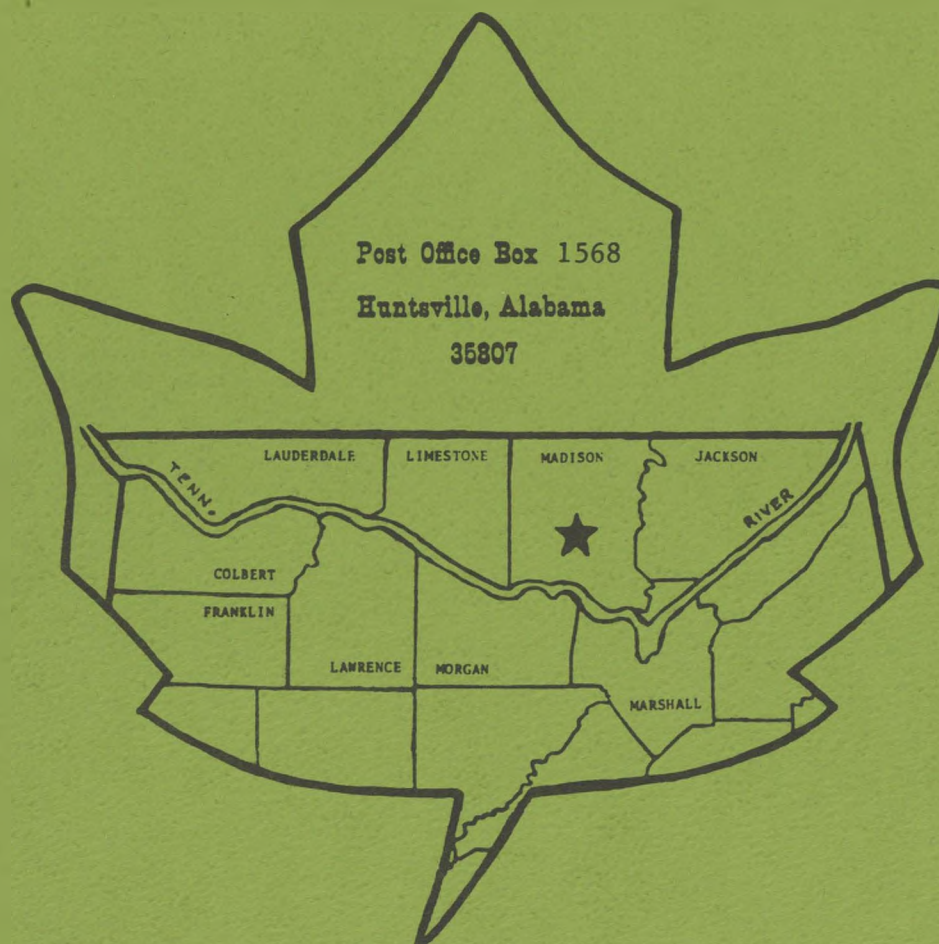


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Editor's Leaf



The long awaited compilation of cemetery records and other miscellaneous records on the Paint Rock area of Jackson County is now a reality. Copies of this 295 plus page book may be ordered from Addie K. Shaver, 2105 Maysville Road, Huntsville, Al 35811 (\$20.)

Our annual Spring Seminar in Genealogy was a smashing success. Seminar chairwoman, Shirley Greer, extends her appreciation to the many TVGS members who helped make it a success. A special thanks to Byron and Barbara Sistler who brought their books from Nashville to sell. Mr. Lloyd D. Bockstruck of the Dallas Public Library spoke on "Settlement and Western Migration of the United States." He was a most dynamic and informative speaker.

After six years as editor of *Valley Leaves* I am retiring to devote full time to genealogical research (and perhaps a little house-cleaning—goodness knows, it needs it!) I leave this quarterly in excellent hands. Miss Lois Robertson, a capable and talented lady, has just retired from an executive position with NASA and we are very fortunate to have her as our next editor. It is not without some pangs of regret that I bid adieu to the many wonderful people who have made my job a joy, but it is also with enthusiasm that I say, "Welcome aboard, Lois."

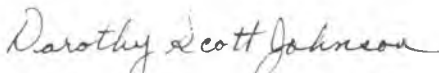
I can not leave the post of editor without a word of appreciation to two very special people without whose help *Valley Leaves* might never have reached your mailbox.


Margaret Matthews Cowart, past editor, has been a tremendous help. She has served as Query Editor and in that capacity the queries were furnished on time, camera ready, without me ever having to ask for them. Trying to decypher some of the queries and decide what was meant (as opposed to what was said) can be trying to say the least but Margaret did it and did it well without a murmur. She is also responsible for copying the names from the Decatur County Land Plats (a most tedious task) and typing them in order that made sense. Many names appear on those plats that do not appear anywhere else and without Margaret's courage in taking on the task they would still be unpublished.

The other person whose help (and sense of humor) has been invaluable to me is Judge William D. Page. Judge Page is the person who saw to it that orders for back issues were filled and that your *Valley Leaves* were property labled, grouped, and mailed on time. He has valiantly fought the battle of the Post Office bureaucrats and came away unscathed. He spent countless hours abstracting Alabama Supreme Court Cases, copying cemeteries in some remote area, and abstracting material from early documents for inclusion in *Valley Leaves*. Many introductions to articles were written only due to his broad knowledge of the old laws as they pertain to genealogy. And most of all, his marvelous sense of humor kept me going over some rough spots.


Thanks, Margaret and Bill, for it is greatly through your efforts that *Valley Leaves* has been lauded as one of the best quarterlies of its kind in the nation. And thanks, too, to those of you who have generously donated your time, family information, and talents to making *Valley Leaves* what it is today.

Adieu,


Dorothy Scott Johnson, Editor



Janet Baker Burks, Associate Editor, Lawrence County





North Alabama



DECATUR COUNTY

The exact location of the Decatur/Jackson County line remains elusive but it was in trying to locate it that negative photostats of the township plats of the Decatur County area were ordered. The public surveys of this land were conducted in 1822 and 1823 but annotations as late as 1888 are included. Located and secured by Catherine Gilliam, this information was transcribed by Dorothy S. Johnson and Margaret M. Cowart. This series began in Valley Leaves Volume 16, Number 1, September 1981.

Part 20

Township 5, Range 4 East (continued)

Section 23

Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ M. E. Kerr
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ John? W? Dunham?
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ "Old Entry"
 Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ John? W? Dunham?
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ "Old Entry"
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank

Section 24

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Gidion (J. W. Exum
 written over name)
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. W. Exum
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ James Anderson
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ M. L. Pinkston
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. W. Exum ?
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ James Anderson
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank ?
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ M. Shell
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ James Anderson
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ M. L. Pinkston
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Wm. Awberry?
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank

Section 25

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. T. Prater
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ M. Shell
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. T. Prater
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Wm. Awberry?
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ D. Guthery
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ D. Guthery
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ D. Guthery
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Jas? M. Wright
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank

Section 26

Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ Jas. K. P. Kerr
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Whitthorn?

Section 27

Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ E. Matthews
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ S. B. Baxter
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ S. B. Baxter
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SWP Blank

Section 28

N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ A. Kennemer
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. (or I?) Wright
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ A. Kennemer
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ A. Kennemer
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ G. W. Anderton
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ G. W. Anderton
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Lewis J. Boman?

Section 29

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ I. Wright
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Perkins
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Kline?
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Kennemer
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Lewis J. Boman?
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Page
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ D. Kennemer
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. J. Page
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Kennemer
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Wright
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ D. Kennemer

Section 30

N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Allen(Wm?) J? Chambless
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. L. Kennemer
 Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ Isaac Pruett
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ I. & E. Kennemer
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. M. Derrick
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Z. C. Kennemer
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ W. L. Kennemer
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ S. Kennemer

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Decatur County (continued)

Township 5, Range 4 East (continued)

Section 31

$N\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ S. Kennemer
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ S. E. Kennemer
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ D. Kennemer
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ S. Kennemer
 $N\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ S. Kennemer
 $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ D. Kennemer
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ S. Kennemer
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ J. Kennemer

Section 32

$NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ D. Kennemer
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Martin Farmer
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ S. Hill
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ D. K. Hill
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ J. Martin
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ S? D. Kennemer
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ L. Kennemer
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ Jno. Hill
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ J. Martin

Section 33

$N\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Tho. Bergin
 $N\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ Martin Farmer
 $N\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ Tho? Bergin?
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ J. R. Davidson
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ W. A. Davis
 (Last two entries
 had J. W. Exum writ-
 over the entry.)
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ Blank? (could be Martin
 Farmer)
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ W? A? Davis?
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ Willie A. Davis

Section 34

$NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ E. Matthews
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Jas. Wilson
 $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ Jas. Wilson
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ J. H. Boyd
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ S. H. McAdow
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ M. E. Kerr
 $N\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ J. R. Davidson
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ M. E. Kerr
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ J. R. Davidson

Section 35

Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $N\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ E. Matthews
 $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $N\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ Reuben C. Swearingin

$S\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ E. N? Guggey
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ Reuben C. Swearingin
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ S. H. McAdow?

Section 36

$E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ W. Hetton?
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ J. McDuffy
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ H. Cowly &
 J. Gross
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ W. A. McDuffy
 Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ R. Ivens (Jones?)
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ Reuben C. Swearingin
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ E. N? Guffy

Surveyor's District, Northern part of
 Alabama. Township No. 6, Range 4
 East. Surveyed in the 1st quarter of
 1823 by James W. Exum, Deputy Surveyor.
 Signed by Jno. Coffee, Surveyor.

Section 1

Contains pt of James Orr's
 Reservation
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ S. Cunningham (exclusive
 of Reservation)
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank (exclusive of res.)
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ Jas. Daniel (LW)
 $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ W. M. Hill (excl. of res.)
 $N\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ Blank (excl. of res.)
 $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ W. A. McCarny (excl. of
 reservation)

Section 2

$NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Jas. Daniel (LW)
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ E. U? Guffey
 $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ W. M. Hill
 Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ W. M. Hill
 Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $N\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ E. H. Starnes
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ E. H. Stevens
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ R. Simmons
 $N\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ J. Pendergrass
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ Blank

Section 3

$NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ M. E. Keer
 $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ G. W. Sailor
 $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ W. H. Cline
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ M. E. Keer
 $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ M. E. Keer
 $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ J. M. Benson
 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank

(-continued)

Decatur County (continued)

Township 6, Range 4 East (continued)

Section 4

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. M. Edwards
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ P. H. Davis
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ P. H. Davis
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Thos. J. Boyd
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. M. Edwards
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ T. G. Gesson?
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ T. G. Gesson?
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ T. G. Gesson?
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank

Section 5

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Thos. J. Boyd
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ L. Kennemer
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Wm. B. Busby
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Wm. B. Busby
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ U? Parker
 Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank

Section 6

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ A. Kline
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. T. Page
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ David Kennamer
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ L. Kennemer
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Z. Kennemer
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ P. R. Woodall
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ P. R. Woodall
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ P. Woodall
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Z. Kennemer

Section 7

N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ John P. Mayhall
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ C. Woodall
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ P. R. Woodall
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ P. R. Woodall
 Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ C? Bearden
 Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ N. Whittaker

Section 8

N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Winkler
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Parker
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Winkler
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Riggins?
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ John P. Mayhall
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Parker
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. S. Clark?
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Riggins
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Young B. Roberts
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ W. S. Clark?

SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$

Blank

Section 9

N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Wm. B. Willmon?
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Wm. B. Willmon?
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Isaac R. Burroughs
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Isaac R. Burroughs
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank

Section 10

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. M. Benson
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Guffy?
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ David M. Guffee?
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ M. Guffy
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. M. Benson
 Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ M. Guffy
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ S. Pendergrass
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. M. Benson

Section 11

Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ Jos? Pendergrass
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Pendergrass
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ I. Benson
 Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ Saml. Cruse
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Pendergrass
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ L. N. Jerrell
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ James Edgar

Section 12

Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ Contains pt of James Orr's
 Reservation
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Frac - G. Barton
 R. Chandler (Exclusive of
 Reservation)
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ G. Barton (Exclusive of
 Reservation)
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ R. Chandler
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. A. McCarley?
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. M. & J. M. Carter
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ E. Bohanan
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ D. Bohanan
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ L. D. Boshart

Section 13

N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ I. Smith
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ R. W. Anderson
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ R. W. Anderson
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Benson
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ S. P. Clark(Clack?)
 Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ frac to TN Riv. - R. W.
 Anderson
 Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ same as above
 (-continued)

Decatur County (continued)

Township 6, Range 4 East (continued)

Section 14

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Benson
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ S. P. Clark(Clack?)
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Johnson
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Martin
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ S. Benson
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. M. Barton
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ S. P. Clark(Clack?)
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Benson
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ A. C. Davis
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ O? J. Little
 Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ Jno. Martin

Section 15

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ E. Bohanan
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Wiliman
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ W. C. Dunham
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ D. Grammar
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Jno. Kite
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ W. C. Dunham
 Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Benson
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Jno. Kite
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank

Section 16

(School)

Section 17

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. S. Clack
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ T. Ward
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ T. R. Clap
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ D. Kennemer
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ T. Ward
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ W. S. Clack
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ S. Clack
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ T. R. Clap
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ B. S. Clap
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ S. Clack
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank

Section 18

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ W. S. Clack
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ B. Wildman
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ William Huggins
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ T. Sims
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ William Huggins
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Sims
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ William Huggins
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ D. A. Derrick
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ W? W. Derrick
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ C. C. Watson
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. M. Sutton
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ W? W. Derrick
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ D. A. Derrick

Section 19

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ D. A. Derrick
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ S. Boadly
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. M. Thomas
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Harper
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ W? W. Derrick
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ D. A. Derrick
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Harper
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Walker
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ I. Chandler
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. R. Sutton
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. C. Sutton
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ F. M. Holt

Section 20

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Guntharp
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Guntharp
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Wileman
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ J. M. Thomas
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Guntharp
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Guntharp
 Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ J. M. Thomas

Section 21

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ L. Manning
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Donated to State of Ala.
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ D. Bohanan

Section 22

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ J. Matthews
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ L. Manning
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ T. Murphy
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ L. Manning
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ O.(or P?) B. Manning
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ T. Murphy
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ A. L. Davis
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ R. Benson
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Blank

Section 23

E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ to TN Riv. D. Manning
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ to TN Riv. R. Rhea
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ W. Matthews
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ L. Manning
 Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ to TN Riv. J. Murphy

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Colbert

COLBERT COUNTY WILL BOOK "A" 1869 - 1903
8th 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.

Page 149-155 STEVEN S. HOGUE

Dated: 12 Aug. 1879 Tishomingo Co., Ms.
Prob: 10 Jan. 1880 Tishomingo Co., Ms. Witness: A. T. Matthews
Recorded: 24 Oct. 1885 Colbert Co., Al. H. T. Moss
Executor:

I, Steven S. Hogue, of Tishomingo Co., Miss., a farmer, being in ill health but of sound mind and memory ... pay just debts and funeral expenses ...

To my nieces, Nancy Kellorr[Kellow?], Alaminter Hampton, and Elizabeth Thompson, the daughters of my nephew, W. P. Thompson, equally, all my Bean Creek farm as follows: the SW/4 Sec. 14-3-11 in Miss; and the E/2 SE/4 Sec. 9-3-15; the W/2 and E/2 of NE/4 Sec. 9-3-15 in Colbert Co., Ala.

To my niece, Mrs. Cleopatra Blythe, my summer residence: the SW/4 Sec. 21-3-11.

To my niece, Mrs. Cansadria Roberson, the N/2 Sec. 27-3-11W.

To Dan W. Hogue and his sister, J. P. Hogue (colored), equally, the SE/4 Sec. 21-3-11; also 10 acres off the SW corner of SW/4 Sec. 22-3-11East [in Mississippi.]

The following property is to be sold at public sale: SW/4 Sec. 22-3-11 less 10 acres heretofore disposed of; the NE/4 Sec. 21-3-11 less 15 ac. heretofore disposed of; my undivided interest in the SW/4 Sec. 22-3-11; my perishable property of every description including horses, mules, oxen, cattle, hogs, sheep, plows, farming tools, and household and kitchen furniture. Proceeds to be used to pay my just debts and funeral expenses; the remainder is to be equally divided between my nephews, David Thompson, Arch Thompson, Jas. Thompson and Riley Thompson.
/s/ S. S. Hogue

Page 156-159 SAMUEL GREENHILL

Dated: 29 March 1883 Witness: W. C. Lee
Prob: 5 Oct. 1885 W. H. Blankenship
Executrix: My wife, Julia A. Greenhill and
my dau., Lenora R. Greenhill.

... for the love and affection which I bear toward by beloved wife and children, do hereby make this my last will & Testament ...

To my wife and my four children whose names are signed to this instrument, generally and jointly, all my real and personal property, household and kitchen furniture, stock of every kind, horses, cows, mules, hogs, money, notes and accounts, corn, fodder, grain, cotton seed and provisions, and my real estate as follows:

SW/4 Sec. 14-4-13W where my residence is, cont. approx. 150 ac;

N/2 SE/4 Sec. 15-4-13W except 15 ac. off went end sold to James Wright;

N/2 Sec. 27-4-13W cont. approx. 320 acres;

SW/4 Sec. 22-4-13W cont. approx. 160 ac., totaling 685 acres more or less.

My children, Leonora R. Greenhill, Carol D. Greenhill, Willie C. Greenhill, and David M. Greenhill, and my beloved wife, Julia Ann Greenhill, to receive my estate upon the following conditions:

The property is to be kept together until my youngest child, David Marcy Greenhill, comes of age, then divided.

To Carol D. Greenhill, my rifle.

To David M. Greenhill, my shotgun.

I entreat all business to my wife and my dau., Lenora R. Greenhill, who is under legal

Samuel Greenhill Last Will & Testament (-continued-)

age, therefore, "I this day set her free and give her full liberty to act for herself and if this will [does] not answer I hereby appount my brother, T. C. Greenhill, trustee for her" until she is of legal age.

I appoint my wife, Julia A. Greenhill, and my dau., Lenora R. Greenhill, my executrizes and guardian for my children until they come of age or marry.

I request that all my family live together until my youngest comes of age or marries. Each child to receive a bed, bed clothes, one cow and calf, one horse or mule, and supplies for the first year when they come of age or marry.

My wife's share of my estate to revert to my children, equally, upon her death.

