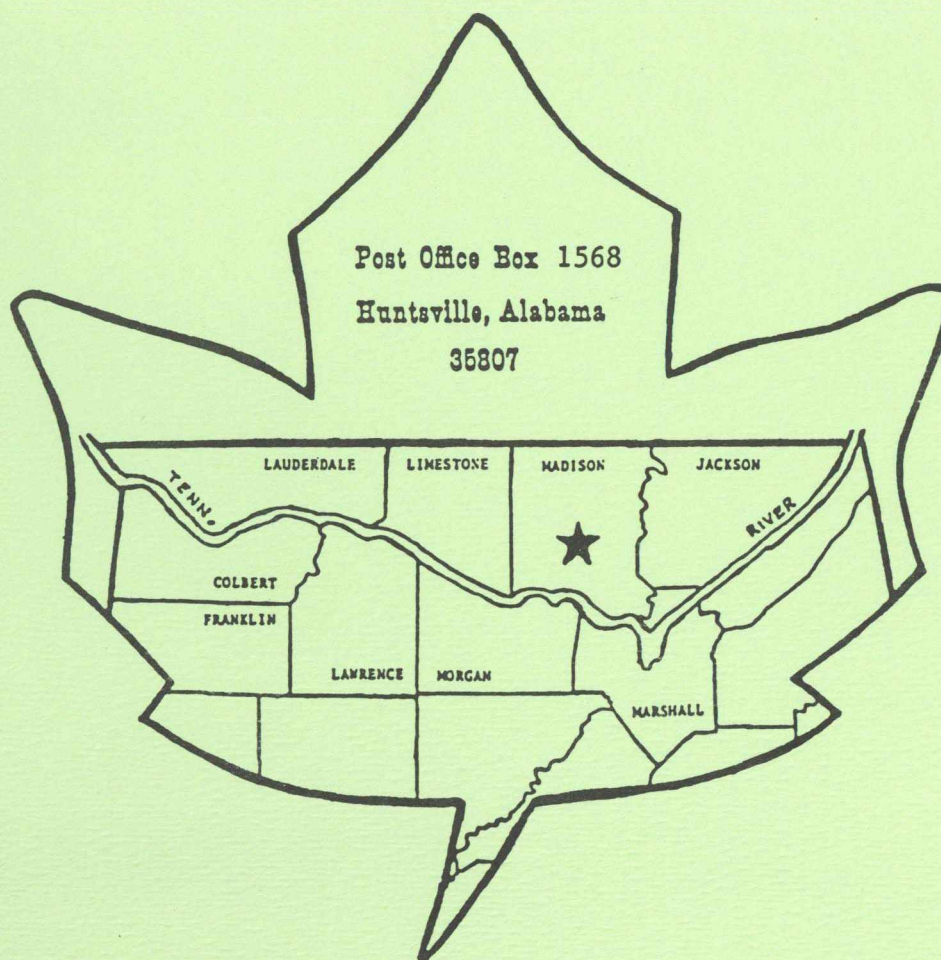


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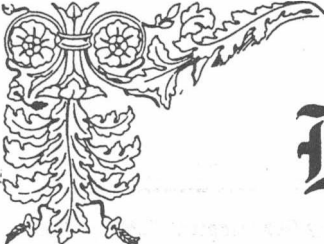
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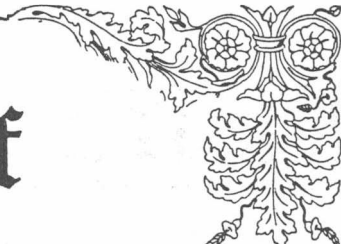
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# Editor's Leaf



September 1989

Good news for the new year...

Ancestor Charts, Volume 4, is ready to go to press, at last. Those who have already paid for copies will be relieved. We hope that many others will want copies. We are still receiving new charts but, of course, we will not be able to use them now. Since we are not planning to publish another volume in the near future we will place any charts that we receive in the Family Files at the Huntsville Public Library.

I have just discovered a new publication on Mississippi. Ann Anderson of the L. W. Anderson Genealogical Library and Judith Hetchler have begun MISSISSIPPI RECORDS. Volume 1, No. 3, July 1989 looks really good. We will give it a more thorough review when we get a full volume as is our policy. Those of you who attended the NGS Conference in the States at Biloxi will remember Ann as the vivacious Host Chairman of the meeting. The cost of the new quarterly is \$15.00, annually and is available from P. O. Box 1647, Gulfport, MS 39502.

Another new publication in the making is "Graves Give and Take", a newsletter about Graves family lines. For additional information contact Pat Moore Publications, 111 Ardmore Dr., Billings, MT 59102.


We have received a notice that the Pennsylvania State Archives will be closed to researchers for asbestos abatement and renovations for approximately six months beginning July 24, 1989. If you were planning a vacation trip to Pennsylvania, you may want to rearrange your travel schedule.

The University of Florida is seeking a student base for a comprehensive, low cost correspondence course in American Genealogical Research. Interested persons should contact Mr. James Andrews, U. of Fla., Div. of Continuing Education, 1223 NW 22nd Ave., Gainesville, FL 32609-9988.


On a sad note, F. Wilbur Helmbold died July 21, 1989. Mr. Helmbold was founder and Director Emeritus of the Institute of Genealogical and Historical Research at Samford University. He had been Librarian at Samford for 26 years when he retired. He had been pastor of Baptist Churches in Alabama and North Carolina and was a former editor of Alabama Baptist Historian. He will be missed very much.

TVGS lost a valuable member this summer. Dr. L. Wayne Johnson died at his home in Huntsville on July 22. His wife, Mattie Sandford Johnson, was also a dedicated member. Our sympathy to the Johnson family.

We hope you are receiving your copy of VALLEY LEAVES on time but if not, please let us know. We try to mail it as soon after the first day of the due month as possible. We want to hear from you within 4 months that you did not receive a particular issue, otherwise, we will charge you a \$5.00 service charge to replace an issue. We don't like to impose these restrictions but economics makes it necessary.



Welcome to new Board Members Jimmie Lee Hancock and Jimmy D. Wiggs. And, our thanks to out-going members, Jeanne Hand Henry and Cecil Jenkins.



Lois Robertson, Editor



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# Book Reviews



Evelyn Rochelle, Book Review Editor

STEGER FAMILY NEWSLETTER, a "brandnew" newsletter published by one of our newest members, William F. Steger, 12717 Gores Mill Road, Reistertown, MD 21136. The first issue came out in February and will be bi-annual. Subscriptions are \$2.00 per issue, \$4.00 annually. This should be of much interest in our area, members of the Steger family having moved to Madison County, Alabama in 1809.

We wish him well in this endeavor.

SUMNER COUNTY, TENNESSEE DEED ABSTRACTS, 1806-1817, abstracted by Joyce Martin Murray, 2921 Daniels, Dallas, TX 75205, 6" x 9", 192 pages, hard cover, includes full name index and place index. \$25.00 plus \$2.50 for shipping and handling. Texas residents add 7% sales tax.

These abstracts of early Sumner County Deed Books 4, 5, 6 and 7 contain the names of the sellers, purchasers, date, witnesses and acreage. They may state location of lands, rivers, roads and names of neighbors. Included are many powers of attorney, wills, bills of sale, deeds of gift, and slave sales, listing owners. A good research tool for this area.

INDEX TO COLUMBUS, GEORGIA 1827-1865, Part I and Part II, by Alvie L. Davidson and Dianne Hatcher Davidson, 4825 North Galloway Road, Lakeland, FL 33809, \$18.50.

When "Columbus, Georgia, 1827-1865" was written and published in 1874 and 1875 by John Hawkins Martin no index was compiled. This work contained thousands of names of early settlers and their marriages, deaths and business ventures. All the names of all soldiers in the Civil War from Columbus are listed in Part II. This index is compiled in Part I and Part II to correspond with the book and should be invaluable to genealogists.

INDEX TO WOODWARD'S REMINISCENCES OF THE CREEK OR MUSCOGEE INDIANS, compiled by Alvie L. Davidson, 4825 North Galloway Road, Lakeland, Florida 33809, \$7.50.

BIOGRAPHICAL HISTORY OF PRIMITIVE OR OLD SCHOOL BAPTIST MINISTERS OF THE UNITED STATES, Edited by R. H. Pittman, 5½" x 9", hard cover, 406 pages, \$30.00.

The preface gives a brief treatise of Primitive Baptist doctrine, followed by sketches and pictures of Primitive Baptist ministers in alphabetical order. The appendix contains chapters on subjects such as: the Bible, Important Dates in Church History, Denominations, Old Churches, and Baptist Associations. This book was republished in 1984 by Primitive Baptist Publications, Inc., and is available from Alvie L. Davidson, 4825 North Galloway Road, Lakeland, Florida 33809-2702.

PIIONEER PROFILES, edited by Frankie Johnson, 202 Cobb Lane, Toney, AL 35773, published by Madison Cross Roads Homemakers, 7" x 8½", spiral-bound soft cover, 69 pages. This booklet evolved from the decision of the Madison Cross Roads Homemakers to "do something" at the old Toney Depot for the Alabama Reunion 1989 and the histories and stories herein are a part of that project.

Included are excerpts from James Record's "A Dream Come True", "Memories" of several residents, and chapters on Community Doctors, Community Tours, Genealogy Charts of the Toney/Ellis Families, Civil War Stories and Church Histories. This booklet is truly a trip into nostalgia and everyone who shared their knowledge and time should be well pleased with the result.



## Book Reviews (-continued-)

KENNARD, KING, MCCUBBIN, KNIGHT AND THEIR KIN, by Alta Kennard Patterson, edited by Virginia Fern Mitchell, 9" x 11", hard cover, 331 pages including full name index. \$38.00 postpaid. Books may be ordered from Alvir Press, 24435 Lightwoods, Huffman, TX 77336.

The author has spent 40 years of extensive research and travel in compiling these records. Her earliest known ancestor in America, Richard Kennard, was born 1640-50 and died in Maryland in 1736. Copies of many documents, family photographs and photographs of cemeteries are included. Allied lines are King, Knight, Hardin, Goodin, Brummet, Haley, Harrison, McCubbin, Patterson, Stone, Rupe, Williams and Whitfield.

Of special interest to Madison Countians will be the account of the dedication service by Twickenham Town Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, for the grave marker for Charles King, a soldier of the American Revolution. This was at the Charles King-Moore Graveyard on Elkwood Section Road near Hazel Green, Alabama on October 13, 1974. This grave was found by a descendant of Charles King, Mrs. Thomas E. Dilworth.

EARLY OUACHITA COUNTY, ARKANSAS TAX RECORDS, 1846-1850. One of our society's past presidents and, also, a past editor of Valley Leaves, Yvonne Spence Perkins, has published a book on "Early Ouachita County, Arkansas Tax Records, 1846-1850". This book is 8½" x 11", soft cover, 202 pages, \$15.00 postpaid and may be ordered from Yvonne Spence Perkins, 2107 54th, Lubbock, TX 79412.

Mrs. Perkins has abstracted these early tax records from original books located at the Arkansas History Commission. Ouachita County was formed in late 1842 but county records for the early time period were destroyed in a courthouse fire in 1875. Tax records begin in 1846 making them an invaluable tool in early Ouachita County research.

Tax payers are listed in complete alphabetical order and there is an index for non-resident land owners and original land owners. Mrs. Perkins has done an excellent job of deciphering the original records and organizing the material for the convenience of researchers. She has plans for at least two more volumes, each covering a five-year span of tax records.

If you have an ancestor who owned more than land Mrs. Perkins will check microfilm for more information. Please send SASE for fee for this service.

ADJUSTING BRANCHES OF THE LANE, SLACK, BUSH, CHANEY, DODSON, WILLIAMS, GRACE AND BLUMMER FAMILY TREES, by Doris Christine Grace Blummer Jackson, 8½" x 11", soft cover, 205 pages. There is no index. Order from Mrs. Elmer M. Jackson, Jr., 219 Claude Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

This genealogical study of the Lane, Slack, Bush, Chaney, Dodson, Williams, Everly, Grace and Blummer families represents many years of research both in the United States and abroad. In addition to her detailed research on early ancestors, Mrs. Jackson has written in detail about the lives of her parents, her own role in the family relationships, and her two marriages.

She has included numerous documents and family photographs that help to complete an interesting family genealogy.

GILES COUNTY, TENNESSEE 1840 FEDERAL CENSUS, by M. Janell McCann, 313 N. Chandler, Fort Worth, TX 76111, 8½" x 11". soft cover, 54 pages with full name index, \$15.00 postpaid.

Mrs. McCann has abstracted the 1840 Giles County, Tn Federal Census with a full name index. There are 2,375 households listed giving military pensioners, free colored and the physically impaired. This should be very useful to those researching Giles County during this time period.

LIBRARY GENEALOGICAL LECTURES

16 September 1989

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by Dorothy Scott Johnson and Margaret Cowart

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# North Alabama

## COMPANY E THIRTY-SEVENTH TENNESSEE INFANTRY

Capt. Thomas H. Owens Company was organized in 1861 and was originally comprised almost entirely of men from the southeastern part of Madison Co., Alabama and particularly the communities of Owens Cross Roads, Berkley, and Vienna (New Hope). As the State of Alabama was not prepared to arm the unit, the company on October 8, 1861, was mustered as Company E into the 37th Tennessee Infantry Regiment which was enroute from its own organization site at Camp Ramsey, near Knoxville, Tennessee to Camp Sam Hays, Germantown, Shelby Co., Tennessee. The original intention for this regiment was for it to be part of a rifle brigade of three regiments and indeed it was for a time known as the 1st East Tennessee Rifles, 7th Tennessee Infantry, however, it too had considerable difficulty securing arms of any sort, much less rifles, so that the latter name was soon dropped. An assortment of old shotguns, country rifles and muskets was finally acquired and the regiment on November 14 started for Knoxville and its eventual joining with General Zollicoffer in southeastern Kentucky.

