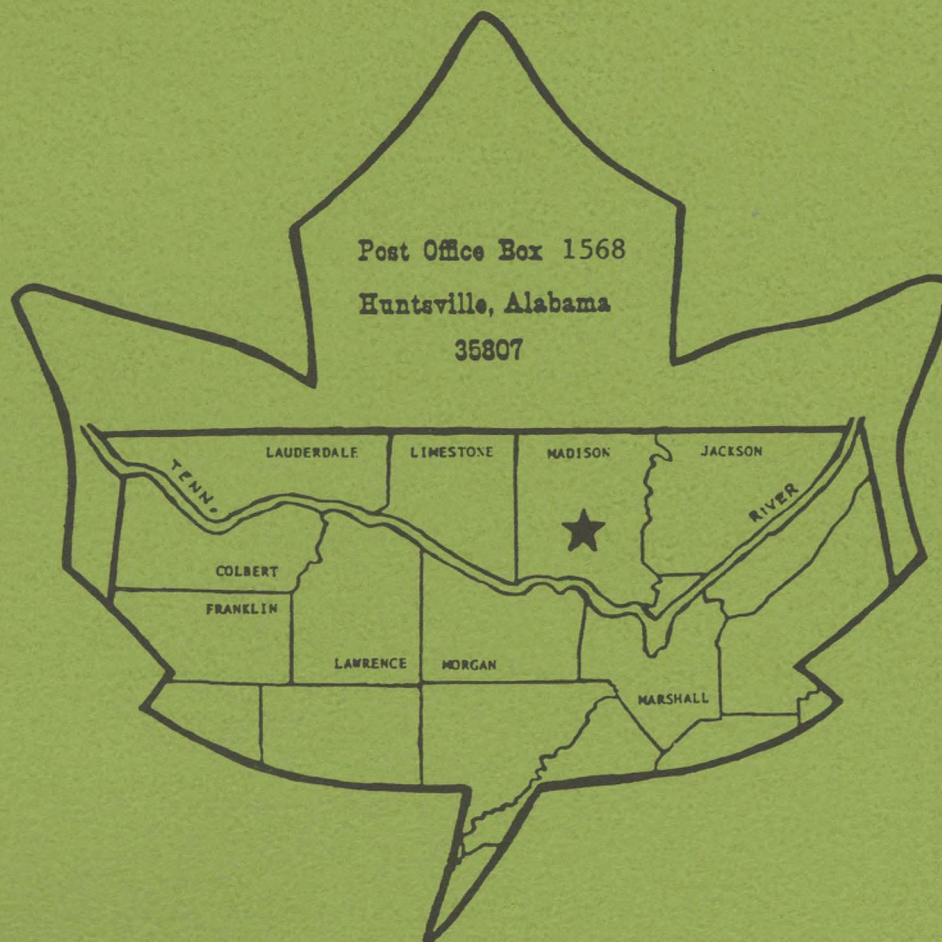


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PHOTOCOPY RATES. Many thanks to those of you who wrote to Don Siegelman, Alabama Secretary of State, regarding the exorbitant charge of \$1.00 per page for photocopies in Alabama probate offices. That order has been rescinded and most probate offices now charge 25 to 35 Cents per page. We can not help but feel that our members played a significant role in bringing down the charge to a reasonable figure. Thank you.

ELBERT MINTER. It is with a great deal of sorrow that we announce the death of Elbert Minter of Decatur, Alabama. Mr. Minter had gallantly fought lung cancer for several years and died on Tuesday, May 21, 1985. He leaves his lovely wife, Polly, and two daughters.

For those of you who did not know Elbert, he was the person who diligently copied the Morgan County marriage records and donated them to TVGS for publishing. We are very sorry we did not have them published in time for him to see the result of his many years' labor.


MORGAN MARRIAGES - A TEAM EFFORT

We now have the Morgan County marriages proof-read, put in alphabetical order, and have started typing them. A very BIG thank you goes to Dene Walls and Sue Marine who laboriously proof read two entire marriage books - no small undertaking. Margaret Cowart donated three days out of her busy schedule and Shirley Greer went numerous times to the Morgan County courthouse to help proof-read Mr. Minter's work against the original. Many thanks also to Jack Cochran and Addie Shaver who also contributed many hours to this effort.

DIFFERENT FORMAT THIS ISSUE

Even though the format is different in this issue we have still attempted to cover all counties almost equally. There is some material that does not lend itself to publishing in installments, therefore, we have gathered it into one single issue. In some cases, the introduction would have been longer than the material introduced if it had been serialized, yet it is important material and should be before the public and we felt this was the best way to handle it. The March issue will revert to the normal format.

HAVE A WONDERFUL HOLIDAY SEASON.



Dorothy Scott Johnson

Editor



Lawrence Co. Associate Editor: Janet Baker Burks, Tyler, Texas



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, Alabama. This series is continued from the September, 1985 issue of "Valley Leaves" and for a full introduction please see that issue. The date in the left column is the earliest date found in the file.

Part 2

Aday, R. P.
Morgan County
22 July 1909

R. P. Aday entered service as a Private in Company "C" of the 35th Alabama Regiment on 1 January 1862 at Moulton, Alabama. He was honorably discharged in May, 1865. He now suffers from old age and stated, "I also suffer with piles of rectum." His address is New Decatur, Alabama, as of 22 July 1909.

On 4 March 1863 at Chapel Hill, Tennessee he was thrown from his horse and had his testicles mashed. He has piles that were contracted in service. His address is now Simpson, Alabama and he is a farmer with taxable property consisting of 80 acres of land valued at \$100 and personal property valued at \$100.

Aday, William E.
Aday, Bettie (widow)
Madison County
8 June 1900

On 8 June 1900 William E. Aday stated he enlisted as a Private in Company "F" of the 4th Alabama Regiment of Cavalry in September, 1862 at Huntsville, Alabama, and was honorably discharged on 11 May, 1865. He is now 57 years old and is a Huntsville resident.

On 8 June 1900 Dr. H. McDonnell of Huntsville states he has examined "this day Mr. W. E. Aday and find him with a severe form of Bronchitis following a recent attack of pneumonia and surgery. He presents a much emaciated condition and has almost constant congestion. He is certainly a worthy subject for pension claim."

On 21 March 1912 Bettie Aday states her husband, William E. Aday, died 25 February 1912. She owns one clock valued at \$1.

Adkins, B. N.
Lawrence County
9 July 1907

Mr. Adkins enlisted as a Private in Company "C" of the 23rd Georgia Regiment on 30 May 1862 at Flozaf?] Springs, Georgia and was honorably discharged in May, 1865. He was wounded at the Battle of Seven Pines, Virginia. He is now unable to make a living by manuel labor due to "my wounds and Heart trouble and bad eyes." He is aged 68 and lives at Upshaw, Alabama.

An affidavit signed by Mr. J. P. Earle Sr. in Floyd County, Georgia on 2 July 1907 states he served with Adkins in Company "C" of the 23rd Georgia Regiment and that Adkins served from February, 1862 until the surrender at Greensboro, North Carolina April 26, 1865 and that he did honorable service and was badly wounded "in the thigh or between the knees and high in both legs in Virginia. Am not certain as to the battle but think it was Seven Pines."

On 9 July 1907 Dr. J. H. Irwin of the Board of Pension Examiners stated: "His medical examination showed that he was 68 years old and in feeble condition. We found him suffering with a very defective eyesight and heart trouble and also the loss of control of the Genito-urinary organs. He was shot through both legs, the ball passing

Civil War Pensioners (-continued-)

through them at about the junction of the lower 1/3 with the upward 2/3 of the Femur. The wound in the right leg causing him excessive pain. Unable to do any work."

Adkins, Charles Wesley
Adkins, Sarah L. (widow)
Jackson County
25 January 1926

Sarah L. Adkins states on 25 January 1926 that she is 60 years, 8 months, and 20 days old and has lived in Jackson County since infancy but since "I don't keep a home I spend part of my time in Tipton County, Tennessee."

Sarah L. states that Charles Wesley Adkins was a Private in the 4th Alabama Regiment, was never wounded and was never taken prisoner. They were married June 28, 1888 at Scottsboro. Charles Wesley Adkins died at Scottsboro, Alabama on June 24, 1915. They have one living child, Adda Adkins Bryard. Mrs. Adkins is presently living in an apartment and keeps house "to myself." She states her husband was a forage master with his company during the war.

Sarah L. Adkins was born in Jefferson, Madison County, Indiana on 25 May 1865 and her father was Samuel Phillips who died 16 April 1919 at Albertville, Alabama.

A letter from W. R. Bogart, Judge of the Probate Court of Jackson County and dated 22 February 1926 states that Mrs. Adkins has a daughter in Tennessee whom she visits often but claims Scottsboro her home. She lives with or at the home of Mr. T. E. Morgan, Scottsboro, Alabama who is a brother-in-law of hers.

Adkins, J. M.
Adkins, Malinda T. (widow)
Lawrence County
7 June 1901

J. P. Liston and T. J. Coffey of Lawrence County stated on 10 June, 1901 that J. M. Adkins was an ex-Confederate pensioner who died on 5 May 1901 leaving a widow, Malinda T. Adkins. On June 7, 1901 Malinda stated she was a Lawrence County resident and that her husband, J. M. Adkins, had died there on 5 May 1901.

On 10 July 1907 Malinda stated she was then a citizen of Walker County, Alabama and wanted her pension transferred from Lawrence County.

On 6 February 1908, in Walker County, R. Bates swore to James W. Shepherd, Probate Judge, that Malinda was in very feeble health, was old and not able to make a trip from her residence to the Courthouse and that from her general appearance he believed her. She is over 80 years old.

Adkinson, H.
Marshall County
19 May 1902

H. Adkinson entered service in July, 1862 at Savanna, Georgia and was discharged in April, 1865. He is now unable to make a living due to general debility caused by exposure during the war and rheumatism of both knees. He lives at Hartin in Marshall County. His property consists of 40 acres of land with a little log house on it; 12 acres are cleared; the land is very poor ridge land and is valued at \$120. His personal property consists of a mule, one cow and calf, a clock and a wagon for a total value of \$115.

Mr. Adkinson states the land belongs to his wife (not named) and that it is very poor, hilly land. He is "unable to do a whole days work at a time; that he is just generally worn out" and that his knees pain him greatly.

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Civil War Pensioners (-continued-)

Akard, William
Akard, Alice (widow)
Madison County
2 June 1899

William Akard applied for pension on 2 June 1899 and stated he had enlisted as a Private in March, 1862 at Huntsville and that he was now unable to make a living on account of "disabilities contracted while in the service."

On 12 March 1906 Alice Akard stated that William Akard died on 6 February 1906 and that he was on the pension rolls. Mrs. William McCravey was her witness. Alice stated she owned \$15 worth of household property and that was all she had.

Albert, Dr. W. T.
Albert, Lucinda (widow)
Marshall County
7 June 1913

Dr. W. T. Albert enlisted as a 1st Lt. in Company "E" of the 4th Regiment of Georgia State Troops on 4 September 1861 at Atlanta, Georgia. He was discharged 4 March 1862 in Georgia. He is now unable to make a living due to general debility and old age. He is 83 years old and lives at Albertville, Alabama.

On 7 November 1914 Dr. Albert stated he was now 84 years old and had been a 1st Lt. in Capt. Raspberry's Company of Whitaker's Volunteers which was organized at Camp Harrison and placed in the 4th Regiment of state troops which was called for by Governor Brown [of Georgia] in defense of the Coast of Georgia. He left Atlanta in 1861.

An undated note in the file states, "Dr. W. T. Albert, very old & feeble—has no income; has small dwelling in town of little value ... unable to work; believe him entitled to pension." It was signed by J. M. Jackson and S. T. Smith

On 7 May 1917 Lucinda Albert, his widow, stated he died in 1917 and had been drawing a pension at the time of his death. On 29 August 1917 Lucinda Albert, widow, swore she was 87 years, 1 month, and 19 days old and that she and Dr. Albert were married in December, 1851.

On 7 June 1913 their property was listed as consisting of two vacant lots and a dwelling valued at \$690 and household furniture and a clock valued at \$202.

Albright, J. E.
Marshall County
5 March 1901

Mr. Albright states he enlisted as a Private in Company "E" in the 22nd Regiment in October, 1861 and received an honorable discharge on 1 July 1865. He was hurt in the breast by a shot at the Battle of Missionary Ridge in Tennessee and is now unable to do work on account of said wounds and also he is diabetic. He is aged 59 and lives at Union Grove.

Albright states he owns 45 acres in Marshall County valued at \$100; he also owns a cow, horse, 4 hogs, a gun, clock, and a wagon for a total value of \$181. He is indebted \$100.

In an undated note in the file the following information is given: "J. E. Albright has a wife almost an invalid and has been for nearly ten years and has one son 13 years old living with them but he is very weakly and almost unable to do anything. Applicant is suffering from diabetes."

Albright, J. E.
Albright, Frances (widow)
Marshall County
6 July 1903

Note: This is the same J. E. Albright shown above, however, two separate files are maintained in the Archives.

On 6 July 1903 Frances Albright states her husband served as a

Civil War Pensioners (-continued-)

- Private in Company "E" of the 22nd Alabama Regiment of Volunteers and that he died 15 May 1903. She lists her property identically as that listed in J. E. Albright's file.
- Albright, T. R.
Madison County
4 June 1907
- Mr. Albright entered service as a Private, Company "A," 41st Tennessee Regiment on 15 September 1862 at Fayetteville, Tenn. and was honorably discharged 10 March 1863. He is now unable to make a living due to old age and throat trouble; he is aged 64 years and lives RFD #2, Box 20, Elkwood, Alabama. He owns no real estate and his personal property consists of two horses or mules, a cow, 3 goats, and a clock for a total value of \$186.
- A note in the file dated 10 March 1863 from H. Farguharson, Col. of 41st Regt. of Tenn. Volunteers, states that T. R. Albright was born in Lincoln County, Tennessee and is now 19 years of age, is 5' 9" high, light complexion, blue eyes, light hair, and by occupation is a farmer.
- Alford, Ezekiel C.
Alford, Nannie H. (widow)
Morgan County
6 May 1912
- E. C. Alford enlisted as a Private in Company "D," 3rd Company on 27 December 1861 at Arkadelphia, Alabama and was honorably discharged in May, 1865. He is now 70 years old and lives at Falkville, Alabama. He states he owns 80 acres of land of which 45 acres are cleared and he has two houses on same, valued at \$1000. He has three horses, three cows, six hogs, a gun, household and kitchen furniture and a vehicle plus farming implements for a total value of \$1363.
- On 23 July 1916 Mr. Alford stated he was age 74 years, 1 month, and 1 day of age and was born and reared in Alabama. During the war he was wounded at the foot of Cumberland Mountain in 1863 by a bushwhacker. He states he was not paroled, that "I was at a house sick when Lt. Burnum[?] came by after me but he told me that he would get my parole for me but through neglect failed to do so." He was married 22 November 1867 and again on 14 September 1890. His present wife is 64 years old. His living children are:
- Alfred Alford, age 49 - farmer
 - Job Alford, age 48 - farmer
 - Pleas Alford, born 1876 - farmer
- Mr. Alford states he drew a pension from the state of Alabama for four or five years then his name was stricken from the rolls.
- A note from the Pension Bureau dated 4 July 1915 states the records show him "absent without leave since December, 1863. Nothing later on him found on record."
- On 20 February 1931 his widow, Nannie H. Alford states she is living at Falkville, Alabama with Mrs. Martha C. McAnear. She was born at Priceville in Morgan County on 4 December 1850. Her father was William B. McAnear who died in 1885 in Morgan County. She married Ezekiel C. Alford 14 September 1890 at Falkville in Morgan County and he died 6 March 1924 at Falkville.
- A letter from the Department of Public Welfare in Decatur, Alabama to the Secretary of the Alabama Pension Commission, dated 10 July, 1944, states that Mrs. Nannie H. Alford, Confederate pensioner, died 3 July 1944.

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DECATUR COUNTY TOWNSHIP PLATS

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.

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Township 3, Range 4 East (continued)

Section 21 (continued)

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ I. Denton
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ L. Cardin
W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Hunter
N $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Hunter

Section 22

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Hugh Latham
SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Hunter
Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Berry
NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Ball
NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Hunter
NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ L. Cardin

Section 23

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ John F? Allen
W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Samuel E. Latham
Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Latham?
E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ John F? Allen
W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Samuel E. Latham
Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ Jno. Bell

Section 24

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Lillie E. Tidwell
NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Latham
SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Gentle
NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Gentle
NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ M. Hall
SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Gentle
Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ William M. Hall
NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ M. Hall
NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Gentle
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Latham
SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Latham

Section 25

N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Susan? Flippo
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Latham
SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ P. G. Pace

N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Latham
S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Latham
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ E. Finny
W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
N $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. W. Skelton?

Section 26

N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ T. M. Gentle
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Latham
SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Latham
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ M. L. Croix?
W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ T. B. Clulver?
NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ T. B. Clulver?