/s/ Samuel Greenhill

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W. H. CHERRY

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| Dated: | 31 Aug. 1885 | Witness: | John J. Ventress |
| Prob: | 22 Sept. 1885 Nashville, Tn. | | Jno. T. Hillsman |
| Executor: | My son, Edgar Cherry and also James M. Head and John J. Ventress. | | R. N. Hardin |

I, W. H. Cherry of Nashville, Tenn. being of sound mind, memory and understanding ... pay just debts ...

To my beloved wife, Anna J. Cherry, the residence on Spruce St. in Nashville where we now reside. I request she convey same to our children, Minnie Head and William I[J?] Cherry, equally, but retain the use of it during her lifetime.

To my beloved wife, \$10,000. absolutely.

To my son-in-law, James M. Head, \$50,000. to invest and pay profits to my wife during her lifetime. At her death the money is to go to my children Edgar Cherry, Minnie Cherry, and William Cherry, equally.

To my beloved wife, Anna J. Cherry, during her lifetime, two lots including the stable next to our residence, the same being on Demonbreum St., and one on Spruce St. Also all my household and kitchen furniture, household utensils, my plate, china, pictures, provisions, watch, horses and carriages, etc., except such articles purchased especially for our children and except my buggy which I give to my son, William I[J?] Cherry.

To Mrs. Erwin, my wife's mother, \$200. per annum.

To my son, Edgar Cherry, \$500., in trust, to invest and pay the profits to Sue E. Irwin, my wife's sister, annually for 10 years or until her death if she dies before that time. At her death it is to be divided among my children, Edgar, William and Minnie. If she lives past 10 years she is to be given the money absolute.

To Mrs. Hattie L. Hardin, wife of Dr. R. A. Hardin, not less than \$5000 nor more than \$6000. in a house and lot to be selected by Dr. and Mrs. Hardin.

To my brother, Henry C. Cherry and his children, one-half of the old Eli Cherry homestead and the wild lands belonging thereto, close to Lowryville in Hardin Co., Tn.

To my sister, Mrs. Maggie Ross, wife of Isaac W. Ross, \$1000.

To my brother, Isaac Cherry, \$2000. in land to be chosen for him, for his lifetime, and at his death said property is to be divided equally among my children, Edgar, Minnie, and William.

To the Corporation for superannuated Methodist Preachers of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, and their families, widows and orphans of preachers, \$5000. Said sum to be paid to the Board of Trust (Col. E. W. Cole and others.)

To my son, Edgar Cherry, all my land and real estate in Hardin Co., Tn., except the old Eli Cherry homestead. This, along with what I have already given him, totals \$50,000.

To my dau., Minnie Head, my house and lot on Vine Street in Nashville, Tn. valued at \$8000. free from control of her present or any future husband.

To my son, W. I. Cherry, my lot on Vauxhall St. in Nashville, Tenn. which I value at \$8000.

My executor to convert to money all my property, real and personal, not herein specifically disposed of. The proceeds to be divided equally among my three children, Edgar, Minnie, and William.

W. H. Cherry, Last Will & Testament (-continued-)

I own an interest in the "Mountain Mills" near Barton, Colbert Co., Ala. My executors are empowered to expend not more than \$12,000 in the purchase of new machinery for said mills and with my associates to continue to run the same. If it is not advisable to make such an investment then they are to sell the mills.

I appoint Samuel J. Keith guardian of my son, William I. Cherry.

/s/ W. H. Cherry

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JANE B. BARTON

Date: 4 April 1885

Prob: 22 Feb. 1886

Executor: My son-in-law, William A. Johnson

Witness: John D. Rather

Ella P. Rather

To my dau., Katie Johnson, one-half interest, and to my son Clark T. Barton and grandson George N. Barton (when he comes of age) one-quarter interest each, in my two lots with brick residence thereon in Tuscumbia (now occupied by John A. Steele), and \$2050 due me by William A. Johnson (by a note). My home to be sold and proceeds divided as above stipulated. At death of my son, his share to be divided among his living children.

The three notes from William A. Johnson have been on interest since 1879 and must now amount to between \$8000-\$10,000. From this interest, pay my just debts and funeral expense with residue of interest going to my grandson, Dick Johnson and my granddaughters, Loutie Johnson, Jane Johnson, and Minnie Johnson, equally.

My son, Clarke T. Barton, has \$500. of mine in his hands. I give this money to my two grandsons, Clarke Barton and Price Barton when they reach age 21.

I have some personal property now at the residence of my son-in-law, W. A. Johnson, consisting of household furniture, silverware and etc. This property is to go to my granddaughters, the children of my son Clarke T. Barton and my daughter, Katie Johnson.

/s/ Jane B. Barton

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A. E. STEPHENSON

Date: 1 Aug. 1885

Prob: 26 Oct. 1885

Executor: My son, Wm. N. Stephenson

Witness: P. N. G. Rand

J. F. Anderson

E. E. Anderson

To my wife, Polly Ann Stephenson, all my estate both real and personal, during her lifetime. After her death my estate is to go to my son, William N. Stephenson, and my daughter, Mary E. Stephenson, equally.

In case of the death of my son, William N. Stephenson, without issue, then my daughter, Mary E. Stephenson, is to receive his share.

If my dau., Mary E. Stephenson, dies or marries then my son, Wm. N. Stephenson, is to receive her share.

To my son, Hugh J. Stephenson, \$1.00.

To the children of my deceased daughters, Josephine J. McGaha, Idella S. Golden, and Annie P. Ragan, the sum of \$1.00 each.

his
A. E. (X) Stephenson
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EDWARD WEBBER HOOPER

Date: 3 Jan. 1886

Prob: 5 March 1886

Executor: My wife, Louisa L. Hooper, and my son, John Hooper.

Witness: Robert Wardlow, Beason, Al.
Alpha Walker, Russellville,
Franklin Co., Al.

I, Edward Webber Hooper, of about 78 years of age ... of sound mind and memory but weak of body ... It is my Will to be buried in a plain and unostentitious way and in the form of the Baptist Church ... pay funeral charges, physician's bills and just debts ...

Edward Webber Hooper Last Will & Testament (-continued-)

pay the balance due on our homestead ...
 All my property, real and personal, to remain in hands of my executor as a home for my wife and family during her natural life and longer if required by my daughter.
 My land near Ligon Springs, Colbert Co., Ala., and well-known as the Scott Rauhoff, and other lands mainly in timber, to be cared for by my executor. My children may settle on this land.
 My sons to market the timber, pay themselves for same, and pay an equitable share to their mother.
 At death of my wife, Louisa L. Hooper, or when it is no longer necessary to keep the home for the minor children, my children may sell the property and divide the proceeds equally except for my eldest son, James T. Hooper, and my dau., Sarah C. Hooper, now the wife of James M. Wilson; they are not to share in the proceeds of the home property "only for the reason that they did not pay any share in the acquiring of the property neither in labor nor otherwise and not from any hard or ill feeling whatever."
 /s/ Edward W. Hooper

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JOHN A. McNEIL

Date: 15 Feb. 1878 Pontotoc Co., Miss.
 Codicil: 2 April 1881 Pontotoc Co., Miss.
 Prob: 26 July 1881 Pontotoc Co., Miss.
 Recorded: 13 July 1887 Colbert Co., Ala

Executor: My friends C. B. Mitchell
 and Anna M. Reed.
 Witness: Wm. L. Slack
 Andrew Brown
 A. J. Hall

Petition dated 23 July 1881, Pontotoc Co., Miss: C. B. Mitchell and Anna M. Reed of Pontotoc Co., Miss. filed their petition for Letters Testamentary. They stated that John A. McNeil, late a resident of Pontotoc Co., Miss. died in July, 1881 leaving a will with a condicil attached. Petitioners named executors in will.

Last Will & Testament

I, John A. McNeil, of Pontotoc Co., Miss. being of sound , disposing mind and memory ...
 pay just debts ...

My estate, except that specifically bequeathed herein, shall be equally divided among my nephews and nieces, the children of my brothers and sisters. Some of my brothers and sisters were indebted to me at the time of their deaths and those sums must be deducted from what their children will receive. At the death of my brother, Abb C. McNeil, he owed me on his land and it is still unpaid. His son, Joel, also owes me on his land.

To my niece, Mrs. Anna Reed, relict of Rasmus J. Reed, in whose house I have long lived and in "full appreciation and consideration of the uniform kindness and affectionate care she has always shown me" I bequeath to her all my livestock, household furniture, bed and bedding, books, maps, pictures, farming tools and provisions, and the house and lots where she now resides and the house and lot now occupied and used by Dr. A. J. Hall in the SW/4 Sec. 33-9-3E in the town of Pontotoc; also my half interest in the three quarter sections of land owned jointly by myself and George R. Witt; and a sufficient amount to support her and her children in comfort and to pay the tuition fee for the children one year after my death.

To my brother, E. H. McNeil, \$500.

My executors to settle claims of every kind and sell my interest in all lands. They are to inventory my holdings.

If any of my nephews or nieces die, their children are to have their share of my estate.

CODICIL dated 1 April 1881 and signed 2 April 1881

I have conveyed two deeds to Mrs. Anna M. Reed, one dated 26 March 1881 and the other dated 24 March 1881. She to also have a life insurance which I took out years ago. My executors should not be required to give bond.

Witness: A. J. Hall
 A. J. Brown
 N. Will Huntington

/s/ John A. McNeil

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MARGERUM CITY CEMETERY

This cemetery is probably located in Section 25-3-15W near Highway 20. It was copied by WPA workers in the 1930's.

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| Lula May, dau. of W. E. and O. D. Aker May 18, 1902 Oct. 22, 1907 | Frank Wallace Dec. 15, 1832 Aug. 9, 1898 | Martin V. Eridges May 31, 1845 May 9, 1881 | Wm. David Gaisser July 31, 1833 Jan. 2, 1855 |
| Mrs. John Wallace Died Aug. 5th 1933 Age 70 years | Mary A. Wallace July 28, 1835 Aug. 28, 1923 | Margaret Inlow Wife of J. L. Inlow March 8, 1827 Feb. 16, 1907 | Luis W., son of George F. & Mary A. Gaisser Aug. 30, 1857 Feb. 22, 1862 |
| Mary E. Wallace wife of W. W. Arnett Oct. 27, 1839 Oct. 8, 1898 | Ella A. Wallace April 28, 1861 Aug. 26, 1877 | Andrew H. Albright May 13, 1822 July 8, 1833 | Nicholas Parrish Nov. 2, 1771 Feb. 22, 1852 |
| Joseph H. Arnett July 27, 1878 July 30, 1879 | W. C. Guthrie Oct. 12, 1818 July 31, 1886 | Esther G. Inlow Dau. of J. & J. H. Albright Dec. 12, 1830 March 25, 1856 | James Parrish Feb. 5, 1828 June 28, 1851 |
| Emma O. Arnett Feb. 26, 1876 Sept. 4, 1878 | Elizabeth D. Guthrie Dec. 21, 1820 June 13, 1887 | Jacob R. Albright Apr. 19, 1810 Apr. 8, 1862 | Mary Kilpatrick Sept. 2, 1893 May 22, 1916 |
| Mrs. Sallie P. Mason Died Aug. 20, 1932 Aged 82 years | Mary F. Guthrie Mar. 8, 1853 Dec. 15, 1891 | Sarah, wife of J. E. Huckey Dec. 21, 1833 April 1, 1871 | Juanita Maxwell Nov. 28, 1932 Aged 23 yrs. |
| Eugenia H. Hardcastle Aug. 8, 1882 Feb. 13, 1913 | Caroline Guthrie Born 1846 Died 1931 | Jacob Albright May 11, 1800 Oct. 14, 1873 | Martha A. Kilpatrick Dec. 19, 1870 Oct. 30, 1897 |
| Charles G. Mason Born in Orange Co. Va., Nov. 30, 1829 Died July 12, 1901 | M. E. Sisk Oct. 23, 1882 Feb. 20, 1884 | Jane H. Albright wife of Jacob Albright July 31, 1805 Jan. 14, 1890 | Inf. son of W. W. & M. A. Kilpatrick Apr. 20, 1895 Jan. 26, 1896 |
| Emma Mason, wife of C. G. Mason Oct. 23, 1841 March 31, 1880 | James L. Sisk April 15, 1853 Feb. 21, 1883 | Miss S. J. Worsham April 31, 1866 May 16, 1881 | Charles C., son of W. C. & S. A. Gaisser Oct. 18, 1867 Aug. 19, 1870 |
| Mary Lucy Mason Dau. of C. G. & Emma Mason Aug. 1, 1871 Aug. 15, 1876 | William Sisk Aug. 15, 1826 May 9, 1861 | B. E. Worsham Feb. 21, 1820 June 12, 1894 | Henry L. G., son of W. C. & S. A. Gaisser Nov. 27, 1876 Nov. 29, 1876 |
| Susan Mason Dau. of C. G. & Sallie Mason Oct. 1, 1889 Oct. 9, 1895 | M. A. Wallace [No dates] | M. A. Worsham Apr. 31, 1834 Oct. 13, 1894 | Wm. C. Gaisser Aug. 25, 1833 Dec. 29, 1878 |
| Wiley A. Mason son of C. G. & Emma Mason March 11, 1867 April 10, 1895 | Martha A. Wallace Dau. of M. A. & A. R. Wallace Died Sept. 1, 1896 Age 5 yr., 9 mo., 12 ds. | Fannie Belle Worsham Dau. of B. E. & M. A. Worsham Nov. 11, 1898 24 years old. | Sarah Ann, dau. of Jno. D. & Ann M. Gaisser July 12, 1843 Oct. 2, 1843 |
| | R. L. Woodfin Jan. 24, 1869 Aug. 11, 1923 | | |
| | William E. George June 12, 1907 June 1, 1909 | | |

Margerum City Cemetery (-continued-)

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| Jno. D. Gaisser Jan. 1, 1796 Oct. 3, 1871 | Brice M. Geise July 11, 1856 Nov. 30, 1925 | Robert Franklin son of W. F. & A. B. Geise Sept. 26, 1897 April 22, 1898 | M. P. Roberts Sept. 26, 1847 Aug. 11, 1878 |
| Ann M. Gaisser May 15, 1806 Nov. 16, 1887 | George E. Geise Feb. 29, 1844 Mar. 21, 1920 | Sarah F. Wallace Dau. of D. C. & M. E. Wallace Died April 16, 1890 Age 1 yr., 2 mo., 21 ds. | Wiley J., son of M. J. & S. G. Roberts July 31, 1872 Aug. 20, 1874 |
| Clem Wallalas 1855 - 1905 | George Geise Born in Lancaster, Pa. March 27, 1810 Died Sept. 14, 1892 | Della F. Blanton, wife of George Willis Sept. 24, 1901 Aug. 2, 1925 | John F., son of James L. & Sarah E. Roberts April 19, 1852 June 27, 1853 |
| Mrs. Alice Gaisser Nov. 19, 1929 Aged 53 years. | Our Mother Martha Ann Geise wife of George Geise Feb. 11, 1823 Oct. 26, 1891 | Inf. son of George & Della Willis Born & died 1924 | J. J. Wallace July 23, 1858 Dec. 22, 1880 |
| Roy Cain Died May 24, 1932 Age 14 yrs. | Henry H. Geise Dec. 24, 1863 Feb. 17, 1890 | Inf. son of F. C. & H. J. Farris Born & died Nov. 11, 1928 | |
| Charles Mason Born Nov. 1, 1874 Died Sept. 17, 1898 | Susan A. Hyneman Wife of R. J. Hyneman Born in Madison Co., Ala., May 12, 1817 Died at Dickson, Ala., Sept. 1, 1879 | Charles Wm. Farris Born & died Feb. 12, 1918 | |
| Emma May Mason Dau. of Charles H. & Sallie E. Mason July 4, 1898 Sept. 14, 1902 | Mattie A. K. Killpaller Wife of W. W. Killpaller [Note: Stone too dim to read dates.] | Inf. dau. of G. M. & Mary Farris. Born & Died Sept. 29, 1924 | |
| Inf. dau. of C. R. & S. E. Mason Born & died June 6, 1897 | Susan Wallace [No dates] | Alta Marie, dau of Lewis & Carolyn Hardcastle Mar. 4, 1915 Dec. 26, 1916 | |
| Inf. of W. J. & O. M. Arnett Dec. 3, 1906 Dec. 6, 1906 | Eliza Wallace Died Dec. 27, 1872 Age 55 years | Charles L. Hardcastle Sept. 4, 1835 Mar. 19, 1922 | |
| Ora Matilda, dau. of W. J. & O. M. Arnett Aug. 2, 1905 Oct. 17, 1905 | W. H. Wallace Died June 15, 1861 Age 45 years | Louisa Steger July 21, 1832 Feb. 11, 1913 | |
| Victor E. Gaisser Aug. 31, 1895 Nov. 16, 1926 | Infant son of J. F. & M. M. Grisham April 27, 1882 | Mrs. S. E. Weaver Born 1786 in Prince Edward Co., Va. Died April, 1874 | |
| Alleyene, inf. dau. of C. O. & R. A. Yarbrough Sept. 9, 1918 Dec. 19, 1918 | Louis E. Gaisser, son of J. J. & M. C. Gaisser Apr. 22, 1872 Sept. 20, 1873 | James L. Roberts March 28, 1811 April 16, 1882 | |
| Annie C. Geise wife of Brice M. Geise Sept. 27, 1860 Feb. 1, 1923 | Mrs. E. J. Marshall Dau. of C. E. & M. A. Gaisser Born May 26, 1862 Died Sept. 30, 1884 | Mrs. Sallie F. Roberts Jan. 4, 1816 April 3, 1878 | |
| | | Inf. son of M. F. & F. A. Roberts Jan. 24, 1876 | |

Jackson

PROBATE RECORDS 1855-1858 (Part 24)

This series began in *Valley Leaves* in Volume 11, Issue No. 4 (June, 1977). The original book from which this material was copied is housed in the Jackson County Courthouse in Scottsboro. It is a large red volume entitled *Will Record K* but is more accurately described as probate records. Continued from Volume 20, Issue No. 3, Page 118 (March, 1986). Abstracted from photocopies by Dorothy Scott Johnson.

| Page No. | Item |
|----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 336 | <p>Harvey Dickinson Estate Personal Property appraisal and Sale. Ezekiel Stringer, Admr. Appraised by Richard Sanford, Joel Childress, and W. B. Jones; certified 2 Jan. 1858 before John Law, J. P.</p> |

| Item | Appraisal | Buyer | Purchase price |
|------------------------------|-----------|-------------------|----------------|
| Yoke oxen | 4.00 | John Law | 57.25 |
| Wagon | 80.00 | John Law | 88.00 |
| Set of house logs | 6.00 | J. H. Huen[?] | 4.25 |
| Gun | 8.00 | Mary Broadway | 8.00 |
| Interest in blacksmith tools | .60 | Robert Frazier[?] | not stated |

Sales totaled \$153.10. Certified 25 Jan. 1858 before J. H. Norwood, Judge of Probate.