The regiment was at Mill Springs, Kentucky, on January 16th, but not actively engaged in the nearby Battle of Fishing Creek. After the defeat at Fishing Creek, the regiment was marched across Tennessee and Alabama and was eventually transported by rail to Burnsville, Mississippi, an outpost on the right wing of the Army at the Battle of Shiloh in April 1862.

Capt. Owens was replaced by Capt. John W. Grayson in the re-organization of the regiment that took place May 10, 1862. By the fall of the year the regiment was again in Kentucky where it was engaged in the Battle of Perryville on October 8, 1862. It is interesting to note that in December 1861, the regiment reported a strength of 771; ten months later, having been engaged in no major battles, there were only 230 men available for Perryville. This is indicative of the heavy attrition which disease and desertion, mainly disease, played in the reduction of Confederate regiments.

In the Battle of Murfreesboro, December 31, 1862-January 2, 1863, the 37th lost 68 men out of 225 engaged. The regiment then moved to Chattanooga to rest and recruit until June 1863 when it was combined into a field unit with the 15th Tennessee. The 15th/37th lost 121 out of 230 engaged at Chickamauga, September 19-20, 1863 and lost heavily at the Battle of Missionary Ridge, November 25, 1863. As a part of Hardee's Corps, the regiment participated in the Atlanta campaign and the

## Company E - 37th Tennessee Infantry (Continued)

return to Tennessee under General John B. Hood. It was in the Battles of Franklin and Nashville and as a part of Brigadier General J. B. Palmer's Brigade, was surrendered and paroled at Greensboro, North Carolina, May 1, 1865.

The roster which follows was extracted by Norman Shapiro from Microcopy No. 268, Rolls 267-270, "Compiled Service Records of Confederate Soldiers who served in Organizations from the State of Tennessee", at the Tenn. State Library, Nashville, Tenn. The above chronicle was condensed from this microfilm, Lindsley's "Military Annals of Tennessee", and "Tennesseans in the Civil War-Part I". Copies of the microfilm have recently been acquired by the Heritage Room through a donation by TVGS member, Joseph B. Nalls. An interesting and potentially useful attribute of the roster is the notation of the age of many of the men as of the date of muster, October 8, 1861, and this notation appears in the listing where available. Those killed [k] or wounded [w] in the various battles are also noted. In reviewing the roster, one will find many surnames that are familiar as names of current residents of the county and the communities.

Achley, Jasper 34	Cloud, William J. 18
Achley, Joseph P. 34	w-Perryville
Achley, William 19	Cobb, John S. 19
Adair, Samuel J.	Cobb, Seymore 40
Allison, James L. 22	Cobb, Theophilus T. 26
Allison, William C. 20 3Sgt.	Collier, Isham J. 3Sgt.
Alvis, Thomas D.	w-Chickamauga
Anyan, George H.	Collier, James H.
Ashburn, Davis C. B. 24 1Sgt.	Collier, William C. 19 1Lt.
w-Perryville	k-Missionary Ridge
Renson, James M.	Craft, E. B.
Berry, Ephraim J.	Craft, Ezekiel M.
Bowers, Thomas 21	Craft, James F.
Branum, Thomas J. 20	Dilworth, George S. 34
Bulman, Henry J. 33 1Sgt	Dilworth, John T. 38 3Cpl
Buford, Silas C. O. 20	w-Murfreesboro
w-Perryville	Dunn, Franklin
Buford, William D. 24	Dunn, Harvey T.
Carter, Anderson G. 18	Dunn, John J.
Caudle, William T. 17	Dunn, Robert C.
Chandler, John M. 24	Eason, George W.
Chunn, William R. 17	Ellett, George W. 21
Clark, James K. P. 17	Ellett, Richard 32
Clark, John W. 22	Esslinger, Levi W. 2Lt
w-Murfreesboro	Flippen, Newton
Clark, William C. 22	Grayson, Charles A. 18, 2Sgt.
Clarkson, John W. 26	Grayson, James B.
	Grayson, Jerome



## Company E - 37th Tennessee Infantry (Continued)

Grayson, John C. 18 2Lt. k-Chickamauga	Moone, William R. D.
Grayson, John W. 23 Capt. w-Missionary Ridge	Moore, Charles W.
Grayson, Wody, Cook	Moore, Henry H. 24
Hanner, John J. 20	Nail, Robert L. 24
Herren, Edward W. 20	Nickles, George T.
Herren, Harrison D.	Nickles, Henry H.
Higgs, Samuel H.	Nickles, James D. 22 1Cpl.
Hill, Quincy M. 22 2Cpl.	Nickles, William C.
Hill, W. F.	Owens, Thomas H. 31 Capt.
Hinnard, Elijah 24	Pate, James
Hollis, James A. 29	Peevey, William H. 17
Hunt, George W. 20	Poor, George W. 27 4Sgt
Inman, James M.	Poor, James H. 59 3Lt.
Jacobs, William R. 44 Officers Cook	Poor, James M. 3Sgt.
Jenkins, Joseph F.	Rich, Charles N.
Johnson, John W. 2 Lt. Chaplain	Rich, James E.
Lanier, Lazarus 22 w-Chickamauga	Rich, Jeremiah K. P. w-Chickamauga
Lanier, William D. 16	Rich, William V. 23 w-Chickamauga
Lanier, Clemens C. 21, 3Sgt. k-Missionary Ridge	Robertson, W.
Lasley, John L. 24 w-Missionary Ridge	Sammons, Andrew B. w-Chickamauga
Latham, Charles 23	Sartain, Hopkins L.
Layne, Harvey M. 24 1Lt	Schrimsher, Robert J. 19 5Sgt.
Layne, R. E.	Schrimsher, Thomas J. 17 2Cpl.
Layne, W. J.	Seat, L. M.
Ledbetter, William M. w-Chickamauga	Seward, Edward W. 19
Lewis, William D. 17	Smith, Archibald 36
Mann, William W.	Smoot, Ausman K.
Mathews, James F. 26	Smoot, J. T.
Mathewson, John W. 29	Southall, John G. 37 2Lt. w-Chickamauga
McMunn, Jesse 20	Spivy, Stephen J. 21 4Sgt.
Medlin, Josiah E.	Spivy, William J. 18 4Cpl.
Medlin, Richard H. 21	Sublett, John B.
Middleton, Robert W. 24 1Sgt. w-Chickamauga	Taylor, James C. 23
Miller, James E. 23	Taylor, John W. 35 w-Murfreesboro
Moon, Jacob W. F. 22	Taylor, John W. 20
Moon, James L. 25 4Cpl	Taylor, Robert 23
Moon, John P. 2Cpl	Watson, Warren P.
Moon, John William 16	Whitehead, William
Moon, Nathaniel 17	Whiten, Calvin H. 23
Moon, Richard 29	Wilman, Sylvester P.
Moon, William H.	Woody, Thomas w-Atlanta Campaign
	Wright, James K. P. 17
	Webb, John H. 37

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## ACTS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF ALABAMA - 1861

No. 59

To fix the times of holding the circuit courts in the fourth judicial circuit.

Section 1. 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 the circuit courts for the 4th judicial circuit shall be held as follows: In the County of Lawrence on the first Monday in March, and may continue for one week, and on the first Monday in September, and may continue for two weeks. In the county of Lauderdale, on the second Monday in March and the third Monday in September; and for the spring term thereof may continue for two weeks, and for the fall term thereof may continue for one week. In the county of Franklin, on the fourth Mondays in March and September, and may continue for two weeks. In the county of Limestone, on the second Monday after the fourth Monday in March and September, and may continue for one week. In the county of Morgan, on the third Monday after the fourth Monday in March and September, and may continue for one week. In the county of Marion, on the fifth Monday after the fourth Monday in March and September, and may continue for one week.

Section 2. And be it further enacted, That all laws and parts of laws inconsistent with this act, be and the same are hereby repealed.

Section 3. Be it further enacted, That this act shall not take effect until after the sixth Monday after the fourth Monday in March next.

Approved, February 8, 1861.



# Colbert - Franklin

## ESTATE OF ARTHUR JONES

An often overlooked source of genealogical information is the Alabama Supreme Court records. These records are even more important in cases of "burned out" counties such as Franklin and that part of old Franklin that is now Colbert County.

The following case, "William Winston vs. John W. Jones and Jacob Haigh," is an example of genealogical information that can be found in Supreme Court records. It was found in *Reports of Cases at Law and in Equity* of the Alabama Supreme Court, Volume VI, New Series, 1845. It was obtained and contributed by Mr. William Stubno, a Huntsville historian who did considerable research on some of the families involved. Abstracted and typed by Dorothy Scott Johnson.

## LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF ARTHUR JONES

"I, Arthur Jones, of Franklin county, in the State of Alabama, being of sound mind and memory and desirous while in health to provide for the hour of death, do make this my last will and testament, viz:

After the payment of all my just debts and funeral expenses, I give and bequeath to my wife, Anna Jones, should she survive me, an estate during her life, in one-third part of such lands as I may die seized of, according to quality and quantity, her portion to include the dwelling house; and also one-fifth part of the personal estate, after paying my debts, to her and her heirs forever.

And as it is my wish and intention to do equal justice to all my children, and give to each, as nearly as practicable, an equal portion of my property, and as I have heretofore given to each of them, as they became of age or were married, about an equal portion, except that:

in addition to the portion of my daughter, Sarah W. Washington, conveyed by deed of trust, duly executed, and bearing date the 26th July, 1831, certain other property therein specified, to Jacob Haigh and John W. Jones as trustees of her, my said daughter, of the value of one dollar.

Now it is my will and desire, that after the payment of all my just debts, and allotting to my wife her portion, as hereinbefore directed, to add to the residue of my estate of every description, the said sum of one dollar value of property, conveyed in trust for the use of my daughter, Sarah W. Washington, and to divide the sum total, after making such addition into seven parts;

And I do hereby direct and require my executors, hereinafter named, to distribute and pay over the residue of my estate, both real and personal, in the following manner, to wit:

## Estate of Arthur Jones (-continued-)

After deducting from one of said seven parts, the sum of one dollar, conveyed for the use of my daughter, Sarah W. Washington, to pay over to said trustees the residue of said portion to be held by them in like trust, for her use and benefit of her and her heirs, and to pay to my daughter Catharine B. Winston, and Martha W. Adair, and to my son John W. Jones, to my daughter Lucy H. Carroll, and Matilda Haigh, and to my son Wiley B. Jones, one-seventh (1/7) part of the residue of my estate as aforesaid, and/or to their legal representatives respectively, and I do hereby constitute and appoint John W. Jones, Isaac Winston and Jacob Haigh, executors of this my last will and testament."

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This case was heard in the Chancery Court of Franklin County, Alabama and eventually appealed to the Alabama Supreme Court due to an error.

In January, 1837, John W. Jones and Jacob Haigh, as executors of the estate of Arthur Jones, deceased, sold 700 acres of land in Franklin County to William Winston for \$21,780 at a sale at public auction. Winston was to pay for the land in two installments for which he gave two notes and received the following bond for title to the property:

"Know all men by these presents, that we, John W. Jones and Jacob Haigh, executors of Arthur Jones, do obligate and bind ourselves to William Winston, to convey and make a deed in fee simple, to the tract of land purchased by said Winston at the sale of the effects of A. Jones, deceased, for which the said Winston became the purchaser at public auction, the title to be made on the last payment. Witness our hands and seals, the 8th May 1837."

John W. Jones (seal)  
Jacob Haigh (seal)

At the time of the sale, Jones and Haigh, executors, evidently believed they had the power to sell the property to Winston. [Apparently the Franklin County probate judge agreed since the court must approve all real estate sales of estates. DSJ] Winston took possession of the land and has retained possession ever since. He fully paid the purchase money and in April 1839 demanded title be made to him. He then learned the defendants, Jones and Haigh, had no power to sell and convey the lands.

Winston then offered to accept a conveyance of the property from each of the adult heirs and from the minor heirs as they came of age. All agreed to this.

## Estate of Arthur Jones (-continued-)

Winston waited "a long time" but the conveyances were not made to him; one heir refused to make a conveyance. [Note: The case did not state which heir refused to deed Winston his or her share of the real estate but it was probably Sarah Washington.] Therefore, on 17 February 1842 Winston gave all the heirs written notice that he abandoned the contract [returned the property to the heirs as if no sale had ever taken place.] He further stated that if he retained possession of the plantation it would be to prevent its deterioration and not as owner.

Winston had recently learned that Sarah Washington is entitled to a trust estate in one-seventh part of the land, to her sole and separate use and that the executors could not sell her interest but are trustees for same.

Both John W. Jones and Jacob Haigh reside out of the state of Alabama and Haigh is reputed to be insolvent or greatly embarrassed.

Winston prays the court to set aside the purchase contract and restore his purchase money. He also requests that the interests in the estate of Jones and Haigh be sold to reimburse him.

