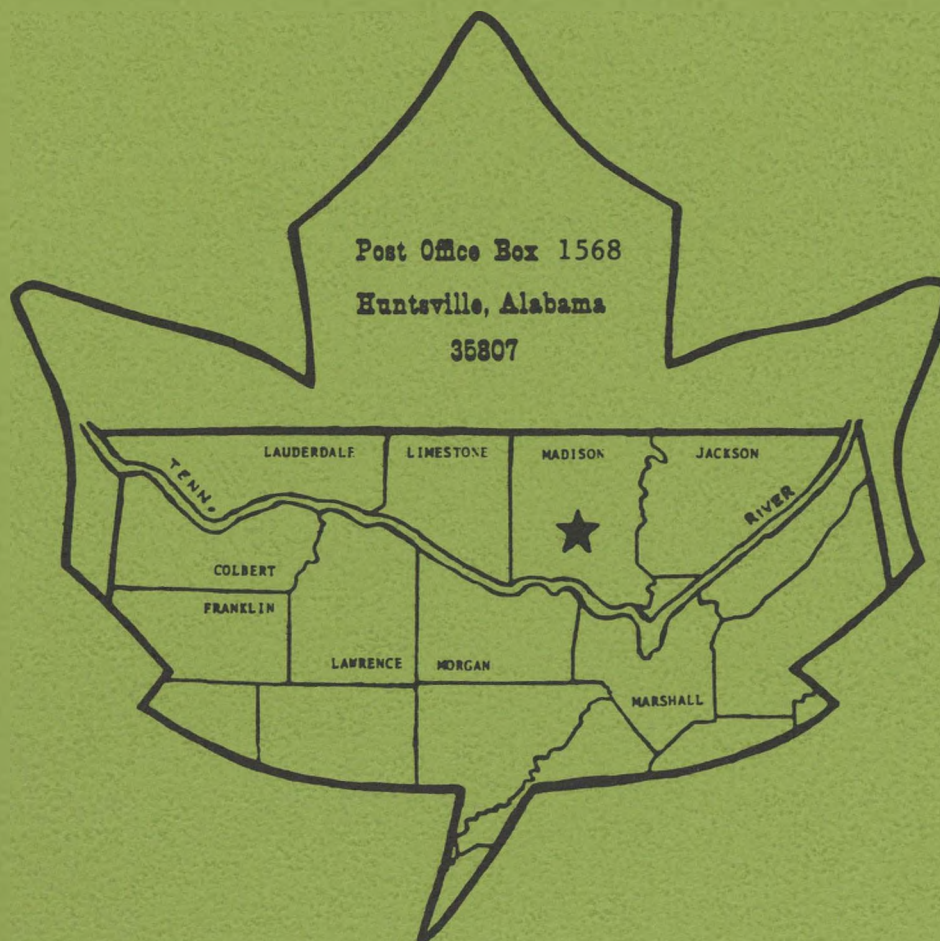


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Editor's Leaf

PHOTOCOPY RATES UP STATEWIDE. The cost of photocopying has gone up to \$1.00 per page in all probate offices throughout the state of Alabama. The cost to certify a document has gone up to \$2.00. The rate change for photocopies is due to a ruling from the office of Mr. Don Siegelman, Alabama Secretary of State, State Capitol Building, Montgomery, Alabama 36130.

In the past your editor would spend a day in each county and photocopy enough material to carry *Valley Leaves* for several issues. Usually it was not necessary to make more than one or two trips to each county yearly. Of course, this was when photocopy rates ranged from 10 Cents to 50 Cents per page, depending upon the county.

To give you an idea of the problem we have, the cost of photocopying *just* what is in this issue at \$1.00 per page would have been \$215.00. Photocopy cost of the two pages of birth records from Jackson County would have been \$25.00; the four pages of Colbert County Will Book "A" would have cost \$19.00; the *one* page of marriages from Lauderdale County would have cost \$14.00, and so on.

In this issue we are fortunate in that we have more member-contributed material than usual. Many issues go out with no member-contributed material and in those issues you can figure the cost to run as high as \$300.00 to \$400.00 for photocopied material that would have cost \$25.00 to \$75.00 a few weeks ago. Multiply this by four issues and you can see the magnitude of the problem.

You can help us to *continue* publishing by contributing Bible records, military records, Southern Claims Commission records, or any other pre-1900 document of genealogical value. In the case of voluminous, expensive material we will be glad to abstract it immediately and return the document to you.

Those of you who live in Alabama may wish to write to Don Siegelman (see above for his address) and let him know your views on this horrendous rate increase. It may mean the difference between sinking and swimming for *Valley Leaves*.

NEW ASSOCIATE EDITOR. We wish to welcome Janet Baker Burks of Tyler, Texas as an Associate Editor (Lawrence County) of *Valley Leaves*. Janet's work has been appearing in *Valley Leaves* for several issues and we are most grateful for her contributions.

MORGAN COUNTY MARRIAGES. Mr. Elbert Minter of Decatur, Alabama has spent many years copying the marriage records of Morgan County, Alabama. He has given TVGS permission to publish this work and we are now in the process of preparing his records for publication. We are aiming for a publication date sometime in late summer and all proceeds will go to the Heritage Room of the Huntsville Public Library.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS? It is important that you let us know when your address changes. If your copy of the quarterly is not delivered because you have moved, the Postal authorities will *not* forward the book to you at your new address. It is returned to TVGS undelivered. We have to pay \$.88 postage due when it is returned to us. When we get your new address we mail your quarterly to you at an additional cost to us of \$.69. The cost to TVGS is \$1.57 for each copy not delivered because of a change of address. The money could be better spent on obtaining material for the publication. The \$1.57 is in addition to the cost of the original postage. It is for this reason that we must charge you \$2.00 for all issues returned to us.

Book Reviews



BOOK REVIEW EDITOR: Annewhite (Thomas) Fuller

COMPUTER GENEALOGY: A GUIDE TO RESEARCH THROUGH HIGH TECHNOLOGY by Paul A. Andereck and Richard A. Pence. 5x7, soft cover, 280 pages, indexed. Order from: Ancestry, P. O. Box 476, Salt Lake City, UT 84115. \$12.95.

Messrs. Andereck and Pence have compiled an excellent guide to the use of computers in genealogical research. Written for family researchers who think that a computer might be useful in genealogical research and for computer owners who are seeking different uses for their computers, *Computer Genealogy* provides guidelines for selecting and using computer hardware and software in the compiling of family histories.

Among the information provided are a directory of genealogy programs, illustrations of the charts and group-sheets that are parts of these programs, the future of genealogy databases, and a bibliography of books and articles that can provide further information for the researcher. A glossary of terms and an index enhance the usefulness of this book.

Computer Genealogy is an excellent introduction to the use of computers and to their applications in genealogy.

ANCESTRY'S GUIDE TO RESEARCH: CASE STUDIES IN AMERICAN GENEALOGY by Johni Cerny and Arlene Eakle. 5x7, 368 pages, soft cover, indexed, illustrated. Order from: Ancestry, P. O. Box 476, Salt Lake City, UT 84115. \$10.95.

Ancestry's Guide to Research presents how to do genealogical research in a new format. The reader is taken, step-by-step, through the process of researching a family history. Each generation provides a look at different types of records and at the repositories where the records are found. Illustrations are provided for some of the types of records and ancestor charts and family group-sheets guide the reader through the data that has been located.

Emphasis is placed on the importance of a systematic search technique. A plan for the research of each generation is given before the data is presented and an analysis of the data summarizes the work completed and that yet to be done.

The authors stress the importance of the documentation in printed genealogies and encourage the researcher to keep complete records for the location of each fact gathered during research. *Ancestry's Guide to Research* provides both the beginning and experienced family history researcher with a top-notch, illustrated, guide to genealogy search techniques.

DEED ABSTRACTS OF WARREN COUNTY, KENTUCKY, 1797-1812 by Joyce Martin Murray. 5x7, hardbound, 105 pages, full-name index. Order from the author, 2921 Daniels, Dallas, TX 75201. \$20.00.

Joyce Murray has abstracted deeds, bills of sale, deeds of gift, mortgages, and other records from the earliest deed books of Warren County, Kentucky. Much of the land involved in these transactions is in the present-day counties of Logan, Simpson, Barren, and Allén.

The records are presented in an easy-to-use format with a full-name index. Ms. Murray indicates in the Foreword that she plans to do at least one more volume of Warren County records - let's hope she does.

WHEELER COUSINS. Compiled by Wheeler Cousins, Inc., 2011 East Rosebrier, Springfield, Mo., 65804. 8½x11, 500-plus pages, soft cover, indexed. May be ordered from above address. \$20.00.

Wheeler Cousins is a compilation of the research of many Wheeler descendants. An attempt

was made to include in the book some reference to every person of the Wheeler name who was discovered in the records of Bedford, Buckingham, Cumberland, Hanover, and Henrico Counties, Virginia. Descendants of some of these people are also included in the book.

Documentation for the earlier records is given, but later generations' information is listed without the citation of sources. A full-name index is included for the Wheelers and a surname index for allied lines. The cost of the book includes a year's subscription to the *Wheeler Cousins* quarterly newsletter.

THE HELLUMS FAMILY, 1765-1984 by Earle C. Hellums. 5½x9½, hardbound, 365 pages. For price write author at 2425 Fountain View, Suite 300, Houston, Texas 77057.

This book is a fully documented record of John Hellums Sr. of Laurens County, South Carolina and his descendants. The lines are traced through Knox County, Tennessee, Madison County, Mississippi Territory, Tuscaloosa and Fayette Counties in Alabama, Tippah County, Mississippi, the state of Arkansas, and finally, Texas.

The Hellums Family is basically in three distinct, although related, sections. The first section is a narrative of the family beginning in South Carolina in 1765. The first proof shown is of a royal land grant to John Hellums for 500 acres from King George III dated 25 Sept. 1776 and, as is done throughout the book, a photocopy of the grant is included. From that time on the author has traced each descendant and liberally included photocopies of original courthouse documents, family letters, maps, plats, charts, family group-sheets, and old family photographs to illustrate almost every statement made. What is not reproduced photographically is type-set such as family Bibles and other documents that do not lend themselves to reproduction.

The second section consists of 32 pages of chronological listings of the various family groups, each numbered and each number corresponding to that particular family in the narrative. This is a good "at-a-glance" record of each couple and their children. Too, Mr. Hellums has made a study of history and correlated his ancestors' activities with the events of the times which adds a lot of flavor.

The third section is 138 pages of photographically reproduced documents referred to throughout the text and includes deeds, wills, etc. This is the most outstanding compilation of family documentation I have ever seen in a family history. It leaves no doubt as to the source of the information. To check the interpretation of a name or fact all one has to do is turn to the back of the book and look at a copy of the original. Some of the documents reproduced, such as William Hellums' Will (in his own handwriting) dated 17 January 1808, are literally in shreds and will soon disintegrate and be no more; because they are reproduced in this book they will be in the family record for all time.

The only flaw I can find in this beautifully compiled, printed, and bound book is that it has no index. If it is ever reproduced I hope a full-name index will be included.

CORRECTIONS

Volume 19, No. 1, Page 7. Will of James Douthit, child No. 6 should read: "Emeline Moody, wife of Amos Moody, a resident of Franklin Co., Ala."

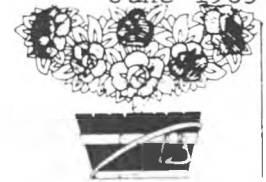
Volume 19, No. 3, Page 150, Translation: Should read, ". . . Brices Cross Roads, Guntown, [Ms.] I came out of Tennessee with Hood and fought all the way from Tennessee River to Selmer [Tn.] . . ." [Thanks to Helen McKnight for this clarification and correction.] S. D. Waddell, Conf. Veteran.

Volume 19, No. 2, Page 98, Paragraph 6, 4th line should be **Sallie Robinson, not Lallie Robinson.**

Volume 19, No. 2, Page 66. The location of the Bethel Cemetery is on the mountain south of Tusculumbia between Sections 3 and 4 of Township 5, Range 12 West and across the road from the New Bethel Church [Thanks to Mrs. E. C. Mitchell (Doris) for sending us this location.]



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 16

Township 1, Range 4 East (continued)

Section 36

$E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$	L. Ivy
$NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$	A. Ivy
$SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$	A. Ivy
$E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$	J. Woods
$W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$	T? Reid (or Rice?)
$N\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$	J. McElyea
$SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$	H. Anderson
$SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$	J. McElyea
$NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$	A. W. Collins
$SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$	F. F. Green
$W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$	A. and J. Collins?

Surveyor's District, Northern Part of Alabama, Township No. 2, Range No. 4 East. Surveyed in the 1st quarter of 1823 by James W. Exum, Deputy Surveyor. Signed by Jno. Coffee, Surveyor.

Section 1

$NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$	A. W. Collins
$NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$	F. F. Green
$SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$	Blank
$SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$	B. Jones
$NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$	Z. Prince
$NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$	H. Sisk
$SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$	H. Anderson
$SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$	R. Frazier
$N\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$	S. G. Grimmitt
$SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$	Blank
$SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$	J. T. Hinshaw
$N\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$	W. Hinshaw
$SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$	J. T. Hinshaw
$SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$	D. Sisk, Jr.

Section 2

$N\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$	C. Frazier
$S\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$	Z. Austell
$E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$	A. Shires
$NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$	G. W. Hinshaw
$SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$	F. F. Green
Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$	Nancy Price
Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$	William H. Calloway

Section 3

$NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$	G. W. Hinshaw
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$SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$	M. T. Austill
$W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$	M. Swain (Swaim?)
$NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$	M. Swain (Swaim?)
$SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$	Blank
$W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$	John T. Miller
$E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$	J. R. Clarke
$W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$	M. T. Austill
$E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$	Blank
$NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$	John T. Miller
$SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$	Blank

Section 4

$NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$	Blank
$NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$	T. Hall
$SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$	John T. Miller
$SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$	Blank
$E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$	H. W. Rhodes
$NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$	T. Hall
$SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$	S. Butler
Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$	Blank
$E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$	W. McGehee
$W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$	Geo. Reed

Section 5

$NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$	T. Hall
$NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$	T. Reed
$S\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$	I. Duncan
$E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$	Thomas Reed
$W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$	J. Martin
$E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$	W. McGehee
$W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$	T. Reed
$E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$	E. Beeson
$W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$	H. Beeson

Section 6

$N\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$	J. T. Prince
$SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$	T. Reed
$SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$	A. H. Lanham
$N\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$	Blank
$SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$	A. H. Lanham
$SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$	Blank
$NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$	S. Hall
$NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$	J. Arnold
$S\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$	Blank
$NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$	J. R. Callaway
$NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$	J. Simmons
$S\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$	G. W. Duncan

Decatur County (continued)

Township 2, Range 4 East (continued)

Section 7

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Graham
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Riddle
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ G. W. Duncan
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Ann Crowell
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Eb. H. S. Russ
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ George M. Jones
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank

Section 8

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Stogsdill
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ T. Reed
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ William G. Green
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ James A. Allen
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ W. G. Green
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ William G. Green
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ W. G. Green
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Eb. H. S. Russ
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Wm. W. Campbell
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ George M. Jones

Section 9

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. J. Trice
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ S. Butler
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Puttule?
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Jno. Ronalds
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. J. Trice
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ S. McDavid
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ M. Read
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Read

Section 10

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ A. M. Self
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Martin
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ A. Ivy
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ Jacob Vanzant
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ A. M. Self
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ F. H. Roberts
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ T. H. Robertson

Section 11

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. L. Larkin
 D. M. Lipscomb
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ G. W. Moring (Manning?)
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ G. W. Hinshaw
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ G. B. Simpson
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ R. S. Simpson
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ L. Clark
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Geo. W. Hinshaw
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Geo. W. Hinshaw

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. S. Martin
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ I. Vanzant

Section 12

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. L. Reid
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ Wm. Hinshaw
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. L. Reid
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ D. B. Wortham
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Wm. Hinshaw
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Hinshaw
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ M. H. Prince

Section 13

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Isaac McElyea
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ A. McElyea
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Isaac McElyea
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 Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Wm. Breedlove
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank

Section 14

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Wm. Breedlove
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ R. C. Robertson
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ M. T. Simpson
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ P. McElyea
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Wm. Breedlove
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank

Section 15

Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ A. Donalson
 Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Turner &
 B. Hendon
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ R. C. Robertson
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Campbell
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Whitaker

Section 16 (School)Section 17

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Green
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ or NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Wm. W. Campbell
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ E. Prince
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ George M. Jones

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Decatur County (continued)

Township 2, Range 4 East (continued)

Section 17 (continued)

$N\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ J. G. Kirkpatrick
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ L. Jacks
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ Wm. Donaldson
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ E. Prince
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ C. B. Wilson
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ W. N. Davis

Section 18

$E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ R. W. Clay
 Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ W. N. Davis
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ J. Clay
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ R. W. Clay
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ E. P. Baugh
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ I. Criner

Section 19

$N\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ E. P. Baugh
 $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ J. Temple
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ E. P. Baugh
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ T. A. Patillo
 $N\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ J. Temple
 $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ D. Malloy
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ C. Malloy
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ F. Broiles

Section 20

$NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ R. Blakley
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Wm. Donaldson
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ J. Williams
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ C. B. Williams
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ N. F. McCallum
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ J. B. Corn
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ M. Self
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ W. Hill
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ C. B. Wilson
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ J. B. Charn
 $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ B. S. Rüss

Section 21

$N\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Samuel McDavid
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Samuel McDavid
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ W. Campbell
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ J. Reed
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ M. Reed
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ J. R. Campbell
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ J. R. Donaldson
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ J. R. Campbell
 Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ James Brewer

Section 22

$NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ R. C. Stovall
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ F. Fowler

$W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ T. Reed
 Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ Sarah Arnold
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ J. Reed
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ S. Cruse
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ G. Reed
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ Blank

Section 23

Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ F. Fowler
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ F. Fowler
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ J. Reed

Section 24

$N\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ J. Gentle
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ J. Gentle
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ J. Gentle
 $N\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ J. B. Sanders
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ J. Gentle
 $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ Blank

Section 25

Blank

Section 26

$E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ William Fowler
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Furnan Fowler
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ S. Cruse
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ J. Reed
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ F. Fowler
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ William Fowler
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ Furnan Fowler
 $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank

Section 27

Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ E. Sanders
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ A. Sanders
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank

Section 28

$E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ J. R. Campbell
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank

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Decatur County (continued)

Township 2, Range 4 East (continued)

Section 28 (continued)

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ C. J. Brewer
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ M. Self
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. R. Robertson
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ R. B. Hill
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank

Section 29

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Williams
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ John Mason
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Jas Mason
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Clay
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ G. T. Hickman
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ N. Fleming
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ A. Vanzant
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ E. Gilliam

Section 30

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Clay
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Larkin
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ M. Thompson
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Clay
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ T. Bridges
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ D. McC. Thompson
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ D. A. Thompson
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ M. Thompson
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ R? H. Taliefero

Section 31

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Basham
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ R. H. Broyles
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Thompson
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ C. Butler
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ A. L. Hyder
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ B. Jones
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. H. Moore
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Larkin
 D. D. Lipscomb
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ A. L. Hyder

Section 32

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Jno. S. Eustace
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Jno. S. Eustace
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ N. H. Bridges
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. S. Eustace
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ B. Franks
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Z. Nelson
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. S. Eustace
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ M. Hill

Section 33

N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ D. Nelson
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ D. Nelson
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ R. H. Bynum
 J. P. Williams
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank

Section 34

All blank except
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. W. Williams
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. W. Williams

Section 35

All blank except
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Joseph R. Hill
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Joseph R. Hill

Section 36

N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ James D. Brewer
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ James D. Brewer
 Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Thomas W. Fears
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ James D. Brewer
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. King

Surveyor's District, Northern part of Alabama. Township No. 3, Range No. 4 East. Surveyed in the 1st quarter of 1823 by James W. Exum, Deputy Surveyor. Signed by Jno. Coffee, Surveyor.