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| 337-8 | <p>Celia Dickinson Estate Personal Property Appraisal and Sale E[zekiel] Stringer, Administrator. The property was appraised for \$382.30. A list of the purchasers and items purchased are as follow:</p> |
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| Purchaser | Item | Appraisal | Sold for: |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|--------------------|
| Lewis Kirby | Sow & 3 pigs | 3.00 | 4.00 |
| A. J. Kirby | Black sow & 5 pigs | 5.00 | 6.00 |
| A. Tinney | yoke small bulls | 12.00 | 16.00 |
| A. Tinney | Ballfaced steer | 7.00 | 8.00 |
| C. Tharp | Speckled bull | 9.50 | 11.00 |
| A. Tinney | Ballfaced heifer | 6.00 | 9.00 |
| A. C. Parker[?] | Spotted heifer | 8.00 | 6.62 |
| E. Kirby | Cow & calf | 10.00 | 12.25 |
| Mary Broadway | Feather bed & sheets | 6.00 | 4.00 |
| Cynthia Stringer | Feather bed & sheets | 6.00 | 5.28 |
| E. Kirby | Grind stone | 1.25 | 1.50 |
| R. L. Kirby | Pair steelyards | .50 | .50 |
| J.H.Hughen[Hudgens/Hughs?] | Churn & half bushel | .25 | .60 |
| R. Gideon | Bull tongue & plow | .75 | .75 |
| J. H. Hughen | Shoall plow & stacker | 1.00 | .50 |
| J. W. Weaver | Shoall plow & stacker | 1.00 | .60 |
| Mary Broadway | Spinning wheel | .75 | 1.00 |
| R. A. Weaver | Spinning wheel | .75 | .60 |
| J. H. Hughen | Harrow & stacker | 1.25 | 1.15 (-continued-) |

Celia Dickinson Estate (-continued-)

| Purchaser | Item | Appr. | Sold for: |
|------------------------------|--------------------|--------|-----------|
| (-continued from last page-) | | | |
| John Law | Sythe & cradle | \$2.00 | \$3.00 |
| J. H. Huguen | Barrel | .25 | .35 |
| J. H. Huguen | 5 chains[chairs?] | 1.00 | 1.25 |
| Cynthia Stringer | Gray colt | 25.00 | 33.00 |
| Wm. Toon[?] | Log chain | 2.25 | 2.25 |
| Cynthia Stringer | Bureau | 12.00 | 6.00 |
| E. Kirby | 5 barrels corn | 5.00 | 6.25 |
| J. H. Huguen | 5 barrels corn | 5.00 | 6.25 |
| J. H. Huguen | 5 barrels corn | 5.00 | 6.62½ |
| R. C. Parks | 10 barrels corn | 10.00 | 10.50 |
| Ezekiel Stringer | 5 barrels corn | 5.00 | 6.25 |
| | | | \$170.94½ |

The following was appraised but not sold at sale:

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|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| 600 lbs. pork - \$30.00 | One work nag, bay mare - \$20.00 |
| 3 bedsteads, beds & furniture - \$53.00 | 3 cows and calves - \$36.00 |
| 20 head stock hogs - \$15.00 | 18 bushels wheat - \$10.80 |
| 30 barrels corn - \$30.00 | 7 head sheep - \$7.00 |
| 7 head sheep - \$7.00 | 1 hot castings - \$4.00 |
| Six chairs - \$3.00 | Table & water bucket - .50 |
| One lot earthenware - \$4.00 | 2 chests - \$1.50 |
| 2 sets plow gear - \$4.00 | 2 weeding hoes - \$1.50 |
| 2 corn plows - \$2.50 | Spinning sheel & check[?] wheel - \$3.00 |

Total appraisal \$382.30

Appraisal certified 2 Jan. 1858, sale certified 25 Jan. 1858.

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James Riddle Estate

Matthew Riddle, Administrator. An inventory was certified 14 Dec. 1867. Everything on the inventory was appraised except the following: grind stone, froe, iron square, steel grap[?], wheat riddles[?], 3 old axes, reap hook, pair steelyards and a log chain. Appraisers of the estate were David F. Jacks, James Greene, and Valentine Cagle. It was certified 24 Oct. 1857 before A. J. Middleton, J. P. and totaled \$375.00. Items appraised were:

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|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| One wagon - \$35.00 | 1 lot morticing chisels - \$6.75 |
| One yoke oxen - \$50.00 | 1 spotted heifer - \$12.00 |
| 2 bay mares - \$115.00 | 1 Red bull - \$7.50 |
| 1 sorrel mare - \$20.00 | 1 Red heifer - \$10.00 |
| 1 set blacksmith tools - \$50.00 | 1 Red heifer - \$5.00 |
| 1 wheat fan - \$20.00 | 1 Red steer - \$3.50 |
| 1 Cross cut saw - \$5.00 | 1 Dun bull - \$3.50 |
| 1 pair hames & plows - \$6.00 | 1 brace & bits - .50 |
| 1 set coopers tools - \$7.00 | 1 gouge - \$1.00 |
| 1 stone hammer - \$2.00 | 2 mill locks[?] - \$1.50 |
| 1 broad axe - \$2.00 | 1 foot adz - \$1.50 |
| 6 bee hives - \$8.00 | 5 augurs - \$2.50 |
| 1 man's saddle - \$3.00 | 2 plows - \$2.00 |
| 1 woman's saddle - \$2.00 | 1 lot wagon irons - \$3.00 |
| 2 copper stills - \$15.00 | 1 Scythe & cradle - \$18.00 |
| 1 colt - \$35.00 | 6 hogs - [not priced] |
| Money on hand - \$30.00 | |

James Riddle Estate (-continued-)

Matthew Riddle, Administrator, states he sold the land of this estate at public auction on 26 January 1858. The land is as follows:

NE/4 SE/4 Section 11-1-3E
 NW/4 NE/4 Sec. 18-1-4E
 SW/4 NE/4 Sec. 15[16?]-1-4E
 SE/4 SE/4 and NE/4 SE/4 Sec. 12-1-3E
 NW/4 NW/4 Sec. 1[?]-1-4E
 S/2 SW/4 and SW/4 SE/4 Sec. 7-1-4E
 NE/4 NW/4 and SE/4 NE/4 Sec. 18-1-4E
 W/2 SE/4 Sec. 12-1-3E

Eli Riddle purchased the land for \$500.00 by note due in 12 months with Zachariah Simmons and Ezekiel Kennedy his securities. Certified 6 March 1858.

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William Patton Estate

H. L. Custer, Administrator

The personal property of this estate was sold as follows:

| Buyer | Item Purchased | Amount |
|---------------|----------------------------|---------|
| John Compton | man's saddle | \$10.00 |
| Jno. Patton | 2 fish forks | .60 |
| Jas. S. Wood | prize gun | 17.25 |
| James Cloud | large gun | 10.26 |
| W. R. Lindsay | small gun | 18.55 |
| Joel Harrison | Jones gun | 13.40 |
| James Cloud | bed stead | 2.50 |
| Lester Morris | Feather bed & ^c | 30.00 |
| A. E. Patton | gold watch | 40.00 |

Certified 23 November 1857

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Samuel Inghish Estate

In the Inventory of this estate there were several persons listed as owing the estate money. They were:

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|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Brantley Sanders - \$5.00 | Henry L. Roach - \$29.00 (due 1-1-1858) |
| Henry L. Roach - \$29.00 | Jesse B. Womack - \$1.50 |
| Wm. L. Shelton - \$8.20 (due 1-1-1856) | Green B. Morgan - 85 Cents |
| John Dickinson - \$1.55 | Wm. R. Dudley - \$5.70 |
| Caleb Dickinson - \$2.00 | |

Certified 9 January 1858 before J. H. Norwood, Probate Judge.

Among the items appraised were carpenter tools, oxen, horses, cattle, pigs, stills, farming implements, household and kitchen furniture and furnishings, a saddle and a gun for a total appraisal of \$402.20. The property brought \$455.07 at the sale.

Purchasers were:

| | | |
|----------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| Bray, A. W. | Inghish, A. M. | Osborne, Riley |
| Brown, George | Inghish, E. R. | Palmore, Wm. |
| Cord, J. F. N. | Inghish, Fisher | Proctor, Reuben |
| Donegan, J. M. | Inghish, H. M. | Poor, A. P. |
| Foster, J. B. | Jo[h]nson, Michael | Saxon, A. M. |
| Gill, R. C. | Kitchens, Jackson | Townsend, E. G. |
| Harris, Gideon | Kirk, W. J. | Townsend, Ed Ward[?] |
| Higginbotham, Morgan | Kirk, William | Womack, J. T. |

Certified 9 January 1858

Page 345 **James Tubb Estate**
 Thomas Wilson, Administrator
 Inventory of Personal effects of James Tubb:
 Two razors and one strop
 Two chopping axes
 Certified 26 November 1867

Pages 345-6 **James Riddle Estate**
 Matthew Riddle, Admr.
 A Report of Sales of Personal Property showed \$436.61 proceeds. Purchasers were:

| | | |
|------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Brown, A. A. | Hill, A. W. | Riddle, Jeremiah |
| Beason, Jonathan | Kirkpatrick, Wm. | Riddle, Geo[rge] |
| Dwyer, Wm. | Kennedy, Ezekiel | Riddle, Moses |
| Frazier, Samuel | Phoming[?], Stephen | Simmons, Zach[ariah] |
| Greene, Isaac | Pitman, Moses | Simmons, Micajah |
| Greene, James | Rutledge, A. N. | Stringer, Jas. B. |
| Hill, H. W. | Riddle, widow | Seamons, Calvin |

SOURCE: Acts of Alabama, 1860

AN ACT For the Relief of the minor Children of George Walker, a Lunatic Citizen of Jackson County.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Alabama in General Assembly convened, That it shall be lawful for Daniel M. Martin, guardian of George Walker, a lunatic citizen of Jackson county, to pay over annually to John Chitty of Franklin County, Tennessee, guardian for the minor children of said Walker, any money that may be in his hands over and above enough to pay the annual expenses of said George Walker, for the purpose of raising, clothing and educating said minor children during their minority.

Be it further enacted, That all payments heretofore made by said Daniel M. Martin, guardian as aforesaid, to the said John Chitty, as such guardian, for purposes aforesaid, are hereby legalized and made valid.

Be it further enacted, That if any of the female children of said Walker should arrive at majority and remain unmarried while the estate of said Walker remains in the hands of said Martin, he shall be authorized to pay over to such child or children, his or her pro rata share of the annual income of said estate.

APPROVED, February 25, 1860

**Decatur County, Alabama Marriage Contract
William Steadman and Margaret Turvin**

The following Marriage Contract between William Steadman and Margaret Turvin was contributed by TVGS member Delaine Edwards of Modesto, California. Mrs. Edwards found the contract while researching McNairy County, Tennessee records. This Contract was on Pages 186-188 of McNairy County, Tennessee Deed Book "A." The document is of special importance since, to our knowledge, it is the only Decatur County marriage record in existence. Decatur County existed from December, 1821 to December, 1825. At its abolishment its records were deposited in the Jackson County courthouse which was burned during the Civil War by Northern soldiers.

This indenture made 1 April 1824 between William Steadman and Margaret Turvin, both of Decatur Co., Ala. Both are of legal age and plan to be married. It is their desire that all property now owned by and possessed by Margaret Turvin shall remain her sole and separate property free from any incumbrance, contract, or marital right of Steadman.

Therefore, Steadman relinquishes unto Margaret all interest in the property or estate which by law might be otherwise acquired by him upon their marriage. The property now owned by Margaret consists of one negro woman named Comfort (aged 25) and her four children: Moses (age 12), Annie (age 10), Mary (age 8) and Jerry (1 year); one roan mare, 7 head of cattle, 35 head of hogs, 3 beds and furniture, one sideboard, 2 tables, and "other articles of household and kitchen furniture."

Witness:

E. H. Childress
J. T. Thornton
Wm. McBroom

his
William X Steadman
mark

Margaret Turvin

Proven in Decatur County Circuit Court by James T. Thornton, a witness, in the April, 1824 term of court. Certified by Wm. B. Jones, Clerk, on 21 April 1824.

Proven in Madison County, Tennessee, in open court in the February term, 1833 by E. H. Childress, witness. Certified February 4, 1833 by R. McIver, Clerk.

Certified in Jackson Co., Ala. on 15 February 1833 at the courthouse in Belfonte by R. B. Clayton, Clerk, and Thompson M. Rector. Judge of the County Court, with the following notation:

"I, Richard B. Clayton, Clerk of the County court of Jackson County aforesaid, do certify that what was the County of Decater in this state has since the month of Aprile 1824 by an act of the General Assembly of this State, been abolished and its territory added to the Counties of Jackson and Madison and the records & Archives of the said County of Decater required to be deposited with the clerks of the Circuit & County Courts of the said County of Jackson according to their nature & kind; that the records of Deeds, conveyances &^c have accordingly been deposited in my office; And I further certify that the deed which is hereto annexed between William Steadman and Margaret Turvin dated the first day of Aprile, 1824, and which was proven in the circuit court of the said County of Decater at Aprile Term thereof, 1824, has this day been recorded in the county Court of the County of Jackson aforesaid in Book D, pages 192 and 193 pursuant to the laws of said State for the registration of all deeds, conveyances &^c.

"In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and private seal not having any official seal yet, proved at office in Belfonte this 12th day of February, 1833."

R. B. Clayton, Clerk CC

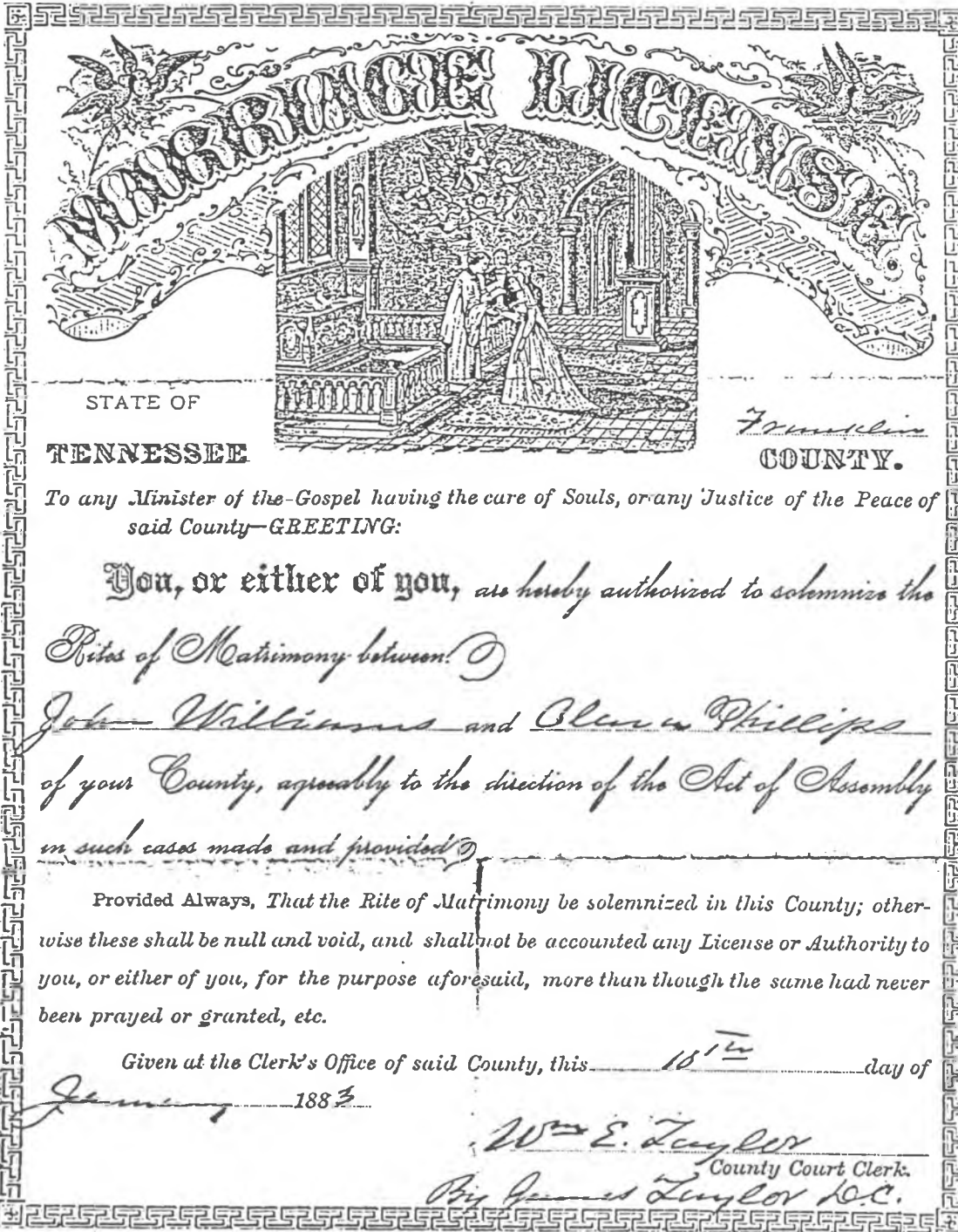
I, Thompson M. Rector, sole Judge of the County Court of Jackson in the State of Alabama do certify that Richard B. Clayton, whose signature & certificate appear above, was at the date thereof and is the Clerk of the said court duly Elected & qualified; that his attestation above is in due form of law by the proper officer and entitled to full credit. Given under my hand & seal this 15th day of February, 1833.

Thompson M. Rector
Judge of the county court

WILLIAMS-PHILLIPS MARRIAGE

The following marriage record was contributed by Jeanne Bigger of Tullahoma, Tennessee. Mrs. Bigger found these in the Franklin County courthouse and states there are many Alabama marriages in Franlin County for Alabama citizens.during this period.

