly ever fully paid especially after Gov. Comer went out." The affidavit was signed by M. B. Robinson with Lallie Robinson as his witness on April 26, 1921.

A letter attached to this affidavit is as follows:

April 28, 1921

Chas. E. McCall
Chief Examiner of Accounts

I regret that I have not Space to explain fully all the circumstances connected with the questions in blank sent me. I resigned as Capt. of Co. "H" "12" Ala. Infantry about the 1st October 1862 and was immediately appointed 1st Lieut. of Co. "G" 5th Ala. Cavalry under Capt. A. H. Rice and Col. Josiah Patterson in which position I served through the War. Commanding the Co. at Selma, Ala. myself and company remained with General Roddy until Genl. Lee had Surrendered and clouds of war had flown by. Then returned home and took the oath of allegiance and parolled by Doctor Hoy of old Elyton about May 10, 1865. I am yours truly,

M. B. Robinson
Hartselle, Rt. 3, Box 57, Ala.

Madison B. Robinson (-continued-)

Another letter from Mr. Robinson was attached to the file as follows (undated):

Chas. E. McCall
Chief examiner of Accounts

Dear Sir:

J. H. Robinson has tried several times for Pension and failed on account of being unable to produce Co. papers. While there are a no. of witnesses who know that he actually served in the army to the close of the war and think he ought to have the Pension as he rendered valuable service all the time until the close of the war.

The facts are that he was wounded in the 7 days fighting and came home on furlough and joined the cavalry as this country was then full of yanks and the Co. failed to Transfer him and his name don't appear on the records though he served all the time to the close of the war and was made Lieut. by Col. Patterson but that was so close to close of war that no papers were saved. Consequently he is left without pension at the age of 80 years

If you can be of benefit to him it would be greatly appreciated by him and his family. Probate Judge Troup is a fine Lawyer and he thinks he ought to have a pension. The only thing in the way appears to be the absence of papers.

If any thing that you don't understand appears in the blank that I have just filed please inform me at once and I will correct it.

Yours truly,
M. B. Robinson

P. S.

I want to do things right, consequently, will enclose Stamped addressed envelope in order that you may inform me whether you can understand the work that I have done on the blank or not.

I am 82-1/2 years old and nearly blind and nervous consequently: expect bad writing, again,

Yours truly,
M. B. Robinson
Hartselle, Ala.
R. 3, Box 57

The reply, dated April 29, 1921, was as follows:

Your blank filled out was received today and I am writing to you to inform you that it is filled out property and also to thank you for the additional information given.

I am enclosing to you two blanks which is for Mr. J. R. Robinson and I ask that you deliver them to him and let him fill them out in full as well as he can. If he can give the letter of the company to which he was transferred and the number of the regiment with the name of the captain and colonel and also state fully how he quit the service and when and where and especially where he was finally paroled, it may be possible that we can find full proof of service.

I assure you that I will make special effort to aid him in establishing his right to go on the pension roll.

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Madison B. Robinson (-continued-)

Yours respectfully,
[no name given]
Chariman, Ala. Pension Comm.

Note: I could locate no affidavit for J. R. Robinson.

J. Alexander Lane
Route 4
Albany, Ala.

J. Alexander Lane was born January 15, 1834 in Williamson County, Tennessee. His wife is dead and no information regarding their marriage or her birth place was given.

He entered service at Decatur, Alabama in 1861 as a private in Company "E" of the 9th Regiment of Infantry under Captain Harris King and Col. Henry. He was in the battles of Fredericksburg and The Wilderness. He was wounded in the Battle of Fredericksburg but was never captured or imprisoned. He was honorably discharged after serving almost four years. He is now a registered voter in Lanes Beat in Morgan County and he is a farmer living with a daughter. His living children are:

Cara Howell, Albany, Ala who lives "with son."

Texana Mayfield, Albany, Ala. - farming

Mary Etter Sothern, Albany, Ala. - farming.

He has received his pension regularly since being placed on the roll. He signed the Affidavit as J. Alexander Lane by an "X" which was witnessed by Warren White on October 8, 1921 of Albany, Ala.

J. A. Kilpatrick
RFD #1
Hartselle, Ala.

J. A. Kilpatrick was born June 4, 1835 at Blountsville in Blount County, Alabama. He is a widower and no information was given regarding his wife.