Section 1

Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ Francis Jones
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Andrew? Webster?
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Andrew? Webster?
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Jno. Harper

Section 2

Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ John Hill
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ S. Berry
 Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ S. Berry
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank

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Colbert

COLBERT COUNTY WILL BOOK "A" 1869 - 1903
4th Installment

The earliest Will Book in Colbert County is Book "A" which is from July 22, 1867 to May 11, 1903. Colbert County was carved from Franklin County in 1867 and many of the earlier wills were dated in Franklin County. Abstracted from photocopies by Dorothy Scott Johnson.

Pages 57-58 DEIDRICH ZIMMBROOK

Dated: 5 Jan. 1875

Prob: 1 Feb. 1875

Witness: Joseph A. Warner
Chas. Wolfrom
Rudolph Schneider

Verbatim:

"It is my will that after my death, my daughter Therese shall pay all my debts and the rest shall honestly be divided amongst themselves."

/s/ Deidrich Zimmbrook

Pages 58-60 SAMUEL BENNETT

Dated: 15 Sept. 1853 Caddo Parish, La.

Prob: 17 Dec. 1853

Executrix: Mary D. C. Alexander

Witness: None

I, Samuel Bennett, being now sound both in body and mind and life being uncertain ...
I give unto the children of Mary D. C. Alexander, and herself, who was formerly Mary D. C. Bennett, and more recently Mary D. C. Cain [also written Cane], all my landed property together with my half of all the negroes held in common with her former husband, James H. Cain, Decd., all now in La. The children to take possession when the youngest comes of age.
To my sister, Sarah Colley's children, all my lots and houses in Alabama together with all my landed property in Alabama, Tennessee, and Mississippi; "also all my negro property except Nat is already given previous in this instrument."
To my nephew, Samuel Bennett, the son of my brother, Ebenezer, all the landed property left to me by my father in the state of New Hampshire. In case of his death the property is to go to his father and his brothers and sisters.
To my niece, Miss Sophia Bennett, the dau. of my bro. David D. Bennett of New Hampshire, "on account of a Valentine," \$1000 to be paid by Mrs. Mary D. C. Alexander who I do now make my executor, to be paid out of my Louisiana property.
To George Spear "who I have educated to the law to be the atty. for my succession so long as my executors may think prudent. I mention prudent on account of my having brought to the sense of legal stealing would leave him money but he wants to be like the destitute Webster, cared nothing about money and to ape the President of the U. S. by swalling [swallowing?] the consequential guilt."

/s/ Samuel Bennett

"And now think I aught not to be remiss in noticing the awful charge and Indictment held over me for murder in the parish for defending myself and property while under my own Vine and Fig Tree away late at night between night and day.

"And now unto Judge Roysdon for the able effort to have me acquitted from the charge before Esq. Beall and for the other little incidentals such as keeping me out of jail, I give and bequeath unto him my old Blanket Coat. And unto Joseph C. Bell for his clear judgment in the case, I give and bequeath my old pants. And to the Sherrffalty [Sheriff?] for packing the jury in the Brooks and other cases, I give and bequeath unto it my Old Vest. And unto William G. Kerley, foreman of the Grand Jurors in the true bill for murder I give and bequeath one of my old Boots that it may aid that Valcan leg. And unto Maj. Wm. Terrell for the legal testimony given in favor of the antagonist when he was a feed [fed?] and employed lawyers on the other side I give and bequeath unto him my other old Boot that he may be able to keep pace with Kerley under oath."

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Samuel Bennett Last Will & Testament (-continued-)

Probate Certification:

State of La., Caddo Parish. District Court, 17 Dec. 1853.

I, F. G. Fitzpatrick, do hereby certify ... that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original last will and testament of Samuel Bennett, deceased, late of our said parish and state, that the same has been duly probated in our court by the Clerk of the same excepting the parts and paragraphs after his signature ...

Pages 60-62

AMELIA OATES

Dated: 8 Aug. 1874

Prob: 24 March 1875

Recorded: 4 June 1874

Executor: My son, Wyatt C. Oates.

Witness: W. H. Hayley

Dr. Wm. C. Cross

... of sound mind but weak in body ... pay just debts and funeral expense ...

To my beloved son, Wyatt C. Oates, all my property and effects that may be due after my debts and funeral expenses are paid, and after his death it is to go to the heirs of his body.

/s/ Amelia Oates

Pages 63-64

CORNELIA O. GLEADALL

Dated: 7 April 1875

Prob: 20 Aug. 1875

Recorded: 20 Aug. 1875

Executrix: My sister Lucinda A. Moon

Witness: S. W. L. McClesky

R. C. Mattock

I, Cornelia O. Gleadall ... being in feeble health but of sound and disposing mind and memory ... pay just debts and funeral expenses ...

To my beloved sister, Lucinda A. Moon of Colbert Co., Ala. all my real estate in the town of Tuscumbia; also all my personal peroperty.

To Eugene Moon two lots in the town of East Port on the Tennessee River in the state of Mississippi.

My sister, Lucinda A. Moon, is to pay to Eugene Moon (an adopted son of my late husband, Benjamin Gleadall, decd.) the sum of \$475.

/s/ C. O. Gleadall

Pages 65-67

NATHANIEL J. PRIDE

Dated: 20 April 1875

Probated: 22 Nov. 1875

Executor: Son Goodloe Pride and

son-in-law John L. Tompkins.

Witness: J. W. Rutland

A. J. Ivy

I, Nathaniel J. Pride ... being advanced in age and feeble in body but of sound and disposing mind and memory ... pay just debts ...

To my son, Charles T. Pride, my double cased gold watch, my double barrellled shot gun, one bed, bedstead and furniture.

To my dau., Mary H. Pride, my single cased gold watch which she has long had and worn; also one bed, bedstead and furniture.

To my dau., Annie E. Pride, piano now in use in the family and one bed, bedstead and furniture.

To my son, Charles T. Pride, and my daughters, Ruth Ford (wife of C. C. Ford), Lucy Tompkins (wife of John L. Tompkins), Mary H. Pride and Annie H. Pride, all my household and kitchen furniture, silver and glassware, tableware, books and pictures not disposed of above, to be divided among them.

To my son, Charles T. Pride, the N/2 of Sec. 15-3-14W.

To my dau., Ruth Ford, wife of C. C. Ford, the SE/4 of Sec. 15-3-14W during her natural life and at her death to go to the children of her body.

To my daughters, Mary H. Pride, Annie E. Pride, and Lucy Tompkins, and my sons Isaac L. Pride and Goodloe Pride, Section 14-3-14W. Mary H. Pride, Annie E. Pride,

Nathaniel J. Pride Last Will & Testament (-continued-)

to each have 1/4 undivided interest in this land and Isaac L. Pride and Goodloe to each have 1/8 undivided interest in same.

To my son, Charles T. Pride, and my daughters Mary H. Pride, Annie E. Pride, Ruth Ford and the heirs of her body, Lucy Tompkins, and to my sons Isaac L. Pride and Goodloe Pride the E/2 and NW/4 of Sec. 16-3-14W. Charles T. Pride, Mary H. Pride, Annie E. Pride and Lucy Tompkins each to have an undivided 1/6 interest and Isaac L. Pride and Goodloe Pride each to have an undivided 1/12 interest. Ruth Ford is to have an undivided 1/6 interest during her lifetime and at her death it is to go to the heirs of her body.

To my dau., Sarah E. Coulson, \$5.00.

To the heirs of my son, Edmon M. Pride, \$5.00.

To the heirs of my son, William H. Pride, \$5.00.

These sums are given to show I have not forgotten Sarah E. Coulson, Edmon M. and William H. Pride. No more is given them because I have heretofore given them "more property than I am able to give my other children."

/s/ N. J. Pride

Pages 68-69 MARY F. KELLER

Dated: 22 Dec. 1871

Prob: 6 Dec. 1875

Executor: Not named

Witness: Henry F. Newsum

Harry G[Y?] Newsum

... of sound mind and memory ... pay just debts ...

To my dau., Evaline H. Keller, all my real and personal property except an interest in my homestead hereinafter disposed of.

To my daughter-in-law, Sallie E. Keller, wife of my son Arthur H. Keller, 1/4 interest in my homestead it being the house and lot upon which I now reside. This quarter interest is given to Sallie E. in consideration of \$1000. Sallie and Arthur H. Keller expended in repairing the property.

/s/ Mary F. Keller

Pages 69-70 JOSEPH RUTLAND

Dated: 2 Oct. 1874

Prob: 6 Dec. 1875

Executor: Not named

Witness: A. W. Ligon

R. C. Mattock

... of sound mind and memory ... but knowing the uncertainty of this life ...

To my children, Joseph Rutland and Lucie A. Rutland, the N/2 NW/4 of Sec. 30-4-12W and the N/2 of the NE/4 Sec. 30-4-12W. Also all my personal property with the proviso that if my wife, Lucinda Rutland, survives me she is to have the above property during her lifetime or widowhood. If she should marry then my property is to be turned over to Joseph and Lucie A. Rutland immediately, all my other children [not named] having been heretofore provided for.

/s/ Joseph Rutland

Pages 71-72 ANDREW BRADEN

Dated: 14 July 1873

Prob: 29 Feb. 1876

Executor: Not named

Witness: F. G. Norman

T. Pope

... being in my usual health and mind ...

To my wife, Martha Braden, the proceeds of 10 shares of stock in the Mountain Mills Factory and the interest of a note for \$1100 in gold and another note of \$550 in greenbacks. If this is not sufficient for her comfortable support then she is to use the principal of the notes as necessary.

To the heirs of my son, William Braden, the NW/4 SW/4 Sec. 7-6-10W; SE/4 Sec. 12-5-11W lying north and east of Spring Creek; SW/4 NW/4 Sec. 12-5-11W; and the E/2 NE/4 of

Andrew Braden Last Will & Testament (-continued-)

Section 12-5-11W totaling about 170 acres.

To the heirs of my son, Armstead Braden, the balance of my land, viz: SE/4 Sec. 12-5-11W, SW/4 Sec. 12-5-11W, SE/4 NW/4 Sec. 12-5-11W, SE/4 SE/4 Sec. 11-5-11W and the NE/4 NE/4 Sec. 14-5-11W totaling about 440 acres.

My personal property is to be divided by my two sons between themselves. If Armstead should have no lawful heirs then William's heirs to have all the land after Armstead's death.

The balance of my money, after wife's death, is to go to the schooling of William's and Armstead's children.

/s/ A. Braden

Agreement:

29 Feb. 1876

Martha Braden, widow of Andrew Braden, decd., and William Braden and Armstead Braden, being the only heirs at law and distributees of the estate agree to the terms of the above Last Will & Testament.

Pages 72-73 MARY ALICE WILLIAMS

Date: No date

Prob: 1 March 1876

Executor: Not named

Witness: C. F. Paine

T. W. Thompson

... considering the uncertainty of this Mortal life and being of sound mind and memory ...
To my beloved husband, James W. Williams, one-third of my property both real and personal.

To my dear son, Edwin Earnest Martin, one-third of my estate, real and personal.

To my dear son, James R. Martin, one-third of my estate, real and personal.

This makes an equal division between my husband and "my two and only children."
My husband to be in full control of my children and be their guardian.

/s/ Mary Alice Williams

Pages 73-76 CATHARINE C. CHILES

Date: 15 May 1875 Alcorn Co., Miss.

Prob: 26 Aug. 1875 Alcorn Co., Miss.

Recorded: 3 Nov. 1876 Colbert Co., Ala.

Executor: Not named

Witness: J. H. White

W. M. Inge

R. Beene

I, Catharine C. Chiles ... being in feeble health but of Sound and disposing Mind and Memory ...

To my two unmarried daughters, Martha Elizabeth Chiles and Willie Ann Chiles, all my property, real and personal, share and share alike.

/s/ Catharine C. Chiles

Will proven by J. H. White and W. M. Inge in Alcorn Co., Miss. 26 August 1875; will proven by R. O. Beene in Lee County, Miss. 13 May 1876.



NATHANIEL J. PRIDE CEMETERY

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Andy L. Worsham Aug. 14, 1876 Feb. 28, 1910	W. B. Crochran Feb. 14, 1864 Mar. 12, 1910	Wiliford Jackson Died April 18, 1877 Age 63 yr., 6 mo.	Mary J. Jackson Died June 1, 1893 Age 75 yr., 8 days
W[?] H. Davis, dau. of W.G. & T.E. Davis Died July 20, 1851 Age 4 mo., 24 ds.	Clarence Turbiville Oct. 7, 1906 Nov. 7, 1910	Nathaniel J. Pride Born in N.C. on May 6, 1795 Died Oct. 23, 1875	Susan Jane Pride, dau. of Dahaney A. & Elizabeth Martin Born May 12, 1809 Married N. J. Pride April 26, 1827 and Died May 10, 1851
Martha L. Cochran Born Nov. 19, 1843 Died March 17, 1911	J. B. Cochran Born Dec. 13, 1843 Died April 16, 1890	Inf. dau. of R. A. & M. J. Speer. Born Oct. 25, 1877 and went to Heaven.	
T. L. Underwood, son of W. J. & V. A. Underwood Born Nov. 13, 1881 Died March 8, 1887	Georgiar A. Harris Was born May 29, 1874 Died Dec. 11, 1888 Age 14 yr., 6 mo., 18 ds.	R. S. Cochran Aug. 15, 1839 July 7, 1907	Amanda V. Cochran, wife of R. S. Cochran Feb. 17, 1840 March 30, 1922
Sarah L. A. Cochran, dau of R.S. & H.C. V. Cochran May 17, 1824 Sept. 24, 1828	J. E. McCaig March 23, 1875 Sept. 7, 1929	Rachel E. McCaig Wife of J. E. McCaig Born Aug. 20, 1878 Died --- (blank)---	L. N. Berryman Feb. 20, 1830 Oct. 30, 1911
Hazel Irene, dau of W.R. & L.E. Dubois June 12, 1917 June 19, 1920	George B. Davis April 18, 1856 Dec. 24, 1919	Sue Ellen Pride Dec. 12, 1842 Oct. 22, 1873	Annie E. Pride Feb. 25, 1846 March 9, 1872
Virginia A.E. Underwood 1837 - 1909 Age 71 yr., 4 mo., 4 ds.	Joe Turbeville Died Jan. 20, 1933 Age 80 yr., 4 mo.		

KEETON CEMETERY

No location was given to this cemetery. It was copied in the 1930's by WPA workers and contributed by the Colbert County Commission.

Josie L., wife of J. C. Keeton July 10, 1852 Sept. 9, 1880	Joe C. Son of J. C. & J. L. Keeton July 10, 1880 Oct. 2, 1880	Amanda L., Wife of Joseph Rutland Jan. 31, 1827 Dec. 29, 1915
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CARTER CEMETERY

This family cemetery was copied by WPA employees in the 1930's. It is located in the SE/4 of Section 17-3-9W; northeast of Highways 40 and 74 intersection in the northeast portion of the county. The WPA copyist lists it as being "two miles east of Brick."

David Morris
April 1, 1818
Oct. 12, 1901

Mary F. Morris
Dec. 4, 1847
Dec. 15, 1886

David E. Morris
Oct. 29, 1877
March 6, 1885

Elijah H. Carter
Son of G. H. & M. H.
Carter
July 25, 1873
Sept. 22, 1877

Mrs. Joannah W. Carter
Died April 30, 1933
Age 79 yrs., 1 mo.,
and 16 days

S. D. Herman
Jan. 9, 1835
March 9, 1900
Blessed are the pure in
heart for they shall
see God

Mother
Martha J. McMillan Carter
Wife of I. W. Carter
April 14, 1823
May 14, 1911
Her Memory is blessed

Icabod W. Carter
Oct. 20, 1816
July 17, 1893
Another link is broken
In our household band
But a chain is forming
In a better land.

Celestia Carter
July 24, 1849
Nov. 19, 1863

Nancy H. Jarman Carter
Wife of John D. Carter
Nov. 12, 1818
March 26, 1895
At rest.

Angus N. Burch
Died March 4, 1931
Age 76 years, 9 months,
and 18 days.

T. L. McCarley Sr.
March 19, 1861
How desolate our home,
bereft of thee.

Vibra J. Eckles
Nov. 30, 1899
May 28, 1900

Geo. M. Houseman
June 21, 1875
Dec. 17, 1924
Asleep in Jesus

Ernest, son of
P. P. & M. L. Carter
April 29, 1886
April 19, 1907
Age 20 yrs., 11 mo.,
and 18 days

Albert, son of
P. P. & M. L. Carter
Nov. 30, 1878
May 18, 1902
Age 23 yrs., 5 mos.,
and 17 days.

P. P. Carter
May 4, 1842
June 18, 1901
Age 59 yrs., 1 mo., 13 days.

James A. P., son of
J. H. & B. M. Carter
Oct. 26, 1913
June 5, 1915
At Rest.





Jackson



BIRTH RECORDS 1892-1895

The following record of births was located in the Jackson County Courthouse by Mr. Carlus P. Page who contributed it to "Valley Leaves." It covers Beat 21 which was the town of Scottsboro. By no means is it a record of all the births for the period nor is it a record the physician signed himself but is a ledger in which entries were made by a clerk on information supplied by neighbors, midwives, or physicians.

Even though the baby's sex and birth date is recorded the name is not. Both white and negro births were recorded and are included here under the heading of "race." Our appreciation is extended to Carlus P. Page, 301 Bynum St., Scottsboro, AL 35768 for contributing this valuable material.