On the back of this lovely license is the following information: The license was issued January 10, 1883 and solemnized January 14, 1883 by M. Garner, J. P. The groom was born in "Matisson" [Madison] County, Alabama, is age 24 and is a farmer. The bride, Clara Phillips, was born in Walker County, Georgia, is 20 years of age and both the bride and groom are residents of Jackson County, Alabama. Witnesses were R. B. McCallie and J. A. McCallie, both of Jackson County.



STATE OF
TENNESSEE

Franklin
COUNTY.

To any Minister of the Gospel having the care of Souls, or any Justice of the Peace of said County—GREETING:

You, or either of you, are hereby authorized to solemnize the Rites of Matrimony between

John Williams and Clara Phillips

of your County, agreeably to the direction of the Act of Assembly in such cases made and provided

Provided Always, That the Rite of Matrimony be solemnized in this County; otherwise these shall be null and void, and shall not be accounted any License or Authority to you, or either of you, for the purpose aforesaid, more than though the same had never been prayed or granted, etc.

Given at the Clerk's Office of said County, this *10th* day of *January* 188*3*

W. E. Taylor
County Court Clerk.
By *James Taylor J.C.*

Lauderdale

McNAIRY COUNTY, TENNESSEE DEEDS

The following documents were copied and contributed by Delaine Edwards, TVGS member in Modesto, California. Mrs. Edwards located them while researching McNairy County, Tennessee records.

McNairy County, Tennessee
Deed Book A, Pages 50-51
Deed dated 12 July 1828

Henry Kirkland of Hardeman County, Tennessee sells to Joseph N. Baker of Lauderdale County, Alabama the following described land for \$100.00:

One piece, or spot of ground, part of a 16-acre entry lying and being in McNairy County, Tennessee, it having been granted to Benjamin Wright by Government Grant No. 552 on 30 April 1827 and bounded by George W. Barnett.

Witness: /s/ Henry Kirkland
Powhatan May
V. D. Barry

Certified by Wm. S. Wisdom, Clerk of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of McNairy Co., Tn. upon proving of deed by May and Barry on 25 December 1828.

McNairy County, Tennessee
Deed Book A, Pages 184-185
Bill of Sale dated 21 August 1832

Henry Kirkland of McNairy County, Tennessee sells to John Simpson of Lauderdale County, Alabama, for \$675.00, one negro woman named Kiziah, aged about 24 years, and her two children, Alen and Hardy.

Witness: /s/ Henry Kirkland
Jno. T. Burtwell
J. H. Cloud, Jr.

Proven by Burtwell and Cloud on 26 September 1832 and certified by Wm. S. Wisdom, Clerk.

McNairy County, Tennessee
Deed Book B, Page 257
Deed dated 28 September 1839

John T. Burtwell of Lauderdale County, Alabama sells to James Saunders [also written Sanders] of McNairy County, Tennessee, for \$700.00, a certain store house situated on the southeast corner of Lot No. 3 in the town of Purdy, Tennessee and also the east one-third of said lot.

Witness: /s/ John T. Burtwell
B. B. Adams
Robt. G. Simonton

Proven by Adams and Simonton on 6 September 1841 and certified by J. R. Adams.

McNairy County, Tennessee Deeds (-continued-)

McNairy County, Tennessee
Deed Book B, Page 363
Bill of Sale dated 3 October 1842

Vincent M. Benham, Sheriff of Lauderdale County, Alabama, gives title to William S. Wisdom of a negro girl, Cary Ann, aged about 16 years. Wisdom purchased the slave for \$501.00 at public auction, he being the highest bidder. The sale was held by virtue of an order from the Madison County, Alabama Circuit Court in favor of the Branch of the Bank of the State of Alabama at Huntsville in a law suit -vs- Harry Dillahunty.

/s/ Vincent M. Benham

Acknowledged by Benham on 26 October 1842 before Wiley T. Hawkins, Clerk of the Lauderdale County Court and certified by John T. Haraway, Judge of the Lauderdale County Court, on 18 October 1842.

Received for registration in McNairy County, Tennessee 11 November 1842 at 10:00 o'clock a.m.

McNairy County, Tennessee
Deed Book B, Page 402
Deed dated 23 February 1843

John T. Burtwell of Lauderdale County, Alabama sells to James Warren of McNairy County, Tennessee, for \$100.00, thirty (30) acres of land in McNairy County. The land is located in Section 3, Range 4 of the 9th Surveyor's District and is on the waters of Cypress Creek and bounded by land entered by Daniel Gilchrist.

Witness:

/s/ J. T. Burtwell

Jno. H. Bills
Peter Miller

Proven by Bills and Miller in Hardeman County, Tennessee on 25 February 1832 before Saml. McDowell, Clerk of the County Court.

Received for Registration in McNairy County, Tennessee 7 March 1843 at 12:00 o'clock.

ALABAMA ACT

For the Relief of the Owners of Fish Traps on the Tennessee River

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Alabama in General Assembly convened that from and after the passage of this act all owners of traps on the Tennessee River in this State that have been constructed, or in course of construction, or may be hereinafter constructed, shall have exclusive property therein, Provided That said owners shall not be allowed to obstruct navigation of the said river; and provided furthermore that they shall make no claim for damages for any public improvement or improvements hereafter made in pursuance or by authority of any act of the Legislature of the State of Alabama, and that this act may be repealed by any subsequent Legislature of this State.

APPROVED 24 February 1860

Lawrence

LAWRENCE COUNTY DEED BOOK "B" Part 7

This series began in the September, 1984 issue of *Valley Leaves* (Vol. 19, No. 1) and is continued from March, 1986. It will be concluded in the Sept. issue. Throughout Deed Book "B" the Clerk of the County Court is shown as John Gallagher, therefore, his name will not be repeated at the end of each document in these abstracts. All parties are residents of Lawrence County unless stated. The original book from which these abstracts were taken is housed in the Department of Archives and History in Montgomery, Alabama. These abstracts were made from a microfilm copy of the original book. Copied from the microfilm and contributed by Lawrence County Associate Editor, Janet Baker Burks, of Tyler, Texas.

- Page 246-247 19 Jan. 1824 - Deed.
James Bright of Lincoln Co., Tenn. sells to George B. Balch of Lawrence Co., Ala., for \$120.00 a tract of land in Lawrence County, Al. being the W/2 of the NE/4 of Sec. 30-7-6W containing 78.73 acres. Witnessed by C. O. Robertson and T. Coventry. Thomas Coventry proved the deed 22 March 1824 and it was recorded the same day.
- Page 247-249 19 March 1824. Deed
Johnson McKinney and Mary McKinney, his wife, sell to Jacob Fruit of Walker County, Al., for \$500. a tract of land being the W/2 NE/4 of Sec. 28-9-10W in Lawrence Co., Ala. Mary relinquished her dower 19 March 1824 and deed recorded same day. Both Johnson and Mary signed the deed with an "x."
- Pages 249-254 22 March 1824. Deed of Trust.
William Kyle is indebted in amounts listed below said sums being the unpaid amounts on a bond made by Kyle on 1 April 1822. Payment due in silver or United States bank notes on or before 1 Aug. 1824:
- John Murphey - \$1874.62 (\$1264.25 already paid)
 - Joseph Murphey - \$148.91 (\$80.00 already paid)
 - John Murphey Jr. - \$611.05 (\$400.00 already paid)
- Kyle is willing to secure the payments and deeds to John Gallagher, in trust, a lot in Moulton containing 40 feet on the front of Lot No. 68 extending back on said lot to the south bounds, beginning at NW corner of lot bounded by Michael Kelly running thence west 40 feet thence south boundary line of Lot No. 68, thence east 40 feet to beginning. Also the following property:
- Female slave named Lucy about 30 years of age
 - Female slave named Henrietta about 6 years of age
 - Female slave named Harriet about 4 years of age
 - Male slave named Washington about 1 year of age.
 - Four horses and one wagon.
- Kyle to retain possession of property. If by Jan. 1, 1825 the debt is not paid then Gallagher to sell property to highest bidder at public auction after giving 30 days notice and pay debts with proceeds. Balance, if any, goes to Kyle. If whole sum, with interest, is paid before 1 Jan 1825 then this indenture is void. Witnesses: John Beard, Elijah McDaniel and John Stove, Jr. John Murphey signed with his mark. Joseph Murphey signed with his mark. Witnesses proved deed 22 March 1824 and deed recorded same day.
- Pages 254-256 29 March 1824. Deed of Trust
Robert Sibley of Franklin Co., Al. - Debtor
John Murphy Sr. - Creditor
William Kyle - Trustee
Robert Sibley owes \$475. by bond dated 15 Jan. 1822 due one day after date and one bond dated

Deed Book "B" (-continued-)

10 Feb. 1823 for \$175. To secure payment, Sibley deeds to William Kyle, in trust, one Negro man named Nelson aged about 31 years. Sibley to retain possession of slave until 1 October 1825. If debt paid by then this deed is void. If debt is not paid then Kyle to sell slave at public auction after giving 20 days notice. From proceeds Kyle is to pay Murphy and give Sibley any balance. John Murphy signed deed with his mark. Witnessed by David O. Warren and James A. White who proved deed 29 March 1824; recorded same day.

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25 Feb. 1824. Power of Attorney

William Green, deceased, formerly of Lawrence Co., Ala. and lately of Warren County, NC, made and executed his last will & testament which was proven in the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions in Warren Co., NC. Solomon Green was appointed executor by the will. William Green owned property in Ala., Tenn., and Mississippi. In Lawrence County, Ala. he had two quarter sections of land on which he resided before he moved to North Carolina. He also owned the following negroes: Daniel, Abraham, Casina, Lelley, Lawson, Jane, and Sally and her twins, which he directed to be sold. He also had livestock, household and kitchen furniture which he directed sold; also Courtland Lot No. 259, an interest in several tracts of land in Tennessee and a lot near the Rock Landing in North Carolina plus other property which he directed sold; also interest in slaves in possession of James S. Clark in right of his wife, Ann (Green) Clark, that he directs sold for the benefit of his children. He has given James S. Clark and Ann E. Clark certain legacies on certain conditions.

Therefore, Solomon Green, executor, does appoint his friend, Dennis O'Bryan of Warren County, NC his attorney and gives him Power of Attorney to take possession of all and every part of the estate of William Green in Alabama, Tennessee, or Mississippi, sell same and collect monies and pay James S. and Ann E. Clark according to terms and conditions of will.

Witness:
Step Davis
H. L. Plummey

/s/ Solomon Green

Acknowledged in Warren County, NC Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions 25 Feb. 1824 by Caswell Drake, Clerk, and certified by Henry Felts[?], Chairman of County Court.

Certified in Lawrence Co., Ala. by John Gallagher 5 April 1824 and recorded 6 April 1824.

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29 March 1824 Stock Mark of William Davenport

William Davenport registered his stock mark which is a swallow fork in the right ear and an under bit in the left.

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1 April 1824 Deed of Trust

James Page, Debtor
Edmund P. Anderson, Creditor
John Stone Sr., Trustee

Page owes Anderson \$159. for one \$59. bond dated 15 Dec. 1823 and due 25 Dec. 1823, \$30.00, and a \$70. bond to John A. Marr & Co. dated 5 Nov. 1823 and due 25 Dec. 1823. Page deeds to Stone, in trust, a certain bed and furniture, one cow and cow pots, 9 head of hogs, one pair hand irons, four vats of leather valued at about \$200., and one lot of candle moulds.

Page to keep possession of property until 1 October next. If debt, with interest, not paid then Stone to sell property to highest bidder at public auction for ready money after advertising 15 days on door of Courthouse in Lawrence County. Out of sale he is to pay charges of sale and the debts; any balance goes to page. If debt is paid then this deed is void.

Witnessed by William Faris and Thos. M. Farley who proved deed 8 April 1824. Recorded same day.

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23 February 1824. Performance Bond

George Sanders, John Birdwell, Andrew Smith [also written Smyth], Lindzey Hardgrove, Samuel Irwin and Zadock McVay are bound unto Israel Pickens, Governor of Alabama, for \$20,000. as security for George Sanders who was appointed assessor and tax collector for Lawrence County during the year 1824.

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17 February 1824. Deed of Trust

Matthew Robinson, debtor
David M. Hunter, creditor
James Mines, trustee

Robinson owes Hunter \$200 by bond dated 17 Feb. 1824 and due 25 Dec. 1824. Robinson sells to Mines, in trust, a negro slave boy named Lewis (aged about 9 years). Robinson to keep possession of slave until 25 Dec. 1824. If debt not paid then Mines to sell slave to highest bidder at public auction for ready money (after advertising 5 days before sale on door of courthouse in Lawrence County). Money from sale to pay charges and debts plus interest. If debt paid then this indenture void.

Witness:

A. F. Hopkins
G. R. Mitchell
James K. Leetch

Matthew ^{his} Robinson
mark
/s/ J. M. Mines
/s/ David M. Hunter

Proven by Mitchell and Leetch 8 April 1824 and recorded same day.

Pages 271-272

25 August 1821. Proof of Freedom.

Anson County, NC - Town of Wadesborough.

Whereas Allen Stewart is a free man of color and plans to travel to the Western Country and has resided in this place for some time past under a good character both for honesty and society. Now we, therefore, recommend to all good citizens and to the laws of such states as he may happen to visit, so long as he conducts himself with propriety, Allen Stewart. Given under our hands and seals this 25th day of August AD 1821.

/s/ Jeremiah Benton, JP
/s/ Boggan Cash, JP

Certified by William Desmeeks, Clerk of Anson County Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions on 12 Dec. 1821. Certificate deposited in office 15 April 1824 and recorded same day in Lawrence County, Ala.

Pages 272-275

17 April 1824. Power of Attorney.

Michael Kelly, "about to leave the state for some time," gives Patrick O'Neil his Power of Attorney to sell two Moulton town lots, one being 30 feet on front of Lot No. 98 and the other being 36 feet on front of west half of Lot No. 65. There are also debts owing Kelly for which recovery he may have to file suit. Kelly gives O'Neil power to transact all his business.

Acknowledged 17 April 1824 and recorded same day.

Pages 276-277

10 April 1824. Mortgage

John Grugett, debtor
Benjamin Jones, creditor

Grugett owes Jones two notes, both dated 10 April 1824 and due 25 Dec. 1825 in amount of \$40.00 each. Grugett deeds to Jones, in trust, one bay mare. If Grugett defaults then Jones to sell mare to highest bidder in Moulton, after 10 days notice, and pay himself the amount due him and give Grugett the balance.

Acknowledged by Grugett 18 April 1824.

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Pages 277-279

11 March 1824. Deed of Trust.

Richard Kirchevall [also written Kercheval/Kerchival], Debtor
 William Elliott, Creditor
 William Lynn, Trustee

On 9 December 1823 Kirchevall bought 80 acres of land at \$4. per acre from William Elliott with Joseph Trotter his security. Purchase price due by 25 Dec. 1824. Kirchevall deeds to Lynn, in trust, the following slaves:

Daniel, age 20
 Jenney, age 16
 George, age 10
 Wenney, age 50
 Warren, age 6

Kirchevall to keep possession of slaves until date bond is due. If he defaults then Lynn to sell slaves, or part of them, to highest bidder at public auction in Courtland for ready money after 10 days advertisement in Courtland. Lynn to pay Trotter amount of debt with interest; balance to go back to Kirchevall. If Kirchevall pays debt by due date this deed void.

Signed by Richard Kercheval, W. Lynn and Jos. Trotter. Witnessed by J. A. Blackwell and A. R. Blunt.

Delivered and recorded 20 April 1824.

Pages 279-282

18 May 1824. Deed of Gift.

Ann R. Fitzgerald (widow of Thomas Fitzgerald, decd.) for the "natural love and affection for my son William Fitzgerald," gives him one-third of the real estate Thomas willed to her. For the same reason Ann R. gives her daughter, Sarah Epes Fitzgerald, a negro slave named Mingo, aged 6 years.

Ann R. also sells to her son William and daughter, Sarah Epes, all debts, rights, credits, and personal estate she now has in her possession, same to be equally divided among them and their heirs on condition they pay any debts against said property.

Witness: /s/ Ann R. Fitzgerald
 Gr. P. Rice
 William Fitzgerald.

Acknowledged by Ann Fitzgerald before Thomas Glass and William Moore, J.P's on 20 May 1824. Delivered for recording and recorded 31 May 1824.

Pages 282-283

28 May 1824. Deed.

John M. Jackson of Lawrence County, Alabama sells to William Wallace Moulton Lot No. 82 for \$135.00.

Witness: R. H. Owings and Wm. L. Pierson[?].
 Proven by witnesses 1 June 1824, deposited and recorded same day.

Pages 284-286

1 Jan. 1824 Deed of Trust.

James S. Clark, Debtor
 John A. Walker, Creditor
 Benjamin Sherrod, Trustee

Clark owes Walker \$2000 due 5 Jan. 1824 with interest. Clark sells to Sherrod, in trust, the following slaves and their future increase:

Robbin, a man age 34; Ralph, a man age 23; Fanny, a woman age 32; Mary, a girl age 13, Eveley, a girl age 11; Henry a boy age 9; Louis, a boy age 7; Nancy, a girl age 5; Laufty, a boy age 3; Tably, a girl age 1 year.

Clark to keep possession of slaves until default then Sherrod to sell slaves, or as many as needed to satisfy debt, at public auction to highest bidder for ready money after giving 10 days notice

Deed Book "B" (-continued-)

in a newspaper printed in Alabama. After paying debts and the charges of the sale Sherrod to give balance to Clark. If debts paid on or before 5 Jan. 1823 this indenture is void.

Witness:

Sam A. Hamnir[?]
J. K. Swoope
Edmund -[illegible]-

Clark acknowledged before Charles Wright, JP and Thos. Glass, JP. Recorded 14 June 1824.

Pages 286-288

9 Jan. 1824. Deed.

Joseph Burleson and Elizabeth Burleson, his wife, sell to Denton H. Valiant of Lawrence County for \$175., Moulton Lot No. 8.

/s/ Joseph Burleson

/s/ Elizabeth Burleson

John Holeson and Levi Taylor, J. P's in Marion County, Alabama certify they saw Burleson and his wife sign the deed and Elizabeth relinquished her dower 9 Jan. 1824.

Certified in Marion County, Ala by Francis Shounak, Clerk of the County Court, on 22 May 1824. Deposited in Lawrence County 25 May 1824 and recorded 14 June 1824.

