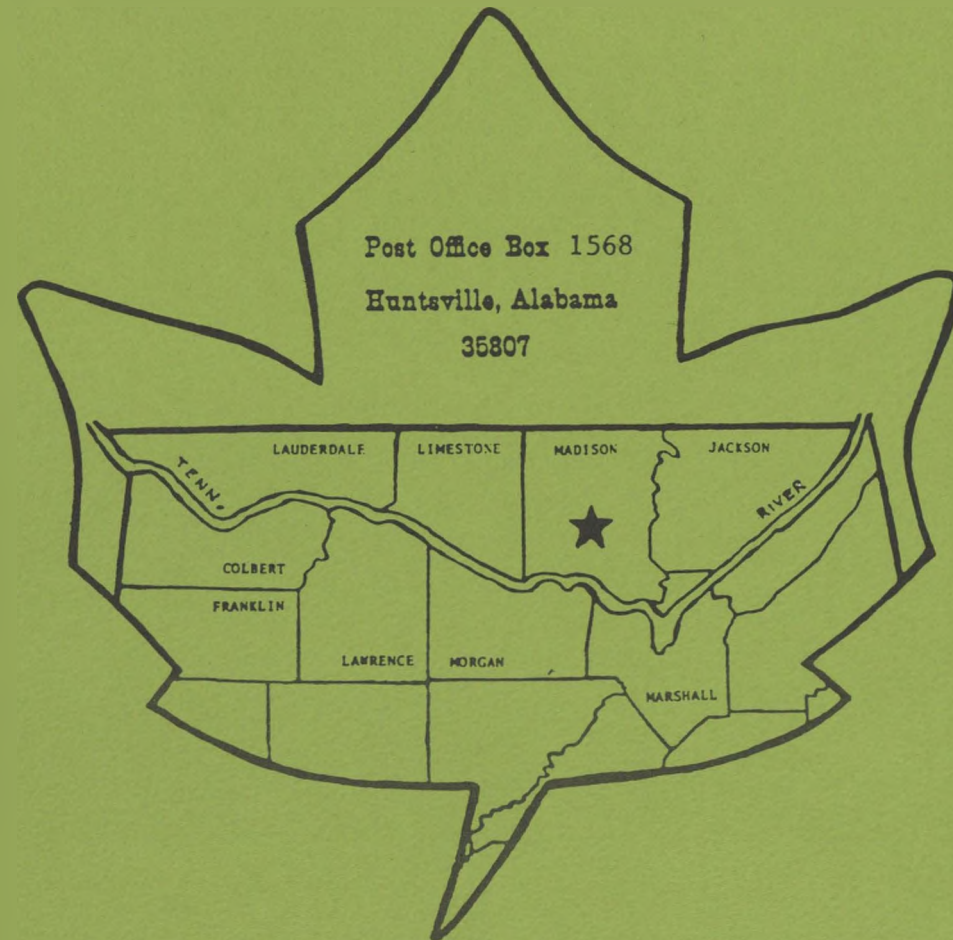


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# Editor's Leaf



## PLANNING A TRIP?

If you are planning a genealogical research trip you may want to first check to see if the courthouse in the county in which you intend to visit is closed one day through the week. Many rural county courthouses close a half day during the week and stay open until noon on Saturdays. For instance, the Lawrence Co. Probate office and the Jackson Co. Probate office is closed on Thursday afternoons but open for a few hours Saturday morning.

## CLAN McALPINE ORGANIZES IN U. S. A.

The organization of the Clan McAlpine Association of America is now a reality. This organization is for all McAlpine descendants or anyone interested in this surname with its many various spellings. The first meeting was held at the MacAlpine tent at the Scottish Highland Games at Grandfather Mountain, North Carolina in July, 1985. For more information you should contact Doris (McAlpine) Russell, 8600 Hickory Hill Lane, Huntsville, Alabama 35802.

## OLD LAND RECORDS OF COLBERT COUNTY

Margaret Matthews Cowart's latest addition to her Old Land Record series, "Old Land Records of Colbert County," is hot off the press. In fact, it is so recent we did not have time to review it in this issue of "Valley Leaves." It has been unavoidably delayed at the printer—the thing all publisher have nightmares about! The book sells for \$18.00 and is another of Mrs. Cowart's high quality publication. For more information write the author at 7801 Tea Garden Road, Huntsville, Alabama, 35802.

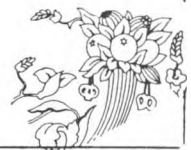
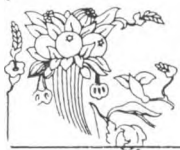
## TVGS MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 1985-1986 FISCAL YEAR

Regular TVGS meetings are held the fourth Thursday evening every other month at 7:00 p. m. in the auditorium of the Huntsville Public Library. We urge everyone to attend these interesting and informative sessions. Please note that the November meeting is set up one week because of Thanksgiving.

Sept. 26, 1985  
Nov. 21, 1985  
Jan. 23, 1986  
March 27, 1986  
May 24, 1986  
July 24, 1986  
Sept. 25, 1986  
Nov. 27, 1986

Please mark these dates on your calendar. Guests are most welcome to attend also.

*Dorothy Scott Johnson*





# North Alabama



## CONFEDERATE VETERANS AND WIDOWS PENSIONS

The following information was abstracted from the pension applications of Confederate veterans and widows at the Alabama Department of Archives and History in Montgomery. For every veteran, or his widow, who made application for a pension there is a separate file with that person's name on it and the county in which he/she lived. Some files contain many pages of material and a corresponding amount of information while others have only one sheet and very little information. The date in the left hand column is the date of the earliest application.

Pensions were awarded based on need. If your ancestor served in the Confederate Army and lived until about the turn of the century but there is no file on him it may be because his wealth precluded his need for a pension. If your ancestor was killed during the Civil War and his widow survived until such time as pensions were awarded, then you may be pleasantly surprised to find a file on her. The following abstracts will give you an idea of what is contained in these files.

The number of Confederate pension files in the Archives is staggering. They are contained in approximately eighteen five-drawer file cabinets and are filed in alphabetical order. To attempt to abstract every pension file of veterans and widows from our nine north Alabama counties is an ambitious undertaking to say the least particularly when the abstractor lives over 200 miles away. I spent two days at the Archives and was able to abstract only part way through the "A's," therefore, this series will not be run in every issue of "Valley Leaves" but will be run only when your editor has the time to drive to Montgomery and gather the information.

Abbott, John A.  
Abbott, Mary A.  
Jackson County  
9 June 1899

John A. Abbott enlisted as a Private in Company "F," 9th Regiment on 15 September 1862 at Valley Head [DeKalb County], Alabama. He was honorably discharged 14 June 1865 and did not desert. He died 23 April 1895. Mary A. Abbott, his widow, is unable to make a living due to her age; she is 50 years old. Her address is Shaw, Alabama.

Abel, Jeremiah  
Jackson Co.  
20 May 1895

Jeremiah Abel was a Private in Company "G," 16th Regiment of Tennessee Volunteers. In 1861 at New Madrid, Missouri he had measles which coupled with old age makes him now unable to do any business. He has no property.

On 20 May 1895 George R. Hodges, J. P., swore Jeremiah Abel's disability consisted of him "being badly paralyzed."

Abercrombie, W. J.  
Abercrombie, Millie S.,  
Widow  
Marshall County  
4 June 1901

W. J. Abercrombie enlisted as a 2nd Lt. in Company "E," of the 27th Georgia Regiment and died 2 July 1900. Mille S. Abercrombie's affidavit was attested to in Carroll County, Georgia. She states she owns 160 acres of land in Marshall County on which are located two small houses and very poor improvements. She owns one cow, one watch and one vehicle for a total evaluation of \$300.25.

Abernathy, John W.  
Limestone County  
1 June 1896

John W. Abernathy states he was in the Confederate Army two years but is now old and feeble and unable to work much. He resides at Elkmont and is a stonemason by trade. He owns no taxable property.

Abernathy, Lewis  
Limestone County  
1 June 1897

Lewis Abernathy states he was in the Confederate Army three years and surrendered 5 May 1865 at Gainesville, Alabama. He is a farmer and presently lives at Bethel [Giles County], Tennessee. His property consists of three horses valued at \$30 each.

The medical examiner stated that Mr. Abernathy was 54 years old and in feeble health; he is a "habitual user of Mersshen[?]. He contracted this habit as he says by having it prescribed for him by his physician for painful disease. He is now weak."



Abernathy, Sam J.  
Limestone County  
1 May 1891

Sam J. Abernathy was a Private in Company "B," 50th Regiment of Alabama volunteers having enlisted 4 July 1861. He was discharged 28 July 1864 at Atlanta, Georgia. He was wounded in the shoulder "by a minnie ball."

Joseph Adams of Limestone County swears he knew Sam J. Abernathy before the war and was in the army with him. The medical examiner states that Sam J. Abernathy is greatly troubled with chronic rheumatism and states "he has been troubled with a cough since he had measles."

On 9 Feb. 1915 Sam J. Abernathy stated he was "coming 72 years old and am now dependent upon my pension, not able to work and am a poor man."

The Bureau of Pensions made the following notation: The name of S. J. Abernathy, Pvt., Co. B, 50th Ala. Inf., CSA, appears to an oath of allegiance to the United States subscribed to Feb. 7, 1865 at Nashville, Tennessee on which he is shown to have deserted January 17, 1865.

Ackard, Mrs. J. C. (widow)  
Lauderdale County

A letter dated 9 October 1924 from Woolsey Finnell, Probate Judge of Tuscaloosa County, Ala. requests the state send her pension check to Florence as she has moved there.

A letter dated 23 March 1925 by Judge J. I. McClure, Judge of Probate of Lauderdale County, states that Mrs. Ackard was out of the state on 1 February 1925 due to illness of some of her relatives but is now back in the state.

There is nothing in this file to indicate the name of her husband.

Acklen, Theodore  
Acklen, Mrs. H. M.  
Madison County  
17 January 1907

Theodore Acklen was a Private in Company "I," 4th Regiment of Alabama Infantry. He died 18 November 1870. Mrs. H. M. Acklen, his widow, now owns a gun and household furniture for a total value of \$30.

Adair, Benj. J.  
Adair, Nancy E.  
Marshall County  
12 July 1889

Benj. J. Adair was a Private in Company "F," 53rd Regiment and "came to his death from disease contracted in the service of the Confederate States, and that his death occurred during the late war; that she has not since remarried; that she was a resident of Alabama on the 28th day of February 1889," according to a statement by Nancy E. Adair, his widow.

Nancy E. Adair also made application on 20 May 1887 and on 20 June, 1902 she stated she owned household furniture valued at \$25 as her only property.

Adair, James  
Lawrence County  
20 July 1903

James Adair was a Private in Company "B," 4th Alabama Cavalry and entered service in August, 1862 at Moulton, Alabama. He was discharged in May, 1865. He is now unable to work because of Rheumatism and broken bones. He is aged 59 and lives at Mounon. His property consists of 2 horses, 2 cows, one gun, household and kitchen furniture and farming utensils for a total value of \$322. He owns 80 acres of land in Lawrence County valued at \$200.

On 2 July 1912 James Adair states he could not work because of rheumatism and on account of having both arms broken; his hearing is so bad he can not understand any part of an ordinary conversation. He stated on 2 July 1912 that he owns 100 acres of land in Lauderdale

Adair, James (-continued-)

County on which are located "old log houses" and which is valued at \$1500.

In an undated communication the Board of Examiners state Adair is 68 years old and that "some time since" he suffered a fracture of both arms; the right arm was fractured one inch above the wrist, both bones; on left arm, one bone broken one inch above wrist. Rheumatism developed in old fractures at times confining him to his bed for nine months. He can not hear ordinary conversation at close quarters.

On 1 May 1914 James Adair states he was born at Pinhook, Alabama.

On 7 October 1914 the Pension Bureau noted that no record had been found of the service, capture, or parole of this man. [Note: Many of the military records were destroyed.]

Adams, J. M.  
Jackson County  
18 July 1913

He was a resident of Jackson Co., Alabama on 1 January 1899. He enlisted in the Confederate service as a volunteer in Company "G" of the 40th Georgia on 18 May 1861 at Buchanan, Georgia and was discharged in May, 1865. Mr. Adams is now unable to make a living due to declining age and ill health; he is 72 years old and his address is Dutton, Alabama.

Adams, John Henry  
Adams, M. M. (widow)  
Marshall County  
12 August 1897

John Henry Adams was a Private in Company "B" of the 2nd Georgia. He died of disease since the war. His widow, M. M. Adams, has not remarried and is a bona fide resident of Warrenton, Alabama. She owns no taxable property. Her only property is household and kitchen furniture valued at \$10.

John Henry Adams died 6 May 1881. Mrs. Adams is presently living with her son (not named.)

Adams, John Jackson  
Adams, Mary Jane (widow)  
Lauderdale County  
15 December 1908

A letter from the War Department dated 17 September 1929 states that one John J. Adams, 10th Tennessee Cavalry, CSA, was captured on 24 or 25 March [no year given] at Brentwood, Tennessee and paroled at Louisville, Kentucky on 4 April 1863 and delivered at City Point, Virginia. He was a Private. No muster rolls on file for Captain Huggans' Company "L" of DeMoss' 10th Tennessee Cavalry.

This file shows that John Jackson Adams died at Waterloo, Alabama on 20 February 1908 and that Mrs. Adams has been married three times since then: (1) to Sion F. Tatum on March 11, 1911, (2) to Coleman C. Hinton on April 3, 1919, and (3) to Reese Adams on Jan. 25, 1920.

An affidavit of J. W. Young of the 10th Tennessee Cavalry dated 15 December 1908 states he is 72 years old and knows John J. Adams made a good soldier.

On 2 October 1929 Mary Jane Adams states she is a resident of Waterloo, Lauderdale County, Alabama, is 74 years, 3 months of age and has been an Alabama resident for 48 years. She has also lived in Wayne County, Tennessee and Hardin County, Tennessee with her parents who were Louis[?] and Eliza Brown (deceased) and her husband. Mary Jane (Brown) and John Jackson Adams were married in Hardin County, Tennessee January 25, 1872. He died at Waterloo, Alabama February 20, 1908. Her living children are:

Ellis Paulk, housekeeper

Adams, Joseph  
Madison County  
4 May 1894

Joseph Adams was a Private in Company "G" of the 35th Regiment of Alabama Infantry. He incurred disability from fatigue and hard service which left him unable to make a living by normal labor at the close of the war and since. His address is Madison Cross Roads and he is a farmer. His property consists of household furniture and two cows.

Adams, Joseph  
Limestone County  
31 March 1891

He was a Private in Company "G" of the 35th Regiment of Alabama Infantry, and was discharged in the fall of 1862 at Grenada, Mississippi. He was injured in the back carrying gun and knapsack before he had entirely recovered from an attack of measles.

Mr. Adams lives at Elkmont and on 1 June 1898 was unable to work. On May 21, 1897 he is listed as "injured in back and is now perfectly dependent and in wretched health."

Note: There is some indication that the above two Joseph Adams are the same person, however, two separate files are maintained.

Adams, Robert H.  
Adams, Mrs. C. P.  
Morgan County  
6 April 1900

Robert H. Adams was a Private and a Sergeant of Company "F" of the 53rd Georgia Infantry, CSA. The file indicates he was "absent without leave since February, 1865."

On 16 January 1865 one Mr. G. W. Adams of Cullman County, Alabama stated he was a son of Robert H. Adams; that he remembers his father coming home on a 30 day furlough in February, 1865; that he was at home some time and before the expiration of the furlough he left home stating he was going to rejoin his company and command. After he had been gone from home for two days and nights Robert H. returned home stating he could not get through to his company and regiment; that he was cut off by Sherman's Army and was prevented by them from joining his command. Before he was able to join his company and command Lee had surrendered.

On 9 January 1918 Mrs. Adams stated she was 85 years, 2 months, and 20 days of age and that she married Robert H. Adams on 29 September 1853. On 4 April 1900 she stated she owned 160 acres of land of which 30 acres were cleared and valued at \$250. On April 6, 1900 she stated Robert H. Adams had died 18 November 1897.

Adamson, Greene Berry  
Adams, Rutha M.  
Marshall County  
22 April 1899

Green Berry Adamson entered service as a Private in Company "D" of the 44th Georgia Regiment and was killed 26 June 1862.

On 7 June 1899 Rutha M. Adams stated her only property was household and kitchen furniture valued at \$5.00

On 15 January 1916 she gave her age as 73 years, 7 months, and 12 days. An undated note in the file stated she was living with her son who was not named.

Aday, Lorenzo D.  
Madison County  
20 May 1897

Lorenzo D. Aday was a Private in Company "I." He is now "confined to his room from dropsy and heart disease and [is] very old." He is a Huntsville resident and is not engaged in business nor does he have any taxable property.

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



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 17

Township 3, Range 4 East (continued)

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## Decatur County (continued)

## Township 3. Range 4 East (continued)

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Section 13

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Section 16

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Section 17

$E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$	W. M. Berry
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C. M. Carrick

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J. Berry

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J. Merryman?

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G. W. Broyls?

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J. B. Culver?

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W. Hudspeth

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S. Berry

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J. Berry

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Jno. Berry

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J. Berry

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J. J. W. Radford

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D. Black

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J. W. Berry

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J. Berry

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J. Thompson

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J. Crawly

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J. Crawly

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L. Frazier

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S. Kennedy

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S. Kennedy

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J. Berry

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S? Todd

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Sarah J. Conley

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J. Wilson

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M. Frazier

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J. W. Williams

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J. Hunter

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N. Frazier

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J. W. Williams

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J. W. Williams

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N. Frazier

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# Colbert

COLBERT COUNTY WILL BOOK "A" 1869 - 1903  
5th Installment

The earliest Will Book in Colbert County is Book "A" which is from July 22, 1867 to May 11, 1903.  
Abstracted from photocopies by Dorothy Scott Johnson.

Pages 76-78     KIBBLE TERRY

Dated:        14 July 1875  
Prob:         19 Feb. 1877  
Executor:    My wife, Mary A. Terry

Witness:     John L. Griffin  
               Geo. T. McWhorter

... being now in sound mind and in full possession of my faculties [and] awfully aware of the uncertainty of life ...

To my well beloved wife, Mary A. Terry, in her own right, my half interest in the tract of land known as the Jarrott Tract. I make this bequest because I received from the estate of her father, Eligah Marchbanks, a sum fully equal to the value of this tract.