Date of Birth	Sex	Race	Mother's Name	Her Birth-place	Father's Name	His Birth-place	Father's Occupation
6 April 1892	F	W	Margarett Rice	Ala.	Ervin Rice	Tn.	Farmer
27 March 1892	F	W	Luthia Rice	Ala.	Joseph Rice	Ala.	Farmer
8 April 1892	M	B	Evie Clark	Ala.	---	--	---
7 June 1892	F	W	Mary A. Kirk	Tn.	W. L. Kirk	Ala.	Blacksmith
9 April 1895	F	B	Evie Jones	Ala.	---	--	---
23 April 1895	M	W	Annie Templeton	Ala.	Charles F. Templeton	Tn.	Dentist
19 June 1892	M	W	Mary Gray	Ala.	John Gray	Ala.	Laborer
1 June 1892	M	B	Tilda Wellington	Ala.	Ike Wellington	Ala.	Farmer
5 June 1892	M	W	Trony Thorp	Ala.	W. O. Thorp	Ala.	Farmer
22 June 1892	F	B	Anna Wells	Ala.	---	--	---
6 June 1892	F	W	Mary Head	Ala.	John Head	Tn.	Farmer
22 June 1892	M	B	Hayer Hampton	Ala.	Louis Hampton	Ala.	Farmer
26 June 1892	M	W	Lillie Ashley	Ala.	J. B. Ashley	Ala.	Lawyer
8 June 1892	F	B	Betsy Edmonds	Ala.	Hudson Edmonds	Ala.	Farmer
3 July 1892	F	W	Theodocia Waller	Ga.	S. F. Waller	Ala.	Laborer
21 Aug. 1892	F	W	Leanna M. Ashmore	Ala.	Robert Ashmore	Ala.	Farmer
4 Aug. 1892	F	W	Sarah Jane Burrow	Ala.	"Alf" Burrow	Ala.	Farmer
18 Aug. 1892	M	W	Mrs. Vance Tipton	Ala.	Vance Tipton	Ala.	Farmer
8 Aug. 1892	M	B	Callie Harris	Ala.	Joshua Harris	Ala.	School teacher
3 Aug. 1892	F	B	Martha Province	Ala.	Hardy Province	Ala.	Farmer

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Date of Birth	Sex	Race	Mother's Name	Her Birth-place	Father's Name	His Birth-place	Father's Occupation
28 Aug. 1892	M	W	Callie Finnie	Ala.	Andrew Finney	Ala.	Farmer
Remarks: Child presented foot first - "Placenta Previa."							
12 Aug. 1892	F	W	Susan Somners	Ala.	Ex. Somners	Ala.	Farmer
6 Sept. 1892	M	W	Lucy Green	Ala.	John Green	Ala.	Farmer
Remarks: Originally a brow presentation, converted into a face.							
22 Sept. 1892	M	W	Mrs. Nannie Bailey	Ga.	L. C. Bailey	Tn.	Merchant
17 Sept. 1892	M	W	Ellen Lipscomb	Ala.	J. O. Lipscomb	Ala.	Druggist
30 July 1892	F	B	Lou Reed	Ala.	---	--	---
22 Oct. 1892	M	B	Francis Cobb	Ala.	West Cobb	Ala.	Laborer
22 Oct. 1892	M	W	Hattie Brown Snodgrass	Ala.	James D. Snodgrass	Ala.	Merchant
1 Oct. 1892	M	W	Mrs. John McCommack	--	John McCommack	--	Laborer
5 Oct. 1892	M	W	Katie Chandler	Ala.	Joseph Chandler	Ala.	Farmer
24 Nov. 1892	M	W	Addie Jenkins Burgess	Ala.	Joe L. Burgess	Ala.	Notary Public
21 Nov 1892	F	W	Mary Morris	Ala.	Joseph Morris	Ala.	Farmer
14 Nov. 1892	F	W	Annie Freeman	Ala.	J. R. Freeman	Ala.	Merchant
12 Nov. 1892	F	W	Mrs. M. E. Read	Ala.	M. E. Read	Ala.	Farmer
1 Dec. 1892	M	W	Nancy Waller	Ala.	Charlie Waller	Ala.	Farmer
1 June 1892	M	W	Mrs. Kirby	Ala.	Mr. Kirby	Ala.	Farmer
17 Dec. 1892	M	W	Matilda Thompson	Ga.	A. H. Thompson	Ala.	Farmer
23 Dec. 1892	F	W	Mrs. Sam Bullington	Ala.	Sam Bullington	Ala.	Farmer
9 Dec. 1892	M	W	Veida[Veula?] Sanders	Kyle Ala.	Jos. A. Kyle	Ala.	Clerk of Chancery Ct.
22 Dec. 1892	F	W	Annie Boyle	Ala.	W. T. Boyle	Ala.	Editor, "Age"
18 Feb. 1893	F	B	Susan Sanford	Jackson Co. Al.	Willis Sanford	Ala.	Laborer
8 July 1893	M	W	Sarah Simons	Ala.	Wm. Simons	Ala.	Farmer
20 Feb. 1893	F	W	Flora Shelton	Ala.	Clem C. Shelton	Ala.	Farmer
27 March 1893	M	W	Maggie Sublett	Tn.	Wm. Sublett	Ala.	Mechanic
6 March 1893	F	W	Sallie Norwood	Ala.	Wm. H. Norwood	Ala.	Lawyer
9 April 1893	M	W	Della Campbell	---	Parker Campbell	---	Salesman
5 June 1893	M	W	Eliza Bynum	Ala.	Wm. Thomas Bynum	Ala.	Fruit agent
7 April 1892	--	W	Annie Cunningham	Ala.	William Dixon Cunningham	Ala.	Farmer
16 April 1892	M	W	Minnie King	Ala.	---	---	---

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MALINDA DERRICK McCLENDON

The following information on Malinda Derrick McClendon was compiled and contributed by Judge William D. Page. The obituary was sent to Judge Page by Margaret Stephens Gurganus, a TVGS member from Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. Mrs. Gurganus stated she found the obituary in her father's trunk.

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It is unfortunate that the obituary lists the name of the departed as Matilda McLendon. She was Malinda Derrick McClendon, daughter of Henry Derrick and wife Catherine Branner. She was a sister to Doctor Derrick of Woodville.

Her tombstone is in the Center Point Cemetery, Route 4, Tupelo Pike, Scottsboro, Jackson County, Ala:

MALINDA
 wife of
 Joel McClendon
 Born
 Mar. 6, 1810
 Died
 May 25, 1895
 Age
 85 yrs., 2 mo., 19 ds.
 In God's own morn her orb will rise
 Once more a star of paradise

The obituary of Malinda Derrick McClendon was carried in The Jackson County Herald. It was written by Fannie V. King, and is reproduced below.

AN ANCIENT DAME DEPARTS FROM EARTH

"To write in full the life of Mrs. Matilda McLendon, widow of J. S. McLendon, would be to give an epitome of a history of Jackson County. For eighty years she has lived continuously on Jackson county soil, coming from her birthplace in Jefferson county, Tennessee, with her father and mother in 1815, four years before the State of Alabama and Jackson County were organized. The father, Henry Derrick, a Virginian by birth but of German extraction, helped to hold the first court ever held in the county. He was a man of means, a slave-owner, settling upon a rich tract of virgin soil at the place now called Woodville which was then a vast canebrake.

"A woman of the native intellect, gifted with a remarkable memory, Mrs. McLendon could tell many interesting stories of people, places and things—especially was it enjoyable to hear her narrations about pioneers and Indians. Once, when a child, I heard Mrs. McLendon tell how she captured a beautiful pet, in her early girlhood, that illustrated a primitive wilderness of her pioneer home. She went to all the cows home with a slave-girl late one evening and returned bearing a tiny fawn in her arms. Her pride in her trophy was somewhat abated, when she suffered a severe reprimand from her mother for running so great a risk from an

attack from the doe, whose gentle nature, fired with the natural instinct to protect her young sometimes became dangerous. She remembered when the mountain now crowned with Green Academy, was the haunt of wolves and bears, and other lesser game. Think what a magazine of facts, a storehouse of rich memories, a bright mind can become in eighty five years. Her earliest hours were full of the echoes of the War of 1812, when she was a babe of two, and in which her kinsmen fought, of Indian warfares she knew much, and she was a pensioner of the Florida or Black Hawk war, her young husband having left her side in '37 to fight for his country, when her oldest son was an infant of one. A youth from her roof left her household to fight in the Mexican War under Gen. Benj. Snodgrass, and her two sons, J. H. and J. P. McLendon, fought in the war of the Rebellion in the command of the late Col. John Snodgrass if I mistake not.

"This ancient dame told me anecdotes of my own kin who came early from Virginia and were owners of the land where Scottsboro now lies and the adjacent hills and dales of Joseph Snodgrass and David Long, Joseph Clark and John Eads, all kin by blood or marriage, who were first proprietors, long before Scottsboro was known as Scott's Mill.

"Through her maternal lines, Mrs. McLendon

Malinda Derrick McClendon (-continued-)

was a Brunner of Virginia. Though living a secluded life she never forgot her proud and ancient lineage or mixed with the ruder social element. She pointed with pardonable pleasure to the successful careers of her uncles Brunner, the first bankers of Knoxville, Tenn., and learning of my contemplated trip to California in 1892, John McLendon, Esq., gave me a letter of introduction to an eminent cousin who has an considerable fame in circles of reserch and culture, Prof. John Caspar Brunner, occupying the chair of Chemistry at Leland Stanford University. In his laboratory at Palo Alto, I found him a courtly, elegant man, and afterwards, at San Jose, I heard him deliver an interesting scientific lecture.

"Of her immediate family, two sons, J. H. and J. F. McLendon, and two daughters, Mrs. James Beeson and Mrs. John Hall of Ozark, Ark., survive her. Among the mourners also were Mrs. Jane Stephens of Woodville, and Mrs. Stephen Kennemore of Paint Rock (widow of the old war sheriff of that name), and the well-known citizen of Woodville, her brother, Doctor Derrick.

Among her grand-children was the late Dr. Dicus and the favorably known young practitioner, Dr. Lafayette McLendon of Hollywood [Ala.].

"Mrs. McLendon was the oldest Cumberland Presbyterian in the county, having joined that church in June, 1848, and was baptised by the beloved Bro. Willoughby, one of the pioneer preachers of her faith. She retained her faculties up to the last day, and fell asleep in Jesus last Saturday, waking to the eternal dawn at one o'clock in the morning. After life's long and fitful fever she has gone to gather the fruits of the garnered hopes of 85 years, and harvest of the sowing of good deeds and better intentions through her useful life. Last Sunday she was laid to rest beside her daughter, the first wife of George T. Dicus, formerly the widow of Wm. Shelton, in the Center Point church-yard. Her husband had preceded her to the unknown country nearly forty years ago, having been interred in the old "Liberty" cemetery."

F.V.K.

[Note: "F.V.K." was Fannie V. King, daughter of the editor, Alex Snodgrass.]

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Jackson County, Alabama, Probate Court
Probate Minutes, Book "A" - Page 110
August 28, 1856

Henry Derrick, deceased
Lafayette Derrick, Executor
Heirs of Henry Derrick listed as:

1. Joel McClendon, in right of his wife, Melinda McClendon.
2. J. H. Evans, in right of his wife, Christina Evans.
3. George B. Derrick.
4. Lafayette Derrick.
5. William G. Stevens, in right of his wife, Maria Jane Stevens.
6. Benjamin F. Derrick.
7. Stephen E. Kennemore, in right of his wife, Celina Kennemore.
8. Frances C., Maston D., William R., and Nancy Jane Fletcher, in right of their mother, Ann Fletcher, deceased, formerly Ann Derrick.
William R. Fletcher and Nancy Jane Fletcher are minors.
All of the above are residents of Jackson County, Alabama.
9. William M. Derrick, a resident of the State of Texas.

Family Notes:

The sister referred to as Mrs. Jane Stephens was Mariah Jane Derrick who married William G. Stephens [See "Valley Leaves" Vol. 17, No. 4, Page 165.]

The father of Malinda McClendon was Henry Derrick (1788-1856). Her mother was Catherine Branner (Brunner) (1791-1869), daughter of Michael Branner and his wife, Christina Arey.

The daughter beside whom she was buried was Alabama McClendon. The grave is about six feet from that of Mrs. McClendon and is marked, "Allie Dicus, wife of G. T. Dicus, born Sept. 18, 1842 - Died July 27, 1891." She married first, William D. Skelton and second, George T. Dicus.

Malinda Derrick McClendon (-continued-)

Family Notes (-continued-)

The husband, Joel S. McClendon, is said to be buried at "Old Liberty Cemetery" in Jackson County. He was born November 7, 1811 and died October 6, 1858.

The cousin, John Casper Branner, was born July 4, 1850 at New Market, Tennessee. He was author of "Casper Branner of Virginia and His Descendants," published in 1913 at Stanford University. He graduated Cornell University in 1882 and was made professor of geology at the University of Indiana in 1885. In 1887 he was appointed state geologist of Arkansas. He began teaching at Stanford University, then called Leland Stanford University, at Palo Alto, California, in 1892. He became Vice President of Stanford University 1899 and served until 1913 when he became President. He served as President until 1915. He died in 1922. The family name of Branner was also spelled Brynner and Brunner.

The young practitioner of Hollywood [Jackson County, Ala.] was William Lafayette McClendon, born September 15, 1872, son of James Knox Polk McClendon and his wife, Mary King. He married first, January 1896 Annie Hunt; she died in 1898 and he then married Lizzie Campbell.

JOHN BAZOAR LAND PATENTS

The following Certificates on patented land were obtained and contributed by TVGS member Ann Gahan of Sierra Madre, California (308 Grove St. 91024). They are Certificates which were issued John Bazoar by the United States Government after the land was paid for. Mrs. Gahan obtained these Certificates from the Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior, 350 Pickett St., Alexandria, Va. 22304. John Bazoar/Basoar/Bazore had first settled in Madison County by 1809 then moved to Jackson County.

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

To all whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

WHEREAS, John Bazoar of Jackson County, Alabama has deposited in the General Land Office of the United States, a certificate of the Register of the Land Office at Huntsville whereby it appears that full payment has been made by the said John Bazoar 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 East half of the Southeast quarter of Section Nine, in Township Four, of Range Three East in the District of lands subject to sale at Huntsville, Alabama; containing eighty acres and ten 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 John Bazoar.

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 John Bazoar 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 thereto belonging, unto the said John Bazoar and to his heirs and assigns forever.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I, Andrew Jackson, 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 twenty first day of December in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and thirty and of the Independence of the United States the fifty fifth. Certificate No. 2528.

[Note: The other certificate, No. 2498, was identical except it covered the E/2 NE/4 of Sec. 4-4-3E]

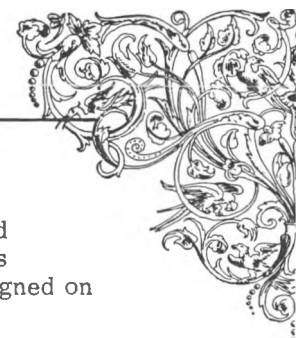
1839 LETTERS LEFT AT POST OFFICE
Bellefonte, Alabama

Letters to the following named addressees were yet to be picked up from the Post Office at Bellefonte, Alabama on the first day of April, 1839. The list was obtained and contributed by Judge William D. Page who found it in the Thursday April 11, 1839 edition of the "Bellefonte Courier." An admonishment at the beginning of the newspaper article stated that the letters "if not taken out by the first of July next will be sent to the General Post Office as dead letters."

<p>A</p> <p>Allison, William Arnold, John</p> <p>B</p> <p>Bryant, Randolph (3) Bowling, Charles Brown, Jesse Bynum, Isaac Baker, Daniel Buzbee, Eli Bryant, Harwell M. Bryant, John or Bryant, William</p> <p>C</p> <p>Collins, Mrs. Anna Cowen, Samuel M. Coalter, James Campbell, Thomas M. Cheeks, John Coffee, L. M. Coffee, W. Tate Collins, Hugh Crats, John Culver, Andrew B. Cunningham, Messrs. J & Co.</p> <p>D</p> <p>Daniel, Col. James E. Doren, J. L. Derrick, Isaac N. (3) Darwin, John M. Doffs, David Darwin, John C. Deboard, Daniel</p> <p>F</p> <p>Frazier, A. G. French, James M. French, Jessee</p> <p>G</p> <p>Gibson, E. L. Gillum, Mr. Grant, Hiram Gilmore, Wm. Gentry, Joiner Glascock, Spencer Green, Miss Mary Gentry, Hugh Gunter, Wm. Giles, James</p>	<p>H</p> <p>Hughes, E. W. Hicks, Anderson Heath, Thomas Hudson, John W. Houston, William Harris, William (2) Hays, Isaac or Hays, Charles Hampton, Silas Hampton, John Holding, John W.</p> <p>I</p> <p>Ivy, Maj. Randolph Isbell, Zachariah</p> <p>J</p> <p>Justice, John Esqr. Jolly, Robert Johnson, Albert Jenkins, Nilton Jones, Lorenzo</p> <p>K</p> <p>Kirby, Milton King, Wm. M. Kirby, Nathan Keeth, A. J. King, Isham Kirby, Richard</p> <p>L</p> <p>Lollar, A. K. (3) L ey[?], William Lambertson, Wiley B. Lucus, Daniel (2) Longacre, A. J. Latham, Jonathan</p> <p>M</p> <p>Mitchell, Bates McCorongh[?], Miss Alsey Milikan, Benjamin or Russell, Matthew McCartney, James Mason, Dr. William Mitchell, John Martin, N. M. Maleny[?], William Montgomery, Milton McDow, John Miller, M. P. Moore, James Esqr. McDowell, John Mitchell, Jessee</p>	<p>P</p> <p>Parker, Elizabeth Patterson, Widow or Jams Roberts Proctor, William</p> <p>R</p> <p>Rogers, John Reese, John K. Rollings, Josiah D. Russell, A. J. Rainbow, Samuel Robinson, Mary</p> <p>S</p> <p>Stephens, Ellis (2) Smith, Benjamin Sanders, William or Kinchen Sellers, Young Sublett, Miss Lucinda Sheppard, Mrs. Alvira Stebb, William Stinnett, Mason [Stinodt?] Smith, William or Mary Smart, William Smith, James (2) Stinnett[?], John Stratton, John Shelton, Dozier [Skelton?] Sanders, George Steeple, D. W. Sanders, Miss Deborah Smally, Harrison</p> <p>T</p> <p>Tubbs, William Tally, John F. Travis, Robert Tinney, Griffith</p> <p>V</p> <p>Vernon, James E. Vanzant, Jacob</p> <p>W</p> <p>White, Jonathan Wann, Edward Walton, Henry Witt, Charles Wellborn, Isaac Walker, Hamilton Wann, Robert</p> <p>Y</p> <p>Young, Erven</p>
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Lauderdale



DEED RECORD A-1

Lauderdale County was established in 1818 but the earliest deed book found in that county appears to be from 1822-1828 and has "Deed Record A-1" on the cover. The first recorded instrument was signed on 30 March 1818 and the next was recorded in 1822.

Another book marked "Deed Record A-2" appears to be a WPA copy of A-1. The next book was "Deed Record A-3" which began 18 April 1825 and ended 14 May 1827 on Page 355. Abstracted from the original book and contributed by Dorothy Scott Johnson.

Page 1 - 20 Articles of Association, Cypress Land Company. 30 March 1818.
Whereas at the sale of public lands in the Alabama Territory north of the Tennessee River and west of Madison County, held at Huntsville during the first and second weeks of the present month, the following sections, half-sections, and fractional sections of land were purchased by the co-partners under the name of the Cypress Land Company for their joint benefit and account for the purpose of laying out the town of Florence and establishing one or more ferries for the common benefit of said association:

- SW/4 Sec. 34-2-10W
- NW/4 Sec. 34-2-10W
- Fractional Sec. 7-3-10W
- Fractional Sec. 8-3-10W
- Fractional Sec. 3-3-10W
- Fractional Sec. 4-3-10W
- Section 1-3-11W
- Section 10-3-11W
- Section 11-3-11W
- Fractional Sec. 12-3-11W
- Fractional Sec. 13-3-11W
- Fractional Sec. 14-3-11W
- Fractional Sec. 22-3-11W
- Section 15-3-11W
- Fractional Sec. 21-3-11W
- Fractional Sec. 22-3-11W

containing 5,515.170/100 acres for \$85,235.24. The partners in the Cypress Land Company are:

- LeRoy Pope and Thomas Bibb of the Alabama Territory [Madison Co.]
- John Coffee, James Jackson and John Childers of the state of Tennessee
- Dabney Moris of Virginia
- John McKinly of Kentucky

Signed by the above named men in Madison County, Alabama Territory, 30 March 1818.