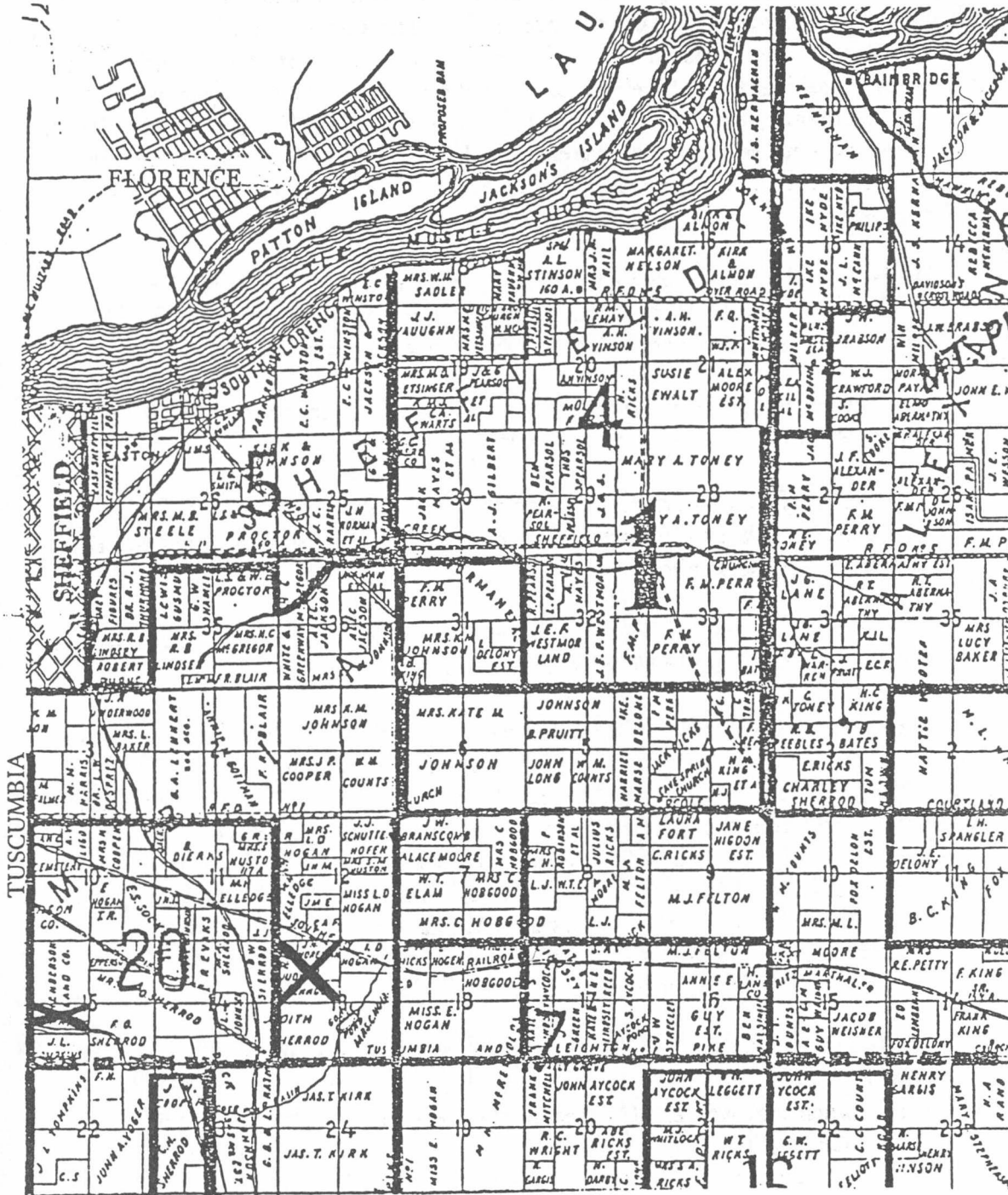
VERDICT: The court dismissed the case on the ground that Winston had adequate remedy at law on the bond given for title.

GENEALOGICAL DISCUSSION: Even if the children had not been named, we would have known there were seven offspring sharing in this estate since it was divided into sevenths. The case states that John W. Jones and Jacob Haigh had moved from the state of Alabama but did not say where they lived. In the 1850 Accelerated Index of Mississippi we find one Jacob Haigh living in Tishomingo County, Mississippi [across state line from Lauderdale Co., Ala.]. There were five John W. Jones families in Mississippi in 1850, one of which was in Tishomingo County and he is probably the one mentioned in the Arthur Jones Last Will & Testament since families tended to migrate together.

LAND LOCATION: The Colbert County Government Tract Book is a ledger showing who purchased (patented) what land from the United States Government, when and where. [This record has been published under the title of *Old Land Records of Colbert County, Alabama* by Margaret Matthews Cowart, 7801 Tea Garden Road, SE, Huntsville, AL 35802.] According to *Old Land Records of Colbert County, Alabama* Arthur Jones owned land in Sections 13 and 15 of Township 4 South, Range 11 West which he patented in July, 1830. This land was in Franklin County until 1867 when Colbert was created at which time it fell in Colbert.



Estate of Arthur Jones (-continued-)



A portion of an 1908 ownership map of Colbert County showing the area in which Arthur Jones' plantation was located. The tracts crossed with an "X" are the lands shown in the tract book as purchased by Jones in 1830 and are just southeast of the town of Tuscumbia.

# Jackson

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## JACKSON COUNTY DEEDS

### Part 4

Russell Sanders of the State of Georgia gave his cousin, TVGS member Addie Shaver, sixty-three deeds to land in the northwest part of Jackson County, Alabama. The land had been owned by his paternal and maternal families. Mrs. Shaver has chosen to share them with us since most have NOT been recorded and should be made available to the public. The originals are presently in possession of Mrs. Shaver and plans are to donate them to the museum in Scottsboro (Jackson County) when facilities become available. In the meantime, a photocopy of each deed is in the Heritage Room of the Huntsville Public Library. Abstracted and typed by Dorothy Scott Johnson.

Deed dated 29 Oct. 1870 (Unrecorded)

Andrew E. McCullough and Sarah H., his wife, sell to John Reid for \$600 land on Hurricane Fork of Paint Rock River, a fractional part of the NW/4 and SW/4 of Sec. 31-1-5E containing 30 acres. Acknowledged 29 Oct. 1870 before Solomon G. Grimmatt, N. P.

Deed dated 29 Oct. 1870

Wm. H. Prince and Eliza J., his wife, sell to Andrew E. McCullough for \$100 land on Hurricane Creek of Paint Rock River it being a fractional part of SE SE Sec. 30-1-5E containing 20 acres. Signed by W. H. Prince; Eliza signed with an X. Acknowledged before Solomon G. Grimmatt and Delivered for Recording 4 Jan. 1871. Recorded in Deed Book Number 5, pp 15-16.

Deed dated 9 March 1891 (Unrecorded)

John Bishop and Nancy A., his wife, sell to A. E. McCullough for \$100 the NW SE and the NE SW of Sec. 30-1-5E known as part of the A. D. Swearingin Homestead containing 80 acres except cedar timber that was purchased by W. R. Larkens and D. S. Staples. Signed by John Bishop; signed by Nancy A. with an X. Acknowledged before J. R. Austill, J. P.

Deed dated 11 July 1905

Andy E. McCullough and Sarah H., his wife, sell for \$50 to Joseph A. McCullough and Matilda P. [R?], his wife, 1/4 of an acre in the W/2 NE of Sec. 31-1-5E known as the "Little Orchard" (it being the lot reserved by us and being all the land owned by us) and known as the Joseph Martin Homestead in Paint Rock Valley. Acknowledged before J. W. Bartee, N. P. 11 July 1905. Recorded in Deed Book 36, pp. 99.

## Jackson County Deeds (-continued-)

## Deed dated 21 July 1905 (Unrecorded)

Joseph A. McCullough and Matilda A[P?], his wife, for \$3000 sell to W. L. Sanders the following land:

NW SE,	)	
N/2 SW	)	
W/2 NE	)	All in Section 31-1-5E
E/2 NW	)	
17 acres off East side of W/2 NW	)	
also		
20 acres off east end SE SW	)	
NW SE	)	
NE SW	)	All in Section 30-1-5E
SW SE	)	

Totaling 437 acres more or less, bounded on the north by Jesse Rouse and A. B. Collins, on the east by John Bishop, on the south by John Bishop and Cobb Cornelison, and on the west by R. L. Prince and H. M. Roberts. Acknowledged before E. J. D. Kennedy, N. P. on 21 July 1905.

## Deed dated 17 Aug. 1905

Note: Entire deed missing except for signature block and outside pocket. Signed by Joseph A. and Matilda P. McCullough. Recorded in Deed Book 36, pp 110.

## Deed dated 11 July 1908

Andy E. McCullough and Sarah H., his wife, sell for \$4000 to Joseph A. McCullough and Matilda P., his wife, the following land:

NW SE	)	
W/2 NE	)	
N/2 SW	)	All in Section 31-1-5E
E/2 NW	)	
17 ac. off east side of W/2 NW	)	
and		
20 acres off east end of SE SW	)	
NW SE	)	
NE SW	)	All in Section 30-1-5W
SW SE	)	

containing 437 acres, bounded on north by Jesse Rouse and A. B. Collins, on the east by John Bishop, on the south by John Bishop and Cobb Cornelison, and on the west by R. L. Prince and H. M. Roberts; sellers reserve 1/4 of an acre known as the Little Orchard, for "the remainder of our natural lives with free access to wood and water and at our death it and all appurtenances goes to J. A. McCullough and Matilda P. McCullough." Signed by A. E. and Sarah H. McCullough. Acknowledged before J. W. Bartee 11 July, 1905. Recorded 14 July 1905 in Deed Book 36, pp 100.

End.



SMITH - ODOM MORTGAGE

The following mortgage between Joe H. and Nathan Smith and W. B. Odom was submitted by Evelyn Rochelle, of Huntsville, who is the granddaughter of Nathan Smith.

Joe H. and Nathan Smith  
To: Mortgage  
W. B. Odom

The State of Alabama  
Jackson County

We owe W. B. Odom (\$165.00) One hundred sixty five dollars - for value received, due December 1, 1881. To secure the payment of the same we hereby sell and convey to W. B. Odom, 2 mare mules 3 & 4 years old more or less & our entire crop which is to be grown on the Daniel farm in the year 1881, upon condition that if we pay the amount when due this mortgage will be void. If we do not pay it W. B. Odom, or his agent, is authorized to take possession of said property, and after posting a proper written notice at the door of the Court house of said county for five days, then to sell the same to the highest bidder for cash, and with the purchase money to pay the costs of executing, recording and collecting this mortgage, the debt thereby secured, and the balance, if any, to be paid to us.

Witness my hand and seal this the 20 day of January 1881.

Witness:  
John Ezell  
R. J. Odom

Joe H. Smith  
Nathan Smith

The State of Alabama }  
Jackson County } I, John B. Tally, Judge of Probate in  
and for said county hereby certify that the above mortgage was  
filed in my office for registration on the 10th day of February,  
1881 and was on this day duly recorded and compared.

This the 31st day of March, 1881

John B. Tally  
Judge of Probate

## WILLIAM G. STEPHENS, MASONIC TRIBUTE

The following Newspaper article was copied from the Scottsboro Industrial Herald of May 19, 1870 and was furnished to Valley Leaves by Judge William D. Page, Huntsville.

## TRIBUTE OF RESPECT

Whereas, it has pleased the supreme Ruler of the universe to remove from amongst us our worthy and esteemed brother, William G. Stephens, a member of Paint Rock Lodge No. 274, F. & A. M.

Resolved, that while we bow with humble submission to this dispensation of our Heavenly Father, we cannot but express our regrets at the loss of a faithful and esteemed brother of our beloved order.

Resolved, that the sympathies of this Lodge be tendered to the family of our deceased member, who having past away from earth, has gone, we [ blurred ] not known.

Resolved, that the Secretary deliver a copy of these resolutions to the family of our deceased brother and that we also furnish a copy to the Scottsboro Herald with a request that they be published.

Com'e        { S. E. Kennemore  
              { P. S. Woodall  
              { F. E. Cotton

Additional information furnished by Judge Page:

William Green Stephens  
b. 24 July 1828  
d. 11 May 1870

# Lauderdale

MARRIAGE BOOK 5 & 6, 1838-1857  
(Part 5)

This large red book is housed at Florence in the Lauderdale County Courthouse. This record may have been compiled when the returning officer (Minister, Justice of the Peace, etc.) made his return to the Court since the entries are not in chronological order. A separate date of recording is not always given. W. T. Hawkins was the Chief Clerk of the County Court. Some entries were recorded by E. G. Chandeler/Chandler, Deputy Clerk. Copied and contributed by Lois Robertson, this series is continued from VALLEY LEAVES, Volume 23, No. 4.

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	Jessee? Hamm Exec. 25 June 1844 by J. P. Baules?, JP	Elizabeth Jackson	25 June 1844
146	William P. Davidson Sol. 18 July 1844, J. M. Melton	Matilda Heffington	9 July 1844
147	William Thomas Exec. 25 June 1844, William Tomlinson, JP	Nancy Ursery	22 June 1844
	William Lentz Sol. by A. Askew, M. G. [no date]	Caroline James	25 Aug 1844
	James Campbell Exec. 12 Sep 1844, A. W. Whitehead, JP	Polly S. Mauldin	11 Sep 1844
148	Robert Cauham Sol. 6 June 1844, J. M. Melton, JP	Louisa Liles	5 June 1844
149	James McKelvey Exec. 3 Nov 1844, E. G. Young, JP	Lidia Lee	28 Oct 1844
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150	Thomas Ham Sol. 25 Apr 1844, J. M. Melton, JP	Sarah Ross	23 Apr 1844
151	John I. Goodman Sol. 29 Sep 1844, Zachariah Ellis, M. G.	Elizabeth Hill	26 Sep 1844
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152	Neander H. Rice Sol. 5 Nov 1844, Alex Van Court Recorded 13 Jan 1845	Penelope C. Sammons	5 Nov 1844
	John H. M. Partin Sol. 4 Dec 1844, Thomas Stone, JP Recorded 13 Jan 1845	Rachel Cox	2 Dec 1844
153	Irvine Ross Exec. 19 Dec 1844, Clever Thompson, JP Recorded 13 Jan 1845	Nancy Machleya	19 Dec 1844
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154	Henry J. Roberson/Robertson to Exec. 18 Dec 1844, W. B. Edwards, M. G. Recorded 13 Jan 1845	Margaret Faires	17 Dec 1844
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155	Benjamin Bryant Sol. 19 Dec 1844, J. Bigger, JP Recorded 13 Jan 1845	Margaret Osteen	19 Dec 1844
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156	Phillip W. Anderson Sol. 13 Jan 1845, T. M. Philips, M. G.	Nancy E. Marrs	29 Jan 1845
156-7	Sylvanis Terrell Exec. 5 Jan 1845, J. P. Bourland, JP	Adeline Grimes	3 Jan 1845
157	David P. Porter Exec. 4 Mar 1845, W. B. Beyard	Lucinda Stamps	31 Aug 1844
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158	Simeon Van Buren Sol. 5 Dec 1844, James Gaines, M. G. Recorded 4 Mar 1845	Martha Vison	4 Dec 1844
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159	Harrison L. Owens Sol. 4 Jan 1845, J. M. Melton, JP	Debra Jane Moore	4 Jan 1845
	William G. Fuqua Sol. 9 Jan 1845, J. Boucher	Susan Taylor	25 Dec 1844
160	Haswell Breen Exec. 28 Nov 1844, William B. Edmondson, M. G.	Parilee Edmondson	28 Nov 1844
	William A. Hines Sol. 5 Feb 1845, A. C. Van Court	Letitia C. Sloss	2 Feb 1845
161	Custis A. Kennedy Sol. 15 Jan 1845, J. M. Melton	Mary Robertson	13 Jan 1845
	Robert Austin Exec. 1 Sep 1844, William B. Edwards, M. G.	Louisa A. Thweatt	31 Oct 1844
162	John W. Reynolds Exec. 22 Apr 1845, J. P. Bourland, JP	Elizabeth M. Hardwich	7 Apr 1845
	Thomas B. Crow Sol. 7 Apr 1845, A. W. Howell, JP	Mary E. Young	2 Apr 1845
163	Albert G. Westmoreland Sol. 23 Dec 1844, Justian Williams, M. G.	Winniford J. Harmon	23 Dec 1844
	Charles E. Stewart Sol. 21 Apr, Monday night, Alex Van Court	Nancy T. Benton	21 Apr 1845