Mr. Kilpatrick entered service at Danville, Morgan Co., Ala. in 1861 as a private in Company "I" of the 5th Alabama Regiment under Capt. Jeff Simpson and Col. Josiah Patterson. He was in the battles of Harrisburg, Miss., Selma, Ala., Nemo, Ga., Esson, Ala., and Chapel Hill, Ala. He was wounded in about 1863 in the Battle of Chappel Hill but was never captured or imprisoned. He served about four years and was mustered out of service at Danville, Ala. in 1865.

Mr. Kilpatrick is a registered voter in Gibsons Precinct No. 4 in Morgan County and is a farmer. He and his daughter who keeps house for him live on S. E. Stewart's place. His living children, their residences and occupations are:

H. F. Kilpatrick, Hartselle, Ala. - farmer

G. W. Kilpatrick, Falkville, Ala. - farmer

Miss E. B. Kilpatrick, Hartselle, Ala. - keeping house.

He has received his pension regularly since being on the roll with the exception of the shortage in the July [1920?] pay.

The affidavit was signed as J. A. Kilpatrick by an "X" and was witnessed by H. J. Thomason on April 26, 1921 at Hartselle, Ala.

Queries

Queries are free to members. A maximum of 175 words per year per member is allowed. A maximum of 175 words per non-member may be published for a fee of \$2.00 (as space allows). All queries are edited and published at the discretion of the editor and we reserve the right to refuse to publish any query submitted. At least one full name, date and location should be included in each query. No "surname only" listings will be published.

23 GIBSON, LEE

Thomas Russell Gibson (1809-186?) m 1830 Madison Co., AL Elizabeth Lee, known issue: William, James, Matilda, John M., Martha J. and George W. Need county of birth in SC and parentage of Thomas R. Gibson.

HOKE, HUNT, KENNEMER, MITCHELL, WIDNER

Madison Co., Miss Terr., AL marriages: Mary Hoke m 1814 Abram Kennermer; Joseph Hoke m Elizabeth Hunt; Rebecca Hoke m 1817 Drury Mitchell; David Hoke m 1817 Charlotte Mitchell ; Elizabeth Hoke m 1821 Jacob Widner. These people resided in Limestone Co., AL. What was the relationship of these Hokes? Seeking parentage of Joseph Hoke and Elizabeth Hunt.

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

24 BRAMLEY, BRUMLEY, AMONETTE

John Brumley, William Brumley and Benjamin Amonette appeared on the 1820 Lawrence Co., AL state census. William had 6 children under age 21, one of which was Pleasant Brumley. After 1821 William seemed to have moved from Lawrence Co. and John Brumley left ca 1828. Benjamin Amonette died there in 1834. Anyone having info on William Brumley or where Benjamin Amonette was buried, please correspond.

Ron Bramley, 2649 Overlook, Germantown, TN 38138

25 CHILDERS, THOMPSON

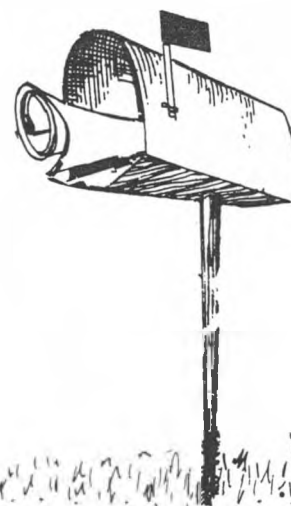
Need info on Robert Childers born 1798 SC, probably died in Pickens Co., GA. He and his family moved to Gilmer Co., GA ca 1845/46. Wife's name in 1850 & 1860 census was Patie or Patia, in 1870 census she was Nancy (probably same woman). Children were: Joseph L.; James; William; Jane E.; Mathilda A. m Francis Pool; Robert; Jacob; Polly (Mary?); Adeline; Charity m Elisha Thomas; Leandor b Dec 1829 SC, d 30 Apr 1907 Pickens Co., GA, m Margaret Freelove Thompson (my great, great, grandparents). Could Joseph L. and Leandor be the same man? Would appreciate any help on this family.