Witnessed by:

- Waddy Tate
- J. W. Walker
- George Cox
- Willie Milam

Pages 20-21 Bill of Sale. 3 July 1822.
William Blackburn sells to David & Marke one bay horse for \$40.
Witnessed by:
John Hudson
Trigy McClelan
Delivered for recording and recorded 3 July 1822

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Deed Book A-1 (-continued-)

- Page 21 Brand Registration. Caleb S. Manly.
Caleb S. Manly records his ear mark for stock as a crop and slit in the left ear and an underbit in the right ear.
- Pages 22-23 Indenture. 29 August 1822. Wilkes and McKnight.
Amos Wilkes and William McKnight, both of Lauderdale County, Alabama Territory, previous to the sale of land in Lauderdale County authorized by the general government in Huntsville, Madison County, Ala. Territory.
- McKnight agrees to purchase the NW/4 of Sec. 17-11-2W. Wilkes and McKnight agree to divide the land between them. McKnight to get the land north of the dividing line and Wilks to have the land south of the dividing line.
- On 17 March 1818 Wilkes and McKnight purchased the NW/4 of Sec. 17-11-2W and Wilkes became the purchaser in order to secure title to McKnight as McKnight has paid half of the first installment. If McKnight pays half the second installment then Wilkes is hereby bonded for \$320 to make title to McKnight.
Witness: Jacob P. Young
- Page 24 Bill of Sale. 1 July 1820. Hearston to Warner.
Thomas Hearston of Lauderdale County, Alabama sells to M. Warner a negro woman named Rachel, age 18 years, for \$550.
Witness: Henry James Hawkins
Eliza Greaves
Acknowledged by Hearston 24 Aug. 1822
Recorded 11 September 1822
- Page 25 Bill of Sale. 21 August 1822. Blackburn to Brown.
Samuel A. Blackburn sold a negro child named Mariah, the daughter of Sibb, born 31 October 1821, to David Brown for \$100.
Witness: George Booth
Proven by Booth 5 Sept. 1822
Recorded 12 Sept. 1822
- Pages 26-28 Power of Attorney. 7 October 1822. Winston to Thorn.
Lucy Winston and Dolly Winston give George Thorn their Power of Attorney to sell and convey the house and land in Culpepr County, Virginia adjoining the town of Stevensburgh.
- On 8 October 1822 Lucy and Dolly acknowledged the Power of Attorney before William S. Fulton, Judge of the County Court of Lauderdale County and Andrew McMuskenny[?], J. P.
Recorded by W. W. Garrard, Clerk of Lauderdale County Court 8 October 1822.
- Pages 29-31 Deed of Trust. 25 June 1822.
Jenkins Whiteside of Davidson County, Tennessee, for \$2300 sells to William S. Fulton, Esq., of Florence Alabama, in trust, seven negro slaves:
Tom about 22 years of age
Sam about 21 years of age
Rachael about 17 years of age
James about 11 years of age
Nelly about 45 years of age
Lidia about 40 years of age and her child, Minnie, about 2 years.
Said slaves are sound and healthy and are now at the Alabama Iron Works in Alabama.
- Whereas Fredy Morris, merchant of Baltimore, Md., at the last term of Circuit Court in Lauderdale Co. recovered judgment against Thomas Ramsey, a mercht. formerly of Nashville, Tn. for "about" \$2170 plus costs, which sum Whiteside has become bound to Ramsey to pay Fulton as attorney for Fry & Morris by 1 January 1823. If Whiteside does not pay said sum by the due date Fulton is authorized to sell the negroes at the Florence Inn.
Witness: James Jackson
Jno. Simpson.
Proven by James Jackson 11 Oct. 1822

Deed Book A-1 (-continued-)

- Pages 32-33 Power of Attorney. 27 November 1822. Donelson to Childress and Jackson. John Donelson Junr. of Lauderdale County, State of Alabama, appoints Thomas Childress and James Jackson, also of Lauderdale Co., Ala., his sttorneys to divide the real property "owned by me in West Florida consisting of lots in the town of Pensacola and lands adjoining and in the neighborhood of said town being the same that was purchased by me in the year 1818 for and on account of James Jackson Senr., James Jackson Junr., John Jackson, John McCrox, Thomas Childress, John H. Easton, John C. McLemore and John Donelson Jr. "
- When John Donelson Jr's part is laid off they are to divide it into two equal halves and to divide one of the halves equally and give LeRoy Pope one of the halves and James Hood the other, in other words LeRoy Pope is to have one quarter of the whole and James Hood is to have one quarter of the whole.
Acknowledged 6 Dec. 1822
Recorded 12 Dec., 1822
- Pages 33-34 Power of Attorney. 5 December 1822. Hood to Childress and Jackson. James Hood of Lauderdale County, Al. gives his Power of Attorney to Thomas Childress and James Jackson to receive from John Donelson Jr. a deed for one-quarter of the property in Florida described above.
Acknowledged and recorded 6 December 1822
- Pages 35-38 Mortgage. 29 Nov. 1822. Colier to Boardman. Wyatt Colier of Limestone County, Ala., for \$3000, sells to the Connecticut Asylum for the education of the "deaf and dum persons" otherwise called the American Asylum at Hartford, Connecticut, land in Lauderdale County, Ala. being:
W/2 Sec. 11-3-13W
The condition of the deed is that Colier has delivered to John Boardman, agent for the Asylum, three bonds payable at the Planters & Merchants Bank of Huntsville, in the aggregate sum of \$3300.55 plus interest from the date of each:
Bond for \$1121.85 payable 1 March 1825
Bond for \$1121.85 payable 1 March 1826
Bond for \$1121.85 payable 1 March 1827
If Collier pays said sums this deed is null and void.
Recorded 13 December 1822
NOTE: A notation across the margin stated the mortgage had been satisfied 10 Feb. 1832.
- Pages 38-41 Articles of Agreement. 6 Dec. 1822. Britton and Gooding. Miles Britton promises to convey to John B. Gooding all Britton's interest in a lot next to one occupied by Isaac Southworth adjoining the town of Florence and which Britton purchased from John Coffee. The lot fronts Court Street 33 feet and runs back to the land reserved for the use of the public called the Spring ground holding.
- Britton also promises to complete the lodge and finish the log cabin now standing on the lot; he will put up "ruff" [rough] rafters and cover the rafters with clapboards and clapboard the gable end and cut out a space for windows for a 12-light sash formed for 8x10 glass; Britton also binds himself to furnish the glass, nails, pully[putty?], and all materials necessary to complete the building at his own expense.
Witness: Isaac Southworth
Recorded 17 December 1822
- Page 41 Bill of Sale. 14 November 1822. Kendrick to Kendrick. Obediah Kendrick of Lawrence County, Tennessee sold to __[not named]__ one negro man named Charles, age about 30, for \$600.
Witness: William Welch
Recorded 17 Dec. 1822

MARRIAGE BOOK 5 & 6, 1838-1857

This 223 page book is housed at Florence in the Lauderdale County Courthouse. This record may have been compiled when the returning officer (minister, Justice of the Peace, etc.) made his return to the court since the entries are not in exact chronological order.

<u>Groom</u>	<u>Bride</u>	<u>License</u>	<u>Sol.</u>	<u>By</u>
Azell Myrick	Mary[?] A. Coffee	20 Dec 1841	4 Jan 1842	F. Johnson, Min of C. P. Church
Elijah Bourne	Eliza Glenn	9 Feb 1842	10 Feb 1842	Samuel Herd
Carlisle M. Knight	Cariline C. F. Jackson	9 Apr 1842	26 Apr 1842	F. Johnson, Min.
Joseph Bishop	Julian Broadway	16 Mar 1842		<u>W.</u> B. Bryan
John Johnson	Jane Cole	14 Dec 1841		<u>M.</u> B. Bryan
John Cooper	Matilda R[B?] Chandler	16 Feb 1842		<u>M.</u> B. Bryan
Wilson Carroll	Mary Jane Baker	7 Feb 1842	9 Feb 1842	Simon Kirk
Andrew P. Howie	Mariah Chandler	22 Nov 1841		<u>W.</u> B. Bryan
William Spain	Matilda Motes	23 Dec 1841	5 Jan 1842	D. W. House, JP
Richard A. Wiggins	Jackey G. Dunn	7 Dec 1841		Finch P. Scruggs, MG
Hiram Hill	Matilda Askew	6 Dec 1841	9 Dec 1841	M. H. Richardson, JP
Bassel Bunch	Mariah Ann Custard	25 Mar 1842	25 Mar 1842	John T. Haraway, Judge
Mark Shelton	Emeline Glosup	11 Oct 1841	Oct 1841	S. D. Poteet, JP
Joseph Lovelace	Elmira Davis	13 Dec 1841	14 Dec 1841	Bennet Pope
Mark Shelton	Emeline Glossup	11 Oct 1841	Oct 1841	S. D. Poteet, JP
John Loyd	Elizabeth F. Murphy	30 March 1842	31 March 1842	Berry H. Loyd, JP
Fielden Littrel	Lucy Wood	8 March 1842	8 March 1842	Thomas Stone, JP
W. A. Gilbert	Sarah E. Oliver	3 Jan 1842	13 Jan 1842	J. Scale, MG
William Matthews	Phoebby Talley	4 Jan 1842	11 Jan 1842	J. L. Fielder, JP
Thomas A. Neal	Elizabeth Brown	30 Dec 1841	30 Dec 1841	T. M. Phelps, JP
William Rhodes	Caroline Davis	5 Jan 1842	6 Jan 1842	T. M. Phelps, JP
Jesse Trobough	Loucenda A. Rhea	14 Dec 1841	14 Dec 1841	H. Richardson, JP
Lewis B. Curtain	Elizabeth Hill	7 Dec 1841		
Samuel C. Sands	Mahala Betterton	12 Jan 1842	13 Jan 1842	D. W. House, JP
George H. Glako	Elizabeth M. Armour	3 Jan 1842	6 Jan 1842	Thomas Stone, JP
James Kyle	Sarah M. Craft	19 June 1841	22 June 1841	F. Johnson
Wilson Tucker	Malinda Singley	2 June 1841	3 June 1841	James Young

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Lawrence



DEED BOOK "B"
(4th Installment)

Throughout Deed Book "B" the Clerk of the County Court is shown as John Gallagher, therefore, his name will not be repeated at the end of every document in these abstracts. All parties are of Lawrence County unless noted. The original book is housed in the Department of Archives and History in Montgomery, Alabama and these abstracts were made from a microfilm copy. Copied from the microfilm and contributed by TVGS member, Janet Burks of Tyler, Texas.

Pages 150-154 Deed of Trust. 15 April 1823

Robert Bransford owes Fanny Smith Price \$507.60 by bond dated 15 April 1823 and due 18 April 1823. To protect Fanny Smith Price against loss, Bransford deeds to John Chappell Reece, in trust, the following property:

Marla, a yellow girl aged 13 to 14 years and her increase;
Charles, aged 8 to 9 years

All Bransford's household and kitchen furniture consisting of:

3 featherbeds and bedsteads	1-1/2 doz. china plates
1 china press	3 china dishes
1 bureau	6 silver tea spoons
1 folding dining table	12 china cups and saucers
1 dressing table	2 pots, 1 oven & 1 skillet
2 pair fire dogs	1 dressing glass [mirror]
8 common chairs	

Also his library of books consisting of:

1 family Bible
Dictionary of the Bible
Wesley's notes on the New Testament
one pocket hymn book and testament.

Also two work horses, 30 head of hogs and 20 head of cattle.

Bransford to keep possession of property until 25 Dec. 1823. If debt not paid by then Reese to sell property and pay Price. If debt is paid then this deed void.

	/s/ Robert Bransford
Proven, Delivered for recording	/s/ John Chappell Reece
and recorded 7 May 1823	/s/ Fanny Smith Price

Pages 154-157 Deed of Trust. 25 March 1823

Robert H. Dandridge owes Charles McClung and Matthew McClung and Charles McClung Jr. (doing business as C. McClung and Jones) \$237.88-1/4 by bond dated 12 Feb. 1823 and due one day thereafter. He also owes them \$39.00 by open account. Dandridge also owes John Swoope and Jacob Swoope (doing business as J. & J. Swoope) \$176.30 by bond dated 1 January 1823 and due one day thereafter. To protect the above creditors against loss, Dandridge deeds to Joseph Trotter, in trust, the following property:

negro woman Oney, age 19
negro woman Jane, age 14, both being sound and healthy.

If Dandridge pays above debts by 1 Jan. 1824 then this deed is void. If debt is not paid then Trotter, at request of creditors, to sell slaves and pay creditors after giving 10 days notice.

	/s/ Robert H. Dandridge
Test: John F. Moseley	/s/ Joseph Trotter
Moseley proved deed before	/s/ C. McClung & Jones
A. M. DeGraffenreid and	/s/ J. & J. Swoope
Richard Burruss, J. P's on	
7 May 1823 and recorded same day.	

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Deed. 9 May 1823

Robert Bransford sells to Henry W. Rhodes, for \$1032.00, five negro slaves:

Charles and his wife, Ginny [Note: written Tinney on pages 146-150]

A boy Spencer, aged about 10 yrs.

A boy Sam, aged about 5 years

A boy Stephen, aged about 3 years.

Test: Abram Bransford

/s/ Robert Bransford

Ack. and recorded 9 May 1823

Pages 159-161

Bernard M. Patteson, Power of Attorney. 26 March 1823

"... many persons living in the County of Lawrence in the State of Alabama are justly indebted to me in large sums of money, and it may be my interest that the payment of said debts or some of them should be secured by deeds of trust on property belonging to my creditors which shall be sufficient to insure the payment of such debts ..." Bernard M. Patteson, therefore, appointed William McCann his lawful attorney granting him full power to secure payment of debts.

/s/ Bernard M. Patteson

Ack. & Rec. 12 May 1823

Pages 161-165

Deed of Trust. 19 Feb. 1823

James M. Tilford of Courtland, Ala., owes Andrew Hynes \$159.55 by note dated 18 Feb. 1823 and due 1 Jan. 1824. To secure Hynes against loss, Tilford deeds to John White of Courtland, Ala., in trust, the following property:

3 featherbeds, bedsteads & furniture	1 bureau and one small bureau
1 Jackson sideboard	1 dining table
1 breakfast table	1 side table
6 window chairs	2 large trunks
2 looking glasses	1 large kettle
2 pots, 2 ovens, 1 skillet	1 pr. andirons
1 pr. shovels and tongs	1 teakettle
2 cows and calves.	

Tilford to keep possession of property until 1 Jan. 1824. If he pays debt this deed is void. If he defaults then White to sell property, after giving 10 days notice, and pay Hynes.

Test: James Mudd

/s/ James M. Tilford

Duncan McEagan

/s/ John White

John Woods

Ack. 3 May 1823 before Abraham M.

DeGraffenreid and Richard Burruss, J. P.'s

Recorded 12 May 1823

Pages 165-168

Deed of Trust. 24 March 1823

Frederic S. G. Broadnax owes Charles McClung, Matthew McClung, and Charles McClung Jr. (merchants doing business as C. McClung & Jones) \$300 by note dated 1 Oct. 1822 and due 15 Nov. 1822. Broadnax sells to Joseph Trotter, in trust, a negro woman named Ursa, aged 17 yrs., who is sound and healthy. If Broadnax pays debt by 25 Sept. 1823 this deed is void. If he defaults then Trotter to sell negro and pay creditors.

Test: O. D. Davis

/s/ F. S. G. Broadnax

/s/ Jos. Trotter

/s/ C. McClung & Jones

Ack. 3 May 1823 before A. M.

DeGraffenreid, Rd. Burruss, J. P.'s

and recorded 12 May 1823

Pages 168-169

Mortgage. 5 March 1823

Jacob Bransford sold to Jacob Smeltzer, for \$268.30, a negro boy named Spencer, aged about 11 years.

Test: George A. Glover

/s/ Robert Bransford

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Deed Book "B" (-continued-)

If Jacob Bransford pays \$268.30 to Smelcer by 1 Nov. 1823 then this Bill of Sale is void, otherwise to remain in full force.
Ack. & Rec. 2 June 1823

"To value received ___[blank]___ the within indenture with its contents to Samuel Bryan the 5th day of April 1823."

/s/ Jacob Smelcer

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Deed. 12 May 1823

Aaron Crossthwaite of Lawrence Co., Ala. sells to Absolum Hanks of Clark County, Kentucky, for \$100. land in Clark County, Ky. Jacob Crossthwaite, the grandfather of Aaron Crossthwaite, died seized and possessed of said property which is located about one mile from the town of Winchester in Clark County, Ky.

/s/ Aaron Crossthwaite

[Note: name also written Crossthwait]

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Deed. 10 June 1823

James McDaniel and Looney McDaniel, executors of the estate of Walter McDaniel, sold a negro girl named Lile (aged about 9 years) to James McDaniel for \$660.00.

Test: William McDaniel

/s/ Jas. McDaniel

Ack & Rec. 23 June 1823

/s/ Looney McDaniel



The sale of a slave.

July Term of County Court, 1823

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Acknowledgement. 5 March 1823

This day personally appeared before me in open court, Robert Bransford, and acknowledged that he delivered the foregoing bill of sale to Jacob Smelser for the purposes thereinstated ... which was hereupon ordered recorded

Robert Bransford sold to Jacob Smeltzer a negro boy named Spencer about 11 years of age for \$268.30.

Test: George A. Glover /s/ Robt. Bransford

If Bransford pays Smelser \$268.30, with interest, before 1 November 1823 then this bill of sale is void, if not, it is in full force.

/s/ Jacob Smeltzer

Note: Smeltzer was written variously as Smelser, Smeltser, Smelcer, etc.

Pages 173-174

Deed. Sept. 1, 1823

William Wallace, representing the firm of Wallace & Alexander of Lawrence Co., Ala., sold to Daniel Love, of Maury Co., Tenn., for \$925.00 a slave named Qockes, aged 23 or 24, and his wife, Amy, aged 18 or 19 years.

Ack & Rec. 2 Sept. 1823 /s/ William Wallace for
Wallace & Alexander

Pages 174-176

Deed. 14 July 1823

Jacob Smelcer sells to H. Branch, for \$85.00, a Moulton town lot it being the S/2 of Lot No. 85.

Ack & Rec. 29 July 1823 /s/ Jacob P. Smelcer

Pages 176-177

Performance Bond.

In February, 1823 [no day given], Nathaniel Mitchell was appointed Lawrence County Treasurer by the Judge of the County Court and the Commissioners of Roads and Revenue. Mitchell posts a \$10,000 obligation bond to insure his faithful payment of collected revenue. His bondsmen are George A. Glover, Parker Alexander, and Michael Kelly.

Ack. before /s/ Nat. Mitchell
Peter W. Taylor, /s/ Geo. A. Glover
Judge of the County Court. /s/ P. Alexander
/s/ Michael Kelly

Pages 177-178

Performance Bond.

On the first Monday in August, 1823 [no day given], John Gallagher was elected Clerk of the County Court and has taken his oath of office. He posts a \$5000 bond to insure that he carries out his duties of office. His bondsmen are Andrew Smythe, Robert M. White, John Dukes[Dukey?], James M. Gaughey, and Joseph Coe.

/s/ John Gallagher
/s/ Andrew Smythe
/s/ John Dukes [Dukey?]
/s/ James M. Gaughey
/s/ Joseph Coe

Pages 179-180

Deed. 11 Aug. 1823

Alexander Urquhart and Effy, his wife, sell to Alan Urquhart (all of Lawrence County), for \$550.00 land in Cumberland County, North Carolina. Said land is:

- (1) One tract on Thornton Creek formerly owned by John Lawhon, containing 175 acres.
- (2) Another tract contains 200 acres and was formerly owned by Malcom Clark.
- (3) Another tract contains 92 acres and was formerly owned by Martin Bathune[?].

(4) Another tract in name of Alexander Urquhart contains 62 acres.
The entire tract contains 530 acres.

Test: Jos. Steele /s/ Alexd^r Urquhart
William F. Payne her
Effey X Urquhart
mark

Effey Urquhart relinquished her dower
on 10 July 1823 and deed acknowledged
by Alexander and recorded same day.