To my well beloved wife, Mary A. Terry, all my other lands, tenements, stock and farming implements, in trust, for her natural life and at her death to be equally divided between:

John T. Terry  
Sallie E. Jarrott  
Parmelia Abegail Wills  
William Worth Terry, children by my former wife, Eliza Ann Terry;  
and  
Mary Susan Terry  
Richard Terry, and  
Sina Duke Terry, my children by my present wife, Mary A. Terry.

I appoint my wife my lawful representative to conduct my business, pay debts, rent or lease land, sell or purchase stock, etc. I recommend she consult my friend John L. Griffin, for advice in business management.

I appoint my friend, Dr. Geo. T. McWhorter, my agent to collect for my wife and children the life insurance policy due them at my death from the St. Louis Life Ins. Co., the amount being \$5000. He is to also assist my wife in her business.

At death of my present wife all my property (except the Jarrott tract and insurance) shall be equally divided among all my children.

To each of my younger children, Mary S. Terry, Richard Terry, and Sina Duke Terry, in case of their marriage before the death of my present wife, such moderate assistance as we have given my elder children at the time of their several marriages.

/s/ Kibble Terry

Page 79-83     THOMAS EAST

Dated:        3 Sept. 1873  
Codicil:     14 Feb. 1877  
Prob:         5 May 1877  
Executor:    Thomas Gorman, J. D. Hurst, James  
               East and William East.

Witness:     William J. Bullock  
               Miles Rea  
               Christopher Tompkins

... knowing it is appointed once for all men to die ... I give my soul to God from whence it came ...

To my son, William East, \$2500 worth of land in Sec. 1-6-12W.

I have advanced \$500 worth of negroes to Elizabeth Jane Gorman and \$500 worth to William East, and \$500 worth to Mary Ann Alexander. I advanced James East \$500 and Harriet Hurst \$500 to make them equal with the others.

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## Thomas East Last Will &amp; Testament (-continued-)

I now advance to my son James East \$2000 worth of land in Sections 1 and 2-6-12W. The balance of all my real and personal property to be equally divided among my legal heirs.

Thomas Gorman and J. D. Hurst to be guardian for my two grandchildren, Mary Elizabeth Alexander and Martha Jane Alexander.

/s/ Thomas East

CODICIL

My grandchildren, Mary Elizabeth Alexander and Martha Jane Alexander, shall be entitled to receive that portion of my estate that their deceased mother, my daughter Mary Alexander, would have been entitled to. If one dies without issue her share to go to her sister. If both die without issue then their share to rever to my children.

/s/ Thomas East

Witness: Wm. J. Bullock  
Milas Rea  
Alfred Devaney

CODICIL

To my wife, Amelia East, 640 acres in NW corner of the land I purchased of Joseph N[W?] Thompson and Susie M. Thompson known as the Goodlow Malone Place including the homestead, during her natural life.

To my wife, Amelia East, all my household and kitchen furniture, a saddle horse, 4 mules, ox wagon and yoke of oxen, and all the stock of hogs, cattle, sheep, poultry or other stock now owned by me on the homestead now occupied by me, during her lifetime; also provisions of corn, meat, provender, and other provisions sufficient for one year.

My wife, Amelia, to have privilege of electing to have \$400 and upwards "which she was due on our marriage and which I paid for her. If she does not so elect then that sum is to hold good against her, and to be charged against her on a settlement of our separate estates; also if she elects under the will, I hereby release her from all charge of boarding her children during the term of our marriage." If, instead of the \$400 she elects, under Alabama statute, to take the land and personal property then "she is to pay and be charged at the same rates for the board of my grandchildren at the time of their marriage or as long as they may elect to remain with her."

It is my desire that the 800-acre Goodloe Malone Tract be sold to my son, James East and my daughter, Harriet Hurst, for \$6000 if they want it.

/s/ Thomas East

Witness: J. W. Dean  
W. C. Wheeler

Pages 83-84

SARAH S. KELLER

Dated: 19 Nov. 1868  
Prob: 19 May 1877  
Executor: Not named

Witness: Mrs. Anna K. Turner  
Mary K. Newsom

To my husband, Arthur H. Keller, all my estate both real and personal, to have and hold in fee simple title forever.

/s/ Sarah S. Keller

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THOMAS W. YOUNG

Dated: 30 Aug. 1877, Leighton, Al.  
Prob: 17 Dec. 1877  
Executor: George E. Kumpe

Witness: Paul S. King  
T. Jas. Bickley

... of sound mind and memory and considering the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death ... pay just debts ...

To "my beloved wife, Julia Young, for the natural love and affection I bear her and which she has ever evidenced for me" all my property real and personal.

## RIVERTON CITY CEMETERY

This cemetery was copied by WPA personnel in the 1930's and used here through the courtesy of the Colbert County Commission. For a complete introduction to the cemeteries copied by WPA please see Volume 19, Issue No. 1, Page 10. TVGS can not guarantee the accuracy of these inscriptions and they should be used as clues rather than gospel. Riverton is in the northwest corner of Colbert County near Bear Creek, now Pickwick Lake. The cemetery is located in the northwest quarter of Section 23-2-15W.

John Waddell Jan. 10, 1850 March 7, 1917	Bennie Hull Sept. 11, 1891 Aug. 1, 1916	Jeff Wolf Died Aug. 20, 1929 Age 33 yrs.	Glyn Smith Nov. 23, 1915 Dec. 18, 1925
Florence Hall Died Feb. 5, 1923 Age 69 yrs.	Delia, wife of John Boyland Died Sept. 22, 1907 Age 51 yr.	John Baldwin Born in 1846 Died March 18, 1899	S. J. Boyland July 25, 1871 March 3, 1891
J. N. Baldwin Mar. 28, 1875 Aug. 9, 1920	Andy Payne Died Dec. 27, 1896 Age 52 yr.	Safrony Bankhead Oct., 1838 Dec., 1876	Lydia Ann Bankhead Born Dec. 25, 1853 Married L. B. Johnson June 7, 1876 Died July 16, 1889
Laura Johnson Died May 25, 1925 Age 42 yrs.	Sarah Bankhead Died Jan. 21, 1902 in her 70th year	John L. Burton Died Apr. 27, 1933 79 yr., 1 mo., 17 ds.	Mary A., wife of J. L. Burton Aug. 23, 1861 Dec. 21, 1922
Goodloe, son of J.L. & M.A. Burton May 17, 1885 Jan. 28, 1927	James L., son of W.C. & M.A. Whitaker Aug. 24, 1870 Apr. 9, 1887	W. B. Moore Sept. 13, 1856 Dec. 24, 1908	Forrest, son of W.B. & S.M. Moore June 5, 1895 Mar. 28, 1896
Lena Irwin Moore June 4, 1902 March 18, 1907	Mary L. Wilmoth, wife of A. C. Marland[Harland?] Sept. 4, 1836 June 13, 1882	John K. Campbell Nov. 22, 1853 May 17, 1876	P. P. Turbeville Nov. 25, 1851 June 1, 1902
Mrs. Posie Turbeville Died Nov. 25, 1926 Age 65 yrs.	M. A., wife of Rilley Turbeville Sept. 28, 1897 June 30, 1914	E. D. Hays April 16, 1856 March 28, 1933	Mattie M., dau. of W.A. & M. Walker Feb. 2, 1870 March 16, 1870
William E., son of W.A. & M. Walker Dec. 9, 1856 Jan. 3, 1859	Albert S., son of W.A. & M. Walker June 8, 1862 Oct. 5, 1862	Claudie Neal Willingham March 26, 1932 [No other info.]	Frankie Gevenia Willingham Feb. 23, 1931 [No other info.]
Sallie E. Hayes Died Aug. 11, 1931 Age 47 yr., 4 mo., 28 ds.	William H. Puryear 1819 - 1871	Jeremiah Bennett May 19, 1797 Feb. 27, 1852	Maria S., wife of F. A. West Dec. 20, 1827 May 21, 1854
Catherine L., dau. of John M. & Mary Green Sept. 1, 1857 Jan. 20, 1859	Inf. dau. of John M. & Mary Green. [No other info.]	Elma Wallace Nov. 10, 1890 May 12, 1910	H. C[G?] Wallis Nov. 30, 1857 July 25, 1894
Elizabeth Willard Spencer Jan. 15, 1863 Sept. 5, 1864	Thomas Benton Spencer Nov. 10, 1870 May 9, 1879	Mary Elizabeth, wife of Thomas Spencer June 7, 1834 Feb. 18, 1882	Thomas Spencer Died July 29, 1898 Age 65 yr.



## Riverton City Cemetery (-continued-)

Mary F., wife of W. S. Spencer May 5, 1853 Sept. 27, 1877	Margaret A., wife of J. S. Long Dec. 3, 1845 March 16, 1904	Lou, wife of W. S. Spencer Died Nov. 2, 1890 Age 24 yr.	Mr. George Allen Died Aug. 1, 1933 Age 79 yrs.
R. J. Moore March 16, 1850 June 16, 1901	Richard T. Moore Aug. 17, 1833 Jan. 26, 1902	Mary Queen, dau. of R. J. & S. D. Moore Jan. 31, 1896 April 21, 1904	Garie Ella Moore Sept. 9, 1889 Dec. 11, 1909
Thomas Nave March 18, 1825 April 20, 1901	Lucretia Tayler, wife of Thomas Nave March 13, 1837 Jan. 20, 1914	Belle Baker, dau of L. & L. M. Nave Dec. 27, 1868 March 22, 1884	Sallie J., dau. of W. & M. Felts April 3, 1812 Dec. 9, 1863
John W., son of L. W. & L. M. Nave Feb. 22, 1862 March 21, 1865	Sallie J., dau of L. W. & L. M. Nave April 1, 1864 Feb. 24, 1865	Maggie J., dau. of L. W. & L. M. Nave Sept. 2, 1876 Dec. 24, 1879	Mary E., dau. of L. W. & L. M. Nave June 5, 1859 April 25, 1877
Griseloa Ann, dau of Geo. W. & E. C. McWhorter 1853 - 1883	Stephen Decatur, son of G. W. & E. C. McWhorter Nov. 12, 1857 April 13, 1880	Johnnie Wilson March 20, 1860 Sept. 30, 1874	Ammeline Lee July 10, 1846 June 15, 1914
Dr. W. M. Ellis Dec. 6, 1825 July 20, 1908	L. J. Ellis Sept. 20, 1833 Nov. 17, 1921	William L. White Feb. 22, 1819 Nov. 9, 1895	Elizabeth P. White Nov. 10, 1822 April 11, 1894
Jane B., wife of J. C. Wilmoth Mar. 7, 1814 Oct. 8, 1868	Joel A. Wilmoth Nov. 25, 1812 Oct. 11, 1868	Theodocia, wife of F. D. Thompson March 16, 1791 Oct. 11, 1868	Inf. child of C. C. & N. A. E. Thompson Born & died July 19, 1904
William R. Thompson Oct. 8, 1825 Aug. 25, 1897	Catherine, wife of James Powell Nov. 21, 1835 June 24, 1919	James Powell Dec. 26, 1837 Jan. 15, 1923	Mary A. Thompson Nov. 17, 1835 March 19, 1920
Minda Love Hurd, dau. of J. P. & M. G. Hurd Aug. 28, 1880 Nov. 14, 1902	Sina P., dau. of J. F. & M. E. Hurd Aug. 10, 1880 Nov. 8, 1880	James Moore Dec. 15, 1821 June 14, 1887	Preston Walker Nov. 6, 1911 June 30, 1929
Charles Allison Tarvin Aug. 29, 1899 Aug. 24, 1917	Mary E., wife of Aug. 23, 1864 July 12, 1900	C. Blanton Feb. 9, 1805 June 12, 1878	John Carethers Jan. 12, 1828 Nov. 22, 1907
Thomas H. Carethers Feb. 10, 1870 Sept. 30, 1874	Infant son July 14, 1800 Sept. 13, 1800	Sarah A. Carethers Nov. 5, 1861 Aug. 26, 1863	Ann Buchannan Died March 18, 1898 Age 80 yrs.
Children of John and Sarah A. Carethers			
Thomas Buchannan Born 1816 Died April 12, 1873	Dorcas, dau. of Thos. L. & Anne Buchannan April 12, 1857 May 9, 1866	Thomas P., son of Wm. & M. E. Buchannan Died Jan. 4, 1903 Aged 18 yrs.	Robert F. Buchannan Born 1820 Died Nov. 21, 1851

## Riverton City Cemetery (-continued-)

Laura Dent Lewis, wife of Col. Wm. Lewis Oct. 14, 1804 Oct. 13, 1867	John M. Sloan Aug. 17, 1888 Dec. 18, 1920	Stewart M. Sloan Sept. 10, 1860 Nov. 12, 1917	Catherine H., dau. of A. & S. Sloan Aug. 18, 1890 Dec. 2, 1909
Eliza Sloan Died May 24, 1895 Aged 72 yrs.	Mary, wife of John Spencer Died March 20, 1878 Aged 52 yrs.	James E., son of Jesse & Mary Spencer July 11, 1854 Oct. 8, 1878	Charlotta Jane Thompson March 13, 1861 May 8, 1928
Thomas W. Thompson Feb. 11, 1890 June 9, 1926	L. P. Grissom May 5, 1844 Feb. 11, 1908	Agnes Crenshaw, wife of L. P. Grissom Oct. 28, 1843 Oct. 22, 1907	Sarah, dau. of L. P. & Agnes Grissom Aug. 22, 1866 Nov. 11, 1894
Mrs. A. C. Keenum Nov. 7, 1863 March 4, 1895	Jesse Spencer Oct. 12, 1824 Aug. 16, 1882	Henry Stephens, son of W.M. & S.A. Hogland May 19, 1887 Feb. 28, 1891	Mary Armstrong [No other info.]
Lafayette J., son of S. H. & Mary Tune April 2, 1895 May 21, 1896	Johnie, son of S.H. & Mary Tune July 30, 1893 Sept. 6, 1894	Elizabeth, wife of Jas. Tune Aug. 11, 1827 Nov. 21, 1887	Fred Moody Sept. 3th 1908 Feb. 5th 1914
J. C. Moody Oct. 2, 1849 Jan. 5, 1914	Lafa Moody March 7, 1910 Sept. 13, 1914	Lucy & Lucille Jones 1905 - 1905	Marjorie Jones 1910 - 1912
Mollie K. Jones 1881 - 1924	Kibble Terry March 16, 1812 Nov. 26, 1876	Jimmie Amarilla, dau. of J. S. & J. Barton May 29, 1892 June 14, 1892	E. A. Armstrong [No other info.]
Baby dau. of J. & E. Scott Aug. 11, 1895 Aug. 22, 1895	Wat. V. Easley Died Aug. 20, 1898	Mrs. Lillian Tice Died July 29, 1927	Henry B., baby of C. L. & R. T. Tice Nov. 3, 1914 Dec. 31, 1917
Roy Mack, son of C. T. & R. T. Tice Feb. 21, 1908 Dec. 30, 1917	Mattie B. Douthit Sept. 11, 1859 March 26, 1926	Lizzie N., dau of A.C. & Mattie B. Harland Sept. 25, 1886 Feb. 15, 1888	A. C. Harland March 21, 1845 Sept. 26, 1888
Sallie A. Beavers, wife of R. G. Beavers Oct. 15, 1873 June 5, 1918	William R. Walker March 10, 1832 March 17, 1900	Thomas Annie Walker April 26, 1873 Jan. 25, 1877	Inf. dau. of W. A. & M. Walker Born & died Aug. 28, 1871
Maggie M. Williams Feb. 1, 1894 Oct. 17, 1909	S. A. Carethers Jan. 29, 1831 July 21, 1916	John Johnson Aug. 29, 1823 April 15, 1878	W. M. Buckhanan 1860 - 1924
William P. Boatright Aug. 22, 1809 May 12, 1849	Caledonia Moor June 10, 1834 Aug. 27, 1858	Sallie L. Wallis April 13, 1871 Sept. 22, 1891	J. C. Wallis July 8, 1838 Jan. 12, 1905
Martha C. Wallis June 12, 1838 Aug. 4, 1888	Bellzorah Wallis June 18, 1873 July 31, 1876	Vida G. Long April 15, 1897 Aug. 22, 1898	-End Riverton Cem.-

## BURNS CEMETERY

This small family cemetery was copied by WPA employees in the 1930's. They did not make a notation of the location which is unknown to this editor.

Elizae E. Burns wife of Israel Burns March 28, 1822 March 28, 1877	Elizabeth Burns wife of Alexander Burns Jan. 5, 1822 May 17, 1900	[No name given] Dau. of A. W. & J. A. Massey Oct. 18, 1903 - July 19, 1904
N. G. Puckett Feb. 22, 1862 Sept. 8, 1929	Alexander Burns Oct. 7, 1818 July 11, 1891	Martha Bruton Jan. 15, 1825 - Sept. 1, 1903
Gertie, dau. of N. G. & Mary J. Puckett Aug. 3, 1904 Mar. 3, 1905	Almon Ham Jan. 21, 1916 July 10, 1917	Marvine E. Kay Nov. 23, 1880 - Oct. 12, 1904
Thomas G., son of W.W. & M.L. McGarity Dec. 4, 1912 Dec. 19, 1912	Mrs. E. J. Hurst Mar. 6, 1930 Aged 79 years	Mary J. Burns Jan. 25, 1841 - July 4, 1860
Mary Lou, dau. of L.A. & Netha J. Cornelious Feb. 6, 1907 Sept. 25, 1907	Joseph Burns Aug. 23, 1859 Oct. 13, 1901	Louisana, wife of J. E. Champion Sept. 25, 1840 - May 14, 1856
Mary Ann Cornelious Aug. 27, 1856 Mar. 1, 1925	H. B. Burns March 2, 1822 Nov. 28, 1892	Margaret, wife of Abner Champion Died July 8, 1857
John Manly Mar. 20, 1838 Apr. 29, 1928	Josephine, wife of H. B. Burns Nov. 9, 1821 June 27, 1901	Josiah R. Champion Dec. 3, 1831 Feb., 1862 [no day given]
Baby McCormack May 27, 1930 2 mo.	Inf. son of H. B. & Josephine Burns Born & died Jan. 28, 1870	S. L. Jackson Feb. 1, 1859 - March 30, 1928
Baby McCormack Oct. 29, 1920 Aged 1 yr., 11 mos.	Ben. L. Parrish July 7, 1893 Oct. 19, 1927	Nannie Lee, dau. of T.J. & M.E. Burns June 12, 1898 - Sept. 8, 1899
Frances M. Umphress May 5, 1834 Nov. 22, 1905	Luther Shaler, son of Ben & Elizabeth Burns Nov. 27, 1902 Jan. 11, 1920	Amanda J., wife of M. A. Daniel June 13, 1858 - Oct. 9, 1924
P. H. Stephens Died April 4, 1903 Aged 52 years	Grover C., son of S. L. & S. F. Jackson Dec. 27, 1892 April 12, 1911	Thomas R. Burns Dec. 20, 1861 - March 25, 1922
Eleanor Jane, dau. of Alexander & Elizabeth Burns Jan. 21, 1848 June 27, 1850	Sarah C. Jordan July 25, 1842 Sept. 1, 1895	Mary L., wife of Thomas R. Burns Nov. 12, 1865 - March 26, 1902
	John L. Watson Nov. 25, 1825 April 25, 1902	Samuel Da., son of J.M. & M.M. Kay Jan. 4, 1902 - Nov. 18, 1902
		Joseph M. Kay Feb. 5, 1863 - Nov. 30, 1919
		John H. Hunt March 5, 1843 - July 18, 1921
		Elsie Hunt, dau. of E.J. & R.C. Hunt Wife of E. E. Jordan Dec. 28, 1882 - June 25, 1903



# Jackson



## BIRTH RECORDS 1892-1895

These birth records are continued from the last issue of "Valley Leaves," Volume 19, Issue No. 2, June, 1984. They were copied and contributed by Carlus P. Page of Scottsboro, Alabama who obtained them from the Board of Health in Scottsboro. This is not a complete record of birth for the period nor is it a record the physician signed but is a ledger in which entries were made by a clerk from information supplied by neighbors, midwives, or physicians. Unfortunately the baby's name was not recorded. White and negro births were recorded and are included here under the heading of "race."