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	John N. Malone Sol. 15 May, E? J. Gaines	Mary Lucy Kernachan	15 May 1845
165	Daniel Brown Sol. 12 Feb 1845, John McCorkle, JP	Ruthy Darby	8 Feb 1845
	Joseph Cooper Sol. 18 Feb 1845, John McCorkle, JP	Martha Hill	18 Feb 1845
166	Thomas P. Nail Sol. 15 Feb, Thomas Stone JP	Amanda Walker	13 Feb 1845
	William Andrews Sol. 5 June 1845, James Young	Sarah Panther	5 June 1845
167	Alexander W. Ensor Sol. 8 Apr 1845, Justian Williams, JP	Mary Ann Bradly	7 Apr 1845
	Samuel Gore Sol. 4 Mar 1845, C. B. Porter, M. G.	Nancy Burney	4 Mar 1845
168	Hardin Howard Sol. 25 Mar 1845, W. P. Porter, JP	Mary Forbes	19 Mar 1845
	Mabry White Sol. 17 Dec 1844, C. B. James, JP	Rebecca J. Watton	14 Dec 1844
169	John Stephenson Exec. 27 Apr 1845, R. A. Bailey, JP	Anny Bloom	27 Apr 1845
	Thomas J. Crow Sol. 24 Dec 1844, Justian Williams, M. G.	Louisa Bartin	24 Dec 1844
170	Obediah Kennedy Sol. 15 Mar 1844, Joseph Gist	Syinda Richardson	12 Mar 1844
	John Robertson Sol. 12 Mar 1845, H. Richardson, JP	Margaret Keedy	12 Mar 1845
171	John R. Bedford Sol. 15 June 1845, J. Gaines [Recorded twice]	Columbia Till	11 June 1845
	Harrison D. Howell Sol. 13 Feb 1845, H. Richardson	Angeline Chisholm	11 Feb 1845
172	David L. Dalton Exec. 19 June 1845, W. B. Wood, Judge	Catharine Darby	19 June 845



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	Asey Solvace Sol. 20 Apr 1845,	Emily Boyd J. B. Monroe	19 Apr 1845
174	Sanders Philips Sol. 6 Mar 1845,	Sarah Laird B. N. Loyd, JP	3 Mar 1845
	John Cauhorn Sol. 11 Feb 1845,	Margaret McClusky J. M. Melton, JP	7 Feb 1845
175	Enoch R. Kennedy Sol. 25 Dec 1844,	Louisa J. Chisholm H. Richardson, JP	12 Dec 1844
	John Burnett Sol. 1 July 1845,	Elender L. Duff T. M. Philips, JP	26 June 1845
176	Levi Glossup Sol. 10 June 1845,	Osey Howard Thomas Stone, JP	4 June 1845
	Jerome B. Tate Sol. 24 July 1845,	Elizabeth Grisham John M. Herston, JP	23 July 1845
177	James Ginn Exec. 28 Sep 1845,	Mary Ann Branum Jas. W. Higgins, JP	27 Sep 1845
	Samuel Gray Sol. 30 Mar 1845,	Spelman Furgison D. N. Martin, JP	29 Mar 1845
177-8	William W. Jackson Sol. 7 Aug 1845,	Caroline M. Akins B. F. Karsener	7 Aug 1845
178	James W. Stewart Sol. 19 June 1845,	Martha A. Nerman C. B. Jones, JP	17 June 1845
	Andrew J. McClasen Sol. 29 June 1845,	Mary Tomlinson C. B. Jones, JP	17 June 1845
178-9	Hardin Nowlin Sol. 16 May 1845,	Cythia Vicars C. B. Jones	15 May 1845
	James C. Goodwine Sol. 7 Sep 1845,	Eliza. J. Farmer T. M. Philips, JP	27 Aug 1845
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	John R. Bedford Sol. 12 June, T. Gainse, M. G. [Recorded twice]	Columbia Till M. G. [Recorded twice]	11 June 1845
181	James Hardwick Exec. 11 July 1845, J. P. Bourland, JP	Elizabeth A. Pruitt J. P. Bourland, JP	17 July 1845
	William Taylor Exec. 7 July 1845, A. B. Gilbert	Eliza Ann Gilbert A. B. Gilbert	6 Dec 1843
	Murmell? Askew Sol. 9 Mar 1845, C. B. Jones	Eliza Wright C. B. Jones	3 Mar 1845
182	William Black Exec. 19 Mar 1845, W. B. Wood, Judge, Lauderdale County Court	Martha O. William W. B. Wood, Judge, Lauderdale County Court	15 Mar 1845
	Benjamin Burns Exec. 8 Aug 1844, A. B. Gilbert	Frances C. Burns A. B. Gilbert	5 Aug 1844
	Zedekiah Willett Exec. 11 Jan 1845, A. B. Gilbert	Mary C. Rice A. B. Gilbert	3 Jan 1845
183	Joshua Pedigo Sol. 7 Aug 1845, John M. Herston, JP	Sarah Hindman John M. Herston, JP	7 Aug 1845
	Joseph Sargent Sol. 20 Feb 1845, Joseph Garrett	Jane Campbell Joseph Garrett	20 Jan 1845
183-4	Jeffeson Dukes Sol. 12 Aug 1845, John M. Herston, JP	Susan Barnett John M. Herston, JP	11 Aug 1845
184	Andrew E. Porter Sol. 5 June 1845, Wm. Barton, JP	Francis A. Davis Wm. Barton, JP	5 June 1845
	James Archer Sol. 5 June 1845, John McCorkle, JP	Ellener Shubert John McCorkle, JP	4 June 1845

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# Lawrence

DEED BOOK "C"  
1869-1900  
(3rd Installment)

Deed Book C has been abstracted by Janet Baker Burks of Tyler, Texas. The Book is 597 pages including the indexes. Pages 1-43 are index pages. Deeds began on page 43 and are continued here from Valley Leaves, Volume 23, No. 4, June 1989.

Page 73                    18 Jan 1856  
Alexander Smith sells to P. W. McVay for \$80.00  
the following:  
    S2 SE4 Sec 33 T6 R9W-80 acres  
                                  /s/ Alexander Smith  
  
Ack'd before: R. H. Clure, JP 18 Jan 1856  
Date filed: 18 Mar 1856  
Date recorded: 17 May 1856

Page 74                    1 Jan 1856  
Charles F. Sherrod sells to Philip Pointer for  
\$2,240.00 the following:  
    NE4 Sec 15 T4 R7W  
  /s/ C. F. Sherrod  
  
Ack'd before: Drury Mayes JP, 19 Jan 1856  
Date filed: 18 Mar 1856  
Date recorded: 17 May 1856

Page 74-75                22 Feb 1856  
Rigdon Beaver "bargained and swapt" to Edward  
Balch the following:  
    NE4 SE4 Sec 5 T6 R9W  
  /s/ Rigdon Beaver  
  
Ack's before: Elijah S. Masterson, JP, 22 Feb 1856  
Date filed: 18 Mar 1856  
Date recorded: 17 May 1856

Page 75-76                10 Jan 1856  
Wilson H. Martin and wife A. R. Martin of Franklin  
Co. AL sell to James P. McGaughy of Lawrence Co.  
AL for \$580.00 cash land in Lawrence Co. AL, lying  
joining Mt. Hope on the West in Section 9 T7 R9W,

## Deed Book C (-continued-)

known as the John S. Stephenson tract, all that part that has not been sold and conveyed in lots and fifteen acres South of the Russelville Road, adj. Mt. Hope. 63 Acres total acres.

/s/ W. H. Martin  
her

Alfa R. X Martin  
mark

Ack'd before P. N. G. Rand JP  
Franklin Co. AL, 11 Jan 1856  
Date filed: 19 Mar 1856  
Date recorded: 17 May 1856

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24 Sept 1859  
John Thompson sells for \$1400.00 to Sarah Dial, wife of John Dial, of Lawrence Co. AL, one negroe man slave named Dudly, twenty-five years of age. Sold to Sarah Dial and her heirs of her body and to remain her own property free of her husband.  
/s/ John Thompson

Witness: T. M. Patterson  
Ack'd before: Wiley T. Hawkins, Judge Probate  
Court, Lauderdale Co., AL, 15 Oct 1853  
Date filed: 19 Mar 1856  
Date recorded: 17 May 1856

## Page 77-78

Deed of Trust, 24 Mar 1856  
Willis Ireland (Debtor)  
Crockett McDonald (Trustee)  
R. F. Gibson

Willis Ireland owes R. F. Gibson, \$20.00 due 1 March 1858. Ireland sells to McDoinald in trust:  
One Yoke of work steers (one read (sic)  
(one r(ead) and white  
Ireland to remain in possession of steers until 1 Mar 1858 if debt is not paid then McDonald to sell steers to highest bidder after giving ten days notice.

/s/ Willis Ireland  
/s/ C. McDonald  
/s/ R. F. Gibson

Ack'd before: D. L. Dinsmore, JP. 24 Mar 1856  
Date filed: 24 Mar 1856  
Date recorded: 17 May 1858



## Deed Book C (-continued-)

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Deed of Trust, 28 Aug 1855  
 Green B. Holland (Debtor)  
 Lyman B. McCrary (Trustee)  
 John C. Blalock and William P. Borum (securities)

Holland executed note dated 27 Dec 1855 and due 27 Dec. next to Lyman B. and Irwin P. McCrary Adm. of Martha McCrary decd. for \$189.00. Holland sells in trust to Lyman B. McCrary on 22 Dec 1855 the following:

One Sorrel mare about 6 yrs old  
 One Bay man mule about 10 years old  
 One Bay horse 6 or 7 years old

If debt is not paid then Lyman B. McCrary is to sell after adv. 20 days and in three public places.

/s/ G. B. Holland      /s/ W. P. Borum  
 /s/ John C. Blalock   /s/ Lyman B. McCrary

Ack'd before: David L. Dinsmore, JP, 24 Mar 1856  
 Date filed: 25 Mar 1856  
 Date recorded: 17 May 1856

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15 Dec 1855  
 David Simms and Mary Simms his wife sell to Jacob Odom for \$300 the following:  
 N2 NW4 Sec 16 T5 R6W

/s/ David Simms  
 her  
 /s/ Mary X Simms  
 mark

Witness: as to Mary Simms  
 John C. Blalock

Ack'd before: John C. Blalock JP, 21 Jan 1856  
 Date filed: 25 Mar 1856  
 Date recorded: 17 May 1856

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William Eubanks, Tax Collector of Lawrence Co. AL having given the notice sold on 14 April 1851 at public auction in town of Courtland the following land for purposes of taxes in 1850:  
 SE4 SW4 Sec 29 T4 R6W

to John H. Massie for \$1.65 (15c cost and \$1.50 back taxes)

/s/ Wm Eubank TCLC

Deed Book C (-continued-)

Ack'd before: Henry A. McGhee, Judge Probate Court  
25 Mar 1856  
Date filed: 25 May (no yr stated)  
Date recorded: 17 May 185 (no yr stated)

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7 Jan 185  
Amanda Harrison of Limestone Co. AL sells to  
Iallthrel (Salathrel) Berry of Lawrence Co. AL for  
\$100.00 the following:  
SW4 NE4 S 13 T8 R10W in Franklin Co., AL.  
/s/ Amanda Harrison

Witness: John N. West  
Jas. Harrison  
Ack'd before: Thomas C. Tyns Judge Probate Court,  
Limestone County, AL 8 Jan 1856  
Date filed: 4 Apr 1856  
Date recorded: 17 May 1856

- Series to be Continued -

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ACTS OF ALABAMA

[No. 268]

That the sum of twenty-seven 27/100 dollars, be appropriated to pay William Eubanks, late tax collector, of Lawrence county, for an amount over paid by said Eubanks, in a settlement with the Comptroller of Public Accounts, for the year 1853; provided, the Comptroller is satisfied that said Eubanks, over paid said sum as tax collector.

Sec. 2, Be it further enacted, That the Comptroller of Public Accounts, be, and he is hereby authorized to draw his warrant on the State Treasurer, in favor of each person named in the first Section of this act, for the respective amounts therein allowed, to be paid out of any moneys not otherwise appropriated.

Approved, February 15, 1856.

CHARACTER SKETCHES  
(22nd Installment)

These character sketches were written by Charles Gibson Lynch and carried in THE MOULTON ADVERTISER in 1911. They were provided to TVGS by the late Spencer A. Waters of Moulton, who collected, typed and edited them for their genealogical value. Past editors of VALLEY LEAVES have tried to locate the 1911 editions of the newspaper which were supposed to be in the Alabama Archives in Montgomery, but so far have been unsuccessful. This series began in VALLEY LEAVES in Volume 12, No. 4, June 1978 and appeared last in Volume 23, No. 2, December 1988.