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Deed of Trust 5 Sept. 1823

Edmand R. Anderson owes John A. Marr and John Stone Jr., merchants and partners doing business as "John A. Marrs & Co." \$63. by note which is due 1 Sept. 1824 with interest. To protect John A. Marrs & Co. against loss, Anderson deeds to John Stone Sr., in trust, a sorrel horse, saddle, bridle; also his undivided interest in the medicine and drug shop now occupied by Dr. Edwards and the said Edmand R. Anderson.

If Anderson pays debt then this deed void, otherwise, Stone Sr. to sell property at private sale and pay creditor. Anderson to keep possession of property until time limited for sale. Anderson appoints Stone Sr. his attorney.

Test: S. G. Stone /s/ Edmand R. Anderson
Ack. & Rec. 6 Sept. 1823

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Deed. 1 Sept. 1823

Sperus Stanley sells to Wallace & Alexander, for \$425.00 a negro woman slave named Amy, age 18 or 19 years, and warrants slave to be sound and healthy of both mind and body.

Ack. & Rec. 13 Sept. 1823 /s/ Sperus Stanley

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Deed. 26 March 1823

Sperus Stanley sells to Wallace & Alexander, for \$600. a male slave named Quockes aged 23 or 24. Said slave is healthy both in mind and body.

Test: Thomas Braughton /s/ Sperus Stanley
Ack. & Rec. 13 Sept. 1823

Page 186-187

Deed. 11 Aug. 1823

James M. Banks of Lawrence Co., Ala. sells to James Parks of Williamson County, Tenn., for \$800. a Courtland town lot No. 24 being the same on which said James M. Banks formerly lived and kept a store.

Test: H. Petway /s/ James M. Banks
David Mason

Ack & Rec. 17 Sept. 1823

Pages 187-189

Mortgage. 20 Sept. 1823

John Grugett Sen. of Lawrence Co., Ala. owes John Billings, of Charleston, S. C., \$2015 by note dated 6 June 1819 and due 3 days thereafter plus interest. To protect Billings against loss, Grugett deeds to him:

A grey colt, 2 beds and their furniture, 2 bureaus, dining table
and furniture now in use of Grugett.

If Grugett pays obligation by 1 Jan. 1825 this deed is void, otherwise the above items become the property of Billings.

Ack & Rec. 22 Sept. 1823 /s/ John Grugett

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Limestone



GEORGE W. WATKINS
Southern Claims Commission Report

On 7 September 1871, George W. Watkins of Athens, Limestone County, Alabama gave Messrs. Lewis & Fullerton, attorneys of Washington, D. C., his Power of Attorney to recover \$181 due him for the following articles taken from him by Federal troops during the Civil War:

350 lb. bacon @ 25¢ per pound	\$87.50
10 barrels of corn @ \$5. per barrel	50.00
300 bundles of oats @ 2¢ per bundle	6.00

and in the spring of 1863 they took from near Gardner's Mills in Giles County, Tennessee:

One good horse	\$150.00
	<u>\$293.50</u>

The soldiers who took the provisions belonged to the command of General Mitchell and those who took the horse belonged to General Wilder.

Claims Commission Summary

George W. Watkins lived in Limestone County, Alabama near the Tennessee line and was an outspoken Union man. He was persecuted, hunted, and threatened; for 12 months he never slept at his own home. Because of his Union sympathies he came near being killed. The charges he makes for the items taken are too high; the date the horse was taken is uncertain. Recommend payment of \$161.00.

George W. Watkins Deposition (July 24, 1875)

George W. Watkins states he is aged somewhere betwixt 45 and 50 years and lives near the east corner of Limestone County in Sand Spring Beat and has for near 20 years. His occupation is farmer, blacksmith, and wagonmaker. He was born in Giles County, Tenn. and presently lives within two miles of where he was born.

Watkins' sympathies have always been with the Federals and when Union citizens dodged out of Tennessee to escape the Southern conscript officer he fed and cared for them. He gave information to Union citizens to aid them in avoiding the Rebels. Some of the Union sympathizers he fed were relatives and some were strangers. Among them were "Robert Watkins, Jasper Turner (no connection), Eli Hill and two other Turners, Martin and Samuel."

Watkins has no relatives in the Union army or navy that he knows of. He stayed out of the Union army because his relatives were in the Rebel army and he had no one to leave his family with. He opposed secession from the beginning and did so in every debate and on every occasion. He rejoiced when he heard of the capture of Vicksburg. When he heard of the final surrender he "felt just like a cat let out of a wallet;" he felt released from prison, revived, and like a new man. During the war Watkins lived near the road and Federal officers furnished him a guard for protection. The best known Union men in the community were John M. Clark, John J. Vickers, Isaac Gatlin and Giles Hedfeth[?].

In 1861 and 1862 there were 12 months he never slept in his own shelter [home] but hid until Gen. Mitchell's army appeared in Huntsville in April, 1862. He went to see Mitchell and offered his service and was told to return home and do the best he could as the Rebels would bother him very little more. Watkins life was threatened both before and after Mitchell's arrival. After Mitchell left the Rebels were in control and he had to hide out again.

Thomas Taylor and a squad of men came to his house one morning before daybreak in 1862. Watkins heard them coming and hid near by. He heard them tell his wife that if they saw him it would be the last of him as they were hunting him to kill him because of his sentiments. Taylor then burned his house. Taylor belonged to Capt. Sam Moore's command and was a Lieutenant. Watkins did not personally hear many threats but heard of them through friends.

Watkins stated he had scars on his body (and showed them) where he was cut all to pieces by Julius George, a rebel, on account of his sentiment. They had an argument that led to blows in the last part of 1861 or first part of 1862 at a little country grocery store kept by James Falkner in Watkins' precinct.

The only items stolen by the Rebels were a Bone[?] Knife and pistol. None of his property was confiscated by the Rebels but he did nothing to support the Confederacy either. Watkins has no relatives in the

Confederacy closer than a nephew whom Watkins told he had best stay at home and whom he did not support. In the presidential election of 1860 Watkins voted for Bell but did not vote after Alabama seceded. During the war whole Confederate companies lay around his house trying to capture him but they never succeeded.

The property taken for which Watkins is making claim belonged to him. He states, "I asked for it and paid for it. I am a very poor man and never had anything but what I worked for by day work." He stated he owned only 40 acres of which about half was in cultivation.

John M. Clark Deposition

John M. Clark states he is 61 years old, a farmer, and lives 10 miles northeast of Athens, Ala. on the Fayetteville Road and has lived there about 6 years but has lived in Limestone County 29 years. During the war he lived on the Huntsville Road 14 miles northeast of Athens. He is not related to George W. Watkins. Clark has been acquainted with Watkins for 28 or 29 years and has lived within three miles of him for the last 23 years and saw him often during the war.

During a public meeting in the fall of 1861 when some "big fellows" were in the neighborhood inspiring recruits for the Rebel army, Watkins publicly stated, "If they want anybody to fight let them go and fight for their own negroes. Damn them!" As time went on he learned to hold his tongue while among Rebels to save himself but his principles never changed. Watkins' reputation was that of a Union man and it can be verified by Squire Ned Hatchet, Simeon Rhodes, old Billy Motes, and Delamar Ramsey. "He was an independent sort of fellow and a fighting kind of a man."

The known, prominent Union men in the neighborhood were Galloway Ramsey, Isaac Gatlin, old Davy Watkins, Westley Shannon, Nimrod Gatlin, Ep Gatlin and Newton Hart. Mr. Clark states that he, too, has always been a Northern sympathizer and that if "there is a drop of Rebel blood in me I would have it out ... when I first saw the Blue coats in 1862 I just felt like I was meeting up with my friends."

Clark states he knows of Watkins fighting a time or two in defense of his Northern sympathies and was nearly killed once. The Rebels threatened him for not going into the Rebel army and said they were going to hang him or shoot him. Clark said, "we had to bush it many and many a times lying around our plantation day and night. It was the Rebels who lived up in that country who would have the Cavalry sent in on him to drive him out." Regarding the fight with Julius George, Clark said "George Watkins hurt Julius George right smartly." Had the Rebels won the war they would not have allowed Watkins to continue living in the community as they had said they intended to send all the Union party off without a cent of property in the world.

During the war George Watkins' elderly mother lived with he and his wife along with a couple of nephews who were small boys. George was a very poor man "as well as myself," and is a hard working, industrious man.

Isaac Gatlin Deposition

Isaac Gatlin states he is 65 years old and has lived 8 miles northeast of Athens for 45 or 50 years. He is a farmer. He is not related to George Watkins but has known him since Watkins was a child having lived within 3 or 4 miles of him and within two miles of him during the war. During the war Watkins was "running and secreting about to keep out of the war" and Gatlin saw him frequently and discussed the war with him. Watkins told Gatlin that he would never go into the Rebel army unless they caught him up and put him in, then he would run away since he was in favor of the old government and old stars and stripes.

The Rebel cavalry tried to kill Watkins several times but, Gatlin said, "I reckon the good Lord was with him and he escaped." Watkins had several fights about the Union and he was regarded in the community as a Union man. There was a "nest" of Rebels in the area. John J. Vickers, John M. Clark, T. W. Shannon, Watkins and Gatlin are neighbors and all regarded Watkins as a Union man. Gatlin was also a Union man and says he would have sacrificed his life before his principles.

Gatlin states he knew that Stev[?] Curry of the Rebel army was out getting conscripts when he shot at Watkins when Watkins was escaping. The "news was out that he [Watkins] was killed but it wasn't more than an hour till I see him."

George W. Watkins Deposition

The corn, oats and meat were taken one night by soldiers camped around Watkins' place. It was a wagon train on the road from Pulaski, Tennessee to Huntsville, Alabama. Watkins had brought the bacon in a short time before, having paid \$76 for it, and was about ready to hang it when it was taken. Watkins had bought two

live hogs from Eph Bryant, driven them home, and killed them. None of the meat had been used except the ribs, jowls, and feet. The meat has been in salt for some time when taken by the soldiers and would have weighed 400 pounds. It would have sold for 25¢ per pound.

The corn was taken from the cribs where Watkins now lives and was approximately 50 bushel, worth about \$1. per bushel. The oats was by the stable and was in shocks. Over 300 bundles were taken. It was selling at \$2. a hundred bundles. General Mitchell's command took it in 1862. The soldiers burned the oats as fuel in their camps as the weather was very cold.

The night the command took his horse they were camped at Loving[?] Springs 2-1/2 miles from Watkins' residence. They then went on to Athens and stayed there a few days. The horse was taken from his nephew, James Watkins, when he went to mill for him. The horse was worth \$150.

Martha Jane Watkins Deposition

Martha Jane Watkins is 36 years old and resides 15 miles northeast of Athens, Ala. and is the wife of George W. Watkins. She was present when the corn, oats and bacon were taken and saw the soldiers get it in the daytime about dusk. At about the beginning of winter the soldiers were camped "right close to our house" having just stopped for the night. They broke open the smoke house door and packed the mean off on their shoulders to their camp about 200 yards from the Watkins' house. They left one little piece of bacon which Martha Jane took into the house. She did not say anything to the soldiers as she was "sorta scared." That same night the soldiers took some of the corn and oats in their arms and in sacks on their horses. Some of the corn was taken by other commands as they were passing by.

James Benningham Deposition

Note: This is the same person that George W. Watkins referred to as James Watkins in his deposition.

James Benningham says he is about 29 years old and resides 15 miles northeast of Athens and has since 1860. He is a nephew of George W. Watkins. Benningham was present when the Yankees took the property. The soldiers that took the corn, oats, and meat had been marching and camped in an old field close by Watkins' house for the night then went on the next day. Most of them were infantry and were about 500 in number.

James states he was riding the horse in the big road some 2-1/2 to 3 miles from Watkins' home. He was living with Watkins and was returning home from the mill when over a thousand Northern soldiers overtook him and accused him of being a bushwacker. The soldiers said "they had to have my horse and was going to have him and talked like they were going to take me. They ordered me down off him. They took the horse, bridle and blanket." An officer ordered the soldiers to "take me down off the horse; they were just forming a line to stack their guns to camp when they led the horse off. I had been riding with them a mile or two." James stated the horse was a very good saddle and plow horse.

The above Claim was obtained and contributed to "Valley Leaves" by Christine Willingham Smith, 2685 Ready Section Road, Toney, Al 35773.

MARTHA E. MALONE DIES

Source: The Limestone News of Wednesday, March 23, 1859

Died near Germantown, Tenn. on the 18th inst.,
Miss Martha E. Malone, eldest daughter of
Dr. Frank J. and Mary L. Malone, aged 16 years,
8 months and 24 days.

CARROLL BRADLEY BIBLE

The following Bible record of Carroll Bradley was contributed by TVGS member Juanita Parker, 31945 Warren, Garden City, Michigan 48135. This Bible is in Mrs. Parker's possession and Carroll Bradley was her grandfather.

Carroll Bradley was raised by some family named Newton and it was not until Carroll was a young man that Mr. Newton told him he was not their son and that his name was Bradley, not Newton. Mr. Newton also told Carroll that he was born in Limestone County on March 22, 1824 but if he told him anything about his blood parents Carroll did not relate the information to his children.

Mrs. Parker has searched for the identity of Carroll Bradley's parents for many years in all North Alabama counties. The clue to his birth may be in a family letter long forgotten or a diary kept by a neighbor or perhaps even lore in some Limestone County community that has been handed down from generation to generation. Whatever the source, and whatever the clue, Mrs. Parker would like to hear about it.

MARRIAGES

Carroll Bradley & Nancey A. [Fortner] Bradley was Married Sept. 27th year 1842.

Carroll Bradley & Martha [England] Bradley was Married April 9th 1868

Carroll Bradley & Betty [King] Bradley was Married Feb the 10th 1888

Carroll Bradley & Emeline Emmons Clifton—

Samuel B[oen] Bradley & Bronetta Neal was married February 24, 1896 at Searcy, White County, Arkansas.

Maurice Lee Parker and Juanita Bradley married 28th July 1934, Herber Springs, Arkansas.

Bronetta Maurine Parker and Ralph J. Wojey married 13th February 1964, Ypsilanti, Michigan

Bronetta Maurine (Parker) Wojey and Donald E. Killing married 23 June, 1972, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan

BIRTHS

The Children of Carroll Bradley

By Nancy A. Fortner:

Mary J[ane] Bradley Borned May 23, 1844 [Tishomingo Co., Ms.]
 Marthia A. Bradley Bornd Dec. 10th 1846 [Tishomingo Co., Ms.]
 Sarah D. Bradley Bornd Feb. 13, 1848 [Tishomingo Co., Ms.]
 John M[onroe] Bradley Bornd Mar 17, 1850 [Tishomingo Co., Ms.]
 Thomas J[efferson] Bradley Bornd Nov. 7th 1854 [Phillips Co., Ark.]
 Carroll Bradley Jr. Bornd March 3^d 1852 [Phillips Co., Ark.]
 Virginia Bradley, Bornd Feb 17th 1856 [Phillips Co., Ark.]

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Carroll Bradley Family Bible (-continued-)

Decater Bradley Bornd Nov 29, 1858 [Phillips Co., Ark.]) twins
 Alabam~~ia~~ Bradley Bornd Nov. 29, 1858 [Phillips Co., Ark.])
 William D. Bradley Bornd Dec. 13, 1860 [Phillips Co., Ark.])

Children by Martha [England] Bradley:

Jessie D. Bradley Bornd Jan 21, 1869 [Lauderdale Co., Al.]) twins
 Henry L. Bradley Bornd Jan 21, 1869 [Lauderdale Co., Al.])
 Margaret B. Bradley Bornd Dec. 25, 1871 [Lauderdale Co., Al.]) twins
 Elen Bradley Bornd Dec. 25, 1871 [Lauderdale County, Al.])
 James Bradley Bornd Sept. 29, 1873 [Lauderdale Co., Al.]) twins
 Marissda Bradley Bornd Sept 29, 1873 [Lauderdale Co., Al.])
 Samuel B[oem] Bradley Bornd Sept 3, 1874 [Colbert Co., Al.]
 [Laura] Alice Bradley Bornd Sept 18, 1876 [Colbert Co., Al.]
 Elizzie Bradley Bornd April 1, 1878 [Colbert Co., Al.]
 Alec Mc. Bradley Bornd Nov. 6, 1879 [Colbert Co., Al.]
 Tillman Bradley Bornd Nov. 6, 1881 [Colbert Co., Al.]
 Emmer Bradley Bornd Dec. 3, 1883 [Colbert Co., Al.]

DEATHS

Carroll Bradley died Nov. 2, 1906 [bur. Oak Bowery Cem., Saltillo, Ark.]
 Mary Jane Coffman died after 1900 [Little Rock, Ark.]
 Martha A. Bradley died June, 1862
 Sarah D. Bradley died May, 1852 [bur. Hill fam. cem., Helena, Phillips Co., Ark.]
 John Monroe Bradley died December 27, 1949 [Poplar Bluff, Butler Co., Mo.]
 Thomas Jefferson Bradley [blank]
 Carroll Bradley Jr., died July, 1852 [bur. Helena, Phillips Co., Ark.]
 Virginia Bradley died June, 1862 [Helena, Phillips Co., Ark.]
 Decater Bradley died December, 1858 [Helena, Phillips Co., Ark.]
 Alabama Bradley died July, 1862 [Helena, Phillips Co., Ark.]
 William D. Bradley died July, 1862 [Phillips Co., Ark.]
 Jessie D. Bradley died Nov. 7, 1878 [Cloverdale, Lauderdale Co., Al.]
 Henry L. Bradley died Nov., 1871 [Cloverdale, Lauderdale Co., Al.]
 Margaret B. Barnes died Oct. 16, 1906 [Bald Knob, White Co., Ark.]
 Elen Bradley died Dec. 25, 1871 [Cloverdale, Lauderdale Co., Ala.]
 James Bradley died July, 1873 [Note: This entry may have been made after-
 the-fact since other records show he died Sept. 29, 1873 in Cloverdale,
 Lauderdale Co., Ala.]
 Marissda Broach died July, 1910
 Samuel B[oem] Bradley died August 20th 1950 [Kensett, White Co., Ark., buried
 at Searcy, White Co., Ark.]
 Laura Alice Neal died November 14, 1938 [Searcy, White Co., Ark.]
 Elizzie Clifton died about 1911 [Helena, Phillips Co., Ark.]
 Alexander Bradley died 1908 [Georgetown, White Co., Ark.]
 Tillman Bradley died Aug. 23, 1883 [Sheffield, Colbert Co., Ala.]
 Emmer Young died between 1900 and 1906.

MEMORANDA

March 10, 1844 Birthday of Nancy Ellen Yancey Neal who died on Sept. 3, 1912
 mother of Bronetta Neal Bradley.

Mr. Samuel B. Bradley and Bronetta Neal Bradley's family:

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Carroll Bradley Family Bible (-continued-)

Children of Samuel B. and Bronetta (Neal Bradley):

Pete Bradley married 1st Zelma Barnard, married
2nd Rachel Lance.

Oscar Elec Bradley married Mary Shelton

Newton Geo. Bradley married 1st Eva Williams,
married 2nd Colleen Kirk, married 3rd Dorothy Smith.

Trosie Edgar Bradley married 1st Lennie Swain, married
2nd Pearl Fields.

Alfred Alonzo Bradley married 1st Jewell Wallace,
married 2nd Mary E. Lamb

Ruth Bradley married 1st W. F. Russell July 25, 1929;
married 2nd R. J. Roberts.

Juanita Bradley married Maurice Parker July 28, 1934.