Date of Birth	Sex	Race	Mother's Name	Her Birth-place	Father's Name	His Birth-place	Father's Occupation
18 May 1893	F	W	Sarah Hollaway	Ga.	---	---	---
9 May 1893	M	W	Mollie Farrior	Ala.	---	---	---
28 May 1893	F	W	Josie Kennedy	Ala.	T. J. Kennedy	Ala.	Trader
19 May 1893	M	B	Lucy Findlay	Ala.	Dan Findlay	Ala.	RR laborer
12 May 1893	F	W	Lizzie Dicus	Ala.	John W. Dicus	Ala.	Merchant
22 June 1893	F	W	Dora Hollis	Ala.	Calvin Hollis	Ala.	Farmer
10 June 1893	F	W	Sarah Isbell	Tn.	M. A. Isbell	Tn.	Farmer
21 June 1893	F	W	Mattie Childress	Ala.	Silas P. Childress	Ala.	Farmer
27 July 1893	M	W	E. L. Rorex	Tn.	J. P. Rorex	Tn.	Physician
19 July 1893	F	W	Nannie Skelton	Tn.	R. S. Skelton	Ala.	Farmer
17 July 1893	F	W	Mrs. J. P. Edmonds	Tn.	J. P. Edmonds	Tn.	Music professor
7 July 1893	F	W	Loiza Otinger	Ala.	Lorenza Otinger	Ala.	Farmer
25 July 1893	F	W	Ella Russell	Ala.	William Russell	Ala.	Farmer
24 July 1893	M	W	Phillie Clemens	Ala.	Sam Clemens	Ala.	Farmer
4 Aug. 1893	F	W	Sallie Ball	Ala.	Robert Ball	Ala.	Farmer
4 July 1893	M	W	Angalin Gayle	Ala.	James R. Gayle	Ala.	Saw milling
28 July 1893	F	W	Alice Nichelson	Ala.	Chas. R. Nichelson	Ala.	Farmer
31 July 1893	F	W	Mrs. Sam McAnelly	Ala.	Sam McAnelly	Ala.	Farmer
25 Aug. 1893	F	W	Laura Anderson	Ala.	David Anderson	Ala.	Farmer
11 Aug. 1893	M	W	Lucy Carter	Ala.	Wm. Carter	Ala.	Farmer
14 Aug. 1893	M	W	Maggie Childress	Ala.	J. A. Childress	Ala.	Merchant
4 Aug. 1893	M	W	Mary Dukes	Ala.	---	---	---

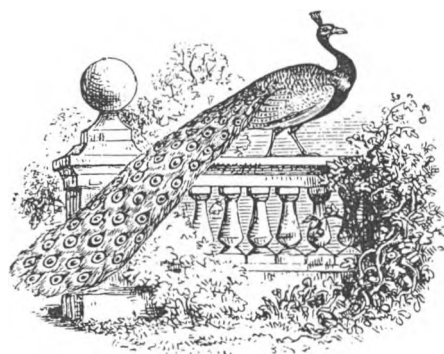
Date of Birth	Sex	Race	Mother's Name	Her Birth-place	Father's Name	His Birth-place	Father's occupation
30 Aug. 1893	F	W	Elisebeth Baker	Ala.	W. E. Baker	Ala.	Farmer
21 Aug. 1893	F	W	Ida Smith	Ala.	Jesse Lee Smith	Ala.	Farmer
20 Aug. 1893	F	W	Lizzie Parks	Ala.	W. D. Parks	Ala.	Merchant
24 Sept. 1893	F	W	Sophonria Victoria Martin	Ala.	Joshua Filmore Martin	Ala.	Farmer
29 Sept. 1893	M	W	Cora Sanders	Ala.	Arthur Sanders	Ala.	Farmer
1 Sept. 1893	F	W	Cally Crenshaw	Ala.	J. C. Crenshaw	S.C.	Carpenter
19 Oct. 1893	F	W	Annie Erwin	Tn.	Wm. Erwin	Tn.	Blacksmith
26 Oct. 1893	M	W	Bettie Culver	Ala.	---	---	---
24 Nov. 1893	F	B	Jessie Brown	Ala.	[Breech birth) ---	---	---
19 Dec. 1893	F	W	Fannie Green	Ala.	Samuel D. Green	Ala.	Farmer
11 Jan. 1894	M	W	Amanda Thorp	Ala.	Sam Thorp	Ala.	Farmer
31 Jan. 1894 [Remarks: Placenta Previa; child still born]	F	W	Fannie Dorman	Ala.	W. W. Dorman	Ala.	Minister
28 Jan. 1894	F	W	Ida Ross	Ala.	R. C. Ross	Iowa	Banker
21 Feb. 1894	M	W	Jennie Harris	Ala.	J. P. Harris	Ala.	Mechanic
9 Feb. 1894	M	W	Sarah Jane Waller	Ala.	Charles Waller	Ala.	Farmer
13 Feb. 1894	M	W	Hattie Moody	Ala.	W. L. Moody	Ala.	Farmer
1 April 1894	M	W	Hannah Tipton	Ala.	John Tipton	Ala.	Farmer
3 Feb. 1894	F	W	Ann Pendar	Ala.	Jack Pendar	Ga.	Farmer
17 Feb. 1894	F	W	Mattie Porter	Ala.	Daniel Porter	S. C.	Farmer
25 April 1894	F	W	Mollie Parks	Ala.	Lightner Parks	Ala.	Farmer & Carpenter
14 April 1894	F	W	Mary Whitner	Tn.	Eugine Whitner	Tn.	RR Agent
10 April 1894	F	W	Tilly Ashley	Ala.	J. B. Ashley	Ala.	Lawyer
4 April 1894	M	W	Angelina Hancock	Ala.	Jas. Hancock	Ala.	Farmer
8 April 1894	M	B	Josie Brown	Tn.	Alex Brown	---	Laborer
29 April 1894 [Remarks: Still birth. Forceps delivery.]	F	B	Mary Jamison	Ala.	West Jamison	---	Laborer
19 April 1894	F	W	Annie Hill	Ala.	Joseph Hill	Ala.	Farmer
8 April 1894	F	W	Bettie Floyd	Ala.	Dock Floyd	Ala.	Farmer
29 April 1894	M	W	Margarette Rowe	Ala.	John Rowe	Ala.	Farmer



Date of Birth	Sex	Race	Mother's Name	Her Birth-place	Father's Name	His Birth-place	Father's Occupation
25 May 1894	M	W	Mollie Parks	Ala.	Jerre B. Parks	Ala.	Farmer
24 May 1894	M	W	Jennie Moody	Ala.	A. H. Moody	Ala.	Merchant
18 May 1894	M	W	Vula Broadaway	Ala.	Chas. Broadaway	Ala.	Farmer
21 May 1894	M	W	Laura Walsh	Ala.	John Walsh	Tn.	Farmer
13 May 1894	F	W	Walker Harris	Ala.	John R. Harris	Ala.	Hotel proprietor
30 May 1894 [Remarks: Shoulder presentation; still born]	M	W	Laura Norris	N.C.	John Newell	N. C.	Painter
19 May 1894	M	W	Ella Dicus	Ala.	Geo. L. Dicus	Ala.	---
3 June 1894	F	W	Mattie E. Kyle	Ala.	Wm. <u>A.</u> Kyle	Ala.	Farmer)
3 June 1894	M	W	Mattie E. Kyle	Ala.	Wm. <u>E.</u> Kyle	Ala.	Farmer)
1 June 1894	F	W	Josephine Tiffin	Ala.	W. C. Tiffin	Ala.	Farmer )
1 June 1894	M	W	Josephine Tiffin	Ala.	W. C. Tiffin	Ala.	Farmer )
17 July 1894	F	W	Jane Roe	Ala.	Jack Roe	Ala.	Farmer
14 July 1894	M	W	Annie Brown Coffey	Ala.	A. H. Coffey	Ala.	Bank cashier
14 July 1894	M	W	Emma Sims	Ala.	George Sims	Ala.	Farmer
22 July 1894	M	W	Mary Burrow	Ala.	Ben Burrow	Ala.	Farmer
31 July 1894	M	W	Kittie Gold	Tn.	W. A. Gold	Ala.	Lumber merchant
30 July 1894	F	W	Eva Robinson	Ala.	W. J. Robinson	Tn.	Merchant
31 July 1894	--	W	Hattie Brown Snodgrass	Ala.	J. D. Snodgrass	Ala.	Merchant
21 July 1894	M	W	Mrs. Jas. Hays	Ala.	James Hays	Ala.	Farmer
14 July 1894	M	W	Callie Riley	Ala.	J. D. Riley	Ala.	Farmer
21 July 1894	M	W	Martha Jane Childress	Tn.	Hugh Childress	Ala.	Farmer
22 July 1894	F	W	Eliza King	Ala.	William King	Ala.	Farmer
7 July 1894	M	B	Alice Clarke	Ala.	Samuel Clark	Ala.	Laborer
14 July 1894	F	W	Bettie Austin	Ala.	David O[?] Austin	Ala.	Boardinghouse keeper
11 July 1894	F	W	Laura Pinston	Ala.	Frank Pinston	Ala.	Farmer
6 July 1894	--	W	Mrs. David Kirk	Ala.	David Kirk	Ala.	Farmer
Aug., 1894	M	W	Lavena C. Wilhelms	Ala.	Andy Wilhelms	Ala.	Farmer
5 July 1894	M	W	Johnie Gayle	Ala.	Thomas Gayle	Ala.	Farmer

Date of Birth	Sex	Race	Mother's Name	Her Birth-place	Father's Name	His Birth-place	Father's Occupation
Aug., 1894	M	W	Susan Summers	Ala.	E. K. Summers	Ala.	Farmer
July 1, 1894	Unkn.	W	Mrs. John Griggs	Unkn.	John Griggs	---	Laborer
6 Aug. 1894	M	W	Sallie Wallace	Ala.	Jefferson D. Wallace	Ala.	Keeper, County Poor
3 Aug. 1894	F	B	Mollie Hanry	Ala.	---	---	---
10 June 1894	M	W	Maggie Shelton	Ala.	---	---	---
2 Aug. 1894	M	W	___ Miller	Ala.	Jack Miller	Ala.	Painter
1 Aug. 1894	M	W	Eva Hunt	Ga.	W. B. Hunt	Ala.	Farmer
6 July 1894	--	W	Mrs. David Kirk	Ala.	David Kirk	Ala.	Farmer
16 ___ 1894	F	W	Mary Steel	Ala.	Jas. M. Steel	Ala.	Farmer
21 Aug. 1894	F	B	Laura McCurdy	Ala.	George McCurdy	Ala.	Laborer
25 Aug. 1894	M	W	Nettie Judge	Ark.	Thomas Judge	Ala.	Farmer
23 Aug. 1894	F	W	Ida McKee	Tn.	Richard McKee	Tn.	Farmer
2 Aug. 1894	F	W	Annie Cunningham	Ala.	W. D. Cunningham	Ala.	Farmer
1 Sept. 1894	F	W	Mrs. Joe Clemens	Ala.	Joe Clemens	Ala.	Farmer
2 Sept. 1894	M	W	Lucy V. Woodall	Ala.	J. W. Woodall	Ala.	Farmer
15 Sept. 1894	M	W	<u>Richard</u> Hancock	Ala.	C. W. Hancock	Ala.	Farmer
21 Oct. 1894	M	W	Ruth E. Kirby	Ala.	Thos. W. Kirby	Ala.	Farmer
4 Oct. 1894	F	W	Allie Martin Shook	Ala.	John Shook	--	---
5 Oct. 1894	M	W	Eliza (Joiner) Ray	Ala.	Robert Ray	Ala.	Farmer
28 Oct. 1894	F	W	Maith Daniel Worthington	Ala.	J. W. Worthington	Ala.	Farmer
25 Oct. 1894	F	W	Minnie McClure	Ala.	John McClure	Tn.	Farmer
6 Nov. 1894	M	W	Sallie Sanders	Ala.	Jas. Sanders	Ala.	Farmer
10 Jan. 1894	F	W	Georgia Chandler	Ala.	Albert Chandler	Ala.	Farmer
6 Jan. 1895	M	B	Georgia Gibson	Ga.	___ Gibson	Ga.	Minister
1 Jan. 1895 [Remarks: Breech birth; still born]	M	W	Laura Moody Staples	Ala.	David L. Staples	Ala.	Farmer
8 Jan. 1895	M	W	Mollie Nicholas	Ala.	Thurston Nicholas	Ala.	Mechanic
15 Jan. 1895	M	W	Mittie Malone	Tn.	---	---	---
28 Jan. 1895	M	B	Paralee Perkins	Ala.	Frank Perkins	Ala.	Farmer

Date of Birth	Sex	Race	Mother's Name	Her Birth-place	Father's Name	His Birth-place	Father's Occupation
10 Jan. 1895	M	W	Nannie Skelton	Tn.	Robert S. Skelton	Ala.	Farmer
17 Jan. 1895	M	W	Miss Garland	Ala.	---	---	---
Jany., 1895	F	B	Alice Clark	Ala.	---	---	---
13 Feb. 1895	M	W	Mary A. Whitard	Ala.	Robert Whitard	Ala.	Farmer
10 July 1895	F	W	Lula Arizona Branam	Ala.	Wm. R. Branam	Ala.	Smith
15 Feb. 1895	F	B	Etta Butler	Ala.	Frank Butler	Tn.	R.R. Hand
9 Feb. 1895	F	B	Nannie Daniel	Tn.	Wm. A. Daniel	Tn.	Barber
19 Feb. 1895	--	W	Annie Boyle	Ala.	W. T. Boyle	Va.	Editor
24 March 1895	F	B	Charcy Aubery	Ala.	---	---	---
13 March 1895	F	B	Fannie Page	Ala.	---	---	---
21 Mar. 1895	F	W	Mrs. Thomas Ball	Ala.	Thomas Ball	Ala.	Farmer
28 Mar. 1895	F	W	Mrs. Dora Hollis	Ala.	Cal Hollis	Ala.	Farmer
25 March 1895	F	W	Martha Kisner	Ala.	Daniel Kisner	Ala.	Farmer
11 Mar. 1895	F	B	Sarah Cawthorn	Ala.	Wm. Cawthorn	Ala.	Laborer
12 April 1895	M	W	Sue Kirk	Ala.	Frank Kirk	Ala.	Farmer
7 April 1895	M	W	Mary Pindar	Ala.	Tom Pindar	Tn.	Farmer
2 March 1895	M	W	Margarette _____	Ala.	Henry Grayson	Ala.	Farmer
12 Mar. 1895	M	W	Peggie Rice	Ala.	Ervin Rice	---	Farmer
9 April 1895	F	B	Evie Jones	Ala.	---	---	---
23 April 1895	M	W	Annie Templeton	Ala.	Charles F. Templeton	Tn.	Dentist



## PROBATE RECORDS

1855 - 1858

(22nd Installment)

This series began in "Valley Leaves" in Volume 11, Issue No. 4 (June, 1977). The original book from which this material was copied is housed in the Jackson County Courthouse in Scottsboro. It is a large red volume entitled, "Will Record K" but is more accurately described as probate records. Continued from Volume 17, No. 3, March, 1983. Abstracted from photocopies by Dorothy Scott Johnson.

Page No.	Item
316-318	<p><u>Greenberry Middleton Estate</u> Will dated 11 Sept. 1856 Probated 19 April 1858</p> <p>... being of sound mind and disposing mind and body ... my body to be decently buried ... pay just debts.</p> <p>To my dear son John R. Middleton all my lands in Jackson County.</p> <p>My slaves, Priscilla and Isham, to be sold at public auction and half the proceeds to go to my daughter, Nancy Morgan "and the other half to the heirs of Nancy Middleton who intermarried with John Jacoway."</p> <p>To the children of John R. Middleton living at my death, \$50. each</p> <p>To my daughter, Nancy Morgan, half of all my household and kitchen furniture, farming utensils and livestock. The other half to be equally divided between my granddaughters Silence[Silena?] Matthews and Lucy Sells.</p> <p>The property I have heretofore given to Jeremiah J. Jester or to his wife, Hester, was intended as an advancement to them and they are hereby excluded from any other portion in the division and distribution of my estate.</p> <p>To my beloved wife, Margaret Middleton, if she survives me, a life estate in all my property.</p> <p>To Harriet Adkinson, the little girl now with me, \$100.00. [Note: The 1850 Federal Census lists one Malda[Matilda?] Adkinson, age 14, living in the household of Greenberry [listed as Greenby] and Margaret Middleton. Although not stated in the will she is believed to be a granddaughter of Greenberry and Margaret.]</p> <p>I appoint W. L. Allen executor.</p> <p>Witnesses: W. L. Allen, H. L. Parker and William Stephens Will proven by the three witnesses before John H. Norwood, Judge, on 19 April 1858.</p>
319	<p><u>John W. Skelton Guardianship</u> William Skelton, guardian of John W. Skelton, minor child of William J. Skelton, deceased, gave his annual settlement to the court on 24 April 1858.</p> <p>Income included a receipt for cotton, \$25.86; sale of land, \$75.00; sale of land on 25 Dec. 1857, \$150.00 and other amounts for a total income of \$385.39. Bills paid totaled \$371.24 and the guardian's commission was \$19.21 for a total expenditure of \$352.03.</p> <p>The settlement was certified 24 April 1858.</p>

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# Lawrence



## DEED BOOK "B" Part 5

This series began in the September, 1984 issue of Valley Leaves (Volume 19, Issue No. 1) and is continued in this issue. 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 198-201 Revolutionary Pension Claim - Jacob Sutton. November 10, 1823.  
Judge Peter W. Taylor presiding.