December 13, 1911  
THE SHERRODS

It affords me great pleasure to write a few lines about the life of a man who lived for so long a time in our County, and honored it so well as being honored by the Congressional District of which Lawrence County was a part, by sending him as a Representative to the Congress of the United States.

Col. W. C. Sherrod was a son of Col. Benjamin Sherrod, who was born in Halifax county, N. C. Col. Benjamin Sherrod's father was Isaac Sherrod and his mother was (Mrs.) Mary Copeland (nee Ricks). The Sherrods are of English origin.

After finishing his education, Col. Benjamin Sherrod entered the vocation of cotton planting and made a long journey on horse back to Nashville, Tenn., thence to North Alabama, crossing the Tennessee River at Brown's Ferry, and when his eyes fell on the beautiful Tenn. Valley, he was delighted and determined to buy and build a home where his Cotton Garden Plantation now is.

He continued his journey, however on to Mobile and returned home through Georgia. He made immediate preparation and set out to return to Alabama, when he got to Wilkes Co. Ga., he learned that the government had withdrawn the Ala. lands from the market. He purchased a farm in Wilkes Co. and began to raise cotton very successfully.

Here he married Eliza Watkins (daughter of Samuel Watkins), and to this union were born six children: Antonette, who was educated at Salem, N. C.; Felix, who was educated at the University of Ga. at Athens; Samuel W. who also was educated at Athens; Fredric O. who was educated at Yale; George and Eliza died quite young.

(1) Antonette married J. K. Swoope and died about one year after her marriage, leaving an infant son, William S. Swoope, who was educated but died at the age of twenty.

(2) Felix married Margaret McGrand of Augusta, GA. and she died the following year without children. Later he married Sarah Parish, granddaughter of Parson Turner Saunders, very wealthy & noted divine, who was the first President of LaGrange College. There were three children from this union: (a) Benjamin, who married Mary (Daneilla) Jones, who after his death married Gen. Joseph Wheeler; (b) Francis S. (Frank) who married Mary Harris, a daughter of John H. Harris, a very wealthy cotton planter near Courtland. To them, two children were born, Frank and Harris. Frank was a very successful businessman. He amassed a large fortune and died about three years ago. Harris is unmarried and lives with his mother at the old homeplace; (c) Alice Clay Sherrod married Col Robert Banks of Columbus, Miss. They have six children: Sarah, Felix, Lucile, James Robert, and Alice.

(3) Frederick O. married Ann Bolton of Savannah, GA. To them were born four children: (a) John Bolton, who married Judith Winston, a sister of Gov. Winston. To this union were born five children: Judith, Eva, (John) Bolton, (William) Winston, and Edward; (b) Felix died in the army during the war; (c) Frederick O., Jr. was a Captain in the 16th Ala. Regt. He married Mittie Davis, a daughter of Orrin Davis. There were four children born to them, Mary, Frederick, Mittie, and Annie. (d) Benjamin married an Alexander, and they have four children: Frederick, Bolton, Feliz, and May.

(4) Samuel W. Sherrod married Francis Parish, a sister of Felix's wife. There were two children born to them, Henry C. and Walter S. Henry died in early manhood. Walter married Laura Davis and died, leaving one son, Henry C. who married Ella, daughter of James Irvine of Florence and they now live at Galveston, Texas.

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# Limestone

## 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. The original, completed questionnaires are now housed in the Military Branch, Alabama Dept. of Archives and History in Montgomery. They give a brief military history of the veteran as well as such personal information as when and where married and the age of the wife if she is still living. Unfortunately, they did not ask for her name but did ask for a list of living children. These two questionnaires were abstracted by Lois Robertson.

LEVI JARRETT, Athens, Alabama, # 4

Levi Jarrett was born in Limestone County, June 20, 1844. He has also lived in Missouri and Ohio between 1866 and 1867 and moved back to Alabama, May 6, 1868. His wife is 42 years old. She was born in Limestone Co. and they married Feb 19, 1904 in Limestone Co. He is a registered voter in Beat 7 of Limestone Co.

He enlisted in the service at Lexington, Ala. on April 9 [?] as a Private in the Infantry, Company I, 9th Alabama Regt. under Capt. E. A. O'Neal and Col. Wilcox. His Company was also known as The Calhoun Guard. He took part in battles at Gettysburg, Cold Harbor, Crater, 7 Days at Richmond and others. He was wounded on June 3 at Cold Harbor and Gettysburg. He was discharged when Lee surrendered, after serving four years.

He is a farmer and lives with family. His living children are:

J. W. Jarrett, Athens, Ala. farmer  
A. L. Jarrett, Durango, Col., Minister of Gospel  
Gilbert Jarrett, Ablane, Tex., shop work  
Agnes Taylor, Athens, Ala., house keeping  
Georgie Matthews, Athens, Ala., housekeeping  
Marthia Brooks, Athens, Ala., housekeeping  
Donald Jarrett, Athens, Ala., school boy.

/s/ Levi Jarrett

Witnessed by O. W. Jones, Manchester, Tenn.

Dated Feb 19, 1921

## 1921 Confederate Census (Continued)

ALBERT M. McCORMACK, Athens, RFD No. 2

Albert M. McCormack was born Sept. 9, 1837, in Limestone County, Ala. His wife is 75 years old and was born in Limestone Co. She is his second wife. They married in 1899. He is a registered voter in Precinct 9, Limestone County.

He enlisted in the service in the Spring of 1861 as a Private in the Infantry, Company F, 9th Alabama Regt. under Capt. Thomas H. Hobbs and Col. Williams. He took part in battles at Malvern Hill, Gaines Mill, Williamsburg and Seven Pines. He was captured in 1862 and was imprisoned near Warrenton. He was paroled immediately "as he was waiting on a sick comrade at a private house."

He is a farmer and he and his wife keep house. His living children are:

James B. McCormack, Albany, Merchant  
W. Charles McCormack, Athens, Rt. 2, Farmer  
John A. McCormack, Rockwell, Texas, Farmer  
Josephine Owens, Auburndale, Florida, Farmer  
Lilly Gilbert, Athens, Ala., Trader

his  
Albert X M. McCormack  
Mark

Witnessed by J. C. Gordon, Athens, Ala.  
Dated March 1, 1921

## EARLY NEWSPAPERS

In the Archives Collection of the Huntsville Public Library are housed some very rare newspapers of the pre-Civil War period. Among them are six published in Athens, Ala. The Limestone County Archives has a complete set of newspapers beginning after the Civil War but few before that time have survived. Most of these early newspapers are taken up with politics on a national level and have very little local news. We will carry only the items of local interest.

## THE LIMESTONE NEWS, March 23, 1859

Officers of Limestone County  
 Thomas G. Tyus, Judge of Probate Court  
 John A. Johnson, Sheriff  
 John Jackson, Clerk of the Circuit Court  
 Thomas G. Tyus, Register and Master of the Chancery Court  
 George R. Anderson, Tax Collector  
 Thomas W. Hine, Railroad Tax Collector  
 Mace H. Gilbert, Tax Assessor  
 Peterson Tanner, County Treasurer  
 Allison C. Cain, Coroner



Officers of the Corporation of Athens  
 James L. Coman, Mayor  
 William A. Hine, Treasurer  
 James McCutchen, Town Marshall

Aldermen  
 1st Ward - George R. Peck, Benton Sanders  
 2d Ward - William A. Hine, M. V. Irvin  
 3d Ward - R. J. Mendum, W. P. Tanner  
 4th Ward - Wm. E. Hoke, N. D. Richardson  
 Thomas N. Tyus, Secretary of the Board



Independent Order of Good Templars  
 Meets every Friday night at their Hall in the basement  
 story of the Methodist Church.

W. P. Tanner, W. C. T.  
 W. N. Hayes, M. D., Secretary



A. Y. M.  
 Athens Lodge No. 16 meets on the first Monday in every month.  
 John Turrentine, W. M.  
 R. J. Mendum, Secretary

State of Alabama - Limestone County  
Circuit Court, March Term, 1859

Roswell Hine,        }  
          vs                } Attachment  
Thomas Russell,    }

Roswell Hine, the Plaintiff in this cause having sued out an Attachment against the said Thomas Russell, defendant, and it appearing to the satisfaction of said Court that said Thomas Russell is a non-resident of the State of Alabama --It is therefore ordered by the Court that publication be made in the "Limestone News" a public newspaper printed in the town of Athens, in this State for four consecutive weeks, notifying said defendant that said attachment has been served on John D. Holt, administrator of Wm. J. Russell, deceased, as garnishee in this behalf.

John Jackson, C. C. C.

March 23, 1859



H. A. McDaniel, D. D. S.  
Again announces himself for a time as prepared to serve this Community in the different departments of Surgical and Mechanical DENTISTRY. Office in the Russell rooms, Athens, Ala. List of Charges follows. Also, a notice that ladies will be waited on at their residences if desired.



GEORGE R. PECK, Merchant, Tailor, Athens, Ala.  
Has just received a large and well selected stock of Goods for gentlemen's wear, such as Cloths, Cashmeres & Vestings  
Also, a large and splendid stock of Ready-made Clothing, which will be sold on such terms as cannot fail to please.



J. T. ALFRIEND, North Side Public Square, Athens, Ala.  
Has just received a fresh supply of confectionaries and groceries.



OIL PAINTINGS  
The undersigned has a beautiful lot of Oil Paintings, which he is offering at a fair price. Ladies and gentlemen are invited to call at my Furniture Wareroom and see them.        C. W. RAISLER



## TAX COLLECTORS SALE

On Monday, 21st day of March, 1859, I will sell in the town of Athens, Ala. the following described property to satisfy the Taxes and costs for the years specified. Sale between 10 and 12 o'clock a. m.

Edward Wood--1 lot in Athens, Ala.--taxes and costs for 1857-8,	6,80.
John B. Horton--East 1/2 N W qr sec 34, T2, R8, 80 acres--taxes and costs for 1858	7,74.
Ann Isom--East 1/2 NE 1/4 S21, T2, R3, 80 acres--taxes and costs for 1855, 6, 7 and 8	546
Henry R. Bray--1/2 of S 16, T1, R3, 326 acres--taxes for 1857-8	7,64
John W. McElyea--S1/2 N E 1/2 S 10, T1 R3, 80 acres--taxes and costs for 1857-8	5,68
Isaac McElyea--SE1/4 Sec 10, T1, R3, 160 acres--taxes and costs for 1857-8	6,25
Thomas Pittman--SW 50 acres S side SE 1/4, 50 acres--taxes and costs for 1858	6,24
John A. Hamlin--SW of NW S12, T1, R3, 40 acres--taxes and costs for 1858	5,13
John B. Brooks--NE of NE S22, T1, R4, 40 acres--taxes and costs for 1848	4,28
James Stephenson--W1/2 SW1/2, 80 acres, 20 acres of NE1/4, 100 acres--taxes and costs for 1857-8	24,80
John M. Ridgeway--SW1/2 SW1/4, Sec 30, T1, R? ? acres--taxes and costs for 1858	5,96
Rumal Ray--N1/2 of NW qr, E1/2 SW1/2, SW of NW qr, 100 acres--taxes and costs for 1858	11,00
Robert Tindal--SW NW Sec 31, T1, R6, 40 acres--taxes and costs for 1857-58	4,56
Geo W Dublin--NE1/4 NW1/4, Sec 14, T2, R6, 40 acres--taxes and costs for 1858	5,12
Matthew Denny--NW of NW Sec16, T2 R6, 40 acres--taxes and costs for 1858	4,44
Reuben A. Jones--NE1/4 Sec 22, T3, R4, 160 acres--taxes and costs for 1857-8	9,60

GEO. R. ANDERSON, T. C.

## POSTPONEMENT

The above sale of land has been postponed until Monday, May 2, 1859.



The Circuit Court for this County adjourned on last Thursday night. Thornton, a slave belonging to Dr. H. Binford, indicted for an attempt to kill his overseer, was tried and acquitted.

State of Alabama -- Limestone County  
Circuit Court, March Term, 1859

Shepherd & McCrery, }  
vs } Attachment  
Tim P. Chapman }

The Plaintiff having sued out an attachment against Timothy P. Chapman, and it appearing to the court that said Chapman is a non-resident of the State of Alabama--It is therefore ordered by the court that publication be made in the "Limestone News," a public newspaper printed in the town of Athens, in this State, for four consecutive weeks, notifying said defendant of the attachment in this cause, and also the levy made thereon, and that the Clerk of this Court send a copy of said paper containing said order to the defendant at his post office, if the same can be ascertained.

JOHN JACKSON, C. C. C.



BURGLARY--The store house of Peck & McAllister was entered by a thief on last Monday night. The thief had divested himself of his coat and socks, and it was thought was trying on some new ones, when Mr. Lewis Peck entered the store. The thief then ran to another door and made his escape, leaving his coat and several articles behind him.

P. S. Since the above was put in type, three negroes--Bob, belonging to J. Fraser, Jarrett, belonging to Wm Richardson, and a boy belonging to Mr. Vasser, have been identified with the transaction.



NOTICE

We have associated with us in the CARRIAGE BUSINESS Mr. J. M. ROGERS, which will enable us to give entire satisfaction in our Smith work, which heretofore has not been done in a city workman-like manner in Athens. Call and examine for yourselves.

MCENIRY & HURSEY

March 23, 1859



# Madison

COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES  
1831-May 1844  
Part 2

These Commissioners Court Minutes were abstracted by Shirley Greer of Huntsville. A part of these minutes is the formation of the various roads and the jury system established to lay out the roads. For a good discussion of the procedures concerning this system, please consult "A Dream Come True", Volume 1, by Mr. James Record, former Chairman of the Madison County Commission. This installment is continued from Valley Leaves, Volume 23, No. 4, June 1989.

Pg. 14/15 Ordered...to pay to Richard B. Purdom, Clerk of the County Court, ten dollars and thirty-seven and a half cents for stationary, etc. furnished his office.