NOTE: Information in brackets is not in the Bible but has been determined after
very careful research.

1859 CANDIDATES

Source: The Limestone News, Wednesday, March 23, 1859

The following are candidates at the election to be held on the 1st Monday in August, 1859

For Congress

Hon. R. B. Lindsay of Franklin County - in this district.
Hon. George S. Houston - 5th Congressional District

For the Legislature

L. R. Davis
Col. J. D. Beauchamp

Tax Assessor

Mace H. Gilbert
Richard G. Scoggin

Circuit Court Clerk

John Jackson
Arch D. Ray

Tax Collector

Thomas W. Hine
E. S. Strange



Madison



DAVIS FAMILY CORRESPONDENCE

The following letter, written by Aug^s W. Davis at Huntsville, Alabama on 11 November 1819 was contributed by Charles H. McMillan of Columbus, Georgia. Mr. McMillan states, "The exact identity of the writer is not known except for what is revealed in the letter. His grandfather was Jonathan Davis whose will is on file in the Wake County Courthouse, Raleigh, N. C., May term 1819. Several of Jonathan's children named in the will are mentioned in the letter."

Huntsville, Nov^r 11th 1819

Dear Grandmother

The favourable opportunity which now presents itself to me to write you (by our relation Green D. Howze) is too great to be passed over in silence—you are no doubt anxious to know how all your children are in this country. I have been in this place about six months since which time I have not seen any of the family except my brother Alfred,¹ who lives here; I however get intelligence from some one of the family every week and they were all well with the exception of my father who's health is bad, and I am apprehensive [he] never will be [healthy] again. William Dukes² & Nancy Cooke and husband were all well from the last account I had from Tennessee. I have not heard anything from Uncle Willie & family since I left Nashville—they were then all well & enjoying good [health] & were doing much better than formally. I have heard nothing from H. Yarborough lately. I visited our old friend William D. Howze and family is in very good health & are much pleased with the country with the exception of Aunt Burchet & cousin Betsey Hays, the Girls are much pleased with their change—they are toasted.³ I have a great many friends & acquaintances here from N. Carolina; Isham R. Howze, Hill & Jno. C. Parry⁴ from Louisburg are here and a great many others which I can [not] pretend to designate with the compass of a letter.

I presume that you know Madison [County] is the greatest cotton country in the Western World. The people in this county have cotton fields as large as the old fields in Franklin where my father formerly lived. The people in this country are great characters—they talk here of Thousands like Carolinians do of hundreds (and think no more of the latter and of their speech than they do of the latter end of their lives) moreover think no more of a Bale of cotton than the Franklin people would of a meal bag full. The Carolinians will make

¹ On Page 39 of a small book in Madison County marked "Chancery Record H" is a suit of interest filed 2 April 1835: Jenkins A. Herbert -vs- David Davis, Thomas Brandon, William Brandon, and Alfred Davis. William Herbert, John Herbert, and James H. Jenkins, former partners, state that in 1819 David Davis became indebted to Jenkins A. Herbert for a drove of horses and gave his note on 8 March 1819. Property transferred to Alfred Davis, David Davis' nephew. Bond signed by James H. Jenkins of White County, Tn. [Note: David Davis is shown on 1820 White Co. Tn. Fed. Census.] David Davis answered that he owed money to Thomas Gray, Patrick Vance and wife, and to "Moses Norman, his son in law" and others. Jenkins A. Herbert states that David Davis sold slaves to Thomas and William Brandon and transferred their notes to Alfred Davis. The Brandons answered that Davis, as next friend of Esther Norman, filed suit against Moses Norman, Davis' son-in-law, and that he became liable for expense. Believe no fraud intended.

² William Dukes shown in the Wilson Co., Tn. 1820 census.

³ "Toasted" in this case means popular.

⁴ On 30 July 1819 John C. Perry witnessed a deed of trust from William McNeil and Robert McNeil, Huntsville merchants, to Lewellen Jones and Richard Cottrell in Huntsville, Alabama.

Aug^s W. Davis letter (-continued-)

more of a Silver quarter than the Alabamians do of a five Dollar piece of gold. Call a man worth Ten Thousand Dollars nothing, one worth fifty Thousand tolerable. Carriages & Giggs are as plentiful here as Ginger bread & Paddler waggons are at Louisburg in time of court. Why! they would think no more of picking your Pocket, Stabbing, shooting, committing rape or adultry than you would of killing a chicking. In short, they would shout of any thing that their heads can invent or their hands execute. Every Ladie (unmarried) that has any pretentions to beauty, fashion, or high life, is Idolised—and if you wish to get shot or your [neck] broke you have only to go & pay your respects to her.

The weather is so extremely dry that it is almost impossible to walk the Streets without being suffocated. The streets are so dusty and Lomkey[?] that it is impossible to distinguish a man fifty steps distance & across the public square you cant tell whether a man is white or black at Twelve oclock in the day.

As I am about free, I shall call upon you to shoose me a wife a gainst I come to see you next fall. I am determined to get me a wife on the Eastern side of the Blue Ridge. The women on this side have all de-generated or assuming those who were not this way before they came here have become so since. My Dear Grandmother do not think I am ___[?].

My paper has nearly given out and this must suffice for the present & you will preceive that I have cut several of my sentences short for want of room in this paper. Present my best love & respects to all my friends & relatives. I have written them all but can hear from none. I am dir ___[?] my Dear Grandmother accept for yourself the sincerity of
yr affection Grand Son

Aug^s W. Davis

Mrs. Winifred Davis
Wake County
(near Raleigh)
N. Carolina
favoured by
Mr. G. D. Howze

This is a photocopy of the address on the envelope in which this letter was posted from Huntsville, Alabama. It is to Mrs. Winifred Davis, Wake County (near Raleigh), N^o Carolina, favoured by Mr. G. D. Howze.

DECATUR COUNTY

The following deeds were filed in Madison County October 5, 1955. The originals are in the State Archives in a file on Decatur County. Copied and contributed by Judge William D. Page.

This Indenture made this the Twentieth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty two Between Thomas Willson and Jane his Wife, of the State of Mississippi, Monroe County, of the one part and James McCartney of the State of Alabama and Decatur County of the other part.

Witnesseth that the sd. Thomas Wilson and Jane, his Wife, for and in Consideration of the sum of two thousand dollars to them in hand paid by the Sd. James McCartney and before the sealing and delivery hereof, the receipt whereof they do hereby acknowledge and thereof acquit and forever discharge the Sd. James McCartney, his heirs, Executors, and Administrators by these presents have granted, sold, aliened, enfeoffed[?], released, and Confirmed and by these presents do grant, Bargain, sell, Alein, enfooff[?], release, and Confirm unto the said James McCartney and to his heirs and assigns a Certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in the Sd. County of Decatur, Beginning at a white oak stump and stake on the former Boundary Cherokee line thence north 160 Poles to a sweet gum tree thence east 358 Poles to a dogwood and beech [tree] crossing the creek at 280 Poles, thence south 160 Poles to a stake, Thence west 358 Poles to the Beginning.

To have and to hold the above described Tract or parcel of land with the tenements and appertanances Thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining unto the Said James McCartney, his Heirs and Assigns forever, And the said Thomas Wilson and Jane his wife, does Warrant and will forever defend the title to Sd. tract or parcel of land unto the Sd. James McCartney, his Heirs and assigns from and against the unlawful seizing and all and every person or persons Claiming or S...[?] under them the said Thomas Wilson and Jane his wife and also against the lawful title, claim or demand of all and every person or persons whosoever claiming or held by form or under the government of the United States.

In testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals, the day and year above written.

Signed & sealed and delivered
in the presents of us

/s/ Richard McAnulty

his

John (X) Derrick
mark

/s/ Thos. Wilson

/s/ Jane Wilson

Filed in Madison County, Ala., Book 229, Page 267

This Indenture made this fourteenth Day of October One thousand Eight hundred & twenty nine between Giles McAnulty and Alsay, his wife, of the one part and James McCartney of the other part, all of the County of Madison and State of Alabama.

Witnesseth that the Said Giles McAnulty and Alsay for and in consideration of the Sum of Two thousand Dollars to them in Hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby Acknowledged, have this day bargained, Sold, ... and conveyed ... unto the said James McCartney a Certain lot or parcel of land containing Six hundred and forty, be the Same more or less, Lying in the County and State aforesaid and adjoining the Said J. L. McCartney Land on the South and government lands on the west, north and east as will more fully appear by reference to the plat and certificate of the Same it being a reserve which the Said Giles and Alsay, his wife, became entitled to by the provisions of the Eighth Article of Treaty signed the eighth day of July 1817 by the Commissioners, Andrew Jackson, Joseph McMunn, and James Meriwether on the [behalf] of the United States and Chief head man and warriors of the Cherokee Nation of Indians which Treaty was conducted by John C. Calhoun with Chiefs &^c, with all and singular then appertaining thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining to have and to hold the Said described Land and appertanances unto the Said James McCartney his Heirs Executors Administrators and Assigns forever

Witness:

Richard McAnulty
John McAnulty

/s/ Giles McAnulty

her

Alsa (X) McAnulty
mark

JACOB BROYLES PATENT

The following Patent was sent to TVGS by Ann Gahan of Sierra Madre, California. It is a Patent showing that Jacob Broyles, assignee of Jehu Beeson, had paid for land in Section 4-2-2E of Madison County, Alabama and was now the owner. Jehu Beeson was apparently the person who first purchased this land but assigned his interest in it to Broyles. The reasons for assigning, or selling, land in 1816 were as varied as they are today. Perhaps Beeson found he could not make the payments on the land or perhaps he found land elsewhere he preferred and chose to sell it for the equity he had in it. This was a common practice. The Government Land Tract Books found in each courthouse in Alabama give the name of the person who actually obtained the patent on the land, i. e., the person who finished paying for it. They also reflect whether the final purchaser was an assignee such as was Jacob Broyles, however, they do not tell who assigned the land to the purchaser, in this case Jehu Beeson.

Mrs. Gahan also sent photocopies of the Payments Ledger showing that John Beason [not Jehu] had purchased this land on March 11, 1812 for \$461.02 plus \$17.28-1/2 interest. His down payment on March 11th was \$115.25-1/2. On August 3, 1814 he made a \$132.54 payment and on Feb. 1, 1815 he paid \$115.25-1/2 leaving a \$115.25-1/2 balance which Jacob Broyles paid on February 9, 1816.

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JAMES MADISON, President of the United States of America,

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, Greeting:

Know Ye, That *Jacob Broyles, Assignee of Jehu Beeson* having deposited in the Treasury a certificate of the Register of the land office at *Huntsville* whereby it appears that full payment has been made for *Fractional Section Four of Township Two in range Two East of the Basis Meridian*

of the lands directed to be sold at *Huntsville* in pursuance of the laws providing for the sale of the lands of the United States in the Mississippi Territory, ~~There is granted~~ by the United States, unto the said *Jacob Broyles the said* lot or section *fractional* of land above described: ~~To have and to hold~~, the said *fractional* lot or section *fractional* of land, with the appurtenances, unto the said *Jacob Broyles* heirs and assigns forever.

In testimony whereof, I 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 *fifteenth* day of *April* in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and *seventeen* and of the Independence of the United States of America, the *thirty fourth*

BY THE PRESIDENT, *James Madison*

Jonah Heige Commissioner of the General Land Office.

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1819 HAPPENINGS

In The Limestone News of Wednesday, March 23, 1859, there is a column entitled "Forty Years Ago." In this case "forty years ago" was in 1819 and the following news was from that year.

Forty years from the 25th of September next, dating backward, viz: in 1819, an election for Representative to the first Legislature that ever convened in Alabama under the constitution, resulted as follows:

For the senate:

Thos. Bibb, 793
Parker, 354

For the lower house:

Nich. Davis, 665
Exum, 623
Whitaker, 494
Murrell, 416
Coe, 354
Hughes, 285
Montgomery, 241
Tate, 241
Hundley, 62

The first first Senators in Congress from Alabama were:

Wm. R. King and
John W. Walker

The election took place during the first week of the session, Thursday, 28th October, 1819. The first count (the election was viva voce) resulted as follows:

W. R. King, 56
John W. Walker, 11
Thos. D. Crabb, 2

The second count:

John W. Walker, 59
Crabb, 7
Phillips, 2
King, 1

In convention to frame the constitution, John W. Walker was elected President by unanimous vote. C. C. Clay, Chairman of the Committee, reported a draft of the constitution.

The vote for Governor in 1819 was between Wm. W. Bibb and Marmaduke Williams—twenty-two counties voting. The vote stood:

Bibb, 8349
Williams, 7140

About 40 years ago the City of Memphis was laid off by John Overton and others on Chickasaw Bluff, at the mouth of Wolf River. On this bluff once stood the Spanish, and afterward American, Fort Pickering.

A tin factory was established in Huntsville on

October 3rd, 1819 by Isaac Williams, late of Philadelphia.

In 1819 a man by the name of Jas. Cochran, alias Cushing, died suddenly in Huntsville. He was a partner of Mr. Meindeer of Marsailles, France—had Mr. Meindeer's property to a large amount, to whom he never made remittance, and was hiding himself, but Mr. Meindeer being at the time in New York in search of him accidentally read the account of his death, proceeded to Huntsville, and secured the property left by Cochran. I give this to show the value of newspapers forty years ago.

It is said that a bird flew over the capital at the moment of Mr. Monroe's inauguration in 1817.

The Territorial Legislature of Alabama assembled in Huntsville April 26th 1817—present, James Titus. It appears that he composed that august body.

A nail factory was in full blast in Huntsville so early as May, 1817, by Carroll & Bradford.

About forty years ago the small pox broke out in Huntsville, creating great alarm. Eleven physicians offered their services gratis, viz:

Samuel Brown
David Moore
Rich. Edmons
Joseph Wheelright
Alex. A. Campbell, and
Wyche & Allen

A soap and tallow manufactory existed forty years ago in Huntsville—Phelon & Dillon, proprietors.

A cigar manufactory existed about the same time—Henry Pope, proprietor.

A coincident. At the very moment the election for United States Senators, the first that ever took place in Alabama, was going on an exhibition of a live Elephant, the greatest wonder then in America, was also being made in Huntsville on October 28th 1819.

Huntsville was at one time called Wickenham. [Ed. note: It was actually called Twickenham.]

A large vote was at one time cast in favor of putting Athens at the poor house.

OLD ATCHLEY CEMETERY
(Also known as the Keel Mountain Cemetery)

This cemetery was copied and contributed by TVGS member P. B. Keel about five years ago. It was again copied in March, 1984 by TVGS members Addie Shaver and Evelyn Rochelle and contributed by them. There are at least fifteen unmarked graves in this old family cemetery.

The following two graves are inside a wire fence and share a headstone:

KIMBROUGH

Susie R.	Bob L.
Feb. 17, 1892	Oct. 7, 1885
July 21, 1974	Mar. 13, 1974
Married Sept. 17, 1906	

Jessie James Riggins
Born Jan. 19, 1910
Died April 3, 1978
68 years
[Funeral Home Marker]

The following two graves are inside a wire fence and share a headstone.

ATCHLEY

Walter	Margaret
Mar. 10, 1869	Feb. 9, 1880
May 13, 1947	April 13, 1966
Father	Mother

Cap White
Born 1908
Died 1980
Aged 71 years
[Funeral Home Marker]

Lena Florence White
Died November 23, 1955
Age 34 yrs., 6 months.

Bond Atchley
[No other information]

Pet Riggins
March 21, 1882
May 9, 1955

Birtie Atchley
[No other information]

[Note: Funeral Home Marker reads: "Pet Wade Riggins."]

Ernest Odell Atchley
[No other information]

Johnnie E. Riggins
AS US Navy
World War II
July 23, 1911
May 3, 1977

Robert Earl Riggins
Born July 14, 1942
Died Jan. 12, 1976
35 yrs. old
[Funeral Home Marker]

Infant of
Tammy Gail Nelson
August 11, 1978
August 11, 1978
[Funeral Home Marker]

Mr. Keel states the following two people are buried here without markers. He states he talked to a lady named Mrs. Callie Sue McKinney who attended their funerals.

Joe Atchley

Nancy Myrtle Atchley
Born Aug., 1901
Died 1901

Note: Nancy Myrtle was the infant child of Joe Atchley who was a kinsman of P. B. Keel.

BALDWIN CEMETERY

This cemetery was copied and contributed by Norman and June Shapiro, TVGS members. It is located in a field belonging to Mr. James Powers of Berkley. The land owner has been very careful to work around the tiny, single grave so as not to destroy it. We salute Mr. Powers for his caring preservation of the grave.

Theopolis W. Baldwin
May 2, 1915
Jan. 30, 1916
Gone to be an Angel



Marshall



MARRIAGES, 1869-1876

This Marshall County marriage book begins on 15 July 1869 and ends with the marriage of Wesley Hall to Tabitha Jane Upton on 29 December 1876. The marriage books prior to this one have been published and will not be carried in "Valley Leaves." The first twenty-two pages of this book consists of an index, therefore, the actual marriage records begin on Page 23.