Jacob Sutton, a resident of Lawrence County, aged about 65 years, personally appeared in open court and made the following declaration in order to obtain a provision made by an Act of Congress on 18 March 1818 and on the 1st of May, 1820, and the 1st of March 1823.

Jacob Sutton enlisted in March, 1776, for a term of 15 months, in the state of South Carolina in the Company of Capt. William Brown in the regiment commanded by Col. Thomas Sumpter in the South Carolina state Line, on the Continental establishment and continued to serve in the said company and regiment until the expiration of his said term of enlistment when he was honorably discharged.

During the remainder of the War he was engaged in the Militia of South Carolina and during the time of his service in the militia and the line he was in the Battles of Fort Moultrie and Camden. He was in other skirmishes in an expedition against the Cherokee Indians and in pursuance of the Act of May 1, 1820 the said Jacob Sutton makes the following oath:

"I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March, 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, grant, sale, or in any other manner, disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so as to diminish it to bring myself within this provision of an Act of Congress entitled An Act to Provide for Certain Persons Engaged in the Land and Naval Service of the United States in the Revolutionary War in trust for me any property or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than that contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed which is as follow, to-wit:

- 7 head of cattle, all small, two of them milk cows,  
one a steer, and the other three are calves.
- One set of Smiths Tools
- An old waggon
- A mare and a horse
- Two colts

and that he is indebted to the amount of \$80.00."

/s/ Jacob Sutton

Jacob Sutton states his occupation is that of a blacksmith, but by age, infirmity, and disease he is unable to pursue it so as to gain a sustenance therefrom. The names and ages of the family residing with him are:

- Wife, Nancy, aged 57
- Anne aged about 21 years
- Daughter, Nancy about 18 years
- Son, Jacob, about 15 years

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## Jacob Sutton Revolutionary Claim (-continued-)

Mr. Sutton states his wife is unable to support herself by her own labour being afflicted with rheumatism and is very infirm; that his two daughters are able to support themselves but not themselves and the family also. Jacob is not a healthy boy and is generally weakly and that little is derived by the family from him. Sutton states he knows of no other evidence of his service than the affidavit of Oliver Evans made in the circuit court of Morgan County at the last October term of said court. He has lost his discharge.

/s/ Jacob Sutton

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Stock Brand Registration. 1 Dec. 1823  
Thornberry Holt registered his stock mark as a swallow fork in each ear.

Pages 202-203

Power of Attorney. 19 June 1823  
John Sharp of Rutherford County, Tenn. appoints his son, John McKnight Sharpe, also of Rutherford County, Tennessee, his true and lawful attorney to recover money, property, etc., due John Sharp in the state of Alabama, and in particular to handle his business with Jonathan Burford of Moulton, Ala., the trustee of a Deed of Trust made by William Sharpe.

Test: Theophilus A. Canon, J.P. /s/ John Sharpe  
Wm. H. Davis, J.P.

Proven by Canon and Davis in  
Rutherford Co., Tenn. before  
Blackman Coleman and certified by  
John Smith of the Court of Pleas and  
Quarter Session on 21 July 1823.

Pages 204-207

Deed of Gift. 19 Aug. 1823  
Bower Fariss owes Dandridge Fariss a \$1000. bond dated 19 Aug. 1823 and due 21 Sept. 1825. To protect Dandridge Fariss against loss, Bower deeds to Isaac Smith, in trust:

George, a negro man about 23 years old.  
Davy, a negro man about 21 years old.  
Jane, a negro woman.

If Bower fails to pay Dandridge then Isaac Smith to sell slaves after giving 30 days notice in a Huntsville newspaper and by notice posted on the Moulton Courthouse door. If debt is paid by 20 Sept. 1825 this deed void, otherwise it is in full force.

Test: Saml. Meredith /s/ Bower Fariss  
George T. Washington /s/ Isaac Smith  
A. D. Smith

Ack. before Thos. Glass, J.P. and  
Charles Wright, J.P. on 12 Nov. 1823.  
Recorded 15 Nov. 1823

Pages 208-211

Deed of Trust. 11 Dec. 1823  
Joshua Simmons owes Charles Anderson two notes due 1 Feb. 1825 totaling \$900.00. To protect Anderson against loss, Simmons deeds to William Moore, in trust, a negro woman, Close and her three children (Frederick about 10, Madison about 8, and Wilson about 6 years old). If Simmons defaults then Moore to sell slaves and pay notes.

Test: Burell Mapp, J.P. /s/ Joshua Simmons  
/s/ Charles Anderson  
/s/ Wm. Moore

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Stock Brand Registration. 30 Dec. 1823  
John Holt registers his stock mark as two swallow forks on each ear.

Pages 213-214

Mortgage. 2 Jan. 1824  
James Seward sells for \$143.31-1/4 to William Wallace and Parker Alexander (merchants and partners trading under the firm name of Wallace & Alexander), a female negro slave named Molly, aged about 14 years. If James Stewart pays to Wallace & Alexander the sum of \$143.31-1/4 by 25 Dec. 1824 then this deed is void, otherwise it is in full force.

/s/ James Seward

Ack. 2 Jan 1824 and  
recorded same day.

Pages 214-215

Deed. 7 Jan. 1824  
Joseph Coe sells to Thomas Neel, for \$225.00 part of Moulton town lot No. 66 next to that part of Lot 66 Coe sold to Nat Mitchell and bounded on north by Lewis Campbell.

/s/ Joseph Coe

Ack & Rec. 7 Jan. 1824

Pages 215-219

Deed of Trust. 25 Dec. 1823  
Bowler Farris of Lawrence Co., Ala.  
Archibald McKipark (also written McKipack) )  
Graves Hester ) Sureties of Bowler Farris.  
Spencer Clark ) All of Giles Co., Tn.  
Ralph Graves )

The sureties executed a bond to Nelson Patterson, Alexander Black, and John Dukes, Justices of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of Giles County, Tennessee for \$4000 sometime in ... [date left blank.] The bond was for Bowler Farris' guardianship of the minor heirs of Jethro Brown, decd.

In order to secure the said sureties against loss arising from a bad or negligent performance on the part of Farris in his guardianship, Farris sells to Thomas Smith, in trust, the following slaves:

Absolom, a negro man about 35 years old  
Sisily, a negro woman about 38 years old  
Coleman, a negro boy about 14 years old  
Nancy, a girl about 12 years old  
Harderman, a boy about 7 years old  
Lucinda, a girl about 6 years old  
Albert, about 2 years old  
Sarah, a girl about 3 years of age  
America, another girl about 17 years of age  
Alanderville, a boy about the age of 8 years  
Alva, a girl about the age of 3 years.

Farris to have possession of the slaves until default. Within six months Farris is to introduce good and sufficient security to the Justices of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of Giles Co., Tn. thus releasing McKipark, Hester, Clark, and Graves as his bondsmen. If Farris defaults then Thomas Smith to sell negro slaves and from the proceeds pay McKipark, Hester, Clark and Graves \$4000 with the balance going to Farris. If Farris pays them \$4000 then this indenture is void.

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## SAMUEL BIGHAM BIBLE

The Samuel Bigham Bible is in the possession of Jane Shelton of Moulton, Alabama. It was owned by her great-grandmother's second husband, William W. Bigham. There is no date given in the front of the Bible and the only notation is "Bought from Lynn, Price \$7.00."

In the introduction to the Concordance given at the back is the following:

"NEW YORK"  
Published by Collins and Co., #189 Pearl Street  
1814"

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## BIRTHS

Samuel Bigham, his book. He was born December 22nd AD 1777; was married the 30th day of March 1797

Patsy Long was Born January the Eith day in the year 1798

Sally Vance was Born the tenth day of October, 1799

Lucinda was Born the Sixteenth day of May, 1801

Barthemey was Born the Twentieth day of August, 1803

William Washington was Born the 19th day of October, 1805

Betsey was Born the fifth day of December, 1807

James Maddison was Born the 2nd of February, 1810

NOTE:

The above names were written across both columns of the record of births. There were no punctuation marks in the original record but I have added them here only to make the text more readily understandable.

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## DEATHS

Samuel Bigham departed this life May 3, 1838 aged 61 years and five months.

NOTE: The above entry is in a different handwriting from the entries on Page 1. The next entry, at the bottom of Page 2, is in a hand different from any of the other entries.

W. W. Bigham departed this life Dec. 28th 1881.

NOTE: The above entry may have been made by Jane Shelton's father, Willie Shelton. Please also note that Samuel Bigham's age at death is wrong if the birth and death entries are correct.

It is believed he left no living descendants as he gave his step grandson, Willie Shelton, who was named for him, what household goods he had.

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## MARRIAGES

W. W. Bigham and Elizabeth Agenoth Ponder was married December, 1832

Elizabeth Agenoth Ponder was Born in May 19th 1809

Sarah Jane Bigham was Born in October 30th 1833

Laura K. Bigham was Born in September 15, 1837

Samuel thadios was Born the third of April, 1841

felix J. Bigham was Born June the thirteenth 1844. died July 11, 1868

Samuel T. Bigham died August 19, 1863

NOTE:

W. W. Bigham married first Elizabeth Agenoth Ponder in 1832. He married second Jane Henry Jackson Shelton in 1859, Jane Shelton's great grand-mother. Jane was a widow with one daughter and five sons, all married and away from home. W. W. Bigham was a cobbler by trade. He died in 1881 having spent his last years with his second wife in her home about eight miles east of Moulton in the Five Points Community. The two-story log house in which they lived is still standing but badly dilapidated.

W. W. Bigham is buried in the Jackson cemetery about five miles east of Moulton just south of the old Decatur Highway No. 24. Jane Henry Jackson is buried between her two husbands, W. W. Bigham and Reuben Shelton. It is believed that Bigham's first wife and two sons, Felix and Thaddeus, are buried in the MacDonald Cemetery about a mile northwest of Moulton.

## CAVE SPRINGS CEMETERY

This cemetery was once a Methodist Church cemetery. In 1895 the church burned and was rebuilt a short distance down the road. That church is now called the Piney Grove Methodist Church. There are many graves in this cemetery marked only with unlettered fieldstones. To get here go on Highway 36 west of Hartselle to County Highway No. 41 and turn left. The cemetery is on the right side of the road before you get to the Piney Grove Methodist Church. It is in Section 2-8-6W. Copied 17 Sept. 1984 by Dene Walls of Hartselle, Alabama and Janet Burks of Tyler, Texas and contributed by them. Please read these by column.

Jack C. Lindley Pvt., U.S. Army, World War II Feb. 14, 1925 Apr. 20, 1981	Mary Penn Wife of R. D. Penn Nov. 11, 1837 April 16, 1915	J. A. Hogan March 31, 1849 Dec. 10, 1893	Thomas Tedford Sept. 17, 1870 Jan. 13, 1943
Alva Jackson McWhorter April 18, 1904 June 4, 1970	R. D. Penn Nov. 4, 1837 March 25, 1897	Richard L. Hogan Son of J.A. & L.P. Hogan Aug. 28, 1878 Feb. 23, 1901	Fannie Tedford May 8, 1882 April 23, 1927
T. T. McWhorter [Hand carved on rock; no other information.]	H. C. Bell March 7, 1844 Nov. 16, 1918	Henry F. Hogan Son of J.A. & L.P. Hogan March 28, 1887 Feb. 19, 1908	Charlie Smith Son of J.M. & M.A. Smith Dec. 27, 1907 Feb. 9, 1908 [Stone broken]
An unmarked grave here.	Joe W. Smith Sept. 23, 1883 Nov. 19, 1953	Melinda C., wife of W. G. Nelson July 1, 1859 Nov. 26, 1892	Inf. son of T.H. & S. F. Tedford Born & died Sept. 25, 1902
Sim C. Nelson June 21, 1848 Feb. 25, 1921 and Cordelia Nelson April 16, 1860 April 21, 1932	and Ammie L. Smith Feb. 7, 1885 Oct. 31, 1966	John H. Nelson Son of W.G. & M.C. Nelson Nov. 16, 1886 Oct. 11, 1907	Three unmarked graves here.
Callie E. Shaw Nov. 17, 1866 March 30, 1956 and James Luke Shaw July 4, 1850 May 3, 1910	Smith. Inf. dau. of J. W. & A. L. Smith June 21, 1912 July 5, 1912	Warren J. Haynes Nov. 27, 1920 April 20, 1933	Ina Smith 1869-1903 and John M. Smith 1869-1923
James L. Shaw Jr. July 31, 1893 April 11, 1910	Rosie Garland Aug. 24, 1910 Oct. 2, 1968 [Jackson Funeral Home Marker]	Rethal K. Haynes Dec. 16, 1925 Feb. 1, 1930	L. A. Johnson [Hand carved on rock; no other info.]
Jesse J. Shaw June 6, 1901 April 24, 1925	Hattie Sumrall Sept. 18, 1904 Jan. 31, 1981	Andrew T. Haynes Dec. 23, 1903 July 18, 1904 and Hulda Haynes Sept. 7, 1907 Oct. 30, 1907 Children of A.H. & N. E. Haynes	J. E. Asherbraner [Hand carved on rock; no other info.]
John N. Shaw Feb. 28, 1896 Nov. 2, 1962	Lovinda Hogan Wife of K. D. Hogan Sept. 27, 1827 Nov. 19, 1908 [Stone broken]	Leonard Tedford Nov. 18, 1914 April 29, 1968	Henry A. Asherbraner July 20, 1858 March 25, 1902
Minnie Lou Welch June, 1888 Feb., 1927	K. D. Hogan July 15, 1819 April 7, 1900 [Stone broken]	Betty Faye Garland Feb. 24, 1947 Sept. 4, 1947	Carline Griggs Dau. of D. H. & M. A. Griggs 18 Dec. 1883 30 Nov. 1884
Catherine Penn Dau. of R. D. and Mary Penn Nov. 8, 1877 June 19, 1915	L. P. Dutton Wife of J.A. Hogan Aug. 24, 1850 March 30, 1910	Sarah C. Sparks Wife of J. W. Sparks and Dau. of Wm. & Caroline Pell 22 Oct. 1860 18 Apr. 1886	Sarah C. Sparks Wife of J. W. Sparks and Dau. of Wm. & Caroline Pell 22 Oct. 1860 18 Apr. 1886
			Shelby Jean Alexander 15 Dec. 1938 19 May 1968 "In Memory of our Sister."

## Cave Springs Cemetery (-continued-)

J. H. N..... [Stone broken and rest is missing.]	William K. Segars Son of W. B. and M. R. Segars March 1, 1877 Oct. 19, 1882 [Stone broken]	James K. Wilson Feb. 9, 1847 Jan. 29, 1914	Arthur E. Haynes July 1, 1886 July 15, 1888 and William H. Haynes Oct. 9, 1890 Dec. 31, 1891 Ch. of A. H. and N. E. Haynes Asleep in Jesus
Dessie Alexander 21 Jan. 1911 17 Jan. 1960	S. E. Hogan Dau. of R. K. and Mary Hogan April 15, 1878 April 8, 1879	Dora F. Nelson Dau. of W. G. and M. C. Nelson 22 July 1883 10 Jan. 1885	William H. Haynes Oct. 9, 1890 Dec. 31, 1891 Ch. of A. H. and N. E. Haynes Asleep in Jesus
Henry C. Alexander 21 Aug. 1902 6 Dec. 1983	M. J. Burnett Wife of Henry Burnett March 27, 1860 April 12, 1887 [Stone broken]	Nelson Infant Inf. of W. G. and M. C. Nelson. 1885	Mary C. Tedford Wife of K. J. Tedford March 26, 1843 Sept. 25, 1886
Lucinda Welborn Wife of W. P. Welborn Dau. of John Segars Feb. 5, 1826 12 April 1876	William N. Vaugh Oct. 29, 1872 Dec. 1, 1947 and Ellen Vaugh Sept. 22, 1876 Oct. 12, 1952	Benjamin H. Haynes July 15 1897 Dec. 21, 1897 and Rheubin Haynes Aug. 15, 1899 Nov. 5, 1899 Children of A. H. and N. E. Haynes. Asleep in Jesus	Rachil C. Tedford Dau. of K. J. and Mary C. Tedford Aug. 27, 1879 Aug. 15, 1880
Martha Welborn 20 June 1797 Age 90 years [Death date missing]	Sarah L. Wilson Wife of J. K. Wilson April 2, 1845 Nov. 1, 1921	Mary E. Haynes June 22, 1892 Aug. 4, 1892 and Pearline E. Haynes Aug. 31, 1893 Dec. 15, 1898 Ch. of A. H. and N. E. Haynes. Asleep in Jesus	K. J. Tedford March 3, 1843 Aug. 19, 1884
Sarah E. Segars 5 Nov. 1826 ....[stone broken]...			C. C. Tedford Son of K. J. and Mary C. Tedford Oct. 15, 1867 April 21, 1886
Jeffery Alan Smith Son of Linda and Tiffard Smith Dec. 23, 1963 Dec. 28, 1963			Edgar E. Penn May 22, 1906 Dec. 14, 1906 and Penn infant daughter Born and died 24 July 1892 Children of J. A. and E. I. Penn
Lemar V. Smith 8 Jan. 1914 24 April 1955			
Will L. Smith June 18, 1889 April 24, 1955			
Trannie Smith Wife of Will Smith Feb. 19, 1894 Aug. 26, 1938			
Malindy (Cout) Dutton July 4, 1941 Age 74 years [Birth date not given]			
A. J. Dutton May 16, 1856 Nov. 12, 1928			







# Limestone



## ORPHANS COURT MINUTES, 1824-1830 (Part 12)

Please refer to the September, 1984 issue of "Valley Leaves" for a full introduction to this series. Part 1 was carried in the September, 1982 issue. Photocopied for TVGS by Eulalia Wellden and abstracted by Dorothy Scott Johnson.