The Sheriff of said County...filed protest...to wit... I, John H. R. Acklen, Sheriff of Madison County... do report the present jail... insufficient for the safe keeping of the persons committed to his care & custody ...that his protest may be entered... this 5th day of December 1831...

Pg. 15 Ordered...pay to Thomas Ice, overseer of the poor, one hundred dollars to be expended in the purchase of provisions for the use of the poor house.

Ordered that Isaac Alexander Lanier be the person selected for the County of Madison to be sent to the University of the State of Alabama.

Ordered ... Court be adjourned ... Saml Chapman, Gross Scruggs, Joseph Taylor, Geo. T. Jones.

Pg. 16 February 6th, 1832 ... present Hon. Saml Chapman, Judge ... Gross Scruggs, Joseph Taylor & George T. Jones, Commissioners.

Ordered ... County Treasurer pay to Daniel Carmichael, three dollars for timber furnished for the road in 1831 & 1827.

Ordered ... Burwell Lee fifty dollars, his semi-annual allowance, for supporting the paupers ... ending the thirty first day of December 1831.

## COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES (-Continued-)

Ordered... pay the heirs ... Representatives of Davis Battle, deceased, nine dollars for timber furnished for the roads in the year 1830.

Pg. 17 Ordered ... John P. Hawkins be appointed overseer of the Bryant Ford Road ... from the forks near McDaniels to James Wilsons house.

Ordered that Wilson Cook ... overseer of Bryant Ford Road ... from James Wilsons House to Funnell Creek.

Ordered ... Benjamin B. Wilbourne ... overseer, Bryant Ford Road ... from Funnell Creek to Richard Fords.

Ordered ... Joseph Ratley ... overseer of Bryant Ford Road ... from Richard Ford's to the County Line.

Ordered ... George Mitchell, Junr ... overseer of Road from Huntsville to Stegers Gap ...

Ordered ... Henry Harris be appointed overseer ... from Stegers Gap to the Cedar Gap ...

Ordered ... Russell J. Kelly ... overseer ... Cedar Gap to Flynt River ...

Ordered ... Hundley V. Fowler ... overseer of road from Flynt River to the old County line ...

Ordered ... Thomas Justice ... overseer ... from old County line to the new County line.

Pg. 18 Ordered ... William Brister ... over seer of the Ditto Landing road ... first grade ... of the Corporation of Huntsville to Ewings Gate.

Ordered ... Neeley Drake ... overseer, Ditto's Landing Road ... from Ewings Gate to Doctr. Phillips old house.

Ordered ... James Watson ... overseer, Ditto's Landing Road ... from Doctr Phillips old home, south to Doctr. Moore's gate.

Ordered ... Henry Finch ... overseer, Ditto's Landing Road ... Doctr Moore's gate to Eward Richards.

Ordered ... James Finlay ... overseer of Ditto's Landing Road...from Edward Richards to Ditto's Landing



## COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES (-Continued-)

Ordered ... James Robinson ... overseer of road from Meridianville to McClure's Meeting House.

Ordered ... John Kirkland ... overseer road ... from McClures Meeting House to the Elkton Road...

Ordered... John Phillips... overseer... from the Elkton Road to Thomas Strongs...

Pg. 19 Ordered ... Jeremiah S. Calvert ... overseer ... upper Elkton Road... from Pinhook to the four mile post...

Ordered...Jeremiah S. Calvert... overseer ... of Elkton Road...from four mile post to Fletchers Gap.

Ordered ... Richard Smith... overseer... upper Elkton Road... from Fletchers Gap to Steeles Mill.

Ordered...Matthew Davis, Jr....overseer... of Upper Elkton Road...from Steeles Mill to Brewtons corner

Ordered... [no name] overseer of Upper Elkton Road from Brewtons Corner to the State line.

Ordered ... Branch Copeland... overseer of road from Ewings corner to the top of the mountain, east of Andrew Drakes...

Ordered... Moses Miller... overseer... from top of the mountain, East of Andrew Drakes to the Cove-Road...

Ordered... William Ross... overseer...from Northern end of Green's to Allan's old place...

Ordered...John H. Dickson...overseer...from Allan's old place to Brazeltons...

Pg. 20 Ordered...Albert Buford...overseer...from Brazeltons to County line...

Ordered... William Gardner... overseer of road from Ditto's Landing to Flynt River...

Ordered...Thomas Billups ...overseer of the Mooresville Road from McClungs Hatters Shop on Township Road to the County Line.

Ordered... Michael Erskine... overseer... Brown's Ferry Road... from the line of the Corporation of Huntsville to A. P. Jones shop.

## COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES (-Continued-)

Ordered...William Gray Junr...Overseer... Brown's Ferry Road from A. P. Jones Shop to Doctr Morrings Lane...

Ordered... William Huffey... Overseer... Brown's Ferry Road...from Doctr Morrings Lane to Halley's old shop.

Ordered...William S. Moseley(?)... Overseer... Brown's Ferry Road... from Halleys old shop to the County Line.

Ordered...Hiram Casey... Overseer... from Well's Trace to Dry Creek.

Ordered...Johnston Derty... Overseer... from Dry Creek to the County Line.

p. 21 Ordered... Taliaferro Smart... Overseer... from Crabbs ferry to the Big Prarie...

Ordered... John Snodgrass... Overseer... from Bledsoes to the Northern end of Browns Lane...

Ordered... Samuel Hatton... Overseer... from Northern End of Brown's Lane to Triana...

Ordered... John Blevins... Overseer... of the Meridian Road... from the line of the Corporation of Huntsville to Connally's shop...

Ordered... Nelson B. Burton... Overseer... of Meridian Road...from Connallys Shop to Oteys Bridge...

Ordered... Benjamin T. Watkins... Overseer... Meridian Road... from Oteys Bridge to the northern part of Holding's Plantation.

Ordered... Moses Cavitt... Overseer... of Meridian Road ... from the Northern part of Holdings Plantation to Hazle-Green.

Ordered... Milton Rozzelt... Overseer... Meridian Road ... from Hazle-Green to the State line.

Ordered... Ezekiel Guffey... Overseer... from Reuben Shotwells to Haters Creek...

- To be continued in later issues -

JOHN SEATON, WAR OF 1812 VETERAN  
Madison County, Alabama

In Valley Leaves, June 1971, we ran an abstract of the Claim of John Seaton's widow, Rachel, for a Service Pension. It was copied from a photostat copy of papers in the National Archives. Recently a TVGS member, Dorothea S. Looney of Lewisburg, TN, has furnished some additional information which corrects our original abstract. While our original abstract spelled his name with an A as Seaton, the documents furnished by Mrs. Looney spelled it as Seeton. We are happy to make this information available to you.

On 20 February 1880 Rachael Seeton, aged 83, appeared before a Justice of the Peace and declared that she is the widow of John Seeton who served as a private in the Company commanded by Capt. Wm. Johnson, Mississippi Militia, commanded by Lt. Col. Peter Parker or Perkins in the War of 1812; that her husband enlisted at Huntsville in the fall of 1814 for a term of 6 months and whose services were terminated by the Treaty of Peace at Huntsville on the 1st day of May 1815.

She further states that the following is a full description of her husband at the time of his enlistment - farmer, born in Tenn., height 5 ft 8 inches, light hair, blue eyes, and fair complexion.

She further states that she was married to John Seeton in the County of Madison in the state of Alabama on 10 August 1816 by the Rev. McClure.

[ED. NOTE: The date of the marriage on the claim is 1816. However, the License, from Madison County, Marriage Book 1, page 339, is clearly dated 1817.]

She further states that her name before her marriage was Rachel Jackson and that she has not remarried since the death of her husband. She further states that neither she nor her husband had been married previously; and that her husband died in Madison Co. on the 24th of December 1864; and that they had resided in Madison Co. since his discharge from the Army. She has not previously made application for pension or bounty land warrant.

her  
Rachael X Seeton  
mark

Witnesses:

S. E. Sims (aged 51)  
John W. Ikard, Sr. (aged 70)

John Seaton/Seeton (-continued-)

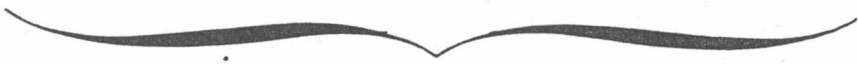
In an affidavit before J. B. Dickey, J. P., James N. Seeton, says that he is 56 years of age and that he is the son of John and Rachael Seeton and that they lived together as man and wife as long as he could remember and were so respected by their neighbors.

s/James N. Seeton

Witness: C. D. Dickey  
Dated 2 April 1880

In an affidavit before John A. Stapleton, Rachael Seeton, declares that she has made a diligent search for a record of her marriage and has succeeded only in finding a record of the license issued to her; that it does not appear that any return of said license was made; that she is unable to procure the affidavit of the person who married her because he is long since deceased, and no witnesses are known to be living.

[ED. NOTE: The license was issued during the time period during which Madison County was part of the Mississippi Territory and returns were not required.]



We are grateful to Mrs. Looney for furnishing us with this information. The photocopies she sent will be placed in the Family Files in the Heritage Room of the Huntsville Public Library.

# Marshall

The following Bible Record was furnished to TVGS by Mrs. Christine Smith of Huntsville. The photocopies have been placed in the Family Files in the Heritage Room of the Huntsville Public Library.

The  
HOLY BIBLE,

Containing the  
Old and New Testaments,  
Together with the  
Apocrypha:  
Translated out of the Original Tongues,  
and  
with the Former Translations Diligently compared and Revised  
in which is appended,  
A Concordance, The Psalms of David in Metre,  
and Index, Tables and other Useful matters.

The Text conformable to the Standard of the  
American Bible Society

Cincinnati:  
Moore, Wilstach & Baldwin.  
25 West Fourth Street.  
[undated]

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PARENTS' RECORD

FATHER

Lemuel N. Douglas  
Born Sept 23, 1817

MOTHER

Sarah Douglas  
Born Sept 26?, 1828?

Sarah Douglas  
Died Jan 26th 1881

Beaula Mary Mullican  
Died March 15, 1927

Marey Elizabeth Smart  
Dede Aug 21, 1932

Sarah J. Douglas  
Died May 12, 1934  
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## Lemuel N. Douglas Bible Record (-continued-)

## BIRTHS

Wyatt J. T. Douglas  
Born Dec 29th 1852

Henry M. Douglas  
Nov. 8th 1873 Born

Stephen S. Douglas  
Born Feb 18th 1855

Sarah A. N. G. Douglas  
Born July 10th, 1875

Elizabeth L. Douglas  
Born March 31st 1857

Savannah E. Douglas,  
born March 29th 1875

John B. Douglas  
Born Sept 25th 1859

Mary Ann S. Douglas  
Born January 2nd 1879

Libby A. S. F. Douglas  
Born Sept. 26th 1862

John W. H. Smith  
Born Oct. 10th 1880

Austin R. Douglas  
Born June 7th 1866

Lue E. Morton  
Born Jan. 20th 1881

Dorcas J. Douglas  
Born Jan. 17th 1869

Lexey J. Douglas  
Born Nov. 20th 1881

Ruby E. Douglas was  
born Oct. 18, 1904

Lemuel A. N. Smith  
Born Dec. 14th 1881

Columbus B. Douglas  
Born Aug 1st, 1872

Palina A. Douglas  
born May 2nd 1884

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## MARRIAGES

Lemuel N. Douglas and Sarah Harris  
Married Feb. 18th 1846

Stephen S. Douglass and Arminda Robins  
Married Feb. 20th 1873

James J. Morton and Savannah F. Douglas  
Married Aug. 21st 1879

John P. Smith and Elizabeth L. Douglas  
Married Oct. 12th 1879

C. B. Douglass and N. S. Redman was sollomly united in...  
August the 26, 1941

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## Lemuel N. Douglas Bible (-continued-)

## DEATHS

Wyatt J. T. Douglas  
Died Oct. 18th 1856

John P. Douglas  
Died June 14th 1861

Sarah Douglass  
Died Jany 24, 1881

L. N. Douglass  
Died April 19, 1900

Mary E. Douglass  
Died April 25, 1900

E. L. Smith  
Died March 15, 1899

Mary A. Douglass  
Died Jan 29, 1900

Arminda Douglass  
Died Mar 11, 1900

[ED. Note: A second column  
on the Deaths page contains  
only birth dates.]

C. B. Douglass was Bornd  
August 1, 1872

S. V. Douglass Bornd  
August 28, 1878

Margaret Idelar Douglass  
Bornd Sept 3, 1890

Bular Mary Douglass  
Bornd Dec 19, 1893

James L. Douglass  
Bornd Dec 10, 1895

Russle N. Douglass  
Bornd Febuary the 9 1898

Olive Odell Douglas Bornd  
Bornd March 26, 1900

Diemey B. Douglass  
Bornd July the 8 1903

Clumbus F Douglass  
Bornd March the 18 1905

Floid C. Douglass  
Was Borend Aug. 4, 1907

Ilava Douglass  
July 13, 1910?

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## Lemuel N. Douglass Bible (-continued-)

A blank sheet from the Bible presents an interesting item about Douglass family life at the time:

April 30th 1876, This day I have commenced reading the Bible through the fourth time. L. N. Douglass

May 5th 1878, Just got through the 5th time.

July 21st, 1878, Commenced the 6th time. May the Lord help me to read so as to understand.

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Several additional items accompany the Bible Record:

Georgia, Gwinnett County

The Marriage License for L. N. Douglass and Sarah Harris dated 19th day of February 1846 signed by James Bracewell, C. C. P. who certifies that he performed the marriage on the 19th of Feb. 1846.

Muster Rolls for Lemuel Douglas as a Private in Capt. Swaggerty's Co., 2 Regt. Ga. Mounted Vols. (6 Months, 1837-38) He joined from Hall Co., Ga. and mustered out in Forsythe Co., Ga.