Mrs. Yvonne Spence Perkins, Rt. 2, Box 629,
Camden, AR 71701

26 SANDERS

Francis Sanders b 1804/05 NC, m Cynthia _____, date and place unknown. Was in Jackson Co., AL 1840 & 1850 census. Father of Isaac, Hiram Almand, William J., Martha, Elizabeth, Francis, Ann Serena and James. Migrated to Calhoun Co., AR 1871, d 1875 & buried New Hope Cemetery, Polk Twp., Calhoun Co., AR. Who were his parents? Siblings? What was Cynthia's maiden name?

Ed Sanders, Harding University, Searcy, AR 72143



Queries Editor: MARGARET M. COWART

27 HICKS

Trying to locate my grandfather, James Craten Hooks, on the 1860 census. The 1870 Cleburne Co. census shows him as age 16 and as having been born in Alabama. Does anyone know where in Alabama he was born?
Harriette J. Tinny, 43 East Fourth St., New Castle, DE 19720

28 CRAIG, WORTHY, ALEXANDER

Seeking info on the following: John N. Craig, b 6 Sep 1826 AL, d 17 Oct 1908 Lawrence Co., AL., m 26 Dec 1861 Margaret S. Worthy in Lawrence Co., AL. Lewis Jackson Craig, b 3 Apr 1881 Lawrence Co., AL., d 4 Sep 1949 Lawrence Co., AL, m 22 Jan 1902 Emma Ola Alexander in Lawrence Co., AL.

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

29 SHELTON, CHAPMAN, HUNT, FRAZIER

Seeking info on my great-grandfather, Shepherd Shelton, b Pittsylvania Co., VA, m Rosina Chapman 1820 Lincoln Co., TN. He settled at Maynard's Cove nr Scottsboro, AL in 1827. He had 10 children and died in 1876. Two of his sons-(my grandfather) Woodlief Thomas Shelton and Clement Clay Shelton were businessmen in Larkinsville and later in Chattanooga. One of his daus, I believe, married a Hunt of the family for which Huntsville was named, and named a son Shepherd Hunt. Another dau had a son named Shepherd Frazier. I have seen David Shelton, a physician in Larkinsville, listed as an ancestor of my grandfather, but I have not made the connection. Need any info on descendants and ancestors of Shepherd/Shepard Shelton.

Mrs. Dorthory Shelton Lowe, Rt. 2, Bos 252, Templeton, CA 93465

30 POTTER, GUINN

Who were siblings, parents and wife of Solomon Potter, b ca 1805 TN. According to census, he resided: 1830 Jackson Co., AL; 1840 Pulaski Co., MO; 1850 Buchanan Co., MO. His son?, Jonathan Potter b ca 1838 Jackson Co., AL, m 1) Martha Guinn 1860, and 2) Susan Guinn ca 1867, daus of Daniel Guinn, b ca 1818 TN and Hannah ? , b ca 1818 KY or AL. The Guinns resided in Benton Co., MO ca 1850-1900. Who were parents and siblings of Daniel and Hannah Guinn? Where were they married, and did they live in AL & TN?

BAILEY, GORE

Who were siblings and mother of Charity Bailey, b 1812 TN, dau of Andrew Bailey, b bef 1765 & in 1820 Franklin Co., TN census, and 1810 Pulaski Co. KY census. Charity married a man named Gore ca 1830 in TN.

Aubrey R. Ward, 336 E. Cairo Dr., Tempe, AZ 85282

31 MURPHEY/MURPHY, LAINE, SPEAKS

James Murphey/Murphy's will proved 7 Mar 1829 Lauderdale Co., AL. His wife was Rachel Laine. Am seeking their parents, siblings, & location before Alabama. Named in will: dau Betsy (Mary Elizabeth) b ca 1794 GA, m Wiley Speaks 15 Feb 1821 Madison Co., AL; son Joseph; son David; dau Rachel; John Laine Murphy; Nancy Murphy (no relationship given for these two); son George; son Samuel; son Preston; granddau Rachel Murphy; dau Ann Laine. Executors: Preston Murphy and Samuel Murphy. Wit: Mat Wilson, Saml. Wilson, John C. F. Wilson. Recorded Will Record 6, p 55B-56. 13 Mar 1829. Preston Murphy found in 1850 Lauderdale Co., AL census being 56 yrs old, b VA, wife? Hannah 35 b GA, James 20 & Ann 16 (m within the year) both b AL. Lavina 16 b TN. Preston Murphy buried in Price Cemetery, off Hwy 72 in Florence. Stone reads b 1795, d 1861.