<u>Item</u>	<u>Page</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Item</u>
378	184-185	17 Nov. 1825	<p><u>Nathaniel B. Malone Estate</u> Nathaniel B. Malone died without a will and Mary G. Malone, his widow, has relinquished her right to administer the estate in favor of Thomas Malone in writing. Therefore, Thomas Malone Jr. applied for and was granted Letters of Administration after giving \$3000.00 bond with George Malone and William Mason his securities.</p> <p>Edmund Garrett, Wm. Fisher, and Young Hall were appointed to appraise the personal property of this estate. The court ordered the administrator to expose to public sale the perishable property. He is also ordered to sell privately the crop belonging to this estate.</p>
379	185	17 Nov. 1825	<p><u>Sarah A. Tate Guardianship</u> Sarah A. Tate, an infant child of Rice Tate, decd., over age 14, chose Enos C. Tate as her guardian. Tate gave \$12,000 bond with Wingfield Cole and William R. Tate his securities.</p>
380	185-186	17 Nov. 1825	<p><u>Mary L. Tate Guardianship</u> Mary L. Tate, infant child of Rice Tate, deceased, over age 14, chose Wingfield Tate her guardian. Wingfield Tate gave \$12,000 bond with Edward Massey and Wesley Cole his securities.</p>
381	186	17 Nov. 1825	<p><u>Robert Nesbit Estate</u> Robert Nesbit died without a will and Salina, his wife, relinquished her right to administer his estate. David Hobbs applied for and was granted Letters of Administration after giving \$2000 bond with Washington Keys and Ruffin Coleman his securities.</p> <p>John P. Malone, Silas Hine, William Mason, and Calvin Hine, or any two of them, appointed to appraise the personal property. The administrator also ordered to sell the perishable property at public sale and to sell the crop at private sale.</p>
382	187	17 Nov. 1828	<p><u>Benjamin S. Adams Estate</u> James Hargrove, Admr. Petition for Sale of Real Estate in order to make a fair and equitable division among heirs; the judge ordered the property sold. Ephraim Robinson, Thomas Redus and Freeman Crenshaw were appointed commissioners to sell the real estate which is: S/2 and the NE/part of fractional (west of Elk River) Section 24-2-6W containing 375.90/100 acres. Land to be sold at public sale. Commissioners to make return to this court on the third Monday in January, 1826.</p>
383	188	18 Nov. 1828	<p><u>Hill Guardianships</u> William Filgo appointed guardian of William Hill and Nancy J[?] Hill, infant children of John P. Hill, under age 14. Filgo gave \$12,000 bond with William Lantroop and Jacob McEwen his securities.</p>



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389	191	24 Nov 1828	<p><u>William Fryar Estate</u>  Thomas Newell and Elizabeth Newell, his wife (formerly Elizabeth Fryar who was the widow of William Fryar, deceased) prays that her dower be laid off in the lands of William Fryar. The Sheriff is ordered to summon freeholders to allot and lay off dower lands to Elizabeth Newell, widow of William Fryar. The lands are:  NE/4 Section 9-5-3W</p>
390	190-191	2 Dec 1828	<p><u>George Biard Estate</u>  John N. Biard, Admr., prays for sale of real estate to pay estate's debts. The court appointed William Adams, William Pounders, and William House[?] as Commissioners to sell the following land warrants:  (1) 160 acres in Tennessee, "south and west of the Congressional reservation line."  (2) 36 acres [description and location not given.]  Return of Commissioners report to be made on the 3rd Monday of January, 1829.</p>
391	191	2 Dec 1828	<p><u>Anderson Johnson Est.</u>  Christian A. Johnson, Admr., made final settlement.</p>
392	191	2 Dec 1828	<p><u>Elizabeth A. Johnson Guardianship</u>  James Golightly was appointed guardian of Elizabeth A. Johnson, infant child of Anderson Johnson, deceased, under age 14 years. He gave \$2000 bond with Christian A. Johnson and Reuben W. Johnson, his securities.</p>
393	191	2 Dec 1828	<p><u>Moses Kindle Estate</u>  The Commissioners appointed by the Court to restate and settle the current accounts of this estate are to be allowed further time to make their report. They are given until the 2nd day of May, 1829.</p>
394	192	4 Dec 1828	<p><u>Anderson Johnson Estate</u>  The Court appointed Joseph Hoke, John T. Ray, Henry Holt, Jesse Hix, and Robert Simpson, or any three of them, Commissioners to divide the negroes belonging to this estate amongst the heirs. Heirs are:  Mary D. Johnson, widow of Anderson Johnson  John Pittman and Martha, his wife, formerly Martha Johnson  Christian A. Johnson  Reuben W. Johnson  Elizabeth A. Johnson</p>
395	192	4 Dec 1828	<p><u>James Miller Estate</u>  William Miller and Margaret Miller, Admr. and Admx., filed their accounts and vouchers for final settlement. The Court ordered publication for 40 days in some Alabama newspaper requiring all persons interested in the settlement of this estate to appear in court on the 4th Monday in January, 1829 to show cause, if any, why final settlement should not be made.</p>
396	192-193	9 Dec 1828	<p><u>Thomas Hood Estate</u>  Henry Bibb filed a Petition stating that on 18 October 1824 Thomas Hood bound himself to make title to Bibb for lands in Madison County adjoining the town of Huntsville as follows:  Beginning at the southwest corner of Henry Street at Martin Miller's corner thence south 33-1/2 west to Manning's, late Willis Pope's line and Martin Miller's corner 363 feet thence east parallel with the township line 50 feet to a stake thence north 33-1/2 east 363 feet to the township line south of Township 3, Range 1, thence along said line 50 feet to the beginning containing 41/100 ac.</p>

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			Thomas Hood Estate (-continued-)
			Hood died without making title to said lot. Bibb now asks Micajah Thomas, Hood's executor, to make title. The court ordered notice to be given once a month for three months in a newspaper requiring all persons interested in same to appear in court on the 3rd Monday in March and show cause, if any, why this Petition should not be granted.
397	193	9 Dec 1828	<u>Lemuel Pipes Guardianship</u> Lemuel Pipes, infant child of Joseph Pipes, deceased, over age 14, appeared in court and chose William Shores his guardian. Shores gave \$250 bond with James Cox and Benjamin Miles as his securities and was awarded said guardianship.
398	193-4	10 Dec 1828	<u>John C. Ingram Estate</u> John C. Ingram died without a will. Cynthia Ingram, his widow, has relinquished her right to administer in favor of John W. Lane. Lane applied for and received Letters of Administration after giving \$1000 bond with James Craig and Thomas G. Tyus his securities.  Thomas Mayfield, Francis Bradley, and James B. Walker were appointed to appraise the personal property of this estate. The Administrator was ordered to sell the perishable property of this estate.
399	194	13 Dec 1828	<u>McKinney Guardianships</u> On application of Thomas McKinney the court orders Wilson S. McKinney to appear in court on 24 Dec 1828 and show cause, if any, why Thomas McKinney should not be appointed guardian of: William McKinney Eliza McKinney Thomas McKinney, infant children of the said Wilson S. McKinney.
400	194	13 Dec 1828	<u>McKinney Guardianships</u> On application of Samuel McKinney the court ordered that he be appointed guardian of: Gainford D. McKinney Claudius A. McKinney Charles L. McKinney, infant children of Samuel McKinney. Samuel gave \$1000 bond with Thomas McKinney and Samuel Eckerberger his securities.
401	195	13 Dec 1828	<u>McKinney Guardianships</u> On application of Thomas McKinney the court ordered that he be made guardian of: Price S. McKinney Wilson R. McKinney Elizabeth W. McKinney Joseph L. McKinney Mary F. McKinney, infant children of the said Thomas McKinney. He gave \$1000 bond with Samuel McKinney and Jeremiah C. Gilliam his securities.
402	195	15 Dec 1828	<u>Edwin Dabbs Guardianship</u> NOTE: This name erroneously carried as Dobbs in earlier abstracts. On petition of Edwin Dobbs it is ordered that Charles Land, guardian of the said Edwin Dabbs, appear in court on the 6th day of January, 1829 and show cause, if any, why he should not give additional security in his guardianship.

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## DEATH NOTICES FROM "THE ATHENS POST"

Death notices from microfilm copies of "The Athens Post" (located in the Athens Public Library) were abstracted and contributed by TVGS member Marjorie Shelton Kent. The notices for years prior to 1874 were published in Volume 16 of "Valley Leaves" and the years after 1874 are in this volume. The year 1876 is missing.

1878

- 2 January 1878 George Evans, born 4 April 1802, Sussex County, Virginia; married Miss Edner Atkinson in South Hampton County, Virginia (1835) and moved to Alabama the same year.
- 25 January 1878 Fred Sloss Malone, son of John E. and Sue F. Malone.
- 9 March 1878 Roswell Hine
- ???
- Note: Death date not given but newspaper dated 12 April 1878.  
Richard David, son of James David who was killed in the Battle of Shiloh and the grandson of Dick Henderson.
- 12 April 1878 Mrs. Fannie Hoffman, wife of Dr. John R. Hoffman
- 27 April 1878 Mrs. Nancy J. McLain, wife of George McLain
- 18 May 1878 Mrs. Fannie Fish, consort of Dr. W. T. Fish, daughter of B. S. and H. R. McKinney.
- 7 June 1878 Gabrail Laughmiller, born in Shanandoah County, Virginia December 16, 1792. Died at home of his son, Geo. W. Laughmiller. He moved from Virginia to Hawkins County, Tennessee, was in the War of 1812 under Gen. Jackson. Moved to Limestone in 1817.
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- Note: Death date not given but newspaper dated 12 July 1878.  
Mrs. Emma Hill, wife of John Hill and daughter of Col. Thomas Redus, died a few days ago.
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- Note: Death date not given but paper dated 12 July 1878.  
Henry W. Kimbell, born Warren County, N. C. on February 21, 1815, died at Mooresville. Moved to Morgan County from North Carolina, then to Limestone.
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- Note: Death not given but newspaper was dated 12 July 1878.  
Died recently in Matagorda County, Texas, Mrs. Lula Benton Tanner, wife of George W. Tanner and daughter of Dr. Joe W. Benton, formerly of this place.
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- Note: Date of death not given but paper dated 23 August 1878.  
Died in Memphis, Tennessee, Mrs. Sue Cooper Nelson, wife of the late Wm. A. Nelson and the daughter of William Cooper.
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- Note: Death date not given but newspaper dated 6 September 1878.  
John D. Mitchell, brother of Randall Mitchell, died last Saturday.
- 3 September 1878 Mrs. M. E. Horton, wife of Capt. R. V. Horton, born 2 November 1838, married 26 September 1857 in Madison County, Alabama. She was the daughter of Josiah and Mary Battle.
- 27 August 1878 Florence O. Robertson, son of N. T. and Anne Robertson.
- 30 September 1878 Hiram A. Higgins, son of Hiram H. and Eliz. W. Higgins. Buried at National Cemetery in Tennessee.

## Death Notices from "The Athens Post," 1878 (-continued-)

- 8 October 1878 Archibald Strange, died at home of his brother, Edward S. Strange. Born in Fluvana County, Virginia in May, 1812. Moved to Limestone in 1825.
- 13 October 1878 Mrs. Maggie L. Townsend, wife of Hon. J. M. Townsend.
- 20 September 1878 In Brownville, Tennessee, Mrs. Mary S. Hathcock, wife of Jas. A. Hathcock and daughter of Mrs. Sarah T. Williams.
- 24 October 1878 Mrs. Bettie Rogers, wife of the late Alex. Rogers.
- 20 October 1878 In Iuka, Mississippi, Mrs. Mary Florence Castleberry, daughter of A. T. Mathews and granddaughter of Samuel Tanner. Born March 8, 1850.
- ?? Note: Death date not given but newspaper was dated 1 November 1878. Robert M. Davis died recently, age 78, brother of Hon. Nathaniel Davis.
- 26 October 1878 Joseph Bibb McDonald Jr., son of Dr. John and Bessie McDonald.

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THE UNION BANNER NEWSPAPER EXCERPTS

Athens, Alabama  
Saturday, November 3, 1860  
Volume 1, Number 9

ADVERTISEMENTS

DENTISTRY

M'Daniel & Conner again announce themselves to the citizens of Athens, as prepared to serve them in the practice of dentistry.

H. A. McDANIEL, D. D. S. Having removed from Nashville and located permanently in Huntsville, will continue to visit Athens when his services are required.

Dr. J. C. CONNER Has located in Athens and will serve our friends of Limestone at our rooms over D. H. Friend's Jewelry store.

Professional visits that call us from our office will be charged at physician's rates.

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DRS. S. J. & J. W. WITHERS

Having located in Mooresville, Ala., offer their professional services to the citizens and the surrounding country. They may always be found at their office, except when professionally absent.

JOHN H. ELLIOTT, AUCTIONEER

John H. Elliott, Auctioneer, will attend promptly to all business entrusted to his care. He here takes occasion to say to all intruders that having PAID for the privilege of Auctioneering he will prosecute to the "bitter end," all who may infringe upon his rights.

If I should be absent at any time, David M. Elliott or John A. Johnson will attend to any calls for me. And any business intrusted to them for me will receive prompt attention.

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CHARLES H. JONES, AUCTIONEER

Having obtained a license to carry on the business of an auctioneer, I offer my services to the public in that capacity. I will give prompt attention to all business entrusted to me.

Letters and orders addressed to me at Pettusville, Ala. will be received and attended to immediately.

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# Madison

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The following miscellaneous papers were found in the basement of the Madison County Court House along with other loose papers of a later date. Abstracted by Dorothy Scott Johnson.

## Richard B. Purdom Summons

To any Sheriff of the State of Alabama, Greetings: You are hereby commanded to Summon *Richard B. Purdom* to be and appear before the Judge of the Orphans' Court of Madison County at the Courthouse in the Town of Huntsville, on the *first Tuesday in December, Inst.* to show cause why *he shall not file his accounts and vouchers for final settlement of his Administratorship of the Estate of William McBroom, decd.*

Herein fail not and have you then and there this precept. Witness, John W. Otey, Clerk of the County Court of Madison County, at Office in Huntsville, this *first* day of *December* in the year of our Lord 1843 and of American Independence the 68th year.

Issued 1 Decr. 1843.

## Deed, Ledbetter to Skelton

Note: This slip of paper, obviously torn from a large sheet, is copied here verbatim.

“Deed from Daniel & Ephriam Ledbetter to Sampson Skelton, Book P, p. 121.

Copy of order of Court ordering a Sale of Sampson Skelton's land & appointing Commissioners to sell it & approving such sale by the Commissioners.”

## William Tatum -vs- Samuel Williams

Madison County, Mississippi Territory. Superior Court, November Term, 1814. (Verbatim).

William Tatum by attorney ...[torn]... -plains of Samuel Williams in custody &c of a plea of covenant broken &c. For that Whereas on the 15th day of June 1811 at, towit, in the County aforesaid the said Defendant made his certain Covenant in writing with his own hand thereto subscribed, & sealed with his seal & to the Court now here showeeth, being the date whereof is on the same day and year aforesaid and therein and thereby covenanted and agreed to a writ the said plaintiff that he, the said defendant, would on or before the first day of December, 1813, pay to the said plaintiff one hundred dollars in young Cattle delivered whereon he the said plaintiff then lived, it being for value received of him.

Yet the said Defendant not mindful of his said covenant has not kept & performed with ...[page torn]... his covenant so by him made as aforesaid but he has hitherto wholly ...[page torn]... & refused & still refuses to said plaintiffs damage, therefore he sues. [Signed by G. Moore, Atto. for plaintiff. and witnessed by John Doe[?]] and Richd. Roe as “Pledges.”

### Inquisition Into Death of Richard Roberts Jr.

#### Order to Summons

On 12 May 1832, Coroner William H. T. Brown ordered the Sheriff to summon twelve "of the most intelligent and respectable freeholders or house holders of this County to appear" before him on 12 May 1832 "at Burris' old store" in Madison County to examine all things given them touching the death of Richard Roberts Junior.

#### Inquisition (Christian A. Johnson)

Inquisition taken at the dwelling house of Richard Roberts Senior in Madison County, Alabama on 12 May 1832 before William H. T. Brown, Coroner "upon the view [of the body of] Richard Roberts Junior, late of said County of Madison." Jurors were:

Peter S. Moore  
 James Montgomery  
 John Rochell (signed with an "X")  
 David Clutts  
 Joseph Ratley  
 Samuel Sanderfer (signed Sandefur)  
 William Crowder  
 Hugh Barnett  
 Henry Lewis  
 John Tuck  
 Abdallah Brunson.  
 John N. Barnett (signed Barnet)

Duty of Jury: to determine "after what manner Richard Roberts Junior came to his death." The jury concluded that "one Christian A. Johnson, Gentleman, late of said County and not having God before his eyes, but being moved and seduced by the instigation of the Devil on the 11th day of May, 1832 with force and at the old Store house of Charles Burrus, decd., in the county aforesaid in and upon said Richard Roberts Junior then and there being in the peace of God and of the State aforesaid, feloniously, voluntarily, and of his malice aforethought made an assault, and that the said Christian A. Johnson then and there with a certain shotgun of the value of \$15.00 loaded with gun powder and leaden shot which he the said Christian A. Johnson then and there had and held" shot Richard Roberts Junior in the right hip near the kidney which was a mortal wound. Christian A. Johnson feloniously killed and murdered the said Richard Roberts Junior.

#### Inquisition (Henry Bell)

Inquisition taken at the dwelling of Richard Roberts Senior in Madison County, Alabama on 12 May 1832 before William H. T. Brown, Coroner. The jury viewed the body of Richard Roberts Junior.

The jury concluded that one Henry Bell, Gentleman, late of Madison County, Alabama, "not having God before his eyes but being moved and seduced by the instigation of the devil" on 11 May 1832, at the old store house of Charles Burrus, deceased, with malice aforethought assaulted Richard Roberts Junior. Bell shot Roberts with a shotgun (valued at \$15.00) producing 27 wounds. Wounds were on the right hand, right arm, right forefinger, back of right hand, on left arm near wrist, on arm just below elbow, one in left breast, 16 over left breast, and in the belly.

Richard Roberts Junior died from said wounds then and there and Henry Bell then and there feloniously killed and murdered the said Roberts.