-- COMPLETED --

## PROHIBITION PETITION - 1897

In the loose papers of the Probate Office at Guntersville, Marshall County, is the petition of W. A. Kennamer seeking to prohibit alcoholic beverage consumption in Kennamer's Precinct (Beat 9). This precinct was in Kennamer's Cove, north of Grant, and bordered the Jackson-Marshall County line. Furnished by Judge William D. Page, Huntsville.

State of Alabama }  
 Marshall County } In Probate Court  
 To the Hon. Thomas A. Street, Judge of Said  
 Court:

Your petitioner W. A. Kennamer respectfully represents unto your Honor that he is a freeholder residing in Kennamer's Precinct in this County. That petitioner desires to prevent the sale, giving away or otherwise disposing of vinuous or spirituous liquors within said Kennamer's Precinct. That in the opinion of petitioner the public good will be promoted by a prohibition of the sale or giving away of vinuous or spirituous liquors within such limits and your petitioner hereto attaches a full & complete list of the male citizens over twenty one years of age residing in said limits to the best of his knowledge & belief, to-wit:

Martin Atchley	M. A. Hodges
Robert Allison	J. T. Hodges
J. M. Allison	S. A. Hill
J. T. Bevil	S. J. Harper
Alf Bevil	J. D. Jones
J. E. Barclay	R. H. Jones
H. D. Butler	B. Jones
Green Butler	W. F. Jones
W. B. Busby	J. C. Jones
G. D. Butler	D. C. Kennamer
B. A. Bennett	T. J. Kennamer
J. A. Chastain	S. T. Kennamer
N. H. Derrick	J. L. Kennamer
Nat Derrick	C. B. Kennamer
W. B. Derrrick	J. E. Kennamer
M. M. Downey	A. C. Kennamer
W. M. Elkins	D. L. Kennamer
N. K. Elkins	J. R. Kennamer
E. M. Elkins	S. D. Kennamer
A. J. Elkins	W. A. Kennamer
W. A. Elkins	John S. Kennamer
James Elkins	Isham A. Kennamer
J. B. Farmer	N. F. Kennamer
J. R. Gayle	J. D. Kennamer

## Prohibition Petition (-continued-)

S. T. Kennamer	Thos. Sims
P. J. Kennamer	J. F. Sanders
D. G. Kennamer	J. R. Sutton
W. L. Kennamer	M. B. Thomas
J. M. Melton	T. B. Thomason
W. J. Melton	Albert Woodall
Daniel Martin	J. E. Woodall
I. A. Morrison	D. P. Wilson
V. W. McGehee	W. L. Petty
J. H. McGehee	Eli McGehee
J. A. Perkins	Joseph Woodall
T. E. (or L. E.) Perkins	Martin Treece
W. S. (or W. L.) Page	Louis Parker
J. R. Page	Jack Wright
J. E. Pence	Geo. Bearden
J. B. Roberts	

Wherefore, petitioner prays that your Honor will order an election to be held in said precinct to determine whether or not the sale, giving away or otherwise disposing of spirituous or vinuous liquors shall be prohibited.

/s/ W. A. Kennamer

Sworn to & subscribed before me this Dec. 31, 1897.

T. A. Street  
Judge of Probate

Additional information is furnished by Judge Page:

W. A. Kennamer, the petitioner, is William Ralph Kennamer (born 10-17-1857, died 4-19-1914), a Presbyterian minister, born in Kennamer Cove, son of Abe B. Kennamer and first wife, Elizabeth J. Hodges. He died in the pulpit in East Florence, Ala. and is buried at Pisgah Cemetery, Marshall Co., Ala. He was ordained at New Market, Ala. by the Presbytery in Sept. 1890. In Nov. 1906 he was received into the North Alabama Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. He married (1) 1-20-1876, Sarah E. Thomas (8-26-1859/8-1-1891 and (2) 9-18-1892, Ada E. Rumsey (7-3-1872- )

COMPLETED



# Morgan

MORGAN COUNTY DEATH RECORDS  
Book A - 1893-1895  
Part 2

Dene Walls and Sue Marine have laboriously copied Morgan County death records and have graciously allowed us to publish them in Valley Leaves. We are beginning with Book A, 1893, which is located in the Court House in Decatur. The name of the decedent will be followed by the date and place of death, the place of birth, color, sex, age, marital status if given, occupation, cause of death, reporting physician or other person, and place of burial.

1893

Julia Hicks, d. June 10, Beat 11, Decatur. B. Beat 11. Black female, age 3 months. Dog bite, Dr. C. F. Sullivan. Buried at Trinity.

John Grham d. June 17, Decatur. B. Ala. White male, age 40, single. Cause of Death unknown. Dr. M. W. Murray. Buried Decatur.

Lewis S. Long, d. June 17, Decatur. B. Decatur. White female, age 1 year. Cholera Inf., Dr. M. W. Murray. Buried Decatur.

A. B. Osborn (Osburn?), d. June 16, Decatur. B. Decatur. White male, age 21, single, farmer. Consumption, Dr. M. W. Murray. Buried Decatur.

Nancie Steele, d. June 17, Decatur. B. Decatur. Black female, age 1 year. Cholera Inf., Dr. W. C. Buckley. Buried Decatur.

F. B. Randle, d. June 6, Decatur. B. Decatur. White male, age 1 year. Cholera Inf., Dr. W. C. Buckley. Buried Decatur.

Frank Johnson, d. June 12, Decatur. B. Decatur. Black male, age 22, single, laborer. Consumption, Dr. W. C. Buckley. Buried Fenal Graveyard.

Thomas Armstrong, d. June 12, Decatur. B. Decatur. Black male, age 1 year. Pneumonia, Dr. W. C. Buckley. Buried Decatur.

Tommie White, d. June 22, Decatur. B. Trinity, Ala. Black male, age 3 years. Dysentary, B. D. Sears. Buried Decatur.

## Morgan County Deaths (-continued-)

Charley Ross, d. June 13, Decatur. B. Ala. White male, age 1 year. Cause of death unknown, Dr. Stears. Buried Decatur.

Bessie Turner, d. June 8, Decatur. B. Ala. White female, age 2 years. Congest. Brain, Dr. W. L. Dinsore. Buried Trinity, Ala.

Child (name not given) d. June 12, Decatur. B. Decatur. Black male, age 1 year 5 months. Congest. Brain, Dr. R. L. Stephenson. Buried Decatur.

Walton Woodruff, d. June 25, Decatur. B. Decatur. Black male, age 2 months. Cholera Inf., Dr. R. L. Stephenson. Buried Limestone County.

Philip Landers, d. June 21, Decatur. B. Decatur. White male, age 80, married. Anemia, Dr. M. W. Murray. Buried Decatur.

M. C. McNary, d. June 27, Decatur. B. Decatur. White female, age 6 mo. Cholera Inf., Dr. Ross. Buried Decatur.

John H. Stephenson, d. July 1, Beat 3. B. Ala. White male, age 67, married, farmer. Paralysis, Dr. E. D. Stephenson. Buried Beat 3.

James Inmon, d. July 2, Beat 4. B. Ala. White male, age 65, married, farmer. Chronic diarrhea, Dr. W. B. Thomason. Buried Beat 4.

Thomas Reeves, d. July 14, Beat 4. White male, age 68, widowed, farmer. Heart failure, Dr. W. B. Thomason. Buried Beat 4.

Infant (name not given), d. July 13, Beat 4. White male, age 6 months. Congest. Brain, Dr. W. B. Thompson. Buried Beat 4.

Ellen Teague, d. July 3, Beat 4. B. Ala. White female, age 48, widowed, housewife. Int. Hemohrage, Dr. W. B. Thomason. Buried Beat 4.

Infant (name not given), d. July 10, Beat 4. B. Ala. Black female, age 4 days. Cause of death unknown, Lidia Blevins, midwife. Buried Beat 4.

Infant (name not given), d. July 7, Beat 5. B. Ala. White male, age 1 day. Cause of death unknown, Dr. P. C. Bradley. Buried Beat 5.

Infant (name not given), d. July 30, Beat 5. B. Ala. White female, age 10 days. Suspension on urine, Dr. A. R. Wilson. Buried Beat 5.

## Morgan County Deaths (-continued-)

Infant (name not given), d. July 12, Beat 5. B. Ala. Black female, age 3 months. Cause of death unknown, Dr. C. F. Peck. Buried Beat 5.

Maud Maples, d. July 31, Beat 10. B. Ala. White female, age 6 months. Cholera Inf., Dr. W. B. Thomason. Buried Beat 10.

Mrs. Maples, d. July 30, Beat 10. B. Ala. White female, age 88, widowed. Inanition?, Dr. W. D. Thomason. Buried Beat 10.

Albert Lawrence, d. July 29, Beat 10. White Male, age 22, single, farmer. Hemorrhagia Malia Tivis?, Dr. W. B. Thomason, Buried Beat 10.

Versy Francis, d. July 25, Beat 10. B. Ala. Black male, age 2. Burn, Dr. A. R. Wilson, Buried Beat 10.

W. Q. Sewell, d. July 30, Beat 11. B. Ala. White male, age 74, married, farmer. Paralysis, Dr. Sullivan. Buried Beat 11.

Infant (name not given), d. July 24, Beat 16. B. Ala. White male, age 4 days. Cause of death unknown, Dr. J. S. Turney. Buried Beat 16.

Jack Smith, d. July 19, Decatur. B. Tenn. Black male, age 45, married, laborer. Congest. Brain, Dr. Dinsmore. Buried Decatur.

Nancy Bailey, d. July 29, Decatur. B. Ala. Black female, age 35, married. Cancer, Dr. Dinsmore. Buried Decatur.

W. H. Burt, d. July 17, Decatur. B. Ala. White male, age 72, married, farmer. Consumption, Dr. Dinsmore. Buried Decatur.

Nancy Boye, d. July 27, Decatur. B. Ala. White female, age 79, widowed. Cancer of face, Dr. Stephenson. Buried Hillsborough.

Jany R. Richardson, d. July 18, Decatur. B. Mass. White female, age 36, married. Malarial fever, Dr. M. W. Murry. Buried Montague, Mass.

John Howell, d. July 3, Decatur. B. Ohio. White male, age 57, married, merchant. Abses Liver, Dr. Ross. Buried Decatur.

Harry Robinson, d. July 4, Decatur. B. Ala. White male, age 1 year, 8 mo. Cholera Inf., Dr. Gillespie. Buried Decatur.

Mallie (Mollie) M. Price, d. July 6, Decatur. B. Ala. White female, age 10 days. Congest. fever, reported by Calvin Brown, undertaker. Buried Trinity.

## Morgan County Deaths (-continued-)

Zittie Yarbrough, d. July 13, Decatur. B. Ala. Black female, age 15. Congest. fever, Dr. B. F. Cross. Buried Athens.

Loucinda Parker, d. July 15, Decatur. B. Ala. White female, age 65, single. Cancer Breast, Dr. W. C. Buckley. Buried Decatur.

Ned Burte, d. Aug. 18, Beat 4. B. Ala. Black male, age 38, married, farmer. Malarial fever, Dr. W. B. Thomason. Buried at Cedar Plains.

Joseph H. Stewart, d. Aug. 23, Beat 5. B. Ala. White male, age 27, married, farmer. Consumption, Dr. P. C. Bradley. Buried at Falkville.

Infant (name not given), d. Aug 20, Beat 5. B. Ala. White male, age 15 days. Uremia, Dr. A. R. Wilson.

George S. Francis, d. Aug. 30, Beat 5. B. Ala. White male, age 6 months. Pneumonia, Dr. F. B. Hunter.

James D. Donaldson, d. Aug. 26, Beat 5. B. Ala. White male, age 36, married, laborer. Malarial fever, Dr. F. B. Hunter.

E. H. Morgan, d. Aug 9, Beat 5. B. Ga. White male, age 13. Asites dropsey. Dr. F. B. Hunter. Buried Amos Chapel.

James Montgomery, d. Aug. 18, Beat 7. B. Ala. White male, age 10, farmer. Congest. Bowels, Dr. C. F. Peck. Buried in Lawrence Cove.

Joseph Johnson, d. Aug. 22, Beat 9. B. Ala. White male, age 45, widowed, farmer. Congest. of stomach & bowels, Dr. J. L. Gill.

Mary Basham, d. Aug. 9, Beat 10. B. Ala. White female, age 50, single. Consumption, Dr. J. S. Turney. Buried Andrews Chapel.

Infant (name not given), d. Aug. 2, Beat 10. B. Ala. White male, age 6 months. Infl. of brain, Dr. S. L. Roundtree. Buried Beat 10.

Mary Moss, d. Aug. 13, Beat 10. B. Ala. White female, age 26, married, housewife. Conges. General?, Dr. S. L. Roundtree. Buried Beat 10.

Emma Elis, d. Aug. 15, Beat 10. B. Ala. White female, age 16, single. Consumption, Dr. W. A. Barclift. Buried Moss Graveyard.

Jasper Wade, d. Aug 25, Beat 11. B. Ala. White male, age 61, married, farmer. Cerebral Congest., Dr. C. F. Sullivan. Buried Trinity, Ala.

## Morgan County Deaths (-continued-)

George Ratliff, d. Aug 15, Beat 12. B. Ala. Black male, age 6. Congest. Brain, J. E. Price, midwife. Buried Sandhill.

Infant Barker, d. Aug. 20, Beat 12. B. Ala. Black male, age 6 days. Pneumonia, J. E. Price, midwife. Buried Sandhill.

Jodie B. Thompson, d. Aug. 28, Hartselle. B. KY. White female, age 17. Infl. of ovary, Locking of Bowels, Dr. W. A. Barclift & Dr. A. R. Wilson. Burial in Hartselle Cemetery.

P. J. Hutchenson, d. Aug. 23, Hartselle. B. Ala. White female, age 47. Hotel keeper. Brights Disease, Drs. Barclift & Wilson. Buried Hartselle Cemetery.

Infant (name not given), d. Aug. 23, Hartselle. B. Ala. White male. Cause of death not given. Drs Barclift & Wilson. Buried Hartselle Cemetery.