Section 27

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Ball
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Berry
E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ T. (or F?) Bradshaw
W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ L. Cardin
Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ A. Hunter
NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. S. Cardin
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ A? Hunter

Section 28

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ L. Cardin
W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Hall
E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Neely
W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ I. Teeters?
NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. S. Cardin
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ A? Hunter
W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Hunter
E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Hunter
NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ E. Berry
SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank

Section 29

Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ S. McCormick
NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. W. Williams

(-continued)

Decatur County (continued)

Township 3, Range 4 East (continued)

Section 29 (continued)

NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ H. Bradshaw
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Latham
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ W. H. Smith
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Wright
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ E. Berry
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Hall
 NWP of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ W. H. Smith
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ R. J. Ball

Section 30

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ S. B. Davis
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. H. Moore
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Bradshaw
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. H. Moore
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Latham
 Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ Toby? Wilborn

Section 31

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Wright
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J? McCartney
 Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ J. J. Campbell
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ T. Latham
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ E. C. Williams
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ T. Cox
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ I. Wilborn
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. J. Campbell
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Thompson
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Wilborn

Section 32

Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ E. Berry
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ E. Berry
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Latham
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Z? Jones
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ James T. Tamer?
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ S. M. Summers

Section 33

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. W. Allen
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ A. Isbell
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ John McAllister
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. W. Allen
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. H. Wood
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. W. Exum?
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ M. Isbell
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ L. Isbell

Section 34

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ I. Baker
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ I. Baker
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Manning
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. W? Allen
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ I. Culver
 Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ Rob. Kilgore
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. W? Allen
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ T. M. Culver

Section 35

Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ J. T. Wood
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. T. Wood
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ I? Baker
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. T. Wood
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ E. Gentle
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ L. E. Lindsay
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ S? H. Latham?/Lattura?
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ L. Isbell

Section 36

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ S. L. Davidson
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ A. J. Lattura?
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. W. Skelton?
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ A. J. Lattua?
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ T. A. Duncan
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Latham, Wood?, Skelton,
 Berry, Word?
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ A. J. Lattura?
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ A. J. Lattua?
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ T. A. Duncan

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

Section 1

Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Duncan
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ A. J. Lattua?
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ W. R. Duncan
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ R. Peak
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Lewis
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ William Pall
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ William Pall
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ D. Jones
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Shelton?

Section 2

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ T. A. Duncan
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. R. Duncan
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ S. H. Lattua?

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Decatur County (continued)

Township 4, Range 4 East (continued)

Section 2 (continued)

NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Moore
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. P. Shelton?
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ T. B. Culver?
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ T. B. Culver?
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ E. Conway
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Gentle

Section 3

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Wosley?
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ D. Berry
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ M. Maples
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ D. Berry
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Latham
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ L. Isbell
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Wm. Manning
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Brannum
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ L. Isbell
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ S. Hall
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Miller Allen

Section 4

Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ William P. Culver
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Ulyses S. Allen
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ W. C. Isbell
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ F. Flurnoy?
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ G. V. Adams
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Ulyses S. Allen
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Miller Adams
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ C. Holder
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Ulyses S. Allen
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ F. Flurnoy?
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Z. David
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank

Section 5

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ G. W. Howk?
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. C. Harman?
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ James W. McAllester
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ James W. McAllester
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ R. E. McClintock
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ G. W. Howk?
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Carson & Moore
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. C. Hartman?
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ D. Nelson
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ R. E. McClintock
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ M. J? Nelson

Section 6

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Harvey E. Horton?
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Jno. Crowley?
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Harvey E. Horton?
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ A. Wilborn
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ E. Archey
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ R. E. McClintock
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Harvey E. Horton?

SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$

James J? Cobb
 A. Wilborn
 W. Wilborn
 Blank

Section 7

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$
 Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$

G. T. Bullman
 James J? Cobb
 W. C. Berry
 F. G? Clayton
 Blank
 Blank
 S. (or I?) Howk?
 S. K? Rush
 Obediah S? Wells

Section 8

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$

Blank
 D. Kirkpatrick
 Blank
 J. M. J. Nelson
 Blank
 B. Rush
 Blank
 S. Howk?
 Blank
 H. Peters
 S. Howk?

Section 9

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$

J. R. Isbell
 C. Holder
 Blank
 Blank
 R. C. Rousseau?
 R. C. Rousseau?
 Blank
 J. Williams
 Blank
 J. Stevens
 W. M. Shook

Section 10

Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$

Wm. Brannum
 J. T. Wright
 Wm. Brannum
 T. M. Culver?
 Blank
 M. Simms
 Blank
 Blank
 Jonathan J. Davis?

Section 11

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$

B. W. Woosley
 A. ?
 Z. Isbell
 G. W. Culver

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Decatur County (continued)

Township 4, Range 4 East (continued)

Section 11 (continued)

SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ B. B. Allen
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ G. W. Culver
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Woosly
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Z. Isbell
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ S. P. Haw?
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. R. Murray
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ M. Sims?
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Laxson

Section 12

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. R. Larkin
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. R. Murray
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ L. E. Lindsay
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ N. McCurdy
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ D. Jones
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Skelton?
 Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ John Cordill
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ G. S? Barrett
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Woosley?

Section 13

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ E. Jones
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ I. Durham
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. L. Reynolds
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ I. Durham
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ S. (or I?) P. Hall
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ S? Hall
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. L. Reynolds
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ F. E. Harris
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Lindsay
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ S. Rowen
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ S? Hall

Section 14

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ S? P? Hall
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ S? Hall
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ M. Simms
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Berry
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Lindsay
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ M. Summers
 Jno. King
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ John Lindsay
 Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ John Lindsay

Section 15

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ M. Simms
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. P. Dodson
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. W. Isbell
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Williams
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Williams
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ S. Williams
 Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ John Isbell
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Williams
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Glover
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ S? Williams

Section 16 (School)

Section 17

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Rush
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ B. Thomas
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ H. Peters
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Moon
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ S. Houk?
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ B. Thomas
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ L? Isbell
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ E. R. Hall
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ E. R. Hall
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$?

Section 18

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ S. Howk?
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. J. Thomas
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ John Hovis?
 Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ D. H. Sarver?
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. J. Thomas
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ John Hovis?
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank

Section 19

N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ M. M. Barton
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ M. M. Barton
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Frank C. Stephens
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Chas. N. Stephen
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ C. N. Stevens
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Frank C. Stephens
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ S. Houk
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ M. Houk

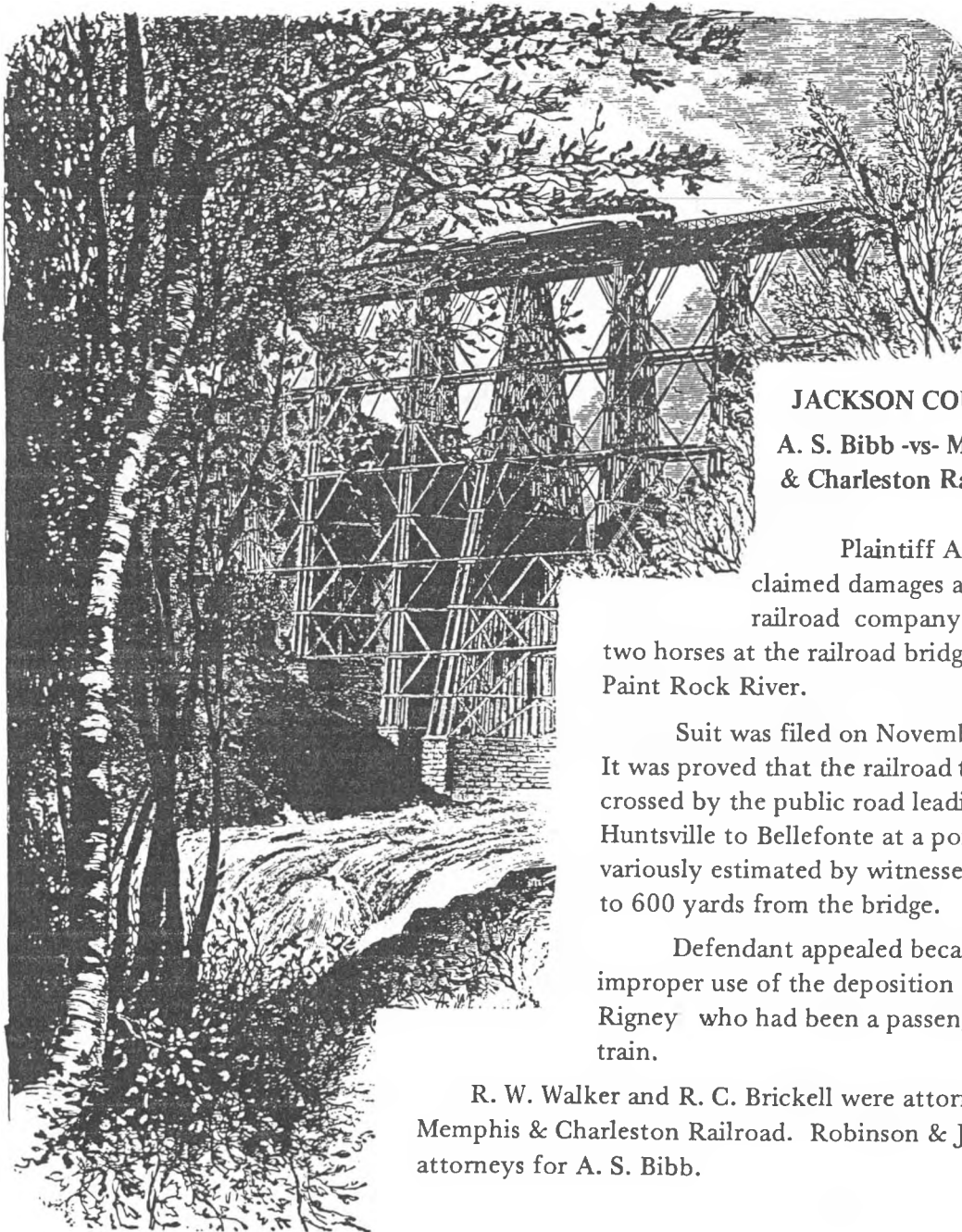
Section 20

Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ E. R. Hall
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ E. R. Hall
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Carson
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Carson
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ H. Peters
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Peters
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ C. S. Freeman

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ALABAMA SUPREME COURT CASES

These early Alabama court cases were abstracted from the *Alabama Reports*. The original records on these cases are at the Alabama Department of Archives and History in Montgomery. The records can be examined there by asking for the case by name together with the term of the Supreme Court in which the case was heard, i. e., January term, 1862. Only material of some genealogical or historical value has been abstracted, the legal issues on appeal are not. The records at the Archives will contain much additional information as to names, dates, and legal issues. Abstracted and contributed by Judge William D. Page.



JACKSON COUNTY

A. S. Bibb -vs- Memphis & Charleston Railroad.

Plaintiff A. S. Bibb claimed damages against the railroad company for killing two horses at the railroad bridge across the Paint Rock River.

Suit was filed on November 5, 1859. It was proved that the railroad track was crossed by the public road leading from Huntsville to Bellefonte at a point which was variously estimated by witnesses at from 400 to 600 yards from the bridge.

Defendant appealed because of the improper use of the deposition of witness Rigney who had been a passenger on the train.

R. W. Walker and R. C. Brickell were attorneys for the Memphis & Charleston Railroad. Robinson & Jones were attorneys for A. S. Bibb.

Alabama Supreme Court Cases (-continued-)

JACKSON COUNTY**Evans -vs- Sims**

Volume 37, *Alabama Reports*, Page 710, Supreme Court of Alabama, June Term, 1861. Appeal from Circuit Court of Jackson County. The name of the presiding judge is not shown in the record. S. D. J. Moore was the attorney for Evans; Robinson & Jones were attorneys for Sims.

Matthew Sims sued L. B. Evans in Justice Court. The case was removed to the Circuit Court where Sims claimed \$49.00 alleged to be due from Evans on an account. Evans attempted to assert a counter claim against Sims upon a debt owed to Evans and one Ledbetter, partners working in the smith trade. The counter claim was not allowed. When one is sued for his individual debt he cannot set off a debt due to a partnership of which he is a member.

**JACKSON COUNTY****Cotton -vs- Bradley**

Volume 38, *Alabama Reports*, Page 506, Supreme Court of Alabama, January term, 1863. Appeal from Circuit Court of Jackson County, Hon. S. D. Hale, Judge. S. D. J. Moore was attorney for Mr. Cotton; R. C. Brickell was attorney for Mr. Bradley.

Joseph C. Bradley sued Edward Cotton on a bill of exchange which was drawn by David Larkin, dated Larkinsville, Ala., April 21, 1855 on Messrs. Bradley, Wilson & Co. of New Orleans. The bill was payable to Cotton who endorsed it to Dillard & Ledbetter who endorsed it to Bradley. There had been a suit in U. S. District Court at Huntsville resulting in a judgment on November 15, 1855 in favor of the State Bank of South Carolina, as endorsee of Bradley, against Dillard & Ledbetter on the same bill of exchange.

Alabama Supreme Court Cases (-continued-)

JACKSON COUNTY

Jack and others (slaves) -vs- Doran's Executors

Volume 37, *Alabama Reports*, Page 265, Supreme Court of Alabama, January Term, 1861. Appeal from Circuit Court of Jackson County. The record does not show the name of the presiding judge. Attorney for the plaintiffs was H. Cox; P. Turney was attorney for the defendants.

Suit was commenced in September, 1858, by persons who had been slaves of James Doran, deceased, during his lifetime, and who sued by next friend against the executors and heirs at law of Doran. Plaintiffs claimed their freedom under two Acts of the Alabama Legislature and under the will of Doran which was admitted to probate in November, 1840, as a will of personal property only, being attested by but two witnesses.

Acts of Alabama, 1832, approved January 20, 1832:

"Be it enacted . . . that James Doran, of Jackson County, be, and he is hereby authorized (to take effect at his discretion) emancipate and set free slaves of the following manner, viz: Sally, Annie, Jack, Catcy, Davy, Emeline, Eliza, Jane, Nancy, Amanda, Jerry, and Polly. Provided he shall previously convey to the judge of the county court of said county, and his successors, six hundred and forty acres of land on which he now resides, or lands equal in value thereto, in trust forever, for the use of said slaves, as security that they shall not become chargeable on any city, county, or town in this State."

Another Act, approved January 5, 1833, and entitled *An Act Supplemental to the former legislation*, authorized James Doran to emancipate two other slaves, Jim and Esther, upon the same condition. The clause of Doran's will under consideration was as follows:

At the death of my wife, Linny Doran, I give and bequeath unto my negro slaves which I now have at home with me (specifying by name all the slaves mentioned in the two acts of the legislature [above] and their children,) and all future increase of their families, their freedom, provided, they be obedient servants to my wife during the whole of her natural lifetime . . . and as the law obliges the owners of slaves to give security before they can set them free, so that they may not become a public charge, I leave to them, for that purpose, the whole of my tract of land on which I now live, to be divided in the following manner . . .

The petition alleged that the widow of James Doran died in 1851; that the plaintiffs were subsequently carried into Tennessee by some of the defendants and that they were still in Tennessee.

The Circuit Court ruled the petition failed to state a claim upon which relief could be granted. The Supreme Court upheld that ruling. The will of Doran, which was executed in Alabama, made a direct bequest of freedom to slaves. Unless there was legislation authorizing the emancipation the bequest was void. There was never any attempt by Doran to convey the land to the judge of the County Court in trust for the use of the slaves. The attempt to pass the 640 acres by Will directly to the slaves was futile because the Will, being attested by but two witnesses was not sufficient to pass real estate but was

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admitted to probate only as it related to personal property. The bequest of the land to the slaves was void. The bequest of freedom was treated as if the special Acts of the Legislature had never existed and was held "clearly invalid."

MADISON COUNTY**Crutcher -vs- Memphis & Charleston Railroad Co.**

Volume 38, *Alabama Reports*, Page 579, Supreme Court of Alabama, January term, 1863. Appeal from Circuit Court of Madison County, Hon. S. D. Hale, Judge. Attorneys for Crutcher were Goldthwaite, Rice & Semple of Montgomery and attorneys for the railroad were Walker & Brickell.

Legal action by Reuben Crutcher began July 23, 1857 to recover damages for the loss of a slave accidentally killed while working on defendant's railroad.

F. C. Arms was defendant's general superintendent and chief engineer authorized to hire hands to build the railroad. One Studdart of the firm Studdart and D. H. Stevens contracted to complete a section of road; W. M. Newby to furnish hands; W. H. Easley to hire hands; charge not to exceed \$30.00 per month for each slave; contract signed in Huntsville, Alabama September 6, 1856.

MADISON COUNTY**Raisler -vs- Springer**

Volume 38, Page 703, *Alabama Reports*, Supreme Court of Alabama, January Term, 1863. Appeal from Circuit Court of Madison County. Hon. S. D. Hale, Judge. J. W. Sheperd, attorney for Raisler; James Robinson, attorney for Springer.

Suit by Charles W. Raisler against Josiah Springer for unlawful taking of one buggy (valued at \$400.00) and 4,000 feet of plank. The property was taken by one Vest, a constable, upon an execution. The plaintiff, Raisler, sought to show that Vest took the property in an offensive and insulting manner and the trial judge would not allow such evidence. On appeal, the Supreme Court held the evidence should have been admitted to show malice even though the defendant Springer was not present when the property was taken. Suit was filed in Circuit Court in Madison County, Alabama on February 1, 1858.

MADISON COUNTY**Smith -vs- Kennard's Executor**

Volume 38, Page 695, *Alabama Reports*, Supreme Court of Alabama, January Term, 1863. Appeal from Chancery Court of Madison County, Hon. John Foster, Chancellor.

Note by the Reporter of Decision: "Their case was decided at the June Term, 1860, but the record was for some time mislaid."

Suit was brought in September, 1840 by Silas M. Smith and wife. James Robinson was their attorney. Also joining as plaintiffs were legatees under the Last Will & Testament of James J. Kennard, deceased. The testator (Kennard) died in Madison County, the place of his residence, in October, 1824. Henry King and Stephen King were named executors under the will. Henry King alone qualified. The widow died in 1834.

Alabama Supreme Court Cases (-continued-)

Legatees of James J. Kennard:

Widow (not named)
 Nancy M. Winfrey, daughter
 Joseph Kennard, son
 Penelope C. Blackman, daughter
 Charles H. Kennard, son
 Polly G. Kennard, daughter
 Adeline P. Kennard, daughter
 James M. Kennard, son
 Nathaniel W. Kennard, son
 Eleanor W. Kennard, daughter
 George M. Kennard, son
 Louisa C. Kennard, daughter

“Likewise the child or children that my wife is now pregnant with.”