## REV. GREEN A. COLLIER

*The following article was excerpted from The Alabama Presbyterian newspaper of Oct., 1899, Vol. 4, No. 10 which was found in the Archives in Montgomery. Contributed by Mr. and Mrs. Norman Shapiro of Huntsville, Al. The article was written by E. J. Stockton.*

"In the fall of 1842 I went . . . to the Jackson Presbytery to Mt. Pleasant, Big Cove, Madison Co., Ala., from Mt. Ancient (now Goose Pond) congregation. A campmeeting was going on . . . with Revs. Robert Donnell, B. W. McDonnold and Hershall Porter as visiting members from other presbyteries. I there saw a man tall and graceful in his movements with fair complexion, light hair, clear blue eyes, and a bright and pleasant face and a sweet musical voice. On inquiry I learned that his name was Green A. Collier, that he lived in the neighborhood and was camped on the ground. I made his acquaintance and we both became candidates under the care of the presbytery at that session.

"Rev. Green A. Collier was born near the Mammoth Cave, Kentucky, Feb. 25, 1819. His parents moved when he was quite young to Madison Co., Ala., where he was raised, educated, lived and died. He was carefully educated under the wise and successful training of Prof. George Anderson of Madison Co. . . . Few men were ever more successful as an educator . . .

"He [Collier] professed religion and joined the Cumberland Presbyterian church at a campmeeting in Big Cove in 1833 and was happily married to Miss H[y]psia A. Pickens, of that community, whose father was a ruling elder of the Mt. Pleasant congregation, and one of the best men and most efficient elders I ever knew. Brother Collier owned a good farm, comfortable buildings and several slaves at the time and was therefore in good easy and prosperous circumstances. . . .

After accepting him as a candidate . . . he was by a unanimous vote of the presbytery licensed to preach. Brother D. K. Hunter, as moderator, officiating, and with him four others were licensed, viz: John J. Burdine, John H. Willoughby, J. J. Power and R. J. Stockton.

This session was held in March 1848 at Old Marshall near where Guntersville now stands in Marshall Co., Ala. At the next session held in September in Bellefonte, Jackson Co., Ala., he, N. T. Power and S. R. Chadick, after a long and thorough examination of science and theology in open presbytery were set apart to the whole work of the ministry. . . . Brother Collier's trial sermon was preached on Saturday at 11 o'clock a.m.

Never did the presbytery feel better satisfied in the ordination of any man than it did in . . . Green A. Collier.

I have seen him go into the pulpit while his noble christian wife would take her seat in front and as he preached with all the fervor of his soul she looking him full in the face, prayed as fervently as he preached. By and by her face would light up like an angel's, great tears would fill her eyes, then roll down her bright face and fall like great rain drops. . . . Sister Collier worked as intently and earnestly as did the preacher, and this is or was as it should be. . . . Sister Collier was the best preacher's wife I ever knew. She thus deserves public commendation and public recognition.

Brother Collier was not a healthy man but was frequently sick, his lungs were weak and he often suffered with them. News would go out frequently that he was sick, but perhaps the next news would be that he was well and the people became somewhat accustomed to these reports. Again the news spread over the country that he was sick, but the people as usual thought but little about it, expecting soon to hear that he was well again. But alas! to their surprise and great sorrow the next news was that Collier was dead. The whole presbytery was shocked at the news. He taught school 20 years in the neighborhood where he lived and had preached eleven years at his death which occurred on the 18th of November, 1853 of typhoid fever. When conscious that his last moments had come, he said: "While there is not a dimming veil between me and heaven, yet I would love to live to preach more than I have done." He finally said, "Farewell, my dear wife of whom I never had a hard thought." Then calmly he fell asleep in Jesus leaving his wife and four children—two having gone before—to mourn their sad loss. Reverent N. J. Fox preached his funeral sermon and Rev. B. C. Chapman prayed the closing prayer. In the presence of a large and grief stricken people he was by gentle and loving hands laid away to rest in his own private graveyard "till Jesus comes."

His four children professed religion while young and lived consistent christian lives. His eldest son has been a ruling elder in the church for many years and now lives in Huntsville, Ala.

At the spring session of presbytery at Walnut Grove, Madison Co., Ala., suitable resolutions were passed in reference to his death and the writer was appointed to preach a funeral sermon in memory of brother Collier. . . .

Brother Collier's penmanship was very fine, and as long as he lived he made one of our best stated clerks. . . .

In the most heated discussions I never heard him so far forget himself as to let a word fall from his lips that would rasp the feelings of the tenderest, most delicate and refined in the house.

## MISCELLANEOUS CIVIL COURT RECORDS

On the third floor of the Madison County Law Library building, with the criminal records, is one file drawer marked "Arranged by Years. Civil. 1814-1899. County and Circuit." In going through these loose papers I found they were not arranged by years and I could find none that dated back to 1814. They are apparently loose papers that no one knew what to do with and solved the problem by putting them together in one file. The following abstracts are of some of the earlier records in this drawer.

Nov. 3, 1830 Circuit Court ) Plea of trespass.  
 William Feeny ) Mary, while Mary Herbert, a feme sole, on 3 November  
 vs ) 1826 at Huntsville, Madison County, Alabama, did give a  
 William Baker and Mary, his wife ) promissory note whereby she promised to pay John Philan  
 \$115.00 in thirty days. Later Mary married William Baker.  
 On 2 November 1829 the debt was still unpaid. Feeny has  
 been damaged \$300 by the Bakers' failure and refusal to  
 pay this debt. [Note: The suit did not say why Feeny was  
 suing instead of John Philan; perhaps Philan endorsed the  
 note to Feeny.]  
 Defendant plead: nil debt

Note: Madison County marriage book III, p. 579 states  
 William Baker married Mary Herbert Nov. 6, 1828.

Wiley B. Terry ) Morgan County, Ala. March, 1848. Circuit Court held at Sommerville.  
 vs ) Plea of Trespass  
 John T. Rather ) Wiley B. Terry died since instituting this suit. In April 1849 the case was rein-  
 stated in the name of Elisha Bell, Administrator of W. B. Terry who died with-  
 out a will. On 29 May 1849 the court ordered a hearing set on the 3rd Monday  
 after the fourth Monday in September, 1849.

Thomas R. Lloyd ) Subpoena. On 23 Nov. 1830 the court summoned Valentine G. Pruit and William M.  
 vs ) Wofford to appear at the office of J. B. Wigginton in Meridianville, Alabama by  
 Nathl. Terry ) 11:00 o'clock on 4 Dec. 1830 to give evidence in a case, Thomas R. Lloyd -vs-  
 Nathl. Terry, in behalf of the plaintiff.

BOND. (Promissory note). On 1 April 1830 A. B. Livingston signed a note promising to pay John R. B. Eldridge, executor of John M. Leake, deceased, \$85.00 by 25 December 1830. Suit for recovery of debt.

BOND. (Promissory note). On 2 March 1829 Elias Bayles signed a note promising to pay Otey and Kinkle \$150.00 one day after date. This note assigned to David Taylor on 20 January 1830. Suit for recovery of debt.

Nathan Smith ) Circuit Court. Plea of Trespass.  
 vs ) On 31 January 1827 in Madison County, Ala., Nathan Smith and Lemuel Clark became  
 Abner Tweedy ) securities for Abner Tweedy whereby Tweedy promised to pay John W. Jones and  
 Elisha W. Harris, administrators of M. C. Moorman, deceased, \$210.00 by the 25th  
 of December 1827. He did not pay and Jones and Harris filed suit in the circuit court.  
 In the August, 1827 term judgment was found against Nathan Smith (as Tweedy's  
 security) for \$210.00 plus \$10.60 damages, all due by 11 Sept. 1828. Smith paid the  
 said amounts. On 11 Sept 1828 Tweedy promised to reimburse Smith. Tweedy  
 owes Smith \$227.64. Smith prays for recovery of monies.

Tweedy's answer: He is not a resident of Madison Co., Ala. and the property that was attached in this case was not his; denies he owes Smith money. [Note: Tweedy's residence not given.]

G. Vincent ) Royster owes Vincent \$200. debt plus \$26.33 damages and \$14.00 costs. Costs levied  
 vs ) upon one negro man, Ruben, aged 35 yr.; John G. Jordan is Royster's security. If  
 David Royster ) this debt paid by the first Monday of March, 1830 this obligation is void, otherwise  
 Ruben to be sold to pay debt.

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# Marshall



ORPHANS COURT  
1838 - 1839

This 276 page volume is located in the Marshall County courthouse in Guntersville, Alabama and is a probate record book. It is continued from Volume 19, Issue No. 4, June, 1985. Abstracted by Dorothy Scott Johnson.

Pages 182-183 James Williams' minor heirs, Guardianship  
24 Feb. 1842

A. D. Southerland, guardian of the estate of James Williams' minor heirs, presented his amended settlement. The proportionate share of each heir is as follows:

William S. Williams	\$54.54 less \$1.20 schooling
Eliza Williams	54.54 less \$1.20 schooling
Polly Williams	54.54 less \$1.20 schooling
Maurrine[?] B. Williams	54.54 less \$1.20 schooling
James Williams	54.54 less \$1.20 schooling
Abram Williams	54.54 [no school fee]

After the above settlement was made the guardian paid \$18.00 in fees which should be deducted from the above amounts.

Pages 184-193 Henderson A. Hamilton Estate  
21 Dec. 1838

Martha Hamilton, widow of Henderson A. Hamilton, applied for Letters of Administration on the estate of her husband, late of Marshall County. Letters of Administration were granted her and she gave \$400 bond with William M. Griffin and Hugh Henry her securities.

Daniel Fields, George W. Willmoth and Carr B. Glasscock were appointed to appraise the personal estate and make return of their findings within three calendar months. The court ordered the administratrix to expose to public sale the personal estate except such property as is not subject to administration.

On 9 January 1839 William M. Griffin presented the Inventory and Appraisement. Appraisal was made at the residence of Henderson A. Hamilton on 7 Jan. 1839 and included:

One horse, 52 hogs, 217 lb. pork at 6¢ per lb., 10 head cattle, corn, stack of fodder, 5 feather beds and furniture, 1 trunk, 6 chairs, 1 rifle gun and shot pouch, 1 pair steelyards, looking glass, 5 pieces castings, table and furniture, 3 plows and pair drawing chains, cotton wheel and cards, 1 loom, hoe and mattock, falling axe, smoothing iron, razor, shaving glass box & etc., saddle and bridle, fire shovel, pail and piggin, coffee mill, 2 augers, churn, half-bushel measure, chisel and one set shoemaker tools.  
Appraisal: \$595.46

On 27 Feb. 1839 Martha Hamilton, Admx., filed her inventory of the sales of said estate. Sales totaled \$167.61-1/2. On 20 Aug. 1840 she produced the following list of claims against the estate:

Elizabeth Talley	\$36.00	\$4.59
G. W. & A. Allen	9.23	1.17-1/2
B. Prayter note	12.00	1.33
N. G. Hamilton	37.50 [2]	4.78-1/8
Finley & Hill note	4.25	.54
Simeon Nichols acct.	16.68	2.13-1/2
Finley & Hill note	9.00	1.14-3/4
Coffey & Bradford note	8.62	1.10
R. Hatch acct.	2.25	.28-3/4
John Hampton acct.	1.50	.19-1/8
William N. Morgan acct.	8.00	1.02
Hugh Henry & Sons	73.00	9.30-3/4
John O. Feemster acct.	3.25	.41-1/2
Total	\$245.78	

Note: This estate was insolvent and the amount in the right hand column is the pro rata amount of the debt actually paid on 20 Aug. 1840.

Estate settled 24 Aug. 1840

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Pages 194-195 T. H. Burnes Estate

Final settlement of this estate showd \$146.94 proceeds of estate sale and \$859.59-1/2 debts due the estate for a total of \$1106.53-1/2. Bills of the estate were paid to the following persons:

Francis Martin	William H. E. Wheeler	G. W. Allen and C. Allen
Johnson Blackwood & Co.	Brand & Moore	James M. Macfarlane
T. J. Conally	T. K. Conally	B. Dickinson
D. S. Dickinson	J. M. Cabaniss Estate	Joel Higgins, Sheriff
P. M. Bush	Simeon Nichols	T. B. Rector
John Smith	S. K. Rayborn	

Stephen Baxter and Jurah Burnes were shown as administrators and Andrew Moore and John W. Cole were their securities. Final settlement dated 6 March 1840.

Pages 196-201 Abner Vaughn Estate [also written Vaughn]

On 9 Nov. 1836 Theodocia Vaughn applied for Letters of Administration after giving \$500 bond with Andrew Moore and Thomas G. Morris her securities. Theodocia signed this bond with an "X."

The property of this estate was appraised by John M. Morris, James M. Moore and W. H. Wiggs. Value totaled \$280.

On Thursday, 2 Feb. 1837 William Ritchie applied for Letters of Administration debonis non on this estate the next of kin having renounced their right to administer. Ritchie gave \$500 bond with William Smith and Jesse H. Kile his securities. The bond was signed by Jesse H. Kile and William Ritchie and William Smith signed with an "X."

On 2 July 1838 William Ritchie, Thomas G. Harris and James Boggess were shown to be under a \$300 obligation bond. They reported the personal estate of Abner Vaughn to be insufficient to pay debts of the estate and obtained an order for the sale of the real estate of decedent. Bond is to insure they apply the proceeds of the real estate sale according to law.

The real and personal property of this estate was appraised by John M. Morris and James Beard at \$271.23. Sale of the personal property amounted to \$32.12-1/2 and the real estate brought \$157.00 for a total of \$189.12-1/2. Debts of the estate total \$219.25. The court proportioned the assets against the debts and case was settled 2 Feb. 1840.

Pages 202-206 Frederick P. Parks Estate

John B. Finley, Admr. with Michael Ditto and Green Hamilton, his securities.

The court ordered that the following bills of the estate be paid:

Jefferson W. Riggle, \$10.50	Andrew Moore, \$32.00 and \$3.20
Moreland & Carver, \$3.50	Gross & Anderson, \$25.00
Clerk and judge of County Court, \$6.00	Philip Woodson, \$3.50 and \$3.50
Richard S[L?] Randles, \$16.88	Washington T. May, judge, \$50.00
James M. Adams and Thomas Barclay, \$12.00	Charles T[?] Harris, \$5.00
Finley & Hill and J. B. Finley, \$12.42	Hill & Lowry, \$1.84
Jesse A. Smith, 16¢	Swain W. Woolard, 20¢
William Henry, 30¢	Richard Griffin, 87¢
John Still, 27¢	George McCarroll, 91¢
William Fry, \$2.46	Curtis Herrin, 30¢
Elisha Harland, 67¢	John B. Finley, Admr., is to have and retain \$25.00 for his administration of this estate.

Pages 207-215 John M. Cabaniss Estate

5 March 1840

Lewis Wyeth and Thomas Barclay were appointed Commissioners to settle this estate. Joel Higgins is ex officio administrator debonis non and his securities are John H. Kennedy, William H. Calloway, Alex Donaldson, and John Donaldson.

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Estate of John M. Cabaniss (-continued-)

Final settlement of this estate showed the following accounts had been collected:

James M. Moore	\$ .25
Cornelius Allen	51.50
Wm. H. E. Wheeler	118.62
B. and D. S. Dickinson	609.37
Booker Smith (note)	24.38
	<u>\$875.02</u>

The court ordered the following sums paid out of the estate (judgments):

Richard S. Randles, Clerk of County Court	\$25.10
Philip Woodson and Sewell Printers each	3.50 (paid 22 May 1841)
Joel Higgins, as Admr.	30.00 (Admr. fee)
Louis Wyeth, former judge	4.15
Washington T. May, judge	77.50 (paid)
Louis Wyeth & Thomas C. Barclay each	10.00
John O. Feemster, M.D.	44.50 (for medicines) (paid)
William H. E. Wheeler	20.00 (for board and lodging)
B. & S. D. Dickinson	16.66 (for funeral clothes) (Pd. 1-20-1841)
"	16.36 (Pd. 20 Jan 1841)
Isham Smith	.48
Booker Smith	2.82
Cornelius Allen	2.16
James M. Moore	2.48
Macfarlan & Brothers	1.33
P. M. Bush	3.17
William Caiss[?]	.29
John S. Rhea & Co.	.53
Macfarlane & Garrett	1.50
Beard & Moore	1.20 (Paid 27 June 1842)
Moore & Feemster	.30
Moore & Woodall	.19
Charles P. Cabaniss	21.20 (Paid 22 Feb. 1841)
Washington T. May	1.53
Wm. H. Wiggs	.28
A. C. Beard	2.20 (Paid 27 Jan. 1842)
J. W. Easton	.29
Thos. Word	.24
Patton Donegan & Co.	.30
George W. Allen	.69

Pages 216-221 Wyatt Law Estate  
4 August 1840

Peyton Law, one of the administrators of Wyatt Law filed a transcript of a list of property sold at the sale of Wyatt Law, decd., from the office of the Clerk of the County Court of Jackson County. The property sold and purchasers were:

Boshart, L. D. - cow and corn
Boshart, R. - bull [\$13.00]
Buzet, R. - plow
Davis, A. - corn
Gunter, George - grind stone [\$3.00]
Johnson, Mrs. - cow & calf, 5 head young cattle, one bull
Law, Peyton - hogs, weeding hoes, plow, bedstead
Law, Hannah - hogs
Law, Jef - fodder, heifer, 2 smoothing irons, boke oxen, 2 bee stands, corn, farming tools.
Law, Mrs. - fodder, 2 bee stands, corn, table, trunks, chairs, cupboard, bed and furniture, bureau, side saddle.
Ohar, John - 2 bee stands
Peters, E. - fodder
Pipkins, Mrs. - plow
Rich, David - 2 bee stands, pair andirons

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Estate of Wyatt Law (-continued-)

Smith, Isham - pair chains  
Smith, Bartholomew - 10 barrels corn  
Smith, John - cow  
Southerland, A. - one ox yoke and plow  
Sutton, James - waggon [\$21.00]  
Walker, Washington - bay colt [\$31.62]  
Sales totaled \$940.22-1/2

Settlement dated 22 July 1837 showd income of estate as follows:

Proceeds of estate sale	\$940.22-1/2
Cash	590.12
Hiring out of slaves	211.75
Rent of land	65.75
Ferry boat	6.00
	<u>\$1,813.84-1/2</u>

The following vouchers (bills) of the estate were paid to:

Allen, G. W. & C.	Law, Jefferson
Beard & Bush	Law, Peyton
Barclay, A. R.	Law, Peyton Senr.
Boshart, L. D.	McFarlane, J. M.
Boshart, Randolph	Martin, B. B.
Boshard & Barton	Martin, Francis
Beard, A. C.	Melton, Lewis
Baxter, John Jr.	Moore, A. & Co.
Cabaniss, J. M.	Moore & Cabaniss
Cooper, John	Morris, Andrew
Cooper, Thos.	Ohar, John
Chandler, Milly	Parker, Lewis
Decatur Branch Bank [two notes: \$289.19 & \$336.87]	Parsons, S.
Davis, A. C.	Rector, T. B.
Davis, Abraham	Roden, Jeremiah
Davis, Jas.	Steels, John
Dunn, Andrew	Smith, Jno.
Faith, J. S.	Smith, H. (constable)
Gillum, David	Taylor, Thos.
Henry & Moore	Teal, J. C.
Hewlett, Alfred	Walker, L. C.
Jones, Jesse	Wheeler, Wm. H. E.
Johnson, J. C.	Williams, Absalom
Johnson, M. T.	Winford, David
	Wheeler, E.