Mrs. George C. Hardwick, 1407 Monterrey Dr. SE, Huntsville, AL 35801

32 AGEE, BURDEN, CAMP, FREEMAN, CARTER

Need info on parents of William Absalom Agee, M.D., b 13 Dec 1842 Lawrence Co., AL, m Narcissa Caroline Freeman, b 17 Feb 1845 Cass Co., GA, d 3 Apr 1935 Hamilton Co., TX. Dr. Agee, a Baptist minister, graduated M.D. from Memphis Medical College, founded and lived at Agee, TX and d 2 Apr 1923 Carlton, TX. Found on 1850, 1860, 1870 & 1880 Lawrence Co., AL census with mother Nancy ? Age/Agee b TN & Mary, John, Jasper & Joe. Father not listed. Parents of Narcissa Caroline Freeman were John Freeman and Mary (Polly) Carter. Dora Agee (dau of Dr. W. A. Agee & N. C. Freeman) b 10 Jun 1866 Lawrence Co. AL, d 7 Sep 1944 Hamilton Co., TX, m 10 Dec 1884 Town Creek, AL to John Weston Burden b 27 Nov 1865 AL, d 17 Aug 1949 Hamilton Co., TX., son of William Henry Burden and Harriet Eliza Camp.

Alfred L. Burden, Jr., M.D. 202 Sheffield, San Antonio, TX 78213

33 NEELEY, SMITH, DAVIS

Need help badly! Joseph Neeley, b 1770-80, lived in Jackson Co., AL in 1830 & 1840. Was his wife Fareby a Smith? In 1840, they had 8 children living at home. Were Thomas b 1820, Fareba Serilda b 1835 and Henry G. b 1837 their children?

PENSE

Would like to contact descendants of John Pense, b ca 1772, living in Jackson Co., AL in 1830. Believe he was the John Pense that purchased land in Secs 26 & 35, Twp 4S, R 4E and Sec 2, Twp 5S, R 4E in 1830. Did he and his family remove to AR?

SMITH

In 1840 Jackson Co., AL a John Smith, age 77, Rev. War Pensioner, was living in the home of Larkin Smith. Was John's wife, Nancy Mulkey/Muhlkey, a full-blooded Cherokee?

Faye Goodner, 5244 Mill St., Fortuna, CA 95540

34 ICE

Need info on John Ice, b ca 1785 NC. Living in Madison Co., AL as early as 1811. Wife named Nancy ? They had at least 6 children born in AL., moved to IL ca 1829. Also need info: Frederick Ice, b 1790, served in MS Militia in 1813 from Madison Co., AL.; Thomas Ice b ca 1793 TN, d 1863 Marshall Co., AL.; Andrew Jackson Ice b ca 1796 TN, moved to Rusk Co., TX ca 1849. Was John Ice a bro of Frederick, Thomas and Andrew Ice? Who were his parents? Where did the Ice's live bef moving to AL? What was Nancy's maiden name? Would appreciate any help.

Norma White, Rt. 1, Box 376, Bismark, AR 71929

35 HAMILTON, WALPOLE

Seeking parents and exact location of birthplace of Isaiah B. Hamilton, who was b in TN and m Evaline Bailey Walpole 10 Sep 1821 Madison Co., AL. Not long after their marriage, Isaiah B. & Evaline moved to Monroe Co., MS and had the following children: Isaac T., Mary, Harriet, Elizabeth R., Frances Evaline, Permilia, Emmeline Catherine Jane, William, Ellen Josephine, James M., Sarah H., and Susan Saphronia.

Robert Burns, Jr., 609 Broadway Ave., Jackson, MS 39216

36 LOCKARD, CLOWERS, SINER, CHEEK

Compiling history of Lockard family & will exch data. My grandfather was James Franklin Lockard, his bro was William Thomas Lockard. Their mother's maiden name was Mary Jane Clowers. In 1880 she was living with her sister, Nancy Siner in Monroe Co., TN. James Franklin Lockard b 1882. Mary Jane Clowers Lockard m Richard Cheek in 1884 in Gainesville, TX. Where was James Franklin Lockard born? Father's name? Where born?