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<u>Page</u>	<u>Groom</u>	<u>Bride</u>	<u>License</u>	<u>Solemnized</u>
23	Elgin, Robert A.	Faris, Minerva C.	15 July 1869	21 July 1869
23	Troup, James M.	Stearnes, Elizabeth	21 July 1869	21 July 1869
23	Marona, Francis M.	Burks, Louisiana	21 July 1869	22 July 1869
24	Young, John E.	Connaly, Ann E.	22 July 1869	22 July 1869
24	Barclay, Joseph E.	Hodges, Sara A.	26 July 1869	22 July 1869
24	Loren[?], Aleck [Note: Was Laren in index]	Gregory, Julia	28 July 1869	12 August 1869
25	Slaten, Robert T.	Regin, Minerva J.	29 July 1869	30 July 1869
25	Singleton, Wyatt L.	Shaw, Amanda J.	29 July 1869	1 August 1869
25	Carter, John C.	Case, Arbella	29 July 1869	1 Aug. 1869
26	Smith, Oliver J.	Word, Jane	3 Aug. 1869	3 Aug. 1869
26	Hill, Enoch	Milican, Mary Jane	6 Aug. 1869	8 Aug. 1869
26	Clark, Samuel	Moony, Elizabeth	7 Aug. 1869	8 Aug. 1869
27	Ellis, James	Martin, Sally	9 Aug. 1869	10 Aug. 1869
27	Ledbetter, Daniel R. W.	Stapler, Martha J.	14 Aug. 1869	15 Aug. 1869
27	Finly, Stephen	Hale, Louisanna	14 Aug. 1869	19 Aug. 1869
28	Lawing, Robert	Woodall, Carry	16 Aug. 1869	18 Aug. 1869
28	McGeehe, Samuel	Tucker, Frances K.	20 Aug. 1869	22 Aug. 1869
28	Evans, Wm. H.	Craig, Mary Jane	23 Aug. 1869	1 Sept. 1869
29	Maroney, Lafayette	Fletcher, Susan F.	28 Aug. 1869	1 Sept. 1869
29	Whitworth, Joseph W.	Hester, Louisa	28 Aug. 1869	30 Aug. 1869
29	Wade, Joseph A.	Martin, Effa	30 Aug. 1869	30 Aug. 1869
30	Carletan, Benjamin F.	Albert, Elizabeth F.	30 Aug. 1869	9 Sept. 1869
30	McGaha, Sam. M.	Vann, Nancy	3 Sept. 1869	16 Sept. 1869

<u>Page</u>	<u>Groom</u>	<u>Bride</u>	<u>License</u>	<u>Solemnized</u>
30	Rogers, James	Windsor, Sarah Jane	8 Sept. 1869	9 Sept. 1869
31	Watts, Eli A. [Elia?]	Sparks, Zeriah	10 Sept. 1869	12 Sept. 1869
31	Fearn, George	Harris, Fannie	10 Sept. 1869	11 Sept. 1869
31	Key, Thomas	Reno, Elizabeth	10 Sept. 1869	12 Sept. 1869
32	Murry, Allen Jr.	Hill, Caroline	11 Sept. 1869	12 Sept. 1869
32	Saint, James	Fletcher, Rebecca M.	16 Sept. 1869	23 Sept. 1869
32	Clapp, George W.	Baker, Cornelia F.	16 Sept. 1869	21 Sept. 1869
33	Waters, John S.	Ruthurford, Malinda	18 Sept. 1869	19 Sept. 1869
33	Gross, Jonathan	Brooks, Mary A.	22 Sept. 1869	27 Sept. 1869
33	Smith, John H.	Tidwell, Mary Ann	24 Sept. 1869	26 Sept. 1869
34	Williams, Frank	Hammond, Sally Ann	25 Sept. 1869	30 Sept. 1869
34	Hooper, Joseph	Humphreys, Hettie	25 Sept. 1869	No return
34	Mitchell, Benjamin N.	Rains, Lyda A.	5 Oct. 1869	7 Oct. 1869
35	Forman, Albert J.	Ship, Angeline	8 Oct. 1869	14 Oct. 1869
35	Henry, Patrick	Alferd, Allie	19 Oct. 1869	19 Oct. 1869
35	Hartsfield, William A.	Cowan, Miss Margaret J.	20 Oct. 1869	26 Oct. 1869
36	Payne, Henry C.	Davis, Mary Jane	20 Oct. 1869	21 Oct. 1869
36	West, Robert M.	Lang, Mary J.	23 Oct. 1869	26 Oct. 1869
36	Stone, John P.	Riche[?], Tempia	25 Oct. 1869	25 Oct. 1869
37	Cox, Wesley M. Permission dated 1 Nov. 1869 and signed by W. E. Cox and Nicy Allen. require lisans for A marage contract for W. S. Cox and Emley Allen."	Allen, Emily	2 Nov. 1869	No return "We
37	Bryant, Benjamin F.	Smith, Mary J.	2 Nov. 1869	2 Nov. 1869
37	Miller, George T.	Mitchell, Maria L.	3 Nov. 1869	3 Nov. 1869
38	Howle, Alexander	Easly, Margarett	10 Nov. 1869	11 Nov. 1869
38	Edcar, John	Hooper, Mary T.	11 Nov. 1869	11 Nov. 1869
38	Henley, Jeremiah	Gunter, Martha	17 Nov. 1869	18 Nov. 1869
39	Pool, John C.	Mitchell, Frances E.	18 Nov. 1869	21 Nov. 1869
39	Troup, Thos. B.	Stewart, Nancy	20 Nov. 1869	21 Nov. 1869
39	Wood, John P.	Newman, Sarah	22 Nov. 1869	23 Nov. 1869
40	Miller, Benjamin F.	McMichael, Theba A.	29 Nov. 1869	2 Dec. 1869
40	Black, John M.	Garrison, Mary Ann	29 Nov. 1869	30 Nov. 1869

<u>Page</u>	<u>Groom</u>	<u>Bride</u>	<u>License</u>	<u>Solemnized</u>
40	Gross, Isaac G.	Benson, Mrs. Caroline	30 Nov. 1869	5 Dec. 1869
41	Callaway, George M.	Jones, Mary J.	7 Dec. 1869	16 Dec. 1869
41	Lang, William	Buchannon, Sarah	10 Dec. 1869	12 Dec. 1869
41	Gibson, A. C.	Holt, Sarah F.	11 Dec. 1869	12 Dec. 1869
42	Elkins, James	Kenamer, Sophia R.	14 Dec. 1869	16 Dec. 1869
42	Kelton[Ketton?], Thomas	Stearnes, Harriet	14 Dec. 1869	15 Dec. 1869
42	Grimsley, Silas G.	Grayson, Sarah E.	20 Dec. 1869	No return
43	Johnson, Samuel	Coleman, Mary J.	21 Dec. 1869	21 Dec. 1869
43	Stovall, Robert E.	Coleman, Martha V.	21 Dec. 1869	21 Dec. 1869
43	Wilson, William	Dossett, Eliza	22 Dec. 1869	No return
44	Connaly, Thomas J.	Young, Anna	22 Dec. 1869	23 Dec. 1869
44	Hughes, Richard W.	Black, Mary Jane	22 Dec. 1869	23 Dec. 1869
44	Lusk, Robert M.	Henry, Margaret B.	23 Dec. 1869	23 Dec. 1869
45	Allen, George (Negro)	Kirby, Sarah (Negor)	25 Dec. 1869	25 Dec. 1869
45	Stuart, William	Martin, Mary	25 Dec. 1869	26 Dec. 1869
46	Lindsey, William E.	Taylor, Adaline	28 Dec. 1869	28 Dec. 1869
46	Griffin, Louis	Cornwell, Harriet	29 Dec. 1869	30 Dec. 1869
46	Wilson, William	Dossett, Eliza	30 Dec. 1869	30 Dec. 1869
	Permission dated 29 Dec. 1869 and signed by Joseph Wilson: "Please let William Wilson have license to marry."			
47	Weeden, James	Manning, Eliza J.	31 Dec. 1869	1 Jan. 1870
47	Griffin, Dennis	Little, Lucretia	1 Jan. 1870	6 Jan. 1870
47	Lang, Robert	Boling, Laura	6 Jan. 1870	7 Jan. 1870
45	Smith, James M.	Womack, Salina	28 Dec. 1869	30 Dec. 1869
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GUNTERSVILLE FEMALE SEMINARY

The following item was located and contributed by Judge William D. Page. It was found in "The Marshall Eagle" January 5, 1852, Volume 2, Number 32.

"The Female Seminary at Guntersville under the care of Miss A. A. Rogers will re-commence on the 15th of September, 1852."

"The Marshall Eagle" was published weekly at Guntersville. The masthead was "The Union, Now and Forever, One and Inseparable." It contained national news and legal ads in addition to commercial advertisement but rarely had any local news items. Judge Page obtained a copy of the available issues from 1852-1855 on microfilm and placed them in the Huntsville Public Library's Heritage Room.

LYSANDER JOHNSON'S "ANSWER"

While sorting through stacks of loose papers in the Franklin County courthouse at Winchester, Tennessee, Jeanne R. Bigger of Tullahoma, Tennessee found the following copy of an Answer by Lysander Johnson to a Bill of Complaint [law suit] filed by John W. Syler, J. F. Syler "and others." The file was incomplete and it was impossible to tell if James Lamar was one of the "others" or not, however, from the wording of the Answer one is led to believe he is a plaintiff in the action. The suit was filed in Chancery Court in Franklin County, Tennessee. Located and contributed by Jeanne R. Bigger and abstracted by Judge William D. Page and Dorothy Scott Johnson. [Suit filed 19 May 1869]

Lysander Johnson is a resident of Jackson Co., Ala. and states that on 28 Jan. 1865 he bought 86 bales of cotton, weighing 480 lbs. per bale (totaling 41,281 lb.) from James Lamar. Lamar lived in Marshall County, Alabama on the south side of the Tennessee River at that time. This transaction was signed by Lamar and witnessed by Col. William Griffin of Marshall County. Lamar agreed to take 45¢ per pound for the cotton payable in Southern States of Georgia and South Carolina bank notes or \$1.00 per pound in Confederate Treasury notes. Johnson paid Lamar \$1400 in Confederate Treasury notes which Lamar accepted. He also paid him \$2700 in Southern States bank notes which Lamar accepted, folded up and put cautiously into his pocketbook. On 7 Feb. 1865 Johnson further paid Lamar \$4000 in Southern States bank notes which Lamar accepted.

After the purchase, sale, and delivery, the cotton was left at the cotton shed of Washington T. May in Marshall County, Ala., it being where Lamar delivered it to Johnson. A disagreement arose as to the weight of the cotton and they started to re-weigh it but Lamar pledged on his honor that when the cotton was first packed it weighed 500 lbs. per bale and they then reached an agreement without re-weighing it.

No specified time for payment of the remainder of the price was fixed but was to be done as soon as Johnson could return to his home on the north side of the Tennessee River in Jackson County and gather up the money. On 9 June 1865 Johnson paid William Griffin \$1000 in Confederate money which Griffin gave to Lamar and Lamar accepted.

Johnson left his cotton under the shed of Washington T. May which James Lamar had but recently sold to May. Lamar assured Johnson that he had reserved the right to store cotton at that place during the existing hostilities [Civil War] and Lamar gave Johnson permission to store it there.

Due to the state of war then raging over the country and the vigilance of scouting parties of Confederate soldiers who occupied the southern banks of the Tennessee River and in consequence of predatory bands of guerrillas that infested the southern banks of the river under authority and control of the Confederate authorities, Johnson was prevented from returning to pay off Lamar until the times specified.

Immediately upon the surrender of the Confederate Army and dispersion of said bands of guerrillas, in May, 1865, Johnson returned to Marshall County and sought Lamar for the purpose of discharging his indebtedness. Johnson took with him enough Southern States bank notes to finish paying for the cotton but could not find Lamar.

On this trip he first had notice of the charges against him in the Bill of Complaint. The notice was given him by one Champ Farris, a citizen of Marshall County. Farris had affected the exchange of cotton originally. Champ Farris and Johnson, together, sent a messenger to Marengo County [where Lamar then lived] to notify Lamar that Johnson had come for the cotton and had the amount due him. Johnson gave Farris \$25. to speed the messenger and even procured the horse upon which the messenger was mounted. Johnson then waited ten days before removing the cotton awaiting the return of Lamar who never came.

Before the cotton purchase Lamar fled as a refugee before the Army of the United States to southern Alabama and at the time of the cotton purchase he had disposed of all his property of every character in Marshall County for Confederate money and he had no agent left there to whom Johnson could pay over the money. Johnson states that Lamar has "become reckless, dishonored and bankrupt in fortune."

On 9 June 1865 Johnson paid off, in United States currency, his contract. This was done before suit was brought. Johnson paid the following sums:

A. M. Beard, an account of \$628.88 due 3 March 1861 and also to Beard an assignment of John J. Stibbs due from Lamar in 1858, 1859, 1860 and 1861 in amount of \$330.70.

An order of James Lamar drawn on J. D. Lusk payable to James Jeater due 18 Feb. 1865 for \$800.00.

An account of A. M. Beardon with assignment of John J. Sibley yet to be proven.

On 9 June 1865 \$1759.88 in U. S. currency was worth six times Southern States bank notes and by reason of the U. S. currency's excessive value Johnson feels his debt to Lamar is completely paid.

ORPHANS COURT
1838 - 1839

This 276 page volume is located in the Marshall County courthouse in Guntersville, Alabama and is a record book. It is continued from Valley Leaves Volume 18, Issue No. 1, September, 1983. Abstracted by Dorothy Scott Johnson.

Pages 161-169 Frederick P. Parkes Estate [Also written Parks]
Friday, 23 Nov. 1838

[Pages 159 & 160 are blank.] John B. Finley applied for and received Letters of Administration on the estate of Frederick P. Parkes. The widow relinquished her right to administer by a letter. Parkes gave \$500 bond with Michael Ditto and N. G. Hamilton his securities. Parkes died without a will.

Inventory and Appraisement

7 Tan[ning] vats - \$28.00
1 House as tan shop - \$28.00
1 Shed to grind bark under - \$20.00
1 Bark mill and appartment - \$30.00
1 Pair of gears incl. swingletrees and chains - \$4.00
1 Curry knife and 3 fleshing knives and some other tools - \$12.00
1 Binnjohn[?] and oil brushes & some other utentials - \$5.50
1 Skillet belonging to the shop - \$1.00
4 vats full of leather, supposed to be worth \$200.00
2 beds and furniture - \$40.00
Balance of household and kitchen furniture - \$15.00
1 Rifle gun and shot bag - \$18.00
1 Baushear plow and 1 shovel plow - \$4.00
2 Axes
1 Crib of corn supposed to be 40 bushels - \$80.00
1 Small lot of cotton - \$3.00
1 Horse - \$60.00
2 cows and calves @ \$13.00 each - \$26.00
1 stack of fodder - \$3.75
6 head pork hogs - \$36.00

Purchasers at estate sale were: [Sale certified 8 June 1840]

Anderson, James	King, George
Boatner, James	Law, Wm.
Carver, John S.	Lowry, Thomas
Derrick, Alfred	McKey, Wm. O.
Finley, John B.	Ragland, John
Farmer, Mrs.	Street, O. D.
Harris, C. P.	Turner, Jesse

Outstanding accounts and debts due the estate are as follows:

Asa Herring - \$3.00	D. Fields - \$1.75	F. P. Parkes - \$13.00 & \$8.00
R. Hamilton - 31¢	Sol. Fry - 62-1/2¢	Russell Hamilton - \$8.31
M. Ditto - \$3.10	John H. Berry - \$2.25	William Brock - \$32.00
J. H. Derrick - \$1.13	Jesse Pratt - \$2.50	Curtis Parkes - \$5.50
H. Powers - \$5.64	Elisha Moreland - \$4.52	Wm. Fry - \$7.50

Claims against the estate were presented by:

A. Moore	C. P. Harris	Jesse A. Smith
Hill & Lowry	S. W. Woolard	William Henry
Richard Griffin	John Still	Geo. McCarroll
P. Woodson	Curtis Herrin[?]	E. Moreland

Bills due from this estate included Charles J. Harris for a coffin, \$5.00. Final Settlement of this estate was dated 8 June 1840.

Orphans Court, 1838-1839 (-continued-)

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Thomas Harrison Estate

Thomas Harrison, late of Marshall Co., Ala. died without a will. Samuel W. Neel[Neil?] of Blount County was appointed administrator on 25 Sept. 1838. Neel gave \$1500 bond with Rice G. Collins and Caleb W. Rodgers his securities. Same approved 15 Dec. 1838 by Washington T. May, Judge of Probate.

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James Cowen Estate

"The nuncupative will of James Cowen, Decd., who departed this Life on Sunday the 27th day of Jany. 1839 being of sound mind [and] disposing memory but in expectation of a speedy dissolution made his nuncupative will as follows, to wit:"

Appointed his wife, Frances Cowen, and his son, David Cowen, his executors. All property, real and personal, to go into the hands of his wife and at her death it is to be "equally divided among his heirs, share and share alike."

A portion of his estate was to be given to his younger children to make their portion equal to that already given to his older children when they came of age or married which Cowen believes amounted to about \$150 each. If the property given the older children does not value \$150 then their portion to be made up to them out of the estate. The minor children to receive their portion when they marry. [Note: None of the children were named.]

Witnesses: C. D. Abernathy and Frances Cowen in January, 1839.

Admitted to probate 11 Feb. 1839

Administrator's Bond dated 11 Feb. 1839

Frances Cowen and David Cowen were awarded administratorship after giving \$6000 bond with Garrett Cowen and Peter Foust their securities. This bond was signed by David Cowen. Frances Cowen signed with an "X" and bondsmen signed as Peter R. Foust and Jackson Cowen. [Please note that in the body of the bond Garrett Cowen was named as bondsman but it was signed by Jackson Cowen.]

Inventory and Appraisalment

1 negro woman Peggy (\$300.) and girl Malinda (\$400) - \$700.

1 negro girl Esther (\$300) and boy Charles (\$400) - \$700.

3 horses, 24 head hogs, 2 cribs of corn, 18 head cattle, 4000 bunches fodder, bacon and lard, one carriage, one large wagon, 4 beef hides, gears and harness, one lot of old tools, a cross-cut saw, ploughs, hoes, loom and wagon cloth, one lot castings, clock, books, cupboard and furniture, 3 guns and 2 pistols, water vessels, pewter knives and forks, pole axes and broad axes, lock chain, sythe, folding table, coffee mill, saddles, bridles, sugar, salt and coffee, 3 spinning wheels and chairs, 2 per cards, steelyards, 10 lb. picked cotton, bag of flour, featherbeds, bedsteads and bed clothes, trunks, looking glass, dried fruit, 8 geese, 15 ducks, 3 cakes of tallow, 2 trofts of soap, etc. Total evaluation: \$2441.37-1/2

Inventory of Notes due estate:

1. Richard Golden, \$507.60 due 16 March 1840
 2. Clayton Cook, \$2.62-1/2 due 26 Feb. 1839
 3. Garry Williams, \$20. due 1 Sept. 1837
 4. Davidson Willis, \$4.50 due 8 Feb. 1839
 5. N. Garret, \$6.15 due 21 Feb. 1839
 6. David Cowen, \$8. due 13 Feb. 1839
 7. P. M. Ragsdale, \$50. due 25 Dec. 1839
 8. Simeon Garrett, \$7.75 due 23 Feb. 1838
 9. Receipt from P. D. Clack for note given him for collection on C. Herring and [E. Loy?], \$300.00 dated 25 March 1837 and due 12 months later.
 10. Account on Edmond Power for \$6.87-1/2
 11. Note on William Brooks for \$180. dated 22 Feb. 1837 and due 3 days thereafter
 12. Note on Zemiris[?] Madden for \$33.21 due in 1837
 13. Note on M. Rollins, amount not known.
- Total appraisal, \$3607.76

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ORPHANS COURT REGISTER NUMBER 1 1818 - 1873

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Mojack[?] Harlin is permitted to build a grist mill on Harlin's Mill Creek in Section 6, Range 2 [no township given] provided damming does not obstruct the mill already ordered by said court to be built from runnings.

Wm. Johnson to be licensed to keep a Tavern in Centerville where he now lives in Cotaco County for the term of one year from the 11th of November which is the date of his permit.

December 15, 1818

Present: Hon. John Menefee, Chief Justice
Horatio Philpott Esqr.)
John McCarley Esqr.) Justices of the quorum

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John Collins Esqr. appointed overseer to cut out the road from Ditto's Landing to Dry Creek. Collins shall remove the road as viewed beginning at John McCarley's east boundary line and run it nearer to the north and west boundary line of said land so as to keep the road on good ground. The road, as now reviewed, would naturally injure said land and that John McCarley Esqr. be appointed to proportion the hands to work on the same.

Archeleas Craft appointed overseer of the road from Dry Creek to Cotaco Creek as reviewed and that Horatio Philpott be appointed to proportion the hands to work on same.

John Loy appointed overseer to work on the road from Cotaco Creek to Sommersville as viewed and that Thomas Hodge be appointed to proportion the hands to work on same.

John McMahan appointed overseer of the road from McMahan's ferry to Pains Creek and Richard Holly appointed to proportion the hands to work on same.

John Williams appointed overseer of the road from Pains Creek to the crossing of the East Fork of Cotaco Creek and Thomas __[torn]__ appointed to proportion hands.

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Joseph Cliff appointed to work on the road from Sommersville to Crabbs ferry and James Anderson Esqr. to proportion the hand to work on same.

Joseph Clift to be allowed \$139.87-1/2 out of the county treasury for building a jail in the town of Sommersville.

Jeremiah Pate appointed overseer of the road leading from Sommersville toward Melton's Bluff to where said road crosses the Flint River at the Fish Dam ford beginning at the west end of Broad Street in Sommersville and running to David Ballew's south boundary line of the NW/4 of Section 36, Township 6 [no range given] and then with said line to the southwest corner of said quarter; thence the nearest and best way to intersect the way already marked out. William Johnson appointed to proportion the hands to work on said road.