Settlement of this estate certified 16 July 1840.

Pages 222-26 Josiah Rainy Estate [Also written Rainey]

The following documentation was a transcription from Jackson County which was apparently sent to Marshall County for recording. This is especially important since all Jackson County records of this period were burned during the Civil War.

The Jackson County Court concluded a final settlement between Elizabeth Starnes (formerly Elizabeth Rainy), Admx. of Josiah Rainy, decd., and the legatees. The Admx. had spent \$1773.15-1/2 in payment of the estate's debts and estate settlement but had only taken in \$1619.62-1/2 leaving the estate indebted to her in the amount of \$153.53.

The following negro slaves belonging to the estate are in the hands of the administratrix:

Louisa - \$437.	Julia - \$537.	Burrell - \$325.	Ivy - \$200.
Isaac - \$750.	Stephen - \$500.	Jane - \$225.	
Isham - \$780.	Minta - \$400.	Philip - \$200.	

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Estate of Josiah Rainy (-continued-)

Said slaves are to be divided among the following named heirs, towit:

1. Elizabeth Starnes, formerly Elizabeth Rainy, widow of Josiah Rainy
2. Decatur Rainy
3. Sarah Rainy
4. Evergreen Rainy
5. Lucy Rainy
6. Elizabeth Rainy
7. Palmyra Rainy widow of Aaron Hackney, decd.
8. James M. Hackney, inf. son of the said Aaron Hackney and grandson of Josiah Rainy.

Four Commissioners were appointed to divide said slaves among the heirs:

1. Simeon Nichols
2. James M. Macfarlane
3. William Wellborn
4. Thomas B. Rector.

The Commissioners appraised and divided the slaves among the heirs as follows with the widow getting 1/5 share.

1. Widow Elizabeth Starnes to get July [Julia] and Burrell valued at \$862.00  
(Entitled to \$870.80 - deficient \$8.80)
2. Evergreen Rainy to get Stephen valued at \$500.00  
(Entitled to \$580.53 - too much by \$8.55)
3. Decatur Rainy to get Isaac valued at \$750.00  
(Entitled to \$580.53 - too much by \$169.47)
4. Sarah Rainy to get Philip and Louisa valued at \$637.00  
(Entitled to \$580.53 - too much by \$56.47)
5. Elizabeth Rainy to get Minta valued at \$400.00  
(Entitled to \$580.53 - deficient by \$180.53)
6. Lucy Rainy to get Isham valued at \$780.00  
(Entitled to \$580.53 - too much by \$199.47)
7. Palmyra Hackney to get Jane valued at \$225.00  
(Entitled to \$290.26-1/2 - deficient by \$65.26-1/2)
8. James M. Hackney to get Ivy valued at \$200.00  
(Entitled to \$290.26-1/2 - deficient by \$90.26-1/2)

Certified by Commissioners 13 August 1836.

On 20 August 1836 the Jackson County Court ordered each heir to pay to Elizabeth Rainy Starnes their proportional share of the \$153.50 which the estate still owed her and "then to have and share in the said Negro property according to the division made by said Commissioners which is above recited & to receive the sum from said Elizabeth Starnes, administratrix as aforesaid this 20th day of August 1836."

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

Certified 13 June 1840 by Moses Jones, Clerk of the Jackson County Court to be a true and exact copy.

Page 227-29 John M. Carter Estate

The executor [not named] of this estate stands charged with \$2448.00 arising from various sources including:

- Cash on hand (\$500.00)
- Cash from first sale
- Rent of land for 1839 to Mc.
- Rent of land to Wm. Barclay
- Cash from Jesse Carter
- Rent of gin house and lot
- two horse certificates
- One account with Wm. Rains

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Estate of John M. Carter (-continued-)

Riding horse valued to \$120.00  
 One account on Southerland  
 85 acres of land valued at \$800.00

The following information was faded and very difficult to read.

Credit by vouchers:

Nathaniel Hillin[Hellin?]	\$ 20.00 and \$33.00
Peter Raman	12.50
George Parson	5.65
James Russell	1.75
William Bensen[?]	1.62-1/2
Joseph Sutherland	10.25
Wm. O. Haynes[Haymer?]	24.75
Thomas B. Rector	66.00
B. Snodgrass & Co.	11.75
A. D. Sutherland	1.25
David Buzby	10.00
Prudence Carter	125.00
Railing Grove	15.00
R. B. Clayton	1.75
James Carter	33.19
R. J. Stockton	23.03-1/2
Unavailable debts in Locket's office	211.78
2 horse certificates in Chapman land	423.00
85 acres of land	800.00
Cash paid Prudence Carter	200.00
Cash paid in the hands of Joseph Carter, guardian of Polly Carter for which he has given bond and security	612.00[?]
Suit with James Isbell	35.00

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Pages 234-35 Relinquishment - Beard to Griffin

"I hereby assign and convey to William M. Griffin all the right, title and Interest conveyed to me by the within order or relinquishment of John L. Griffin for and in consideration of the sum of Five hundred dollars. Witness my hand and Seal this 24th 1840 [month omitted].

Teste: M. L. Higgins

/s/ Arthur C. Beard

Certification:

Before me, Richard Randles, Clerk of the County Court in and for said County, personally appeared Mills L. Higgins who after being first duly sworn deposeth & sayeth that he saw Arthur C. Beard sign seal and deliver the above and foregoing Relinquishment to William M. Griffin on the day of its date thereof for the purposes therein contained.

In Testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix my private seal not having a seal of office at office in Marshall County this 24th day of October in the Year of our Lord 1840.

/s/ R. S. Randles, Clerk

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# Morgan



## ORPHANS COURT REGISTER 1 1818 - 1873

The Morgan County Orphans Court Register 2 from 1818 to 1827 was carried in "Valley Leaves" in Volume 7 (Sept., 1972 through June, 1973). While Register 2 dealt with estate matters, Register 1 deals with laying out the road system in Morgan [originally Cotaco] County, apprenticeships, tax levies, Revolutionary War Pension Claims, and other matters that could easily fall in a "miscellaneous" category. In the later years this book was used primarily to record cattle brand registrations. This book contains a fascinating accumulation of facts and it is probable that names will appear in this volume that may not appear in other records. This series began in Volume 19, Issue No. 3, March, 1985. Continued from the June, 1985 issue of Valley Leaves.

Page 32 Cotaco County, Alabama Territory  
 (-continued-) This day personally came before me, H. Philpott, one of the Justices of the court for said county, Wm. G. Bouldin and John Menefee and made oath that they saw Robert D. Moore sign and acknowledge the within Bill of sale. Given under my hand and seal this 13th day of Sepr. 1819.  
 /s/ Horatio Philpott

Page 33 Robert D. Moore - Bill of Sale to William Moseley  
 Received of William Moseley, the sum of \$2000. being in full for the purchase of my negroes (namely) David, Saml., Venus and Cenia ...  
 /s/ Robt. D. Moore  
 Test: Wm. Graves Bouldin  
 John Menefee  
 Recd. for recording Sept. 13, 1819

Page 34 February Term, 1820  
 Present: Horatio Philpott )  
 Robert Tapscott )  
 Greenberry Doss ) Justices of the County Court  
 William S. Goodhue )  
 Joseph Sykes )  
 William S. Goodhue is appointed chief justice.  
 Thomas McElderry produced his commission as Clerk of the County Court of Cotaco County with his bond and certificate of qualification as prescribed by law.  
 Washington Gray, Sheriff of Cotaco County executed his bond for \$10,000.00 with the following men as his securities: Isaac Guest, John Guest, Isaac Yearry, Marvin Kyle, Abraham Stout, Joseph Turney, and Curtis G. Gray; also took and subscribed the oaths as prescribed by law.

Page 35 Herbert, Kyle & Dougherty )  
 for use of Lawrence Pope )  
 -vs- ) Debt  
 Micajah Hill )  
 This day came the plaintiffs by their attorney and the defendant in person and the defendant stated that he can not gainsay the action of the plaintiff but that he is indebted to the plaintiffs in manner and form alleged. Court decreed that the plaintiffs to recover against defendant \$200.00 debt together with the sum of \$1.90 damages.

Court adjourns until tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

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Tuesday, February 8th 1820  
Present: Wm. S. Goodhue )  
Horatio Philpott )  
Joseph Sykes ) Justices of County Court  
Robert Tapscott )  
G. B. Dossee [shown as Greenberry )  
Doss/Dossey elsewhere.] )

John T. Rather was duly elected Assessor  
Elisha Caston was duly elected Collector  
Horatio Philpott was duly elected County Treasurer  
Samuel H. Doxey was duly elected Surveyor  
John Collins was duly elected Corenor  
Willie Hudson was duly elected Au\_\_ [torn off]\_\_

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Moon and Jones -vs- Richard Holly.  
Defendant summoned to court in discharge of his bail who therefore offered John Guert as his special bail to abide the judgment of the court and understands that if he, the said Holly, is \_\_[illegible]\_\_ in this suit he shall render his body in custody or \_\_[illeg.]\_\_ satisfy the judgment of the writ or the said Guert will do it for him.

February Term, 1820  
Christopher Borden appointed to proportion the hands to work a road over which Thomas Skidmore is overseer leading from Crabbs Ferry to intersect a road leading from Somerville to Centerville.

Jacob Asbaugh appointed overseer of the road from Sommerville to Cedar Creek leading towards the Falls of the Black Warrior [River] and that Thomas S. Bibb be appointed to proportion the hands to work on said road.

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Joseph Turney appointed overseer of the road from Turney's Creek to Aldridge's as viewed and marked. Peter Baker appointed overseer of that part of the road from Aldridge's to Joseph Ballew's and that Peter Couch and Thomas S. Bibb be appointed to proportion the hands on the road leading from Sommerville to Gandy's Cove and from Sommerville to Cedar Creek.

The report of the Jury of View of the road leading from the Center Spring to Lewis Terry be rejected.

Robert K. Crocket, Isaac Guest, Elisha Easton, John Lay[Loy?], William Read, W. G. Dessey, David Rutledge, Samuel Winton, and Horatio Philpott be and they are hereby appointed a jury to view and mark a road commencing at the south bank of the Tennessee River opposite to Ditto's Landing, thence to and up the mountain at the best and most convenient gap in a direction towards the falls of the Black Warrior thence in said direction to the county line.

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The road as now viewed from Ditto's Landing in a direction to the Falls of the Black Warrior be null and void and that the Sheriff direct the overseer to stop cutting and working on said [road] until otherwise directed.

David Williams, Hugh McAdams, Samuel McAdams, David Loyl[?], James Petty, James Bagley and Nathaniel Bagley are appointed a jury to view and mark a road leaving the Sommerville Road where it crosses Six Mile Creek thence the nearest and best direction to William G. Dossey's.

Augustine Beacham is appointed overseer of the road from Cotaco Creek to Sommerville as reviewed and that Thomas Hodges be appointed to proportion the hands to work on said road.

The road leading from McDaniel's Ferry in a direction toward Courthouse be Rec'd[?].

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Jonathan Lane is appointed overseer of the road from McDaniel's Ferry to the northeast corner of the 16th Section.

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Wallace Elliott is appointed overseer of the road from the northeast corner of the 16th Section to the county line and that William Moseley and John Meneffe are appointed to proportion the hands to work on said road.

Willie Hudson is allowed the sum of \$19.00 out of the county treasury for work in repairing the courthouse.

Thomas McEldery is allowed the sum of \$13.50 out of the county treasury for his expenses in the safekeeping of the records of the county.

Cotaco County Court  
February Term, 1820

Tobias Grider and Elijah Hogan, assignees

-vs-

Marian Gillespie, admx., and  
Thomas D. Crabb, admr. of  
Robert Gillespie, deceased.

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The complainant having filed their petition setting forth that the said Robert Gillespie did on the 19th day of November, 1814 execute to William Hogan and Isaiah Riley his bond for the transferr of the assignment of the Certificate on lands in the SW/4 of Sec. 18-4-1East on the 18th of September 1818 and said William Hogan and Joseph Riley having severally assigned all their respective interests in the said land to the said petitioners. Notice is hereby ordered to be published in the "Alabama Republican" once a month for three consecutive months requiring all persons interested in the land to appear at the courthouse in the town of Somerville at the next term of court to be held on the first Monday in May next, to show cause why a decree should not be passed requiring the defendants to give the plaintiffs title to the said land.

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May Term, 1820

Present: William L. Goodhue, Chief Justice  
Robt. Tapscott )  
Joseph Sykes ) Justices  
Wm. J. Dossey )

Ordered that the report of the jury on the road leading from Ditto's Landing to the Falls of the Black Warrior be read[rec'd?].

David Ballew is appointed overseer of the road from Ditto's Landing to the Indian boundary line leading from said landing to Tuscaloosa.

Ordered that one-half of the State Tax be levied and collected to defray county expenses for the year 1820.

Overseers of the Poor are appointed as follows:

John Menifee in the 1st Company  
William Johnson of 4th Company  
Peter Couch of 5th Company  
Thomas McElderry of 6th Company  
William Read of 7th Company  
John Crockett of 9th Company  
Thomas Briant of 10th Company

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Greenville Burtwell[Burnett?], John Menifee, William Moseley, William Owens, Samuel Simpson, John Couch, William Lynch, Larkin Owen, Adam Stinson, James Gillaspie, David Johnson, and John Burleson are appointed a jury to view and mark a road from the south bank of the Tennessee River at or near Capt. Moseley's

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thence to intersect a road leading from McDaniel's Ferry thence the nearest and best route to the foot of the mountain where the road leading from Sommerville to the Falls of the Black Warrior, and make return to next term of court.

Nicholas Lewis, Elisha Easton, William Read, Thomas Hodges, Robert A. Stewart, John Loy[Lay?], Joseph Hudson, and Mason Breeding are appointed a jury to view and mark a road from the Center Spring to Lewis' Ferry to cross Cotaco Creek at Mason Breeding's; also to view and mark a road from the south bank of the Tennessee River opposite Triana, thence in a direction the nearest and best way to Sommerville as with[?] it intersects the road from Lewis' Ferry to said town and make report at next term of this court.



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Joshua Inman, Joseph Smith, John Reedy, John Martin, Jonathan Sanderling, James Lang and Charles Lockhart are appointed a jury to view and mark a road commencing at the Lawrence County line north of John Reedy's, and south of the widow Kyle's, thence the nearest and best way to the town of Sommerville, and make report at next term of court.

The overseer of the Poor in the 6th Company ordered to bind Melton Madison, a free boy of color, to John T. Rather; he is also to bind to Abraham Stout an orphan boy by the name of Birton[?] Gandy, aged two years.

Robert Stewart is appointed overseer of the road from Dry Creek to Cotaco Creek.

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The order granted last term for a road from Six Mile Creek to Wm. G. Dossey's and returned not executed be renewed and carried into execution.

William Nunn is appointed overseer of the road from Sommerville to Crabbs Ferry.

Enoch Connelly is appointed overseer of that part of the road which Thomas Oden was formerly overseeing.

Henry W. Rodes is given permission to establish a public ferry across the Tennessee River at McDaniel's Ferry.

Nicholas Lewis has the liberty to establish and keep a public ferry across the Tennessee River at or near where said Lewis now lives.

Isaac Yearry is appointed Guardian of the Estate of James Yearry, son of David Yearry, deceased, with Isaac Guest as his security.

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The Clerk and Sheriff are hereby appointed agents for and in behalf of the County to contract for all necessary repairs needed to be done at the jail of said county; also to contract for the building of a good and convenient cabbn for the better accommodation of the jailer and for the purpose of carrying out this order it is ordered they draw upon the county treasury for any sum of money they deem necessary to defray the expenses incurred about said work.

Page 46            8 Feb. 1820. Deed of Trust  
 Larkin R. Sawyers owes Jesse W. Garth \$50.00 by bond dated in November, 1819. To protect Garth against loss, Sawyers deeds to Thomas McElderry, in trust, the following property:

- One feather bed
- Two rose blankets
- Five bed quilts and sheets
- One safe
- One pot
- Two ovens
- Skillet
- Parcel of earthenware
- Table
- Breakfront chest
- Eight split bottomed chairs

Page 47            If Sawyer defaults in paying Garth then McElderry, at Garth's request, is to sell the property at public sale, after giving 10 days notice. If debt is paid then this deed is void.

Witness: William S. Goodhue

Page 48            25 February 1820. Deed of Trust.  
 John T. Rather owes Elias L. Payne and James Rather \$562.85 by bonds dated 14 September 1818 and 21 June 1819; he also owes \$143.00 on account. Sums total \$705.85. To protect Elias L. Payne and James Rather against loss, John T. Rather deeds to William L. Goodhue, in trust, the following property:

- One negro boy named Peter, age 15 years.
- Three featherbeds and furniture.

If John T. Rather defaults then Goodhue, at the request of James Rather and Elias L. Payne, is to sell the property at public sale (after giving 10 days notice) and pay Elias and James.