Glynda Lockard Ferguson, 5736 Enchanted Lane, Dallas, TX 75227

37 HURN, MARKS, ROBINSON

Need children of first marriage of James Hurn, b 1783 VA, d 3 Feb 1854 Limestone Co., AL Married 1) Amy Marks 18 Jun 1804 VA. She d July 1827 Limestone Co., AL. Married 2) Nancy C. Robinson 27 Jun 1830. Children of 2nd marriage: John A. b 1832; Lewis S. b 1835; Sarah V. b 1839; Susan C. b 1841; Margaret T. b 1846; Benjamin F. b 1848.

Mrs. James E. Barnett, P.O. Box 26, Rogersville, AL 35652

38 ANDREWS, MARTIN, BUGG, YOUNGER, LARKIN

Need info on Chamberlain Cheatham Andrews b 10 Mar 1805 VA. Ran away from home ca 1820, m Mary Martin (b 1807 TN), lived in Franklin Co., TN until 1847, settled estate of Daniel Martin, & moved to MS. Children: sons-William Pinckney, Jesse Lilley, Demarcus, Frank & John Word Andrews and several daus. Related to Larkin family. Also need info on John W. Younger, b ca 1813 KY, m Nancy Bugg, b AL. Lived in Noxubee Co., MS & moved to TX after 1860.

Sarah Andrews Younger, 1309 N. Second Ave., Columbus, MS 39701

39 WHITE, CRISTBERG/CHRISTBERG

Seeking any info on ancestors John Dent White and wife Rhoda Christberg. John Dent White shown in 1820 & 1830 census of Lauderdale & Limestone Cos., not shown in later census. Came to US prior to 1812 from England. Supposed to have settled in GA bef moving to AL. Owned a plantation & had some slaves, was an officer in the Confederate Army. 3 sons known- 2 were doctors in Confederate Army, 1 was a farmer. 2 spinster daus were school teachers. Searching for any descendants, location of plantation, death date, cemetery, where living after 1830 census, army service rank, wills or any one or place that I can correspond with. Any and all info would be greatly appreciated.

John F. Langley, Jr., 4035 Busath Ave., Louisville, KY 40218

40 MORROW, DORROUGH, PEDEN, JOHNSON

My ancestor, David Morrow, was born ca 1780-3 in Greenville Co., SC, and moved with his family ca 1826 to Fayette Co., AL and appears on the 1830 census there. Does not appear on the 1840 census or thereafter. Does anyone know where David Morrow or any of his children lived after 1830 and where David died? David m Nancy Dorrough ca 1799 SC and they had children: James Morton Morrow (1800-1852); John D. Morrow; Robert Jefferson Morrow; Joseph Morrow; William Morrow; Betsy Morrow m a Johnson; Ellen Morrow m a Johnson. James Morton Morrow m Catherine White Peden ca 1824 and later became Sheriff at Fayette 1846-49. His estate was probated 1853-1877. Robert Jefferson Morrow was State Representative from Fayette Co. 1838-39. Can find no trace of Robert aft 1839, nor any of David's other children. Anyone wishing to exchange info on these Morrow lines, please contact me.

REEVES, WALTERS

Trying to find parents of my great grandmother, Sarah "Sallie" Reeves, b 7 Dec 1850 AL. Have found a Sarah Reeves age 8/12 mos in 1850 DeKalb Co. AL census in house hold of A. J. Reeves, b 1814 SC, Missionary clergy, wife, Mary b 1819 SC. In 1860 DeKalb Co. census appears James A. Reeves, BAP clergyman, b 1815 SC & new wife Melinda. Sarah is shown as Sarahan E., age 9 who has a bro Ruben J. age 5 among other fam members. Family appears in 1870 Etowah Co. census missing Sarah & Ruben J. Reeves. In 1870 Fayette Co., AL census in household of Moses Walters, I find Sarah and a brother John, and feel this is her maternal uncle. Sarah m 7 Dec 1870 John William Morrow in Fayette Co., AL, and moved to TX, and then OK where she died in 1933 and is buried in Tishomingo, OK. Any help in confirming or denying that James A. Reeves was the father of my Sallie Reeves and that her mother was a Walters would be appreciated.

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