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John Collins Esqr. licensed to keep __[torn off]__ in Cotaco County where he now lives for the term of one __[torn off]__ date hereof.

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Reuben Bailes appointed overseer of a part of the road leading from Sommersville to Meltons Bluff from Flint [River] at the fish dam ford to the ford on Dry Creek near John Owen's and that Levi Taylor make out a list of hands to work on the same.

John Owen appointed overseer of part of the road leading from Sommersville to Meltons Bluff beginning at the ford of Dry Creek, from thence to the boundary line and that John Menefe make out a list of hands to work the same.

Sherrod Rolins appointed overseer of the road commencing on the north bank of east fork of Cotaco Creek and leading from said creek to the county boundary line and also that James Thomason Esqr. be appointed to proportion the hands on said road.

Henry Berry appointed overseer of the road leading from Sommersville to Ceder Creek or that part of the road leading from Sommersville towards the falls of the Black Warrior [River] and that Thomas Bibb be appointed to proportion the hands.

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William Pullin appointed overseer of the road from Cedar Creek to the south bank of said creek near to Samuel Cowens and that Samuel Cowens be appointed to proportion the hands to work it.

Thomas Oden appointed overseer of that part of the road between or from the south bank of a small creek near to Samuel Cowins leading toward the southern boundary line of Cotaco County as reviewed and that Peter Couch be appointed to proportion the hands to work it.

Walter Holmes appointed overseer of marked out road from Sommersville to intersect a road leading from McMahans ferry toward the Bear Meat Cabbins or so much of said road as lies between Sommersville to Cotaco Creek and that Samuel Echols be appointed to proportion the hands.

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Isaac Blanton appointed overseer of that part of a road marked and laid out from Sommersville to intersect a road leading from McMahans ferry to the Bear meat Cabbin lying between the west bank of Cotaco Creek including the west bank of said creek to where it intersects the above mountain road and that Micajah Hill be appointed to proportion the hands.

Tuesday, March 9, 1819

Present: Horatio Philpott Esqr.)
James Thomason Esqr.) Justices of the Quorum
John McCarley Esqr.)

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Court opened by the Sheriff making proclamation on petition of Thomas Bryant others [not named] and petition was granted for the way to be reviewed and marked from the cliff at Lemans Ferry leading on to Guins Trace, from thence to Currens Mill, from thence to Bryant's where the road will intersect with the one now made use of leading from the Falls of the Warrior to Huntsville and ordered that Isaac Guest, Thomas Bryant, Benjamin Wheat, W__[torn]__ Denton, Robert Wood, Robert Cook and John __[torn]__ view and mark said road if they think that there can be a good roadway had and according to the petition and make return at our next court.

[Note: Thomas Bryant's last name was variously spelled Bryan, Byrans and Bryant.]

On petition of John McCarley and others [not named] the court ordered a review to view the way leading from Ditto's landing to the head of Cain Creek on the mountain where the road now crosses said creek; thence in a direction to the head waters of the Black Warrior in Blount County to the boundary line of Cotaco County and ordered that Thomas Andrews, David Bush, John Baker, William Bradley, Archelaus Craft, and Robert Cook be appointed as reviewers.

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On December 15th last, court ordered and appointed Isaac Blanton overseer of that part of a road marked and laid out from Sommersville to intersect a road leading from McMahans Ferry to the Bear Meat Cabbins lying between the west bank of Cotaco Creek including the west bank of said creek to where it intersects the above marked road; court now ordered the following alteration to be made in the above order:

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That is that Isaac Blanton shall be appointed overseer to work on said road between the south bank of Six Mile Creek to where it intersects the above marked road.

William Adair and others [not named] were granted an order for a road leading Thomas D. Crabb's ferry on the Tennessee River, the nearest and best way, to Senterville [Centerville] and the following persons ordered to view same: Joseph Stephens, Phelix Journegan, Thomas Skidmore, Abraham Skidmore, Thristopher Borden, William Rainey and Joseph Kobb[Cobb?].

On petition of Thomas S. Bibb, the court granted an order for a mill with an eight foot dam on the east fork of Flint River in the SE/4 of Sec. 27-7-4W.

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David Ballew appointed overseer of that part of the road leading from Sommersville toward Meltons Bluff to the crossing of the village trace and Christopher Bordan appointed to proportion the hands.

Jeremiah Pait appointed overseer on that part of the road leading from Sommersville toward Meltons Bluff from the village trace to the crossing of Flint [River] at the Fish dam ford and Cornelius Archer appointed to proportion the hands.

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On petition of M. Vaughn and others [not named] it is ordered that there be a road opened commencing opposite Cotton Port or Mooresville, by the most convenient route, leading to Centerville from thence to intersect the road leading from Sommersville to the falls of the Black Warrior and ordered that Thomas S. Bibb, William Johnson, Samuel Givens, Charles Walker, Iley[?] Nunn, Jonathan Medford, and James Wright be appointed to mark said road.

Ordered that one-third of the amount of the Territorial Tax be assessed and collected by the assessor and collected for the year 1819 as a county tax.

Archelus Craft, James Anderson, and Heseekiah Johnson appointed inspectors for the elections to be held in Cotaco County to elect representatives of said county in the next general assembly and also to superintend the election for commissioners to fix upon the permanent cite of Justice for Cotaco County.

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June 14, 1819

Present: Hon. John Menefee, Chief Justice
James Thomason)
John McCarley) Justices of the Quorum

On petition of Smitt^h Deskins and others [not named] it is ordered that a road be laid out leading from Stringfield's ferry to Centerville, from thence to Thomas Bibb's, from thence the nearest and best way to Mr. Givens' and from thence the nearest and best way to intersect Mitchel's Trace in Section 5, Township 8 [Range not given], and that William Johnson, Ezekiel Johnson, Samuel Davis, Jonathan Medford, Archibald Kirkland, Joseph Blevins, Enis Fielder be a jury to mark and lay out said road.



"Viewing" a potential road.

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On Petition of Abraham Stout and others [not named] it is ordered by the court that a Road be laid out leading from Sommersville to the Southern boundary of Cotaco County leading through Gunday's Cove, and that Abraham Stout, Peter Couch, John Gandey, Greenberry Wilson, Benjamin Weeks, ___[torn off]___ Tunney, Samuel Rhea, be a Jury to lay ___[torn off]___ said Road & make return to this court.

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Thomas Anderes [Note: name originally Anderson then changed by scribe to Anderes,] appointed overseer of the road from Leemans Ferry to the Top of the Mountain, and William Neusom is appointed overseer from the Top of the Mountain to the southern boundary line of Cotaco County; John McCarley and John Collins to proportion the hands on said road.

William Bradley to be overseer of the road from Ditto's landing to the Indian boundary line and that John McCarley and John Collins give a list of hands to work on same.

W. Gray, sheriff of Cotaco County, be allowed \$18.25 out of the county treasury for jail repairs and \$50.00 for extra services rendered said county as sheriff to the present term.

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The road ordered to be allowed and marked out commencing opposite Cotton Parks on Mooresville Landing and from thence to Centerville and from thence to intersect a road leading from Sommersville to the falls of the Black Warrior [River] be set aside.

Edward Richardson, Clerk of the County Court, be allowed \$25.00 out of the county treasury for extra services including some books furnished by him.

The order granted during the last term for a road leading from Crabbs Ferry to Centerville be carried into effect agreeable to the order.

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Monday, September 12, 1819.

Present: Hon. John Menefee
James Thomason, J. Q.
Horatio Philpott, J. Q.
John McCarley, J. Q.

Elijah Moore appointed overseer on the road leading from Ditto's Landing to the boundary line as it now runs instead of to William Bradley's place; ordered also that Corbin Donahoo and David Bush apportion and divide the hands east of Dry Creek to work on the above road and also the hands to work on the road from Ditto's Landing to Dry Creek so that no one hand shall work on two roads.

On petition of James Inman and others [not named], John Liviston[Livingston?], John Stephenson, Joseph Enman, John Fanth[?], John Reedy, Joseph Enman, and Jonathan Sanderling[?] be appointed as reviewers to view the road from Bottoms Ferry to the county line the nearest and best way.

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Darnton[Damton?] Patton has liberty to remove a small part of that road that leads from Somerville to intersect the road that leads from McMahan's to the Bear Meat Cabbins so that the road does not run on more ground that is now on and that he cut and make the same at his own expense.

An order granted at the last term for a road leading from Crabbs Ferry to Centerville to be put into effect.

Samuel Davis has liberty to build a mill on the Flint River in Sec. 17-7-4W it having been viewed by a jury who is of the opinion that a dam 6 feet high will be in no way injurious to any man and believes it to be a suitable place to build a mill.

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On petition of Hopkins Lacy and others [not named] it is ordered by the court that the road leading from Leamans Ferry by Currins Mill leading towards the Black Warrior [River] be disannulled.

The report of the jury appointed to view and mark out a way for a road leading from Crabbs Ferry towards Centerville is received and Thomas Skidmore is appointed overseer on that part from the ferry until it intersects the road leading from Sommerville to Centerville.

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Tuesday, September 14, 1819.
Present: John Menefee

Martin Taylor, John Menefee, William Mosley, Dixon Standback, Edward Patrick, Robert More, Ezekiel Owen, William Owen, John Owen, Joseph Sykes, William Eliot, James Love, John Reyney, William Austin, Joel Wallace, John Lane, and Joseph Lane are appointed a jury, or a majority of them with their hands, to view, mark, and clear out a road from McDonalds ferry to the county line, a course towards the town of Courtland and make report having due respect to injure private property as little as possible.

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Robert Page, Moses Robertson, Robert Mathews, Edward Richardson, Henry Johnson, James Morrow, Isaac Lane, John Pride, Thomas Hubbard Senr., John Wilson, or any seven of them, view and mark out a way for a road from the Fish dam ford on the Flint River to McDonalds ferry having respect to injure private property as little as possible.

James Brooks, Durret Oliver, Jesse Couch, Morgan Rector, Edward Thompson, Thomas Hubbard Junr., Samuel Simpson, James McMillan, Jesse White, John Couch Senr., and Drury Couch, or any seven of them, appointed to be a jury to view and mark out a way for a road leading from McDonalds Ferry to the county line toward Elams Norse Mill [Elam Norse's Mill or Norris' Mill?] on the west fork of Flint River.

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Jesse White, Wm. King, and Joseph Kolb appointed inspectors of the Election to be held at Lesterville[?] on the third Monday in September; also that Wm. Morely, John Loy, and Robert K. Crockett be appointed inspectors of the election to be held at Sommerville on the 3rd Monday of September; also that Featherston Waldon, Wm. G. Dossey and Isaac Langston be appointed inspectors of the election to be held at James Wilksons to be held on the 3rd Monday of this [month omitted] instant. The sheriff to notify them accordingly.



A Spirited Election

Benjamin Holley and others [not named] granted an order for a road leading out of the Sommerville road where it crosses Six Mile Creek to go the nearest and best direction to Wm. G. Dossey's and that Burwell Marchbanks, Turner[?] Harwood, Hugh McAdams, David Williams, George Tankerley, David McCarley and Mordicy Lemons be appointed jurors to view and mark same.

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D. Crabb and others [not named] granted an order for a road leading from Stringfield's Ferry to Sommerville and that Thos. Skidmore, William Skidmore, Joseph Kolb, Joseph Clift, Stewart Braun, James Thompson, and William Thorn be appointed to view said road.

Nicholas Lewis and others [not named] granted petition to view a road leading from Lewises Ferry to intersect the Sommerville [Road] at the Center Spring and that John McMahan, William King, Richard Holly, Nicholas Lewis, Isaac Yearry, Marvin Kyle and Wm. Read be appointed a jury to view and mark the same.

On petition of John Maxwell and others [not named] the court ordered that the overseer alter that part of the road leading from Sommerville to Ditto's Landing (between Center Spring and Cotaco Creek) so as to take the nearest and best way to said Creek and going immediately by John Maxwell's house so as to shun that very bad hill in said road.

Martin Ross appointed overseer on that part of the road leading from Sommerville to Ditto's Landing (between Sommerville and Ross' Spring) and that he have an equal divide of the hands which John Loy now has as overseer of said road.

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The review of that part of the road from the Fort[Fork?] dam ford to the county line in a direction to Meltons Bluff is cancelled.

William Finton[?] appointed overseer of the road reviewed and laid off from Stringfield's Ferry to Centerville and Arch. Kirkland is appointed on that part of said road from Centerville to Flint [River] as viewed and laid off; also William Milligan is appointed on that part of the road from Flint to Samuel Givens; also that Smith Deskins be appointed on that part of the road from Givens to the county line; and that Joseph Blevins, David Day, Thos. T. Bibb and William Johnson be appointed to apportion the hands to work on the same so as no one man shall be compelled to work two roads.

Jonathan Ridgeway, Robert Pickel, Abraham Oden, and William Chadwick are each allowed \$8.00 for their services in guarding the jail eight days while Joseph Wilson was prisoner; same to be paid by the county treasurer out of any moneys not otherwise appropriated.

Wm. Doss, James Clark, John Buchanan, Edward Fulton, Philip Archey, Jeremiah Archey and William Chadwick each be allowed \$1.00 for their services in guarding the jail while Wesley H. Mills was prisoner to be paid out of the county treasury from moneys not otherwise appropriated.

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Marvin Kyle, John Sharp, Wm. Smith, and Gardner Randolph are allowed \$8.00 for their services in guarding the jail in January last; M. Kyle allowed \$5.00 and the others are allowed \$1.00 each to be paid out of the county treasury.

Hereafter every licensed tavern keeper in this county to be allowed the following rates, to wit:

For breakfast or supper, 37-1/2¢
 For dinner, 50¢
 For keeping horse 24 hours, \$1.00
 For keeping horse one night, 50¢
 Single feed [for horse], 25¢

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Queries

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60 HICKS

Trying to locate my grandfather, James Craten Hicks, 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 Street, New Castle, DE 19720

61 POTTER, BENTON, GUINN/QUINN, AWBREY

Jonathan Benton Potter, b 1838 Jackson Co., AL, d 1888 MO(?). Who were parents and siblings? Solomon Potter, b 1805 TN, resided Jackson Co., AL 1830, Pulaski Co., MO 1840, Buchanan Co., MO 1850. Who were parents and siblings? Was wife, Lucy, a Benton? Who were her parents and siblings? Daniel Guinn or Quinn, b 1818 TN. Resided Benton Co., MO 1850-1897. Who were parents and siblings? Was wife, Hannah, b KY or AL 1818 an Awbrey? Would like to correspond with descendants of these surnames.

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

62 MOORE, PARSON, ROBERSON

Need info on Henry Moore, b ca 1785 GA, d 5 Oct 1847 AL. Who were parents and siblings? He married 3 times: married (1) ca 1807, name unknown; (2) Nancy Parson 1 Apr 1812 Madison Co., AL; (3) Rebecca M. Roberson, b 1805 NC, m 12 Feb 1835 Madison Co., AL. Family possibly migrated Mass, NC, GA, AL, then Texas.

Bill Moore, Rt. 2, Box 310, Hubbard, TX 76648

63 JACKSON

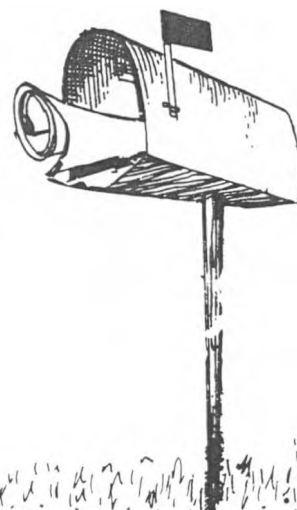
Would like to correspond with anyone working on President Andrew Jackson's tree. Looking for a Jackson related to him in Franklin Co., AL in 1840's. His wife was from SC and named Susanna.

Virginia Holtberg, 4230 NW 16th Terrace, Oklahoma City, OK 73107

64 RUSSELL, MURPH/MURFF

Sarah Russell, w of Henry Murph or Murff, presumed to be sister of Alexander (Alex) Russell who was married to Esther Robbins Mar 1837 Green Co., AL. Alex was from Anson Co., NC and moved by 1840 to Decatur, Newton Co., MS. In his household lived Margaret Russell from SC, presumed to be his mother. After his second marriage shortly bef 1860, Margaret was living with Sarah Murph or Murff. Who was the husband of Margaret Russell and what was Margaret's maiden name? Was Sarah and Alex sister and brother and were there other children?

Mrs. Lamar Russell, Jr., 3101 Maryland Avenue,
Kenner, LA 70065



Queries Editor: Margaret M. Cowart

65 CLOUD

Urgently need information regarding the parents of John Beadle Cloud, 1854-1927, of Clouds Cove and Hobbs Island.

Thomas J. King, 29076 Waverly Dr., Sun City, CA 92381
or call collect (714) 672-1189

66 COWART, PINION/PYNION, FOWLER, KENNEDY

Need info on Taylor Scott Cowart b ca 1847 Gilmore, Cobb Co., GA. Married (1) Narcissus A. Fowler in Pickens Co., GA, (2) Sarah Adeline Kennedy 28 May 1876 in Cottonville, Marshall Co., AL. Also need info family relationship between Cowart and Pinion/Penion/Pynion families in AR, AL & GA.

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

67 HUNT, CAMPBELL

John Hunt, b ca 1750 VA(?) who may have been the founder of Huntsville. His son, George W. Hunt (1787-1838), married Lydia Campbell in Huntsville 1811, resided Lincoln Co. TN. Seek parents, birth, wife, death or burial of John Hunt. Appreciate any information on descendants.

Doris Dell, P.O. Box 1153, Canoga Park, CA 91304

68 LONG, JAMES

Need to know name of father of Solomon Thomas Long, b 2 May 1865/66 Morgan Co., AL, d 19 Jan 1936 Limestone Co., AL. His mother was Narcissa (James) Long and his younger brother and sister were Milton W. and Maranzia N. Long.

Janet (Long) Biondo, 7202 Arthurs Rd., Ft. Pierce, FL 33451

69 GIBSON, OSBORN, STILLWELL

Joseph Lee Gibson, Jr. of Aberdeen, Monroe Co., MS, b 1826, married Catherine Osborn, b 1827 Marshall Co., TN. She was the dau of John James Osborn, b 1790 Mecklenburg Co., NC and a resident of Franklin Co., AL. Joseph and Catherine had child named Evalin Gibson b 30 Nov 1850. Catherine d 15 Jul 1851 and baby Evalin was raised by grandfather John James Osborn and one of his four wives as Catherine's mother, Rachel Stillwell, had died in Marshall Co., TN 1839/40.

Joseph Lee Gibson, Jr's father was Joseph L. Gibson, Sr. He died 1848 in Monroe Co., MS. Would like to correspond and exchange with anyone researching any of these families.

Howard K. Dixon, 9826 Bartley Ave., Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670

70 DESKIN

John Greenberry Deskin lived in Morgan Co., AL for several years bef 1835 when he and his family moved to Yalobusha Co., MS. He was b 21 Feb 1799 Tazewell Co., VA, d 5 Sep 1873 Yazoo Co., MS and married 17 Jun 1819, possibly to a Jane ?. According to published Annual Conferences for the Methodist Church, John Greenberry Deskin was a Methodist minister serving Morgan Co., AL as well as in several places in MS. Searching for the full name of his wife, where they were married and if Smith Deskin was his father. Was the Rev. Wesley Deskins (b & d in TN but served as a circuit rider for the Franklin Circuit) his brother? Would like to correspond with any Deskins in the area.

Johnnie Deskin Garrett, P.O. Box 10046, Austin, TX 78766

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