Pages 288-289

27 Feb. 1823. Letter of Authority.

John A. Marrs & Co. authorize John Stone Sr. to be their full agent in purchasing property of any kind necessary for the use of the firm and to make sales the thinks necessary. Signed by "John A. Marrs & Co. by John Stone, Jun."

John Stone Jr. acknowledged that he is a partner of the firm before John Gallagher, Clerk of the County Court on 27 Feb. 1824. Recorded 14 June 1824.

Pages 289-291

3 July 1824. Power of Attorney.

John Garrett and Martha C. Garrett, his wife, formerly Martha C. Williamson, both of Lawrence County, appoint Absalom Higinbotham of Amhurst County, Va their attorney to attend to the division of, or to sell by deed before or after the division, of 1/6th part of the land in Amhurst Co., Va. which by Last Will & Testament of Beverly Williamson (recorded in Amhurst County) devised to be equally divided between Martha C. Garrett and five other children.

Witness: John ^{his} X Garrett
mark

William Garrett

Thos. Ashford

/s/ Martha C. Garrett

3 July 1824. Power of Attorney proved in open court by William Garrett and Richard Burriss, "witnesses to deed." Martha C. Garrett signed freely. Recorded 6 July 1824.

Pages 291-292

4 Feb. 1824 Deed.

George B. Balch sells to Nicholas Johnson, for \$300., 78.73/100 acres of land in Lawrence County being the W/2 NE/4 Section 30-7-6W. Signed By Geo. B. Balch and witnessed by Frances Johnson.

Proven by Balch 24 Feb. 1824 and recorded 6 July 1824.

Pages 293-297

28 May 1824. Guardianship Security/Deed of Trust

Bowler Farris (with Ralph Graves, Graves Hester, Spencer Clark, and Archibald McKisseck, his securities) did on 26 Feb. 1824 enter into bond with John Dukes, Nelson Patterson, and Alexander Black (Justices of the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions for Giles Co., Tn.) in the sum of \$4000.00. The bond was posted by Bowler Faris as guardian for Hiram Brown, Pamela Brown, and Emily Brown, minor children of Jethro Brown, late husband of the wife of Bowler Fariss.

Graves, Hester, Clark, and McKisseck, as Farris' securities, did not feel themselves safe, there-

Deed Book "B" (-continued-)

fore, on 25 Dec. 1823 Farris executed to Thomas Smith, as trustee, a deed of trust on the following negro slaves: Absalom, Sicily, Coleman, Nancy, Hardeman, Lucinda, Albert, Mira Sarah, America, and Manderville with their increase. If Bowler Farris did not execute a bond within six months after date of deed of trust to the Justices of Giles Co., Tn. and release the aforesaid securities from their responsibility then said slaves to be sold.

On 27 May 1824 Bowler made his return as guardian to "Nashville County Court" of his receipts and expenditures and paid[owed?] \$1659.64, property of the wards.

On 28 May 1824 Bowler resigned his guardianship and released his securities. He did not pay the full sum so Isaac Smith became guardian of the minors, and the land of the minors, and did enter into bond in amount of \$5000. with securities.

Bowler sells to David A. Smith, in trust, the following slaves:

| | |
|------------------------------|------------------------|
| Absalom, aged about 35 years | Nancy aged 13 |
| Sicily, aged about 34 years | Hardeman, aged 8 years |
| America, aged 17 years | Lucinda, aged 4 years |
| Coleman, aged 15 years | Sally, aged 4 years |
| Albert, aged 2 years | |

[Note: Manderville and Mira not included]

Also included in the trust is the SE/4 of Section 19- 4-7W in Lawrence County containing 164.22 acres where Bowler now resides.

Bowler to keep possession of slaves and land until said Isaac Smith calls for payment of the bond from Bowler, then David A. Smith to sell to the highest bidder at public auction for ready money, with 4 weeks notice in any newspaper, and sell the property or any part of it. Money from sale, after paying sale charges, to go to Isaac Smith for debt of bond with 6% interest from 28 May 1824. If Bowler or his heirs pay Isaac Smith then this indenture void.

Signed by Bowler Fariss, D. A. Smith, and Isaac Smith. Acknowledged by same 24 June 1824 before Thos. Glass, JP and Richard Burruss, JP. Certified by John Gallagher 6 July 1824 and delivered for recording 5 July 1824 and recorded 6 July 1824.

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4 March 1824. Deed of Trust

James Brooks, debtor
Samuel Forbes, creditor

Brooks owes Forbes \$120. plus interest and cost of a suit which Forbes paid in Circuit Court of Lawrence County on a judgment rendered against Brooks in favor of John Murphy. Brooks deeds to Forbes, in trust, one bay mare, one sorrel horse colt, 2 cows and calves, two 2-year old heifers, 2 beds and furniture, crib full of corn, 1 stack fodder, 1 ploughs, 3 weeding hoes, two pair horse gears, one large pot, and one large oven. Debt due 1 March 1825. If debt not paid then Forbes to sell property as he wants and pay himself debt owed by Brooks.

Signed by James Brooks and witnessed by James Forbes. Brooks acknowledged 7 July 1824; recorded same day.

Pages 299-300

22 July 1824. Deed of Gift.

William Webster of Lawrence County sells to his infant daughter, Margaret Webster, "for and in consideration of affection" a feather bed and furniture and a three year old heifer of mixed color, now in possession of Webster.

his
William X Webster
mark

Witness:

P. Nelson

William Webster acknowledged 22 July 1824; recorded same day.

-To be continued and concluded in the September, 1986 issue of *Valley Leaves*-



Limestone



DEATH NOTICES FROM "THE ATHENS POST"

Death notices from microfilm copies of "The Athens Post" (located in the Athens Public Library) were abstracted and contributed by TVGS member Marjorie Shelton Kent. The notices for years prior to 1874 were published in Volume 16 of "Valley Leaves" and the years after 1874 began in Volume 19. The year 1876 is missing.

1880

- ?? Note: Death date not given but newspaper dated 7 January 1880.
Hamilton Jones died in Arkansas. Father-in-law of Dr. John K. Hoffman.
- 30 January 1880 Katie Bibb, daughter of Porter and Amelia Bibb.
- 11 February 1880 William A. Mengea, son of Macajah Mengea, born 9 November 1835.
- 23 February 1880 Homar Howard, born in Columbus, Georgia 14 February 1858.
- 9 February 1880 Mrs. Eura Westmoreland, born 5 January 1859, wife of R. N. Westmoreland, married 9 July 1879.
- 18 February 1880 Dr. J. C. Crenshaw.
- 10 March 1880 Mrs. Lucy Christopher, wife of Major W. R. Christopher, born in South Carolina on 10 April 1832.
- 17 May 1880 Robert McClellan Davis, son of Col. and Mrs. L. R. Davis.
- 3 June 1880 James Henry Hamby drowned in the Elk River, son of William and Cynthia Hamby
- 30 July 1880 Mrs. M. F. Beauchamp, daughter of A. L. McKinney, born 1 January 1847.
- 26 July 1880 Mrs. Minerva Brooks, wife of U. S. Brooks, died in Terrell, Texas
- 8 August 1880 Mary Hafley
- 30 August 1880 Mrs. C. A. Phelps, wife of F. T. Phelps
- 3 September 1881 Mrs. Ella Walker Cooper, wife of the late Samuel W. Cooper, daughter of Col. Thomas A. Nelson.
- 11 September 1880 Fanny Harris Binford, died in Nashville, daughter of John H. Binford.
- 22 September 1880 Schuyler Harris, son of Capt. John H. and Francis Harris, born 28 March 1823, married Ann Eliza Dunwoody - she died 17 June 1863.
- ?? Note: Death date not given but newspaper dated 11 November 1880.
Mrs. Lucy Matthews, wife of Luke Matthews and daughter of the late Dr. J. David Malone.
- ?? Note: Death date not given but newspaper dated 11 November 1880.
Jimmie Love died at Slough Beat, son of late Henry T. Love.
- 17 November 1880 Mr. James M. Malone, born in Brunswick County, Virginia 3 April 1814 - came to Alabama in 1822.

-end 1880 deaths-

DAVID WATKINS ESTATE

The following Petition for Letters of Administration and Petition to Sell Lands of David Watkins were contributed to "Valley Leaves" by TVGS member Christine Willingham Smith of Toney, Alabama.

Petition for Letters of Administration

On 15 April 1885 George W. Watkins of Limestone Co., Al., petitioned the Probate Court of Limestone County, Alabama, for Letters of Administration on the estate of David Watkins, deceased.

David Watkins died without a will on 17 January 1885 leaving property valued at approximately \$200 or perhaps more. David Watkins was a resident of Limestone County at the time of his death. Your petitioner, George W. Watkins, is a brother of David Watkins and David's heirs are:

Sarah Watkins, age 53, a resident of Jackson Co., Al
 Melinde Shannon, age 41, wife of Thomas W. Shannon, a resident
 of Limestone County, Al
 Nancy Moore, widow, age 43, a resident of Limestone County, Al
 Ephraim Watkins, age 38, a resident of Giles Co., Tenn
 Elizabeth Watkins, age 28, a resident of Jackson Co., Al
 Barnett Watkins, age 26, a resident of Jackson Co., Al
 Francis Watkins, age 24, a resident of Jackson Co., Al
 Rhoda Watkins, a widow, age 30, a resident of Limestone Co., Al.

Sworn to 15 April 1885.
 John N. Malone, Judge of Probate

/s/ George W. Watkins

Petition to Sell Land

On 7 September 1885 George W. Watkins, administrator of David Watkins, deceased, states that at the time of his death David Watkins owned the following land in Limestone County, Alabama:

S/2 E/2 SW/4 of Section 3-1-3W

George W. Watkins states the lands can not be equitably divided among the heirs [listed same as above] without a sale and asks permission of the court to sell the land for distribution. The Petition for Division was made upon the request of Francis Watkins, one of the heirs.

/s/ George W. Watkins,
 Admr.

Sworn to and subscribed before
 me this 7th day of September 1885.

J. N. Malone,
 Judge of Probate

FORTY YEARS AGO

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

"Old things shall become new," therefore it shall be new to the present generation in Limestone County to know that the delegates elected May 8th 1819, from this county, to assist in making a Constitution for Alabama were Thomas Bibb, Nich. P. Davis and Beverly Hughes. It is not generally known that Capt. Nich. Davis was entitled to a P. in the middle of his name... Forty years ago lots sold in Mooresville, unimproved, as high as \$400. At Cotton Port \$3000. At Triana, \$3500... About forty years ago Henry Minor, Dr. George Phillips and Gen. John Scott were Presidential Electors for Monroe (1820) in Alabama.

THE UNION BANNER NEWSPAPER EXCERPTS

Athens, Alabama

Saturday, November 3, 1860

THOMAS LYNCH ESTATE SALE

By virtue of an order from the Judge of the Probate Court of Limestone County, Alabama, I will sell to the highest bidder on Thursday, 6th day of December, 1860, on the premises, on a credit of twelve months, the lands belonging to the estate of Thomas Lynch, deceased, to wit:

The NW quarter of Section 35, Township 4, Range 4 West, containing 160 acres more or less.

Also, at the same time and place the Negroes belonging to said Estate, to wit:

Ben, Ellick, Harriet, Winny, and girl child, Katharine, Anderson, Isabella, Virge, Florence, Jim, Sam and Alpha;

also, all the perishable property belonging to said Estate consisting of household and kitchen furniture, farming utensils, Stock of every description and the Crop, all on a credit of twelve months; bond with two good securities required for the payment of the purchase money. Said plantation has a good dwelling house and other out houses on it, good water &c. Persons desirous of purchasing land or negroes are required to call and examine them before the day of sale.

Davins Lynch, Admr.
Oct. 13, 1860

ANDREW GARNER ESTATE SALE

By virtue of a decree of the Probate Court of Limestone county, I will sell at the Court House door in the town of Athens, on Monday, the 5th of November next, on a credit of twelve months, to the highest bidder, the following described land belonging to the estate of Andrew Garner, deceased, to wit:

the NW/4 of NW/4 Section 20, T 2, R 6 West, also the SW/4 of the NW/4 of Sec. 20-2-6W, also the SE/4 of the SE/4 of Section 18-2-6W and the SW/4 of the SW/4 of Sec. 17-2-6W containing 160 acres.

The purchaser, or purchasers will be required to give bond with two appointed securities.

Wm. H. Lentz, Admr.
Sept. 29, 1860

R. R. EASTER ESTATE

Letters of Administration have been granted to the undersigned on the estate of R. R. Easter, deceased, on the first day of August, 1860. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment to me, and those holding claims against the same must present them within the time prescribed by law, it being eighteen months, or they will be forever barred.

S. W. Easter, Admr.
Sept. 29, 1860

"WAKE SNAKES"

A traveler from America, (says the London Globe) brought a quantity of segars with him in a large box, and not wanting to pay duty, he had a false top made to the box in which he placed a couple of rattlesnakes. On arriving at the Custom House the keys were demanded and given up, with a warning that the box contained poisonous snakes. The officer, being incredulous, opened the lid in an off-hand, careless manner. Hearing the noise of the key in the lock, and seeing daylight admitted, the snakes awoke and began to hiss and rattle away with their tails at a grand pace. Down went the lid of the box in an instant, and the box of rattlesnakes, segars and all, were allowed to pass without further examination.

LACY'S LINIMENT

The great remedy for Rheumatism, Neuralgia, and Ulcers, Painful Breast, Cracked Nipples, Tetter, Piles, Fresh Cuts, Bruises, Burns, Pain in the Head, Neck, Face, or Limbs, Weak Back, Spinal Affections, Sore throat, Swollen Glands, Stiff Joints, Contracted Muscles, Corns, Felons, &c.

This Liniment is perfectly harmless in its effect.

Price 50 cents per bottle. Prepared and sold by JESSE LACY.

JOHN S. DICKSON HARDWARE

John S. Dickson, Huntsville, Alabama.
Dealer in Hardware, Cutlery, Guns, Pistols, Mechanics Tools, Nails and furnishing materials for builders.

1921 CONFEDERATE CENSUS

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

James B. Looney 416 E. W. St. Athens, Ala. James Bailey Looney was born near Madison in Madison County, Alabama on 18 May 1845. He enlisted in March, 1861a at Huntsville as a private in Company F, 4th Regiment of Infantry under Captains Egbert J. Jones, William Leftridge, and Gus Martin, and under Egbert J. Jones after he was elected colonel. The Company was called the Huntsville Guards but Georgia soldiers "called us yellow hamers."

Mr. Looney was in the Battle of Bull Run (called the first battle of Manassas), Battle of Gaines Mill, Battle of Richmond, and the Battle of Malvern Hill. He was slightly wounded on July 4th at the Battle of Bull Run.

He was discharged because he was under age but re-enlisted in 1863 in Company B of the 9th Cavalry under Capt. George Mason and Col. J. C. Malone. He served about three years and three months and left the service at the time of Lee's surrender. He was at Danville, Ala. at the time.

Mr. Looney is married and his wife is aged 74 years. She was born near Shoalford in Limestone County, Alabama and they were married Mary 31, 1866 at home.

He has always lived in Alabama except for about 8 months in 1870 when he lived in Texas. He is a registered voter in Athens and is presently a crossing watchman for the L&N Railroad. He lives with his wife and daughter and part of the time with one son. His living children are:

William H. Looney, Farmer, Route 3, Athens, Ala.
 James M. Looney, Farmer, Route 1, near Columbus, Miss.
 Annie J. Southard, farmer's wife, Madison, Ala.
 Lillie Martha Cristensen, Clerk, Athens, Ala.
 Nora E. Looney, unmarried, 416 E. W. St., Athens, Ala.
 Homer D. Looney, Farmer, Madison, Ala.
 Oliver E. Looney, Carpenter & teacher, 416 E.W. St., Athens, Ala.
 Eva A. McDonald, Merchant's wife, Athens, Ala.
 Kyle L. Looney, Athens mail carrier, Athens, Ala.
 Jesse O. Looney, School teacher, Athens, Ala.

Sometimes Mr. Looney does not get his pension check and other times during the 4th quarter the checks "come up eregular."

The following letter was attached to the pension form:

Mr. Chas. E. McCall
 Dear Sir

(-continued-)

James Bailey Looney (-continued-)

(Page 1)

I was born in Madison County near Madison May 18, 1845. I was left an orphan at 6 years old, lived with grand mother until I was 12 years old then lived with my aunt till I was 15 part When I enlisted very young because I had no parents to keep me out. We enlisted for 12 months then the conscript law passed and kept all in service over 18 and under 45 So I got a discharge being under age in June 1862 Serving 15 months in infantry

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then in the Spring of 1863 I enlisted again voluntarily, the yanks Destroyed my discharge that was in a old trunk at my aunt[']s and my parole, I carried it in my pocket for about a year after I got hom for the yanks was all in here and when I meet them they would have to See my parole and I dont no what became of it finally. We had Eleven children, 7 boys & 4 girls, one is Dead one was in fance [infant] about 9 month. I do not no my payroll number.

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I do not no what Sort of witnes you want, if there is one living of either company that I was in I do not no of them, but will give you a witness that is well acquainted with me.

Now the 18 of May next I will be 76 and my wife was 74 last November. I have tried to make every thing plain, so by-by

Jas. B. Looney

Another letter by Mr. Looney was also attached and was dated at Athens, Alabama Feb. 21, 1921:

Mr. Charles E. McCall

Dear Sir

I do not no of any widows that aught to have a pension, they may be some but I dont no of them, Neither do I no of any who is geting a pension that is not intitled to one, they may be Some but I dont [know] of them.

J. B. L.



Madison

MILITARY BOUNDARY LINE CHANGES, 1836

The following article was located and contributed by Annewhite Fuller, Supervisor of the Heritage Room of the Huntsville Public Library. It is from the *Southern Advocate* of 13 Dec. 1836. At the end of this article we have included a Madison County map (of no particular date) made up from various maps and listing many of the communities and showing the boundary lines given in the article.

Huntsville, Sept. 19, 1836

Brigadier General Wm. A. Aikin

Sir:

Pursuant to your order of the 7th inst., detailing a Brigade Court Martial to be held in this place on the 19th inst., 43 of the officers detailed convened this day. Col. John R. H. Acklen being absent, Col. Lawrence S. Banks, the senior officer present, administered to James Robinson as Judge Advocate, the oath required by law. He then administered to Col. Banks as President of the court and the others present as members of the court, respectively, the oaths required by law.