Will mentions: “. . . the quarter-section of land where James Blackman now lives . . . the seven lots which I have in Erie in the county of Greene and which John Kennard, as my attorney, has had management of . . . the property that is in the hands of Shelby, as my attorney, in the town of Demopolis in Marengo County . . . I give my shot gun to my son Charles . . . ”

The will of Kennard imposed active duties and trusts on the Executor, to continue until the youngest child should come of age or marry. The youngest child married in 1838. Several of the children died before 1840 and there were deaths during progress of the suit. The will gave each of the minor children a legacy of \$525.00 to be paid to each as he or she arrived at age or married. Eight slaves were named. Education and support for the minor children provided for.

MADISON COUNTY**Clopton -vs- Jones' Executors**

Volume 38, Page 121, *Alabama Reports*, appeal from Probate Court of Madison County to the Supreme Court of Alabama, June Term, 1861. James Robinson, attorney for Clopton; R. C. Brickell, attorney for Jones.

The will of Arthur W. Jones was admitted to probate October 21, 1833 with Friley Jones as Executor. Arthur W. Jones was survived by the widow and four children. The widow dissented from the will and married Benjamin Coyle in 1837. A daughter, Mary W. Jones, married R. J. Clopton in February, 1840, while she was a minor. Sons, James Monroe Jones and William Arthur Jones, are mentioned in the case. The suit involved a contest of final settlement of the Executor and his claim of credit for board, clothing, and tuition paid for Mrs. Clopton prior to her marriage.

MADISON COUNTY**Moore -vs- Madison County**

Volume 38, Page 670, *Alabama Reports*, Supreme Court of Alabama, January Term, 1863. Appealed from Circuit Court of Madison County, the Hon. John Gill Shorter, Judge. Attorney for Moore was S. D. J. Moore; attorney for Madison County was R. C. Brickell.

Alabama Supreme Court Cases (-continued-)

Suit filed January 16, 1854 by Madison County against Benjamin T. Moore and John H. Lewis. Action founded on Moore's bond as Treasurer of Madison County on which Lewis was surety. By agreement in 1857 the matters were referred to Isiah Dill for arbitration. The bond on which suit was filed was dated February 5, 1835. Moore was reelected to a new term on February 5, 1838 and served until December 5, 1842.

MADISON COUNTY**Hall's Heirs -vs- Hall's Executors**

Volume 38, Page 131, *Alabama Reports*, Supreme Court of Alabama, June Term, 1861. Appeal from Chancery Court of Madison County, Hon. John Foster, Chancellor. Attorney for the heirs was S. D. J. Moore; Robinson & Jones, attorneys for the executors.

Suit filed October 23, 1858 by some of the heirs at law of Adam Hall, deceased, to set aside the probate of the will which had been admitted to probate June 29, 1858. William Echols and Joshua Beadle were executors.

A specific bequest of \$200.00 was made to one Browne. The money was paid to him by the executors. The heirs asserted that because Browne was a legatee under the will he was disqualified as a witness in the case. Browne then returned the money to the executors and released his claim against the estate. Three physicians, two attesting witnesses, the writer of the will, and a large number of other witnesses testified to the mental capacity of Adam Hall.

MADISON COUNTY**Coltart -vs- Laughinghouse**

Volume 38, Page 190, *Alabama Reports*, Supreme Court of Alabama, June term, 1861. Appeal from Circuit Court of Madison County, the Hon. S. D. Hale, Judge. Attorney for appellant Coltart was S. D. J. Moore; Robinson & Jones, attorneys for appellees.

Suit by George W. Laughinghouse and Fleming Jordan against Robert W. Coltart to recover slaves and damages for their detention.

MADISON COUNTY**Laughinghouse -vs- Laughinghouse**

Volume 38, Page 257, *Alabama Reports*, Supreme Court of Alabama, January term, 1862. Appeal from Probate Court of Madison County. James Robinson, attorney for appellant. R. C. Brickell, attorney for appellee.

Petition of Joseph Laughinghouse to revoke letters of guardianship over his person and property previously issued by Probate Court on the grounds that he was a lunatic. John E. Laughinghouse, the appellee, had been appointed guardian. On appeal it was held that letters had been improperly granted.

MADISON COUNTY
Fowlkes -vs- Memphis & Charleston Railroad Co.

Volume 38, Page. 310, *Alabama Reports*, Supreme Court of Alabama, January term, 1862. Appeal from Circuit Court of Madison County.

Suit to recover damages for death of a slave run over and killed by defendant's engine and cars. The suit was commenced by Cynthia L. Fowlkes, guardian of Ransom H. Fowlkes. The court refused to allow an amendment to change the plaintiff to Ransom H. Fowlkes by his next friend, Cynthia L. Fowlkes. Upheld on appeal.

MADISON COUNTY
Clemens -vs- Patterson

Volume 38, Page 721, *Alabama Reports*, Supreme Court of Alabama, January term, 1863. Appealed from Probate Court of Madison County. Walker & Brickell and W. P. Chilton, attorneys for appellant; Goldthwaite, Rice & Semple of Montgomery, attorneys for appellee.

Benjamin Patterson as executor propounded a will of James Clemons, deceased, for probate. Jeremiah Clemens contested the will, set up an older will which had been cancelled and alleged the newer will was executed when the testator was insane. The newer will propounded by Patterson was admitted to probate. All the heirs at law appealed except Jeremiah Clemens. Appeal dismissed.

MADISON COUNTY
Stewart -vs- Russell

Volume 38, Page 619, *Alabama Reports*, Supreme Court of Alabama, January term, 1863. Appeal from Circuit Court of Madison County, Hon. W. M. Brooks, judge.

Action commenced on July 18, 1855 by Robert F. Russell against William Stewart founded on a bill of exchange drawn at Huntsville by Robert Freeman on Bradley, Wilson & Co. of New Orleans, payable to John W. Weaver. The bill was endorsed by Weaver to Stewart who endorsed it to Russell. Another suit had been commenced on November 6, 1854 by Russell against Freeman. Persons who testified were H. B. Cenas, a Notary Public in New Orleans; A. Commandeur and C. F. Berry, both of New Orleans.

MARSHALL COUNTY
Porter -vs- Burlison and Davis

Volume 38, Page 343, *Alabama Reports*, Supreme Court of Alabama, January term, 1862. Appeal from Circuit Court of Madison County, the Hon. S. D. Hale, Judge. Attorney for appellant Porter was B. F. Porter.

Suit by plaintiffs formerly trading as Burlison & Davis, a partnership, for \$485.02 due on account for goods sold in the year 1856.

MARSHALL COUNTY
Woodall -vs- McMillan

Volume 38, Page 622, *Alabama Reports*, Supreme Court of Alabama, January term, 1863. Appeal from Circuit Court of Marshall County, Hon. S. D. Hale, Judge. Goldthwaite, Rice & Semple of

Alabama Supreme Court Cases (-continued-)

Montgomery, attorneys for appellant Woodall.

Suit for false arrest and malicious prosecution brought by John H. McMillan against Presly R. Woodall commenced February 6, 1860. On February 16, 1859 defendant Woodall went before Samuel Hill, an acting Justice of the Peace in Marshall County, made affidavit and obtained a warrant for the arrest of McMillan on a charge of perjury in making a false statement before the Register of the land office in Huntsville in relation to the entry of a tract of land. McMillan was arrested and carried before a Justice in Madison County where McMillan was discharged.

The Justice in Marshall County had no authority to issue a warrant for an offense occurring in Madison County. The warrant under which McMillan's arrest was made was void. The jury verdict in favor of McMillan was reversed because of erroneous rulings by the judge concerning evidence offered by Woodall on trial.

LAUDERDALE COUNTY
Wright & Rice -vs- Moore

Volume 38, Page 593, *Alabama Reports*, Supreme Court of Alabama, January term, 1863. Appeal from Chancery Court of Lauderdale County. Hon. John Foster, Chancellor. John S. Kennedy and E. W. Kennedy, attorneys for appellant. James T. Irvine, attorney for appellees.

Action concerning a dam filed May 17, 1858 brought against Lewis C. Moore and his wife, Atlantic P. Moore, and their sons Hugh M. Moore and John Moore. The suit sought to restrain the defendants from obstructing a stream called "Coxe's Creek" on which plaintiffs had erected a grist mill, machine shop, and foundry. Previously two other dams had been located near the same location.



CIVIL WAR LETTER FROM DeKALB COUNTY

The following letter was sent to TVGS by Mr. W. H. Earhart of Marion, Indiana, who did not want it destroyed. It was given to him by Mr. Francis Nussbaum, now in a retirement home. The writer of the letter is believed to be the father of William Clarence Lacey who married Mr. Earhart's grandfather's sister, Grace Adelle Earhart, in 1899. William Clarence Lacey was born in 1872, probably in Ohio.

Camp in Willks Valley

Decalb Co., Ala.
Sunday Sept 6th 1863

Dear Brother,

Having nothing particular at this time to occupy my attention, I thought it best to write home and let you know what I am doing &^c

As you see, we are now in a valley known as Willks. We camped here the day before yesterday. This valley extends to Chatanooga which I suppose is between thirty & forty miles nearly north. We are on Weston's farm, a man of some notoriety in this country; his residence is near the gap leading into the valley from the west. He has the best spring of water that I have seen.

The mountain just to the east of us is called the Lookout Mountain. The distance back to the Tenn[essee] River is 25 miles.

I will now give you a short account of our march from the River to this place. We left out camp just east of river Monday 31st Aug. at 7 a.m., marched near 5 miles to summit of mountain - it was pretty steep & rough - camped half past one Sept. 1st. Orders this morning

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to lighten baggage - all unnecessary things to be left or sent back. One of our waggons was sent back after supplies which left us but one waggon besides the ambulance. In the evening in company with the Chaplin I went back, say two miles, in what is called the Lookout Rock to obtain a view of the river & pontoon bridge over which we crossed and also the mountain to the west. The view from our position was a splendid one - the river winding along with its green foliage upon either side, the pontoon bridge and mountain tops in the distance presenting an enchanting view not soon to be forgotten. I rode my horse to within four feet of the precipice. The Chaplin remarked that I was a little too venturesome.

Sept. 2. Started at 6 o'clock a.m., passed several streams on the way. One called Flat Rock River which is considerable of a stream to be on a mountain. I noticed more pine today than any other timber; also for the first time saw the chinkapin bushes - there was some oak timber, principally black oak. Not much sign of civilization - here & there a few acres cleared with a small dwelling. Our advance took one



At the top of Lookout Mountain

Civil War Letter (-continued-)

prisoner on the way who it was said was endeavoring to recruit a company of mounted men. Marched fifteen miles. Camped at 3 o'clock. p.m. in a tolerable good valley; had ham, mutton, stewed peaches & tea for breakfast next morning.

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Sept. 3^d For dinner today, beef, mutton, corn, coffee, crackers &^c so you see that we are doing pretty well in the way of eatables. We are in camp near a man by the name of Young, owning 200 acres. He has considerable corn, fruit &^c By the time we leave he will be stripped. Corn, potatoes, peaches, apples goes if by magic. He claims to be a Union man & says he can prove it but it does not save his corn &^c

Ordered to march at half past one. Went back a mile or two, camped in woods - some anticipation of trouble ahead; also waiting for Cavalry to come up. They arrived in considerable force in the evening.

Sept. 4th Moved at 3 o'clock. went back by our previous camp some five miles to our present camp. We passed the 1st Ohio Cavalry on the way. I expected to see P. McFarland & went back a short distance for that purpose but did not succeed. The cavalry moved on yesterday & this morning (5th & 6th) east for the purpose I suppose of getting possession of the Rail R[oad] between Chattanooga & Atlanta which is in the next valley east of us. We are now near 28 miles from Stevenson [in Jackson County.]

Some are of the opinion that Bragg will not fight Rosecrants but it is my opinion that before many days there will be some hard fighting; the indications for several days have impressed me with the belief that our progress would soon be contested.

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I would like to get out of this region so as to have a better idea of what the country is, though for health here is the place at this time of the year. I am quite well & have been. There is but little sickness in the reg[iment.]

Perhaps you would like to know what the regiment numbers. It may surprise you when I tell you there is but about 300 effective men in it at present. About a year ago now the regiment left Ohio one thousand strong and I believe the ballance of this Brigade is about the same. The Kentucky campaign last fall thinned them out very much. I can't say for the ballance of this division how they number but if they are like this Brigade you can form an opinion as to the number of men in this army. However I think [this] Brigade is somewhat below the average. Gen. Carlan commands this Brigade. Jeff. C. Davis the division which consists of three Brigades, McCook commands the Corps which consists of three divisions. Davis has his wife with him. I saw her upon horseback on the march.

I wish you to send me at once about a dozen stamps. Also one pocket map, the latest one. You may send two if you can get them, say at 25^{cts} a piece as I can dispose of one or more readily at an advanced price - also see what you can get me a military vest of a dark blue color as I shall need one when the weather gets cooler. You need not get a fine, high priced one but one of a medium quality. Let me know in your next letter, also the price of tea as I can probably have it sent here cheaper than I can buy[it] here.

Monday, 7th Today a few men went out foraging, one was shot and 4 taken prisoners by a party of Rebel Cavalry. It has been quite hot for a day or two. Today there was a fine rain. Write soon direct to H. T. Lacey, asst. surg., 101st O. V. I., 2nd Brigade, 1st division, 20th A. C., Via Nashville, Tenn.

You see by my letter that I copyed part of my letter from my note book.

Yours,

H. T. Lacey

EARLY ALABAMA PRISONERS

The following excerpts are taken from the book, *Second Biennial Report of the Inspectors of Convicts* published in 1888 by W. D. Brown & Co., State Printers, Binders and Stationers. It is an official state publication resulting from an attempt at prison reform and it covers the period from October 1, 1886 to September 30, 1888. We have used only that portion of the material that pertains to our nine North Alabama counties. All information contained in this article was taken from the book of which a copy is in the Heritage Room of the Huntsville Public Library.

Background Information

In 1839 the Alabama Legislature passed an Act establishing a state penitentiary and prison system. Before that time the law allowed death, branding, and whippings for graver offenses at the county level.

After the penitentiary system was established in Alabama, the Lease System also came into being. Prison labor was put out on bids to companies resulting in the infamous chain-gangs and forced-labor camps. "All efforts for reformation or instruction of convicts was abandoned, and even the punishment was made a secondary object, the first being to make as much money out of [the convicts] as possible." The lease system reached the point of savagery.

Chained together, literally, under the lease system were blacks and whites, men and boys, and novice and hardened criminals (boys convicted of playing cards were chained to older rapists, robbers, and assassins.) They were fed scantily the coarsest, poorly-cooked food; bread or corn-bread, meat, peas and molasses appeared to be their constant diet. Clothing barely covering their nakedness was insufficient to keep them warm and was covered with filth and vermin. Men breaking rock for road-beds were often forced to work barefoot having worn out the shoes they had when they entered prison.

The prisoners were often worked until they collapsed or died. Punishment for the slightest infraction of the rules, for not "getting about lively," or for not doing enough work usually resulted in severe beatings. Convicts were generally housed in one airless room which became the home of twice the number of persons it was designed to hold. They were given tubs (one to a room) to use as latrines, were shackled together even to sleep, and were not allowed to bathe nor were they given a change of clothing.

Disease was rampant resulting in a high mortality rate. In 1887 there was an epidemic of measles but the greatest causes of death were diseases of the lungs. Tuberculosis and pneumonia, in their various forms, caused 71 deaths out of 130 from October, 1886 to October, 1880.

Separate facilities were not maintained for female prisoners and by 1888 there were "fifteen children at the Penitentiary, born since the mothers were convicted." In 1887 or 1888 the sexes were separated entirely by a stockade inside the prison walls.

By 1883 public opinion forced another reform and the convict laws began to improve. The 1886-1887 Legislature passed a law requiring an inspection team to determine the health and condition of the prisoners sentenced to hard labor. A Board of Inspectors, including a physician, paid weekly visits to work camps. If the board discovered abuses by the company contractor their contract could be terminated.

Early Alabama Prisoners (-continued-)

It must be said here that even in 1888 some physicians recognized the importance of genealogy in health matters. On 3 October 1888 Dr. R. Aug. Jones, physician of convicts, stated in his report to the Governor on disease among the convicts, "That the family history is an important factor as a predisposing cause [of disease]."

Even from statistics as gruesome as these one can find humor. A convicted burglar gave his former occupation as "thief." One convicted embezzler's occupation was listed as "Ex-Treasurer."

The following records pertain to both county and state prisoners as indicated in the headings.

State Convicts Sent to Insane Asylum

Arthur Hawk, Jackson County, sent to asylum 12 June 1888 from county jail. "Arthur Hawk, convicted of murder in Jackson County, made his escape from the Hospital, and it is possible that his insanity was feigned."

Deaths of State Convicts from 1 October 1886 to 1 October 1888

Neal Wallace, Madison County, died in state prison 25 July 1887 of consumption. Received sick from Pratt mines (labor camp).

Discharge of State Convicts from 1 October 1886 to 1 October 1888

Jeff Martin, Madison Co., 1 July 1887. Contractor: Comer & McCurdy.

Lucinda Orr, Morgan Co., 10 January 1887. Contractor: J. F. B. Jackson.

T. M. Tidwell, Jackson Co., 13 February 1887. Contractor: J. F. B. Jackson.

Abner Waller, Jackson Co., 28 November 1887. Contractor: Comer & McCurdy

Frank Williams, Morgan Co., 20 January 1887. Contractor: J. F. B. Jackson.

State Convicts Employed by Tennessee Coal, Iron and R. R. Co.

James Carter, Jackson Co., convicted of murder 27 July 1887, sentenced for 7 years, farmer, age 22.

John Fierney, Franklin Co., convicted of manslaughter 6 April 1888, 10 years, peddler, age 17.