Aurevia Robinson, d. Aug. 31, Decatur. B. Ala. Black female, age 16, single. Typhoid fever, Dr. James Gillespie. Buried Decatur.

D. Sherrell, d. Aug. 19, Decatur. B. Ala. White male, age 26, single, railroad worker. R. R. accident, Calvin Brown, Undertaker. Buried Decatur.

Martha Burton, d. Aug. 26, Decatur. B. Ala. White female, age 56, married. Comsumption, Dr. Ponder. Buried Chestnut Grove.

Alice M. Alexander, d. Aug. 11, Decatur. B. Ala. White female, age 11. Locking of bowels, Dr. Sullivan. Buried Decatur.

Minnie Eckert, d. Aug. 14, Decatur. B. Ala. White female, age 10 months. Cholera Inf., Dr. M. W. Murry. Buried Decatur.

Elisebeth Jackson, d. Aug. 2, Decatur. B. Ohio. White female, age 40, married. Typhoid fever, Dr. M. W. Murry. Buried Decatur.

Thomas Cleovlan, d. Aug. 22, Decatur. B. Ala. Black male, age 18, single, laborer. Infl. Bowels, Dr. M. W. Murry. Buried Decatur.

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## WILLIAM MCDONALD PROBATE RECORD

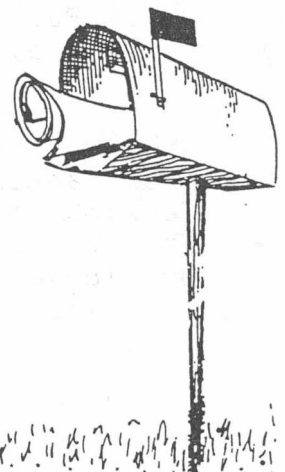
Mrs. Leola L. Hessom of Cullman, Alabama has sent us a record from Orphans Court Book 14, p. 272, December 20, 1858. The copy of the original has been placed in the Family Files in the Heritage Room of the Huntsville Public Library. Our thanks to Mrs. Hessom for her typed copy.

This day came John R. McDonald and filed in the Office of the Court of Probate of said County a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of William McDonald late of said county deceased. It appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that said testator died leaving a widow to wit Lucy Jane McDonald also the following named children to wit John R. McDonald, Mary Ann McDonald and Harriet McDonald all of whom are over 21 years of age also the following who are under twenty one years old to wit James R. McDonald, William McDonald, Francis E. McDonald, Simeon B. McDonald & George C. McDonald also Sarah J. Hendon a grand daughter of said decedent & child of Susan Hendon who was a daughter of said decedent who is also under twenty one years of age. It is therefore ordered that citations issue to said Lucy Jane the widow of said decedent and to the above mentioned children and grand child of said decedent to appear at the Court House of said County on the third Monday in January next and show cause if any why said paper writing should not be probated as and for the last will and testament of said William McDonald deceased. It is further ordered that Green P. Rice Jr. be and he is hereby appointed Guardian ad litem for said above mentioned parties who are under the age of twenty one years to represent them in the matter of the application of said John R. McDonald Probate said Paper writing as and for the last will & testament of said decedent and the said Rice appeared here in open Court and accepted said appointment. It is further ordered that citations issue to W. A. Penn and Robert M. Johnson, Jr. subscribing witnesses to said paper writing requiring them to appear at the Court House of said County on the third Monday in January next and give evidence relative to said paper writing.

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# Queries

- 1 VAUGHN, CHAMBLISS, DEVANEY  
Looking for info on parents of Pherbe Vaughn b 1857 in Franklin Co. AL. She was living with Nathan and Matilda Chambliss family on 1870 census of Russellville, AL as a 12-yr old girl. Brothers were: Reuben, Levi, George and sister Mary. By 1878 she was m to William A. Devaney. Buried in 1934 in Devaney Cemetery in Franklin Co., AL.  
Nancy A. Thorne (Mrs. James S.), 68942 8th St.,  
Edwardsburg, MI 49112
  
- 2 CHANCE, REID  
Would like to find information on parents of James M. Chance, reportedly b in Blount Co., AL in early 1860's. Married in 1886 in Franklin Co., AL to Jacinto Reid, dau. of Nathan Reid. There were two ch., Hubert and Pearl. He died on his birthday in 1890 while breaking a horse according to family legend.  
Nancy A. Thorne (Mrs. James S.), 68942 8th St.,  
Edwardsburg, MI 49112
  
- 3 KINDEL, WEBB, REDUS, GIDEON  
Supplement to Query 271-Sept. 88 issue: I found Mary "Polly" (Kindel) Gideon in the 1850 AR Census which reported her bp as KY ca 1804. So, William Kindel/Eliz. Webb family originated from somewhere in KY? Also, Richard William Kindall, their son, was in 1820 Monroe Co., MS census. He m Mary Redus of Limestone Co., AL in 1819. I found Andrew J. Webb as a witness for William Kindall US land patent in Coahoma Co., MS in 1846. Is he kin of Eliz. Webb? I found William Kendel & John Kendel in an 1810 petition from the Mississippi Territory. Need data on Kindels and Webbs, locations and dates in KY, also more data in AL, MS, & Tn. I will gladly exchange with data on thousands of descendants.  
Fred Kindel, 111 Shelley Ct., Folsom,  
CA 95630
  
- 4 ARENDALE, WALKER, PETTITT, HARRIS, WALDEN,  
(WALLING), HEAD, LOVINGOOD, GUFFEY  
Researching the above names in Jackson Co., AL. Info will be appreciated.  
Jackie Pettitt, 1316 Montevallo Rd.,  
Weaver, AL 36277



QUERIES EDITOR: ADDIE K. SHAVER

- 5      ROBERTS  
Seeking info on Henry and Elizabeth Roberts. He was b in VA ca 1750 and was an Attorney in Lauderdale Co., AL 1818-1837, engaged many land deals. Peter and Benjamin are only known children of 3 sons and 4 daus. Have more on previous life in KY & VA. Also have info on parents and siblings. Am seeking other children and where he and wife died. Any other info on them welcome.  
William Roberts, RR 2, Box 151A, Clay City, IN 47841
- 6      BLACKMON, ROBINSON/ROBERTS  
Seeking info on Thomas Blackmon b Apr 1839 GA, m Marge Robinson (Roberts) ?? 1865 in Coosa Co. AL. Who were their parents & siblings? Thomas and Mary lived in TX ca 1871 until their demise in 1905 & 1925. Any info appreciated.  
F. A. Lindell, 7324 Clemson, Dallas, TX 75214
- 7      LONG, ROBERTSON/ROBINSON, EDMONDSON  
I am searching for relatives of my grandparents: Columbus Newton Long, b Apr 1854 in GA. His brothers were Andrew, Robert and George. A half sister was Mary Stewart and maybe another one named Amanda. His parents may have been James and Margaret Long, b in NC. His 1st wife was ??? Edmondson. She died and left two small sons, Columbus Newton and John Frank Long. His 2nd wife (my grandmother) was Malinda Robertson/Robinson b in GA. Malinda's sisters were Matilda & Julia Ann and also a brother, Alfonzo Robertson/Robinson. The family left Jackson Co. AL and came to the Cherokee Nation in Indian Territory. I wish to share info with any descendants.  
Maxine Rogers, 1333 East 37th Place, Tulsa, OK 74105
- 8      HALL, PACE, LATHAM, SHELTON  
Need further info on the following: Nancy Hall (b 1780 NC) of Jackson Co., AL. Husband believed to be Rev. Thomas Hall. Two known sons, Manoah Hall (b 1828 TN, d 1859 AL) m Katie Pace (b 1826 VA). Ch: Jonathan Benton (m Milly Ann Latham), Mahala, Jackson (m Mahala Malinda Latham), Madison S., Solomon, Louisa C. and John. Widow, Katie Hall m Noah Shelton. Ch: Sally, Daniel and David Elias. Manoah's brother, Hosea Farmer Hall (b 1820 TN, d 1899 AL) m Mary Pace.  
Gladys L. Kizer, 3601 Allen Parkway #470, Houston, TX 77019
- 9      JENKINS, STEWART/STUART  
I am researching three brothers, William, Joseph and Richard Jenkins and their sister, Nancy, who m Evan Stewart/Stuart. They were in Jackson Co, AL before 1830 and in Polk Co., MO by 1838. Any info will be appreciated.  
Mrs. Emmett O. Jenkins, 307 Vista Trail, Farragut, TN 37922

- 10 DERRICK, STARNES, FLETCHER, ASHBORN, CAMPBELL, PERKINS,  
KENNAMER, SUTTON, SCHUBERT, LEUBBERKE  
Am searching for info on the above names, all in Jackson Co.  
AL except for Schubert and Leberke in Franklin Co. MO.  
Mrs. Pat Starnes, 187 Badgett Pl., Ft. Walton Beach,  
FL 32514
- 11 JONES  
Seeking info about my gr-gr-grandfather, Thomas S. Jones b  
1833 in AL and his wife, Mary Withers b 1836 in MS. Their ch  
were b in Limestone Co., AL: Palmyra b 1858 (my gr-grand-  
mother), John b 1859, and Mary b 1865. Who were the parents  
of Thomas S. Jones? What happened to Thomas and Mary and  
their ch, John and Mary? They were on Limestone Co. census  
of 1860 and 1870. Would like to correspond with descendants  
of this family.  
Mrs. Linda Dyer, 3922 Morgans Creek, San Antonio,  
TX 78230
- 12 MAXWELL, BLACKBURN, HAMBRICK, WILSON  
James Maxwell m Jane Blackburn 30 Nov, 1818 in Madison  
Co., AL. Living with them in 1850 in Madison Co, was Marg-  
aret Blackburn, age 18, b TN. How related? Who were her  
parents? Margaret Blackburn m Joseph Hambrick 7 Feb 1852 in  
Madison Co. Any info on the ch of Joseph Hambrick and  
Margaret Blackburn appreciated. Also, ch of Joseph's first  
marriage to Bethenia Wilson, 22 Oct 1840 in Franklin Co., TN.  
Tressie Wilkinson Nealy, 509 SE 70th, Oklahoma City,  
OK 73149
- 13 MOSS, QUALLS/QUARLES, BLANKENSHIP  
James Moss m Elizabeth Qualls/Quarles and lived in White Co.  
TN in 1850. Brothers: Arnold, Thomas and Daniel. Who were  
were their parents? Where did James move to from White Co.?  
Tabitha, his dau., m Granville Blankenship in White Co. in  
1849 and presumably d between 1850-1860. Where is she  
buried?  
Nolene Blankenship, 2610 Woodview Dr, SE, Huntsville,  
AL 35801
- 14 MOORE, ROBERTSON, PARSON, BOWERS  
Henry Moore, Sr. (gg gr father) b 1785 GA, d 5 Oct 1847  
Madison Co., AL. His third wife, Rebecca M. Robertson, my  
gg gr mother, b 1805 SC, m 12 Feb 1835 Madison Co., AL. 1st  
wife was Eliza ??? b ?, m ca 1807; 2nd wife Nancy Parsons,  
b ? m 1 Apr 1812 AL. His ch are: John, William, Henry,  
Jesse, Mary Elizabeth, David, Hezekiah Petty (my g gr father  
m Nancy M. Bowers), and Rufus Gaden Moore. Need parents,  
brothers and sisters of Henry Moore, Sr.  
W. G. & M. A. Moore, Rt. 2, Box 310, Hubbard, TX 76648

- 15 HOUSTON, ROGERS, YOUNG  
James R. Houston 1826- ca 1880 to 1890 was the son of John Young Houston and Elizabeth Rogers. John Young Houston's parents were John Houston and Mary Young from County Downs, Ireland. Would like to correspond with anyone who has info on the Houston, Rogers or Young families.  
Macie Williams, 739 Newberry, Richardson, TX 75080
- 16 EZELL  
Help! Help! Need location of grave of Simeon Ezell. Alive in June 1900 at Paint Rock, AL. Also, who has records of Latham Cemetery near Garth, AL?  
Mrs. Daphine Shoemaker, 5915 E. 26, Tulsa, OK 74114
- 17 CAGLE  
Need info on Isaac Lafayette Cagle who was on 1870 census as ca 10 years old. In 1860-1880 was in Madison Co., AL.  
Jane Cox Farmer, 1001 Breckenridge Dr. #216, Little Rock, AR 72205
- 18 BERRYMAN, RODEN, BEAVERS, PATRICK, WALDREP, JEFFREYS  
Seeking all background info on: Keziah Berryman d Lawrence Co., AL 1850; Isaiah Roden and wife, Berthana ??Beavers who resided Lawrence Co., 1850 and later; William Beavers and Agnes Patrick m Lawrence Co. in 1823; James Wright, who d 1823, Morgan Co., AL and widow, Winnifred; James S. Waldrop and wife, Jemima ??Jeffreys, in Morgan Co. 1820's and moved to Lawrence Co. later.  
Mildred Fournier, Rt. 9, Box 993, Lake City, FL 32055
- 19 HARMON, GARLAND  
Joseph Garland named a son Harmon Garland. Joseph's parents were in Cades Cove, TN 1850-1870. Was there a Harmon-Garland marriage connection? Who were parents of Garland Harmon? Born 1823, NC?  
Virginia E. Barnes, 145 N. Ala. Ave., Jackson, MS 39209-4121
- 20 ELLIS, JOHNSON  
Would like to correspond with any descendants of Oliver M. Ellis b 2 Nov 1855, Madison Co., AL, d 7 Jan 1927 in Clarksdale, MS, m Mary Johnson in 1888. Sons: Curry and Charles Ellis of Clarksdale, MS, two daus, Mrs. Henry Harris of Clarksdale and Mrs. J. P. Moore of Biloxi, MS.  
Mrs. Sam W. Stovall, 2718 King James Ct., Webster, TX 77598
- 21 HOLDER, CARLTON  
Need info on date and place of death after 1880 of Margaret (Holder) Carlton, wife of John Winston Carlton of Jackson Co., AL. Also need info on her parents.  
Lt. Col. George H. Carlton, 101 Noel, Waxahachie, TX 75165



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