The court being thus organised, proceeded to business required by them to be done.

The following officers, to wit: Col. J. Taylor, Lt. Cole, W. G. Bouldin and J. Lawler, Major J. Williams, Capts. V. N. Garrison, T. H. Moseley, J. Kirk, T. H. Hale, L. Ballenger, J. Richards, A. H. Binford, Lt. W. Gaston, severally tendered excuses for disobedience of your order of 22d of August last which were considered by the court good and sufficient and they were excused. They were then permitted to take their seats and were duly sworn as members of the court. Capt. Alfred Rice failing to offer a good excuse was fined the sum of \$4.

The following officers, Col. John R. H. Acklen, Lt. Col. P. S. Wyatt, Capts. Wm. H. Glascock, W. Madkins, W. W. Woody, Lts. J. P. Haughton, Thos. Eason, Michael Pruit, Ensigns J. A. R. Moseley and Moses Brown, failing to attend are ordered to be reported as delinquents.

The Colonels Commandant brought up no appeals from their Regimental court martials. The court then by a vote of 23 to 24 determined that it was advisable to reorganize the several Regiments of this Brigade whereupon Capt. Thompson submitted the following propositions:

Ordered by the Brigade court martial for the 1st Brigade 1st Division A. M. that the lines of the several Regiments of this Brigade shall from and after

the 1st day of Dec'r. next [1836] be as follows, viz: The lines of 2d Regiment shall commence at the Tennessee State line, 2 miles east of the Meridian, thence due south until it reaches the *centre* of Township 3, Range 1 east, thence due west until it reaches the Limestone c'ty line, thence north along the Limestone line until it reaches the point started from.

33d Regt. The lines of the 33d Regiment shall be as follows: commencing at the south-eastern line of the 2d Regiment, thence south to the mountain, thence along the ridge of said mountain until it reaches the Tennessee river, thence west down said river until it reaches the Limestone line, thence along said line until it intersects the line of the 2d Regiment, thence east along said line until it reaches the point started from.

3d Regt. The lines of the 3d Regiment shall be as follows, viz: commencing at the northeast point of the 2d Regiment at the Tennessee line, thence south along the line of the 2d Regiment until it reaches the north-west corner of the 16th Section of Township 3, Range 1 East, thence east to the Jackson c'ty line, thence north along said line until it reaches the point started from.

62d Regt. The lines of the 62d Regiment shall be as follows, viz: commencing at the northwest corner of the 16th Section of Township 3, Range 1 East, thence south along the line of the 33d Regiment until it reaches the Tennessee river, thence east up said river until it reaches the Jackson c'ty line, thence north along said line until it strikes the southeastern point of the 3d Regiment, thence west to the point started from.

Which being considered by the court as just and equitable alike to every portion of the Brigade, was adopted by the court by a vote of 41 in favor of it to 9 against it-being thus adopted by a majority of 32 votes. It is the judgment of this court, and it is hereby ordered that the lines above designated, shall, from and after the 1st day of Dec'r next, [1836] be the boundaries of the several Regiments of this Brigade, and so regarded and acted upon.

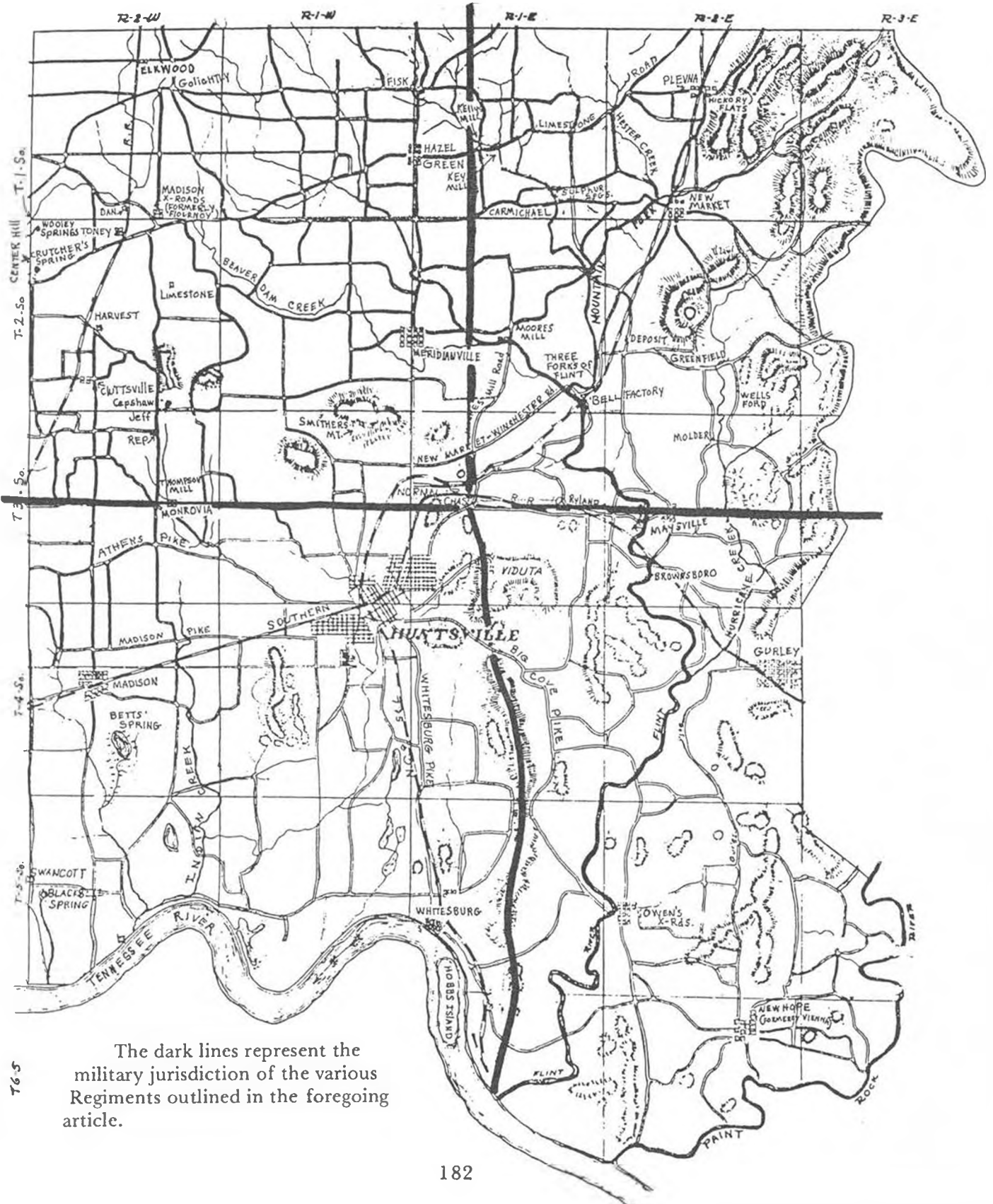
The court having no further business before it, is ordered to be adjourned sine die.

/s/ L. S. Banks, President

Approved 25th Sept'r, 1836.

(James Robinson, Judge Advocate)

This map shows some of the early towns and communities no longer in existence and not shown on current maps. Please note that the town of Madison Cross Roads was first called Flournoy Cross Roads and the town of New Hope was first called Vienna.



The dark lines represent the military jurisdiction of the various Regiments outlined in the foregoing article.

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TO
TEXAS . . .

THOMAS GILMER McGEHEE
(Madison County, Alabama)

OATH

Milam's Colony



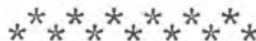
THOMAS G. McGEHEE*, having given the required oath, as set by law, as a Colonist under the Contract of Colonization of the Contractor Benjamin R. Milam, has declared his name to be as inserted above, 25 years of age, native of Georgia, one of the United States of the North, married and with six persons as family, in occupation, farmer, and of the Christian Religion, in confirmation of which he has signed this in my presence, in the town of Mina on the 19 of February of 1835.

Sgd/ Thos. G. McGehee

(Attest)
Talbot Chambers

*Thomas Gilmer McGehee was granted one league (4,423.4 acres) of land on February 19, 1835, on which he located in present Hays County, Texas.

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GONE
TO
TEXAS

JOHN GILMER McGEHEE
(Madison County, Alabama)

OATH

Milam's Colony



JOHN G. McGEHEE*, having given the required oath, in accordance with the law, as a Colonist, under the Contract of Colonization of the Contractor Benjamin R. Milam, has declared his name to be as inserted above, 31 years of age, native of Georgia, one of the United States of North America, married and with three children, in occupation, farmer, and of the Christian Religion, in confirmation of which, he has signed this in my presence, in the town of Mina, on the 5 of April of 1835.

Sgd/ John G. McGehee

(Attest)
Talbot Chambers

*John Gilmer McGehee was granted one league (4,423.4 acres) of land on April 25, 1835, on which he located in present Hays and Travis counties, Texas.

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**GONE
TO
TEXAS . . .**

LEE ROY DAVIS
(Madison County, Alabama)

HEADRIGHT CERTIFICATE

Republic of Texas



County of Washington*

This is to Certify that LEE R. DAVIS has appeared before us the Board of Land Commissioners for the County of Washington and proved according to Law that he emigrated to this Country before May of the Year Eighteen Hundred and Thirty-five, that he is Head of a Family and is entitled to One League [4,423.4 acres] and One Labor [177.1 acres] of Land - Upon the Condition of paying at the rate of Three 50/100 dollars for every Labor of Irrigable Land Two 50/100 dollars for every Labor of arable or temporal Land and One 20/100 dollars for every labor of Pasture Land which may be contained in the Survey secured to him by this Certificate.

Given under our hands this 22 day of March 1838.

Attest
Prosper Hope
Clk

Stephen R. Roberts, President
J. W. Smith Associate
Commr

*Although his headright certificate was issued by the Board of Land Commissioners of Washington County, Lee R. Davis located his land in Milam County, Texas.

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GONE
TO
TEXAS . . .

HIRAM E. DAVIS
(Madison County, Alabama)

HEADRIGHT CERTIFICATE

Republic of Texas



County of Washington

This is to Certify that H. E. DAVIS has appeared before us the Board of Land Commissioners for the County of Washington and proved according to Law that he emigrated to this Country before May the Year Eighteen Hundred and thirty-five (1835) that he is a married man and Entitled to One League [4,423.4 acres] and One Labor [177.1 acres] of Land upon the condition of paying at the rate of three dollars & 50/100 for every labor of Irrigable Land two dollars & 50/100 for every labor of Temporal or arable Land and One dollar & 20/100 for every labor of Pasture Land which may be contained in the survey Secured to him by this Certificate.

Given under our hands this 9th February 1838.

Attest
Prosper Hope
Clk

Stephen R. Roberts Presid.
J. W. Smith Assoc Com

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Marshall

PRESLEY R. WOODALL Southern Claims Commission Claim

This information was obtained, abstracted, and contributed by Judge William D. Page of Huntsville, Alabama. Presley R. Woodall (1810-1864) was a son of Willis Woodall and his wife, Cary Johnson. He was a prominent physician and Justice of the Peace of Marshall County. He served on the Marshall County Commission of Revenue for three years (1860-1863). Woodall was a strong Union sympathiser and in December, 1863 he moved his family to Jackson County, Illinois to escape the War. He died there January 8, 1864 of pneumonia. His youngest son, Jacob Woodall, also died in Illinois.

CLAIM

On Aug. 15, 1871, Pleasant S. Woodall, as Administrator of the estate of Presley R. Woodall, deceased, gave a Power of Attorney to Messrs. Lewis & Fullerton of Washington, D. C. That law-firm was to act as counsel. On the same date, Pleasant S. Woodall stated, on oath, that he had been loyal to the Union and never aided the Confederate cause. [Lawyers were D. P. Lewis and Thomas C. Fullerton, Jr.]

Pleasant S. Woodall, as administrator of the estate of Presley R. Woodall, decd., made a claim against the United States under the Act of Congress enrolled March 3, 1871. He had been appointed administrator in Marshall County, Alabama Probate Court in February, 1866. The following is an abstract of the documents presented in support of the claim:

On August 17, 1863 a Major of the 9th Indiana Cavalry stationed at Paint Rock, Ala. took from the deceased Presley R. Woodall:

1. One black horse, six years old, valued at \$100.
2. One spotted horse, six years old, valued at \$100.

General George Brook was in charge of the Federal soldiers and a receipt was given for the animals.

On Nov. 13, 1863, 1st Lt. B. Coe of the 3rd Ohio Volunteer Cavalry, acting Quartermaster of the 2nd Division, U. S. Army, stationed at Woodville, Jackson Co., Ala. took from the deceased:

3. One black horse, four years old, valued at \$100.

A receipt was given. General John A. Logan was in charge of the troops. On Nov. 26, 1863, 1st Lt. Coe took from the deceased:

4. 718 bushels of corn valued at 60 Cents per bushel
5. 400 lbs. corn fodder valued at \$1. per hundred. A voucher was given.

In October or November, 1863, A. H. Pearl, 1st Lt., 3rd Ohio Volunteer Cavalry took from deceased:

6. 3,968 pounds of beef valued at \$198.40
7. 1500 pounds of pork valued at \$90. A voucher was given.

Total claim for \$1,059.20

Oct. 13, 1871 at Woodville, Jackson Co., Ala., Pleasant S. Woodall appeared before William B. Figures, Special Commissioner, and made oath that his father, Presley R. Woodall, died intestate in January, 1864 in Jackson County, Illinois, that he was appointed admr. of his father's estate in the

Probate Court of Marshall Co., Ala. on Feb. 17, 1866; the deceased at the time of his death owned a farm of approximately 500 acres in Marshall County valued at \$3,000; final settlement of the estate had been made but the Probate Court allowed him to prosecute this claim.

Presley R. Woodall left, at the time of his death, eight children and no wife. Six of the children were of age and two were minors. Pleasant S. Woodall resided with his father part of the time after the war began and before his death, and near him the remainder of the time. His father (Presley R.) was opposed to secession, was regarded as a Union man, and could not have established loyalty to the Confederate Government had it prevailed. The loyalty of his father to the United States is endorsed on the receipts and vouchers.

John B. Kennamer Deposition

John B. Kennamer, age 50, resident of Marshall County, a farmer, no kin to any of the claimants, was captain of a company of scouts in the U. S. Army during the Rebellion with operations confined principally to North Alabama. He saw Presley Woodall frequently during the War and regarded him as a true and loyal Union man from the beginning of the Rebellion until his death. Woodall died in January, 1864.

Jacob L. Kennamer Deposition

Jacob L. Kennamer, a resident of Kennamer's Cove in Marshall County, Ala., aged "about 36 years," a farmer, born and raised in Kennamer's Cove stated he was a cousin of the claimants. He was raised in the same neighborhood with the claimants. He lived within two miles of some of the claimants and none lived more than five miles distant. The Rebels arrested the father of Pleasant Woodall and he (Jacob L. Kennamer) went to Guntersville to help get him out in 1862. The Rebels had the father arrested for treason. Jacob L. Kennamer states he was in several skirmishes with Silas P. Woodall and they soldiered together in John B. Kennamer's Company of Scouts and Guides from the summer of 1864 up to May 1865; laid up in the woods with Albert Woodall and "dodged about" to avoid the rebels for six to eight months. Albert Woodall appeared pleased at the success of the Union Army; talked with Christinia Stapler (daughter of deceased) who was living with her father and she always spoke for the Union. Silas P. Woodall was in the same company in the army. The Woodall girls cooked for us while we were hiding in the mountains and brought us provisions. Silas P. Woodall did work at the salt petre works but it was to avoid the rebel conscription officer. If the rebels could have found any of us they would have killed us all.

Christinia Stapler Deposition

Christinia Stapler, age 40 years, wife of Joseph N. Stapler who is a farmer, resident of New Hope in Madison County, has resided there the past four years, was not married during the war and lived with her father Presley R. Woodall who died in Jackson County, Illinois in January, 1864. She was born in Marshall County, Ala. and lived there until December 4, 1863 when she and her husband and her father and brother went to Illinois for protection from the rebels. Her family farmed in Alabama and in Illinois and returned to Ala. after the war was over. She cooked and waited upon Federal soldiers who came by their house. Her brother, Silas P. Woodall, was a soldier about one year. The Union officers always gave her father passes for himself and the family. Her father's life was threatened by the rebels and the family was granted a permit to keep arms to defend themselves. Her kinsmen, John B. Kennamer, Seborn F. Kennamer, Jacob L. Kennamer, David Kennamer, her brother, Pleasant S. Woodall, and her other brother contributed to the Federal cause. Her father was threatened by Rebel officers in 1861, 1862, and 1863 especially just before the family went to Illinois. Rebels threatened to kill him and to "bushwack" Union soldiers near their home and to blame it on the Woodalls.

Mary F. Wright Deposition

Mary F. Wright, age 25, is a resident of Boyd's Switch [now Limrock] in Jackson County. She was born in Marshall Co., Ala., the daughter of Presley R. Woodall, deceased. Mary F. went north with her father in the latter part of 1863 and is one of the heirs of her father's estate.

Albert Woodall Deposition

Albert Woodall, age 33, a resident of Kennamer's Cove in Marshall County was born there. His occupation is farming and he is the son of Presley R. Woodall, deceased. He was going to school at Woodville for eleven months before the War; resided in Kennamer's Cove until December, 1863 when he went to Jackson County, Illinois with his father and family. He was teaching during part of the war and farming during part of it. His sympathies were with the Union. He helped soldiers of the 2nd and 3rd Ohio Cavalry look for rebels reportedly hiding in a cave three miles from his house in the fall of 1863. He was not old enough to vote during that period before the war but took sides with the old government; not threatened to his face. In the spring of 1863 "the rebels were about to conscript some of us and my father went to Huntsville and got some kind of pass for me to stay at home for a few days;" kept from going to the army by going to the mountains and laying out; was at all times anxious to see the rebellion put down by force of arms.