J. W. Grason, Jackson Co., convicted of arson 22 July 1884. Life. Farmer, age 37 years.

J. D. Green, Colbert Co., convicted of murder 27 Dec. 1880. Life. Farmer, age 41 years.

J. M. King, Colbert Co., convicted of murder 20 April 1889. Life. Farmer, age 53 years.

Sam Livingston, Lawrence Co., convicted of murder 30 April 1886. Life. Teacher, age 24 years.

G. B. Silvere, Jackson Co., convicted of grand larceny 14 May 1885. 4 years. Doctor.

Theopolus Sutton, Jackson Co., convicted of grand larceny 25 Feb. 1888. 2 yr. Farmer, age 40.

Newton Ward, Marshall Co., convicted of murder 8 Dec. 1885. 10 yr. Farm hand, age 23.

Convicts Unassigned to Contractors

Ambrose J. Jones, Lauderdale Co., convicted of manslaughter 16 Sept. 1885. 10 yr., farmer, age 20 years. (Entered hospital 24 April 1888. Killed in mine shaft. An idiot.)

R. G. Letson, Lawrence Co., convicted of murder 18 Nov. 1881. 12 yr. sentence. Farmer, age 43 years.

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Early Alabama Prisoners (-continued-)

Escape of County Convicts

Jno. Haynes, Colbert Co., escaped 8 Dec. 1887. Contractor: Jackson & Gafford		
Henry Williams, Colbert Co., escaped 12 Feb. 1887	"	"
Henry Williams, Colbert Co., escaped 8 Dec., 1887	"	"
Geo. Young, Colbert Co., escaped 8 Dec., 1887	"	"
Lewis Shields, Marshall Co., escaped in 1888	"	"
Eli Johnson, Morgan Co., escaped 29 Aug. 1887. Contractor: Milner C. & R. R. Co.		
Andrew Pryor, Morgan Co., escaped 14 Oct. 1886	"	"
Jim Roan, Morgan Co., escaped 23 Aug. 1888	"	"

Deaths of County Convicts

Chas. Hooks, Colbert Co. on 15 Nov. 1886 of Typhoid pneumonia at J. F. B. Jackson
 G. W. Patterson, Franklin Co., on 14 May 1888 at New Castle (cause of death not given.)
 Ed Peters, Lauderdale Co., on 23 May 1887 of Tuberculosis at New Castle.
 Ike Bradley, Madison Co., on 31 July 1888 of Heart disease at Pratt mines.
 Wm. Robinson, Madison Co., on 14 July 1887 of Typhoid fever and Croupous pneumonia at Pratt Mines.

County Convicts Discharged**Colbert County**

Alex. Abernathy, 4 Feb. 1887 - Contractor: J. F. B. Jackson		
Oliver Cross, 25 Jan. 1887	"	"
Wm. Donly, 31 March 1888 - Contractor: Milner, C. & R. R. Co.		
Robert Fennell, 3 Nov. 1887 - Contractor: J. F. B. Jackson		
Chas. Graham, 16 June 1887	"	"
Arthur Griffin, 25 July 1887	"	"
Thos. Holland, 27 Nov. 1886	"	"
John Johnson, 25 Jan. 1887	"	"
Wm. Johnson, 7 Jan. 1887	"	"
Henry Kenly, 18 Oct. 1886	"	"
Lee Lula, 15 Sept. 1887	"	"
Wm. McDaniel, 27 Jan. 1887	"	"
Wm. Martin, 17 June 1888 - Contractor: Milner, C. & R. R. Co.		
Geo. Porter, 9 Feb. 1887 - Contractor: J. F. B. Jackson		
Peter Randolph, 11 May 1888 - Contractor: Milner, C. & R. R. Co.		
John Stephens, 15 June 1888	"	"
Elijah Stewart, 20 Aug. 1888	"	"
Jas. Thokston, 21 Feb. 1888	"	"
Chas. Yeiser, 6 March 1888	"	"
Anias Vincen, 17 June 1888	"	"
Lewis Warren, 17 Nov. 1886	"	"

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Early Alabama Prisoners (-continued-)

Franklin County

Robert Lindsay, 17 March 1888 - Contractor: J. C. Heston
 Carrol Mills, 1 Jan. 1888 - Contractor: Charles Park
 Uriah White, 20 Nov. 1886 - Contractor: J. F. B. Jackson

Jackson County

Chas Bush, 9 Aug. 1888 - Contractor: Milner R. R. Co.
 Thos. Hawk, 20 June 1888 " "
 Scott Wizenant, 27 Nov. 1887 " "

Lauderdale County

Silas Chandler, 7 Dec. 1887 - Contractor: Milner R. R. Co.
 John Coffee, October, 1886 - Contractor: Robinson Bros.
 Oscar Casey, 13 June 1887 - Contractor: Milner R. R. Co.
 Jacob Chaney, 29 Dec. 1887 " "
 Jones Calvin, 18 Aug. 1888 " "
 Bob Diamond, 23 June 1887 " "
 Peter Downey, 29 Feb. 1888 " "
 Andrew Grandberry, 8 May 1888 " "
 Jonas Gunn, 9 May 1888 " "
 Joe Gapriel, 3 Sept. 1888 " "
 Jas. Harris, 8 Nov. 1888 " "
 Geo. Hampton, 10 Aug. 1888 " "
 B. J. Hawkins, 10 Aug. 1888 " "
 Matt Jenkins, 1 March 1888 " "
 Archie Kelley, 18 June 1887 " "
 Tony Poole, 11 March 1887 " "
 Emma Persons, 16 July 1888 " "
 Jim Shalar, 13 Dec. 1886 - Contractor: Robinson Bros.
 Emanuel Simmons, 7 June 1887 - Contractor: Milner R. R. Co.
 Ed Watson, 6 April 1887 " "
 Wm. Watson, 20 Aug. 1888 " "



Drunken rascal. Punch

Lawrence County

Paul Bates, 30 July 1887 - Contractor: Milner C. & R. Co.
 Henry Barton, 26 Sept. 1887 " "
 Jeff Dinsmore, 25 June 1887 " "
 C. A. Hoyt, 9 Feb. 1887 " "
 Geo. Harper, 10 Jan. 1888 " "
 Thos. Little, 17 June 1887 " "
 Chas. Mosely, 19 June 1888 " "
 Percy Milan, 15 July 1888 " "
 Thos. Simmons, 19 Nov. 1886 " "

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Early Alabama Prisoners (-continued-)

Limestone County

Armstead Anderson	15 July 1887	- Contractor: Milner C. & R. Co.		
Geo. Bellfront,	4 Dec. 1886		"	"
Tom Bass,	13 June 1887		"	"
Eph. Brown,	25 Nov. 1887		"	"
Lee Bridgeforth,	9 Nov. 1887		"	"
Rabbit Cupid,	17 July 1887		"	"
Wm. Crenshaw,	11 July 1887		"	"
Wm. Caruthers,	10 Feb. 1888		"	"
Dick Dabnor,	30 May 1887		"	"
Abe Foster,	10 Aug. 1887		"	"
Chas. Gibson,	4 July 1887		"	"
John Grigsby,	20 Jan. 1888		"	"
Joseph Grigsby,	10 Jan. 1888		"	"
Bob Johnson,	20 Jan. 1888		"	"
Alex Kelley,	30 Aug. 1887		"	"
Daniel McDaniel,	30 Sept. 1887		"	"
Hezekiah McDonald,	30 Dec. 1887		"	"
Rice Pompey,	11 Sept. 1887		"	"
Geo. Redus,	27 March 1887		"	"
Tom Simmons,	6 July 1887		"	"
Geo. Sanford,	1 March 1888		"	"
Frank Smith,	1 March 1888		"	"
Sam Taylor,	8 Feb. 1888		"	"
Jim Thomas,	1 March 1888		"	"
Hester Yarbrough,	6 June 1887		"	"
Noah Houston,	13 July 1887		"	"

Marshall County

Lewis Carson,	Sept., 1887	- Contractor: J. F. B. Jackson		
John Grigsby,	16 July 1888	- Contractor: Milner C. & R. Co.		
Frank Moore,	27 March 1887	- Contractor: J. F. B. Jackson		
Anthony McGee,	16 July 1888	- Contractor: Milner C. & R. Co.		
Richard Pemberton,	13 Nov. 1886	- Contractor: J. F. B. Jackson		
Jack Turner,	20 Aug. 1888	- Contractor: Milner, C. & R. Co.		
Joe Wiggs,	25 April 1887	- Contractor: J. F. B. Jackson		
James Wilkerson,	Sept. 1887		"	"

Madison County

Saul Ashford,	15 July 1887	- Contractor: Pratt Company		
Bettie Allred,	13 June 1888	- Contractor: Tennessee Company		
James Blackburn,	9 March 1887	- Contractor: Pratt Company		
General Brooks,	13 November 1887		"	"

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Madison County (-continued-)

Chas. Brickell, 27 March 1887 - Contractor: Pratt Company		
Ad Campbell, 15 May 1887	"	"
C. J. Crennan, November, 1887	"	"
Dan Clay, 1 March 1888 - Contractor: Tennessee Company		
Ike Evans, 18 Aug. 1888	"	"
Cob Hawks, 25 March 1887	"	"
Steve Hobbs, 25 Nov. 1886 - Contractor: Pratt Co.		
Munroe Jones, 12 Dec. 1887	"	"
Peter Mathew, 5 Nov. 1887	"	"
Saul. McDugal, 4 Feb. 1888 - Contractor: Tennessee Co.		
Albert Pope, 13 Nov. 1887 - Contractor: Pratt Company		
Wm. Patterson, 14 Jan. 1887	"	"
Robt. Patten, 9 June 1888	"	"
Jas. Pryor, 11 May 1888	"	"
Joe Rutledge, 9 June 1888	"	"
Geo. Shermon, 9 June 1888	"	"
John Slang, 10 Nov. 1886	"	"
Chas. Thomas, 10 May 1887	"	"
Miles Tarrant, 23 May 1887	"	"
Alex Timmons, 1 March 1888 - Contractor: Tennessee Company		
Jerre Underwood, 15 Jan. 1887 - Contractor: Pratt Co.		
Wm. Winkle, 19 Dec. 1887	"	"
Henry White, 11 May 1887	"	"
Percy Walker, 20 June 1887	"	"
Thos. Wilson, 17 June 1887	"	"
Robt. Walker, 11 Aug. 1887	"	"
Tom Wilson, 29 Feb. 1888 - Contractor: Tennessee Company		
Abe Walker, 8 Jan. 1888	"	"

Morgan County

Gus Blankinship, 27 March 1887 - Contractor: Milner, C. & R. R. Co.		
Wiley Bell, 4 Dec. 1887	"	"
David Brown, 24 April 1888	"	"
James Brown, 24 April 1888	"	"
Bob Baity, 16 June 1888	"	"
Ben Blantan, 2 May 1888	"	"
Howard Coswell, 26 June 1887	"	"
Will Coleman, 11 Oct. 1887	"	"
John Curry, 14 Dec. 1887	"	"
Dave Chapman, 12 Dec. 1887	"	"
Willy Darden, 5 June 1887	"	"
William Dupree, 19 Dec. 1887	"	"

Early Alabama Prisoners (-continued-)

Morgan County (-continued-)

Early Davis, 6 Aug., 1888 - Contractor: Milner C. & R. R. Co.		
Edward Dunkin, 6 Sept. 1888	"	"
Eli Garner, 27 March 1887	"	"
Jonas Gunn, 12 Oct. 1887	"	"
Sidney Garth, 4 May 1888	"	"
Sam Hodges, 22 Jan., 1887	"	"
Dick Hodges, 17 Feb. 1887	"	"
John Holt, 23 Nov. 1886	"	"
William Harris, 6 Nov. 1887	"	"
Robt. Harland, 8 May 1888	"	"
Willis Hill, 23 Feb. 1888	"	"
Frank Jackson, 23 April 1887	"	"
James Jones, 15 Feb. 1887	"	"
Frank Jones, 29 Jan. 1888	"	"
Phil Joseph, 25 July 1888	"	"
Eugene Lewis, 29 Oct. 1886	"	"
Willis McKey, 13 Feb. 1887	"	"
John Moore, 7 June 1887	"	"
C. W. Mills, 30 April 1888	"	"
Joseph Maller, 30 April 1888	"	"
Chas. Smith, 31 Oct. 1886	"	"
John Stone, 13 Jan. 1888	"	"
Hugh Singleton, 7 Feb. 1888	"	"
Thos. Stamps, 30 June 1888	"	"
W. H. Stubbs, 20 July 1888	"	"
Lewis Troup, 13 June 1887	"	"
Willis Thomas, 8 May 1888	"	"
Randall Thompson, 31 July 1888	"	"
W. B. Tucker, 25 Sept. 1888	"	"
Robt. Wright, 6 Oct. 1886	"	"
Wm. Washington, 29 Oct. 1886	"	"
James Walker, 9 Nov. 1887	"	"
Evaline Walton, 2 May 1888	"	"
Jeff Williams, 11 Aug. 1888	"	"
Fred Zeni, 5 March 1888	"	"

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County Convicts at Hard Labor on the 1st Day of October, 1888

Colbert County

John Hughes, convicted of grand larceny on 26 March 1888, sentenced to one year.

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Early Alabama Prisoners (-continued-)

Lauderdale County

Ben Durline, convicted of petit larceny 17 Sept. 1888 - 30 Mo., 10 days.
D. Jones convicted (crime not given) on 21 March 1877 - one year sentence
Calvin Jones convicted of carrying concealed weapon 20 July 1888 - one month sentence.
Jas. Lamar convicted of forgery 14 Sept. 1888 - sentenced to 2 yrs.

Limestone County

Jno. Caldwell convicted of burglary and carrying a concealed weapon on 10 June 1887, sentenced to 2 yrs., 20 days.

Madison County

Thos. Owen convicted of grand larceny on 27 Aug. 1887. Sentenced to one year.
Wm. Walker (no other information).
Thos. Walker (no other information).

Bad Conduct Roll

Against State Convicts now on Hand

James Carter, Jackson County - one time
Sam Livingston, Lawrence County - one time
Newton Ward, Marshall County - one time

**First Biennial Report of the
BOARD OF MANAGERS OF CONVICTS
From September 1, 1892 to August 31, 1894**

In the two years ending August 31, 1894 the State of Alabama realized a net profit from the hiring out of convicts of \$156,005.09. That prison conditions were improving, however, can not be denied as evidenced by the expenditure of \$10,849.12 for clothing and shoes, \$2,300.99 for bedding, and \$159.68 for religious literature. Even with a total of \$38,913.48 in improvements disease and death were not strangers in the penal system as evidenced by the following information.

Deaths of State Convicts at the Penitentiary from Sept. 1, 1892 to Aug. 31, 1894.

Tom Cobb, negro, Colbert Co., sentenced 23 March 1893, died in jail of Consumption on 9 June 1893.
Neal Leslie, negro, Madison Co., sentenced 24 Feb. 1894, died in jail of Tuberculosis of lungs and bowels on 8 June 1894.
Nick McCroskey, mulatto, Morgan Co., sentenced 16 Jan. 1894, died at Prison No. 3 of Pleuro pneumonia and pncarditis on 25 June 1894.

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Early Alabama Prisoners (-continued-)

Deaths of State Convicts at Pratt Mines from Sept. 1, 1892 to August 31, 1894

Austin Acklin, negro, Madison Co., sentenced 4 March 1893, died in jail of Chronic nephritis on 29 March 1893.

John Isdell, white, Marshall Co., sentenced 21 Oct. 1892, died at Pratt Mines of Typhoid fever and pneumonia on 13 March 1893.

Deaths of County Convicts at Pratt Mines from Sept. 1, 1892 to August 31, 1894.

Peter Bradley, negro, Madison Co., sentenced 26 Feb. 1892, died of Tuberculosis 14 Oct. 1892.

Arthur Long, white, Madison Co., sentenced 27 Aug. 1892, killed by falling rock 16 Aug. 1893.

Frank Watkins, white, Madison Co., sentenced 26 Feb. 1892, died of congestion of brain and lungs and asphyria at Pratt Mines 1 Nov. 1892.

Escapes of State Convicts from September 1, 1892 to August 31, 1894.

H. F. Williams, white, Franklin County, escaped 19 June 1893 from Pratt Mines.

Thomas W. Ezell, white, Franklin County, escaped from Walls 2 June 1894.

John Mullins, white, Madison County, escaped from Walls 12 May 1894. Recaptured 12 May 1894.

Escapes of County Convicts from Sept. 1, 1892 to Aug. 31, 1894.

George Boyd, Morgan County, escaped from Coalburg 7 Oct. 1892.

Bob Batey, Morgan County, escaped from Coalburg 8 May, 1893. Recaptured 29 July 1893.

Patrick Crouch, Morgan County, escaped from Coalburg 3 August 1893.

C. W. Crouch, Morgan County, escaped from Coalburg 3 August 1893.

Tom Wilson, Colbert Co., escaped from Coalburg 23 September 1892.

Chas. Gorman, Madison Co., escaped from Pratt Mines 22 September 1893.

TYPES OF CRIMES

If you wish more details on any of the above men and why they were in prison, I suggest you check the newspaper morgue in the county of sentencing or the criminal records of that county if they still exist.

Before becoming too upset at finding an ancestor, or relative of an ancestor, on these pages you should be aware of what was considered "criminal" in the time period covered here. Along with the usual murder, burglary, rape, and larceny, the following were also listed as crimes for which people had been sentenced in Alabama:

Adultry	Selling whiskey
Abusive language	Trespass
Aiding escape	Shooting railroad train
Disturbing religious worship	Rocking railroad train
Enticing away labor	Gaming (gambling)
Obscene language	

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"Merry Old Santa Claus," by Thomas Nast. *Harper's Weekly*, Jan. 1, 1881

CREEK INDIAN WAR (Seminole War)

The Treaty of Cusseta of 24 March 1832 was the cause of the Creek Wars of 1836 and 1837 in Alabama. The land within the present counties of Barbor, Calhoun, Chambers, Coosa, Macon, Lee, Randolph, Russell, Talladega, and Tallapoosa was secured by the state through what was commonly called the *Land Session of 1832*.