Witness: Thos. McElderry

Page 50            10 April 1820. Bill of Sale.  
 James Moody sold to Stephen Herd, for \$100.00 the following property:

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|------------------------------|--------------------|
| One featherbed and furniture | Three chairs       |
| Pot and oven                 | 5 knives and forks |
| 3 cups and saucers           | cow and calf       |

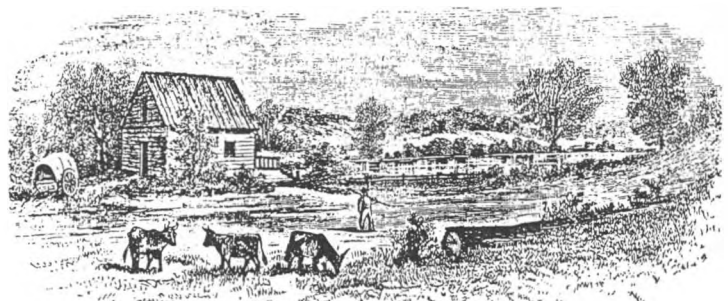
Page 51            13 May 1820. Indenture of Melton Madison  
 Thomas McElderry, Overseer of the Poor of the 6th Company, in Cotaco County, places and binds out a free boy of color named Melton Madison to John T. Rather. Madison to be an apprentice to serve Rather until 1 July 1837 when he will be 21 years of age. Rather to teach Madison to read, write, and cypher to the rule

Page 52            of three and provide him with food, clothing and lodging. At the end of his indenture Madison is to receive one complete suit of new clothes and two shirts.

Witness: Robt. Tapscott

23 May 1820. Deed of Trust.  
 Felix Jarnigen owes Keziah Jarnigen \$200.00 by bond dated 22 May 1820. To secure Keziah against loss, Felix deeds to Jacob Webb, in trust, the following:

- Page 53            3 head of horses  
 4 cows  
 4 calves  
 a 2 year old heifer  
 16 head of hogs  
 3 featherbeds and  
                          furniture  
 woman's saddle  
 one pot



Page 53                    2 ovens  
 (-continued-)         12 plates  
                              6 knives and 6 forks.  
 If Felix pays debt this deed void. If he defaults then Webb to sell property and pay debt.  
 Witness: Thos. McElderry  
 Delivered for recording 23 May 1820

Page 54                    5 June 1820. Deed of Trust.  
 Nathaniel Evans owes Henry Evans three bonds for \$367.66-2/3 each, dated 5 August 1819. One is due 3 Oct. 1819, the second is due 3 Oct. 1820, and the third is due 3 Oct. 1821. The amount totals \$1103.00. To protect Henry Evans against loss, Nathaniel Evans deeds to James Anderson, in trust, the following:

- |                        |                              |
|------------------------|------------------------------|
| bay horse, age 6       | bay mare, age 6              |
| chestnut mare, age 11  | 6 head cattle                |
| 48 head of hogs        | 2000 feet of planks          |
| 2 ploughs              | 2 hoes                       |
| 2 sets harness         | 2 felling axes               |
| 1 broad axe            | 50 bushels corn              |
| side saddle            | 3 feather beds and furniture |
| 2 bedsteads            | 2 tables                     |
| 5 split bottom chairs  | trunk                        |
| chest                  | looking glass                |
| 2 sad irons            | large pot                    |
| 2 ovens                | one spider                   |
| shovel and tongs       | pair hand irons              |
| cotton wheel           | tea kettle                   |
| 10 plates              | 10 knives                    |
| 10 forks               | 2 dishes                     |
| set tea cups & saucers | set tea spoons               |
| set tablespoons        | 10 boards                    |
| one tin trunk          | 2 pails                      |
| 2 piggins              | 2 tubs                       |
| 1 log chain            |                              |

Page 55                    If Nathaniel Evans defaults then Anderson to sell property at public sale (after giving 10 days notice) and pay debts.  
 Delivered for Recording 5 June 1820

Page 56                    11 April 1820. Deed of Trust  
 Samuel M. Echols owes James B. Lockhart \$198.00 due 1 March 1820. To secure Lockhart against loss, Echols deeds to Middleton Ford, in trust, one bond drawn by Lemuel Mead in favor of Samuel M. Echols dated 3 August 1818 covering the NW/4 of Section 3-7-2W; also a certificate for the NE/4 of Section 3-7-2W; also the following property:

- 1 bay mare
- 1 sorrel mare
- 1 sorrel colt
- 2 feather beds and furniture
- Hogs
- All his household and kitchen furniture
- All his plantation and farming utensils.

Page 57                    Echols to keep possession of the property except the bond and certificate until default. If Echols defaults then Ford to sell property (after giving 15 days notice) and pay Lockhart with the proceeds. If Echols pays the debt by 1 March 1821 then this deed is void.

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## 71 PANNELL, KIRBY

William L. T. "Will" Pannell b 30 Sep 1892 Danville, Morgan Co. AL, d 15 Nov 1966 Tippah Co., MS. Parents: William James "Jim" Pannell b Nov 1860 AL, Alice R. Kirby b Jun 1870 AL. Paternal Grandparents: John L. Pannell b ca 1835 TN, Mary Pannell b ca 1842 SC. Maternal Grandparents: James Taylor Kirby b ca 1842 AL, Sarah D. Kirby b ca 1850 AL. Need any information on any members of these families.  
Ms. Dale Williams, Rt. 4, Box 85, Ripley, MS 38663

## 72 RHODES

Re: Volume 19, No. 3, Mar 1985, p 101, Section 6: Who were H. W. Rhodes and J. Rhodes? Page 104, Section 29: Who were A. W. Rhodes and W. Rhodes? Were they father & son, or all siblings? Were they related in some other way? Can any definite dates be determined for the above items? What town is this near? Where is Decatur County? (Editor's note: "Old Land Records of Jackson County, Alabama" identify these men as Henry Willis Rhodes in the 1830-1835 time period, Allen W. Rhodes in 1833, & James Rhodes in 1830. Decatur County was a short-lived County, created in Dec 1821, and abolished 28 Dec 1825. It was formed from parts of Jackson and Madison County and all of the northern part of present day Marshall County.)

Mrs. V. S. Strickland, Rt. A, Box 497, Youngstown, FL 32466

## 73 LEWIS, HARRIS

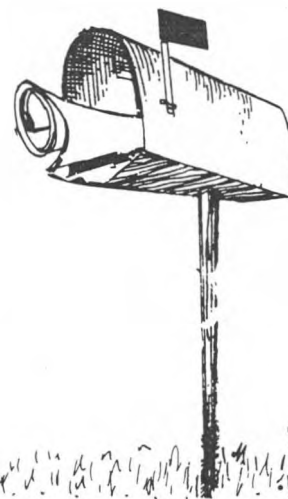
Need info on some of the children of Nathaniel Lewis, a pioneer settler of Madison Co. AL. Nathaniel married Sally Harris in Granville, NC and moved to Madison County in 1818, dying there in November 1847. Children: Elizabeth, Polly, Martha, Sally, Harriet, Edward (Ned), Willis (Willy), James S., Charles, Thomas, Washington (Wash), Howell, William, Nathaniel (Nat) and Thomas. I am particularly interested in what happened to Willis and Harriet Lewis. Does anyone know anything about the Lewis graveyard which is supposed to be at Madison Cross Roads? Need names on tombstones in that cemetery.

Leroy C. Lewis, 1405 Fox Drive, Searcy, AR 72143

## 74 GUNTER, WARE, KING, BARNES

Seeking info on Thomas Gunter b ca 1767 VA, d aft 1850 Blount Co. AL. Was his wife the Mary Ware who married Thomas Gunter 4 Oct 1799 in Louisa Co. VA? Sons: William Gunter b 1804 VA, md Jane King 9 Jul 1829 Blount Co., AL; Thomas Gunter, Jr. b 1809 VA, md Lucy Ann Barnes 24 Dec 1829 Blount Co., AL. Any info on this family will be greatly appreciated. Will exchange.

Janet Baker Burks, Rt. 22, Box 289, Tyler, TX 75704



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**Queries Editor:** MARGARET M. COWART

75 GRAY, VAUGHN, PRUITT, FORTNER

Need info on a Mr. Terrell Gray who adopted my gr-grand mother's brothers and sisters in TN aft 1850. Mr. Gray was on the Decatur, AL land records of 1823. Where were they in TN? Seeking info on Pruitts, Fortners, Vaughns and Grays who traveled together in TN.

Dora Stafford Robinson, 2237 Flair Dr., Oklahoma City, OK 73159

76 SMITH, McGEE, PICKENS, RODGE/RHODES

Seeking info on Grant Sheridan Smith and Newton J. Smith b 1866 & 1844 respectively in Waterloo, AL. Also info on James Allen McGee who married Ann Rodge (Rhodes) ca 1875 probably in Wayne Co., TN. Need info on David Prince Pickens b 1855 Hardin Co. TN.

Betty Myers, 202 South 19th Ave., Battle Ground, WA 98604

77 HICKMAN, LEE, JONES, PARKHART, WILLIAMS, JEMISON, EZELL

In Alabama- where did they come from and where did they go?  
Nathaniel L. Hickman (b NC) & Sarah Lee (b SC) m 1819 Madison Co., in Jackson Co. 1820-1850. Wm. F. Jones (b SC) & Chaney Parkhart (b SC) m 1834 Madison Co., AL, d ca 1887/1893 Jackson Co., AL. (Have info from 1834 to 1893). Nathaniel S. Williams (b KY) & Sarah M. Jemison (b TN), in Madison Co. 1830-1860 & 1880. Simeon Ezell alive Jun 1900 at Paint Rock, can't find when he died. Would appreciate any info concerning parents, brothers & sisters of these 3 couples. NEED HELP. Have been at standstill for years.

Mrs. Jack Shoemaker, 5919 E. 26, Tulsa, OK 74114

78 DUNBAR, BROWN, SMITH, SMALLEY, HOWARD, PATTON, WOMACK, GILL, CLOUD, MARLIN, WHITE, KIRBY, FARR

Need parents of Rebecca A. Dunbar, b 1822 VA, d 1895 Jackson Co., AL, m Preston Brown. Need parents of Preston Brown, b 1819, d 1903 Jackson Co., AL. Siblings: Ann Smalley, Cynthia Howard, Luhena & Smith. Were his parents George (d 1840/50) & Sarah (d 1860/70)? Who were their parents? Both b VA. Was George son of Isham of Giles Co., TN? Need parents of Isabella Blackburn Patton, b 1802 TN, d 1870/80 Jackson Co., AL, m Abner Clements Womack-Sweetens Cove, TN. Were her parents William and Mary of Franklin Co., TN 1820 & Jackson Co. AL in 1830 & 1840. Need location of family Bible of Abner C. Womack. Children: John Tipton; Elizabeth m Robert Gill; Alex m Flora Cloud; Charles m 1) Mary Marlin, 2) Laura White; George m Fannie Cloud; Abner Benton, unmarried; Benjamin R. m 1) Annie Kirby, 2) Roxie Smith. Need tombstone inscription for Winnie L. Farr d ca 1880 Madison Co., AL. Would like to correspond with researchers in Jackson Co. area for Dunbars, Browns, Patton, Farr & Womack and Mud Creek Baptist Church.

Fay F. Hoodock, 2182 Dairy Farm Rd., Gambrills, MD 21054

79 YOUNG, THOMPSON, SKELTON, STEPHENSON, WALDEN, MUSGRAVE, ROLLS, STEWART, BLACKWOOD

Would like to exchange info with anyone researching or having info concerning the John Young family of North Alabama, living in Morgan Co. 1818, & Lawrence Co. in 1820. John Young b 1790 and wife Millie Thompson b 1892, had children: Polly b 1810, m Hiram Skelton; James b 1812 m Mary A.; Elizabeth b 1814 m James Stephenson; Jane b 1816 m Elish Walden; Millie b 1818 m Anderson Musgrave; George b 1821 m Martha Rolls; John b 1823; Sara or Sallie b 1825 m Jeremiah Stewart; Nancy Mary b 1828 m John Walden 19 Mar 1845 Sevier Co., AR; Caroline b 1830 m Andrew Blackwood; Elisha b 1837. Millie Thompson Young was the daughter of John Thompson and Arnis-wakie, a Cherokee woman. Her Indian name was Laugh at mush or Ne-coo-ie.

Jim Walden, P. O. Box 402, Holdenville, OK 74848

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80 KILLINGSWORTH/KILLENSWORTH, ADCOCK, CROWSON, WARD, JONES, MURPHY

Looking for parents & wife of Akin Killingsworth, b ca 1813 Madison Co. Daughter, Elizabeth, b ca 1836, son, Jeremiah, b 10 Jan 1840 Chickasaw Co., MS. Could Akin's parents be Jeremiah & Elizabeth Killensworth in the 1850 Madison Co. census? Would like to correspond with anyone having Killingsworth ancestors or information. Also anyone with info on John & Reuben Adcock, Thomas Crowson, Henry W. Ward, Manerby C. & Elizabeth Jones & Solomon Murphy.

Jaime Murphy, Rt. 1, Box 105, Stanton, TX 79782

81 BERRY, PENNINGTON, HAYNES

Want parents of Joseph Berry, 1812 soldier from Ohio, and his sister Elizabeth Berry, b 12 Jan 1796 VA/WV, m 1) 1817 Ohio William Boyer Pennington, m 2) Jacob Haynes.

FRANCIS, GRIFFITH

Want parents of Nancy Francis, b ca 1783 PA, m 1800 Bourbon Co., KY to John Griffith. Possible brother- Morgan Francis, b ca 1784, m Bourbon Co., KY to Hester Griffith. Are they children of William Francis b bef 1765 & in 1810 Bourbon Co. KY census?

McDONALD, HIX, EGERTON, SMITH, ALLEN, TULEY, NEW

Want dates for Angus McDonald b ca 1740, m Martha \_\_\_\_\_ ca 1760, lived 1767 Amherst Co., VA, then Mercer Co., KY ca 1795, then Garrard Co., KY by 1800. Children married Hix, Egerton, Smith, Allen, Tuley & perhaps New.

SUTTON, WILSON, FULKERSON, MAY, GRAHAM

Need parents of Capt. David Sutton, b ca 1770 and his sister, Rhoda Sutton, b perhaps PA ca 1765 & m ca 1781 Jeremiah Wilson. David possibly m in Mercer Co., KY to Dinah Fulkerson & then possibly to Juliet May. His daughter, Theresa, m Mercer Co. KY 1820 Dr. Christopher Graham.

LEISURE/LAZIER/LEASEURE, IRVIN/DAVIS

Need all children of Joseph Leisure/Lazier/Leasure, d 1835 Garrard Co., KY, m ca 1765 Rachel Ryan. Son Nathan b 1777 possibly in Frederick Co., MD, d 1865 Rush Co., IN, m ca 1804 Sarah Irvin/Davis.

Louise Walsh Throop, 1261 Laguna St., Livermore, CA 94550

82 PETTUS, FREEMAN, PATRICK, CRADDOCK

Seeking info about two brothers, William & Freeman Pettus, who came to Texas in 1822 as original colonists in the Stephen F. Austin colony. They both received original grants in Texas. William is my ancestor & I have much info on his activities in the early days of TX but little info on him before this time. In all references, he is quoted as saying he came to Texas from Lawrence Co., AL, near the town of Huntsville. These two men were sons of Captain Samuel Overton Pettus of Mecklenberg, VA. Their mother was Jane Freeman. Their grandfather was Thomas Pettus, the Burgess of Lunenburg, VA. William m Elizabeth Patrick and Freeman m a Pettus and a Craddock. The book, "The Pettus Family" by Pocahuntus (Hutchinson) Stacey has been used for information on this Pettus family before they came to TX.

Beth White, P. O. Box 283, Goliad, TX 77963

83 RUSSELL, McWATTERS, STRINGER, BOWERS, HODGES

Christopher Ervin Russell b 1794, d aft 1865, m Jane McWatters, b 1803, d ?, both born in "Carolinas". Moved to Morgan Co., AL 1820. Son Thomas Jason Russell (1821-1888) m Margaret Stringer (1824-1893) in 1845. Their son Jason Kendrick Russell (1858-1890) m 1881 Martha Frances Bowers (d 1895). She was dau of David Bowers & Susannah Stringer. David was  
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(RUSSELL, etc. continued)

son of Green Bowers and Elizabeth Hodges. Need info on Christopher & Jane and the Bowers. Have complete data on Russells back to Thomas Jason, my great-grandfather. Would like personal facts. All settled in vicinity of Decatur, Huntsville & Apple Grove.

Barbara Russell Cooney, 8811 Canoga Ave., Space 404, Canoga Park, CA 91304

84 POTTER, GUINN, AWBREY, BENTON, KIRBY, ROGERS, WOOD, VANBUREN

Jonathan Benton Potter b 1838 Jackson Co., AL, d 1888, buried Carthage, Jasper Co., MO. He m 1) Martha Guinn ca 1860 MO, then 2) Susan Guinn ca 1867 MO (both daus of Daniel Guinn b ca 1818 TN & Hannah \_\_\_\_\_ b ca 1818 KY or AL). Who were parents & siblings of Jonathan Benton Potter? Parents & siblings of Daniel Guinn? Parents & siblings of Hannah ? Guinn? Was this Hannah's maiden name Awbrey? Benton? Kirby? Potter? Rogers? Wood? Van Buren?

POTTER, BENTON, AWBREY, TALENT, WOOD VANBUREN

Solomon Potter b 1805 TN resided Jackson Co., AL 1830, Pulaski Co., MO 1840, Buchanan Co., MO 1850. Who were his parents & siblings? Was his wife named Lucy Benton? Awbrey? Potter? Talent? Wood? Van Buren? Their known children: Lucinda b 1828 TN; Martha b 1832 AL; Nancy b 1834 NC; William b 1835 AL; Elizabeth b 1836 NC; Jonathan b 1838 AL; Anderson b 1840 MO; John b 1843 MO; Benji b 1845 MO. Who were parents & siblings of James Potter b 1810 TN and Joel L. Potter b ca 1800 TN, both neighbors of Solomon Potter 1830 Jackson Co., AL. Joel L. Potter resided Pulaski Co., MO 1840, then Ozark Co. MO 1850.

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

85 EVANS

Peter Evans, 62, b SC & wife, Sarah, 53, b SC were in Greene Co., AL census with Henry F., 31, Peter J. 21, William L., 21, Nancy F., 18, Samuel S., 14, & Sarah H., 11. According to Samuel's dau there were 13 children, others were James, John, Jeff, Stith, Susannah Evans. Some probably settled in other parts of AL. Can anyone help? What relationship were Stith, Abner and James Evans to Peter in 1830 census Greene Co.? Will exchange.

Mrs. Chas. E. Norton, One Woodbridge, Hobe Sound, FL 33455

86 YOUNG, WATSON

Searching for parents of William S. Young, b ca 1820 in northern AL. He married Mary Watson in 1840 in Madison Co., MS, where he died ca 1909.

Thomas A. Oswald, 2262 Cedar Way, Baton Rouge, LA 70806



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