Pleasant S. Woodall Deposition

Pleasant S. Woodall, age 53, residing in Kennamer's Cove, Marshall Co. and born and raised there; occupation is farming; have resided in Marshall County since 1865 and resided there during part of the war; four years just before the war resided at Paint Rock Station in Jackson County, Alabama five miles from Woodville and eight miles from Kennamer's Cove; was in merchandising a few years just before the war, farmed during the first years of the war up to Dec., 1863 when went to Illinois and remained there until the war was over. He farmed in Illinois and worked some as a hireling; advocated the Union cause; turned over some of his property to the Union army and received vouchers for it but lost the vouchers while in Illinois. His brother, Silas P. Woodall, served in the Union Army in Capt. J. B. Kennamer's Company of Scouts; was permitted to live inside Federal lines and the family was granted permission to go north and return at any time; family all went through Federal lines at the same time; had a horse taken out of the woods in 1863 by Confederates; took an oath in 1862 when the first troops came, the oath being to be a true citizen; thinks he took the oath before Col. Eli Long. He voted for Bell in 1860 and voted for union candidates to the Secession Convention; went north because he was not safe here outside the Union Camps and went back also to find some place to work and make a living.

Silas P. Woodall Deposition

Silas P. Woodall, age 41, has been residing near Woodville, Jackson County, Ala. for 17 years. He is a farmer, the son of Presley R. Woodall, born in Kennamer's Cove in Marshall County. He did not change residence until April, 1865 when he went to Jackson County, Illinois and remained there four months farming; served in company of Union Scouts for ten or twelve months; was sorry the Union Army was defeated at Bull Run and thought capture of Vicksburg and New Orleans were very good things; no Union men lived nearer than Kennamer's Cove; was not threatened to his face but heard of threats around through the country. He lost two mares taken by some of Frank Cotton's men in the winter of 1864-65; his house was robbed just before Christmas in 1864 by some of Major Johnson's men. For 4 or 5 months in 1863 he worked in rebel salt petre works to keep out of army; was going to get some thread and met a conscript officer who ordered him to report at Brownsboro on the next Monday and instead went to work in the Rebel works and when the Federals came in he joined them; took an oath in 1864 after Christmas when Col. Burton of the 4th Iowa said he had to

take the oath in order to draw pay for corn and stuff; voted for Union candidates to secession convention and thinks "that was the last election held on our side of the Tennessee River;" the salt petre works were in Dry Cove in Jackson County. John B. Kennamer's company was never regularly mustered into the Union Army and they were paid under a special Act of Congress; he was commissary sergeant in the company. [Note on folder: "This man has had a claim allowed.]

Sampson Bishop Deposition

Sampson Bishop, age 46, has resided in Kennamer's Cove for past 25 years; occupation is farming. His first wife was a cousin of the claimants who are heirs of Presley R. Woodall; was with Albert Woodall in winter of 1862-63 and in spring of 1863 in the mountains keeping out of reach of the rebels; heard Pleasant Woodall speak for the Union; he and Silas Woodall were in Union service together; the Woodall girls brought food and warned of danger; the old man was a Union man and no doubt about it.

James R. Woodall - Further Testimony

On October 21, 1875 at Woodville, Ala., additional evidence was presented before W. G. Stuart, Special Commissioner, on the issue of the loyalty of James R. Woodall, son of Presley R. Woodall, deceased.

James R. Woodall, son of Presley R. Woodall, decd., was born in Marshall Co., Ala. and resided in that county until 1862 when he moved to near Woodville in Jackson County and lived there until 1864; the fences being destroyed he returned to Marshall County; farmed his land in Jackson County; his sympathies were with the Federal government; voted for John Bell in 1860; furnished provisions and received vouchers from the U. S. and received pay for some of the property after the War; his brother entered Union service at Paint Rock Bridge in 1864 and left the service after the war; was not in the service during the War; gave comfort to sick Union soldiers of the 15th Army; thought it good the South did not gain independence; had protection papers from General Oustenhause and passes from other officers; will try to locate the papers; has not taken the Iron Clad Oath. William F. Barclay, W. C. Thomas, Moses Maples and John B. Kennamer will testify to his loyalty.

One night in the spring of 1866 James Whitecotton of near Woodville came to his house and drew a knife and abused him for being a Union man; in fall of 1864 a part of Capt. Cotton's company of rebels took corn and fodder from he. He was conscripted in the latter part of 1862 and carried before a Board of Surgeons and exempted from service. His relatives who were in Confederate service were Willis Woodall who lives in Madison County; William Woodall who lives in Tennessee, and Joseph Woodall who is dead. He took oaths of amnesty in 1864 at Woodville and in 1865 at Huntsville after close of war. He was in Federal custody for half a night when the Federal forces first came to Woodville in 1862 when a young man knifed a Union soldier and he and all the citizens were kept under guard until midnight and then discharged.

James R. Woodall - Further Testimony

On November 17, 1875, James R. Woodall gave further testimony before W. G. Stuart, Special Commissioner.

James R. Woodall went before the conscript officer after he had advertised for all invalids to appear before him; was given a certificate of exemption by a Board of Doctors; was never employed at the salt petre works but rented a wagon and team to a private contractor, Carlilet Henderson, who was working at the Salt petre cave who may have sold to the Confederate Government.

Presley R. Woodall left no widow as his wife died before him. There are six heirs of Presley R. Woodall who are still living. Jacob Woodall and Cary Lawing, wife of Robert Lawing, left no

children. Jacob Woodall was never married.

Jacob L. Kennamer - Further Testimony

Jacob L. Kennamer, age 37, a resident of Marshall County, cousin of the claimant, J. R. Woodall, has lived in Marshall County five miles south of Woodville during his life. J. R. Woodall was loyal to the United States and he voted the Cooperation Ticket to the Convention in 1861 in *Cannimore's* Cove in Marshall County. He was a quiet man on politics. Moses Maples, Capt. John B. Kennamer, Sampson Bishop and William C. Thomas, who live near Woodville, will testify to the loyalty of J. R. Woodall. Jacob L. Kennamer served eleven months in Capt. Kennamer's Scouts and they reported to Col. Lyon of the 13th Wisconsin Infantry and were disbanded at Paint Rock Bridge by order of General Granger. J. R. Woodall helped his mother kill hogs while he was in Union service. Presley R. Woodall's wife died before him; two of his children are dead; Jacob Woodall never married and Cary Lawing, wife of Robert Lawing, is dead without issue which leaves six heirs:

Christinia Stapler, wife of Joseph Stapler, residing in Madison County seven miles west of Woodville.

Pleasant S. Woodall lives six miles south of Woodville in Marshall County.

Silas P. Woodall lives three miles east of Woodville in Jackson County.

J. R. Woodall lives south of Woodville in Jackson County.

Albert Woodall lives seven miles south of Woodville in Marshall County.

Mary F. Wright, wife of Minus Wright, lives six miles east of Woodville in Jackson County.

Signed by Jacob L. Kennamer on 16 Nov. 1875.

Moses Maples Deposition

Moses Maples appeared on 17 Nov. 1875 before Special Commissioner, W. G. Stuart, and gave testimony. He is 73 years of age, residing one mile northwest from Woodville, Jackson County; he is a farmer. He has known J. R. Woodall since boyhood (about 35 years); lived about 1½ miles from him up to February, 1864 when he moved some *six or seven or eight miles* off. He was loyal to the Union. S. P. Woodall, W. C. Thomas and William Barclay will testify he was loyal. J. R. Woodall regarded me as a Union man also. [Statement as to deceased and living children of Presley R. Woodall is same as above.]

Governmental Information

On Nov. 29, 1873 the archive office of the War Department reported that the Confederate records contained a report that P. S. Woodall had been given a voucher for \$20.00 for services as a special messenger in June, 1863, to carry nitre from Fort Paine ½ Ft. Payne] to Rome, Georgia, by Wm. Gabbett, Supt. of 9th District (Confederate).

On May 10, 1876, P. S. Woodall wrote Mr. Fullerton, his attorney, and suggested that it was G. S. Woodall who had been in the service of Wm. *Gabett* "if the name is recorded right. He also enclosed his affidavit made before George R. Hodges, Justice of the Peace in Jackson County, saying that he (Pleasant S. Woodall) was never in the employ of Wm. Gabbett and never did any service for the Confederacy for money or otherwise."

Voucher

"Head Qr. of 4 Ind. Cav.

Aug. 17, 1863

Camp near Paint Rock, Alabama. Received of P. R. Woodall two horses to be acct. for by

the U. S. Government as it may hereafter direct.”

J. P. Leslie
Maj., 4 Md. Cav.

On April 11, 1876, in Jackson County, before George R. Hodges, J.P., Pleasant S. Woodall made affidavit that he received the foregoing from the papers of P. R. Woodall, decd., and was present when the receipt was given and also when the horses were taken.

On April 20, 1876 an assistant adjutant General in the War Department certified that the signature of Major J. P. Leslie, 4th Indiana Cavalry, appeared to be genuine.

On Sept. 20, 1875, Thos. C. Fulerton, attorney for the claimants, withdrew the claim for compensation for one black horse, the corn, corn fodder, beef and pork, leaving a claim for one black horse and one spotted horse (total of \$200.). He stated in his letter to the Claims Commission that he did so because the other property was “presented to the Third Auditor” and voluntarily furnished to the U. S. Army and unconditional vouchers were given for it, and that he took his course to avoid any chance of loosing as to the question of loyalty although he “had utmost confidence in the claim.”

On December 4, 1876, the Commissioners of Claims submitted to Congress the report recommending payment of \$200. for two horses with the following remarks:

“His claim as originally presented was for three horses, 718 bushels corn, 4000 lbs. fodder, 3968 lbs. beef and 1500 lbs. pork, but all these articles except two of the horses were embraced in regular vouchers and have been withdrawn for settlement by the accounting officers of the Treasury under the so-called ‘Voucher Decision.’

“The late Presley R. Woodall belonged to one of those loyal North Alabama families that contributed so many Scouts and soldiers to the Federal Service during the late war and with whose history as a community we have grown so familiar as to abort the necessity of setting out the record of each one in full. The testimony in support of his loyalty is full and strong, and of his eight children—or six, leaving out the two of tender years—the males were in the army, or scouting, or ‘lying out’ to avoid conscription or in other ways serving the Federal cause, while the females were furnishing provisions and in other ways attending to the welfare and safety of the loyal young men of the neighborhood, their brothers included. We find the deceased and the present claimants to have been loyal during the war.

“The taking of the two horses is evidenced by a receipt given by the proper officer, whose rank and signature have been verified at the War Department. It was not transferred to the accounting officers with the other items of the claim because it was not in the precise form that would bring it within the rule concerning vouchers. The horses taken were taken for Cavalry purposes and may be presumed to have been fit for that purpose, and if they were, they were worth at that time, August, 1863, the amount charged for them—two hundred dollars.”

Payment issued by the United States, April 6, 1877, payable to the claimant, c/o Messrs. Lewis and Fullerton, Washington, D. C., for the payment of the amount allowed by Act of Congress, Private No. 70, approved March 3, 1877. \$200.

Morgan

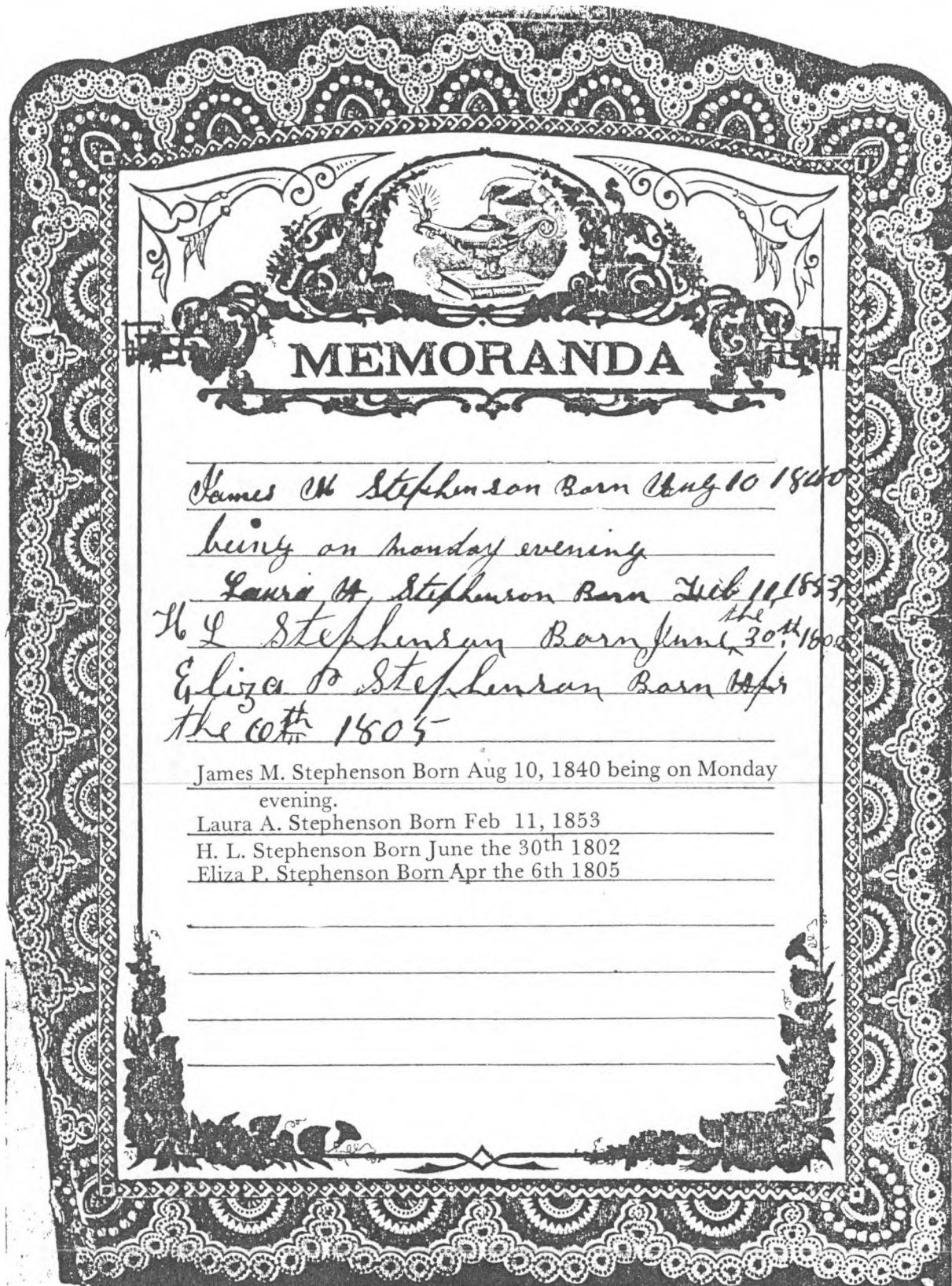
JAMES MONROE STEPHENSON BIBLE RECORD

This fragile old Bible record of the James Monroe Stephenson family was contributed by Mrs. Joe Black, 1104 11th Ave., SE, Decatur, AL 35601. The date of purchase is unknown. The date of publication is also unknown, however, it is shown as having been entered according to an Act of Congress in 1875. Mrs. Black's mother obtained the Bible from her father, Frank David Stephenson. H. L. Stephenson was the father of James M[onroe] Stephenson. The information in brackets was supplied by Mrs. Black.

In order to share the beauty of this old Bible with our readers we have chosen to run it from photocopies of the original. Where room allowed on the first two pages your editor has typed the genealogical information in case some find it difficult to read. There was not room to do this on the next three pages and that information is typed on the last page.



James M[onroe] Stephenson of the First part and Laura A. Dukeminier of the Second part on the 3rd day of Jan. 1871 at [residence of] J. A. Dukeminier by Rev. Chap Roberts.



Estella Lina Stephenson Born January 1905

Longer Stephenson's children born here

BIRTHS

*Charles, Michael, Stephenson, son
 being born at a o'clock Oct 10th 1871*

*Fredric L. Stephenson, Born Jan 2nd 1872
 being on Monday at a o'clock,*

*Russell E. Stephenson Born Monday
 at 1 o'clock, May 10th 1874*

*Frank Stephenson, Born March 22nd 1870
 being on Wednesday;*

*Eulah B. Stephenson Born
 Feb. 1st 1875 Wednesday at a o'clock*

*Anna & Eliza Stephenson Born
 Dec the 31st 1878, Wednesday*

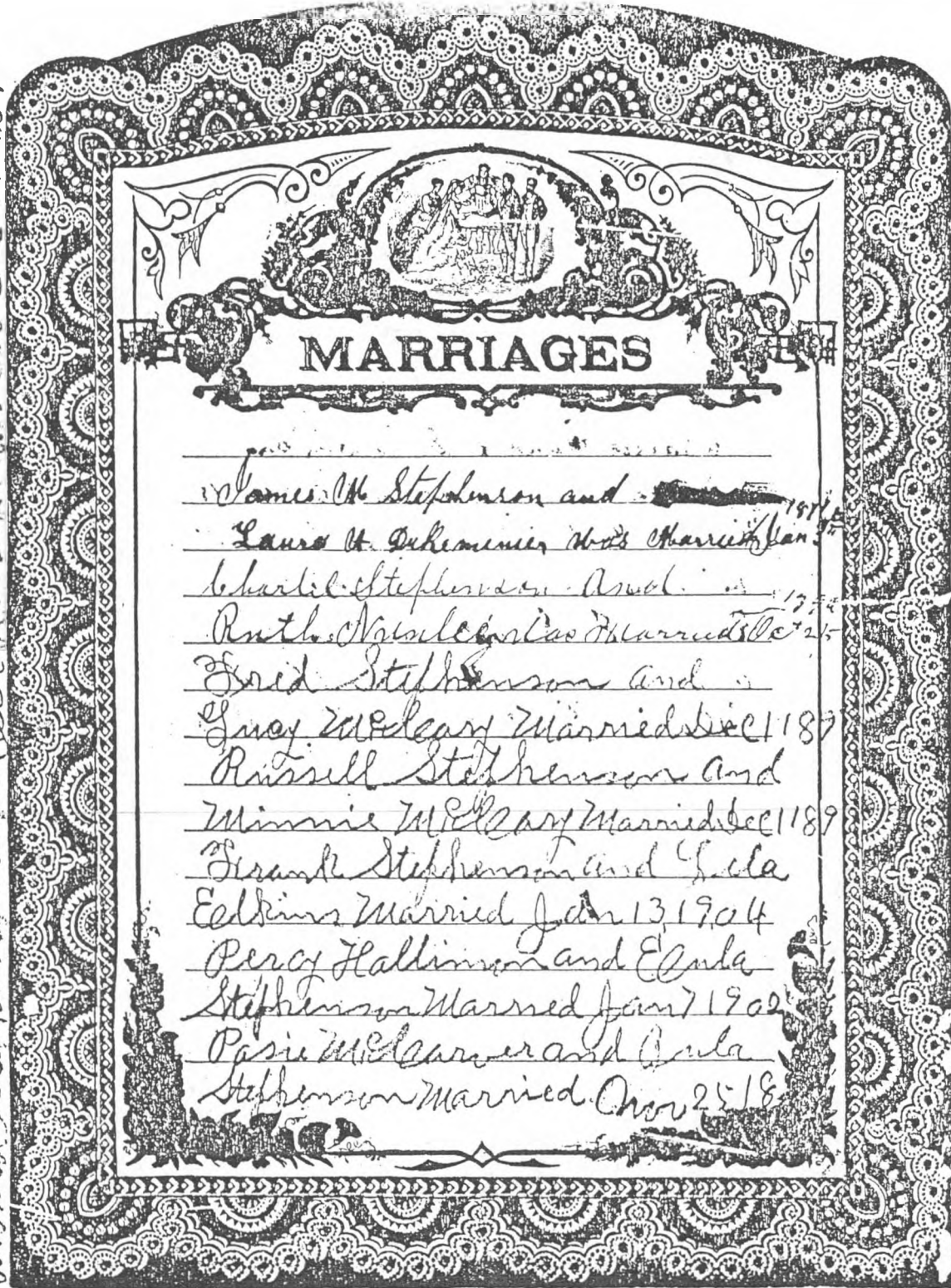
*Edward Gifford Stephenson B
 Aug. the 11th 1881 Sunday*