When time came for the Creek Indians to move to a territory in the west, disturbances broke out. Many of the Indians were unwilling to leave their ancestral home. White settlers were killed and towns raided along the Old Federal Road that ran from Augusta, Georgia through the Creek Nation to the west. Several brigades of state troops were called out, along with one brigade from Tennessee. The headquarters for the Alabama troops was probably located at Fort Moore in Russell County, with Camp Jordan being the headquarters for the Tennessee troops. Each man enlisted for three months in June of 1836.

At the session in December of 1836, the Alabama State Legislature appropriated money to cover the expenses of the troops which had been called out before that time. The hostilities shifted to Florida in 1837, however, and few battles occurred within Alabama after the spring of that year. The fighting in Florida came to be known as the Seminole War and the Florida War.

The muster rolls for all the Alabama troops have been collected in a box titled, *Alabama* and are located in the Old Army/Navy Records in the National Archives in Washington, D. C. The sheets of paper have been folded several times and the folds are worn with age. Repairs have been made on the folds resulting in difficulty in reading some of the names.

This information has been abstracted from the originals in the National Archives in Washington, D. C. and contributed by Yvonne Spence Perkins, past editor of *Valley Leaves*.

CARMACK'S COMPANY - 2nd ALABAMA MOUNTED VOLUNTEERS (Lauderdale County)

*I certify on Honor that I have this day mustered into the service of the United States Captain Corns. Carmack's Company of Mounted Men called the **Lauderdale Volunteers** consisting of One Captain, One First Lieu., One Ensign, Four Serjeants, Four Corporals, One Buglier and Sixty three Privates. By Order of His Excellency C. C. Clay, Governor & Commander in Chief of the Militia of Alabama. Jno. B. Nogan, Actg. Adj. and Insp. Gen. 3 June 1836.*

Carmack, Cornelius - Capt.	McHammons, Thomas - Buglier	Crow, Willm. L.
Tate, Richard S. - 1 st Lt.	Adair, John - Private	Campbell, George W.
Taliaferro, William - Ensign	Alexander, Randolph	Chism, Elijah R.
Rust, Robert - 1 st Serjt.	Anderson, Willm. R.	Cyrus, Richard C.
Phillips, Milton - 2 nd Serjt.	Beavers, John W.	Cockburn, Isaiah
Bray, Henry R. - 3 rd Serjt.	Brown, Gabriel	Edington, James
Davis, Willis R. - 4 th Serjt.	Brown, Levi T.	Farmer, John T.
Harrison, Hillary - 1 st Corp.	Boston, James M.	Farmer, Wm. H.
Fisher, Green - 2 nd Corp.	Bryant, John O.	Horn, James
Looney, Wm. H. - 3 rd Corp.	Ball, Napoleon B.	Harvey, Ira J.
Harrison, Henry S. - 4 th Corp.	Bivens, John S.	Henson, Thomas K.

Creek Indian Wars (-continued-) [Lauderdale County-]

Kendricks, Moses	Moore, John	Ruc, Wesley
Gibson, William	May, James	Simmons, Willm. C.
Harmon, Stephen	Michaels, John	Smith, George W.
Hauner, John	Murphy, Matthew	Smith, Thomas
Horn, James	Nipper, William	Thompson, George
Hamm, Jacob L.	Philips, Willm. C.	Welch, Jacob
Lambert, James	Pool, Langdon C.	Warren, Henry
Littrell, Alfred	Pistoll, Anthony	Williams, Redman
Littrell, Fielding	Pate, William	Jackson, Aristides
Little, George	Robertson, Litle[Little?]	Swinford, Benjamin
Lancaster, John	Rhodes, Jacob	Young, Willm. F.
Miles, Berry B.	Rose, Aaron	Yarber, Newell
McLuskey, Jeremiah	Reeves, Jonathan	Yancy, N[apolean?] B.
McCarley, Russell	Reaves, Diamer	Zumbro, Benjn. F.

BOSTON'S COMPANY - 2nd ALABAMA MOUNTED VOLUNTEERS

(Formerly Capt. Carmack's Company)

Lauderdale County

The following mustering-out roll was dated 13 August 1836. Please note the differences in the spelling of some of the names as compared to the above roll.

Boston, James M. - Capt.	Cyers, R. M.	Michaels, John
Tate, R. S. - Lt.	Cockburn, Isariah	Murphy, Mathew
<i>Telioerr</i> , William - Ensign	Edington, James	Nipper, William
Harrison, <i>Hilerry</i> - 1 st Sgt.	Farmer, John T.	Phillips, William C.
Phillips, Milton - 2 nd Sgt.	Farmer, W. H.	Pool, L. C.
Campbell, George - 3 rd Sgt.	Gibson, William	Pistole, Anthony
Davis, W. R. - 4 th Sgt.	Horn, J. B.	Pate, W. H.
McCurley, Russell - 1 st Corp.	Harvay, J? I? J.	<i>Robinson</i> , L.
Fisher, Green - 2 nd Corp.	Henson, T. K.	Rust, Robert
Looney, William H. - 3 rd Corp	Hendricks, Moses	<i>Roads</i> , J.
Harrison, Henry - 4 th Corp	<i>Herman</i> , Stephen	Rose, Aaron
McCammons, Thos - Bugular	Horn, James	Rosaw[Reeves?], Jonathan
<i>Adare</i> , John - Pvt.	Hamm, J. S.	Reeves, L. D.
Anderson, R.	Hannah[?], John	Ruc[<i>Rae?</i>], Wesley
Anderson, W. R.	Jackson, A. E.	Simmons, William C.
Beaver, J. W.	Lambert, James	Smith, George
Brown, Gabriel	<i>Literal</i> , Alfred	Smith, Thomas
Brown, L. T.	<i>Literal</i> , Fielding	Swinford, B.
<i>Briant</i> , John O.	Looney, George	<i>Tompson</i> , George
Ball, N. B.	<i>Lancaster</i> , J. H.	Welch, Jacob W.
Bivens, J. S.	Miles, B. B.	Warren, Henry
Bray, H. B.	McCluskey, <i>Jerimiah</i>	Williams, <i>Redmond</i>
Crow, William L[?]	Moore, John	Young, William F.
<i>Chisholm</i> , E. R.	May, James	<i>Yarborry</i> , J. N.
		<i>Yancey</i> , N. B.
		<i>Zembro</i> , B. F.

Creek Indian War (-continued-)

FRY'S COMPANY - ALABAMA MOUNTED VOLUNTEERS
(Jackson and Marshall Counties)

Allegedly this is a Jackson County Company, however, it was signed up in Marshall County and is made up of men from both counties.

I certify that the above muster roll exhibits the true and correct state of Capt. Fry's Company of mounted Alabama Militia this 11th September 1836. I certify that I did on this day stated muster the above company of Alabama Mounted Volunteers into the Service of the United States.

Signed by And. Moore, Mustering officer

Company signed up 5 September 1836 at Baxter's Store, Marshall County, Alabama.

Fry, William L. - Capt.	Martin, Francis	Cowney[?], James M.
Baxter, Stephen - [blank]	Escur[?], Philip	Evans, Claboum[?]
Cammeron, Harry - Ensign	Pendergrass, Raleigh	Perkins, Jabus
Barten, William - 1 st Sgt.	Rains, Williams	Ross, Miram
Kennemer, Nathan - 2 nd Sgt.	Smith, John	Martin, Lewis
Kennemer, Zacchus[?] - 3 rd Sgt.	Dunn, Andres	Davis, James
Walker, G. W. - 4 th Sgt.	Pate, Thos.	Taylor, William
Hodges, Saml. C. - 1 st Cpl.	Pendergrass, William	Connally, C. P.
Hill, Saml. - 2 nd Cpl.	McBroom, James	Pendergrass, Marshall
Barnes, Edward - 3 rd Cpl.	Duncan, John	Bradly[?], Alexr.
Williams, Silas - 4 th Cpl.	McBroom, _[torn] _	Embrey, George
Law, Jefferson - Bugler	Pendergrass, Philip	Johnson, James
Baxter, Reuben W. - Private	King, Benjamin	Childress, Robert
Hillin, Absalum	Wileman, Bailly	Pendergrass, Ather[Athur?]
Martin, Jonathan	Wileman, Isaiah	Sims, Jesse
Taylor, Richard	Wileman, Eias	Thomas, John
Reed, G. T.	Burks[Barks?], Thos.	Sutherland, Henry
Steel, John	Bullock, Obadiah	Camron, Carroll
Duncan, Thos.	Miller, Lewis	Johnson, Benjamin
Walker, L. C.	McCanless, James	Srimshear, David
Bridges, Ephm.	Cooper, Thos.	Simmons, Lewis D.
Jones, Robert	Hodge, F. M.	Rose, H. H.
Inis[?], John A.	Woosley, Thos.	
Smith, Bartholw.		

The following men joined Fry's Company and were mustered into service on 11 September 1836.

Kenemer, Levi	Lang, Joseph	Scrimshear, R. C[?]
Field, Jno. A.	Maxwell, Thos.	Gidson, George
Conway, Abel	Ridly, James	

The following men joined Fry's Company on the 17th August and served until 5 September at which time they were compelled to leave said company as they were of the 12 months volunteers under the command of Col. Cawlfild.

Baxter, John	Saunders, Elijah	Busby, David
Harrison, Lawrence	Allen, James	Rector, T. B. (Surgeon)

The following letter was attached to the above Muster Roll. It was dated at Claysville, 10th of September, 1836.

Sir:

In compliance with your instructions I have mustered Capt. Fry's Company of Mounted Gun Men into the service of the United States — you will observe that on the 11th there were some seven added to the company. I thought it right to do so as Capt. Fry was absent from camp with nearly all his company in pursuit of Indians and guard was insufficient at camp therefore I accept as a matter of Necessity — With the aid of this company I have no doubt but that the Indians brought to camp can be secured till the —[illegible] — and that the Indians in the neighboring mountains can be taken.

You will observe upon this foregoing statement & Rolls that the Company men in the service of Creek Emigration from the 17th Augt.

I have the honor to be your oby^t servt.

And. Moore,

Asst. Agt., Creek Emigration

**PHILPOTT'S COMPANY - 4th ALABAMA MOUNTED VOLUNTEERS
(Morgan County)**

Muster Roll of Captain B. A. Philpott's Company of Mounted Alabama Volunteers ordered into service of the United States by Maj. Geo. Jesup, from the 19th day of June to the 19th day of September, 1836. Signed up in camp "18 miles below Ft. Mitchell, Ala."

Allen, Benj. - Pvt.	Crawford, William	McKee, John
Pilpott, B. A. - Capt.	Chunn, William R.	Musgrove, E. G.
Hudson, E. H. - Lt.	Denton, M. V. L[?]	Norwood, James
Hogan, Jas. - Ensign	Denton, Alexander	Musgrove, P. T.
Chunn, L. - Sgt.	Daniel, James	Owens, Thomas L.
Roggers, E. W. - Sgt.	Day, Larkin	Outlaw, Noah
Sandlin, Nicholas - Sgt.	Day, James	Pearson, Joseph
McNorton, J. T. - Sgt.	Easley, John W.	Parker, E.
Elliott, John - Cpl.	Ford, C. C.	Payne, E. W.
Wiggins, J. L. - Cpl.	Garner, Jesse	Patton, J. M.
Daskins, W. - Cpl.	Griffin, Martin	Philops, J. W.
Robbins, Levi - Cpl.	Hampton, Miles	Rains, George
Allen, Joseph	Herd, John K.	Ratcliffe, George
Ables, James	Hodges, A.	Rogers, Carrol
Ables, William S.	Engles, George	Smith, James
Borough, John N.	Jackson, W.	Smith, E. J.
Brooks, John S.	Laramore, S.	Steward, Beverly
Brown, William	Morris, P. A.	Tedford, Johnson
Barton, Cader	Moore, John	Vantant[?], William
Burnum, W. J.	McDowal, James	Wallace, A. G.
Conway, C.	McCall, Duncan	Wallace, W. A.
Condern[?], William	McAneds[?], James	McWebb, James
Chappell, E.		

Creek Indian War (-continued-) [Morgan Co.]

Whitall, James
Wright, James S.
Wright, Jesse H.

Williams, John W.
Walker, John B.
Washburne, Richard

Walden, James
Ables, William C.

**PHILPOTT'S COMPANY - 4th ALABAMA MOUNTED VOLUNTEERS
(Morgan County)**

The following is a mustering-out roll and states the company only served from 19 June 1836 to 22 July 1836. Please note the differences in the spelling of the names from the roll above.

<i>Philpot</i> , B. A. - Capt.	Crawford, Wm.	Owen, Thomas L.
Hudson, E. H. - Lt.	Chunn, Wm. R.	Outlaw, Noah
Hogan, James - Ensign	Denton, M. V. S.	Pearton[Pearson?], Joseph
Chunn, Lancelot - 1 st Sgt	Denton, Alexander	Parker, E.
Rogers, Emery - 2 nd Sgt	Denton, G. B.	<i>Pryne</i> , E. W.
Sandlins, Nicholas - 3 rd Sgt	Day, James	Patton, James M.
McNorton, J. G. - 4 th Sgt	Day, Larkin	Philpos, John W.
Elliott, John - 1 st Corp	Easley, John W.	Raines, George
Wiggins, Jacob L. - 2 nd Corp	Ford, C. C.	<i>Ratliff</i> , George
<i>Duskins</i> , Washington - 3 rd Sgt	Garner, Jessee	Rogers, Carrol
<i>Robins</i> , Levi - 4 th Sgt	Griffin, Martin	Smith, James
Walker, John B. - Bugler	Hampton, Milos	Smith, E. J.
Ables, William C[?] S[?] - Pvt.	Herd, John K.	Stewart, Beverly
Allen, Joseph	Hodges, A.	Tedford, Johnston
Able, James	Jackson, Washington	<i>Vinzanat</i> , W ^m
Ables, William S.	Larrimore, L[?] S.	Wallace, Wm. A.
Borough, John N.	Morris, P. A.	Webb, James M. [see McWebb]
Brooks, John S.	Moore, John	<i>Wilhight</i> , James
Brown, William	McDowell, James	Wright, James S.
Burton, Cadel	McCall, Duncan	Wright, Jesse H.
Burnum, W. J.	McAneal[?], James	Williams, John W.
Conway, C.	McKee, John	Washburn, Richard
Condron, Wm.	Daniel, James	Walden, James
Chapel, E.	Musgrove, P. T.	McCatty, Joseph
Allen, Benj.	Norwood, James	Wallace, <i>Thos.</i> A. G.

**ROBINSON'S COMPANY - 2nd ALABAMA MOUNTED VOLUNTEERS
(Madison County)**

*I certify on Honor that I have this day mustered into the Service of the United States, Captain Wm. Robinson's Company of Mounted Gun Men called the **Huntsville Volunteers** consisting of one Captain, one First Lieutenant, one Ensign, four Serjeants, four Corporals, one Bugler, and sixty-four privates. By order of His Excellency C. C. Clay, Governor and Commander in Chief of the Militia of Alabama. B. Nogan, Acting Adj. & Inspector General. 2 June 1836.*

Robinson, William - Capt.
Garrett, Lewis G. - 1st Lt.
Clemens, A. M. - Ensign

Hood, John W. - 1st Sgt.
Oley, A. H. - 2nd Sgt.
Mosely, Thomas - 3rd Sgt.

Flint, Tarply - 4th Sgt.
Ricketts, Benjn. F. - 1st Cpl.
Arnett, William - 2nd Cpl.

Creek Indian War (-continued-) [Madison County]

Hall, John S. - 3rd Cpl.	Landrum, John A.	Cosby, A. J.
Baker, E. R. - 4th Cpl.	Biddle, John	Black, Willm. W.
Davis, Alfred - Buglier	Craig, John B.	Murrin, Martin
Walker, John Jas. - 2nd Mr. Sgt.	Morrow, Green B.	Crutcher, James T.
White, Richard M. - Private	Phillips, Charles M.	Lewis, James L.
Glascock, Zachariah	Murphy, John C.	Sanford, Richard
Flint, Jeremiah	Scott, Walter	McDonald, John S.
Brock, William	Schrimsher, Alfred	Hill, John F.
Montgomery, Robert	Blackwood, H.	Flannagan, A. E.
Seamster, John	Turner, Thomas J.	Robertson, Jacob
Coyle, Benjamin	Vincent, Joseph	Edward, John
Coyle, James	Moore, George L.	Carter, John W.
Glascock, Willm. H.	Hicks, Thomas J.	Flannagan, John
Allen, Charles	Hansome, James M.	Medlin, Henry
Hall, W.	Elliott, John	Carpenter, John
James, R.	Valliant, N. J.	Sherod, Lawrence
Easton, Thomas	Gilbert, William J.	Harper, Willm. D.
Barley, John	Kirk, John	Wilkerson, Daniel
Baker, Henry	Russell, Henry	Vance, James C.
Lusk, William B.	Clardy, Peter E.	Moore, James H.
Philips, Zachariah	Rowe, N. A.	Barclay, John
McCurley, John R.	Lanier, J. A.	Honey, Thomas
		Brahum, John P.

**CAPT. ROBINSON'S COMPANY - 2nd ALABAMA MOUNTTED VOLUNTEERS
(Madison County)**

The following mustering-out roll states the company only served from 2 June 1836 to 16 July 1836. Please note differences in spelling of some of the names from the roll above.

Robinson, W. - Capt.	Blackwood, Harry	Glasscock, W. H.
Garrett, L. G. - Lt.	Barley [Barclay?], John	Gilbert, W. J.
Clement, A. M. - Ensign	Baker, Henry	Hill, Fletcher
Hood, J. W. - 1st Sgt.	Biddle, John	Harper, W.
Oley, A. H. - 2nd Sgt.	Carter, John	Honey, T.
Mosley, T. - 3rd Sgt.	Carpenter, Jno.	Hansen, J.
Flint, Tapley - 4th Sgt.	Clardy, D.	James, R.
Brock, W. - 5th Sgt.	Coyle, James	Kirk, Jno.
Ricketts, B. F. - 1st Cpl.	Coyle, Benj.	Lewis, James
Arnett, W. - 2nd Cpl.	Cosby, A. J.	Lanior, J. A.
Hale, J. S. - 3rd Cpl.	Coutcher [Crutcher?], J.T.	Lusk, W. B.
Baker, E. R. - 4th Cpl.	Edwards, Jno.	Landrum, J.
McDonald, J. S. - 5th Cpl.	Eason, T.	Holt, W.
Davis, A. - Bulger	Craig, J. B.	McCurley, J. R.
Allen, Charles - Private	Flanigan, A. E.	Murphy, J. C.
Black, W. W.	Flint, Jerry	Morrow, G. B.
Brannum, Jn. P.	Flanigan, Jno.	Murrin, M.
Barkley, John	Glascock, Zebulon	Montgomery, R.

Creek Indian War (-continued-) [Madison County]

Medlin, H.	Russell, Henry	Turner, Thomas
Moore, J. H.	Sanford, Richard	Vincent, James
Moore, G. L.	Schrimsher, A.	Vance, James
Phillips, Chas.	[written Scrmseshaw]	Valient, N. J.
Phillips, Zach	Seamster, J.	Wilkerson, D.
Robinson, Jacob	Sherod, L.	Walker, John J.
Rowe, N. A.	[written Sherord]	Hix, T. J.
	Scott, Walter	White, R. M.

**BISHOP'S COMPANY - 2nd ALABAMA MOUNTED VOLUNTEERS
(Jackson County)**

*I certify on Honor that I have this day mustered into the service of the United States, Captain Stephen Bishop's Company of Mounted Gun Men from Jackson County, called the **Paint Rock Volunteers**, consisting of one Captain, one First Lieutt., one Ensign, four Serjeants, four Corporals, one Trumpeter and sixty three privates. By Order of his Excellency C. C. Clay, Governor and Commander in Chief of the Militia of Alabama. 2 June 1836. Muster signed by William G. Williams.*

Bishop, Stephen - Captain	Gist, Richd. R.	Miller, Jacob
Moore, Alfred - 1st Lt.	Peters, Hiram	Self, Adam M.
Williams, Willm. - Ensign	Cameron, Henry	Reed, Wm. F.
Collins, Archr. W. - 1st. Sgt.	Peters, George	Coffee, James
Tipton, S. S. - 2nd Sgt.	Hutchinson, Willm.	Stogdon, Erasmus T.
Orm, James - 3rd Sgt.	Allen, Willm. H.	Arnold, Ralf
Harper, Robert T. - 1st Cpl.	Lindsay, Elisha	Evans, Leroy
Kennedy, Solomon - 2nd Cpl.	Rader, Samuel	Latham, Thomas
Derrick, Jackson - 3rd Cpl.	Daniel, Washington B.	Berry, Willm. P.
Skurlock, James F. - 4th Cpl.	Moon, John	Skelton, John O.
Campbell, William - Trumpeter	Gillenwaters, Samuel	Ball, Richard J.
Griffin, W. M. - Private	Stephens, James	Kenedy, John
Goforth, John S.	Byram, Alden	McDonough, A. J.
Lewis, Baylis W.	Lane, Willm.	Gilliland, John
Griffin, Washington	Hutchinson, Wm. R.	Crawley, John
Smart, James	Smart, Henry	Daniel, Willm.
Blackwood, John	Smart, Thomas	Turner, George W.
Coffee[?], Wyatt	Ward, John J.	Edwards, John
King, Andrew	Pipkins, William	Dunkin, Charles
Law, Jefferson	Bridges, Neville H.	Williams, Jesse
Rector, I[?] T[?] B.	Thompson, Danl. A.	McElevany, Adam P.
Pendergrass, Moses	Flemmin, Newton	Kirby, Samuel W.
Swiney, James	Stovall, D. C.	Pennington, Joel
Peters, Jonathan	Rowen, Jacob B.	Arnold, William
Allen, Valentine	Sisk, William	Frazier, Joseph P.

The Record of Pension Cases of 1882 showed that from Capt. Stephen Bishop's Company, Col. Acklin's Regiment, Alabama Militia Volunteers the following men received bounty land:

Jesse Edwards - May 21, 1887
George Peters - January 24, 188[7?]

Creek Indian War (-continued-)

BISHOP'S COMPANY - 2nd ALABAMA MOUNTED VOLUNTEERS**(Jackson County)**

The following is a mustering-out roll dated 17 August 1836. Please note some differences in the spelling of names as compared to the foregoing mustering-in roll.

Bishop, Stephen - Capt.	Daniel, Washington	Pipkins, William
Tipton, S. S. - Lt.	Daniel, William	Pendergrass, Moses
Williams, William - Ensign	Duncan, Charles	Peters, Jonathan
Collins, A. W. - 1st Sgt.	Evans, Leroy	Peters, <i>Heram</i>
Gist, Richard R. - 2nd Sgt.	Edwards, Tyon[?]	Peters, George
Orms, James - 3rd Sgt.	Flemming, Newton	Penington, Joel
Kirk, Joseph - 4th Sgt.	Fraser, Joseph P.	Rector, J[?] B.
Harper, Robt. T. - 1st Cpl.	Griffin, William M.	Rader, Samuel
Kenedy, Solomon - 2nd Cpl.	Goforth, John S.	Reed, William F.
Derrick, Jackson - 3rd Cpl.	Griffin, Washington W.	Swiney, James
Scurlock, James F. - 4th Cpl.	Gillenwaters, Samuel	Stephens, James
Campbell, William - Trumpeter	Hutchinson, William	Smart, Henry
Allen, Voluntin[Valentine?]	Hutchinson, William R.	Smart, Thomas
Allen, Wm. H.	Kirby, Samuel W.	Stobal[Stovall], J. C.
Arnal[Arnold?], William	King, Andrew	Sisk, William
Arnal[Arnold?], Ralph	Kenedy, John	Self, Adam M.
Blackwood, John	Lewis, Balus W.	Stogden, <i>Eramus</i>
Bryam, Alden [Byram?]	Law, Jefferson	Skelton, John C.
Bridges, <i>Nevil</i> H.	Lindsey, Elisher	Thompson, Daniel
Berry, William	Lane, William	Turner, George W.
Ball, Richard T.	Nathan, Thomas	Ward, John J[T?]
Coffee, Wyatt	Moon, John	Williams, Jesse
Cameron, Henry	Miller, Jacob	<i>Note: There was one name</i>
Coffee, James	McDonough, A. T.	<i>that was completely illegible.</i>
Crally, John	McElvany, A. P.	

NORWOOD'S COMPANY - 2nd ALABAMA MOUNTED VOLUNTEERS**(Jackson County)**

I certify on Honor that I have this day mustered into the service of the United States, Captain Henry Norwood's Company of Jackson County Mounted Gun Men - consisting of one Captain, one 1st Lieut., one Ensign, four Serjeants, four Corporals, one Bugleier and sixty-four Privates. By order of his Excellency, C. C. Clay, Governor and Commander in Chief of the Militia of Alabama. Jno. B. Nogan, Acting Adj. and Spect. General. 1 June 1836.

Norwood, Henry - Captain	Cawfield, John - 2nd Cpl.	Brooks, John E.
Snodgrass, Benjamin - 1st Lt.	Neely, Addison H. - 3rd Cpl.	Briggs, Andrew J.
Lynch, Elijah - Ensign	Wright, John - 4th Cpl.	Cowan, John F.
Williams, James - 1st Sgt.	Gunter, Augustus - Buglier	Caperton, John E.
Bolton, Sevier - 2nd Sgt.	Armstrong, Lewis A. - Private	Chambers, John G.
McMahan, John - 3rd Sgt.	Allen, William S.	Cargill, Jacen
Giles, John - 4th Sgt.	Berry, John	Cook, John F.
Kipper, John - 1st Cpl.	Boze, Thomas	Chaddick, James W.

Creek Indian War (-continued-) [Jackson County]

Childers, John K.	Hargas, Thomas	Roswell, Peter
Carr, Hiram	Hamilton, John	Ragland, Bird A.
Chaddick, Willm. D.	Ivey, Brantley	Rozwell, Presson
Caperton, George W.	Ivey, Jarrett J.	Rogers, Robert
French, Stephen C.	Justice, James D.	Starkey, Elijah
Fulcher, Jefferson	Kelson, Isaac [Nelson?]	Sanders, Elijah
Farmer, William	Kirby, Milton	Swink, Philip D.
Gunter, William	Kirby, Richard L.	Stevens, Solomon
Wilson, Gons[?] [Gance?]	Logan, Joseph	Tuiney[Turney?], William
Caperton, James G.	McDuff, John M.	Teaters, Jacob
Graves, Elijah	Miller, Micajah P.	Tharp, Caloway
Gofer, Josiah	Malay, David	Wood, John
Hammons, Leroy	Meadows, Willm. J.	Winn, Samuel
Hammons, Charles W.	May, Washington T.	Weaver, James
Hammons, Woodson	Pain, Augustine	Gibson, Benjamin I[?]
Hughes, Joshua	Parks, William D.	Russell, James A.
Hamilton, Willm. J.	Parker, Lewis	
Harris, McNairy	Roark, Page	

**NORWOOD'S COMPANY - 2nd ALABAMA MOUNTED VOLUNTEERS
(Jackson County)**

The following mustering-out roll was dated 17 August 1836. Please note the difference in the spelling of some of the names as compared to the mustering-in roll above.

Norwood, Henry - Captain	Carr, Hiram	Logan, Joseph
Cowan, John F. - 1st Lt.	Chaddoc, William D.	McDuff, John M.
Lynch, Elijah - Ensign	Caperton, George W.	Miller, Micajah P.
Williams, James - 1st Sgt.	French, Stephen C.	Maloy, David
Bolton, Sevier - 2nd Sgt.	Fulcher, Jefferson	Meadows, William J[I?]
McMahan, John - 3rd Sgt.	Farmer, William	Pain, Augustine
Chiles [Giles?], John - 4th Sgt.	Gunter, William	Parks, William D.
Klepper, John - 1st Cpl.	Gibson, Benjamin F.	Parker, Lewis
Cawfield, John - 2nd Cpl.	Gance[?], Wilson	Rowark, Page
Neely, Adison H. - 3rd Cpl.	Graves, Elijah	Roswell, Peter
Wright, John - 4th Cpl.	Gover, Josiah	Ragland, Burrell A.
Gunter, Augustus - Bugler	Hammons, Leroy	Roswell, Preston
Armstrong, Lewis A. - Private	Hammons, Charles F.	Rogers, Robert
Allen, Williams S.	Hammons, Woodson	Russell, James A.
Berry, John	Hughs, Joshua	Starkey, Elijah
Bows, Thomas	Hamilton, William J.	Sanders, Elijah
Brooks, John E.	McNary, Harris	Swink, Philip D.
Bri ggs, Andrew I.	Hargass, Thomas	Stephens, Solomon
Caperton, John E.	Hamilton, John	Tinney, William
Chambers, John G.	Ivey, Brantly	Teters, Jacob
Caperton, James G.	Ivey, Jarret I.	Calaway, Tharp
Cargile, Jason	Justice, James D.	Wood, John
Cook, John F.	Kerby, Milton	Weaver, James
Chaddoc, James W.	Kelsaw, Isaac	Winn, Samuel
Childers, John K.	Kerby, Richard I.	

ACTS OF ALABAMA

NORTH ALABAMA

AN ACT to exempt certain property therein named from levy and sale for the use of every family in the counties of Jackson, Marshall, Madison, Limestone, Lawrence, Franklin and DeKalb.

That from and after the passage of this Act, the following property, besides what is already exempt by law, in the counties of Jackson, Madison, Marshall, Limestone, Lawrence, Franklin, and DeKalb shall be exempt from levy and sale by any legal process, for the period of two years except such as may be used for the collection of taxes:

1. All household and kitchen furniture.
2. All machines and machinery for making cloth not kept for sale
3. Five cows and calves, five horses or five mules that are used for farming purposes, and fifty head of hogs.
4. All the meat, fodder, corn, wheat, meal, and flour on hand not kept for sale.
5. All farming implements of every kind not kept for sale.
6. All tools or implements of any mechanical trade not kept for sale.
7. Real estate, together with the homestead, not to exceed 500 acres, to be selected by the head of the family.

Approved: 23 February 1866

An Act to Preserve Records

Whereas it is noble and customary in all civilized nations to honor and perpetuate the memory of those who fall in the service of the State; and whereas, it is eminently just and proper in the exercise of a natural and sacred affection for her brave sons who surrendered their lives at her demand in the late war, and respect for the services of those who went forth to battle at her command, that the State of Alabama shall cause to be preserved such authenticated memorials of them as it may be possible to obtain; and whereas, W. H. Fowler has in his possession a collection of written records and historical memoranda concerning Alabama soldiers, living and dead, invaluable to the people of the State, and which ought to be possessed by her for preservation in her archives; therefore:

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Alabama in General Assembly convened,* that the Governor be, and he is hereby authorized and directed, to purchase and obtain from the said W. H. Fowler, the above described records and historical memoranda, paying to him therefor the sum of three thousand dollars, and to direct the Comptroller to draw his warrant upon the Treasurer of the State for said sum, in favor of the said W. H. Fowler, and the same shall be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated. And the said records, when so obtained, shall be deposited in the archives of the State as a perpetual memorial concerning her soldiers named therein.

Approved 14 December 1865

EARLY POSTMASTER APPOINTMENTS

(IN NORTH ALABAMA)

The following appointments were copied from the microfilm and contributed by Rane Pruitt. They are a record of the appointments of postmasters in the various postoffices throughout North Alabama from the Territorial period to 1832.

Hazel Green (Miss. Terr., Madison Co.) - Robert Erwin - 1 July 1817
Hickory Flatt (Miss. Terr., Madison Co.) - Thomas Miller - 1 July 1815
Huntsville (Miss. Terr., Madison Co.) - John Perkins - 1 July 1811
Huntsville (Miss. Terr., Madison Co.) - Stockley D. Hutchings - 1 Jan. 1817
Meridian [now Meridianville] (Miss. Terr., Madison Co.) - Benjamin S. Pope - 1 July 1816

AFTER STATEHOOD

Athens (Limestone Co.) - William McCrackin - 27 March 1828
_[illegible] _ Bridge (Franklin Co.) - Henry N. Lewis - 26 June 1827
Burrns (Lauderdale Co.) - John Martin - 29 January 1823
Burrns (Lauderdale Co.) - Richard H. Wilhot - 31 January 1929
Burrns (Lauderdale Co.) - James E. Matthews - 2 May 1829
Bellefonte (Jackson Co.) - Rowan A. Smith - 5 Aug. 1828
Bellefonte (Jackson Co.) - Elijah Hambrough[?] - 30 Aug. 1830
Brownsboro (Madison Co.) - Grant Taylor - 23 March 1826
Brownsboro (Madison Co.) - Thomas Simmons - 17 Dec. 1825
Brownsboro (Madison Co.) - Charles Simmons - July, 1832
Browns Ferry (Limestone Co.) - Joshua Cox [No date]
Browns Ferry (Limestone Co.) - Bartley Cox [No date]
Clayville (Jackson Co.) - A. R. Barclay - 28 June 1831
Cotton Port (Limestone Co.) - Frank B. Nelson - 30 Jan. 1827
Cottonsville (Jackson Co.) - Middle T. Johnson - 18 May 1832
Crabb Ferry (Morgan Co.) - Thomas Crabb [No date]
Danridge[?] (Morgan Co.) - William Echols - 28 May 1828
Decatur (Morgan Co.) - Henry H. Rhodes [No date]
Dodsville (Jackson Co.) - Jacob Gross - 5 Sept. 1827
Fox's Creek (Lawrence Co.) - William Hayter
Fulton (Limestone Co.) - [No name or date]
[City not given] (Limestone Co.) - John Bryant [No date given.]
Helico (Jackson Co.) - William Turner - 3 Oct. 1833
Larkinsville (Jackson Co.) - David Larkin - 9 Feb. 1832
Lacy's Spring (Morgan Co.) - Theophilus Lacy Jr. - 22 Feb. 1831
Larkin Fork (Jackson Co.) - Jesse McElyea - 30 March 1830
Lexington (Lauderdale Co.) [No name or date given.]
Macon (Franklin Co.) - Peter Lester - 23 May 1830
Madison Springs (Madison Co.) - Samuel Chapman - June, 1832
Madison Springs (Madison Co.) - Wm. M. Morton - 28 Nov. 1832

Early Postmaster Appointments (-continued-)

Manchester (Madison Co.) - William H. Glasscock - 29 Oct. 1829
 Martins Store (Morgan Co.) - Charles Martin - 1831
 McDavids (Jackson Co.) [No name or date.]
 Moulton (Lawrence Co.) - [no first name] - Campbell - 3 May 1830
 New Boston (Franklin Co.) - William N. Irwin - 14 June 1832
 Newbrugh (Franklin Co.) - Brant G. Sugg - 10 July 1834
 New Hope (Madison Co.) - Littlebury L. Stone - 7 May 1832
 Newsom (Morgan Co.) - Henry Burns - July, 1832
 Newsom (Morgan Co.) - Riley W. Newsom - July, 1832
 Oakley (Madison Co.) - Eno. Rutledge - 21 Sept. 183_[?]
 Oakville (Lawrence Co.) - Richard Puchell - 3 May 1830
 Pleasant Springs (Limestone Co.) - Reubin Tillman - 11 Feb. 1831
 Redus Mill (Limestone Co.) - [No name or date given.]
 Red Hill (Jackson Co.) - Hiram Ferrel - 7 April 1832
 Reynoldsville (Jackson Co.) - John M. Reynolds - 9 Feb. 1832
 Rockhill (Morgan Co.) - Thomas A. Strain - 17 July 1832
 Sauta (Jackson Co.) - James Smith - January, 1832
 Simmons (Madison Co.) - Thomas Simmons - 3 July 1832
 Smith (Jackson Co.) [No name or date given.]
 Smithville (Limestone Co.) - L. D. Prather - 29 Dec. 1831
 South Florence (Franklin Co.) - Hugh Findley [No date given.]
 South Florence (Franklin Co.) - Robert Famer - 18 Ma7 1832
 Tuscumbia (Franklin Co.) - Joshua Prout - [No date given.]
 Vienna [Now New Hope] (Madison Co.) - L. L. Stone [No date given.]
 White Sulphur Springs (Morgan Co.) - [No name or date given.]
 Williamsport (Morgan Co.) - Joseph Bentley [No. date given.]
 Youngs Cross Roads (Lauderdale Co.) - Samuel Young - 29 Jan. 1830

Please note that there were no post offices in either Marshall or Colbert Counties. Marshall was not established until 1836 and Colbert was carved out of Franklin in 1867.