*Dorson Monroe Stephenson Born Baby
 the 25th 1883 Wednesday*

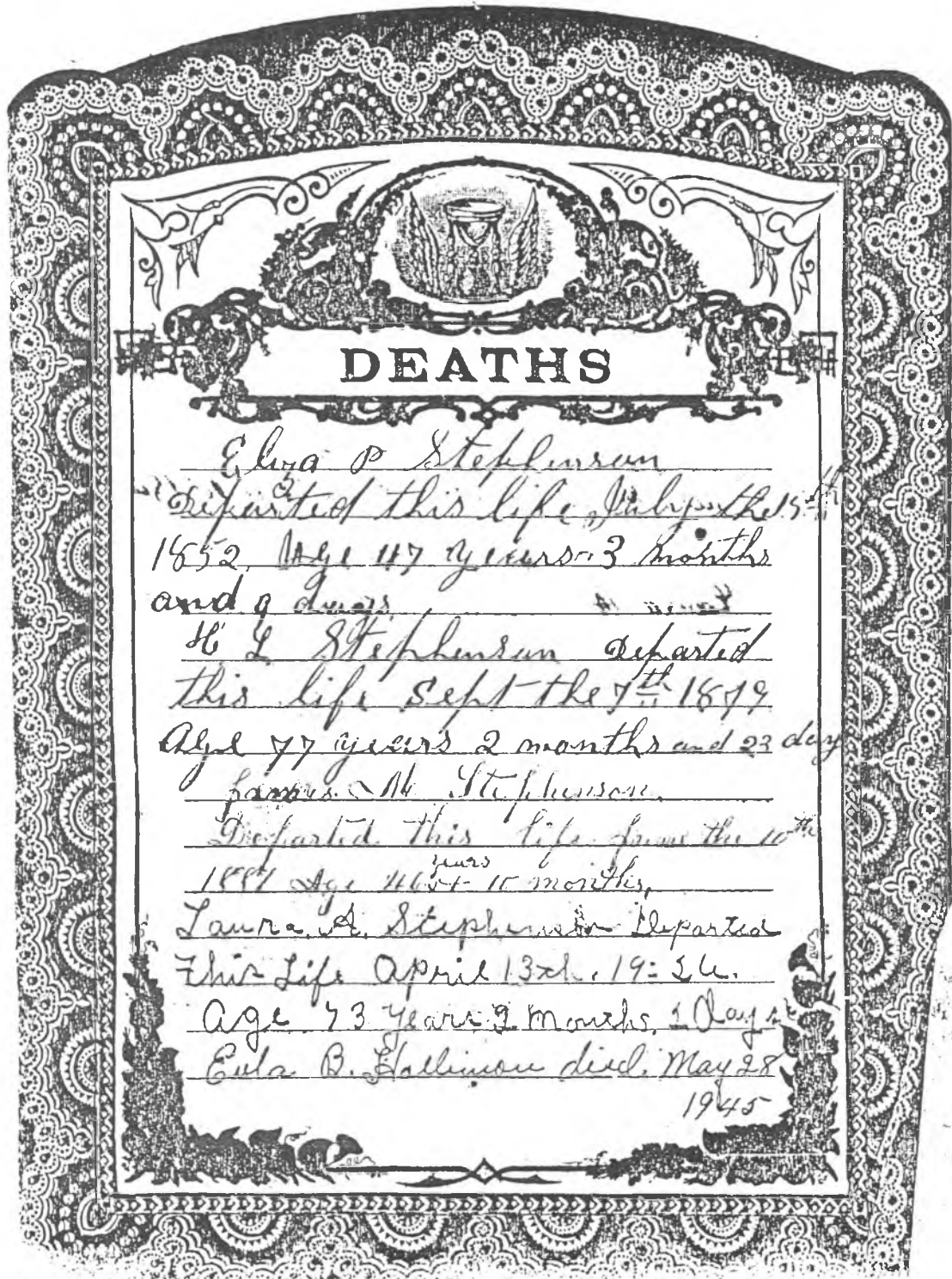
*Birth record Stephenson Born 1880 7 (1887)
 31 March 1887*

*Mabelle Lina Stephenson, Born
 March 27th 1885 - Longelex morning 3:45*

Edward Stephenson and Cora Hembel Married Dec 21, 1905



Will (11) and (12) were in the same place as 1905



Mrs. E. L. Stephenson
 and E. L. Stephenson
 7 March 1851 1905

BIRTHS

Charles Michaux Stephenson Born Tuesday evening at 10[?] o'clock Oct. 10th 1871.
 Fredric L. Stephenson born Nov. 25th 1872 being on Monday at 1 o'clock.
 Russell E. Stephenson Born Monday at 1 o'clock Aug. 10th 1874
 Frank David Stephenson Born March 22th 1876 being on Wednesday
 Eulah B. Stephenson Born Feb the 6th Wednesday at 4 o'clock 1878
 Zula Eliza Stephenson Born Dec. the 31th 1879, Wednesday
 Edward Alford Stephenson Born Aug. the 14th 1881 Sunday
 Draton Monroe Stephenson born July the 25th 1883 Wednesday

On the "Birth" page some dates were written in the margins. They are:

Mallie Luna [Laura] Stephenson born Marchth 1885 Thursday morning
 Ruth Mae Stephenson Born March 7, 1887
 Souzon Llarviner[?] Stephenson July 25, 1875
 Estella Luna Stephenson born January 12[?] 1900

MARRIAGES

James M. Stephenson and Laura A. Dukeminier was married Jan 3th 1871
 Charlie Stephenson and Ruth Nunleirlas[?] married Oct. 25, 1894
 Fred Stephenson and Lucy McCleary married Dec. 1, 1897) sisters
 Russell Stephenson and Minnie McCleary married Dec. 1, 1897)
 Frank Stephenson and Lela Elkins married Jan. 13, 1904
 Percy Hollimon and Eula Stephenson married Jan. 7, 1902
 Posie McCarver and Zula Stephenson married Nov. 25, 1899

On the "Marriages" page some dates were written in the margins. They are:

Drayton Stephenson and Minnie Berrimon married Feb. 23, 1909
 Edward and Era Henly married Dec 21, 1905
 Will Wear and Mattie [Mallie Laura] Stephenson married Dec. 2, 1903

DEATHS

Eliza P. Stephenson Departed this life July the 15th 1852 age 47 years, 3 months and 9 days.
 H. L. Stephenson Departed this life Sept the 7th 1879 Age 77 years, 2 months and 23 days.
 James M. Stephenson Departed this life June the 10th 1887 Age 46 years & 10 months.
 Laura A. Stephenson Departed this Life April 13th 1925 age 73 years, 2 months, 2 days.
 Eula B. Hollimon died May 28, 1945

Mrs. Black included some notes on the marriages of this family. Her notes are as follow:

Mattie is Mallie Laura Stephenson
 Ruth Nuhleirlas should be Ruth Nunley
 Lucy McCleary and Minnie McCleary were sisters.
 According to the January 13, 1871 issue of *The Huntsville Advocate*, Monroe Stephenson and
 Laura Dukeminier were married by Rev. J. C. Roberts.

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129 KEY

Wish to exchange info re. Thomas M. Key & his parents and descendants. He was age 26 in 1880 Madison Co., Ala. census; spouse was Mary Elizabeth, age 24. Their ch: John Thomas Key age 7, Oliver Hatcher Key b. 1877 and Emma A. Key b. 1880. [Editor's note: John T. Key (1877-1943) & his wf Cora Elizabeth Key (1883-1955) bur in Pleasant Grove Cem. in Madison Co., Al.]

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130 CRUZEN, DAVIS, HOPWOOD

Wish to contact Ruth Maud Cruzen, married surname unknown, b 31 Aug 1915 Dayton, Ohio, d/o John Wm. Cruzen & Myrtle Emma (Davis) Hopwood who m. in Fayetteville, Lincoln Co., Tn. 3 June 1914. Myrtle b. Limestone Co., Al. 24 Dec. 1891 & m. Hugh Hopwood who d. 18 June 1912. John Wm. Cruzen d. 1920 & fam. removed from Dayton, Ohio. Where?

John Wm. Cruzen previously m. to Elizabeth Thomas of Greene Co., Ohio. They lived in Elkwood, Madison Co., Al. for short period at turn of century; had adopted dau., Kate, b. in 1877, Ohio, & her surname changed from Managah to Cruzen. Desire any data on Ruth and Kate.

Shirley Cruzen Stevens, 2636 Sequoia Parkway, Ann Arbor, MI 48103

131 ROGERS, McMILLAN/McMILLION

Am trying to find my grandfather Rogers and this is all the info. I have: _____ Rogers m. Mary Elizabeth McMillan/McMillion in Ala or Tn ca 1881-1883; she b. 1867. They had my father, Van Cleveland Rogers b. 2-17-1884 and John b. 1887. Van Cleveland Rogers b. Ala. My gr-fa Rogers prob d. when my fa. about 6 yrs. since gr-mo remarried a John Harrison in 1890 (he from Tn.).

Edna J. (Rogers) Pybas, 916 So. 7th St., Marlow, OK 73055

132 COOK, SIMPSON, BRUMLOW, SCOTT, COLBERT, BROWN

Need info. on George Washington Cook who m. Caladonia "Cally" Simpson Baker 6 Sept 1877 in Limestone Co., Al. George killed at gin of Henderson, Whitt & Arnett in Nov. 1897; is on Giles Co., Tn. 1880 census with dau. Bell. They parents of Sarah A. Cook b. Feb 1881, m. C. O. Scott; Donia A. Cook b. 10 Feb 1883 m. A. L. Colbert; and _____ Brumlow & d. 28 May 1941 & bur State Line Cem. in Madison Co., Al; Mrs. L. G. Brown lived New Hope, Al; Charley C. Cook m. Jennie Taylor in Madison Co; Lula Maud Cook; Cythia Volia Cook; Iso L. Cook; Eddie S. Cook; Tenny Nell Cook; George W. Cook; and Robert Lee Cook. Will reimburse costs.

Jewell McQuay, Rt. 1, Box 308, Rehoboth, DE 19971

133 FRAZIER, HOLLAND, BYNUM, FLOYD, St. CLAIR

Need parents of Mary A. (Polly) Frazier b. ca 1822 NC, m. ca 1850 William Davis Holland b. Greene Co., Tn. 1818. Had 4 ch: Mira Elizabeth b. 1853, Emily Cornelia b 1855 & M. John Lewis Bynum, Martha Roanah b. 1857 & m. _____ Floyd, & Laura Jane b. 1859 & m. _____ St. Clair. All ch. b. Jackson Co. & lived in Maynard's Cove.

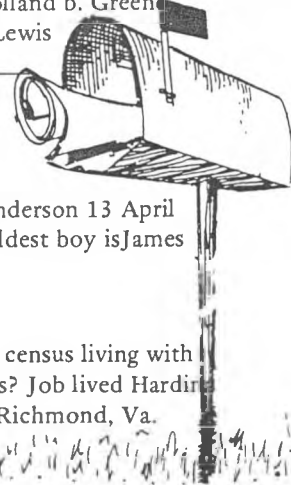
Thomas C. Brewer, 2785 So. 136 E. Pl., Tulsa, OK 74134

134 JAGGERS, SANDERSON

Need parents of Daniel D. Jaggars/Jaggers who m. Hepsabeth/Hepsiby/Hephgabel Sanderson 13 April 1816 Madison Co., Al. Limestone Co. 1830 census has them with 4 boys & 2 girls; eldest boy is James M; a 5th son b. 15 Dec. 1830 named Amos F. Who are other ch?

BARNETT, BROOKS, DAVIS, HUGHS

Need parents of Job Barnett b. Marshall Co., Ala in 1830's. He on 1850 Marshall Co. census living with Brooks fam. He m. Susan A. Davis d/o John Davis & Merica Hughs. Who their parents? Job lived Hardin Co. Tn. at time of Civil War & in Union Army; he d. 18 March 1864 in Conf. prison Richmond, Va. Known ch: Jim, John M., Caldonia & Tennessee.



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RIKARD, MALONE, STANFIELD

Need parents of Nancy Jane Rikard b. 25 Sept 1832 Ala., m. Vincent Malone 6 Jan 1847; lived Rock Creek in Franklin Co., Ala. which later became Colbert Co. John W. Rikard's name written in back of Vincent Malone Bible that I have. Another paper I have says William "Buck" Rikard rode into Ala from SC with his older bro. John. Could this be the same John and fa. of Nancy? Also need info on Fanny, mo. of Vincent Malone; her maiden name possibly Stanfield; she m. Wm. Malone & lived Franklin Co., Al & d. 11 Sept 1897. She may have been Cherokee Indian.

Dorothy Childs, 437 West King, Jackson, TN 38301

135 **DAVIS, MILLER**

Need info on John W. Davis b. 1850 Tn, m. Sarah Ann Miller, b. Jackson Co., Al ca 1862, d/o Josiah Miller. Where married? MOved to Denton Co., Tx early 1880's; lived Ft. Gibson, Cherokee Nation, Okla. with family 1890-1908. Ch: Franklin, Dona, Thos., Della (my gr-mo), Cora & Nora (twins); d. Pilot Point, Denton, Tx 1909. Who were his parents & siblings? Was he part Indian?

MILLER, ANDERSON

Josiah Miller b ca 1835 NC m. Nancy E. Anderson b. Al ca 1838 d/o Rotia Anderson, in 1853 Jackson Co., Al. Ch: Elizabeth, Melvin & Sarah Ann. Mother Sarah Miller wid. in 1860 Jackson census. Known siblings: Catherine, John & Wm. all b. NC. Who his fa? Can't find him after 1860. Are there descendants still living Jackson Co? Sarah m. John W. Davis & Elizabeth m. James Vandever & moved to Tx early 1800's. What happened to Melvin?

POLLARD, DAVIS

Need parents of Chas. B. Pollard b 1845 Cherokee Co., Al. Siblings: William (b. 1846) & Lucinda (b. 1847). Mother Martha b. SC wid. in 1850 Cherokee Co., Al census. Was her maiden name Whitton? Chas. B. served in Civil War, m. Mary C. Callahan Davis D/o Wm. D. Davis of Chattooga Co., Ga 1865. Ch: Bertha, Wm., Benny D., Homer G. (my gr-fa), Walter, Bemonia, Reeder & Joe. m. 2nd Mrs. Mary Barnes in Ark 1893 & had Myrtle, moved to Ft. Smith, Ark ca 1870, d. a widower at Ft. Gibson, Ok ca 1905. What became of Wm. & Lucinda & his mother? Mrs. Berry Miles, 1144 Orchard Way, Chico, CA 95928

136 **PARKER**

Seeking info on fam of Green B. (Greenberry) Parker b ca 1826 NC. In Franklin Co., Al in 1850 & 1860, VanZandt Co., Tx 1870, Hardin Co., Tn 1880 & VanZandt Co., Tx 1890. m. Doshia _____ late 1840's. Had 7 or 8 ch, eldest being Monford C. Parker b 1848. In 1860 Franklin Co. Rachel _____ living with fam. (b 1808 SC). All letters ans. Raymond Parker, 3570 Paramount, Fort Worth, TX 76117

137 **SCRUGGS**

Need any info on Weston (or Western) W. Scruggs b 1794 Va., d 1853 Mo. who may have lived Lauderdale Co., Al in early 1800's; served in War/1812 with West Tenn. Militia & was slave owner. Had 2 dau's (Tennessee b 1838 and Missouri b 1842); his wf was New York Dutch. Need wife's name, his parents, where married, other ch., etc. Arlys R. LaFehr, 2303 Table Hts. Dr., Golden, Colorado 80401

138 **DAVIDSON, WALLACE**

Would like info on George/John Davidson (my gr-aunt called him George & gr-uncle called him John). He m. Mary Wallace. They my gg grandparents & lived Huntsville, Ala & were inn-keepers. He d there 1815. Where buried? They had 5 ch: Berry, William, John Wallace & Lucy. John Wallace b 14 Mar 1814 (by g-grfa). Any info appreciated. Betty Ramey, 2609 San Jose Way, Sacramento, California 95817

139 **EDWARDS, THOMPSON**

Who were parents/siblings of Garner J. Edwards b ca 1818 Madison Co., Al per 1850 Morgan Co. census? He m. Mary Thompson in Morgan Co. abt 10 Feb 1841. Mary b ca 1818 Va. A son, Lumsford Bramlett Edwards b. 16 July 1852 Morgan Co. Who Mary's parents? Any info. appreciated. Jewel Richardson (Mrs. J. D.) 809 Juliet Ave., Memphis, TN 38127

140 **HORNSBY, SANDERS**

Need info on Thomas C. Hornsby b 1839 DeKalb Co., Ga., m. Nancy Sanders, lived Clay Co., Ala & Albertville, Ala; d 1915, bur Mt. Vernon Church Cem at Albertville. His par. were Henry Hornsby (b 1812) & Nancy. They lived Clay Co., Ala. Any help appreciated. William B. Newby Jr., 2220 Dogwood Lane, NW, Huntsville, AL 35810

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