 CORRECTIONS

Vol. 19, No. 3, p. 137: Should be "Hugh N. Moore," not Merre. Please change your index also.

Vol. 20, No. 1

Table of Contents: Jackson County Probate Records should be Part 22, not Part 11.

Table of Contents: Marshall County's Orphans Court Record should be "1838-1839, Part 13,"

Page 4: Rutha M. Adamson, not Adams

Page 10: Second column: Tombstone of Mary E., "wife of N. P. Crover." (His name was omitted)

Page 28: No. 402, 2nd line should be "Edwin Dabbs" not Dobbs.

Page 35: Marshall County heading should be "Part 13"

Page 45: Morgan County Register, Pages 47 and 48: William Goodhue's name should have been carried as "William S.[L?] Goodhue." *



Colbert



COLBERT COUNTY WILL BOOK "A" - 1869-1903 6th Installment

The earliest Will Book in Colbert County is Book "A" which is from July 22, 1867 to May 11, 1903. Colbert County was carved from Franklin County in 1867. This series began in Volume 19. Abstracted from photocopies by Dorothy Scott Johnson.

Pages 85-86

JESSE COUNTS

Dated: 18 Dec. 1877

Prob: 11 March 1878

Executrix: My wife, Elizabeth Counts

Witness: Wm. S. Gray, Colbert Co.
T. J. Byars, Franklin Co.

I, Jessee Counts ... of the age of 79 years and being of sound mind and memory ... pay all just debts.

To my wife and her heirs, namely: Easter C. Counts, Henry C. Counts, Moses L. Counts, Nancy C. Counts, Joab W. Counts, Winfield S. Counts, and Unis A. Counts, all my property, both real and personal. My wife is to keep, use, and possess same during her natural life or widowhood or until the youngest child, Unis Ann, comes of legal age at which time my real estate is to be divided between the above named heirs. The personal property to be disposed of by my wife as the heirs come of age as she thinks right and just for all concerned. All the rest of my good, chattels, household and kitchen furniture of every kind goes to my wife.

/s/ Jesse Counts

Pages 87-88

JOHN JOHNSON

Dated: 14 April 1878

Prob: 13 May 1878

Executor: My friend W. T. White and
my bro. W. A. Johnson

Witness: W. A. Walker
Geo. T. McWhorter
W. H. Hannus

... being now in sound mind and in full possession of my mental faculties, aware of the uncertainty of life ...

To my well beloved wife, Laura A. Johnson, \$25,000 to be selected by her from my estate in money, lands, mules, cows, horses, stock, household and kitchen furniture.

To Horace Johnson my gold watch and \$100 cash.

To Isabella Terry \$100.

To my dearly beloved brother, W. A. Johnson, all the residue of my property, both real and personal.

I enjoin my legatees "as they love and revere my memory to carry out faithfully the provisions of this my last will in peace and harmony."

I empower my brother, W. A. Johnson, to give any of my friends or relations such amounts as he may see fit to give each of them but same is not to interfere with bequests made to my wife, Laura A. Johnson, or to Horace Johnson or Isabella Terry.

/s/ John Johnson

Pages 88-89

MARTHA ANN KING

Dated: 14 April 1878

Prob: 12 Aug. 1878

Executor:

Witness: James H. Sockwell
S. A. Devaney

I, Martha Ann King ... of the age of Forty three years and being of sound mind & memory ...

To my husband, William King, all my real estate owned by me before our marriage being the SW/4 Sec. 2-6-11W "and the north fourth" of the NW/4 of Sec. 11-6-11W except 10 acres off the east end of said 40 acres; and 6 acres off the NE/4 NW/4 Section 11-6-11W and 8 acres from the west side of the NE/4 NW/4 Sec. 11-6-11W plus some lots [description given] in Sec. 11-6-11W totaling about 125 acres which property was purchased by me and my former husband, Alexander C. Townsend

Martha Ann King Last Will & Testament (-continued-)

late of Colbert County, and paid for with money from the estates of my father and
uncle [not named.]

her
Martha X Ann King
mark

Pages 90-91 W. P. ROBERTS

Dated: 7 June 1878

Prob: 14 Oct. 1878

Executrix: My wife, Fannie Roberts

Witness: John H. Weaver Jr.
Wyatt Oates

... considering the uncertainty of this life and being of sound mind and memory ...
To my beloved wife, Fannie Roberts, all of my estate, real and personal, forever.
/s/ W. P. Roberts

Pages 91-92 ARABELLA DOBBINS

Dated: 24 Aug. 1878

Prob: 5 Nov. 1878

Executor: L. E. Forsythe

Witness: T. Armistead Sr.
Gus A. Henry Jr.

"I, Arabella Dobbins, now a temporary sojourner of Colbert County" ... pay funeral
expenses ...

To my grandniece and namesake, Arabella Armistead, my Topaz necklace, earrings and
breast pin.

To Miss Ella W. Henry my straw silk handkerchief.

To Miss Marina[?] Gray my grenadine dress and silk skirt.

To my grandniece, Miss Elizabeth Baker Armistead, all my clothing, wearing apparel and
household effects of whatever name and nature, including portraits, scotch pebble
bracelets, scotch pebble and silver breast pins, watch chain, Topaz watch key and
gold heart ornament.

To my nephew, L. E. Forsythe and my grandniece, Mrs. Elizabeth Baker Armistead, all
my money now in the hands of L. E. Forsythe, my nephew, and the residue of my
property of every description to be equally divided between them.

/s/ Arabella Dobbins

Pages 92-93 CASANDRA LEACH

Dated: 4 March 1872

Prob: 6 Jan. 1879

Executor: My nephew, Ceasar Pearsall Jr.

Witness: H. P. Gipsen
Jerry P. Rand
C. W. Beaumont,
all of Tuscumbia, Al.

I, Casandra Leach, of the town of Tuscumbia ... being of sound mind and memory and
considering the uncertainty of life ... pay my just debts and my funeral expenses ...

To my beloved brother, Ceasar Pearsall, all my real estate consisting of Lot No. 638 in
Tuscumbia and all my personal property and upon his death it is to be equally
divided among his heirs.

her
Casandra X Leach
mark

Pages 94-95 WILLIAM HENRY BRYAN

Dated: 1 Oct. 1878

Prob: 8 Feb. 1879

Executor: My son Edward Bryan

Witness: Robert Wardlow
E. B. Vandiver
James Young

I, William Henry Bryan ... of the age of about 58 years and being of sound mind and memory
but sick in body ... pay funeral charges and all just debts, dues and demands against
my estate ...

(-continued-)

William Henry Bryan Last Will & Testament (-continued-)

My children, born in lawful wedlock with my late wife, Nancy Ann Bryan, namely:
 John William Bryan, Sarah Elizabeth Bryan, Enoch Simon Bryan, Mary Jane Bryan, Edward Bryan, Eliza Bryan, and Katie Bryan are to share and share alike in my estate, both real and personal, except my sons John William and Enoch Simon who have already received some property; John William and Enoch Simon are to each receive \$1. as their share of my estate.

It is my desire that my children improve the mountain land at the spring, reside there and upon the old farm I desire them to raise cotton, potatoes, corn, etc.

I appoint my son Edward my chief executor and "our old tried relative and friend, William Acock of Colbert County" as his advisor, both to be compensated for their services. I enjoin my son Edward that he is "entrusted with the property in trust for himself and his sisters." Under no circumstances is Acock to allow Edward to "squander or waste the property or the proceeds thereof."

/s/ William Henry Bryan

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F. C. VINSON

Dated: 15 Feb. 1879
 Prob: 21 April 1879
 Executor: My son, John D. Vinson

Witness: R. F. Landers
 J. Harlow
 Jno. Hardy

NOTE: F. C. Vinson was the son of Drury Vinson whose will is mentioned herein. It is not on record in Colbert County so we must assume Drury died a resident of Franklin County before Colbert was carved from Franklin. This means that Drury's will was one of those burned in one of the Franklin County courthouse fires. For this reason, I have chosen to copy more of the will verbatim than is normally done in will abstracts.

"I, F. C. Vinson of the County of Colbert & State of Alabama do make and declare this to be my last Will & testament.

"My Father, Drury Vinson, by his last Will, having clothed me with power & authority to make a will and thereby make any changes I might deem necessary and proper in the decent of any portion of the property in which I had a life interest by his Will, or of any of which I might subsequently have a life interest by the death of my mother;

"Now it Seeming to me to be right and proper & judicious that the changes hereinafter mentioned should be made I therefore declare that any & all the changes which I may make from my Father's will to be right & proper & called for from the present Surrounding circumstances & is my will:

"1st I deem it proper to Sell the plantation known as the "Washington Place" lying on North side of M&C Railroad, containing 1619 acres more or less, to B. F. Little for which he has paid in full and recorded a deed; Now it is my Will that no person whatever shall ever disturb or attempt to disturb or Set aside Said deed to Said plantation claiming right under my father's Will.

"2nd. I deemed it proper also to Sell to Thomas W. Young the East half of N.W. 1/4 of Section 24, Township 4, Range 10 West, for which he has paid in full and recorded a deed and it is my will that no person whatsoever claiming right under my Father's will Shall ever attempt to Set aside or invalidate said deed to said land.

"3rd. I have sold to Isaac E. Young the SW/4 of SE/4 of Section 15, Township 4, Range 10W Containing forty acres more or less for which he has paid in full & recorded a deed, it is my will that no person whatsoever claiming right under my father's will Shall disturb possession under said deed, or attempt to invalidate the Same."

To my children, Percy Vinson, Emma Lee Vinson, Charles Emit Vinson, and Annie Fletcher Vinson, the W/2 NW/4 Sec. 24-4-10W, the SW/4 Sec. 24-4-10W, the W/2 Sec. 25-4-10W, the E/2 SE/4 Sec. 26-4-10W and E/2 NE/4 Sec. 35-4-10W and "all the Mountain land lying south of Lagrange in Township 4, Range 10 West" which I may own, commonly called the "Frost Spring tract," except two acres upon which my Summer residence now stands which I give extra to my son Charles Emit Vinson and my daughter Annie Fletcher Vinson "provided none of my children or grand children shall be debarred from the privilege of building at and spending their summers at the Springs." Also half the lands I own in Twp. 5, Range 11W, commonly called the "Napier tract" is to be sold at my death.

My lands to be kept together and the plantation run for the maintenance and education of the

F. C. Vinson Last Will & Testament (-continued-)

above named children except as it may be divided and given to each as they successively marry or arrive at lawful age.

The other half of the lands in Township 5, Range 11W I give to my three older children:
John D. Vinson, Mary C. Blakemore, and Pattie J. Hardy.

To my wife, Annie H. Vinson, I give the "Kennedy Place" it being the NW/4 Sec. 36-4-10W and the NE/4 SW/4 Sec. 36-4-10W during her natural life or widowhood. At her death or marriage the land is to be equally divided between Charles Emet Vinson and Annie Fletcher Vinson.

To my wife my household and kitchen furniture, the stock of horses, mules, cattle, hogs, corn, fodder, meat, and tools during her natural life or widowhood. At her death the real and personal property given her is to be "divided equally between her four children."

"By my father's will, all of the notes, accounts & evidences of debt are given to me for my life & I do now devise & bequeath to my Son Charles Emet and Daughter Annie Fletcher Vinson all Money on hand and all Notes, accounts & other evidences of debt which may have come from my father's estate or my individual estate which may be on hand at my death."

/s/ F. C. Vinson

Pages 90-100 ARETUS JONES TURNER

Dated: 7 Jan. 1879

Prob: 9 June 1879

Executor: Elphonzo L. Steenson and
Elonzo S. Little

Witness: Washington A. Gilbert
Presley H. Hobbs

... being of sound and disposing mind and memory ...

To my beloved wife, Laura P. Turner, \$1000 forever. Also the SW/4 Sec. 17-3-10W except 60 acres off NE end of said quarter upon which is situated what is known as the "lower Mill," during her natural life and at her death it is to go to my daughter, Ann Eliza N. O. Steenson and her heirs.

At my death all my personal property is to be sold and \$100 of proceeds given my wife, Laura P. Turner.

To my son, Abner C. Turner, 60 acres off the SW/4 Sec. 17-3-10W on which is located the "lower Mill." Also the NW/4 Sec. 17-3-10W lying along the south bank of the Tennessee River.

The balance of the money arising from sale of my personal property and any other money I may have, is to be divided as follows:

To my grandson, Turner Steenson, half the money.

To my grandson, Elphonzo Steenson, 1/4 of the money.

To my daughter, Ann Eliza N. O. Steenson, 1/4 of the money.

/s/ Aretus J. Turner

Page 100-101 PRISCILLA B. WARREN

Dated: 12 Feb. 1874

Prob: 22 Nov. 1881

Executor: Dr. G. Kumpe

Witness: Rebecca F. F. Kumpe
Kate E. Kennedy

... of sound mind and memory ... and being desirous to make disposition of my worldly effects for the benefit of my younger children ...

"I desire that after my death, all the property which I hold in my own name shall be kept together for the purpose of aiding in maintaining and educating Mattie, Henry, Alice, Eunice, Charlie, Bert, and the youngest, and that said property shall remain So until February, 1890 at which time an equal division shall take place between my living children." [Note: Last name of children not given but was probably Warren.]

/s/ Priscilla B. Warren

NOTE: This will was proven by Kate E. Kennedy who stated the other witness, Rebecca F. F. Kumpe, was now dead.

Page 101-107 WILLIAM DICKSON

Dated: 30 March 1872
 Prob: 4 March 1881
 Executor: My son Barton Dickson and my
 son-in-law John L. Strong.

Witness: Margie Strong
 W. T. Sullivan

... through the mercy of God [I have] lived beyond my three score and ten years and [am] now in my Seventy fourth year ... being of sound mind and disposing memory ... pay just debts. ...

To my beloved wife, Elizabeth Dickson, all that portion of my homestead plantation upon which we now reside lying between the Memphis & Charleston Rail Road and the old Stage road and East of Buzzard Roost Creek; also the NW/4 Sec. 11-4-14W on which Jesse Ross, a colored man, now lives; all the household furniture, tools, wagons, carts, Buggy, and all other personal property on the plantation including horses, mules, cattle, hogs and etc. Also all my stock in the Memphis & Charleston Rail Road during her natural life.

To my wife, bonds in the Memphis & St. Louis Rail Road, when issued, and after her death to be divided equally between my son, Barton Dickson, and my two daughters, Margie Strong and Loutie Ward.

To my son, Barton Dickson, my homestead plantation being the W/2 Sec. 33-3-14W and a lot in the SW corner of SE/4 Sec. 33-3-14W upon which the old school house and old store house stands and bounded on the east by a Badock Hedge and on the north by the Tuscumbia old stage road; also a lot in SW corner of a 40 acre tract belonging to Annie A. Huston, wife of Dr. James M. Huston, in SE/4 Sec. 33-3-14W bounded on the south by the Tuscumbia old State Road and on north by the Chickasaw Road; also the E/2 Sec. 32-3-14W; also the NW/4 Sec. 11-4-14W subject to the reservation in favor of my beloved wife [See second paragraph]. Also the SW/4 Sec. 32-4-14W, the SE/4 Sec. 6-5-14W and the NE/4 Sec. 7-5-14W; also fractional quarter section 7-5-13W (89.61 acres). I also give to Barton Dickson the amount I heretofore furnished him for business and housekeeping. I also give him 1/3 of my Memphis & St. Louis Rail Road stock when it is issued.

To my beloved daughter, Margie Strong, wife of John L. Strong, in her own right, all my land in Crittenden County, Ark. in Twp. 8 North and Range 8 East [land description given]. Also half of all my lands in Tennessee and Mississippi and in the town lots in Corinth, Miss. that are held by Arthur Reynolds and myself. Also half the cattle I own in Crittenden County, Ark; also 1/3 of my stock in the Memphis & St. Louis Rail Road, yet to be issued.

To my beloved dau., Loutie Ward, wife of T. H. Ward, in her own right, all my land in Crittenden Co., Ark. in Twp. 8 North, Range 9 East [land described]; also half of all my lands in Tennessee and Mississippi and in the lots in Corinth, Miss. that are held by Arthur E. Reynolds and myself. Also half the cattle I own in Crittenden County, Ark; also 1/3 of my stock, yet to be issued, in the Memphis & St. Louis Rail Road.

To my beloved grandson, William Dickson, son of Barton Dickson, all of Sec. 6-8-9E in Crittenden Co., Ark., to be held by Bartin until William comes of age.

To my son, Barton Dickson, and my daughters, Margie Strong and Loutie Ward, jointly, all my interest in the coal fields in Alabama and I advise them not to sell any interest further than is necessary to build a railroad to the coal fields.

My grave is to be enclosed in the same manner as those of my Father, Reuben Dickson, and my father-in-law, Hugh Barton.

/s/ Wm. Dickson

Page 108-110 THOMAS SKIDMORE

Dated: 26 Oct. 1880
 Prob: 14 June 1881
 Executrix: My wife, Nancy Skidmore

Witness: John D. Rather
 J. H. Simpson

... of sound and disposing mind ... pay just debts and necessary funeral expense ...
 To my beloved wife, Nancy Skidmore, all my estate both real and personal or mixed.
 /s/ Thomas Skidmore

Page 110-112 PAGIE ANN HOBBS
 Dated: 8 May 1881
 Prob: 26 Nov 1881
 Executor: Not named

Witness: Edward P. Rand
 Paschal (X) Revel

... being of sound mind ...

To my son, Alexander Hobbs, my youngest children, Rebecca Hobbs and Henry Edward Hobbs; and in order that said Alexander Hobbs may be able to support, maintain, and property care for my children, Rebecca and Edward Henry Hobbs, I bequeath to him the following personal property, viz: one mule, 3 head of horses, cow and calf, one yoke of oxen, sheep, wagon, and all household furniture with the hope and belief that my son will care for and raise up Edward as he should be raised and be good to Rebecca and care for her and protect her.

her
 Pagie Ann (X) Hobbs
 mark

Page 112-113 JOHN H. WEAVER SR.
 Dated: 18 Jan. 1881
 Prob: 10 July 1882
 Executor: My son, Henry W. Weaver

Witness: W. H. White
 J. T. Thompson
 T. W. Thompson

To all of my sons and daughters all of my estate in equal portion except my daughter, Fannie A. Roberts, widow of W. P. Roberts, and my daughter, S. L. Payne, deceased, wife of R. H. Payne, each to whom I advanced \$2000; that amount is to be deducted from their share of my estate. I advanced \$500 to my son, Henry W. Weaver which sum is to be deducted from his share of my estate. Any advance made to my children during my lifetime is to be deducted from their share of my estate.

Page 114-116 MARY A. HARLAND
 Dated: 26 April 1882
 Prob: 31 July 1882
 Executor: James T. Harland

Witness: Emma E. Mays
 Geo. T. McWhorton

... being now of sound mind and in full possession of my faculties ... pay just debts ...
 To my well beloved granddaughter, Melora Ann Turbeville, a minor, 60 acres of land.
 To my beloved husband, A. C. Harland, and my dear son, A. L. Smith, equally, the balance of my land, all my household and kitchen furniture, and all my beds and bedding.

To my beloved husband one roan mare and one spotted heifer.
 The balance of my property to my husband, A. C. Harland, and my son, A. L. Smith, to be equally divided between them.

/s/ Mary A. Harland.

Page 116-117 WILLIAM C. CROSS
 Dated: 31 July 1882
 Prob: 2 Oct. 1882
 Executrix: My wife, Mary A. F. Cross.

Witness: W. C. Wheeler
 W. G. Askew

I have already provided for the comfort of my son, B. J. Cross, and my daughter, Amanda R. Lile.

To my son, B. J. Cross, in trust for my son, William C. Cross, the N/2 of Section 24-3-14W.

To my wife, Mary A. F. Cross, the balance of my estate after paying just debts.

/s/ Wm. C. Cross

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87 GLAZE, McNEELEY, BILES, KELLY/KELLEY

Seeking grandparent's kinfolks. Thomas E. Glaze b 14 Nov 1858 Lime-stone Co., AL, son of Thomas Jefferson Glaze and Rebecca Ann McNeeley. Mary Virginia Biles b 1 Jun 1865 Giles Co., TN, dau of Stephen N. Biles & Sarah E. Kelly/Kelley. Thomas E. Glaze m Mary Virginia Biles 14 Apr 1881 & moved to TX ca 1892. Wish to correspond with anyone re-searching these names.

Annie Jo Hartley, 200 North 5th Street, Slaton, TX 79364

88 VINSON, HARDWICK, GREENHILL

Would like to correspond with descendants of Edwin S. Vinson, 58 yrs old in 1860 census of Franklin Co., AL. Born NC, wife was Rhona Hardwick, b SC, age 55. Were Children Coatney & Richard, listed in household the children of James M. Vinson? Were they grandchildren of Edwin & Rhona? Rhona d bef 1868 because Edwin m Mary Ann Greenhill & had a child by 1869.

Mrs. Dorothy H. Turner, 1843 Judy Circle, SE, Marietta, GA 30060

89 BUCHANAN, MARTIN

Has anyone heard of Buck's Mill in Madison Co.? My great grandfather, Thomas Wiley Buchanan d 23 Mar 1863 & is buried there according to family tradition. Also need parents of Anderson C. Martin b 31 Dec 1820 in Alabama, where? Please help. Any leads will be greatly appreciated.

Elizabeth R. Wishnevsky, Rt. 1, Polly Adams Rd., Belfast, TN 37019

90 McCARTY, BRANNON

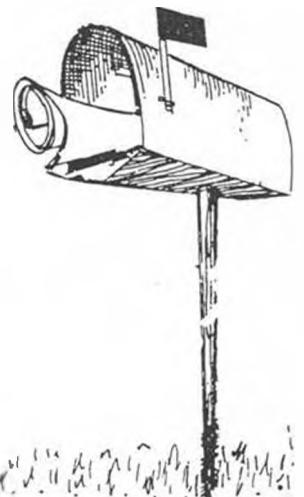
Seeking info on McCarty & Brannon families of Huntsville, AL. Henry Howard McCarty b 1825 SC, parents unknown. Married 1861 in Huntsville Sarah Brannon born Feb 1842 Augusta, GA. Her parents Nancy ? & John P. Brannon. Resided in Madison Co. until 1880 then moved to Faulkner Co., AR. Who were Henry Howard McCarty's parents & siblings? John P. Brannon was a blacksmith in Madison Co. until he also moved to AR in 1880.

Norma Clement, 6836 Leib Ct., Waterford, MI 48095

91 KIRK, WILKINS, SUGG

Wish to hear from any descendants of 2 bros from Orange Co., NC: Jesse L. Kirk, b 1791, d 1876 Franklin Co., AL Married 1813 Williamson Co., TN Mary "Polly" Wilkins; James Myrick Kirk, b 1794, d 1890 nr Russellville, AL, m 1822 Franklin Co., AL Terah Sugg. Also need book, "Southern Kirk and Carrell Families", by Mrs. Arch Bruce Marshall, 1971

John Brooks Hodges, 9010 Poplar Pike, Germantown, TN 38138



92 MOON

Researching family of William Moon. Probate records early 1840's list following children - George W., Andrew J., Eliza C., Malinda Hannah, James L., William J., & Hester P. Moon. Would appreciate any help.

COBB, HORNBUCKLE

Need info on the family of John Cobb, believed to be the son of James T. Cobb and Nancy Cobb. John Cobb m Adaline Hornbuckle in Madison Co., AL. Children - Finney N., Allie Mae, Lonnie Milneder, Mittie & James T. Cobb.

FARMER, FLETCHER

Researching family of Thomas Farmer, b ca 1825 SC. Served in Civil War on Confederate side, joined in GA. Married Mahala Whitaker Fletcher in Madison Co., AL. Children - Joseph, Austin, Johnston & Sallie Farmer. Would appreciate any help on these families & will share information.
Mrs. Lenza Moon, 398 Coggins Rd., Ardmore, AL 35739

93 TAYLOR, DUKE

Jesse Taylor b 1820 AL & Nancy Duke b 1815 SC m Jefferson Co., AL 1842. Children: Aaron H., James L., Robert B., Katherine & John. Who were parents of Jesse & Nancy? Would like to correspond with anyone working this Taylor-Duke line.

HARRIS

Andrew J. Harris b 1813 NC and wife, Rosannah (maiden name unknown) b 1818 TN. Settled in Franklin Co., AL. Children: Nancy, Mary, James, Joshua, Catherine, Jane, Robert, William, Elender, Andrew, Tennessee & Noah. Who were parents of Andrew J. & Rosannah? Would like to correspond with anyone working on this Harris line.
Barbara Anne Dean, Route 1, Box 216, Century, FL 32535

94 BROWN, SMITH, MORRIS, HAMPTON

Would like to correspond with anyone working on these lines. George Brown, b 1828 SC, fought in Civil War for South, m Sarah Morris b 1832 GA, married ca 1850 GA. Children: Gideon b 1852 GA; Virginia b 1855 GA; Ranson b 1858 GA; James b 1861 GA; David b 1866 IN; William b 1870 AL; Joel b 1872 AL; Charley b 1876 AL. Joel Baskin Brown was Lt. Gov. of AL? David Smith b 1845 GA, d 1879 AL, m 1876 AL Martha Ann Hampton, b AL?, d 1890 AL. They had one son, Patric Smith b 1877/78.
Doris Laster, Rt. 2, Box 1196, Alma, AR 72921

95 LEE, WALLACE, McCARVER, ASKEW, COOK, QUILLEN, COUNTS, OSBORNE, BORDEN

Trying to find local descendants of William Hanes Lee, b 1818 in Littleville, Colbert Co., AL. He married Martha Jane Wallace. Was the son of John Lee & Celia McCarver, both b NC, migrated thru TN to Mt. Hope, AL area where they reared large family. Wm. Lee's daughters married into Askew, Cook, Quillen, Counts, Osborne, Borden families. Any contact will be appreciated.
Christian Lee Wolcott, 1423 Linden Lane, Biloxi, MS 39530

96 DODSON, JORDAN

Would like to contact anyone researching the North AL Dodson family. James Dodson lived in Limestone Co., AL 1821 & Jackson Co. in 1830 & 1840. Jesse Dodson applied for a license to be an Indian Trader Madison Co. 1810 & was in Jackson Co. 1830. John Dodson family who lived in northern Jackson Co. in 1850. Who were the ancestors of Andrew C. Jordan who m Elizabeth Dobson 4 May 1811 Madison Co? Was his father or grandfather Andrew Jordan who was a soldier in Rev War from Augusta Co., VA?

Mrs. William L. Price, 506 S. E. Avenue K, Idabel, OK 74745

97 BARNES, HOWELL

Looking for parents & first wife of John J. Howell, b 1805 SC, d 1887 Morgan Co., AL. His second wife was Martha Ann ? . Also need info on his son by 1st wife, William Howell & his wife Mary (or Anna) Barnes. They d between 1860 & 1870 & their children Thomas & Mattie, went to live with their grandfather John J. Howell. Any info on these families would be appreciated.

Judith Morgan Hetchler, 33 Paraiso Road, Ocean Springs, MS 39564

98 WARREN

Desire to exch info on Warrens of North Alabama, prior to 1860. Refund postage. Have much info on Reuben & John Warren.

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

99 LAMAR

Would like to correspond with anyone working on the Lamars from Pickens Co., SC. My ggg grandfather was Thomas Lamar, b bet 1774 & 1784 prob NC. Lived in Pendleton Dist., SC 1800-1820, Pickens Co. 1830 where he was a Justice of the Peace. Died ca 1839 DeKalb Co., AL. My gg grandfather was Thomas Fletcher Lamar who migrated to Lafayette, Pontotoc & Union Co. MS.

Madge Lamar Johnson, 391 East 900 North, Spanish Fork, UT 84660

100 EDDLEMAN, CHILDS, HARMON

Need info on Georgia Eddleman Childs & her sister Virginia B. Eddleman Harmon, daus of John C. Elleman who lived in Marshall Co., AL after 1885. Where did Virginia marry? Georgia married J. J. Childs on 14 Feb 1882 in Butts Co., GA. Is he the son of the John J. Childs of Albertville, AL who was a Confederate veteran listed on the 1907 Confederate Census who entered service at Macon, GA in May 1864? One J. J. Childs is buried at Fairview, AL cemetery, died 21 Jan 1911. John C. Eddleman, Virginia B. Harmon & W. P. Harmon are also buried there. Will exch info, pay cost of copying & postage.

Virginia E. Barnes, 145 N. Alabama Ave., Jackson, MS 39209

101 HUGGINS, HUDGINS, KNIGHT, JOHNSON

Need info on Daniel Huggins who m Nancy C. Knight ca 1860 Clay/Randolph Co., AL. Son George Washington Barto Huggins b 29 Aug 1861 Talladega Co. Nancy C. Knight b 26 Aug ? (1850's?), d 30 Sep 1926, m 2nd G. B. Johnson as Daniel Huggins killed in Civil War. Need info on parents of Nancy C. Knight, Daniel Huggins & G. B. Johnson. Will share.

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

102 KIRKSEY

Looking for the book "The History of the Kirkseys", written by Charles Kerr, or any info about the family. Will exchange research. Postage & copy costs reimbursed.

Bettye Kirksey Scott, 1702 S. Parkwood Dr., Harlingen, TX 78550

103 BATTLES, BROTHERS

Need parents of Lucinda Battles Brothers. Lucinda Battles b ca 1818 AL, m 1837 Brison Brothers, son of Calb Brothers of St. Clair Co., AL. The 1860 St. Clair Co. census names Nancy & Dolly C. Battles in Brison & Lucinda Battles Brothers household. Nancy & Dolly C. are in Samuel Battles' household in 1850 St. Clair census. Samuel probably dead in 1860. Samuel Battles is a son named in Noel Battles' will in St. Clair Co. I am trying to connect Lucinda Battles to Noel Battles, the Freedom Fighter who received pension in St. Clair Co.

Mrs. John C. Hardin, Rt. 1, Box 25, Moulton, AL 35650

104 BUTLER, McCLANAHAN, JOYCE, SLAUGHTER, HAYNES, BRANCH, SMITH, BUTLER, PICKETT

Need help on these Shelby Co., AL families. Lewis M. Butler b 1809 KY, m Margaret McClanahan d/o Samuel M. McClanahan & w Catherine. Children: Preston Irvin b 1842 Greene Co., AL, d 1916 Freestone Co., TX, m 2) Laura Arizona Joyce (who was 1st wife?); Mary J. b ca 1845 MS, in Shelby Co., AL 1850/60; Calvin D. b ca 1846 MS, in Shelby Co., AL 1850/60; Samuel Henry b 1848 AL, m 1) Sarah Alice Slaughter, 2) Martha T. Haynes 1919 Navarro Co. TX; Josephine Angeline b 1850 Shelby Co., AL, d 1887 Freestone Co., TX, m C. C. Branch; Sarah b ca 1852 AL. Martha Izora b 1853 Shelby Co. AL, d 1906 Freestone Co., TX, m Lewis Frank Smith; Leonard Mitchell b 1855 Shelby Co., AL, d 1919 Freestone Co., AL, m 1) Lizzie E. Butler, 2) Lou Ann Pickett. David Chesley Butler (bro of Lewis M.) b ca 1813 SC, d ca 1850, m Mary R. McClanahan (sis of Margaret McClanahan). Need info on missing children & vital statistics on the McClanahan sisters.

JOYCE, FORD, CONN, BUTLER

William Phelps Joyce, b 29 Mar 1831 GA, d 23 Aug 1920 Cherokee Co. TX, m Susan/Sarah Ford, b ca 1839/43 AL, d prior to 18 Sep 1895. Children: Laura Arizona b 1862 Natchitoches Par., LA, d 21 Sep 1940 Houston, TX, m 1) James Obedian Conn, 2) Preston Irvin Butler; Overton b ca 1865 LA; Thomas b 1866 LA; & four more daus. Need much info on this family.
Betty Morrow, Rt. 2, Box 96, Teague, TX 75860

105 HOLDER, CARLTON

Need info on Sarah Holder b ca 1811 TN, m Thomas Carlton ca 1835 Franklin Co. TN or Jackson Co., AL. When & where did she die? Where buried? Was she dau of Thomas Holder? Was Sarah Margaret Holder b SC her mother? Was Margaret Holder b ca 1825 AL & m John Winston Carlton (Thomas' son) ca 1845 her sister?

Lt. Col. George H. Carlton, 101 Noel, Waxahachie, TX 75165

106 CAMPER, MONTGOMERY

My grandfather, Andrew Jackson Camper, b 10 Mar 1848 Giles Co. TN, was the son of James W. Camper & Rosannah Montgomery. I believe he had a sister Parthenia Camper. I can not find my grandfather with his parents on any TN census. Any info will be greatly appreciated.

Juanita Frye, 4405 Center Dr., Florence, AL 35630

107 STRICKLAND/STRICKLIN/STRICKLING, TUNGATE, YOAKUM, STRAIN, CURTIS, WHITE HENDERSON, HARRISON, DOWNS

Would like to correspond & share notes with anyone researching Strickland/Stricklin/Strickling branches throughout TN, northern AL & northeastern MS, plus related families including but not limited to Tungate, Yoakum, Strain, Curtis, White, Henderson, Harrison & possibly Downs. Believe these families were in this area in the 1830's.

Robert C. Stricklin, P. O. Box 1931, Dallas, TX 75221-1931

108 McBRIDE

Please identify date of death & reference of death record and Will of Letha Clark McBride (w of John McBride, m 3 Dec 1818 Lawrence Co., AL) who d in Lawrence Co. between 1850 & 1853. According to census she was b ca 1799 TN.

McBRIDE

Please identify date of death & reference of death record & Will of Hugh McBride who moved to Lawrence Co., AL from TN ca 1818 when he was an old man. I believe he died in Lawrence Co., AL between 1818 & 1850.

Edward E. McBride III, 2712 Red Pine Road, Hillsborough, NC 27278

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